



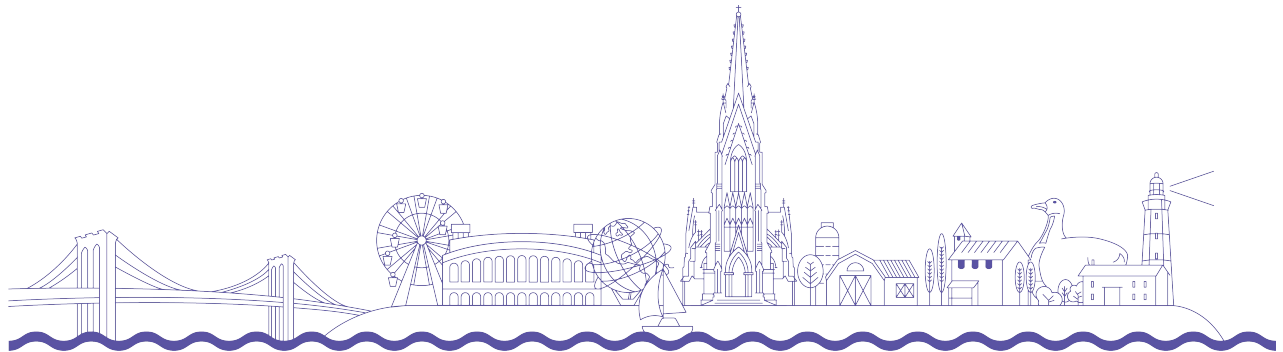
**ELECTING
CONVENTION**
for the NINTH BISHOP OF LONG ISLAND

Mass of the Holy Spirit

Cathedral of the Incarnation

Saturday April 18, 2026

At ten o'clock in the morning



All Stand

Bishop: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

The procession moves to the altar as we sing

1. Come, Ho - ly ghost, Cre - a - tor blest, And in our
2. O Com - fort - er, to thee we cry, Thou heav'n - ly
3. O Ho - ly Ghost, through thee a - lone, Know we the
4. Praise we the Lord, Fa - ther and Son, And Ho - ly

1. hearts_ take up_ thy rest;_ Come with thy grace_
2. gift_ of God_ most high;_ Thou fount of life,_
3. Fa - ther and_ the Son;_ Be this our firm_
4. Spir - it with_ them one;_ And may the Son_

1. and heav'n - ly aid_ To fill the hearts_ which_ thou hast
2. and fire of love,_ And sweet a - noint - ing_ from a -
3. un - chang - ing creed,_ That thou dost from_ them_ both pro -
4. on us be - stow_ All gifts that from_ the_ Spir - it

1. made,_ To fill the hearts_ which_ thou_ hast made.
2. bove,_ And sweet a - noint - ing_ from_ a - bove.
3. ceed,_ That thou dost from_ them_ both_ pro - ceed.
4. flow,_ All gifts that from_ the_ Spir - it flow.

The Collect of the Day

Bishop: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Bishop: Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God, grant that by the indwelling of your Holy Spirit we may be enlightened and strengthened for your service; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

All are seated

A Reading from the Book Isaiah (61:1-3) *Read in Spanish*

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn, to provide for those who mourn in Zion—to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, to display his glory.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 139

The Psalm is read responsively between the lector and the congregation.

1 LORD, you have searched me out and known me; * you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

2 **You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
and are acquainted with all my ways.**

3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
but you, O LORD, know it altogether.

4 **You press upon me behind and before *
and lay your hand upon me.**

5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

6 **Where can I go then from your Spirit? *
where can I flee from your presence?**

7 If I climb up to heaven, you are there; *
 if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.
 8 **If I take the wings of the morning ***
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
 9 Even there your hand will lead me *
 and your right hand hold me fast.

All stand as the cantor chants the Alleluia verse, repeated by the congregation



The Deacon reads the Gospel (In Haitian Creole)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (11:9-13)

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

“So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for a fish, would give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asked for an egg, would give a scorpion? If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

At the invitation of the Bishop, all are seated.

The Homily

The Nicene Creed *All standing*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy

Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Deacon: Let us offer our prayers for the Church and for the World.

Intercessor: In the power of the Holy Spirit, may we be faithful witness to the Risen Christ living among us, that all may know the power of his forgiveness and the hope of his resurrection. Lord hear us:

People: **Lord graciously hear us.**

Intercessor: Bless our Bishops Lawrence, Geralyn and William, the clergy of this diocese and all our people. Grant that your Word may be truly preached and truly heard, your sacraments faithfully administered and faithfully received, and by your Holy Spirit may we all be of one heart, and soul, in one bond of peace, faith, and charity. Lord hear us:

People: **Lord graciously hear us.**

Intercessor: Bless Adam, Hickman, and Michael, persuaded to stand for election as our Bishop this day. Lord hear us:

Intercessor: Bless the leaders of our nation, our state, and communities that we may be a people at peace among ourselves. May war and violence cease and may all peoples be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace. Lord hear us:

People: **Lord graciously hear us.**

We remember before you all the poor and neglected persons, the homeless and the destitute, the old, and the sick, and all who have no one to care for them. Lord hear us:

People: **Lord graciously hear us.**

Bishop: Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church and so guide the minds of those here gathered who shall choose a bishop for this Diocese, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

Bishop: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People : **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord. The Bishop bids an Offertory sentence.

The Liturgy of the Table

The choir sings the following anthem as the altar is prepared.

Howard Helvey "O lux Beatissima"

*O lux beatissima,
Reple cordis intima
Tuorum fidelium.
Sine tuo numine,
Nihil est in homine,
Nihil est innoxium.*

*O Light most blessed,
Fill the inmost heart
Of all thy faithful.
Without your grace,
There is nothing in us,
Nothing that is not harmful.*

Text from the Sequence Veni Sancte Spiritus. Attr. Stephen Langton (d.1228)

Bishop: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Bishop: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Bishop: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

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We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Bishop and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Bishop breaks the consecrated Bread.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

1 Come, ris - en Lord, and deign to be our guest;
 2 We meet, as in that up - per room they met;
 3 One bo - dy we, one Bo - dy who par - take,
 4 One with each o - ther, Lord, for one in thee,

nay, let us be thy guests; the feast is thine;
 thou at the ta - ble, bless - ing, yet dost stand:
 one Church u - ni - ted in com - mun - ion blest;
 who art one Sa - vior and one liv - ing Head;

thy - self at thine own board make man - i - fest
 "This is my Bo - dy"; so thou giv - est yet:
 one Name we bear, one Bread of life we break,
 then o - pen thou our eyes, that we may see;

in thine own Sac - ra - ment of Bread and Wine.
 faith still re - ceives the cup as from thy hand.
 with all thy saints on earth and saints at rest.
 be known to us in break - ing of the Bread.

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The choir sings an anthem by Thomas Tallis:

If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he will give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth.[John 14:15]

Time permitting, the congregation sings the following the refrain, the verses sung by a cantor:

Taste and see. Taste and see the good - ness
of the Lord. O Taste and see. Taste and
see the good - ness of the Lord, of the Lord. **Fine**

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After Communion, the Bishop says

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

All join in singing the antiphon and repeat as the choir sings the verses

Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus.

The Blessing

Bishop: Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

People : **The maker of heaven and earth.**

Bishop: Blessed be the Name of the Lord;

People: **From this time forth for evermore.**

Bishop : The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty, the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

There is no dismissal, as we now continue the prayerful work of the electing convention.

Participants in today's liturgy:

Celebrant and Homilist: The Rt. Rev. Lawrence C. Provenzano, Bishop of Long Island

Chaplain to the Electing Convention: The Rt. Rev. R. William Franklin, Assisting Bishop

Bishops' Liturgists: The Very Rev. Cn. Daniel Ade and The Very Rev. Cn. Mark Kowalewski

Deacon of the Mass: The Rev. Myldred Previl

Many thanks to Chelsy DeHart, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries, for coordinating the youth presence in this liturgy.

Torch Bearers: Rory Campbell, Ian Chung

Cross Bearer: Aurora Campbell

Psalm Reader: Emma Chung

Gospel Reader: Alejandra Tacan

Prayers of the People Reader: Emily Brro

Chalice Bearers: Andrew Wright, Elizabeth Wright, Chelsy DeHart



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Ballot 1

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Ballot 6

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SNIFFEN		

Ballot 7

CANDIDATE	CLERGY	LAY
ALEXANDRE		
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SNIFFEN		

This election is a vote by orders. To be elected, a candidate must receive a majority in both the lay and clergy orders.

Needed to Elect: Clergy _____ Lay _____

Schedule

8:30 AM Registration Opens

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist

11:30 AM Electing Convention Convenes

1:00 PM Lunch

2:00 PM Return to Order

Important Reminders

- Do not leave during voting or after an election until all business and necessary documents have been signed and executed.
- Please remain seated and quiet between votes while the results are tabulated
- All voting members of convention must sign the Canonical Testimonial of the Election of a Bishop which will be available for signature at the conclusion of business today.