

FAREWELL JOURNAL

The Rt. Rev. Lawrence C. Provenzano

Eighth Bishop of Long Island



In Heartfelt Appreciation

The Right Reverend
Lawrence C. Provenzano

Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Long Island

Thank you, Bishop Provenzano, for nearly two decades of faithful leadership, generous spirit, and steady grace.

For fourteen of those years, our family has been part of the healthcare system and the diocese you shepherded — and for the last two, it has been our privilege to serve alongside you in its leadership. Your confidence, your counsel, and your care have meant more to us than words can easily hold.

Your ministry has reached far beyond pulpits and parishes — into homes, into hospitals, and into the quiet corners of lives where encouragement was needed most. We have been blessed to witness your leadership up close, and to be shaped by it.

As you close this chapter, we give thanks for all you have given to our healthcare system, to our community, and to our family.

May the road ahead be filled with rest, joy, and every good blessing.

With love and gratitude,

The Morrish Family

The Board of Directors of Episcopal Health Services
proudly and gratefully honors

The Right Reverend Lawrence C. Provenzano

Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Long Island

For his faithful and visionary leadership as a member of our Board of Directors — and for his abiding belief that the work of Episcopal Health Services and St. John's Episcopal Hospital is, at its heart, a sacred calling.

Bishop Provenzano carried into every boardroom the same pastoral wisdom and moral clarity that guided his ministry — reminding us that behind every decision is a patient, a family, and a community that deserves our very best. His counsel was a gift. His example, an inspiration.

We are honored to have served alongside him. We are better stewards of our mission because of him.

May your retirement be filled with the peace, rest, and joy you have so generously given to others





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Bishop Provenzano,

Thank you for seventeen incredible years of leadership. As your staff, we have been honored to serve alongside you in the work to "Be the Church" from the Brooklyn Bridge to Montauk Point.

Together, we have truly become One Diocese, serving One Mission.

As you move into this next chapter, know how deeply you have touched each of us—from those who have joined the team recently to those who have served with you since the very beginning of your episcopate.

A blessed and happy retirement!

Sincerely,

The Bishop's Staff

of the Episcopal Diocese of Long Island



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*Congratulations and thanksgiving
to Bishop Provenzano
for your faithful ministry!*

From your friends at All Saints' Church in Park Slope

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All Saints' Episcopal Church, Baldwin

THANKS

Bishop Lawrence Provenzano

**for his ministry, guidance, and support
these 17 years, and we pray God's continued
blessings on him and his family.**

*You did not choose me, but I chose you.
And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last.*

-John 15:16a-

thank you



Dear Bishop Provenzano,

We extend our deepest and most heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering support and generous service to the historic 324-year-old St. George's Church in Flushing. As the only trilingual parish and the largest Asian ministry in the diocese, your constant encouragement and pastoral care have touched us profoundly. Your guidance has not only strengthened the spiritual life of our community but has also deepened our commitment to inclusivity, unity, and love among God's people.

In a time of urgent need, your swift and compassionate action in coordinating a temporary boiler and overseeing its full installation was nothing short of a blessing. Thanks to your thoughtful leadership and genuine care, our church family was able to continue worshiping, serving, and gathering without interruption. We are forever grateful for how you stood with us in that critical moment. We will always cherish and remember your profound love for the people of God. Your dedication, humility, and steadfast pastoral commitment have left an indelible mark on the heart of St. George's.

Even as you retire from your role as diocesan bishop, you will forever remain a beloved and treasured part of the St. George's family.

With joyful anticipation, we sincerely hope and pray that you will join us as we celebrate our 325th Anniversary in 2027. We are confident that the newly elected bishop will warmly support your presence with us on this special milestone. You and your beloved family are continually held in our thoughts and prayers.

May God continue to bless you abundantly with peace, joy, and good health in this new chapter of your life.

With profound thanks and enduring affection,

From St. George's Church, Flushing Family



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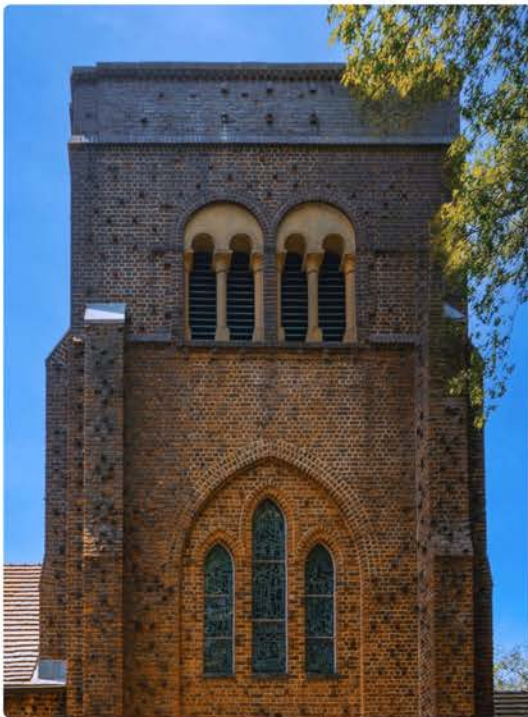
RMM gives great thanks
to Bishop Provenzano
for his leadership
in establishing our
center in Riverhead.

Sisters of
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Uniting all in
God's love
BRENTWOOD, NY

With Gratitude for your
Visionary Leadership
& Partnership
in Service of all
God's People



THE RECTOR, WARDENS, VESTRY, *and* PARISH of St LUKE's

Thank Bishop Provenzano for
his years of faithful leadership



Wish him and Jeanne many blessings
in their future endeavors

85 Greenway South, Forest Hills, New York



ST. JOHN'S
of
LATTINGTOWN

Blessings on your
retirement,
Bishop Provenzano!

We are so grateful for your faithful
leadership, love, and care.

— St. John's of Lattingtown

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*Thank You
Bishop Provenzano*

"And a glad sound comes with
the setting sun, 'Servant, well done'"

Father Byrne, the Vestry and Members of
Grace Church, Whitestone offer our
appreciation for your faithful and inspiring
ministry among us.

May your retirement be a time of great joy!



**THANK YOU
BISHOP PROVENZANO**

Throughout your episcopate, you have been
a true shepherd of your flock in Bayside.

Your presence and support have made our
celebrations more joyful and our challenges
more manageable.

Fr. Byrne, the Vestry, and the parishioners of
All Saints wish you much happiness and God's
blessing as you enter the next chapter of your
life and ministry.





The Rector, Vestry and Parishioners
joyfully celebrate and honor
THE RIGHT REVEREND
LAWRENCE C. PROVENZANO
ON HIS RETIREMENT,

WITH GRATITUDE FOR HIS 17 YEARS OF
DEDICATED SERVICE, FAITHFUL LEADERSHIP,
AND UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO
GOD'S PEOPLE AND THE CHURCH
AS THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE
OF LONG ISLAND.

WITH LOVE AND APPRECIATION

Grace Episcopal Church

155-15 JAMAICA AVENUE
JAMAICA, NY 11434



To: Bishop Lawrence C. Provenzano

From: The Rector, Rev. Cn. Frederick Opare-Addo, Wardens, Vestry, and congregation of Church of St. John the Evangelist, South Ozone Park

As you step into this new chapter of your life (Retirement), we send you heartfelt gratitude. Thank you for your bountiful support to our Parish. Your faithful leadership has been a beacon of hope and your investment in the Diocese and more particularly in our Parish, has made a lasting difference. We pray that God keep you safe and well. May He continue to bless you and your family wherever you may go, that you live out the dreams you've earned.

Wishing you a peaceful Retirement filled with God's loving presence.

*"The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in
from this time forth and forevermore. Amen!"*

– Psalm 121:8 –

PASSING THE SPIRIT FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION
"Celebrating 125 Years 1901-2026"



St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Roosevelt

With grateful hearts, the Priest-in-Charge, the Rev. Denzil Hinds, the Bishop's Committee, and the congregation of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Roosevelt, give thanks for Bishop Provenzano's 17 years of faithful ministry among us. Your pastoral leadership, steady witness, and love for God's people have strengthened our parish and our diocese. As you begin this next chapter, we offer our prayers and blessings for continued joy, good health, and God's abiding peace.

Fr. Denzil Hinds
Priest in Charge

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St. Stephen & St. Martin's Episcopal Church

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A Legacy of Faith and Leadership

CELEBRATING THE MINISTRY OF THE RT. REV. LAWRENCE C. PROVENZANO



The Clergy, Wardens, Vestry, and Parishioners of
St. Stephen & St. Martin's Episcopal Church
join together in prayerful gratitude to honor the
dedicated service of our beloved Eighth Bishop
of the Episcopal Diocese of Long Island,
The Rt. Rev. Lawrence C. Provenzano.

Well done, good and faithful servant.

Matthew 25:23

✠ BISHOP PROVENZANO,

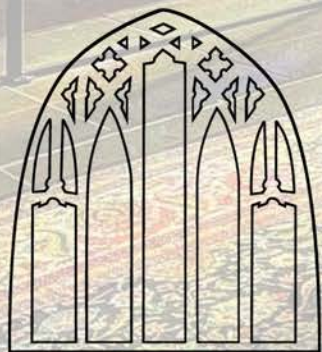
THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR MINISTRY AS OUR BISHOP! WE ARE SO THANKFUL FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, GUIDANCE, AND PRAYER.

WE PRAY THAT YOUR RETIREMENT IS PRAYERFUL, RESTFUL, AND JOYOUS.

ENJOY THE EAST END!

EVERY BLESSING,

YOUR FRIENDS AT CHRIST CHURCH, MANHASSET



Christ Church
Episcopal

~ est. 1802 ~

“O GOD, MY HEART IS READY,
MY HEART IS READY!” Ps. 108:1

GRACE CHURCH

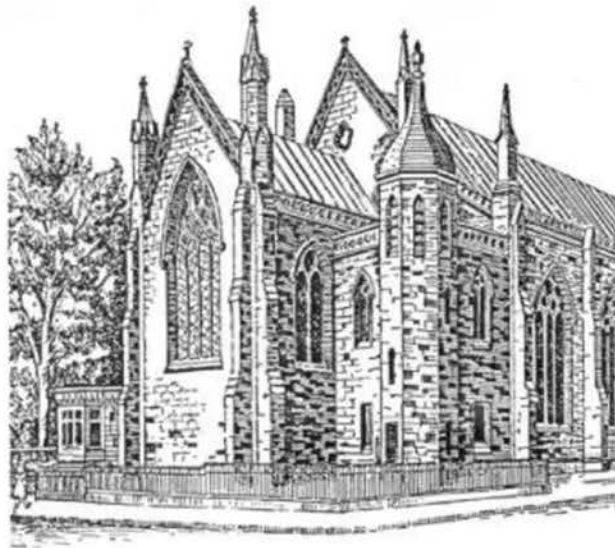
BROOKLYN HEIGHTS

The Clergy, Wardens, Vestry & People of Grace Church Brooklyn Heights
extend appreciation to

The Rt. Rev. Lawrence C. Provenzano
for your leadership and service to
The Episcopal Diocese of Long Island.

We pray God's blessing on you, Jeanne and your family for peace, joy and
many adventures in retirement.

*May God give you heaven's dew and earth's richness—
an abundance of grain and new wine.
-Genesis 27:28*



The Reverend Dr. Allen F. Robinson, *Rector*
The Reverend Erika K. Meyer, *Associate Rector*
The Reverend Leandra Lisa Lambert, *Associate Rector*
Paul Richard Olson, *Organist and Choirmaster*
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Felipe Guerra & Juan Bobodilla, *Sextons*

With Gratitude for a Faithful Ministry

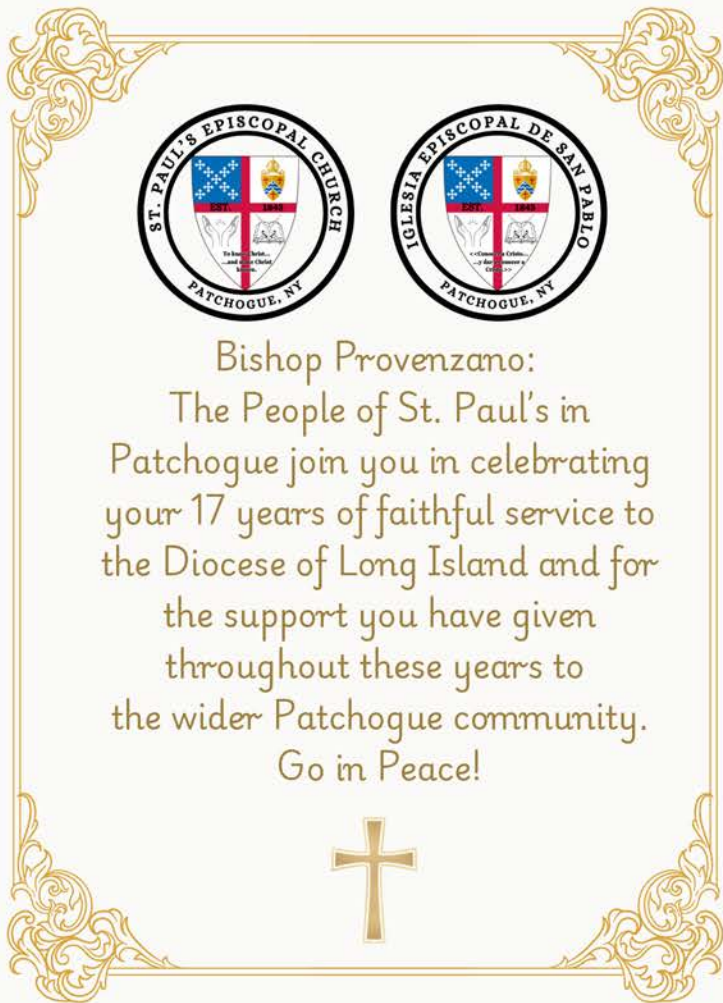
On behalf of all of us at Journeys Unlimited, and especially our President, Nick Mancino, we offer our heartfelt gratitude for your years of devoted leadership to the Diocese of Long Island.

Your ministry has touched many lives, and your personal kindness and presence have left a lasting impression on those who have had the privilege to know you.

We wish you every blessing in this next chapter—good health, time with family, and continued joy in the years ahead.

With appreciation and prayers,

Journeys Unlimited



Bishop Provenzano:

The People of St. Paul's in Patchogue join you in celebrating your 17 years of faithful service to the Diocese of Long Island and for the support you have given throughout these years to the wider Patchogue community.

Go in Peace!



Farewell and Gratitude **The Rt. Rev. Lawrence C. Provenzano**



Confirmation



Confirmation



Bowling with the Bishop



With heartfelt gratitude, St. John's Episcopal Church, Springfield Gardens, thanks you for your faithful service as the Eighth Bishop of Long Island. May God continue to bless you in all that lies ahead.

St. David's Church, Cambria Heights

Honors the Rt. Rev. Lawrence C. Provenzano for seventeen years of faithful service to the Diocese of Long Island.

Thank you for your leadership, compassion, and dedication to God's People. Your ministry has been a blessing to so many.



PEACE, JOY AND GOD'S BLESSINGS TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY AS YOU BEGIN THE NEXT CHAPTER.



Grateful for you and your servant ministry among us,
Bishop Provenzano. Godspeed!



CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES
BISHOP PROVENZANO ON YOUR RETIREMENT.
MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS YOU WITH HIS FAVOR!

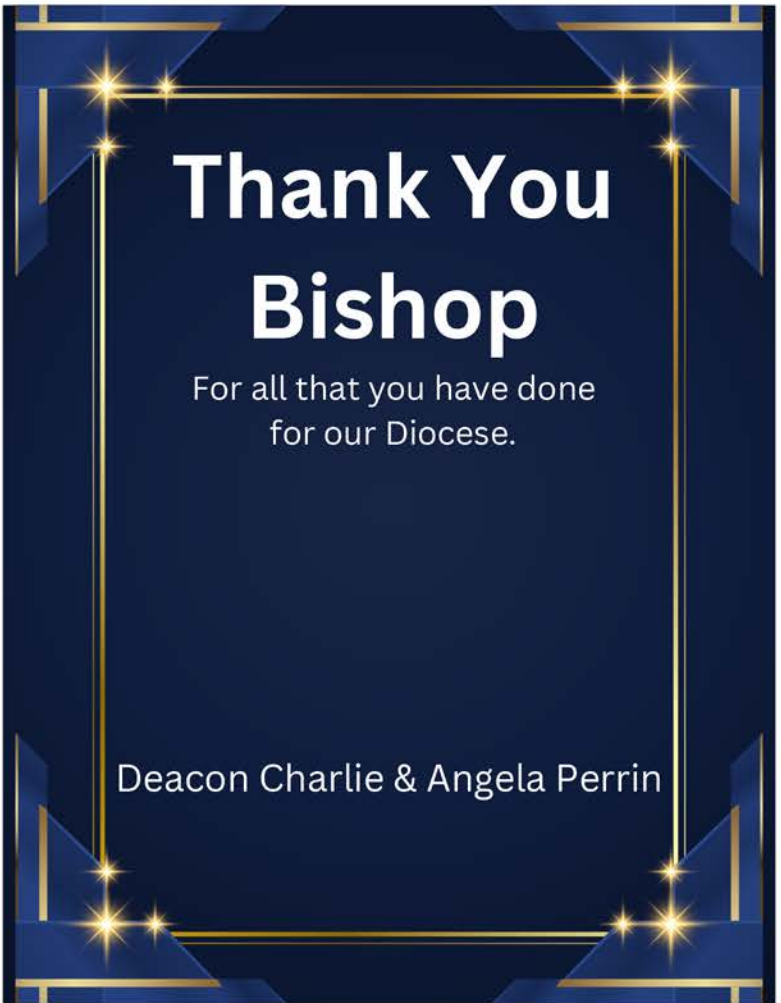


MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS YOU WITH HIS FAVOR!
Wendy Small-Brassell.



LONG ISLAND
JOBS *with* JUSTICE

With gratitude, we honor the
Rt. Rev. Lawrence C. Provenzano
for his faithful leadership and tireless
advocacy for peace and justice.
His ministry has helped uplift workers,
strengthen communities, and bring
moral clarity to the fight for dignity
and equity. We celebrate his legacy
and thank him for his enduring
commitment to a more
compassionate world.





VERGERS GUILD
of the **EPISCOPAL CHURCH**
 DIOCESE OF LONG ISLAND CHAPTER

With Gratitude and Admiration.
 The vergers of the diocese honor and give thanks for Bishop Provenzano whose vision and faithfulness gave birth to our Chapter in 2024, and planted and nourished dozens of verger ministries since then. Your leadership has been a steady lantern for this diocese and a blessing to all who serve at the altar.
Bene gessit.



**Thank you,
 BISHOP**


May your years of faithful service be returned to you a hundredfold in joy, rest, and peace as you enter this new and holy season of life.

(Now you can regrow your post-sabbatical beard!)




With Love, Hope, and Gratitude,



ZION
 Douglaston

From his consecration, through seventeen conventions and countless events, it has been the Diocesan Altar Guild's honor and pleasure to serve with Bishop Provenzano. We thank him for his support of the DAG's ministry and wish him many happy and fulfilling years in retirement.


Bishop Lawrence Provenzano –

With gratitude and love for seventeen years of faithful leadership — for an elevator and accessibility, for a reseated nave and a renovated See House, for a dog park that made everyone smile, and for a Cathedral that is more beautiful, more welcoming, and more fully itself because of his vision and care.



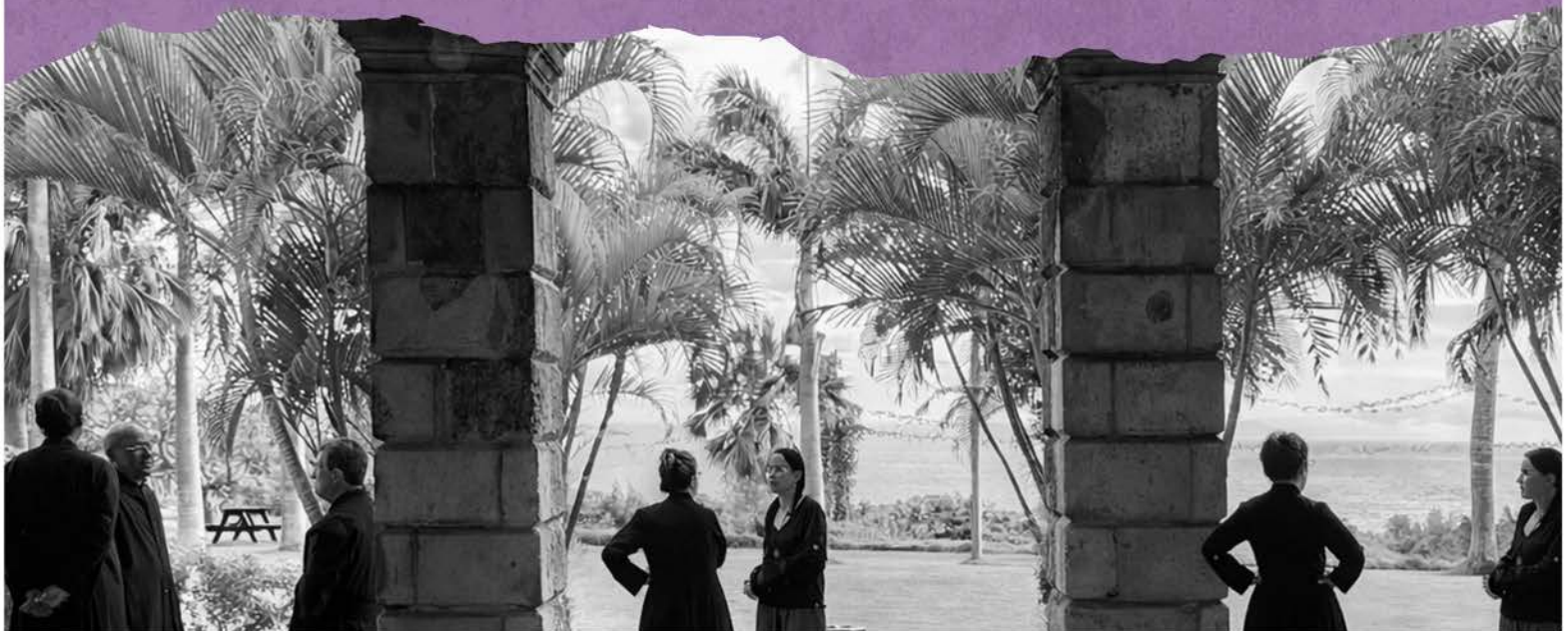
CATHEDRAL *of the* INCARNATION





Wishing you peace and fulfillment in the next chapter of your ministry.

Your work will long resonate in the lives you've helped shepherd and the diocese you've shaped throughout your ambitious and dedicated life in the Church.





EPISCOPAL
MINISTRIES
OF LONG ISLAND

BROOKLYN
QUEENS
NASSAU
SUFFOLK

THANK YOU

From all of the ministries you
made possible by your leadership.



Bishop Provenzano,

You believed that the Church is most authentic when it is closest to those in need. Your conviction formed our organization, and strengthened the ministries that feed the hungry, shelter the vulnerable, and accompany the lonely across the diocese.

The work you championed here, the parishes you supported, the grants you made possible, the people who were served because you said yes to this mission — that legacy is alive and growing.

Thank you for seventeen years of faithful, courageous leadership.

— Episcopal Ministries of Long Island





Dear Bishop Provenzano,

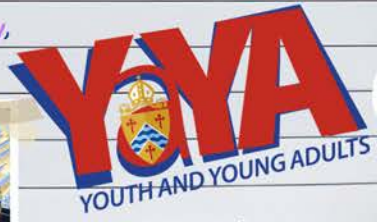
Thank you for being such a steady and inspiring presence in the life of Youth and Young Adult Ministry here in the Diocese of Long Island. Your encouragement, wisdom, and genuine care have shaped so many moments that will stay with us long after the events end and the programs wrap up.

You've shown us what it means to lead with both faith and heart. You listen deeply, show up consistently, and remind us that our voices and gifts matter in the life of the Church.

Because of you, young people across our communities feel seen, valued, and called to something meaningful. If this were a yearbook, we'd say: "Most likely to remind us why we do what we do."

Thank you for believing in this ministry and in all of us who are part of it.

With gratitude and joy,





Dear Bishop Provenzano,

As you enter this well-earned chapter of retirement, the New York City Nurses Honor Guard, Inc., offers its deepest gratitude and heartfelt congratulations.

Your service has reflected unwavering commitment, dignity, and compassion—qualities that have brought honor not only to the nursing profession but to every family and community you have accompanied in moments of solemn remembrance. Through your leadership and faithful presence, you have helped ensure that those who dedicated their lives to caring for others were themselves honored with reverence and respect.

You have modeled servant leadership at its finest—quietly steadfast, deeply humane, and rooted in integrity. The legacy you leave is one of excellence and grace, and its impact will endure in the lives of those you mentored and the many ceremonies shaped by your care. As you embrace this new season, may it be filled with peace, renewal, and the joy of knowing that your work has made a lasting difference. We wish you every blessing and continued fulfillment in this next chapter of life.

Respectfully,

Dr. Michelle A. Chester
Founder and President
New York City Nurse Honor Guard Inc.





In grateful appreciation
for your 17 years of service

The Board of
The Episcopal Church Women
Diocese of Long Island



May 16, 2026

Dear Bishop Provenzano,

Congratulations as you approach your retirement after 17 years of faithful and devoted service as Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Long Island. Your leadership, compassion, and steadfast commitment to the people and parishes you have served have left a lasting and meaningful legacy.

Throughout your ministry, you have guided the Diocese with wisdom, grace, and a deep sense of purpose. Your care for others and dedication to the Church have touched countless lives, strengthening communities and inspiring faith across Long Island.

As you enter this new chapter, may it be filled with rest, joy and many opportunities to spend meaningful time with your family and loved ones. May the years ahead bring you continued fulfillment, good health, and abundant blessings.

With heartfelt gratitude and warmest congratulations,

The Vestry & Parish Family
Church of the Advent
Westbury, NY



EPISCOPAL REAL ESTATE
OF LONG ISLAND

BROOKLYN • QUEENS • NASSAU • SUFFOLK

Bishop Provenzano —

Your leadership has served as the guiding light in reforming the diocesan approach to real estate by framing it as a resource to amplify ministry rather than a burden. In doing so, you have shaped a lasting legacy within the Church and beyond.

With deep gratitude and appreciation for your many years of service, Episcopal Real Estate of Long Island wishes you peace and fulfillment in your next season of life and ministry.



In Honor of a Legacy of Leadership



The Medical Staff of Episcopal Health Services extends our deepest gratitude and congratulations to

The Right Reverend Lawrence C. Provenzano

On the occasion of your retirement and in celebration of your 17 years of visionary service and unwavering commitment to our community.

Your leadership has been the compass that guided our clinical mission. Your legacy is woven into the very fabric of our healing institution. You understood that a hospital is not just a collection of buildings but a sanctuary of trust. You have walked with us through challenges and celebrated our milestones with equal conviction, while reminding us that the human connection is the foundation of healing.

With appreciation and admiration,

The Medical Staff of Episcopal Health Services



With Profound Gratitude

The Right Reverend
Lawrence C. Provenzano

Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Long Island

For nearly two decades, you have been a steadfast shepherd to our diocese and a guiding leader to Episcopal Health Services. Your wisdom has guided us, your compassion has inspired us, and your unwavering advocacy for the most vulnerable among us has shaped who we are as a ministry of healing.

Through seasons of trial and seasons of grace — from the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy to the long nights of a pandemic, and through every quieter challenge in between — you stood with St. John's Episcopal Hospital and the Rockaway community we are privileged to serve. You reminded us, always, that our work is sacred, that every patient bears the image of God, and that our mission as a hospital is inseparable from the Gospel we share.

As you complete this remarkable chapter of episcopal service, we offer our deepest thanks — for your leadership, your prayers, your pastoral presence, and your enduring belief in the ministry entrusted to our care. The Rockaway Peninsula is healthier, stronger, and more hopeful because of you.

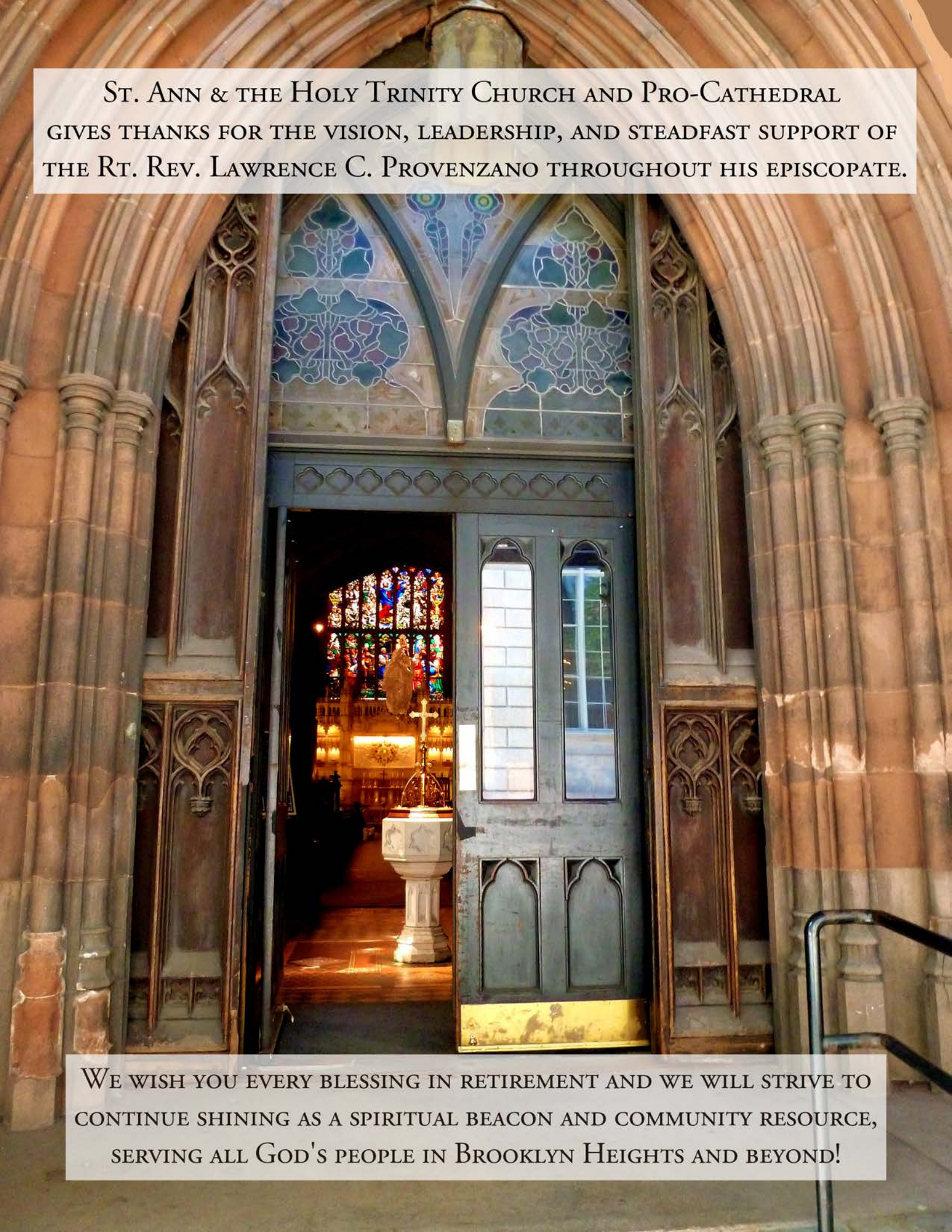
May the God who called you bless you abundantly in all that lies ahead.

With gratitude and respect,

The Executive Team
Episcopal Health Services, St. John's Episcopal Hospital



ST. ANN & THE HOLY TRINITY CHURCH AND PRO-CATHEDRAL
GIVES THANKS FOR THE VISION, LEADERSHIP, AND STEADFAST SUPPORT OF
THE RT. REV. LAWRENCE C. PROVENZANO THROUGHOUT HIS EPISCOPATE.



WE WISH YOU EVERY BLESSING IN RETIREMENT AND WE WILL STRIVE TO
CONTINUE SHINING AS A SPIRITUAL BEACON AND COMMUNITY RESOURCE,
SERVING ALL GOD'S PEOPLE IN BROOKLYN HEIGHTS AND BEYOND!