

Diocese of Fredericton
Roles, Committees, Elections & Appointments
Last Updated: 1 December 2023

Diocesan Bishop The Most Rev. David Edwards

Commissary The Very Rev. Geoffrey Hall

Dean of Fredericton The Very Rev. Geoffrey Hall

Executive Officer The Rev. David Peer

<u>Archdeacons</u>		<u>Term End</u>
Chatham	The Ven. Perry Cooper	Jan. 31, 2026
Fredericton	The Ven. Paul Ranson	Feb. 28, 2026
Kingston & the Kennebecasis	The Ven. Rob Marsh	Sept. 30, 2024
Moncton	The Ven. Brent Ham	Oct. 7, 2026
Saint John	The Ven. Leo Martin	Aug. 31, 2025
St. Andrews	The Ven. John Matheson	Oct. 13, 2024
Woodstock	Mr. Shawn Branch, bishop's liaison	

<u>Regional Deans</u>		
Chaleur-Miramichi	The Rev. Canon Gerald Laskey	May 31, 2024
Fredericton	The Rev. Robert Langmaid	Nov. 30, 2024
York	The Rev. Neil Osiowy	Oct. 31, 2025
Kingston-Kennebecasis	The Rev. Robert Montgomery	Oct. 31, 2026
St. Andrews	The Rev. Caleb Twinamatsiko	Jan. 31, 2026
Saint John	The Rev. Steven Scribner	Jan. 31, 2024
Shediac	The Rev. Chris Hayes	Apr. 15, 2025
Woodstock	The Rev. Canon Fran Bedell	Apr. 30, 2025

Diocesan Council Membership

Ex-officio, Bishop	The Most Rev. David Edwards, Chair	
Dean	The Very Rev. Geoffrey Hall	
Chancellor	Mr. David Bell	
Active Archdeacons	The Ven. Perry Cooper	
	The Ven. Brent Ham	
	The Ven. Robert Marsh	
	The Ven. Leo Martin	
	The Ven. John Matheson	
	The Ven. Paul Ranson	
Secretary of the Synod	The Rev. David Peer	
Treasurer of the Synod	Vacant	
Finance Committee Chair	Ms. Susan Jack, Lay Vice-Chair	
ACW President	Ms. Jill Stewart	
Youth Member	Ms. Margaret Holder	Year 1
Members at Large (up to 3)	Mr. Connor DeMerchant	Year 1
	Capt. Bonnie Hunt	Year 1
	Mr. Anthony (Tony) Munn	Year 1

Elected Membership:

Chatham	The Rev. Canon Gerald Laskey (Derby & Blackville)	Year 1
	Ms. Laura McNulty (New Bandon)	Year 1

Fredericton	The Rev. Neil Osiowy	Year 1
	Ms. Nancy Stephens (Douglas and Nashwaaksis)	Year 1
Kingston and Kennebecasis	The Rev. Robert Montgomery (Gondola Point)	Year 1
	Mr. Robert Taylor (Rothsay)	Year 6
Moncton	The Rev. Julian Pillay (Riverview)	Year 1
	Mr. Michael Briggs (St. Philip's)	Year 1
Saint John	The Rev. Jasmine Chandra (St. Mark, SJ)	Year 1
	Mr. Trevor Fotheringham (Fundy and the Lakes)	Year 1
St. Andrews	The Rev. Robert Cheatley (St. Andrews)	Year 1
	Ms. Martha Barker (St. George)	Year 1
Woodstock	The Rev. Robert LeBlanc (WWPA)	Year 6
	Ms. Marilyn Wilson (Richmond)	Year 1

Diocesan Council Executive Committee

Ex-officio, Bishop	The Most Rev. David Edwards
Lay Members (min. 6)	Mr. David Bell, Chancellor
	Mr. Michael Briggs
	Treasurer of the Synod
	Ms. Susan Jack
	Ms. Laura McNulty
	Mr. Robert Taylor
Clergy Members (min. 6)	The Ven. Perry Cooper
	The Very Rev. Geoffrey Hall, Dean
	The Ven. Brent Ham
	The Rev. Robert LeBlanc
	The Rev. David Peer, Secretary of Synod
	Vacant position

Delegates and Substitutes to Provincial Synod

Clergy	The Rev. Canon Cathy Laskey
	The Rev. David Peer
Laity	Ms. Shara Golden
	Mr. Robert Taylor
Youth	Mr. J. Christopher Pillay

Delegates and Substitutes to General Synod

Clergy	The Rev. Canon Cathy Laskey
	The Rev. Ann Fairweather
	The Rev. Canon Wandlyn Snelgrove
	The Ven. Paul Ranson
	The Rev. Bob LeBlanc
	The Rev. Gerry Laskey
Laity	Mr. David Bell
	Dr. Ken Brien
	Ms. Laura McNulty
Youth	Mr. Eric Beek

Standing Committees & Subcommittees

Constitution & Canons

Ex-officio, Bishop	The Most Rev. David Edwards
Ex-officio, Chancellor	Mr. David Bell, Chair
Ex-officio, Vice-Chancellor	Dr. Kelly VanBuskirk, K.C., Vice-Chair
Members (min. 10)	Mr. Clarence Bennett, K.C. The Very Rev. Geoffrey Hall, Dean of Fredericton The Rev. Canon Dr. Ross Hebb Mr. Terry Hutchinson, K.C. Dr. Dennis Klinck Mrs. Siobhan Laskey The Rev. David Peer Ms. Barbara Richards Mrs. Deirdre Wade, K.C. Mrs. Ann Whiteway Brown, K.C.

Finance Committee

Ex-officio, Bishop	The Most Rev. David Edwards
Dean of Fredericton	The Very Rev. Geoffrey Hall
Secretary of the Synod	The Rev. David Peer
Treasurer of the Synod	Vacant
Chancellor	Mr. David Bell
Archdeacon	The Ven. Robert Marsh
Members (6 min., 4 Lay)	The Rev. Canon David Barrett, Vice-Chair Mr. Gilbert Carter Mr. Scott Fairweather Mr. Jim Knight Ms. Susan Jack, Chair Ms. Laura McNulty

Human Resources Committee

Ex-officio: Bishop	The Most Rev. David Edwards
Secretary of Synod	The Rev. David Peer
Diocesan Personnel Officer	Mr. Ben Bourque
Archdeacon	The Ven. Brent Ham
Clergy Members (min. 3)	The Ven. Perry Cooper The Rev. Robert Langmaid The Rev. Canon Jon Lownds
Lay Members (min. 3)	Ms. Kathy Asch Mr. Michael Briggs Mr. Anthony Munn Ms. Nancy Stephens

Nominating Committee

Ex-officio, Bishop	The Most Rev. David Edwards
Bishop's Representative	
Diocesan Council	Mr. Robert Taylor, Chair
Members at Large (min. 2)	The Rev. Ann Fairweather Mr. Trevor Holder

Property Committee (Sub-committee of Finance)

Ex-officio: Chair of Finance	Ms. Susan Jack
Secretary of the Synod	The Rev. David Peer
Treasurer of the Synod	Vacant
Members	Mr. Michael Briggs
(7-9)	Mrs. Claire Fracker
	Mr. Jim Knight, Chair
	The Rev. Robert LeBlanc
	The Ven. Robert Marsh, Vice-Chair
	The Rev. Michael O'Hara
	The Rev. Steven Scribner
	Mr. William Tracy

Investment Committee (Sub-committee of Finance)

Ex-officio, Bishop	The Most Rev. David Edwards
	Mr. Michael Briggs
	Mr. Scott Fairweather, Chair (interim)
	The Rev. David Peer
	The Hon. Ronald Stevenson

Diocesan Council Teams

The Diocesan Council Teams structure is currently under review.

Other Committees

Archives Committee

Ex officio, Bishop	The Most Rev. David Edwards
Diocesan Archivist	Mrs. Lorna Williams
Provincial Archives	Julia Thompson, interim
Secretary of Synod	The Rev. David Peer
Members	The Rev. Canon David Barrett
	Canon Charles Ferris, Vice-Chair

Communications Committee

Ex officio, Bishop	The Most Rev. David Edwards
Communications Officer	Ms. Gisele McKnight
Members	Ms. Debra Best
	Mr. Shawn Branch
	The Ven. Paul Ranson

Companion Diocese Committee

Ex officio, Bishop	The Most Rev. David Edwards
Members	Mr. Robbie Griffin, Chair
	Ms. Lilian Ketch
	Ms. Gisele McKnight
	Mr. Robert Taylor

Misconduct Committee

Members	Mrs. Shara Golden
	Mrs. Susan Jack, Chair
	The Rev. Canon Gregory McMullin

Panel of Investigators Professor John McEvoy
Mrs. Elizabeth Chisholm
Vacant

Panel of Mediators The Rev. David Alston
Professor John McEvoy
Vacant

Synod Task Force on Racial Justice

The Rev. Thomas Nisbett, **Chair**
Chatham
Fredericton
Kingston & Kennebecasis
Moncton
Saint John
St. Andrews
Woodstock

The Rev. Julian Pillay, **Vice-Chair**
The Rev. Terence Chandra

Other Roles and Groups

Diocesan Ecumenical Officer	The Rev. Robert LeBlanc
Diocesan e-Offering Administrator	Synod staff
Diocesan Misconduct Complaints Officer	Mrs. Ann Whiteway Brown, K.C.
Assistant Misconduct Complaints Officer	Ms. Victoria Hachey
Diocesan Privacy Officer	Mr. Ben Bourque
Diocesan Registrar	The Rev. Canon Jon Lownds
Diocesan Refugee Response Coordinator	Vacant
Diocesan Stewardship Officer	Vacant
PWRDF Coordinator	Mrs. Deborah Edwards
Rothsay Netherwood School Chaplain	The Rev. Robert Montgomery
School of Church Music/Choir School	The Rev. Paul Rideout
Diocesan Representative to Anglican Fellowship of Prayer (Canada)	The Rev. Debbie Edmondson
Diocesan Representative to the Anglican Foundation of Canada	Mr. Clyde Spinney

Anglican Church Women

President / Pickett-Scovil Fund Coordinator	Mrs. Jill Stewart
Vice-President	Mrs. Peggy Boucher
Treasurer	Mrs. Cathy Lutes

Atlantic School of Theology Representatives

Board of Governors	Mr. David Bell	June 30, 2024
	The Rev. Thomas Nisbett	June 30, 2025
Senate		June 30, 2024
AST Founders	The Most Rev. David Edwards	

Diocesan Camps
Camp Brookwood

Director
Board Chair / Contact

(summer position)
The Rev. John Galbraith

Camp Medley

Director

The Rev. John Galbraith

Ecclesiastical Court Pool

Clergy (10)

The Rev. Canon Rod Black
The Rev. Jasmine Chandra
The Rev. Ann Fairweather
The Rev. Bruce Glencross
The Rev. Dr. Daniel Goodwin
The Rev. Canon Sandy MacPherson
The Ven. Leo Martin
The Rev. Canon Richard McConnell
The Rev. Steven Scribner
The Rev. Canon Allen Tapley
Mr. Clarence Bennett, K.C.
Dr. Kenneth Brien
Ms. Janice Cook
Canon Charles Ferris
Mrs. Siobhan Laskey
Ms. Kirsten McKnight
Mrs. Barbara Richards
Mr. Clyde Spinney, K.C.
Mrs. Deidre Wade, K.C.
Mrs. Ann Whiteway Brown, K.C.

Lay (10)

Hospital Chaplaincies

Saint John

Chaplain
Chaplain Support Committee

The Rev. Canon Cathy Laskey
The Rev. Canon Stuart Allan
Mrs. Pam Iype

Fredericton

Chaplain
Spiritual & Religious Care
Advisory Committee

The Ven. John Sharpe
The Rev. Canon Elaine Hamilton
The Rev. Debbie Edmondson

Moncton

Chaplain
Spiritual and Religious Care
Advisory Committee

The Rev. Rufus Onyewuchi

The Ven. Brent Ham

Layreaders

Warden
Archdeaconry Wardens
Chatham
Fredericton
Kingston & the Kenn.

Vacant

The Rev. Rose Steeves, the Rev. Canon Sandy MacPherson
The Rev. Canon Wandlyn Snelgrove
The Rev. David Turner

Moncton	The Rev. Dr. Dan Goodwin, the Rev. Bruce Glencross The Rev. Chris Hayes
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Saint John St. Andrew's Woodstock	Mrs. Linda Ellis The Rev. Canon Fran Bedell
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Mothers' Union

President	Mrs. Joanne Ham
Treasurer	Mrs. Susan Crawford
Chaplain	The Rev. Caleb Twinamatsiko

Provincial Court of Appeal

Lay	Mr. Kelly VanBuskirk Ms. Deidre Wade
Clergy	The Rev. Canon Dr. Ross Hebb The Rev. Canon Richard McConnell

University of Kings College Representatives

Board of Governors	Dr. Gwendolyn Davies	June 30, 2026
	Mr. Hugh Wright	June 30, 2026
	The Most Rev. David Edwards	

Bishop's Office / Synod Office Staff

Executive Officer	The Rev. David Peer
Comptroller	
Personnel Officer	Mr. Ben Bourque
Parish Development Officer	Mr. Shawn Branch
Synod Administrative Assistant	Ms. Susan Dickie
Bishop's Secretary	Ms. Cheryl Jacobs
Bookkeeper	Mr. Justin McCoy
Diocesan Communications Officer	Ms. Gisele McKnight
Director of Camp Medley	The Rev. John Galbraith
Chaplain to Saint John Hospitals	The Rev. Canon Cathy Laskey
Director of Young Adult Formation	Mr. Kurt Schmidt