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May 14, 2007

Dear Members and Friends of the Parish,

Eastertide and its corresponding season of springtime make many references to renewed life, increased vigor, and keen anticipation of the road ahead. All of that has been realized this year, and there are some important and exciting developments that we would like to share with you.

On Sunday, May 13, at the 11:00 Service, the Vestry was pleased to make a formal announcement to the parish of its intention to call Bishop Andrew St. John as Seventh Rector of the Church of the Transfiguration. The Vestry was unanimous in its vote on this matter, taken at a Special Meeting held on May 6. In a gracious and very pastoral letter to the Wardens and Vestry, Bishop Mark Sisk gave his approval to this call. The parish as represented by the congregation present last Sunday responded to the announcement by a lengthy applause and a standing ovation. Please be assured that your input as provided through the relevant survey questions featured heavily in our decision to call Bishop Andrew, and we are grateful for your participation in this process. We anticipate the service of installation to take place this fall, and we will keep you informed as our plans for this develop. It will be a joyful and momentous event for the parish and indeed for the diocese.

We would like everyone to be aware that the results of the parish survey are available on the church's website, [www.littlechurch.org](http://www.littlechurch.org). Clicking on the link *Parish Survey* will take you to a complete rendering of the results, which we hope you will find interesting and informative. The pie-charts which you will see there are currently posted on a bulletin board at the back of the church, and printed copies of the results are also available, though supplies are limited (a cost-saving measure).

As many of you are aware, our parish secretary and office manager, Jenn Onofrio, will soon be leaving us to pursue a career in the criminal justice sector. Jenn's multi-faceted work with us, her ability, her cheerfulness and her enthusiasm have been greatly appreciated, and we wish her every success. Tara Anderson has been selected as Jenn's successor, and we will be welcoming her to the position on May 21. We look forward to developing a successful and mutually beneficial working relationship with her.

These are some highlights of our current life at the Church of the Transfiguration. As we prepare to pass from the season of Easter to Pentecost, we are aware of the presence of the Holy Spirit among us, and are grateful for that presence. In closing, may we take this opportunity to wish all of you a relaxing and pleasant summer, and we hope to see you regularly at our worship services and other events that mark our ongoing life as a parish.

Faithfully yours,  
The Vestry of the Church of the Transfiguration,  
By its Wardens,

Gretchen Lord

Patricia Williams