

**Diocese of Fredericton**  
**Roles, Committees, Elections & Appointments**  
**Last Updated: 12 April 2024**

**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

**Archdeacons**

		<b><u>Term End</u></b>
Chatham	The Ven. Perry Cooper	Jan. 31, 2026
Fredericton	The Ven. Paul Ranson	June 30, 2024
Kingston & the Kennebecasis	The Ven. Rob Marsh	Sep. 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	

**Regional Deans**

Chaleur-Miramichi	The Rev. Canon Gerald Laskey	May 31, 2024
Fredericton	The Rev. Robert Langmaid	July 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. Michael Caines	Feb. 28, 2027
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, <b>Chair</b>	
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, Assistant Secretary	
Secretary of Synod	The Rev. David Peer	
Treasurer of Synod	Mr. Philip Shepherdson	
Finance Committee Chair	Ms. Susan Jack, <b>Lay Vice-Chair</b>	
ACW President	Ms. Jill Stewart	
Youth Member	Ms. Margaret Holder	Year 2
Members at Large (up to 3)	Mr. Connor DeMerchant	Year 2
	Capt. Bonnie Hunt	Year 2
	Mr. Anthony (Tony) Munn	Year 2

**Elected Membership:**

Chatham	The Rev. Canon Gerald Laskey (Derby & Blackville)	Year 2
	Ms. Laura McNulty (New Bandon)	Year 2

Fredericton	The Rev. Neil Osiowy	Year 2
	Ms. Nancy Stephens (Douglas and Nashwaaksis)	Year 2
Kingston and Kennebecasis	The Rev. Robert Montgomery (Gondola Point)	Year 2
	Mr. Robert Taylor (Rothsay)	Year 6
Moncton	The Rev. Julian Pillay (Riverview)	Year 2
	Mr. Michael Briggs (St. Philip's)	Year 2
Saint John	The Rev. Jasmine Chandra (St. Mark, SJ)	Year 2
	Mr. Trevor Fotheringham (Fundy and the Lakes)	Year 2
St. Andrews	The Rev. Robert Cheatley (St. Andrews)	Year 2
	Ms. Martha Barker (St. George)	Year 2
Woodstock	The Rev. Robert LeBlanc (WWPA)	Year 6
	Ms. Marilyn Wilson (Richmond)	Year 2

### **Diocesan Council Executive Committee**

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

### **Delegates and Alternates to Provincial Synod**

Clergy	The Rev. Canon Cathy Laskey
	The Rev. David Peer
	The Rev. Jasmine Chandra (alternate)
	The Ven. Paul Ranson (alternate)
Laity	Ms. Shara Golden
	Mr. Robert Taylor
Youth	Mr. J. Christopher Pillay
	Mr. Eric Beek (alternate)

### **Delegates and Alternates to General Synod (2023)**

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**

**Year Added**

**Constitution & Canons**

Ex-officio, Chancellor	Mr. David Bell, Chair	
Ex-officio, Vice-Chancellor	Dr. Kelly VanBuskirk, K.C., Vice-Chair	
Members (min. 10)	Dr. Ken Brien	2023
	The Rev. Perry Cooper	2023
	Canon Charles Ferris	2023
	The Ven. Brent Ham	2023
	The Ven. Robert Marsh	2023
	The Ven. Leo Martin	2023
	The Ven. John Matheson	2023
	Ms. Kirsten McKnight	2023
	The Rev. David Peer	2019
	The Ven. Raul Ranson	2023
	Mr. Clyde Spinney	2023
	The Rev. Canon Kevin Stockall	2023

**Finance Committee**

Bishop	The Most Rev. David Edwards	
Dean of Fredericton	The Very Rev. Geoffrey Hall	
Territorial Archdeacon	The Ven. Robert Marsh	
Secretary of Synod	The Rev. David Peer	
Treasurer of Synod	Mr. Philip Shepherdson	
Chancellor	Mr. David Bell	
Members	The Rev. Canon David Barrett, Vice-Chair	2019
(min. 6, min. 4 lay)	Mr. Gilbert Carter	2020
	Mr. Scott Fairweather	2019
	Ms. Susan Jack, Chair	Chair, 2020
	Mr. Jim Knight	2020
	Ms. Laura McNulty	2023

**Human Resources Committee**

Ex-officio, Bishop	The Most Rev. David Edwards	
Ex-officio, Synod Secretary	The Rev. David Peer, Secretary of Synod	
Ex-officio, Personnel Officer	Mr. Ben Bourque	
Ex-officio, Archdeacon	The Ven. Brent Ham	
Clergy Members	The Rev. Canon Roderick Black	2024
(min. 3)	The Rev. Robert Langmaid	2023
	Clergy (Vacant)	
Lay Members	Mr. Michael Briggs, Chair	Chair, 2023
(min. 3)	Mr. Anthony Munn	2023
	Ms. Nancy Stephens	2023

**Nominating Committee**

Ex-officio, Bishop or Bishop's representative	The Most Rev. David Edwards	
Diocesan Council	The Rev. Canon Gerry Laskey	2023
	Mr. Trevor Fotheringham	2023
Members at Large	Mr. Rick Haddad	2024
(min. 2)	Mr. Paul Mills	2024

**Property Committee (Sub-committee of Finance)**

Ex-officio, Chair of Finance	Ms. Susan Jack	
Ex-officio, Synod Secretary	The Rev. David Peer	
Ex-officio, Synod Treasurer	Mr. Philip Shepherdson	
Members	Mr. Michael Briggs	2021
(7-9)	Mrs. Claire Fracker	2021
	The Rev. Robert LeBlanc	
	The Ven. Robert Marsh, Vice-Chair	
	The Rev. Michael O'Hara	2021
	The Rev. Steven Scribner	2021
	Mr. William Tracy	2021

**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, <b>Vice-Chair</b>

**Communications Committee**

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

**Companion Diocese Committee**

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

**Misconduct Committee**

Members	Mrs. Shara Golden
	Mrs. Susan Jack, <b>Chair</b>
	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	Robert Taylor and Mary Louise Belyea
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		
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

Saint John  
St. Andrew's Mrs. Linda Ellis  
Woodstock The Rev. Canon Fran Bedell

**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 Vacant 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	Mr. Philip Shepherdson
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