

Dissolution of Trinity, Canaseraga Church Proposer: Diocesan Council

Resolved, that this 92nd convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Rochester, 3 meeting via electronic conferencing, on October 28, 2023, upon the receipt of the 4 recommendation of a majority of the members of the Diocesan Council, meeting 5 in regular session on September 19, 2023, and in accordance with the Canons of 6 7 the Diocese of Rochester, declares that the Parish known as Trinity Episcopal 8 **Church, Canaseraga, New York** is dissolved, that its vestry be dissolved and that its assets be dedicated in accordance with the Canons of the Episcopal Church and 9 in furtherance of the mission of The Episcopal Church in the former parish's district. 10 11 **Explanation**:

12 For the past decade, Trinity has experienced a significant decline in attendance,

- 13 pledges, and membership. The last worship services were held in March 2020.
- 14 The parish is no longer capable of electing a legal Vestry. The parish and the
- 15 diocese are currently in violation of the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal
- 16 Church and the Religious Corporations Law of New York State. Therefore, it is the
- 17 responsibility of Diocesan Council to refer the matter to Diocesan Convention.
- 18 The Bishop's Office is seeking to secure the property, the records, and the sacred
- 19 object at Trinity.