John Clinton Bradley

I worship at St. Thomas' Episcopal Church in Bath. I serve on the Vestry and am a delegate to convention. I am married to the Rev. Michael W. Hopkins, the Priest-in-Residence at the Church of the Redeemer in Addison. We share our home with a friendly beagle and an obnoxious cat—both adopted from the Finger Lakes SPCA. I mentor an online Education for Ministry group. Professionally, I am an instructional designer for a leading communication training company. I have a certificate in project management. I also have extensive experience planning and executing large events.

Patti Blaine

I am a deacon in the diocese and a full-time interfaith hospital chaplain for UR Medicine Golisano Children's Hospital. There I work closely with Pediatric Palliative Care along with other interdisciplinary teams. I live with my husband of 40 years in Rochester's 19th Ward, and we have an adult daughter who lives nearby. I have been a volunteer coordinator for various institutions and causes since 2001, inviting volunteers to serve God in others in one way or another. At some point along the way, the church recognized my diaconal calling and put a collar on it, that is, on me in 2017 at Christ Church on East Avenue. During my discernment, I trained at St. Luke's in Brockport and Trinity in Greece. After my ordination, I spent six months or so serving with our former bishop as he visited churches throughout the diocese and then I served at St. John's in Canandaigua until late March 2020. In May of 2022, I graduated from Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School with an MA in Religious Studies and a certificate in Anglican Studies, and received the Winthrop Hudson Scholar Award. I am in the process of seeking certification through the Board of Chaplaincy Certification, Inc. a branch of the Association of Professional Chaplains. Earlier in my life, I studied Art History and painting, and I have loved the arts since I was very young. I enjoy creating in the kitchen, our garden beds, at my drawing table, and with fiber whenever I have the opportunity.



Michael Laver

Michael Laver has the pleasure and privilege of serving as rector of Saint Michael's Episcopal Church in the historic college town of Geneseo, New York, located thirty-five minutes from downtown Rochester. He is also a professor of History at the Rochester Institute of Technology where he teaches courses on East Asian History, World History, the History of Christianity, and senior seminars on "Urgent Moral Issues." He is the author of several books and articles on Japanese History and the Dutch East India Company and is currently working on a book that deals with moral failures in the Bible. Michael lives in the city of Rochester with his wife, Dr. Anne Laver, and their two boys, Bennie and Ham.



Dan Mclaughlin

Dan has been a member of the Rochester Episcopal Diocese for over 30 years. At his previous parish in Brockport he was on the Vestry a number of times and also served as both Senior and Junior Warden. Dan is currently the Junior Warden at Grace in Scottsville. Prior to retirement he was a psychologist serving in several different school districts in New York State for over 30 years. Dan currently resides in North Chili with his wife, Heather. They have 3 adult children, Lindsay, Ryon and Luke. Dan looks forward to contributing his gifts to the Transition Committee.

Mara Hazzard-Wallingford

Mara Hazzard-Wallingford has been an Episcopalian for 40 years and a member of St. Paul's in Rochester since 2015. Mara has been active in many ministries at St. Paul's, including choir, lay readers, and annual stewardship. She also serves on the Vestry. Mara is a graduate of the College for Congregational Development (CCD), a national curriculum that helps clergy and lay leaders develop congregations of all sizes, locations, and conditions into more faithful, healthy, and effective communities of faith. Outside of church, Mara serves as Chief Growth Officer for Tessitura, a nonprofit technology company dedicated to helping arts and cultural organizations thrive. She lives in Henrietta with her husband, Chris, and daughter, Emma, both of whom also attend St. Paul's.

Gretchen Ratterree

As a life-long Episcopalian and the daughter of an Air Force officer I have had the fortunate opportunity to worship in many Episcopal churches throughout the country. For 25 years I served the church as a Christian Education Director and Youth Minister. In 2016 I graduated from The General Seminary in New York City. In 2018 I moved from Atlanta, GA to the Newark, NY to become the Rector of St. Mark's Episcopal Church. I have served on Diocesan Council and am currently serving on the Disciplinary Board. I am also the Dean of the Northeast District. I enjoy playing the piano, cooking, reading, watching movies, and taking care of my 3-year old cats, Damon and Stefan.







Julie Syracuse

Julie has served in many lay leadership roles in her home churches and for the diocese since her reception into the Episcopal church in 2010. Currently a member at Good Shepherd in Webster, her passion is in empowering lay leaders for their spiritual journey within the church. With a varied background in sales and business intelligence in the alcoholic drink industry, Julie brings a unique skill set that is detailed orientated and is accustomed to planning large projects. In her time off she enjoys visiting her daughter and son-in-law in England, and pursuing her newfound love of art through watercolor landscapes and iconography.

Don Schranz

Born and raised in Buffalo, Don has been back home in WNY since April 2020 when he was called as Part-time Rector of St. John's in Clifton Springs. Ordained as a Roman Catholic Priest, Don became disillusioned with the direction the RC church was taking and left Buffalo for a secular job in Maryland where he also found a church home in the Episcopal Church. After working for 20+ years as a program planner for the world's largest defense contractor, he took an early retirement in 2018 and was received as a priest into the Episcopal Church in 2019. Don has an MDiv and has done additional graduate studies in Liturgics. Don lives in Clifton Springs with his elderly Chocolate Lab, Finn. He enjoys traveling to Buffalo to visit his great-nieces and great-nephew (and the rest of the family, too). Don keeps himself busy with playing the organ, model railroading, Creche art, home improvement, DYI, cooking and baking.

Keith Paterson

September 21, 2023, will mark seven years that The Rev. Keith Patterson has been in the Episcopal Diocese of Rochester. He is a native New Yorker who was born in Syracuse, NY, and raised in Buffalo, NY, then moved to Greene County in the Hudson Valley area. He is a 2008 graduate of the Episcopal Divinity School, Cambridge, Massachusetts with a Master of Divinity degree with a concentration in pastoral theology. He was first ordained deacon then priest in the Episcopal Diocese of Vermont in May 2013 and January 2014, respectively. He was Curate at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Concord, NH, before coming to Rochester in the Fall of 2016. He is currently the Rector of the multicultural parish, St. Luke & St. Simon Cyrene, also known as Two Saints which is located in the historic City Hall district.

