

The Eastern Deanery is comprised of the following parishes:

St. Alban's, Arlington
St. Peter and St. Paul, Arlington
St. Mark's, Arlington
St. Philip's, Arlington
St. Gregory's, Mansfield
St. Andrew's, Grand Prairie (Closed Sept. 2024)
St. Timothy's, Marshall (formed 2023)
All Saints', Monroe, LA

This year we have continued to worship together as a deanery, coming together to celebrate Candlemas and the Feast of the Ascension. This is a tradition we hope to continue as we observe various feasts and enjoy fellowship with one another.

We also held our first Clericus, gathering the clergy of the deanery for a lunch hosted at St. Gregory's. We will continue this as well, meeting at different parishes and meeting to eat, pray, and study throughout the year.

We have also had several more gatherings of our men's groups for the every-fifth-Tuesday meet and meat. These are beginning to take shape as opportunities to get to know one another better as well as be aware of the various activities going on in our individual parishes in which we could all participate. It has also been resolved to have a speaker at each meeting for the edification of all our men.

We are also making efforts to connect our women through combined events with the Daughters of the Holy Cross / Daughters of the King chapters in our parishes. There are currently plans to work together on the Christmas Child Project through Samaritan's Purse.

This year we unfortunately saw the closure of St. Andrew's parish in Grand Prairie but hope that their parishioners will be successful in finding new parish homes within our diocese over the coming months.

Respectfully Submitted,

The Very Rev. Alan Horton