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**Saint Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church in Dallas Names
the Rt. Rev. Dean E. Wolfe as Bishop in Residence**

Wolfe to Join Saint Michael on September 1

DALLAS – July 23, 2025 – Dallas-based [Saint Michael and All Angels](#) Episcopal Church (“Saint Michael”) is pleased to announce that the Right Reverend Dean E. Wolfe is joining its clergy team as Bishop in Residence beginning September 1, 2025. Wolfe, who is a nationally recognized leader in The Episcopal Church, will assist with worship services, offer pastoral care, and strengthen relationships across the Church.

Wolfe served as the first Vice Rector of Saint Michael from 1998 to 2003, following earlier parish leadership in Berkeley and Boston. Wolfe was elected Bishop of Kansas in 2003 and served faithfully for 14 years. During his episcopate, he led a successful capital campaign to construct a diocesan center and co-founded The Bishop Kemper School of Ministry, a vital initiative for clergy and lay formation.

His leadership in The Episcopal Church extended further as he was elected Vice President of the House of Bishops under two successive Presiding Bishops. In this role, he served on the Presiding Bishop’s Council of Advice, represented the Church in ecumenical and interfaith settings, and worked directly with the Archbishop of Canterbury and leaders throughout the Anglican Communion.

Wolfe also contributed to several key church-wide bodies, including the Joint Standing Committee for Planning and Arrangements for General Convention, the Officer’s Task Force on Anti-Racism, and served as a delegate to the World Council of Churches Assembly on behalf of the Presiding Bishop.

In 2017, Wolfe was named Rector of Saint Bartholomew’s Church in the City of New York. Under his leadership, the congregation navigated the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic and completed a \$20 million restoration of its National Historic Landmark property on Park Avenue.

“We’re delighted to welcome Dean back to Saint Michael,” said the Rev. Dr. Christopher D. Girata, Rector of Saint Michael. “His long-standing connection to this parish, combined with his deep experience in Church leadership, will be a gift to our community. We’re grateful for his wisdom and steady presence and look forward to how he will support and strengthen ministry at Saint Michael.”

“It is a privilege to join the exceptional Saint Michael and All Angels team as Bishop in Residence,” said Wolfe. “I trust that my experience can be a benefit to the Saint Michael staff and congregation. I am very much looking forward to this new ministry.”

Born in Dayton, Ohio, Bishop Wolfe holds a Bachelor of Arts from Miami University of Ohio, where he double majored in Religion and Political Science, and a Master of Divinity from Virginia Theological Seminary, which later awarded him an honorary Doctor of Divinity in recognition of his extraordinary contributions to the Church.

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Bishop Wolfe is married to Ellen Frantz-Wolfe, a business professional and dedicated church volunteer. Their son, William Wolfe, is an attorney with Kelly, Hart, & Hallman, and is married to Ellie Skochdopole Wolfe, a lifelong member of Saint Michael and founder of Skoch Strategies, a Dallas-based marketing consulting firm.

About Saint Michael:

Saint Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church in Dallas, Texas, is a vibrant and welcoming community where people from all walks of life come together to pursue Christ and support one another. Offering a blend of traditional and contemporary worship services, Saint Michael invites both newcomers to Episcopal worship and long-time Episcopalians to join in fellowship. Here, you'll discover a place to belong, make friends, and engage in personal and spiritual growth. With a rich history dating back to 1945, Saint Michael has grown to become one of the largest Episcopal parishes in the United States, serving approximately 6,000 members in Dallas and beyond. As a member parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Dallas, Saint Michael is part of The Episcopal Church.

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