### **Prayer Intentions**

We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Mark, our diocesan Bishop; and Tom and Bill, our priests.

We pray for Donald, our President; Chris, our Governor; and all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world.

<u>Parish Birthdays this Week</u>: Jan. 8-Kent Blair ; Jan 9-John Fallon

For those serving in the armed forces in harm's way overseas, and for all who suffer from violence in war-torn areas of the world.

## For those among us whose hearts are troubled or are ill and infirm:

Dave Albahary, Louis Anderson, Catherine, Russ & Mary Burnside, Katherine Chatfield, Marge Christie, Cohen & Levy families, Linda Dicanio, John & Alice Dummler, Nicole Farquhar, Donna, Sofia, Shannon Flandrau, Joan Fraiser, Andrew Greco, Heather, Jean Haslinger, Ian Henry, Harry Jarvis, Jackie, Althea King, Lenny, Madalyn Lindsay, Carrie Lindsay, Letty Llamas, Joseph Locus, Michael B., Kevin Martin, Maria Martino, Mary B., Elizabeth Mahoney, Liz Mongiello, Patricia Montague, Al Morel, Brent, Lindsey Moynihan, Mike Patterson, Donald Rogers, Roseanne, Suzi and Elliott, Jeff, Susan Raucci, Sean, Brandon Seidler, Morgan Seidler, Marge Singer, Ellen Steensma, Cathy Tonjes, Carol Traynor, Todd, Mike Villegas, Matthew Weatherbee, Shay Wexler, Sally Whittemore, Gina Wilkens, Marcia Wilson, Joni Wilters, Roy Zabriskie, Charles.

#### We remember all who have died.

Our **Prayer Chain Ministry** offers prayers for healing, hope and comfort; for joy and thanksgiving; for God's presence on the journey. *The Christ Church Prayer Chain* is a quiet and confidential ministry. All requests are considered strictly confidential. If you, or someone you know, needs or wants our prayers, contact Father Tom (201) 652-2350 or Linda Larson (201-248-4080).

### **SAVE THE DATE!**

**February 25-**Holy Eucharist at 9:30 AM ; Annual Meeting **January 21-**Celtic Worship @ 5 PM

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By Encountering God, Equipping God's People, and
Extending God's Kingdom

# FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY January 7, 2018

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

8:00 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

9:00 a.m. Adult Forum 9:15 a.m. Joy! Worship

9:30 a.m. Nursery Care (ends at 11:30 a.m.)

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist10:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:15 a.m. Jubilation Choir Rehearsal

11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour

3:00 p.m. Nursing Home: Ridgewood

### ST. PAUL'S FOOD PANTRY—SHARE SUNDAY!

Although we collect food for the St. Paul's, Paterson, Food Pantry every week, on the first Sunday of each month we have an added "push" for food as well as financial contributions. It is our hope that with the turn of the calendar to a new year, everyone will have a "resolution" to make St. Paul's a part of their weekly ministry of giving.

The Food Pantry needs food . . . always. If each of us resolves to bring a food item every week when coming to church, and then maybe some extra or a check or cash for the jars on Share Sunday, we would have a tremendous impact. One suggestion is that if you have a favorite comfort food on these bitter cold days - perhaps a particular canned soup or stew - you could bring a couple of extras for the food barrel. Another idea is that maybe in your kitchen cupboards there are some canned or dry goods that you purchased awhile back, but now know that you will never get around to using. . . perhaps a cereal, a pasta, or a canned fruit or vegetable.

Please consider bringing these items to the food barrels. Did you accidentally buy more ketchup, Cheerios, or spaghetti than you can possibly use in the next few months? - your excess can become someone else's essential. All foods that you donate are brought right to Paterson where they go on the shelves in the pantry for clients to bring home for their families.

God bless each of you for your continued generosity to this very important mission.

#### **ASSISTING IN WORSHIP AT 8**

Preacher & Celebrant: The Reverend Thomas E.

Mathews Jr. | LEM: Don Nagle, | First Reading: Bill
Goodson | Second Reading: Don Nagle | Ushers: Van
Finn, Al Pucciarelli | Altar Guild: Pat Kortjohn, Callie
Campbell, Linda Larson | Perennials: Elaina Richardi,
Leigh Goodson | Nursing Home-Ridgewood: Dorothy
Meyers

### THE ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

### Assisting in Worship at 10

Preacher & Celebrant: The Rev. Thomas E. Mathews Jr. | Organist: Larry Arnold | LEM: David Rutherford | First Reading: Lynne Moran | Second Reading: David Rutherford | Verger: Al Portela | Choir: Tim Berry, Cathy Dash, Elaina Richardi, Doris Singlevich, Kelly Sullivan, Melinda Weber, Marlene Whittemore | Acolytes: Andrew Stoddard, Paul Gillan, Matthew Harris, Gabe & Joe Murphy, Teddy Loquet, Cecile Malo, James & Alex Bodino

### ANNUAL MEETING

At this year's annual meeting on **February 25th** we will elect a warden and at least one vestry person. If you want to nominate a parishioner to either position or if you are interested in discussing the position, please speak with Don Nagle or Fr. Tom.

Reminder: There is only one service at 9:30 AM.

### **2018 PLEDGE ENVELOPES**



Parishioners who have submitted their 2018 pledge forms can now pick up their 2018 pledge envelopes in the Cloister. If you returned your forms but don't see your box, please speak to Trevor Thangalan or Deanna Najork. If

you haven't returned your forms yet, extra packets are in church or online and we ask you to please return them soon. Thank you!

## THANK YOU FOR THE RBARI DONATIONS

Wet kisses, tail wags and kitty cuddles to all who donated this year to RBARI! The no-kill animal shelter in Oakland was so grateful to receive what was given. Items like leashes, puppy food, cat toys, monetary donations and gift cards were carefully placed under the RBARI "caring tree" and will be put to such good use. Thank you again!



### YOUTH GROUP SKI RETREAT



Save the date (February 9th-11th) for our Youth Group Ski Retreat! Youth grades 6-12 and college students are welcome to attend (and friends). The total cost per person going will be about \$175 - \$225, including the lodging, 2 breakfasts, 1 dinner, lift tickets and ski/snow board rentals. Scholarship may be available by contacting Father Tom or Mrs. Lee. Please let Doug Steen or Kelly Sullivan know by January 19th, if you are interested in going.

We'll be going to the Poconos once again, after the Catskills last year, and will be skiing/riding at Jack Frost/Big Boulder, which are a short 20 minute ride from the lodge. This is the ski area where you start from the top of the mountain and ski/board down, with the lift ride back up. As before, we'll arrive Friday night, play some games/cards, have some snacks, ski/board on Saturday, play some games/cards, and go tubing on Sunday before we head back home.

We will also need a few (2 or 3) drivers/chaperones. The lodge includes games and activities like: Foosball, pool, air hockey and more and is beautifully situated on picturesque Arrowhead Lake. You'll need to bring sleeping bags, towels, and plenty of warm layers of clothes. More on that will follow in the coming weeks, along with the permission slips. We look forward to a fantastic trip and to hearing back from you.



### **COFFEE-HOUR HOSTS**

A quarterly schedule for the 11:30 AM coffee-hour will be released soon. For now, each Sunday is known as 'Potluck'. Bring your own goodies to share! Thank you!

