

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.

Parish Birthdays this Week: **Dec. 25**-Lisa Sepetjian ;
Dec. 27-Laura Moore ; **Dec. 21**-James Hector ;
Dec. 29-Will Van Ness

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 Dummmler, 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 Rucci, Sean, 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!

December 24-Christmas Eve Family Eucharist & Pageant at 4 PM; Christmas Eve Midnight Mass with Musical Prelude @ 10 PM.

December 25-Christmas Day Eucharist & Carols @ 10 AM

January 6-Installation of a New Rector at Christ Church, 2 PM

February 25-Holy Eucharist at 9:30 AM ; Annual Meeting

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CHRIST CHURCH
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DISCIPLES MAKING DISCIPLES FOR JESUS CHRIST:
By Encountering God, Equipping God's People, and
Extending God's Kingdom

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 24, 2017

- 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
- 9:30 a.m. Nursery Care (ends at 11:30 a.m.)
- 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 11:15 a.m. Jubilation Choir Rehearsal
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour



THE WARDENS, VESTRY, AND
PARISHIONERS OF CHIRST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
REQUEST YOUR

PRAYERS AND PRESENCE AT:
THE CELEBRATION OF NEW MINISTRY AND INSTALLATION OF

THE REV. TOM E. MATHEWS JR.

On The Feast of Epiphany, **Saturday, January 6 at 2:00 PM.** A Reception in the Great Hall will follow. Clergy are invited to robe: Cassock, Surplice and Festive Stoles. Laity invited to dress in red or festive clothing.

We are looking for desserts, if you are able to make a dessert for the Installation please call or e-mail Lynn Prokop: (973) 341-2024 ;
herbalqueen129@yahoo.com. Thank you.

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ASSISTING IN WORSHIP AT 8

Preacher & Celebrant: The Reverend Thomas E. Mathews Jr. | *LEMs:* Thomas Martin | *First Reading/ Psalmist:* Thomas Martin | *Altar Guild:* The Altar Guild Team | *Perennials:* The Perennials Team

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 | *LEMs:* Barbara Monahan, Don Steen | *First Reading:* Don Steen | *Second Reading:* Barbara Monahan | *Intercessor:* Larry Arnold | *Verger:* Al Portela | *Choir:* Tim Berry, Cathy Dash, Elaina Richardi, Doris Singlevich, Kelly Sullivan, Melinda Weber, Marlene Whittemore | *Acolytes:* James, Blair Cameron Blair, Hayden Blair, Aidan Smith

CHRISTMAS SEASON WORSHIP SCHEDULE



December 31—First Sunday after Christmas
8 & 10 AM services

January 7—The Sunday after the Epiphany
8 AM; 9:15 Joy! and 10 AM services

ST. PAUL'S FOOD PANTRY

The overwhelming generosity of our parishioners at Thanksgiving was a great start to the season of giving. Let's maintain that positive momentum by keeping the Pantry shelves stocked during the cold months ahead. Besides staples (rice, pasta, canned veggies and fruits, cereal, soup, peanut butter, jelly, tuna fish), why not consider adding some seasonal goodies to your contribution. Some hot chocolate, candy canes, or Christmas cookies would be very much welcomed by our neighbors who do not have the money to indulge in such treats. God bless all of you for your continued participation in this essential outreach. **The next Share Sunday is January 7th!**

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. Kelly and Doug Steen will send out details in the upcoming weeks. Scholarship is available, please contact Kristen Lee for details.



CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Please join us for the Christ Church Christmas Pageant on December 24, 2017 at the 4pm service. We would love to have your children participate in this special event by being a shepherd, angel or animal in the pageant. What do you need to do?

- Arrive a few minutes before the 4pm service, select a costume from our costume bins in the back of the church (volunteers will be there to help you), sit with your family and come up on the "stage" when prompted during the pageant.
- There is no rehearsal or RSVP for this type of participation and all (even guests visiting for the holiday) is welcome to join the fun.

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!

NURSERY CARE, SUNDAY SCHOOL,

JOY! WORSHIP

December 24- Nursery Care is available (9:30 am to 11:30 am). No Joy! Worship, and Sunday School.

December 25- No Nursery Care, Joy! Worship, or Sunday School.

December 31- No Sunday School. Nursery Care is available and Joy! Worship is at 9:15 am.

January 6- Nursery Care is available from 1:30 to 3:30 (pick your children up right after the service ends, please)

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.

YOUTH GROUP CHRISTMAS PARTY

A special thank you to Donna & Kevin Harris and Kristen Lee for planning and organizing the Youth Group Christmas Party! A good time was had by all! Also, a special thanks to Sharron Halpert, Al Portela, Donna Lee Auriemma and Father Tom for helping out and spreading Christmas cheer! The kids had a great time and it was nice having some of our college students home to celebrate with us! Be sure to check out the pictures on the Youth Group bulletin board. Thanks also to Cindy Stites and Don Nagel for donating the Wii game system...the kids loved it!

