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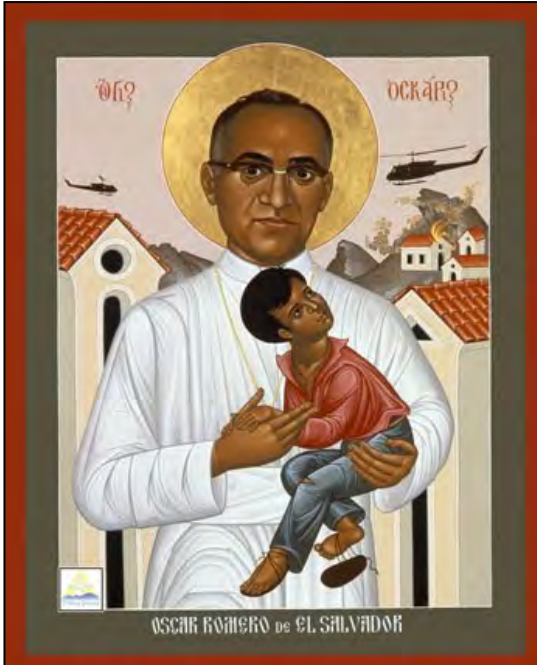
Reflection From the Rector's Desk

By The Rev. Dr. Richard C. Bauer

Like most of us, I've been profoundly disturbed by news and images coming out of the Ukraine this past month and have felt an urge to say or to do something. My spirit has asked: "Lord, what would You have us say... what would You have us do?" And as I tend to find, when I ask questions of the Holy and listen for a response through a heightened awareness of the ordinary, my attention was uniquely drawn one afternoon to the image of Archbishop Oscar Romero painted onto the wooden cross upon the front door of our rector's study. I found myself thinking that I was invited to learn something new, or perhaps to remember something that I had learned and forgotten about the manner in which Archbishop Romero, not unlike our Lord Jesus Christ, had handed over his life in witness to a way of love. Searching for insight around the twisted dynamics of violence in our

world, I then recalled a book about Oscar Romero written by the new dean of Duke Divinity School, where I did my doctoral work. I found my copy on the top shelf of the bookcase in our study,

car Romero's Theological Vision: Liberation and the Transfiguration of the Poor, wherein the author investigates the legacy of violence at the heart of El Salvador's history from the time of conquest and explores the evolution of Oscar Romero's public preaching and vision for the potential transformation of the nation and its people.



“Whatever insights we dare offer up in conversation, whatever political rhetoric we consume, I hope that we can absorb and accept Colon-Emeric's Christ-centered reminder that “Cain too belongs to God.”

Though named for the saving power of the Prince of Peace, El Salvador had itself witnessed “a pedagogy of death” through the blood of her indigenous peoples at the hands of Pedro de Alvarado's conquest in 1524, the brutal consolidation of land and power by her criollo elite after independence from Spain in 1821, and through twentieth-century uprisings that defined her modern history through mass killings, civil war, and gang violence.

From out of this historical narrative, Colon-Emeric explores the theological mo-

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Reflection

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tif of 'Transfiguration' as a gateway for redeeming the macabre story of El Salvador's violent history. Recounting sermons offered up by Romero throughout his ministry, the author explores the transformation of Romero himself as he came to comprehend, more deeply, the ways in which the salvation of his nation and its people were linked to the Transfiguration of its history. Softened by a heightened sensitivity to the suffering of his people, Romero's vision of Transfiguration came to take on a revolutionary undertone through which he asked: "By what right have we catalogued people into first-class humans and second-class humans when in the theology of the human there is only one class, that of children of God?" (*Homilias*, 6:346). At the heart of this sense of Gospel, one centrally significant exegetical dimension that Colon-Emeric lifts out of Romero's preaching on the Transfiguration surfaces from his consideration that all the figures present with Jesus (both past and present) upon Mount Tabor, were themselves linked to histories of violence or pronouncedly aggressive temperament. Noting that: as Moses killed an Egyptian and Elijah ordered the slaying of the prophets of Baal, Peter drew his sword at Gethsemane and the 'Sons of Thunder' (James and John) wanted to call fire down from heaven in response to the Samaritans' refusal to extend hospitality to Jesus and the disciples. However, in the same way that Jesus is himself fully revealed through the Transfiguration, the witnesses present were also bathed in a Holy light that recast their own animal natures in the redemptive possibility of God's love. As such, the author articulates: "On Mount Tabor, the natural aggression that God gave human beings is

affirmed as good but in need of transformation. In summoning his aggressive friends to the high mountain, Jesus showed himself willing and able to channel his friends' potential for violence in new directions."

Through such Transfiguration in the lives of disciples, Oscar Romero famously envisioned the aggression inherent to human creatures recast in "the violence of love." As Romero declared: "We have never preached violence, only the violence of love; the violence that left Christ nailed to a cross, the violence that one does to oneself to overcome one's selfishness so that there may not be such cruel inequalities among us. That violence is not the violence of the sword or of hatred, it is the violence of love, of fraternity, that wants to turn weapons into pruning hooks for work" (*Homilias*, 2:36).

Working from out of a culture of death-dealing, Romero envisioned the Holy potential for a transfigured people to re-channel animal aggressions in the direction of Christian discipleship. As Colon-Emeric writes: "Tabor was a school for the civilization of love. The civilization of love can redeem the civilization of Cain by exposing its crimes and reminding it of its vocation, for Cain too belongs to God." It is in the spirit of such a vision for *the Transfiguration of El Salvador* that Oscar Romero is remembered as a martyr for Christ's Kingdom, and the hope of that vision for his nation and its people is still in the making. While my reading didn't provide me with very much comfort around the conflict in the Ukraine, it did remind me that whatever we may say or do about it, as witnesses to Christ, must be firmly rooted in the commitment to transfigure cultures of death-dealing into civilizations of love. Whatever insights we dare

offer up in conversation, whatever political rhetoric we consume, I hope that we can absorb and accept Colon-Emeric's Christ-centered reminder that "Cain too belongs to God."

As Pope Francis prayer from Vatican City on March 16th:

"Forgive us for the war, Lord...Forgive us, Lord if we continue to kill our brother... Forgive us if we go out of our way to justify cruelty, if, in our pain, we legitimize the cruelty of our actions. Forgive us the war Lord. Lord Jesus Christ, son of God, we implore you to stop the hand of Cain, enlighten our conscience, let not our will be done, do not abandon us to our own doing. Stop us, Lord, stop us, and when you have stopped the hand of Cain, take care of him also. He is our brother. O Lord, stop the violence. Stop us, Lord. Amen."

The Office Will Be Closed

The parish office will be closed from Monday, April 18th – Monday, April 25th.

As always, should a pastoral emergency arise, please contact Father Rick.



Parish Office Hours

Parish Office Hours

Tuesday- Friday:
11:00 – 4:00PM

Parish Administrator

Michelle Bentley

Scepter

Production Staff:

H. J. "Mac" Miller



If you're the last person to leave the building following Sunday services or an event, please take the time to make sure all the lights are turned off (including the rest rooms) the thermostat is reset and the doors are locked.

Annual Meeting February 13th

Pictures by Mary Snyder and from livestream

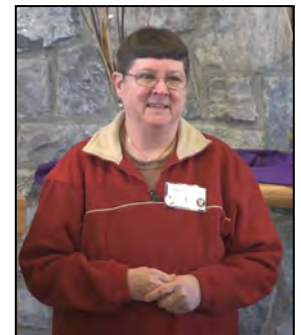


Kevin Milligan Treasurer's Report

Rector's Report



New Vestry Member – Dick Irons

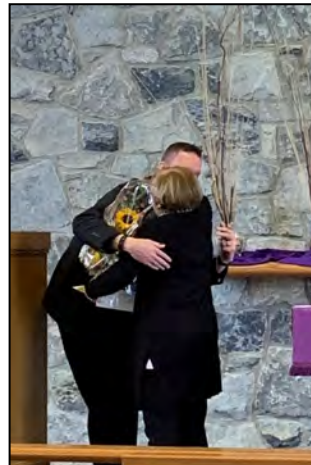


New Vestry Member Mary Snyder

NO MASKS!!!!



Michelle Bentley gives outgoing Sr. Warden-Julie Hoff flowers.



Julie gets a hug from Fr. Rick



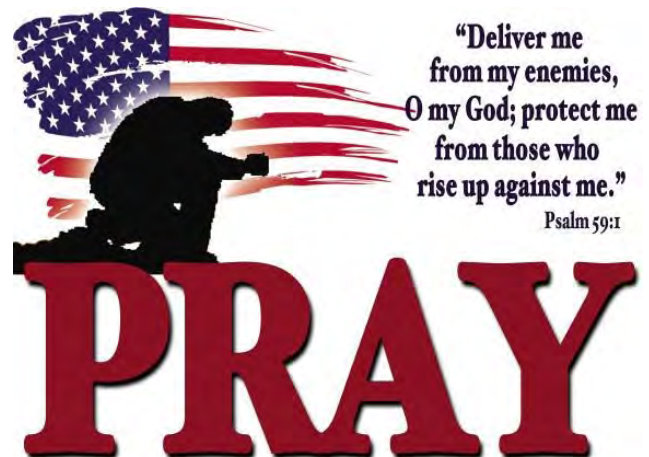
New Vestry Member Joyce Kamm

Military News

Please keep in your prayers those close to us who are serving in the military.

- ★Dustin Burseson
- ★Justin Carnahan
- ★Brandon Fox
- ★Gordon Frankenfield
- ★Matt Fuhrman
- ★Jack Hawk
- ★Benjamin Jenkins
- ★Drew Johnson
- ★William Justice
- ★Anthony Koser
- ★Alex Kube
- ★John Lewis

- ★Richard Mutari
- ★David Peck
- ★Capt. Andrew Pfeiffer
- ★Rev. David J. Sparks
- ★Mike Spurr
- ★David Sternberg
- ★Clayton Tennies
- ★Connor Tennies
- ★Allison Tomich
- ★Evan Westgate
- ★Seamas Whitesel
- ★1st Lt. Thomas Whitesel



Pokémon League Wednesday Evenings

By Beth Lynch Pictures by Joyce Kamm

Pokémon Club will end on April 6th. We had fun playing Pokémon uno and bingo. We had times we made crafts with perler beads, t-shirts and bags. Look soon for information on the next Pokémon session.



Ricky and Finneous playing Pokémon



Jack, Bella and Piper working with perler beads.



Joyce Kamm's Grandson Kyle says he likes Wednesday night hang outs with Nana



Bella doing a craft



Kyle picking a Pokémon card.



Declan, Christian and Matty talking about Pokémon.

Piper Brugmann Climbing

By Kiki Davis-Brugmann

For those of you that have been attending St. Edward's for a while, you are probably familiar with and have watched Piper Brugmann grow up both in the pews and on the altar. While she is still on the smaller side, most of you may not be aware that while small, she is mighty! For the last 8 years, she has been training and competing in the mostly unknown circuit of competitive rock climbing.

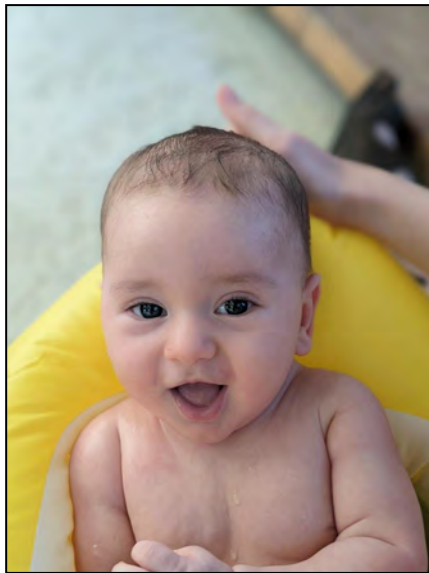
Initially, she stumbled upon it during an introduction at summer camp at Spooky Nook, but was quickly recruited by the climbing director for the team due to scaling nearly all the walls the first time. After that, she was hooked. Piper started out on the Spooky Nook team but outgrew it after 2 years and has been traveling to Philadelphia 2-3x a week to practice with her current home team of Philadelphia

Rock Gym. If not traveling to Philly, she is usually on the road with her mother, Kiki, both climbing at other regional gyms in a number of states or participating in competitions. Last year, after lots of hard work, Piper made it to Nationals in Reno, NV in all three disciplines of Bouldering (shorter walls and no ropes), Lead (high walls and ropes) and speed (climbing as fast as you can up a set route). She is already on track to compete at Nationals this year once again in speed. While most of the competitions are indoors, outdoor climbing is also a favorite with trips locally and also to popular climbing areas in Kentucky and West Virginia where wall heights can reach 80-120 feet.

One of Piper's greatest thrills has been able to compete next to and become friends with world level climbers and some of the climbers that recently competed in this year's Olympics. "The climbing community is unlike anything else (sport). Everyone is so supportive of each other no matter how good a climber you are.", she says.



Jacob Donohue



Jacob is four months old and just as tall as his dad was at four months!

Athena Donohue



Friday March 11
Great news tonight! Athena is 4 pounds, 6 ounces, off assisted oxygen and her Dad was able to give her a bottle.



HOLY WEEK
i-spy

Create this craft to share the events of Holy Week with a younger sibling or friend.



What you need:

- Clear bottle or jar with lid
- White rice
- Small items that symbolize Holy Week events

What you do:

1. Pour rice into bottle or jar so it's about two-thirds full.
2. Add the small items. Ideas: leaf, donkey, cup, towel square, praying hands, coin, bird, nails, thorn, cross, dice, stick, lamb, stone, white fabric.
3. Fasten the lid. Then shake and turn the bottle to "spy" each item.

PUZZLE **Resurrection refresher**

All four gospels confirm Jesus' resurrection, and each one offers important details.

Directions: Complete the crossword. Then insert the circled letters (in order of the clue numbers) to complete John 20:17 below.

ACROSS

2. The women did this when they heard the angels talk about Jesus' death. (Luke 24:8)
4. The women at the tomb did this when they saw Jesus. (Matthew 28:9)
5. The man in Jesus' empty tomb wore this color robe. (Mark 16:5)
7. Jesus instructed his brothers to go here. (Matthew 28:10)
8. Peter saw strips of this in the tomb. (Luke 24:12)

DOWN

1. At first, Mary thought Jesus was this person. (John 20:15)
3. As an angel came from heaven, this happened. (Matthew 28:2)
6. She went with Mary to anoint Jesus' body. (Mark 16:1)

What did Jesus want Mary to tell his brothers?

"I _m ascen_ing _o my Fat_er and your Fa_ her, to _y _od and your God."
Joh_ 20:17, NIV

DOWN 1. garden, 3. earthquake, 6. Salome; "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." John 20:17, NIV



Bible Quiz

As Jesus entered Jerusalem on a donkey, crowds praised him loudly. When Pharisees told him to silence the people, what did Jesus say would shout if his followers didn't?

- A. Stones
- B. Palm branches
- C. Trees
- D. Hillsides

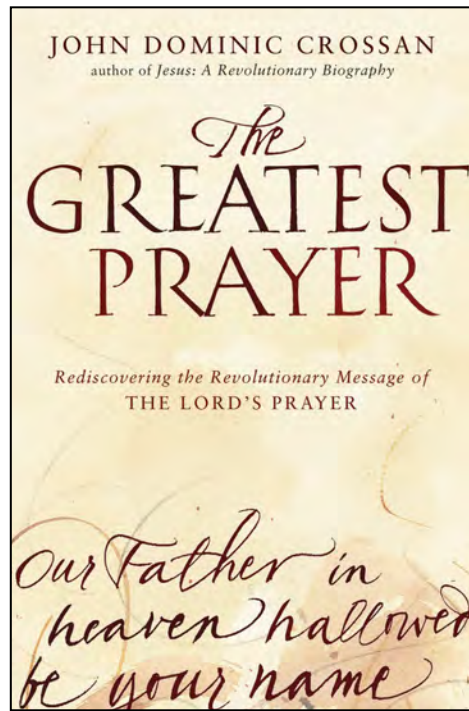


Answers INSIDE

Answer: Answer: A (See Luke 19:40.)

Lunch and Learn

The Greatest Prayer – Rediscovering the Revolutionary Message of THE LORD’S PRAYER by John Dominic Crossan, Fridays, beginning March 4th from 12 Noon – 1 PM. Zoom link will be in the weekly emails: Join Father Rick and Bob Mosebach as we journey through March and April, discussing this renowned book. In *The Greatest Prayer*, foremost historical Jesus scholar John Dominic Crossan, bestselling author of *Historical Jesus* and *Jesus: A Revolutionary Biography*, intimately explores the revolutionary meaning of the cornerstone of Christian faith: The Lord’s Prayer.



To conclude a recent Lunch and Learn session Donna Holwager offered this prayer by Jan Richardson from the book *In Wisdom’s Path*.

*Thou who created the world
with a word.
hear me:
when I am hungering
for a language I have not found.
when I am thirsting
for phrases yet to be born,
when the words I have heard
turn to ash in my ear
and what I have uttered
becomes dust in my mouth,
quiet me
to hear you speaking the words
that will create the world again.*

“LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY. . .”

“[Crossan’s] case is so deeply rooted in the Bible that even his harshest critic must admit Crossan is on to something. . . . A man of profound and challenging faith, who in his efforts to demystify Jesus has called us all back to the core of the gospel message.”—*U.S. Catholic*

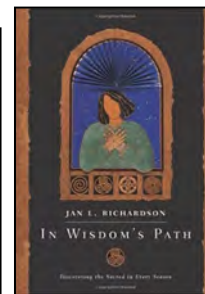
“A fresh and defensible reading of the prayer text, though definitely not the traditional interpretation.”—Clay Schmit, as quoted in the *Los Angeles Times*

“A full and loving exposition . . . of Christianity’s best-known and most-recited prayer.”—*Library Journal* (starred review)

“Even if one disagrees with the author’s conclusions, it will be difficult to dislike his book, as one of Crossan’s gifts is his ability to challenge his readers in a gentle, respectful, and non-confrontational manner.”—*Booklist*

“Provides a satisfying blend of history, scholarship and theology, in researching the moral responsibilities that come with living a Godly life. The fundamental Lord’s Prayer here serves as a foundation for examining the principles of this life.”—*Midwest Book Review*

JOHN DOMINIC CROSSAN, professor emeritus at DePaul University, is widely regarded as the foremost historical Jesus scholar of our time. He is the author of several bestselling books, including *The Historical Jesus* and *Jesus: A Revolutionary Biography*. He lives in Minneola, Florida. Visit the author online at www.johndominiccrossan.com.



This perennial favorite is now available in a beautiful hardcover edition! Known for her distinctive intertwining of word and image, artist and author Jan Richardson (*Night Visions*, *In the Sanctuary of Women*) returns to the

rhythms of the sacred year, offering a compelling book of reflections, prayers, poetry, and art that invites us to notice the presence of God in each season. From the "Cave of the Heart" in Advent through the "Daily Way" of Ordinary Time, *In Wisdom's Path* serves as a companion in our search for the sacred. Richardson's evocative full-color artwork appears throughout.



Jan Richardson is an artist, writer, and ordained minister in the United Methodist Church. She serves as director of The Well-spring Studio, LLC, and makes her home in Florida.

Widows Group



Our **Widows Group** meets on the first Thursday of each month at 10:00 AM at St. Edward's. Mark your calendars for the next meeting which is Thursday, April 7th. **For more information contact:**

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phanzelman@comcast.net or:

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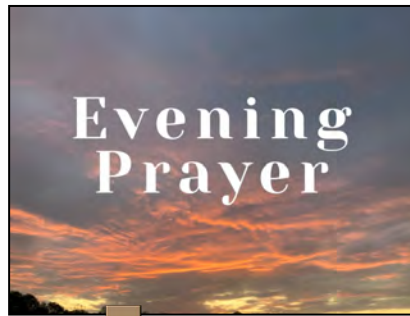
Men's Group



Saturday Men's Group: 2nd Saturday of each month **from 8 AM - 10 AM**. Join us at St. Edward's, in partnership with Saint James Episcopal Church, for two hours of fellowship, including Morning Prayer. Coffee and donuts will be served. Our next meeting is Saturday, April 9th.



Evening Prayer



Join us on **Fridays for Evening Prayer**, led by Patrick Ishler. *Join us for this contemplative time! No need for a prayer book or a Bible. The liturgy is displayed on the screen. Just bring yourself and breathe in the moment of this spiritual time together.*

FRIDAY EVENING PRAYER

Each Friday at 7:00 PM

Join us on Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86327105082>

Join Code: 863 2710 5082

Sunday Evening Prayer, at 7:00 PM:

We use the 1979 *Book of Common Prayer* and the readings for the Sunday Lectionary. It is a quiet service and a good way to end the weekend and prepare for the week to come. Anyone interested can send me an email to be put on an email distribution list: drutledge1225@gmail.com

Sunday Evening Prayer @ 7:00pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/95355083080>

Meeting ID: 953 5508 3080

Include your news and announcements in the next Scepter.

Due date for May will be:

April 20th.

Send articles and announcements to:
HJ_Miller@outlook.com



The Paschal Candle

This large, white candle is an ancient symbol for Christ, the light of the world. The candle contains a cross and/or an Alpha and Omega to symbolize that Jesus is eternal and always present with his people. Also called the Easter candle, it plays a prominent role during Easter vigils and celebrations. Some churches also use the candle during baptisms and funerals.





Thank you for 205 pounds of food donated to the pantry in February ! AND your very generous contribution of \$3,350.00 ...

Monetary contributions help to purchase food items at the Central Penn Food Bank in Harrisburg at below super market costs (many items at 24 cents a pound). Financial contributions also allow our managers to purchase food items on sale at local grocery stores and markets....such as eggs, fresh produce, meats, dairy products as well as other pantry supplies.

In February, the pantry served 134 families which included:

- 140 children
- 268 adults
- 101 seniors

A total of 509 people served !

Four new families were registered!
Forty volunteers contributed 475 hours!

Items requested for March are:

- 2 lb. rice packs
- 1 lb. rice packs
- Cereal
- Large peanut butter
- Large jelly
- Ramon noodles
- Canned mixed vegetables
- Chicken noodle soup
- Tomato soup
- Spaghetti sauce
- Spam

We prefer NO glass jars!
Thank you!

By Joyce Kamm—St. Edward's Refugee Welcome Team

PLEASE NOTE: No sharing of photos on Social Media or elsewhere for the safety of the children still in Afghanistan. Thank you.



**Malalay's Parents
Picture Used With Permission**

This month I would like to share a story about Malalay's mother, Toorpekay. Because her picture was in the news around the world following this event I am going to share with you, her picture is not a threat and Malalay wanted it included.

Toorpekay operated a Midwife Training Centre for young women in Jalalabad. She had 60+ students at the school. Because of fear for the safety of the young women, Malalay's mother built a safe room on the third floor of the school and installed an alarm on the first floor so they could be alerted in the event of an attack. In 2018, what they feared happened.

Afghanistan: Gunmen kill and wound staff at midwife training centre

Militants attack midwife training center. The attackers set off explosives and gunshots at the centre in Jalalabad.

They placed explosive devices in the street near the complex according to eyewitnesses.

Afghan security forces regained control after a gunfight lasting six hours. (Fortunately, all the young women reached the safe room in time so none were harmed. It was later discovered the Centre was being observed for several months from across the street, before the attack finally happened.)

The Taliban denied any involvement. In total, 61 midwives and two children were rescued from the compound. However, two guards and one driver were killed in the attack, while three members of the security forces, three civilians and two Centre employees were hurt.



Afghan security forces inspect the building targeted by gunmen during an attack in Jalalabad. Photograph: AFP/Getty Images

Faith in Action

The Centre offers two-year midwifery training courses for women from the province. More than 50% of births in Afghanistan take place without a trained midwife.

It is not clear why the midwife training Centre was attacked. However, militants often choose official buildings and medical facilities for their attacks. Many Afghans are opposed to unmarried women working outside their homes. Unfortunately, Malalay's mother had to shut down the Training Centre in 2018.

She is currently providing a home for her three grandchildren (the Rahim's three children) and other family members. Please pray for strength to endure. It is with the blessing of technology that they are able to Facetime every day....the one consolation in their sadness. Her greatest desire is also to come to America some day. **Stay tuned**....I hope to have an article written by Dr. Rahim next month.

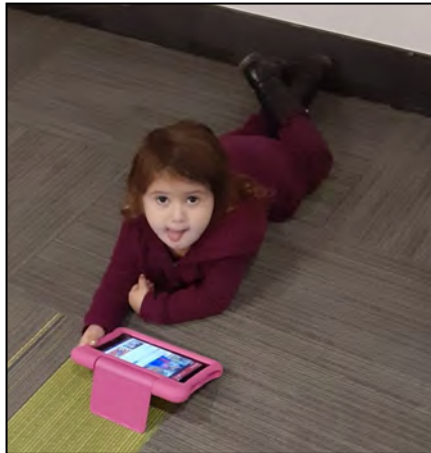
On a more positive note, meet Anfal, the youngest Rahim who will be three in June.



When Anfal received this doll, she immediately took off all the clothes. They haven't been on the doll since. We think she might be the next midwife in training!



Anfal captivated by an "air machine" at the Science Museum



Waiting for mom and dad in the hallways of the Immigration Lawyer's office.



Meet one of our new tutors, Beth Hake. Dottie Gschwend and Randy Westgate also joined the team.

Great News To Share



We have wheels!!!! 2001 Honda Odyssey minivan. Perfect for a family of six.

It takes a village! Thanks to the efforts of Brother David Rutledge in spreading the word, the Rahim's are now the owners of a 7-passenger mini-van that was gifted by a parishioner from St. John's Episcopal Church, Lancaster. We also want to thank ALERT, who through The Diocesan Migration Ministry office, donated money specifically for automobile and insurance expenses.

Speaking of employment, Dr. Rahim was officially hired by LGH as a Patient Care Aid starting early April. It is a start toward his goal of becoming a practicing physician in the U.S. In Afghanistan he owned his own clinic as a family medicine practitioner. We look forward to watching his progress over the next few years.

Congratulations Dr. Rahim!!!!

Thank You



"To People of St. Edward's Church, Thank you for the many gifts and your support." Malalay

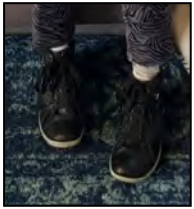
Whose Shoes?

Picture by Mary Snyder

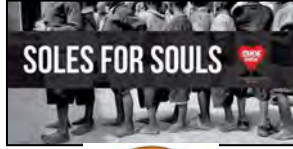
Inspired by our collection of shoes for the Soles for Souls project, can you identify who these shoes belong to?
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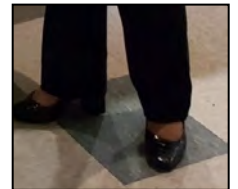
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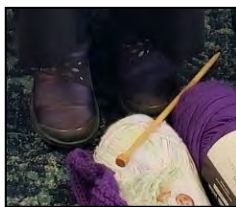
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And those without shoes.



OUR COVENANT TO CARE FOR CREATION

EPISCOPAL COVENANT TO CARE OF CREATION: PUTTING IT INTO PRACTICE - In Jesus, God so loved the whole world. We follow Jesus, so we love the world God loves. Concerned about the global climate emergency, drawing from a range of approaches for our diverse contexts, we commit to form and restore loving, liberating, life-giving relationships with all of Creation.

LOVING FORMATION - For God's sake, we will grow our love for the Earth and all of life through preaching, teaching, storytelling, and prayer.

LIBERATING ADVOCACY - For God's sake, standing alongside marginalized, vulnerable peoples, we will advocate and act to repair Creation and seek the liberation and flourishing of all people.

LIFE-GIVING CONSERVATION - For God's sake, we will adopt practical ways of reducing our climate impact and living more humbly and gently on Earth as individuals, households, congregations, institutions, and dioceses.

To learn more: episcopalchurch.org/ministries/creation-care



HOLY WEEK AT ST. EDWARD'S



SUNDAY, APRIL 10TH
RITE I – 8:00 AM
RITE II – 10:00 AM & VIA OUR
ST. EDWARD'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL
JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR 9:00 AM



THURSDAY, APRIL 14TH
7:00 PM & VIA OUR
ST. EDWARD'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL



FRIDAY, APRIL 15TH
7:00 PM & VIA OUR
ST. EDWARD'S YOUTUBE
CHANNEL



SUNDAY, APRIL 17TH
RITE I – 8:00 AM
RITE II – 10:00 AM & VIA OUR
ST. EDWARD'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL
JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR & COFFEE
HOUSE BAND 9:00 AM

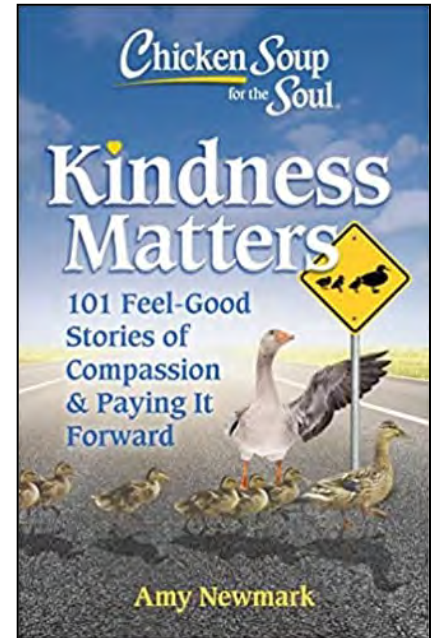
Easter Flowers



Beginning Sunday March 27th, there will be a *clipboard and envelopes in the narthex to sign up for Easter Flowers*. Donations of \$20 are prayerfully requested, made payable to St. Edward's with the notation "Easter Flowers." The names of those you would like to remember or who you have thanksgiving for will be printed in the Easter Sunday service bulletin.



Ripples of Kindness



Amy Newmark is the bestselling author, editor-in-chief, and publisher of the Chicken Soup for the Soul book series.

Release date: Tuesday, March 22

101 stories of kindness, from the everyday to the extraordinary. If you need some help, you'll find hope in these pages. And if you can give help, you'll feel energized and inspired to find your own opportunities to perform random acts of kindness—every day!

"I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples."

—Mother Teresa

The Moon's First Voyage 1916

From Catherine Donohue's FB



"May Light always surround you;
 Hope kindle and rebound you.
 May your Hurts turn to Healing;
 Your Heart embrace Feeling.
 May Wounds become Wisdom;
 Every Kindness a Prism.
 May Laughter infect you;
 Your Passion resurrect you.
 May Goodness inspire
 your Deepest Desires.
 Through all that you Reach For,
 May your arms Never Tire."

D. Simone

W. Heath Robinson - The Moon's First Voyage (reworked), 1916.



MEET OUR STEPHEN MINISTRY COORDINATOR



Thirty years ago a church leader approached me about a program that she was preparing to teach for parishioners who were willing to learn. She explained to me about the Stephen

Ministry program and what it had to offer. I, along with seven other church members attended the training. It was 50 hours of training and learning techniques of dealing with many types of life situations. After our training we were commissioned by our pastor and were ready to serve. Each of us had an assignment to whom we would be a Stephen Minister to a care receiver. It was most rewarding in that we had meetings where concerns about our caregiving experiences could be addressed by the fellow Stephen Ministries. This was a small congregation and I must say that no congregational members were aware of who was being served. Confidentiality was of utmost importance.

I am happy to say that when Fr. Rick talked about the possibility of having Stephen Ministry at St. Edward's I was in from the beginning. I repeated the training, our group was commissioned and now we are ready to serve.

At some time in each of our lives it would be nice to have a nonjudgmental ear to help us sort things out so we can get on with life. That is what a Stephen

Minister can do. Thank you,
Peggy Hanzelman



Pick up a brochure in the Narthex or on the Coffee Hour Table

To become connected to a Stephen Minister, please contact our coordinator, Peggy Hanzelman at phanzelman@comcast.net or 717-390-4944.

Needle Arts Ministry

The Knit Wits meet at 1PM each Tuesday in the lounge area. to work on any and all types of needle work.

In the Annual Report, Gail Irons quoted an appropriate scripture for this group: Genesis 21 God brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me.

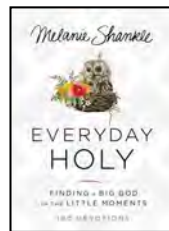
God has sent JOY; we glorify him with laughter.

All are invited to be a part of this enjoyable and productive group. Yarn, patterns and "expert assistance" are available, so you do not need to have a project started to join in the fun.

Donations of yarn are always welcome.



At a recent Knit Wits gathering, a discussion of interesting books provided the hint that a good place to shop for books is Ollies. Gloria Kacinko suggested the following book, which you can find on Amazon, if not at Ollies.



Melanie Shankle writes daily on her blog, Big Mama. She is a graduate of Texas A&M and loves writing, shopping at Target, checking to see what's on sale at Anthropologie, and trying to find the funny in every situation.



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"We are each a God-carrier and a sanctuary of the Holy Spirit."

—Archbishop Desmond Tutu

Coffee Hour



St. Patrick's Day-themed Bingo was a hit!



Always good food at coffee hour!



Bingo winners got to choose from a grab bag of prizes.



The famous Bingo Card



Our Coffee House Band livens our coffee hour



Seth and Beth Hake



Our next coffee house band coffee hour is Easter Sunday. Join us at 9:00 AM!





JOIN OUR ST. EDWARD'S TEAM

WE WILL "RACE OUR WAY" ON
SATURDAY – APRIL 30, 2022 | 12:00 NOON
DOWNTOWN AT MUSSER PARK

A 5K race cannot end racism but naming the need to create change and working together can make a difference. All proceeds from the Race Against Racism will support the [Center for Racial and Gender Equity \(CRGE\)](#) and their community programs of education, training, advocacy and change.

Father Rick+ and our Faith in Action ministry invite you to join us in participating as "Team St. Edward's" for the 2022 Race Against Racism event.

We have also created a link so that those who wish to donate in support of our *Team St. Edward's* can do so, (in any dollar amount!) as we commit to supporting this vital cause that is integral to our faith, ministry, and mission. There are many ways to join us!!

Registration fees are noted below. You can: [CLICK HERE TO CONNECT WITH THE YWCA RACE AGAINST RACISM WEBSITE](#). Also, if you would like to participate and need registration help of any kind, please contact the parish office.

Visit: <https://sainteds.org/faith-in-action>

Now through April 6: \$30 Adult Registration

Now through April 6: \$12 Child Registration

Registration includes a t-shirt and a reusable Race Against Racism water bottle, while supplies last. (*Must be registered by 11:59 p.m. on March 31 to be guaranteed a T-shirt. Registration fees are non-refundable.*)

You can: [CLICK HERE TO GO TO OUR FIA PAGE WHERE YOU WILL FIND LINKS TO REGISTER AND TO DONATE](#)

Help Wanted



By the Altar Guild

Worship the Lord in the beauty of Holiness!

Preparing the altar area for worship each week is a sacred and spiritual experience currently administered by a devoted group of eleven people. At one time, the Altar Guild had as many as sixteen members.

We need more help!

Please consider joining this essential ministry! No experience is necessary. The Altar Guild provides training. We work in teams so there is always an experienced member as part of a team. The set-up times are flexible (Thursday, Friday, or Saturday) and are arranged between the members of a team. Each team is scheduled about once a month. With more members, it could be every five or six weeks.

We are open to men, women, and young people who are willing to make a commitment to this ministry. If you are interested in joining us or if you have questions, please contact Bev Hess, Julie Hoff, or notify the church office. We look forward to hearing from you!



Irene Achey and Bradley Mattson at Hope Church Manheim for the blessing of the Plaids, Sunday March 20th.

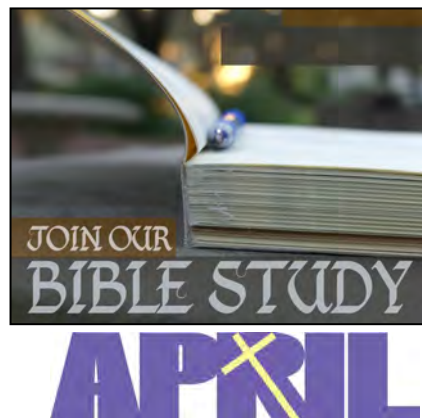
Wednesday Evening Bible Study



L. William Countryman

Wednesday Evening Bible Study new session will begin on Wednesday, March 9th (Zoom link will be published on Monday, March 7th) - 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM: The focus for this session, led by Bob Mosebach and Leslie Arnold, will be to remain in the Hebrew Scriptures with a study on the Psalms. Staying with the 'Conversations with Scripture' series, the book we will use, in addition to the Bible, is **William Countryman's *Conversations with Scripture: The Psalms***. "Written in accessible language and sensitive to those who have little or no experience in reading the Bible, each book in the *Conversations with Scripture* series focuses on exploring the historical and critical background of the biblical texts, while illustrating how these centuries-old writings still speak to us today. Countryman brings his considerable biblical studies erudition as well as his skills as a popular writer and published poet to bear on the Psalms. Though an accomplished scholar of the New Testament, Countryman illumines the Psalms with insight and creativity. Readers will experience this most beloved part of the scriptural canon in a fresh and exciting way." **There are several places online where you can purchase the book.** For questions, please contact Bob Mosebach at rmosebach@comcast.net or Leslie Arnold at larnold897@aol.com with any questions.

We encourage those who have thought about joining our Bible Study group to take this opportunity, during Lent, to experience this insightful study.



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This reflection on one of the Psalms Contributed by Ann Vail

PSALM 90:12

Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

Slowing Down Time

A lot has changed since the electric clock was invented in the 1840s. We now keep time on smart watches, smart phones, and laptops. The entire pace of life seems faster -with even our "leisurely" walking speeding up. This is especially true in cities and can have a negative effect on health scholars say. "We are just moving faster and faster and getting back to people as quickly as we can. Professor Richard Wiseman observed. "That is driving us to think everything has to happen now."

Moses, the writer of one of the oldest of the Bible's psalms, reflected on time. He reminds us that God controls life's pace. "A thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by, or like a watch in the night," he wrote (PSALM 90:4).

The secret to time management therefore, isn't to go faster or slower. It's to abide in God, spending more time with Him. Then we get in step with each other, but first with Him-the One who formed us (139:13) and knows our purpose and plans (V. 16).

Our time on earth won't last forever. Yet we can manage it wisely, not by watching the clock but by giving each day to God. As Moses said, "Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom" (90:12). Then, with God we'll always be on time, now and forever.

PATRICIA RAYBON

READ: PSALM 90:4, 12-15



Patricia Raybon is an author and journalist whose personal essays on faith, family and race have been published in The New York Times Magazine,

Newsweek, USA Today, USA Weekend, Chicago Tribune, The Denver Post, Rocky Mountain News, the Charles Stanley Ministries In Touch Magazine and featured on National Public Radio's Weekend Edition.[1] She retired as an associate professor of journalism at the University of Colorado, Boulder in 2006.



Requesting cards for Mike. His birthday will be past by the time this is printed, but will still be appreciated.

Mike will be home Feb. 2023. Thank you!

Joyce Kamm

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For The Parents Of One Who Has Committed A Crime

No one else can see beauty in his darkened life now.

His image has closed like a shadow.

When people look at him, he has become the mirror of the damage he has done.

But he is yours; and you have different eyes.

Eyes that hold his yesterdays in pictures no one else remembers.

Waiting for him to be born,

Not knowing who he would be,

The moments of his childhood,

First steps, first words, smiles and cries,

And all the big thresholds of his journey since.....

He is yours in a way no words could ever tell;

And you can see through the stranger this deed has made him and still find the countenance of your son.

Despite all the disappointment and shame,

May you find in your belonging with him a kind place,

Where your spirit will find rest.

May new words come alive between you

To build small bridges of understanding.

May that serenity lead you beyond guilt and blame

To find that bright field of the heart

Where he can come to feel your love.

Until it heals whatever darkness drove him

And he can see what it is he has done

And seek forgiveness and bring healing;

May his dark door open a path

That brightens constantly with new promise

Whose Shoes?

Pictures on Page 10

1. Bob Mosebach
2. Fr. Rick
3. Jay Miller
4. Donna Holwager
5. Buddy Yeager
6. Steve Donohue
7. Bishop Scanlan
8. Tony Bianco
9. Nancy Oliver
10. Dina Ishler
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17. Mark Jakiel
18. Randy Westgate
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21. Piper Brugmann
22. Julie Hoff
23. David Rutledge
24. Irene Achey
25. Emma And Sadie
26. Christian Bauer
27. Karen Grant

Pictures by Joyce Kamm



If you look closely, you will see that the "Cross" can be found even in nature. Did you know nature is known as the First Bible? It's a Bible that was written long before the Bible of words.



Creation is how God first revealed himself.

Opportunities to Serve at St. Edward's in 2022

By Michelle Bentley



In each Monday email, we focus on the various “gifts” we experience in life. It is our hope that this encourages you to consider what gifts you may have to offer in service to the ministry, mission, and vision of St. Edward's. We have a wonderful exercise, which is a spiritual gifts inventory, that can assist individuals to get to know themselves in ways that can direct them to an area of ministry that would be fulfilling for them. This is found on our website, on our Adult Spiritual Formation page.

As we enter 2022, perhaps you may consider serving in ministry at St. Edward's.

Recognizing, and then giving, your spiritual gifts are vital to the successful mission and ministry of a parish. The Body of Christ is made up of many members. As Christians, we are all ministers of the church and we all possess unique gifts, given by the Spirit, that allow us to carry out the Great Commission. Below is a

listing of ministry opportunities. Please contact the parish office with any questions you may have! It is our goal to assist you in finding a ministry opportunity that you will find joy in. We will also connect you with the ministry leader.

- Adult Spiritual Formation
- Altar Guild
- Choir
- Coffee Hour
- Communications
- Cultural Events
- Faith In Action
- Fellowship
- Finance Committee
- Fundraising Committee
- Historian
- Knit Wits (needle arts)
- Lector
- Lay Eucharistic Minister
- Memorial Garden
- New Member Ministry
- Pastoral Care/Stephen Ministry
- Property/Building Committee

- Special Events Committee
- Stewardship Committee
- Sunday School
- Usher
- Vestry

We also encourage you to get to know the Five Marks of Mission. The Five Marks of Mission are an important statement on mission. They express the Anglican Communion's common commitment to, and understanding of, God's holistic and integral mission. The mission of the Church is the mission of Christ.

1. To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom
2. To teach, baptize and nurture new believers
3. To respond to human need by loving service
4. To transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation
5. To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth



A Prayer for Ukraine

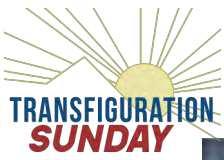
God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.
Amen.

Archbishop Justin Welby
Archbishop Stephen Cottrell



Rite II Services

Pictures by Mary Snyder and Meredith Westgate



Peter Weber



Scarlet Brenneman watching the choir



Buddy Yeager



Bob Mosebach preached



Jay Miller leads recessional



March snow



Dottie Gschwend



Fr. Rick reads the Gospel



Deborah Fast assists with the Eucharist



Wanda Stoltzfus preached



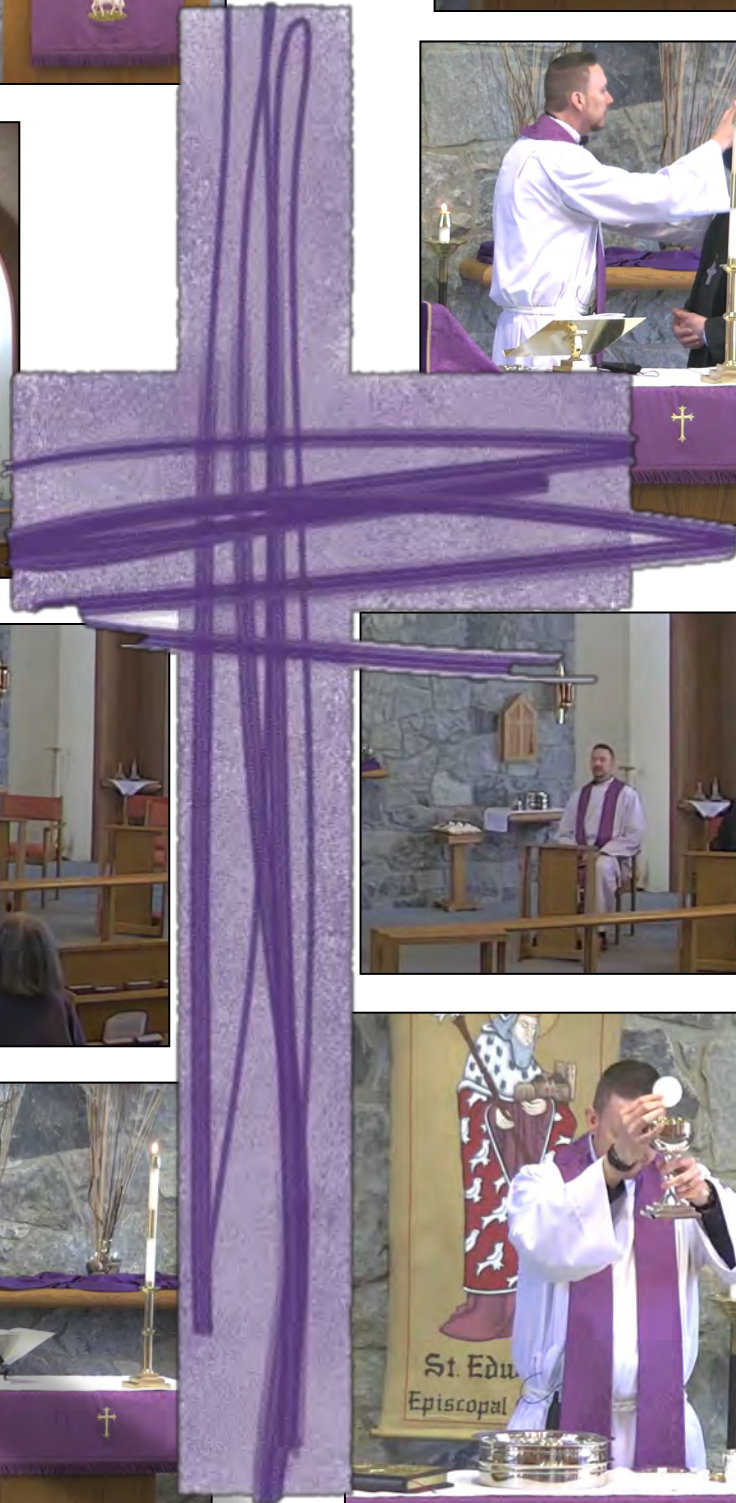
Recessional



Ash Wednesday Noon Meditation

From Live Stream

Scenes from our Ash Wednesday Noonday Service of the Imposition of Ashes, Holy Eucharist, and Meditative Silence and Prayer.





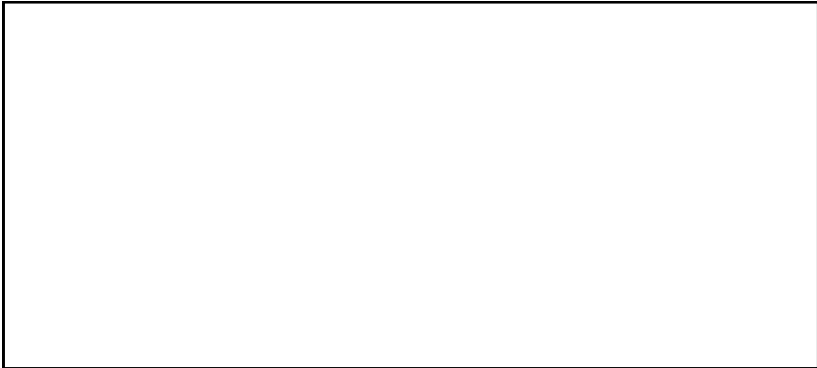
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Parish Office Hours

Tuesday-Friday:
11AM – 4:00PM

Vestry (year term ends)

- ✦ Catherine Donohue (2023)
- ✦ Karen Grant (2024)
- ✦ Peg Hanzelman (2024)
- ✦ Richard Irons (2025)
- ✦ Joyce Kamm (2025)
- ✦ Ginny Kloeping (2023)
- ✦ Beth Lynch (2023)
- ✦ Mary Snyder(2025)
- ✦ Randy Westgate (2024) Sr. Warden

Worship Services

Sunday Services

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I (said)

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Wednesday

12 Noon: Contemplative Eucharist,
Meditation, and Healing Prayer

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