

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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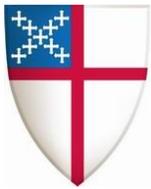
EPISTLE

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A Message from your Wardens

Snow, snow and more snow! It has been quite a winter, reminding me of the old days when we always seemed to get more snow than nowadays. It has been beautiful but also challenging. Our Church and Parish Hall have both sustained roof and gutter damage, which is currently being assessed. We hope things will get back to normal soon. In the meantime, we will appreciate your patience and understanding. Church in the Parish Hall works, but I hope it won't be necessary again any time soon!

We had a well-attended Annual meeting February 9, where new vestry members were elected. We welcome **Sandy House** and **Karen Garrison** to the vestry class of 2017. We also want to especially thank **Nancy Adams** and **Kay Mackey**, retiring vestry members, who have served St. Paul's faithfully for many years.

Kim Marker, vestry clerk is stepping aside this year, and we appreciate all she has done. We welcome **Kay Mackey** as the new vestry clerk.

Some highlights of the Annual Meeting:

Our new Columbarium brochure has come from the printer and was distributed to all. **Fred Glynn** has done a beautiful job. The photography is especially lovely.

Toni Howell, who has been caring for the church linens for more years than most of us can remember, is going to take a break, and **Charlotte Jones** has agreed to take over this task. We thank them both for this ministry.

We decided to try to continue our outreach to the **Carpenter's Kids** in Tanzania for at least one more year in a limited way. See article elsewhere.

A new fundraiser is going to be tried, **Adams Gift Cards**. St. Paul's is purchasing Adams Fairacre Farms gift cards in denominations of \$25., \$50 and \$100. We will be selling them starting March 2nd.

Debby Glynn will sell cards after the 8 a.m. service and Nancy Lutz and Sandy House following the 10AM service.

You buy them from us with cash or check, and use them like cash,



Sunday Services

*Holy
Eucharist*

8AM-Rite I

*10AM-Rite II
With music*

*9:45AM– Sunday
School/ Infant and
child care*

*Coffee hour
Follows the
10AM service*

*Evening Prayer
6 PM Fridays*

So they are good any time, even on discount night, and in any of their 4 locations. They do not expire but CANNOT be replaced if lost or stolen. You must buy them from us, not at Adams, to help us make some extra money. So if you are shopping at Adams anyway, or you want to give a gift, please buy a card from us instead of paying for groceries directly at the store. Sr.Paul's receives a 10% discount when we buy in quantity. Several churches in the area have had quite a success with this, so we are giving it a try. Over the course of a year it will add up.

See Pages 3 & 5 for important upcoming events. In the meantime, we will hope for a burst of spring weather soon. *Your Wardens*

CARPENTER'S KIDS

Last year we decided to end our commitment to the Carpenter's Kids program after 8 years of supporting it. It was becoming increasingly difficult for us to carry 67 children, the level we had signed on for. We understood, it turns out incorrectly, that these children would be able to continue their education somehow, perhaps being picked up by another church. It turns out this is not the case. In talking with Lauren Salminen, diocesan consultant for the Carpenter's Kids program, I learned that these children would need to be dropped and thus would be unable to continue their education. Lauren told me, however, that we could participate in a more limited way if we wanted. There are 26 of our children who will still be in elementary school next year. This number will drop to 17 the following year. At the Annual Meeting, the group decided we should try to get support at least for the 26 children needed for next year. The response has been terrific, and we will definitely make our goal. Thank you to all.

As a P.S., the program as originally conceived will sunset in two years. There will be a new bishop for the area, and many things are still up in the air.
Your Wardens & Vestry

Message from the Altar Guild

The Altar Guild is looking for a few good people to work on setting up the Altar for Sunday worship and for cleaning up afterwards. We are planning a training session and refresher course on either Saturday or Sunday, April 5th or 6th.

Contact **Esther Ottaway** at **635-3915** or gottaway@earthlink.net if you are interested in joining us in this important work, for our church.

We thank **Charlotte Jones** for agreeing to do the linens; a job **Toni Howell** did for many years before retiring.

Attention: Acolytes & Crucifers

There will be a training session after the 10:00 church service March 30th, 2014 for anyone interested in becoming an acolyte or crucifer. This will also be a refresher course for anyone interested.

Special Lenten Activities

March 4th, 12:30-2:30 p.m. Bible Study. Each Tuesday in Lent we will be studying the Ten Commandments. Father Shafer has written a book on this subject and provided us with several copies. We will be reading and discussing this subject as our focus on Lent. You are welcome at any time to join the group.



March 5th, 7PM-ASH WEDNESDAY– Father Shafer will distribute ashes and celebrate the Holy Eucharist . Join us to prepare for this season of penitence, prayer and faith.

March 9-23-30 & April 6th- Starting the First Sunday in Lent the Forward Day by Day study group will continue to meet in the Sepe Room at 11:30 a.m. We will focus on the Gospel stories leading up to the Passion. Bring your coffee and join us. We may extend the session until 12:30 but you may leave at anytime.

INDABA WEEKEND– April 5&6– On the first weekend in April St.Paul’s will host our two partner parishes. Our friends from Holy Apostles,(Manhattan) and Grace Church (Hastings on Hudson) will be able to see our beautiful countryside and worship with us on Sunday. Please take the opportunity to meet our “extended family” at Coffee Hour on Sunday April 6th, following the 10 a.m. worship service.

Join the fun at St.Paul’s 4:30-7 p.m. when we

ner and Silent Auction. Cabbage along with po-

made Irish Soda Bread will be Stewart’s vanilla ice cream with cookies and brownies made by our own lepruchans, along with beverages. Take outs are available. Adults \$14.00, Seniors \$13.00, Young folks 6-10 \$7.00, Under 6 and over 90 Free.



parish hall on March 15th– present our Annual Irish Din- Traditional Corned Beef and tatoes,carrots and our home be served buffet style. Dessert will



*May you have love that never ends,
lots of money, and lots of friends.
Health be yours, whatever you do,
and may God send many blessings to you!*





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FEBRUARY SPECIAL EVENTS

ANNUAL MEETING AND POT LUCK LUNCHEON



The Valentine's Day theme and decorations were all provided by our amazing parishioners. We thank you for all you do. Again St. Paul's feeds the body and the soul.



ELECTION OF VESTRY MEMBERS



We welcome Karen Garrison and Sandy House, our newly elected vestry members.



Mother Dresser blessing our new Altar Linens.

March Birthdays and Anniversaries

1	Brian Michael Platel Marge Root
2	Trent Alvin Stone
3	John Borchert
4	Vincent DeMarco
5	Michael Shipley Amanda Peluse
6	Babette Wilcox
10	Corin Kutner
12	Christine Kirchner Susan Haviland
13	Pam Moustakas
16	Rosemary Jones
17	Rhoda Gruner
18	Kay Mackey
19	Colleen Kutner Piper Delaney Macak Austin Jacob Shipley
21	Katherine Ottaway Kittredge
25	Rudy Macak

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

March 15th– 7 p.m. Ash Wednesday service.

Join us in worship as we begin the Lenten season. Father Shafer will administer ashes and celebrate the Holy Eucharist.

March 15th– Irish Dinner & Silent Auction

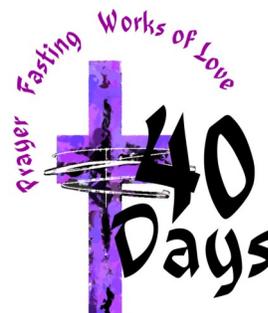
4:30 p.m.-7 p.m. Don't miss the fun and good food as we celebrate St. Patrick's Day.

See pg. 3 for further information.

March 16th– Do not miss the film and information regarding the **Global Women's Fund**, a mission of the Episcopal Church. Johanna Shafer and Margaret Dietsche will do the presentation in the Parish Hall following the 10 a.m. worship service. There will be a coffee hour.

March 26 & March 27, 2014-9:45AM-4PM LENTEN QUIET DAY– Holy Cross Monastery, Rte 9W, West Park NY

Same program each day. See flyer on bulletin board in Parish Hall



March 15– May 10th– Mountain Bike Raffle.

Make the most of our beautiful countryside! Take it all in on a new Mountain Bike! Enter to win by buying a ticket-\$1. each or 6 for \$5. The raffle goes from the Irish Dinner to the Mother's Day Sales. Proceeds will be used to start our special mission/outreach fund. See Nancy Lutz for tickets. Thanks to Gene & Candy Reed for donating the new bike to St. Paul's.



WORDS OF WISDOM

“Harboring resentment against someone is like
You drinking poison and expecting the other person to die.”

Attributed to Nelson Mandela

Contributed by Roger Tumbarello