



Greetings from the Rector:



In December of the year 1223, Saint Francis of Assisi decided that something needed to change. People were disconnected from the reality of what Christmas was truly all about. So Francis borrowed some animals from farmers. He asked a young family to help with his project. He brought the animals and the family to a cave



outside of the town of Greccio in the hills of central Italy. He invited the entire town to come out to the cave after dark, and they did. And there, by candlelight, Francis read the Gospel story of the birth of Jesus and, with tears in his eyes, he invited everyone to love the poor baby Jesus. The crowd gathered around the family and the animals and the baby lying in the hay of the manger and they sang him an old Italian lullaby. The people hugged and kissed and shared signs of peace with one another. The world's first living Nativity took place that night and the heart of our Savior overflowed with love and joy at this celebration of pure and simple devotion.

Francis wanted the people to experience God – not think about God, not talk about God, not read about God – but to experience the immediate reality of God incarnate as a human baby. To feel what it must have been like on that night of the Savior's birth. And to embrace that amazing and determined love of God that does whatever it takes to redeem humanity.

Saint Mary's shares this same goal with Francis. We are not interested in the latest trends, the hippest new songs, or the coolest light shows. We don't market-test our liturgies before we go live. Our only goal is to experience God and to invite others to do the same. We have discovered this experience of God by walking in the way of Jesus as the saints of God have done since that one unique birth in Bethlehem so long ago.

Will you come and experience God with us? Will you support Saint Mary's as we grow together in this experience of God? Will you share your experience of God with us and help this community to thrive? All are welcome. Joy to the world; the Lord has come!

Nathan W. Ferrell +



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From the Deacon's Corner

Dear Ones,

My mother used to tell me that as she got older time went by faster! Now I know what she meant! My life seems to be in a constant state of change whether I want to change or not! I have never been one to make new year's resolutions, probably because I know that I am not disciplined enough to keep them! I have also learned that if my heart isn't in it, those so-called resolutions are just empty promises.

Following our hearts and being committed to loving ourselves as God loves us and loving others as we love ourselves no matter the cost is the Way Jesus shows us to live this precious life we are given. It sounds simple, and it is not. There are people in our lives who are difficult to love, people we disagree with, people who do horrible things we cannot understand, people we love who hurt and disappoint us. We lose a job, sickness and pain drain the life from us and people we love, someone who is dear to us dies and our world is turned upside down.

Through it all God will never let us go. Embracing God's love, living in it, being filled with it, enables us to love and to be loved by others. LOVE really is the answer. To love as God loves us is a resolution I plan to make with each new day this year. I will never do it perfectly, but that is my intention. During this new year may God bless you and fill you with God's love that you might be God's love for others.

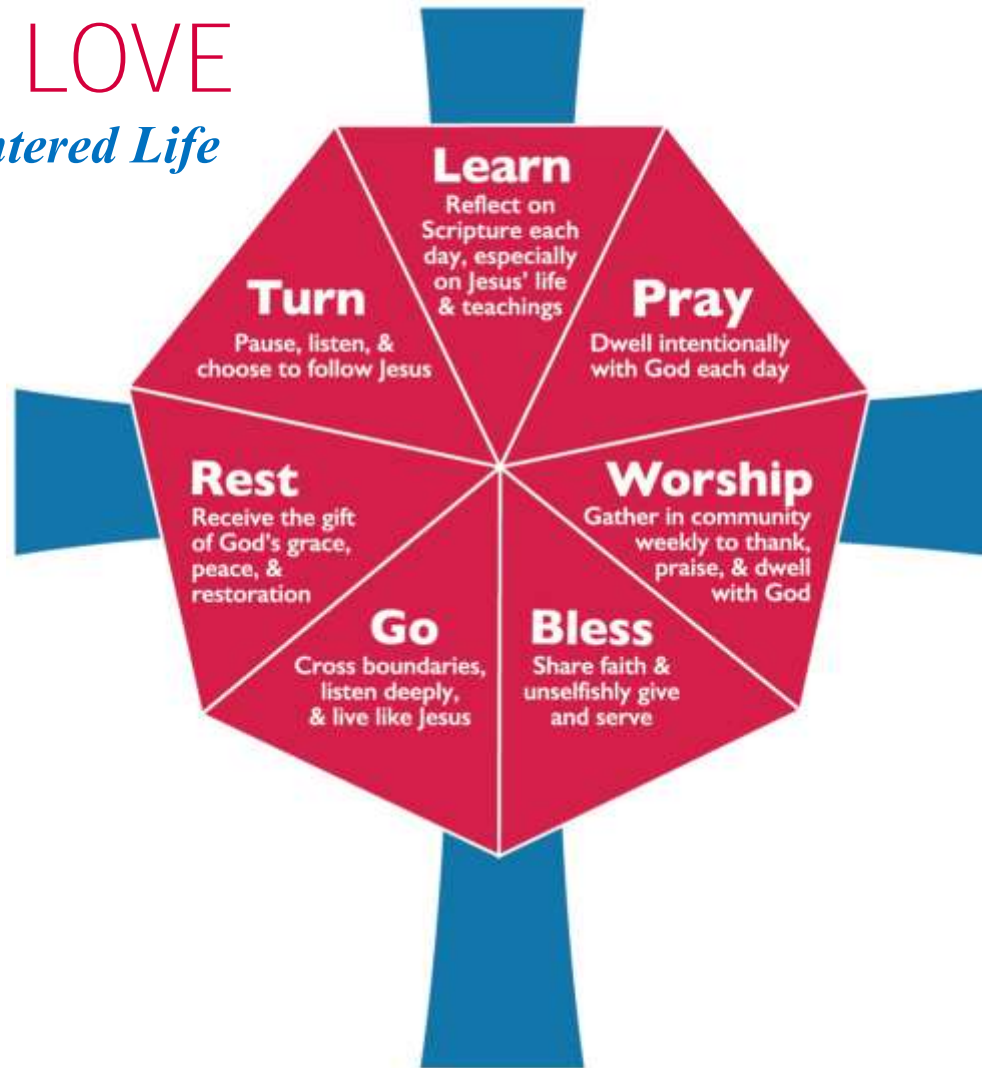
Faithfully, Deacon Christine



THE WAY OF LOVE

Practices for Jesus-Centered Life

Guided by our Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, The Episcopal Church is being revived as we walk together in the Way of Love – which is the Way of Jesus. Come and be part of this branch of the Jesus Movement!



THE WAY OF LOVE

Practices for Jesus-Centered Life

Vestry Highlights from the Wardens

by Janet Bowne

The Vestry met on 12/19/18.

Garry Bowne filled in for Bill Gowen and reported on the finances. Expenses are in line with what we expected. Sparkles was successful, but we don't have all the expenses in yet. The Vestry has reviewed the 2019 budget over the last few meetings. Garry presented the final budget with the updated numbers on insurance, taxes and the Diocesan assessment. The budget for 2019 was adopted after a general discussion clarifying some of the assumptions made in the budget. We also voted to approve \$2,340 as a housing allowance for 2019. This does not affect our budget. It allows him to claim this amount pretax to defray rectory living expenses.

Pledges for 2019 are \$178,000. We still have a ways to go to reach our \$285,000 pledge goal. The Vestry will make reminder calls on Monday, January 7th with a snow day on January 8th. We'll call parishioners to remind them to turn in their forms.

The Nominating Committee presented the slate in November and the general communication went out in the December AVE. The January AVE will have photos and bios of the slate. Delegates for the Convention will be presented later. **The Nominating Committee suggested we consider a by-law change to allow (but not require) a vestry member to serve two consecutive terms. Currently vestry members are only allowed one term with a one year break before rejoining the vestry. This by-law change has to be approved by the Chancellor of the Diocese. We have sent the information on to the Diocese and should**



hear back in early January. The Vestry voted to approve the proposed change if the Chancellor approves it.

We will hold our Annual Meeting on January 27th with one service at 9:30 am and the meeting immediately following the service. We'll use the same procedures to expedite seating and food service to allow maximum time for the meeting. We discussed using the meeting to discuss goals for the future, an opportunity to review the candidates for the Bishop of Maine.

Bishop Stephen Lane will visit Saint Mary's on Sunday, February 17th which will also be one service allowing for maximum time with the Bishop.

The Vestry will hold a retreat on February 2nd from 10am -3pm. New vestry members will have their orientation from 9-10.

Father Nathan expressed his appreciation to the Vestry and thanked everyone for serving.

Stewardship: Grace Given

Thanks to all who have turned in their pledge forms. At our early press deadline of 12/20, 75 households have pledged \$ 178,852. We have a ways to go to hit our goal of \$285,000.

This photo comes from our archives. It shows a section of the budget (expenses) from 1929. These meticulously kept minutes and notes show the issues that our founders faced when our parish was formed. Just as we experience, fuel was a major expense. Of course, times were simpler and our programs were not as evolved as they are now, so a comparison is not apples to apples. In our proposed budget, gas and electric expenses for our three buildings are \$21,900. Our Buildings and Grounds team works hard to ensure that our buildings are warm and welcoming for parishioners and visitors but not wasteful of our pledge dollars. Being able to heat and light our campus properly is critical to offering programs and services to our parish and the broader community. Thank you for your pledge. If you haven't pledged, please do so as soon as possible. Send your completed pledge form confidentially to Beth Shaw (admin@smary.org) or drop it (in an envelope, please) in the plate on Sunday or by mail, 43 Foreside Road, Falmouth, 04105. Janet Bowne

Diocese of Maine Church of Saint Mary the Virgin Falmouth Foreside	
BUDGET FOR 1929.	
Clergy	\$2,400
Clergy Vacation Supply	100
Music	900
Sexton	250
Coal for Church	300
Electricity	100
Water	35
Insurance	200
Printing and Postage	250
Plowing Snow	25
Repairs	250
Labor on Grounds	100
Miscellaneous Expenses	250
Parish Support	\$5,250
Pension Fund	200
Diocesan Expenses	75
Episcopate Fund	25
Diocesan Support	300
	\$5,550

Learning and Growing together



Renew You 2019



Lots of us use the New Year to make plans to change behavior or take on new healthier habits. Is it the New Year or the quieter pace of January that encourages us to take on self-exploration? Common Ground will focus on topics that will help us be more intentional about our personal well-being!

Thursday, January 10 — **Anti-Inflammatory Diet**—What is it? Why is it beneficial? Darlene E. Peterson, MD with Maine Health Integrative Medicine will help us understand the Anti-Inflammatory Diet. We'll sample foods and gain tips on how to incorporate this into our daily lives!

Thursday, January 17 - Ice Skating at Family Ice Center—Instead of the Parish Hall, we'll gather at the Family Ice Center Pond House for ice skating and to enjoy some of our Friendship Bean Soup. Bring some bread and cookies to share if you're able. If you don't skate, come and enjoy the beautiful pond house, the fire and the fellowship. Open to all ages and abilities.

Thursday, January 24 — **Chronic Pain**. Are you or someone you know struggling with chronic pain? Anna Guest, Director of Agewell Programs at the Southern Agency on Aging, will share tips and techniques on how you or someone else manage chronic pain.

Thursday, January 31 — **Stick to it!** Having trouble sticking to your resolutions? Join us to hear (SPEAKER TBD—waiting on name) tips on how to get unstuck!

Thursday, February 7 — **Acupuncture**. Have you wondered about acupuncture and its benefits? Join us to hear from Fern Tsao and parishioner Maureen Manetti to learn about acupuncture. Maureen and her mother, Fern, are experienced acupuncturists who can demystify this ancient practice and show you how it can help you.

Thursday Common Ground theme for January *Renew You 2019*

Common Ground is designed to be a second meeting time each week when our parish family comes together to share a meal, to do ministry together, and to discuss things that are important to our life. This is a flexible and informal time and people are welcome to come and leave as necessary. We encourage all committees and guilds to hold their meetings either before or after this core event which will create a greater synergy for connecting!

The basic structure is:

5 - 7PM Potluck dinner. Take a break from cooking a whole meal. Bring a dish or just eat what we have. If you can't eat this early, come and enjoy fellowship and discussion. Open to everyone!! Food will be available throughout this time.

5:30PM Voice For Life: music training for all ages (adult and youth) **OR**

5:45PM Group presentations and discussion. Topics will vary or be seasonal.

6:45PM Compline in the Chapel and clean-up

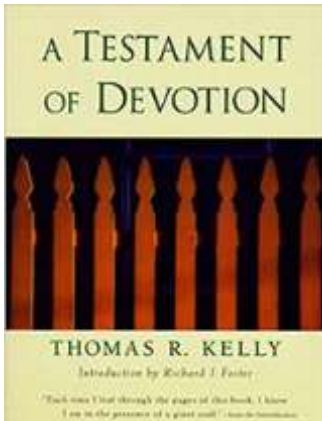
Questions? Ideas for future topics? Contact Janet Bowne (janetbowne@maine.rr.com)

Learning and Growing together

Sunday FORMATION: Spiritual Classics

"A Testament of Devotion" by Thomas R. Kelly

"The Now contains all that is needed for the absolute satisfaction of our deepest cravings. Why want, and yearn, and struggle, when the Now contains all one could ever wish for, and more?"



Beginning on the Epiphany, January 6, gather with Nathan in the Guild Room on the Lord's Day at 9:30 AM to consider a Christian Spiritual Classic of the twentieth century. Thomas Raymond Kelly (1893-1941) was a Quaker missionary, educator, speaker, writer and scholar. Epiphany is focused on the light of God's revelation, and together we will go through the Epiphany season learning about the Light Within with Kelly's remarkable thoughts as our guide.

All are welcome to drop in at any time. Grab a cup of coffee and join the conversation!



We've implemented a slight shift in our Sunday morning schedule in order to better accomplish **our mission of "building authentic, vibrant, Christ-centered community" where we celebrate, honor and serve together.**

The overall Sunday schedule for the program year looks like this:

8:00AM: Contemplative Eucharist (Rite 1 or Rite 2)

9:30 AM: Formation for all ages (Guiding RAY and choir rehearsal for youth)

10:15 AM: Choral Eucharist

If you have a group that you would like to facilitate or to see offered, please send Fr. Nathan an email or reach out to your Wardens.

Quietude - Resting in Silence With God

"An unfolding contemplative practice eventually becomes total receptivity. In that receptivity, one is aware of a silence that is becoming an irresistible attraction...This Presence [of interior silence] once established in our inmost being, might be called spaciousness. There is nothing in it except a certain vibrancy and aliveness. You're awake. But awake to what, you don't know. You are awake to something that you can't describe and which is absolutely marvelous, totally generous, and which manifests itself with increasing tenderness, sweetness, and intimacy." Richard Rohr

Silence is almost unheard of in today's world (pun intended), to the point that the mere thought of being silent with ourselves or in a group, devoid of outside attraction (distraction), has become a frightening option for some. Yet, there is a deep and rich history in the Church and all major religions of just such a practice. And it is not just the special purview of the cloistered. The Bible is chock full of encouragement for such a practice, and Jesus modeled it for us throughout his life.

It is good news that this practice is making a comeback. Many of the churches in our community are making time for silent prayer, reflection and contemplation as their flocks are realizing the need and great benefits of the many forms of this practice. Saint Mary's is no exception, with such varied offerings as "Be Still" between Sunday morning services, the Advent Quiet Morning in December and Contemplative Prayer every Monday evening during Lent and Advent.

If you feel the pull to take back your lives, to take a break from its demands and distractions, to recalibrate, and strengthen your relationship with God, you are not alone. If you wish to learn more or are just curious, please reach out to Father Nathan, Deacon Christine, Merle Marie Troeger or Jennifer Gregg.

Christian Formation - RAY Beams - January 2019



Advent in Guiding RAY was full of preparation, patience and building anticipation. For the past 3 weeks we studied how Isaiah Promised and Jesus Fulfilled. We made rock candy to demonstrate that the preparation and patience needed to grow our candy is very similar to the preparation and

patience that faith in God requires. As we waited for our candy to crystalize, we were really teaching ourselves to pay attention and prepare ourselves to see God within us every day.

Isaiah the Prophet came to visit in Guiding RAY and shared with us a bit about who he was, how he became a prophet, and what he did as God's prophet. He shared spicy cinnamon candies with us as he told of how hot coal of God touched his lips, setting his lips on fire so that he could speak of the glorious coming of the Messiah. And Isaiah taught us about the kind of Messiah to look for, why God sent the Messiah into the world, and how we know Jesus is the one we have been waiting for. We all enjoyed Isaiah's visit as it reinforced what God has done for us by coming into the world as the Baby Emmanuel. A wonderful truth that we must never forget, and must never forget to share.

We also celebrated Advent with a living advent wreath, a special Family Chapel with Fr. Nathan and Christmas pageant practices. Now on to Epiphany!



Here is what is coming up for January in Guiding RAY Rotation # 5 The Anointing of David

During this rotation we will learn about how God chooses, prepares and leads leaders.

January 6th: 9:30 - 10:00 Special Family Chapel with Fr. Nathan
Rotation #5 The Anointing of David

January 13th: The Anointing of David

January 20th: The Anointing of David

January 27th: Annual Meeting/ Movie Day in Guiding RAY

We still need leaders for this next rotation and if you would be interested in helping with this ministry please visit our website, smary.org, to volunteer or contact Megan Akers.

Christian Formation - RAY Beams - January 2019



As part of our Winter Outreach, Guiding RAY will again be participating in the Souper Bowl of Caring. Through this mission, we will learn what it

is like to make a positive difference in the world - as we work to collect food for the hungry and gain compassion for those in need. Join us in being a part of this movement that is sharing God's love and please give generously on Super Bowl Sunday. Every can of soup (low sodium preferred) we collect will be donated to the Falmouth Food Pantry, our Souper Bowl of Caring charity choice.



Hey Middlers!
Mark your
calendars
and save the date !

REACH:
Reaching In,
Reaching Out,
Reaching God

A Diocesan Middle School Event

We will reach inside ourselves to understand who we are right now, reach out to our community to help other people live out who they are, and reach to God through song and worship to find who we are called to be. Kids in grades 6-8 are invited to spend the weekend playing games, doing a service project, making friends, eating awesome food, and worshipping God together.

March 9-10, 2019

Christ Church Episcopal in Gardiner
For Middle Schoolers in 6-8 Grade

Guiding RAY Coordinators

Megan Akers: *Director*, GuidingRAY@smary.org, 415-4260
Alison Hayward, Nursery, ajhmcmonagle@gmail.com, 207-400-4658



Young Life Casco Bay

Weekly Club: Mondays at 7:31pm
at 75 Stapleford in Falmouth

All high schoolers are invited!

FMI, visit the website:

www.younglifecb.com.

or call Jordan Droge at 805-453-1999

Share Healthy Habits with Youth

Tip of the Month

- Enjoy alcohol-free activities
- Select healthy food options
- Device-free mealtimes
- Exercise regularly
- Get enough sleep
- Spend time with family and friends



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Our St. Cecilia and Angel choristers sing at Oceanview on December 12 with rave reviews.

RSCM Choir news

Presentation of Choir Vestments

At the December 18th St. Cecilia Choir rehearsal the choristers gathered in the chapel to welcome two new choristers: Faye Frongillo, St. Cecilia Choir and Agnes Park-Stamm, Angel Choir. Fr. Nathan led a brief ceremony to present these new choristers with their choir vestments. You will hear and see more of these choristers in the coming months.

CHOIR INVITATION

The St. Cecilia Choir and Angel Choir are open to all boys and girls who like to sing. Attendance at rehearsals is very important. Please contact Priscilla Rigg, Youth Choir Director, at 781-3975 or e-mail: pamrigg29@gmail.com or Bruce Fithian, Music We will give you a 'Voice for Life'!

Outreach Ministry - All Ages Serving Near and Far

That We All May Be One *A New Year for Saint Mary's Outreach*

by Jennifer Gregg

Each and every one of us is called to reach out in love to our neighbors. With thanks to God, we live in an increasingly interconnected world that offers great opportunity for meeting those neighbors, "The Other," whom we might not encounter during the course of our busy daily lives. Often these neighbors are unseen, marginalized as they cope with the difficulties that continue to plague humanity, be it issues of hunger, violence, abuse, and addiction, needs of the elderly and immigrants, to name but a few.

Though these challenges seem legion, the opportunities and our desire to find God in all whom we meet are, blessedly, limitless. The task, then, of the Outreach committee, is to work with parish leadership to both provide some focus and to create multiple opportunities for each of us to do just that, to reach out, in love, to these neighbors in concert with our fellow parishioners. In 2017-2018, we chose to bring such a focus to the New Mainers living in our area, offering a program of three educational presentations to become better informed about their hopes, fears, plans, challenges and, most importantly, to offer opportunities to grow closer to and see God in each other. From this grew an ongoing and growing ministry of teaching and tutoring through *In Her Presence*.



In 2018-2019, the Outreach Committee will be offering a similar program focusing on the **Opioid Challenge in Maine**. We are scheduling a series of 2-3 educational presentations to become better informed about the origins and nature of what is widely considered to be an epidemic affecting both us and neighbors of every background and socio-economic level. We will also seek to learn about

ways to recognize the signs and symptoms of addiction, hearing both from local experts in the field and those who have personally experienced addiction—those in recovery and those who have been touched. As such, we hope to learn not only academically about this important issue, but to offer parishioners and members of the community-at-large the opportunity to learn from those directly affected and, yes, most importantly, to offer opportunities to grow closer to and see God in each other. ***The first presentation is scheduled for Sunday, March 24th from 4-6pm, so please save the date now!***

Supporting this initiative will our vibrant association with Milestone Recovery, through which we are seeking to bring those in recovery to the Saint Mary's campus for joint projects with parishioners, and to seek regular opportunities for groups of Saint Marians to meet and work with those in recovery on one or more of the Milestone campuses.

During the coming year, we will also enthusiastically continue to organize and promote on-going opportunities to reach out to other neighbors, together as a parish:

Saint Mary's Mission Mornings will take place on three Sunday mornings, February 10, June 16 and in October. Parishioners of all ages and abilities are invited to gather in the Auditorium after the 8am service for prayer, after which all participate in one of several service projects in Falmouth, Portland, Yarmouth and Cumberland, returning to Saint Mary's by 11:30 for a light lunch and fellowship.

Saint Mary's "Souper Supper" will continue to be offered on the 2nd and 4th Fridays from 5-7pm, during which parishioners nourish both bodies and spirits of our friends and neighbors in search of physical and social sustenance.

St. Elizabeth's Jubilee Center in Portland will continue to welcome St. Marians one morning every 6 weeks as parishioners serve as "the hands of Christ," distributing non-food essentials to the most needy among us.



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Outreach Ministry - All Ages Serving Near and Far

In Her Presence will continue to provide a venue at the Portland Public Library every Saturday during the school from 10-noon for Saint Marians to teach and tutor immigrant women thirsting to learn English.

Welcome, New Mainers, an Outreach program, will offer two opportunities during the year for Saint Marians to meet and Multi-cultural Festival (with music, crafts and food!) on May 5th and a reprise of the wildly successful Multi-cultural Fair in November.

Long Creek will continue to welcome a group of Saint Marians who serve as role models as they meet, talk, play games or enjoy a meal with young male youths on an afternoon every 6-8 weeks. (see page 10)

For more information on all of these initiatives and activities in which all are warmly invited to participate, please contact any one of the active or supporting members of the Outreach Committee:

Deacon Christine Bennett, Judith Brooks, Betsy Elliman, Margaret Fast, Diane Fletcher, Jennifer Gregg, Sarah Kelly, Anne LaFond, Dana Madison, Marian McCue, Becky Pride, Bonny Rodden, Merle Marie Troeger.



Community Souper Supper January 11 and 25



Enjoy this community-wide fellowship offering, dining in a relaxed, candle-lit atmosphere. You will be feted with a complimentary main course, salad, rolls, dessert and beverage. Wonderful for singles and families alike! Offered twice each month on the 2nd and 4th Fridays from 5-7 PM in the parish house. No reservations required. Just bring your family and friends and enjoy! It's a blast!

PLUS, on the 2nd Friday, stay for the FREE Classic Movie

**Support "Souper Supper" Buy Fair Trade
"Coffee by Design" Coffee!**



Medium to robust coffees: Casco Bay, Black & Tan, OR Rebel Blend
"Coffee by Design" 12 oz. bags of ground fair-traded, organic, delicious coffees are on sale at Saint Mary's for \$10 a bag (Decaf is \$11). ...and support fair trade practices ...and a locally-owned business... and get GREAT organic coffee! Win! Win!

Classic Cinema

Our monthly FREE in-house movie

January 11

**Movie begins at 7PM (after Souper Supper)
in the Parish House, and it's free!**



Long Creek birthdays program ends, sponsorship continues

After many years of providing monthly birthday cakes at Long Creek, that Saint Mary's outreach program has ended, but the connection will continue between the church and Maine's only youth correctional facility in South Portland.

For many years, as part of a project with the young people at Long Creek that was started by Hannah Russell and her sister, Connie Kayser, monthly birthday cakes were provided by our parishioners. But we have recently been informed by the volunteer coordinator that because the numbers of kids at Long Creek is now very low, they are handling birthday celebrations in a different way and no longer need our help.

But the connection between Saint Mary's and Long Creek has continued and deepened in many ways. A small group of dedicated parishioners visit inside one of the units frequently, including barbecues in the summer. We recently visited for a holiday celebration. And several of us are active on the Friends of Long Creek, a non-profit organization that raises money to support programs for the young people at the facility. If interested in volunteering or mentoring these youth, contact Marian McCue or Betsy Stoddard.

SAVE THE DATE!

Winter Mission Morning - Sunday, February 10

(Directly following 8am Eucharist)
Nursery Care Provided

9:15am: Meet in Auditorium for Send-Off

9:30: Disperse in small groups for one of the following projects:

- ◇ Distribute Warm Scarves in Portland- Hang them on trees and light posts! (All ages!)
- ◇ Morning at Milestone (adults only)
- ◇ Visiting Seniors at The Cedars (All ages!)
- ◇ In-House Project at Saint Mary's (ages 4 and up)

11:30: Quick Lunch and Fellowship at Saint Mary's

A Quiet Morning In Which to Appreciate Advent



Ten souls gathered in the Father James Chapel on December 15, taking time out from busy schedules to spend time with God without distraction. Our leader, Merle Marie Troeger, brought our focus to the Annunciation through the Bible stories and eyes of Mary, Elizabeth and Zechariah, through beautiful artwork depicting Mary and Elizabeth and through poetry. We came together to listen, read and observe, took time for silent reflection in many quiet corners of the campus, and returned to the Chapel to share observations and responses. Thank you to the Outreach Committee that hosted this opportunity, and to Merle Marie, for this truly transformational gift that we will all treasure through the remaining time in Advent, the celebration of Christmas and beyond!

Calling all books **for Saint Mary's** *OUTREACH BOOK & SOUP SALE* **SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2019**

To donate books, help sort books, lead a section, or if you have any questions. PLEASE EMAIL

-Betsy Stoddard at jbstod@myfairpoint.net



Souper Supper at Saint Mary's – Finding God in the Warmth of Strangers

An Invitation to Join a Wonderful Ministry

As we do every second and fourth Friday of the month, we opened our doors and hearts to the Greater Portland community offering a delicious meal of steaming hot home-made soup, salad, breads, dessert and beverages on December 14th. And adding to the joy of this particular evening were the voices of the Rana family and friends, as they led the caroling of all assembled...followed by a few solo numbers from Harrison Rana, earning the wild applause of all!

In 2019, this ministry will celebrate its 10th anniversary. It has become one of the most popular of our current Outreach endeavors, enjoying loyal service from 40 parishioners and families and welcoming an average 30-50 guests at each dinner. And while December 14th was marked by special seasonal joy, an atmosphere of camaraderie between our guests and the loving service of S. Mary's volunteers are hallmarks of each and every Souper Supper experience. Many of our guests are "regulars," and we always enjoy a new face or two. On the 14th, first-timers included a couple who had asked about this ministry at the Sparkles Fair, having heard about it through the community grapevine.

Souper Supper is a wonderful, low barrier outreach activity, very well suited to families and to those whose busy lives afford little time to volunteer. The various tasks are accomplished by separate mini-teams, who work on a rotational basis. Typically, one is scheduled to volunteer once every 4-6 weeks. Teams/tasks include:

Shopping (at Sam's or at BJ's): You get the list early in the week and ensure the items arrive at Saint Mary's by Thursday of that week, using S. Mary's credit card.

Soup Preparation: Soup is prepared and salad prepped on the Friday morning of Souper Supper between 9am and noon.

Desserts: Bake or purchase 3 dozen single serving sweets, eg, cookies, lemon bars, brownies, and deliver to S. Mary's by noon on the day of Souper Supper.

Set-Up: (3-4pm on the afternoon of Souper Supper): Set up tables and "dress" them with tablecloths, cutlery, dishes. Plate desserts.

Serve at table: (4:45-end): Serve tureens of soup, bowls of salad to tables, attend to any needs of the guests. Great chance to visit with guests as you wish. Wonderful for children.

Dishing up: (4:30-end): Work in kitchen to dish up soup, salad, etc. Put away cleaned dishes as they are washed.

Clean-up: (5:30-end) Wash dishes, take down tables.

Launder tablecloths: Pick up weekend after Souper Supper and deliver back to S. Mary's that week.

We would love to welcome you to this ministry! If one of the above-cited tasks piques your interest, please contact Jennifer Gregg, jenniferanngregg@gmail.com



Saint Mary's partners with the Salvation Army for Giving Tree

Our Advent *Giving Tree* this year was abundantly full with wonderful gifts from so many parishioners. Our thanks go out to all thirty of the Saint Mary's families that took tags and provided desired gifts and treasures for folks who would normally go without. We shine brightest when we are giving.

Please pray for our Bishop search process!

God of Grace, we give you thanks for all the blessings of our common life and ministries as the Episcopal Diocese of Maine, and for our leaders who are guiding us through this season of change. Grant to our candidates Kenneth, Thomas, Anne, Rachel and Janet the Holy Spirit's gifts of faith, hope and love. We ask also that you grant discerning hearts, minds, and spirits to the Transition Committee and all the delegates to the Electing Convention. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.





Meet the Nominees for the 10th Bishop of Maine



The Rev.
Kenneth H. Brannon



The Rev.
Thomas James Brown



The Rev.
Rachel Taber Hamilton



The Rev. Canon
Anne Mallonee



The Rev. Canon
Janet C. Waggoner

Attend the Walkabouts

Friday, January 18 at the Senator Inn, Augusta
Saturday, January 19 at Husson University, Bangor
Sunday, January 20 at the Westin Hotel, Portland

Walkabouts will be held from 1:30 to 4:30 pm

*Please note: in the event of weather prohibiting travel, one session will be held and live-streamed
January 20 – as scheduled above – at the Westin in Portland.*

- Sessions will be live-streamed on the Diocesan YouTube channel.
- Plan gatherings at your Parish to view the live-streamed Walkabout sessions.
- Videos will be posted on the Bishopquest website following the Walkabouts.

Visit <http://bishopquest.episcopalmaine.org> for more detailed information on the Nominees and Walkabouts.

Spiritual "No's"

by Merle Marie Troeger

Over the Christmas season, I became aware of how many spiritual "no's" are recorded in the Christmas story. This came as something of a surprise because we are always taught to think of Mary, Joseph, the shepherds as responding immediately to the announcement of Jesus' birth. But I took a closer look.

The spiritual "no" actually begins with Zechariah, husband of the barren Elizabeth. As the priest on duty one day in the temple, an angel of the Lord appeared and announced that he and Elizabeth would have a son whom they should name John. Zechariah, taken aback, asks the practical question, "How can I know that this is true? For I am an old myself, and my wife is getting on in years."

Then of course there's Mary, whose first reaction to Gabriel's announcement that she will give birth to the Son of God, is "How can this be? I am not married!"

Joseph's "no" is very direct. When he heard that Mary was pregnant, he resolved to "put her away quietly."

The shepherds "no" is collective. They were filled with fear when the angel of the Lord appeared.

Yet somehow each spiritual "no" becomes a "yes." Zechariah names his child John as the angel told him. Mary sings, "My heart is overflowing with praise of my Lord; my soul is full of joy in God my Savior." Joseph carefully attends to his wife and child, taking them to Egypt when Herod's cruel "no" threatens them. The shepherds go hurriedly to adore the babe.

Turning our spiritual "no's" to spiritual "yes's" may be the work of a moment or the work of a lifetime. It may happen in a blazing epiphany or, more likely, in the slow growth of faith over years and years. If I take a few minutes to look back over my life, I see a lot of spiritual "no's." No, I don't have time to be part of that project in Africa. No, I don't have any interest in learning new ways to pray. No, the Bible's too confusing and inconsistent. No, my neighbor doesn't really need or want me. No, helping in that city neighborhood is too complicated. No, I'm not good enough, smart enough, brave enough.

Maybe the new year is a good time to look back over your life so far. What have been your spiritual "no's"? Have any of them become a spiritual "yes"? What "no's" do you have today that might become a spiritual "yes"? What support do you need to help that happen?

Sparkles Wrap-up!

The Sparkle festivities may be over for this year, but the happy memories continue to warm our hearts. THANKS again to all who helped in so many ways.

From the beginning on Thanksgiving Eve with the lighting of the Kyros Memorial/Celebration Tree, to the Sparkles Fair, to the friendship of Christmas Caroling and Souper Supper and then finishing with the glorious music of the Schola Concert and Reception----we came together to give of ourselves, to reach out to our community and to celebrate this Season of Light and Hope.

We are happy to report that our efforts raised approximately \$19,000 which goes toward funding our many programs here at Saint Mary's, but the most important results are found in the fellowship, laughter and memories that we made that will last. This year we had help from many old friends as well as several new ones and that, too, is how Sparkles shines.

We also want to thank the companies that donated items for our use:

---Skillins Greenhouse for two Christmas trees, and a gift certificate

---Coffee by Design for the 50 lbs. of their special Sparkles Blend coffee

Another person to whom we owe special thanks is Colleen Donovan from Foreside Antiques, who helps us with pricing our very special donated items. If you have the opportunity, please give these merchants a thank you.

In closing, your Sparkles Chairs, Jana Burke and Kathy Galen again say thank you and may you all have a happy and blessed 2019!!



Ever wish there was an easy way to get involved with Saint Mary's and still have your busy life? *We'll, there isbecome an usher!*

The Saint Mary's Usher team is looking for men and women to serve during the Sunday morning services. Your only commitment is serving on Sunday morning while attending church. If interested or have questions, please contact Tom LaPlante 272-5621

Nominating Committee Report

Each year, the Nominating Committee is comprised of the retiring Vestry members and typically one parishioner-at-large. This year we were pleased to have Rick Hirschman serving as chair of the committee; he was joined by Tim Record. Each parishioner suggested for nomination was contacted to determine his/her willingness and availability to serve. After much prayerful discussion, work, and weeks of deliberation, the committee is pleased to announce the following nominees to fill all the vacant positions. We are most grateful to those others willing to serve as well!!

The Nominating Committee is pleased to announce a slate of nominees for election at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 27 as follows:

- ▶ Sr. Warden (2-year term): Jim Kane
- ▶ Jr. Warden (2-year term): Janet Bowne
- ▶ Treasurer(2-year term): Ben Parks-Stamm
- ▶ For the Vestry (3-year terms):

Darren Clark, Stan Eaton, Aaron Splint, and Jan Wentling

- ▶ For 2019 Diocesan Convention Delegates (4 or 5 Contact Rick Hirschman if you are interested.

The Wardens and Treasurer typically serve as Alternates.

Brief biographical information on the Vestry nominees follows.



JIM KANE, Senior Warden:

Jim Kane takes great pride and pleasure as a dedicated and involved husband, father, Episcopalian, outdoorsman and healthcare executive at the non-profit Central Maine Medical Center. His interests and skills include helping people get along with each other through respect, mutual understanding, humor, and a "let's give it a try and adjust as appropriate" approach. Jim was co-chair of the discernment committee that hired Father James in 2005. Jim and his lovely wife, Melissa, have raised their three children Jamie (28), Michael (25) and Jennifer (20) in Falmouth and have been active members of Saint Mary's for over 14 years. Jim has agreed to serve Saint Mary's for one more term as Sr. Warden.



JANET BOWNE, Junior Warden:

My family settled in Hampden, Maine, after my father retired from the Air Force. We attended the local UCC church there. I came to S. Mary's in 1985. Garry, my husband, and I were newly engaged. He is a lifelong Episcopalian from Massachusetts. Living and working in Portland, I had driven by S. Mary's many times and was drawn to its beauty and peaceful setting. It seemed the natural choice for Garry and me as we began our life together. Our children were baptized and attended church school here.

I've served in many positions at S. Mary's. In the 90s I served on the Vestry. I currently am a co-chair of the Altar Guild and chair the Stewardship Committee. S. Mary's is our family. I was also the Co-chair of the discernment committee that brought Father Nathan to S. Mary's and was active on the Legacy Cabinet that renovated and expanded our parish house. I look forward to continuing to serve as the Junior Warden. Saint Mary's is

blessed with a rich history of dedicated parishioners.



BEN PARKS-STAMM, Treasurer:

Ben Parks-Stamm serves as Onpoint's Director of Financial and Administrative Services. Ben is a seasoned financial management professional with many years' work in accounting and financial analysis roles, most recently serving as Onpoint's lead in both areas. Prior to joining Onpoint, Ben owned and operated a small business in central Maine.

Ben, his wife, Betsy, and their children, Polly, Brownlow, and Agnes have become en-sconced in Saint Mary's life with participation in Guiding RAY, the RSCM choirs, Eucharistic minister, and lectors. We welcome Ben's fresh outlook and financial expertise.

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DARREN CLARK, Three-year Vestry member

Darren Clark is a registered professional engineer and project manager for GEI Consultants, Inc., where he has worked for 20 years, first in Massachusetts, then in Maine. He specializes in geotechnical engineering and instrumentation for foundations and dams.

Darren was raised a Congregationalist in Plymouth, Massachusetts, was an eagle scout, and graduated from Tufts University with a degree in civil engineering. After living in Massachusetts for many years, Darren and his wife, Katie, moved to Maine when Darren's company opened a Maine office. Darren lives in Falmouth with Katie and their twin daughters, Hope and Lily.

Darren and Katie became members of St. Mary's in 2013 after moving to Maine. Although Darren and Katie were raised in different traditions (Katie was raised Catholic), they both felt at home at Saint Mary's immediately, and were particularly thankful for the support of the Saint Mary's

community during the process of adopting their daughters from China. Hope and Lily are now in the Guiding RAY program.

Darren says, "Both Katie and I believe that being members of a church community carries a responsibility of being active within the community. It is an honor to be considered as a candidate for Vestry, and I'm excited about the possibility of serving our community and our church as a Vestry member."



STAN EATON, Three-year Vestry member

The church has always been central in my life. I was baptized, confirmed, ordained, and first married in the Wilton, CT Congregational Church (UCC). After undergraduate studies at Springfield College, I attended Andover Newton Theological School and was ordained to the parish ministry in 1971, serving full-time in South Windsor CT (Wapping UCC) and Hebron CT (First Cong.), as well as part-time interim and supply positions in CT over the next two decades. Since mid-1980 I have been in business management and education settings, Alumni Affairs at Northfield Mount Vernon School and Special Education at Greely High School. I retired in 2015.

Music has been a key thread throughout: beginning with the Children's Choir in second grade and running through the four-choir program as I grew up; multiple choral experiences in college; frequently singing with the choir in churches where I served; and such community-based groups as the Asylum Hill Oratorio Choir, Portland Community Chorus, and the Magic of Christmas

Chorus. Although I am "from away," Maine has always been a part of my life (my parents are from Portland), and I moved here in 1997, worshipping at First Parish Church, Saco, until Linda and I were married in 2002. We participated in Christ Church Episc. in Gardiner before joining the fellowship of S. Mary's on Epiphany Sunday 2007, where I currently serve in the choir, Parish Partners, and Eucharistic Ministry programs. The extensive range of experience which I bring to S. Mary's as both an active lay person and ordained minister could be helpful to this fellowship as we go forward.



AARON SPLINT, Three-year Vestry member

Aaron grew up on Cousins Island in Yarmouth attending St. Bartholomew's Church and was an acolyte under Father Gill Burney. After graduating with a desire to enter the medical field, schooling and career changes along with stints in New Haven, CT, and Grand Rapids, MI, Aaron ended up back in Maine and working in Tech Medicine in spite of his Business Management degree.

Aaron is happily married to Beth Franklin and is blessed with two girls (you may have seen Julia helping in the nursery). Aaron's mom, Johanna Frissell, also travels to Saint Mary's from Brunswick as she loves this parish almost as much as Aaron does.

Aaron says, "My path long ago was paved by temptation as well as other problems. It is here with all of you and Father Nathan that I am kept strong and willful...thank you."



JAN WENTLING, Three-year Vestry member

I grew up in an Episcopal Church outside of Philadelphia where I went to Sunday school and was then in the choir for ten years. I was on the Altar Guild and been head of the Flower Committee for more than thirty years. Having summered on Chebeague Island all my life, my husband and I retired to Maine in 2004 where we attended and were active at St. Bartholomew's Church in Yarmouth for many years. Having been in the landscaping business, I designed the front gardens at St. Bart's. I am a member of the St. Mary's Garden Club.

Since moving to Oceanview over a year ago, I've been attending and have enjoyed becoming a member of Saint Mary's Church and look forward serving on the Vestry. In my free time, I also enjoy sewing, gardening, and reading.

News, Notes, Kudos, Dates & Reminders

(Send your 1-3 line notes, announcements or thanks to Beth at admin@smary.org by the 20th of the previous month)

Thank you to the incredible Sparkles team led by Jana Burke and Kathy Galen. Whether you volunteered for 10 minutes or 10 weeks, we appreciate all you did to make Sparkles such a success.

Thank you to Jennifer Gregg and MerleMarie Troeger for organizing the Advent quiet programs to give us all an opportunity to have quiet and contemplative time during this busy season.

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Thank you to Priscilla Rigg and the members of the St. Cecilia and Angel Choirs for sharing their voices with us.

To Karin Doehne, MD for her help with common ground programming.

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Thank you to our staff: Father Nathan, Deacon Christine, Bruce Fithian, Megan Akers, Beth Shaw and Roy Packard for their dedication and focus all year, but especially during the hectic month of December.

Thank you to the choir and musicians for sharing their many musical gifts during Advent. From Lessons and Carols through Christmas and Epiphany, the musical offerings are a wonderful addition to our liturgy.

Thank you to the members of the Pastoral Team and Prayer Team for their work to support our parishioners who are struggling with physical and emotional issues through prayer and outreach.



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Merci Thank you to all who work quietly behind the scenes to ensure that all who attend our services during Advent and Christmas, especially the Altar Flower Guild, Altar Guild, Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Acolytes and Crucifiers. These people work before, during and after our services to ensure that our worship run smoothly.

And thanks to Priscilla Rigg for her vision, coordinating and conducting the Bell Choir. Thank you to Maggie Gardner and Will Salomon for their many volunteer hours in preparing the bells for performance.

Huge thanks to the carolers who brightened lives at Falmouth-by-the Sea and Souper Supper on December 14!

St. Mary's Schola Thanks you!

We want to thank ALL OF YOU for helping make St Mary Schola's 10th annual Sparkles Christmas Concert and reception such a wonderful evening. It would not have been possible without so many St Marians' willingness to volunteer the donation of food and beverages, setting-up, decorating, working the kitchen or cleaning up afterwards – all played important roles. Of course, we would be negligent if we didn't also include two other groups in our "thank-you's": Bruce Fithian and all the musicians, without whom there would be no concert, and our parishioner/patrons, who took time out of their busy pre-holiday schedules to treat themselves to this glorious music. With all your help, this Sparkles benefit concert raised over \$2500 for church programs. Now we look forward to seeing you again at our Lenten Concert entitled *The Masterworks of Lent: David and Jonathan* on Friday, April 12th. Please put it on your calendar. Bob and Nadine Timberlake

Members of our Altar Guild hard at work shining, cleaning, polishing and oiling all things before Christmas.





Here are some important dates in our Saint Mary's parish family

Happy January Birthdays to:



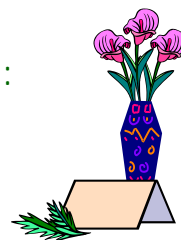
1	Margaret Fast	7	Helena McMonagle	18	Brownlow Parks-Stamm
3	Hilary Isacke	9	Jamie Kane	20	Clair Shannon
4	Ollie Brown	9	Priscilla McGarry	20	Jill Malony
4	Dave Stimpson	10	Matthew Carr	22	Kathy Edwards
6	Katie Doehne	11	Sarah Amato	22	Andrea Gauvreau
6	Kristin Doehne	12	Drew Cheney	26	Will Smithwick
6	Katharine Echavarri	16	Jere Fox	29	Carrie McIntosh
6	Liam Keefer	17	Neil Kiely	29	Michael Wing
6	Noelle Unfricht	18	Bernie Echavarri	30	Ellie Asherman
7	Johanna Kearins	18	Kate Ernst	31	Patrick Diamond

We'd love to include good wishes on your birthday and anniversary. If we don't yet have the dates, please send your and your family's special dates into the parish office and we'll be sure to include them on your special month. admin@smary.org or call 781-3366 or

Happy January Anniversary wishes to:



18 Eleanor & Jere Fox



Folk Art Retreat: Wednesday- Friday, February 20 - 22, 2019

The perfect opportunity for beginner artists to escape to the snowy woods of Greenfield, NH. Enjoy a relaxing midweek retreat offering good company, great food and the chance to learn a brand new skill.



- ♦ Painting 101 with Erin McGee Ferrell
- ♦ Intro to Knitting with Cricket Cooper
- ♦ Learn to Quilt with Vickie Hill



For questions, more information or to register, please visit the Barbara C. Harris website:
www.bchcenter.org/folkartretreat

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Worship Leader Schedule: January - February 2019

	8am Ushers	8am EM/Lectors	10:15am Ushers	10:15am Lector	10:15am Euch Minister	10:15am Acolytes	Altar Guild	Altar Flowers	Flower Delivery	Coffee Hour Host
30-Dec Cmas 1	Jim K Baer C	Becky Pride	Ron F Mark B	Linda	Linda E Peter F.	Maggie x, x	x, x	Cmas	~	OPEN
6-Jan Epiphany	Rayle A Ed A	Len Taylor	Chuck H Aaron S	Rod McGarry	Jim Stoddard Betsy PS	Jamie Archer & Rod	Janet Maggie & Jana	Jan M.	Ruth Kimball	The Fultons
13-Jan Epiph 1	Charlie H Dave F	Elise Kiely	Ryan S Harry D	Will Solomon	Andrea M-H Nadine	Emily & Sarah William Guerin	Kathy Barbara & Mary L	Jana B	The Hortons	OPEN
20-Jan Epiph 2	Len T Al A	Lad T.	Tom L Joyce/Len V	Stan E.	Stan Maggie	Kevin Lauren & Kyle	Betsy Maggie & Kathy	Katie P & Jan W	The Stoddards	The Vereys
27-Jan Ep 3 - AM	Annual Meeting	Jim P Tom L	Betsy	David R Ben P	Maggie Anabelle & Cole	9:30am Acolytes	Janet Jana	Helga & Hannah	Ruth Kimball	Brunch
3-Feb Epiph 4	Rayle A Ed A	Ben Pollard		Marian McCue	Ben Pollard Terry Brown	tbd	Portia Betsy & Tricia	Valerie K.	The Hortons	OPEN
10-Feb Epiph 5	Jim K Tom L	Mary Ann M	Mission Morning				tbd	Onnie H	The Stoddards	MM lunch
17-Feb Epiph 6	Bishop's visit ONE service		Ben Rodgers	Maggie G Diane Fletcher	9:30am Acolytes	tbd	tbd	Melissa K	Ruth Kimball	Brunch
24-Feb Epiph 7	Baer C Charlie H	Greg Unfricht	Mark B Ron F	Ginny Steik	Nadine T Aaron Splint	tbd	tbd	Katie P & Jan W	The Hortons	OPEN
3-Mar Last Epiph	Len T Dave F	Al Ahlers	Ryan S Aaron S	Erin Ferrell	Linda E Peter F	tbd	tbd	Onnie H.	The Stoddards	OPEN

If unable to fulfill your scheduled duty on the assigned day, please find your own replacement and inform Beth in the office of the change, 781-3366



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
12/30 First Sunday of Christmas 8am Contemplative Eucharist 10:15am Choral Eucharist No Guiding RAY or Formation classes	12/31 Office Closed 12 Play where you are Happy NEW YEAR 2019	1/1/2019 The Holy Name Office Closed 2 Play where you are 7pm AA in Auditorium (6:30 begins) 7:30 AIA non (6:30 begins)	2 9am Mainly Weavers 10 Falmouth House & Legacy Communion 12 Noonday Prayer	3 12 Chapel Eucharist 14p College Club in GR 1 CARE Team meeting 4:30 Outreach meeting No Common Ground 7pm Choir rehearsal	4 Office Closed 12 Play where you are 5:30pm Alanon	5
6 The Epiphany 8am Contemplative Eucharist 9:30am FORMATION groups 10:15am Choral Eucharist 10:15am Guiding RAY classes begin	7 12 Noonday Prayer Annual Reports deadline	8 7:30-9am BNI 9:30-12:30 Art Group 10:30a Wisdom Seekers 12 Noonday Prayer 12:45pm Staff meeting 4:30pm - St. Cecilia rehearsal 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AIA non (6:30 begins)	9 12 Noonday Prayer 6pm - SingG rehearsal in Aud	10 12 Chapel Eucharist COMMON GROUND 5-7 pm Potluck 5:45pm Presentation 6:45pm Compline 7pm Choir rehearsal	11 Office Closed 12 Play where you are 5-7pm Souper 5:30pm Alanon 7pm Classic Cinema Nathan+ at	12 9a - 11am - Fal Colonial Village Meeting
13 First Sunday after Epiphany: Baptism of our Lord 8am Contemplative Eucharist 9:30am FORMATION groups 10:15am Choral Eucharist & Baptism 10:15am Guiding RAY classes begin	14 10am Garden Club 12 Noonday Prayer 6-9pm Ptld Comm Chorus	15 7:30-9am BNI 9:30-12:30 Art Group 10:30a Wisdom Seekers 12 Noonday Prayer 12:45pm Staff meeting 4:30pm - St. Cecilia rehearsal 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AIA non (6:30 begins)	16 12 Noonday Prayer 6pm Vestry meeting 6pm - SingG rehearsal in Aud	17 12 Chapel Eucharist COMMON GROUND 5-7 pm ICE SKATING AT FAMILY ICE 7pm Choir rehearsal	18 Confession of St. Peter Office closed 12 Play where you are 5:30pm Alanon Feb. AVE deadline	19 Navy drill
20 Second Sunday after Epiphany 8am Contemplative Eucharist 9:30am FORMATION groups 10:15am Choral Eucharist & Baptism 10:15am Guiding RAY classes begin 1:30-4:30 Meet Bishop Candidates at Westin Hotel	21 Dr. MLK Jr. Day 12 Noonday Prayer 6-9pm Ptld Comm Chorus	22 7:30-9am BNI 9:30-12:30 Art Group 10:30a Wisdom Seekers 12 Noonday Prayer 12:45pm Staff meeting 4:30pm - St. Cecilia rehearsal 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AIA non (6:30 begins)	23 12 Play where you are	24 12 Chapel Eucharist COMMON GROUND 5-7 pm Potluck 5:45pm Presentation 6:45pm Compline 7pm Choir rehearsal	25 Conversion of St. Paul Office closed 12 Play where you are 4pm wedding rehearsal 5-7pm Souper 5:30pm Alanon	26
27 Third Sunday after Epiphany ANNUAL MEETING 9:30am ONE Eucharist 10:30 Brunch & program for all-ages 11:30 Business session	28 12 Noonday Prayer 6-9pm Ptld Comm Chorus	29 7:30-9am BNI 9:30-12:30 Art Group 10:30a Wisdom Seekers 12 Noonday Prayer 12:45pm Staff meeting 4:30pm - St. Cecilia rehearsal 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AIA non (6:30 begins)	30 9am Mainly Weavers 12 Noonday Prayer	31 12 Chapel Eucharist COMMON GROUND 5-7 pm Potluck 5:45pm Presentation 6:45pm Compline 6pm Dowders 7pm Choir rehearsal	2/1 Office Closed 12 Play where you are 5:30pm Alanon	2/2 10am-3pm Vestry/Staff Retreat 9am-3pm AIA non State meeting



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Our Worship Schedule

Sunday worship

8 AM - *Contemplative Eucharist*
9:30 - 10:00AM *Formation for All*
10:15AM - *Choral Eucharist*

MONDAY - WEDNESDAY

*Noon Day Prayer in the Chapel
and wherever you find yourself*

THURSDAYS

12NOON - *Chapel Eucharist*
5-7PM - *COMMON GROUND*
Connecting with our community
5:00PM *Potluck dinner,*
5:45PM *Program & discussion*
6:45PM *Compline service*



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Copy deadline for February AVE - **January 20**

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