



Grace Notes

Nov/Dec 2018

From the Rev. Chase...

By the Rev. Randall Chase

As I write this for Grace Notes I want to say to you how much I am enjoying this time together. You are an amazing Christian Community. You care about each other but you also care for those not members of Grace. Especially do I see commitment and faith in your leadership, Wardens, Vestry, Liturgical leaders, and your children and youth. These groups are a joy to work with carrying out Christ's mission. You at Grace under Chris's leadership are creating a Church Community which is healthy and is carrying out God's mission here in the New Bedford area.

Looking ahead into November and December, the calendar is very full. All Saints Day, the Bazaar, Thanksgiving, Advent and Christmas bring us opportunities to celebrate our journey with Christ and each other.

Advent is my favorite season of the whole Church Year. It is short and moves right along with building expectation for the coming of Christ anew each year. We work on waiting. We work on listening to the powerful lessons we hear each year. We get to start all over and begin to prepare a larger place in our own lives for the coming of Christ. Preparing a place means to give up and let go of some things so we will have new room in our own lives this year for Christ.

Christmas arrives and we hear again about God coming to us in the vulnerable infant of Jesus. Coming as a refugee and a homeless child, to Mary and Joseph who are on a journey themselves. Sometimes the music, beautiful liturgies, and decorations make it hard to remember what a simple and fragile beginning Jesus had that first Christmas.

May Christmas this year help us see and care about those around us in similar conditions.

As together we begin the Sacred Journey of Advent to Christmas, may we be blessed with ears to hear, eyes to see, and hearts open to love and receive Jesus anew!

Liturgy & Liturgical Ministry

By Jerré Croteau, Verger

END OF PENTECOST-BEGINNING OF ADVENT

As we know from previous articles, the liturgical calendar doesn't quite mesh with the secular calendar. In the secular calendar there are twelve months spanning four seasons. The liturgical calendar has six seasons, some of which are fixed in length and some of which vary from year to year, dependent of the date of Easter, which follows a lunar calendar. We are currently at the end of the longest season of what is called "ordinary time," the season *of* or *after* Pentecost which varies in length, dependent on the date of

Pentecost, which in turn is dependent on the date of Easter. In any event, with November, we are at the end of the season of “after Pentecost,” and at the end of the liturgical year.

The new year, liturgically, begins with the three- to four-week (dependent on when Christmas day falls) season of Advent which this year begins on December 1st. This is followed by the shortest season in the liturgical year, Christmas, which is always twelve-days long, beginning December 25th and ending January 5th.

We begin November with a major feast day, **All Saints’ Day**, which is actually November 1st. It can optionally be moved to the following Sunday, which we traditionally have done at Grace. Originally the feast day was called “All Hallowed.” *Hallowed* was the original English word for Saint; the word “saint” came in with the Norman Conquest, when everyone in the higher echelons of society spoke a form of French. The English-born word continues to be used for the Eve of all Saints, All Hallowed Eve(ning), which was later contracted to “**Hallowe’en**,” The Eve of All Saints became confused with the more Pagan or Wiccan holy day, when the souls of the dead were said to roam the earth, you made lanterns out of vegetables to scare them away, and disguised yourself for protection. (Does this sound familiar?)

This year we celebrate **All Saints’ Sunday** on the weekend of November 3rd-4th. It is a break in the green-clad Sundays after Pentecost; the color is white. It is one of the four Sundays when baptisms usually take place. The Eucharist services that weekend usually include a baptism or the renewal of the Baptismal Covenant. At Grace we have traditionally used Eucharistic

Prayer D, a modern translation of one of the oldest Eucharistic Prayers. The following weekend, November 11th-12th, we return to the color green for the **Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost** with the regular three weekend Eucharist services. That Sunday we will be using Eucharistic Prayer 3 from *Enriching Our Worship*. It is also **Veterans’ Day**. That Saturday, November 10th will feature our 39th annual **Bittersweet Bazaar**.

Then on November 17th-18th we will celebrate our annual Parish Feast Day, **Harvest Sunday**. Most parochial feast days happen on the Saint’s Day, or day of a feast day on which is celebrated a happening in Jesus’ life that corresponds to that after which the parish is named. “Grace” is an attribute of God, sometimes described as “the unmerited favor of God toward man.” It can be as broad as all of God’s relationship to man, or as specific as one aspect of God’s favor. Grace is also the root of gifts freely given and the resulting thankfulness and “gratitude” from which the actual word derives. (“Thanks” in many languages comes from the same root [Sp. *gracias*, It. *grazie*, “Thanksgiving Day” in French is “*Jour d’action de Grâce*.”] As “Thanksgiving” occurs in the late Autumn and Grace was founded in the month of November, it is fitting that “Harvest Sunday,” which has been celebrated here at least since the current church structure was built, became our own parochial feast day. For Harvest Sunday the altars are decorated with fruits and vegetables, which are later incorporated into a community Thanksgiving Dinner the following week. We celebrate our Parish Home and Family and give thanks for the abundance God has given us.

In most years, the weekend we celebrate Harvest Sunday is also

coincidentally the **Last Sunday after Pentecost** and the **Feast of Christ the King**. But this year there is an additional Sunday before Advent begins when the above is to be celebrated with the normal three services.

Season of Advent

There are four Sundays in Advent, but it seldom lasts for a complete four weeks, because the fourth week is always cut short by the actual date of Christmas, which can occur on any day of the week. This year Advent starts on December 1st, and this is the beginning of the **Liturgical Year**. The word “advent” comes from the past participle of the Latin verb *advenire* which literally means to “come towards.” We are slowly advancing and anticipating the Birth of Christ. The color for this season may be purple or blue. At Grace we use blue, the color focuses on anticipation, rather than penitence, which is usually associated with purple, which is why it is used in Lent. During Advent we will be using Eucharistic Prayer B and the Prayers of the People will be Lectionary inspired.

December 1st-2nd is the **First Sunday of Advent**. There will be the regular services Saturday at 5PM (Rite II) and Sunday at 8AM (Rite I) & 10AM (Rite II). There will be healing prayers at all three services. December 8th-9th, the **Second Sunday of Advent**, the regular three services will take place.

The **Third Sunday of Advent**, December 15th-16th is called **Gaudete Sunday**. “*Gaudete*” in Latin means *rejoice*; rejoice, the wait is almost over. On this Sunday, we will embark on one of the busiest days in the year at Grace. The 10AM service will include the **Children’s Pageant** followed by the **Hanging of the Greens**, when parishioners of all ages

are asked to decorate the church for Christmas. The children convert the Angel Tree to a Christmas tree, while the youth and adults hang the greens, set out the aisle candelabra, and arrange the crèche. This is followed by a luncheon for the volunteers. Later in the afternoon, at 4PM, **Lessons & Carols** takes place.

Season of Christmas

The **Fourth Sunday of Advent** this year is December 22nd-23rd. Regular Eucharist services will be celebrated on Saturday and Sunday. Monday, December 24th is **Christmas Eve**. There will be three services that evening. The first is a simple story-telling **Crèche Service** for young children and toddlers at **5PM**. Then a **Festival Eucharist** at **7PM** and **11PM**.

On **Christmas Day**, Tuesday, December 25th, there will be a 10AM Eucharist Service in the chancel of the main church. This begins the shortest liturgical season, the **Twelve Days of Christmas**, which ends on January 5th. On January 6th begins the season of **Epiphany** which we will cover in the next Grace Notes.

The last weekend in December, the 29th and 30th, is the **First Sunday of Christmas** with the regular three services on Saturday and Sunday.

Wednesdays in November & December

On the Wednesdays of these two months, we will be celebrating **Willibrord** November 7th, **Samuel Seabury** November 14th, **Elizabeth of Hungary** November 21st, **St. Andrew** November 28th, **Clement of Alexandria** December 5th; the **Second Wednesday of Advent** December 12th, **St. Thomas** December 19th, and **St. Stephen** December 26th (Morning Prayer). In addition there will be a Morning Prayer Service on **Thanksgiving Day**, November 22nd at 10AM.

ATTENTION LAY LITURGICAL MINISTERS, ACOLYTES & ACOLYTE PARENTS, USHERS & GREETERS

The next schedule begins on **December 1st and ends on March 5th, covering Advent, Christmas and Epiphany Seasons. It includes Christmas Eve Sunday December 24th, 7PM and 11PM services, and the Epiphany Festival of Lights Sunday January 6th, the actual Feast of the Epiphany, at 10AM (Note this year the Festival of Lights takes place during the regular Sunday 10AM Eucharist service.) The Festival of Lights in particular requires all available acolytes as 35 are needed for all the positions. If you or your child have restrictions or special requests to serve or are unavailable to serve on specific Sundays, please let Jerré Croteau know no later than **November 11th: 508-993-3048, 508-742-5933, GTCroteau@comcast.net**. We thank you all for your loyal service to God and your Parish Family.**

Book Discussion: Marcus Borg

By Diana Ukleja, Spiritual Formation Team

Please join us in the Youth Room, any Wednesday at noon, beginning October 31st, for lunch and discussion of a compilation of essays by Marcus Borg. The book is [Days of Awe and Wonder: How to be a Christian in the twenty-first century](#). In her forward, Marianne Borg identifies some of the themes of the book:

- There is “more”—our existence evokes awe and amazement; we need to pay attention
- Jesus is significant, then and now, because he is one of us, the

embodiment of human possibility

- Context matters; how are we to respond to the complexities of our lives?
- There is “a way” of life that is sustainable; together, we can find this way

Marcus Borg was born in 1942 in Minnesota. Raised as a Lutheran, he attended Concordia College and later taught there. He studied at Union Theological Seminary in New York City and held degrees in theology from Oxford. He also taught at South Dakota State in Brookings, Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota and Oregon State University.

Borg is well-known for his participation in the Jesus Seminar and for his many books, especially [Meeting Jesus again for the first time](#); he died in 2015.

Vestry Notes & Votes

Vestry meeting of September 26th, 2018

- Motion to approve the bid from Vaz Construction for \$76,600 to replace the roof of Grace House (including removal of the metal venting system and \$2.50 per square foot to replace rotted wood as needed) and of the small roof over the metal stairs at the northeast corner, and to take the chimney down below the roof lines, using funds from the capital expense line of the 2018 operating budget and another source to be identified.
- Motion to approve the use of \$4200 from the Memorial Gifts Committee to cover the cost of three plaques, to be placed in the chapel hallway,

acknowledging donations to the Restoration Fund.

- Motion to open an account with the Diocesan Investment Trust for \$500,000, using \$166,000 US Trust reserve account, with the balance taken from the Bay Coast Bank money market account.

Respectfully submitted,
Diana Ukleja, Clerk

Quiet Day: Morning Only

By Diana Ukleja, Spiritual Formation Team

Brother John of the Trinity will lead a quiet morning **on Saturday, December 1st**, from 9AM-1PM. Looking ahead to presentations and discussions planned around the book of the Revelation of John, our brother John plans to focus on the omnipotence of God.

Do plan to give yourself a breather in the midst of busy holiday preparations and join us!

Morning snacks and lunch will be provided, please let Diana Ukleja (diana.ukleja@gmail.com or 508-415-8920) know if you are coming.

2019 Grace Church Ecuadorian Pilgrimage

Thursday, June 27 - Friday, July 5

In the original sense, a pilgrimage is a journey to a certain place in search of deeper spiritual understanding. In Christianity, the first pilgrimages were made to places where Jesus had walked and then to significant spots all over the world. These experiences help those on pilgrimage

to grow in their relationship with God, each other, and the rest of God's creation as they come into closer contact with Jesus' life and ministry and with those sisters and brothers in Christ who have gone before us.

In a similar way, the 2019 Grace Church *intergenerational* pilgrimage invites an opportunity to grow in relationship and community, seek greater connection with God and each other, and look together at how to live more fully into who God calls us to be as individuals and as the body of Jesus in the world. Through traveling, learning, eating, and worshipping together, we will have opportunities to be challenged in the best sense and to see ourselves, others, and God in new ways.

In the months leading up to the trip, together we will seek to prepare our hearts and minds for the journey, foster closer relationships, and actively look for God in our midst. Along with fundraising, and several pre-trip meetings, those who go will bring along flexibility, sensitivity, and a sense of adventure, as we actively open ourselves to better understand who we are and our own needs, the needs of others, our relationship to the world around us, and a broader sense of God's work in the world.

Through this trip, we will have incredibly unique opportunities to work alongside and build relationships with indigenous Quichua Ecuadorians, and we will contribute, both financially and with our work together, to our own well-being as well as supporting an indigenous Ecuadorian community. We also will have time to pray and play together, while experiencing something of Ecuador. Does this sound interesting to you? Please respond with your interest to

youth@gracechurchnb.org. We will be looking for firm commitments to the trip with an initial meeting at 12:15PM on Sunday, January 20, 2019, and you can put the dates on your calendar now.

GASSP

By Donna Pires, GASSP Director

The Grace After School Program has begun!

We currently have 17 students to start the program and do still have openings!

If you or someone you know needs an After School Program for the New Bedford Area System, you may contact Donna L. Pires @ 508-961-1622.

Vestry Nominations & Annual Meeting

Nominations are open for the 2019 slate of vestry members and delegates of Grace Church. Possible positions for this year are a 3 Year Vestry Term, 2019-2022 (four), Convention Delegates (two), Convention Alternates (two), Deanery Representatives (five), Episcopal City Mission Representatives (two), the Inter-Church Council (one), and Teller (one).

Vestry positions:

Vestry members represent the congregation as a part of the governing body of the parish. They regularly attend Grace, support the ongoing work of the church, and are engaged in Grace's ministries. The work of the vestry continues

throughout the year and meetings are monthly.

Yearly positions:

Convention Delegates/Alternates (2 each)

Each year the Diocese of Massachusetts holds a convention to carry forth the work of its 185 churches and vote on a budget and any such business as presented in the agenda. Conventions are held early in November. If a delegate(s) is unable to attend, one or both alternates will serve in that capacity as needed.

Deanery Representatives (five)

The congregations in our diocese are grouped into 12 deaneries whose boundaries are drawn according to natural watersheds, reminding us of our connections with God's creation and symbolic of the waters of Baptism. This gives churches an opportunity to meet collaboratively and locally to discuss issues that are both local and diocesan related. Grace is part of the Mount Hope/Buzzard's Bay Deanery. Evening meetings are quarterly and rotate among the member churches. For more information go to: Diomass.org/content/Mt-HopeBuzzards-bay-deanery

Episcopal City Mission Representatives (two)

Episcopal City Mission (ECM) promotes social and economic justice, with particular emphasis on the urban poor. Each year, they provide funding:

- To parishes to enhance their role in their communities
- To grassroots organizations to advocate and bring about social change in low-income communities, and
- To Diocesan programs and initiatives to support the urban poor.

Meetings and the annual fundraising dinner information can be found at diomass.org

Inter-Church Council (one)

The ICC has united area churches and the greater Faith Community in service to the surrounding area. With 47 member congregations from Westport to Wareham and a volunteer force of 150 leaders, the Council is a strong faith collaborative committed to social, economic and racial justice and spiritual renewal within a framework of ecumenical cooperation. The ICC is located at 412 County St. New Bedford.

Meetings and events can be found at www.iccgnb.org

Teller (one)

The teller is present in the event that additional ballots need to be cast and tallied during the Annual meeting.

Laundry Love Report

By Travis Bowie, Chair

Laundry Love continues to grow and prosper. Thank you to all who support this outreach.

Fortunately no money has been spent on supplies as members of the parish donate all that is needed. We also receive generous cash donations from parishioners.

Our latest overall figures for January through September are:

Guests: 469 (83 new)
Loads washed and dried: 877
Total expenses: \$4,106.75

On Wednesday, October 24th Laundry Love volunteers were at the YMCA Connect (Connecting Homeless People to a Better Future) gathering in New Bedford. We offered information about Grace's laundry outreach to the homeless and connected with similar city services.

Our upcoming dates for Laundry Love are October 29th and November 26th at the EZ Clean Laundry Center at the corner of Summer and Kempton Streets, New Bedford.

The parish is invited to visit and see what this wonderful service is all about. Hope to see you there!

Travis Bowie, Chair, for the Laundry Love team: Marilyn Saint-Aubin, Chuck Cotter, Judy Knox, Gerry Lopes, and Diana Ukleja

SAVE THE
DATE

Annual
Meeting

February
10th, 2019

🍷 ADVENT & CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS 🍷

CRÈCHE

Virgin Mary & St. Joseph, original Christ Child 1963
Christ Child, 1977

Original Shepherd and Donkey, 1977;

Gift of Lulmira Handy in memory of Jacob Handy

Subsequent Christ Children

1999 *Gift of the Rev. Sarah K. Hague*

2008 *Gift of Jerré Croteau*

Original Magi, 1979

Grace Memorial Gifts Fund

New Statues for the Handy Memorial Crèche, 2014

*Gift of Jerré Croteau, Travis Bowie, Priscilla Guillemette, Geraldine Lopes,
Alfred Smialek, Nina Catelli Vincent, Michel Jodoin & John Masson
in memory of Robert O. Boardman, Richard Bowie, Ronald Guillemette,
Norman Lopes, Adele Smialek, Una Vincent and Dorothy & Penry Warr*

ADVENT WREATH & CANDLESTAND, 1994

*Gift of Mr & Mrs. Alfred Smialek, Peter & David Smialek
In Thanksgiving*

Arrangement of Greens, 1998

Gift of Scott Simpkin

BLUE ADVENT BURSE, VEIL & HANGINGS, 2000

Handwoven Gift of Patricia Nieman

ANGEL/CHRISTMAS TREE

CHURCH WREATHS, GREENS & TRIMMINGS, 2000

*Gift of Jerré Croteau & Robert Boardman in memory of
Kennedy Shaw, Richard Hagan & the Rev. Clifford Kolb*

PEW CANDELABRA, 1947

In Thanksgiving and Memory of

*William Gordon, Rehnberg Wingate & his son, Catherine Beattie, David T. Wilbur, James J. Miller, Departed members of the Evening Auxiliary, Margaret A. Tupper, Walter G. Thompson, William Orr, Irene Barrett, Kenneth R. Smith, John E. Wood, John A. MacLeod, Alice Blacklidge, Robert Hazeltine, Jr., James L. Lemos; Edward and Henrietta Charles, Beatrice, Harry & William Bly; Frank & Elizabeth Congdon, Delphine E. Sturtevant, William H. Broadbent, Dorothy M. Upton, Kate A. Arden, Julia Lattimer, Lucy J. Stowell, Florence P. Eldridge, Henry D. Cornell, William H. Brown, Alice W. Goodwin, Alfred S. Dunham, Michael Bendikson, Marion Wordell, William & Hannah Huston, Departed Grace Church Mothers, Sheldon Gardner, Robert C. Kirby, Alfred Bradley; Louis, Lillian & Anthony Sears; Winona & Frank Hanna, John Chartier, David Kinghorn, Lydia Whitehead, Departed members of the Woman's Guild, Mildred Sturtevant, Frank & Laura Moody, Philip & John Threshie, John Harwood, Sanford Read, Daniel Smith, Joseph & Mary Ellen Marsh, Elizabeth Nelson, Emma Harwood, Henry Dixon, Harriet Gunning, Richmond Wood, Ralph Bardsley, Minnie Abrams, Irving Cartwright, John G. Kennedy, Grace & Henry Wood, Departed members of the Woman's Auxiliary, Manuel & Lucy Avelar, Charles Goulding, Martha Rowand, Harry Allen, Julia A. Rodman, Edith Morgan Wright, Ruth Ellen Jennings and by many people in thanksgiving.
Metal for Candelabra donated by the Klarén Family*

September-October Memorial Gifts

Community Breakfast

Gifts of James Bisagni, Norma Bossé
 Gift of Patricia Simms **in honor of Pam Mello's Birthday**

Laundry Love

Gifts of James Ring, the Rev. John Douhan & Zelinda Douhan, Edith Lauderdale

Pastoral Leadership

Gifts of Andrew Frazee, Pauline Roderiques
 Gift of Theresa Nowell **in memory of Vincente Jasinski**

Theological Education

Restoration Fund

Gift of Charlene Ryder

Leaflet Color Printing

Gift of Jerré Croteau **in memory of aunts Arlene Begnoche & Suzanne D. Poirier**

Martha's Pantry at Grace

Gifts of Donald Driesen, Edith Lauderdale
 Gift of Joanne & Peter Greaves **in loving memory of Mother**
 Gift of William Reed **in memory of Joan & Jonathan Reed**

Rector's Discretionary Fund

Gifts of Norma Bossé, Timothy Abisamra, Fred Smialek, Edward & Eleanor Begley, James Ring, Anita Chirigotis, Richard Fabio, Jack Custodio, Nancy & David Faria

Altar Guild

Gift of Norma Dyer **in memory of Louise Dalzell**

Flower Fund

Gift of Priscilla Guillemette **in loving memory of Ronald Guillemette and Stacia Green**
 Gift of Edith Ryder **in memory of Hilda & William H. Ryder, Sr., William H. Ryder, Jr., Norma E. Ryder, and Geri & William H. Ryder, III**

Gift of Terri Nowell **in honor of S J N**

Gift of Jerré Croteau **in honor of Lay Liturgical Ministers & Acolytes**

Harvest Altar

Gift of William Reed

Bazaar Advertisement

Gift of Zelinda Douhan

Envelopes

Gift of Artie Hodge



transforming generosity

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7

This year's Pledge Campaign ran for four weeks from September 22nd to October 21st. Our theme was "**transforming generosity.**" We were encouraged to reflect on the feeling of when we give back to others sacrificially. Do you have that same feeling when you give back to God? How do you give back to God- through your pledge? By volunteering at the Food Pantry, Community Breakfast, and/or Laundry Love? Or singing in the choir, playing the piano during the church service, or driving fellow parishioner to an appointment? When you give back to God from your heart in regards to time, talent, and treasure, and you are not giving out of regret or reluctance and it does not feel like a chore. Instead, you give freely and with joy.

As of October 23rd, 2018, we have received 89 pledge units totaling \$134,344. We have had several increases in pledge amounts and very few decreases due to changing financial situations. We have also received a few new pledges this year to date. In comparison to last year's campaign for 2018, we received 153 pledges totaling \$224,200. Thank you for the ones who have turned in your pledge for 2019. If you have not, please mail, place in offering plate, or drop off at the church office your pledge card as soon as possible. You can also email Katie, church secretary, at office@gracechurchnb.org. If you would like a pledge card, please call the church office or pick one up in the hallway between the narthex and chapel or in the back of the church.

In addition, we will be placing the order for offering envelopes in mid-November to avoid additional fees. If you want offering envelopes, please turn in your pledge card and check off the box indicating the desire for those envelopes or email the church office at office@gracechurchnb.org no later than **Thursday, November 8th**. Also, please consider giving through electronic payment to help the church save additional money. If you want Grace Church to electronically withdraw your pledge amount each month, please indicate on your pledge card by marking that box. Katie, then, will email you a form giving the church permission to withdraw a specific amount on a monthly or biweekly basis. For legal purposes, you must fill out this form each year even if your pledge amount has remained the same and return to the office.

I have the faith that we as a church family will **transform generosity** by increasing the number of pledges and the amount pledged for 2019 for God always loved a cheerful giver!

Gratefully,
Beth Sharp-McKay

November Liturgical Highlights

November 3-4 **All Saints**

November 10 ~ **Bittersweet Bazaar**

November 17-18 ~ **Harvest Sunday**

November 24-25~ **Feast of Christ the King**





39th Annual Bittersweet Bazaar

Grace Episcopal Church

Saturday, November 10th, 2018
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Silent Auction Raffles

ECW Bake Table Grace Market

Christmas and Crafts Jewelry

Chinese Auction Children's Activities

New this year, a select Vendor Marketplace in our lower level

Lunch served from 11:00 to 2:00

*All Bazaar proceeds benefit Grace Church's mission and
community outreach programs*

*You are welcome to enter Grace House at the School St. entrance
Handicap entrance on north side, at end of driveway*

*Church tours available / Handicap accessible
133 School Street, New Bedford (corner of County)*



Advent~Christmas~Epiphany Liturgical Highlights

December 2-3

December 1-2 ~ First of Advent

December 8-9 ~ Second of Advent

December 16 ~ Gaudete Sunday

10:00am ~ Children's Pageant

11:00am ~ Hanging of the Greens

4:00p ~ Lessons & Carols

December 22-23 ~ Fourth of Advent

December 24 ~ Christmas Eve

5:00pm ~ Children's Crèche

7:00 & 11:00pm ~ Festival Eucharist

December 25 ~ Christmas Day

10:00am ~ Holy Eucharist

December 29-30 ~ First of Christmas

January 6 ~ The Epiphany

Festival of Lights & Holy Eucharist

January 13 ~ First after Epiphany

Baptism of Jesus

Christmas Memorial Flowers

If you would like to sponsor flowers for the Christmas Season in honor or in memory of a loved one, a special event or in gratitude, please fill out the form (available in the church), place in the envelope with your contribution and place it in the offering plate or give it to Charlene Ryder. If you have questions contact Charlene at cryder22@comcast.net or 508.728.4374.

**Please submit by December 16th
in order for the name to appear
in the Christmas Leaflets.**

November 2018

Thursday, November 1, 2018

6PM ESOL

Friday, November 2, 2018

9:30AM Martha's Pantry at Grace

Saturday, November 3, 2018

DIOCESAN CONVENTION

5PM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday, November 4, 2018

ALL SAINTS

7:30AM Community Breakfast

8AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I

8:30AM Choir Rehearsal

10AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

11AM Church School & Youth Group

11AM Handbell Rehearsal

Monday, November 5, 2018

6PM Sine Nomine Rehearsal

Tuesday, November 6, 2018

6PM ESOL

Wednesday, November 7, 2018

9:30AM Martha's Pantry at Grace

10AM Holy Eucharist & Healing

11AM Staff Meeting

12PM Book Study (Youth Room)

Thursday, November 8, 2018

11AM TPF Meeting

6PM ESOL

Friday, November 9, 2018

9:30AM Martha's Pantry at Grace

Saturday, November 10, 2018

BITTERSWEET BAZAAR

5PM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday, November 11, 2018

7:30AM Community Breakfast

8AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I

8:30AM Choir Rehearsal

10AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

11AM Youth Pie Making

11AM Church School

11AM Handbell Rehearsal

3PM Sine Nomine Concert

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

10:30AM Turkey Distribution

6PM ESOL

Wednesday, November 14, 2018

9:30AM Martha's Pantry at Grace

10AM Holy Eucharist & Healing

11AM Staff Meeting

12PM Book Study (Youth Room)

6:30PM Youth Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 15, 2018

6PM ESOL

Friday, November 16, 2018

MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT

9:30AM Martha's Pantry at Grace

Saturday, November 17, 2018

MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT

5PM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday, November 18, 2018

MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT

HARVEST SUNDAY

7:30AM Community Breakfast

8AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I

8:30AM Choir Rehearsal

10AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

11AM Church School & Youth Group

11AM Handbell Rehearsal

Tuesday, November 20, 2018

6PM ESOL

Wednesday, November 21, 2018

9:30AM Martha's Pantry at Grace

10AM Holy Eucharist & Healing

11AM Staff Meeting

12PM Book Study (Youth Room)

Thursday, November 22, 2018

THANKSGIVING

10AM Morning Prayer

Friday, November 23, 2018

9:30AM Martha's Pantry at Grace

Saturday, November 24, 2018

5PM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday, November 25, 2018

CHRIST THE KING

7:30AM Community Breakfast

8AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I

8:30AM Choir Rehearsal

10AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

11AM Church School & Youth Group

11AM Handbell Rehearsal

Monday, November 26, 2018

2PM Laundry Love

Tuesday, November 27, 2018

6PM ESOL

Wednesday, November 28, 2018

9:30AM Martha's Pantry at Grace

10AM Holy Eucharist & Healing

11AM Staff Meeting

12PM Book Study (Youth Room)

6:30PM Vestry Meeting

6:30PM Youth Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 29, 2018

6PM ESOL

6:30PM Children & Youth Commission

Friday, November 30, 2018

9:30AM Martha's Pantry at Grace

December 2018

Saturday, December 1, 2018

9AM Quiet Day
5PM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday, December 2, 2018

ADVENT 1

7:30AM Community Breakfast
8AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I
8:30AM Choir Rehearsal
10AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II
11AM Church School
11AM Youth Cookie Making
11AM Handbell Rehearsal

Tuesday, December 4, 2018

6PM ESOL

Wednesday, December 5, 2018

9:30AM Martha's Pantry at Grace
10AM Holy Eucharist & Healing
11AM Staff Meeting
12PM Book Study (Youth Room)
6:30PM Youth Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, December 6, 2018

4:30PM Sunset Social
6PM ESOL

Friday, December 7, 2018

9:30AM Martha's Pantry at Grace

Saturday, December 8, 2018

5PM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday, December 9, 2018

ADVENT 2

7:30AM Community Breakfast
8AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I
8:30AM Choir Rehearsal
10AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II
11AM Church School
11AM Handbell Rehearsal
6:30PM Youth Dinner & Gift Bag Making

Tuesday, December 11, 2018

6PM ESOL

Wednesday, December 12, 2018

9:30AM Martha's Pantry at Grace
10AM Holy Eucharist & Healing
11AM Staff Meeting
12PM Book Study (Youth Room)
6:30PM Eucharistic Visitor Meeting
6:30PM Youth Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, December 13, 2018

6PM ESOL

Friday, December 14, 2018

9:30AM Martha's Pantry at Grace

Saturday, December 15, 2018

9AM Advent Pageant Rehearsal
11AM Kids Jam
5PM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday, December 16, 2018

ADVENT 3, GAUDETE SUNDAY

7:30AM Community Breakfast
8AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I
10AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II
11AM Greening of the Church
4PM Lessons & Carols

Tuesday, December 18, 2018

6PM ESOL

Wednesday, December 19, 2018

9:30AM Martha's Pantry at Grace
10AM Holy Eucharist & Healing
11AM Staff Meeting
6:30PM Vestry Meeting
6:30PM Youth Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, December 20, 2018

12PM ECW Meeting
6PM ESOL

Friday, December 21, 2018

9:30AM Martha's Pantry at Grace

Saturday, December 22, 2018

5PM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday, December 23, 2018

ADVENT 4

7:30AM Community Breakfast
8AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I
8:30AM Choir Rehearsal
10AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II
11AM Handbell Rehearsal

Monday, December 24, 2018

CHRISTMAS EVE

5PM Children's Creche Service & Supper
7PM Festival Holy Eucharist
11PM Festival Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, December 25, 2018

CHRISTMAS DAY

10AM Christmas Holy Eucharist

Wednesday, December 26, 2018

9:30AM Martha's Pantry at Grace
10AM Holy Eucharist & Healing

Thursday, December 27, 2018

6PM ESOL

Friday, December 28, 2018

9:30AM Martha's Pantry at Grace

Saturday, December 29, 2018

5PM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday, December 30, 2018

7:30AM Community Breakfast
8AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I
10AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Monday, December 31, 2018

2PM Laundry Love

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