



The EPIPHANY STAR

a word to the wise • The Episcopal Church of the Epiphany, Atlanta Georgia

A bi-weekly newsletter
January 22, 2015

Dear Companions in Christ,

Bell peppers in the flower arrangements for my ordination, hiking in the rain to Hike Inn – twice! Sitting with backs against boulders to stay out of the wind in Canyon de Chelle with Earth Guild. All the gifts and cards that show up on my desk and in my mailbox. Sherry Wallace and Scarlett's Christmas cookies. EWC lunches. 7 a.m. men's Eucharist and best breakfast conversations ever. Hanging out in the offices with whoever shows up. Getting Shea to fix my computer – again. Singing Eucharistic Prayer D on Christmas Eve and Easter Vigil. Collecting roses from the altar flowers and hanging them in my office to dry. Staff meetings (and lunch). Sitting on the floor telling a Godly Play story with the children. Jumble Sale.

Burying the Alleluias on Shrove Tuesday. Gathering Easter eggs. Mary Francis the donkey, on Palm Sunday. Censing the altar with frankincense on High Holy Days. Sitting in the nave in the dark with only the tabernacle candle for light. Sitting in my office with a parishioner. My office. Creating the oratory – little prayer room – with Liefy. Walking into the nave on any day of the week and listening to Julie playing the organ.

Knowing Benno was coming in the door because I could hear him whistling. Holy Week. Sleeping in my office the night of Maundy Thursday during the all-night vigil. Getting to know the sacristy. Designing new vestments and wearing them. Working with the refugee woman from Karin, a weaver, as she designed vestments and wove them for a raffle for Diocesan Convocation. Witnessing one of our parishioners be the highest bidder for those vestments. Walking in procession behind the cross and torches and gospel book, all raised high. Learning how to see how the scripture was the word of the Lord for us today. Learning how to preach. Learning how to be a priest.

Calling our elders and sick who can't come to church. Calling Carmen. Retreats at the farm. Three truths and a lie at Vestry Retreat. Morning Prayer at parish retreat at Kanuga. Eucharist by the lake at Kanuga. Hiking to the Cross at Camp Mikell. The Old Dining Hall at Camp Mikell. Sitting in the nursery talking to Jean and parents with the children all around, playing. Vacation Bible School, every one of them. Building fairy huts in the side yard (now Memorial Garden). Holy Saturday workday with the children. Standing in the Gallery after church with everybody there. Writing prayers. Evensong. The Hildegard Ensemble. The Epiphany Choir. The prayer desk. Sitting on the pew in prayer under the tabernacle candle. The healing desk with anointing oil. My birthday lunch with Sabra. The swirl of angels and animals at Epiphany pageant.

Coffee hour. The basement classroom. Inquirers and Confirmation Class. Our life maps. Planting strawberries in the playground garden beds with children on Wednesday nights in Lent. The Hunger Walk on a spring day. The Pride March in the rain. The MLK march in the freezing cold. Recycling and composting (or trying to). Making a cross out of garbage we found on our Urban Clean Up on Dekalb Avenue for Green Sunday. Earth Guild meetings when we read our favorite nature poems, talked about awe, where we dreamed up a new heaven and a new earth and spread out maps of Atlanta creeks. Reverencing the altar in the final procession at the end of a service. Saying thank you to God for this opportunity to serve you.

It's been great! Goodbye for now until we meet again,

The Rev. Cynthia Hizer, Associate Rector



MISSION STATEMENT: *The Episcopal Church of the Epiphany is an inclusive community called to seek and follow Jesus Christ. We welcome all people in the Eucharistic fellowship of Christ's Body. We receive strength and encouragement at the common table to carry out Christ's work of reconciliation in our broken world. Nourished by worship and witness, learning and teaching, fellowship and service, we strive to live out the Gospel's radical values with gladness of heart.*

Parish News

A Fond Farewell

During the Adult Education hour at 10 a.m., join us in Jones Hall as Cynthia & Margaret share with us about what awaits for them in Navajoland.

Then following the 2nd service, come to Jones Hall again for a reception for Cynthia & Margaret as they bid us adieu.

Parish Meeting revisited

If you missed our annual meeting, reports are available on the black library table in the gallery or on the news page of our website. On February first, at 10:00 a.m., members of the Vestry and finance committee will host a Q&A session on the 2015 Budget in between services in the nave. Please join us.

End of Year Statements

2014 Statements for households with recorded emails were sent on Tuesday, January 20 from bookkeeper@epiphanyl.org. Hard copies for households without email are in the Gallery for pick up. You can always access your financial information through the online directory. The link is on our homepage at epiphany.org.

Epiphany Concert Series

1/25—The Georgia Tech Chamber Choir will present a free concert Sunday, January 25 at 3:00 p.m. NEW TIME

2/21—Armonia Celeste (Italian for “heavenly harmony”) will perform at Church of the Epiphany on Saturday, February 21 at 4:00 p.m. in the nave. Performers Rebecca Choate Beasley, Paula Fagerberg, Dianna Grabowski, Sarah Abigail Griffiths, and Lyle Nordstrom bring the music of the Italian Renaissance and Baroque eras vividly to life with three distinct and beautiful voices singing in close harmony, accompanied by lute and harp.

Join the Epiphany Choir

The Epiphany Choir, an all-volunteer choir, provides musical leadership for the weekly 8:45 and 11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist and major Feast Days. Rehearsals are held on Wednesday evenings from 7:15-9:00 p.m., and membership is open to adults and high school youth. On Sunday mornings, choristers typically sing for only one liturgy. Contact: Organist and Choirmaster Julie Ryder (music@epiphany.org).

Has anyone seen our pitchfork?

We had a really nice one and need it to move some mulch. Contact the office if you know its whereabouts.

Epiphany Book Club

The Epiphany Book Club meets on 1st Mondays at 7:30 p.m. at Regency House (341 Winn Way, Decatur 30030). Contact: Christina Kaylor, 404.525.7595.

- February: *Home: A Novel* by Marilynne Robinson (sequel to *Gilead*, in case you read that one) (Orange Prize for Fiction)
- March: *The Worst Hard Time: The Untold Story of Those Who Survived the American Dust Bowl* by Timothy Egan (National Book Award for Nonfiction)
- April: *Long Man* by Amy Greene (This book comes out in paperback March 3rd. I'm told the library has several copies in hardback.)
- May: *We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves: A Novel* by Karen Joy Fowler (Shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize)
- June: *The Orphan Master's Son* by Adam Johnson (Pulitzer Prize for Fiction)



Endowment Board Grants

The 30-day period for requesting disbursements from the Epiphany Endowment Fund opens on the day of the annual parish meeting. The guidelines for distributions, pursuant to the Fund's Plan of Operation, are:

Capital improvements, debt reduction, or the building program of The Church of the Epiphany;

Scholarships or grants to members of The Church of the Epiphany for the purpose of attending college, seminary, nursing or medical school; for church-related camping or leadership conferences; or such other training which enables members of this congregation to grow in Christian faith and service to God's people;

Outreach into the community including, but not limited to, grants to Episcopal colleges and seminaries, social service agencies, institutions and agencies to which this parish relates, and to special programs designed for those persons in our area who are in spiritual and/or economic need;

Projects of the Episcopal Church at home and overseas.

The Endowment Board received twelve applications in 2014 for grants totaling \$15,084.15. The Board, with the Vestry's approval, was able to award \$6,566.00. The following represents the total amounts awarded:

- Scholarships awarded - \$1425.00. Two applicants received grants to help with seminary tuition.
- Outreach awarded - \$900.00. Two applicants received grants for support of the Mathew Project and Trinity House.
- Capital Improvements awarded - \$2,790. Three applicants received grants for a Building and Grounds project; Repairs to the Fire Sprinkler system and the acquisition of more folding chairs for parish events and programs

Request forms will be available in the gallery or on the Endowment Board page of the Epiphany website. Deadline for Applications is Tuesday, February 10, 2015. Please return them to the cubby marked Grant Applications outside the parish office.

Shrove Tuesday

Join us Tuesday, February 17, to burn palms, dance and listen to live music while you eat our now famous amalgamation of Pancakes and Sausage (cooked for you), and Potluck Cajun (you bring it). Festivities begin at 5:30 in Jones Hall. Children are invited to paint and decorate the Alleluia banner to be buried that night. There will be a King Cake treasure hunt and the winner of the hunt will lead the Banner procession. The Burning of the Palms Liturgy will be at 6:30 p.m. in the courtyard. As for the pancakes, eat all you want for \$3 per person with a maximum of \$12 per family.

Ash Wednesday

The Ash Wednesday Liturgy with Imposition of Ashes & Holy Eucharist will be at 12 & 6:30 p.m. on February 18. The Stations of the Cross, also known as the Way of the Cross—a symbolic meditative journey from the time Christ was condemned to his burial—will be at 11:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. We are serving dinner on Wednesday from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m., so be sure to make a reservation!

Do you have a number for...

Looking for someone's address or phone number? There are several ways to access our parish database information.

1. **Paper:** At least twice a year a good ol' fashioned paper directory is printed. Copies of the January edition are on the black library table in the gallery.
2. **Website:** A link to a pdf version of the January 2015 paper directory can be found on our website under News and Events on the [Newsletters and Other Publications page](#). The document is password protected. Contact the parish office for the password.
3. **Online:** Access data using our online directory, which is updated every evening. Click on the Members Online Directory link on the [home page](#). First-time users have to register. There you can also look up your financial information or send group emails to groups you're a member of (provided I've been given an updated list of members, of course!).
4. **Smartphone:** The Members Online Directory also has a Smartphone app for mobile phones. Look for the free ACS Church Life app at the app store.



Epiphany Stars

Have you or another parishioner you know done a good deed for the parish? Do you know someone who has received recognition for a personal achievement? Let us know!

- ★ Stewart Pattison, for polishing the Great Cross at Christmas.
- ★ Peter Schneider, for installing Carmen Gutierrez's plaque for the Memorial Garden.

Pastoral Needs

Epiphany Arlen Grey, now a resident of Sunrise Assisted Living, needs rides to and from church on a weekly basis to participate in the Choir. If you can help on Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings, sign up at the link on the People & Posts page at epiphany.org.

Meeting Night

Committees are asked to meet on the 2nd Monday of the month from 6–7:30 p.m. We gather in Jones Hall, sign up for a room, pray together and then go our ways. Chairs, please be sure to let your committees know each month if they are meeting.

ECW Meeting

The Episcopal Church Women **meet on the 2nd Tuesday** of the month at 9:30 a.m. to make sandwiches for Emmaus House. The program starts at 11:00 a.m., with potluck lunch to follow.

DOK New Meeting Day & Time

The Daughters of the King (DOK) are changing our meeting time and place to the 4th Sunday at 10 a.m. between services. We will meet in Jones Hall Room A. We invite all ladies of the congregation to join us. The DOK take a lifetime vow to live by the Rule of the Order; it requires a spiritual discipline of daily Prayer, Service and Evangelism. Because of our vow, we refer to ourselves as an order, not an organization. Our bylaws prohibit us from raising funds. Contact: Shirley Sugden, 404.373.4885, shirleysugden@gmail.com; Barbara Ryder, 404.373.9472, bhryder@bellsouth.net, or Audrey Banfield, 770.465.7301, banfield@bellsouth.net.

Veteran's Support Group

Veteran's Heart GA invites active duty service members, Veterans of all wars, their family members, healing

professionals and concerned citizens to speak with and listen to each other, create understanding, and collectively address the effects of war that touch all of us. The meeting is from 1:30-3:30 p.m. every second Sunday in Jones Hall. We request that you register through our website www.veteransheartgeorgia.org prior to each meeting. Sign up for the newsletter and receive a reminder every month.

Now Showing

Epiphany's Art Ministry welcomes pastel paintings by Betty Martin Loud

Always a lover of the outdoors and the beauty of nature, painting "en plein air" provides a creative energy and excitement for her paintings. The changing light, color and values are a great teacher.

In addition to painting on location, she paints in her studio. Inspiration comes from extensive travel. This exhibition includes paintings of the Southeast, California, Arizona, Spain, Africa, Peru and the Galapagos. She finds beauty watching a sunrise or sunset, in a field, by a river or ocean and in the woods or desert. She paints in both oil and pastel.

She has taken classes or workshops with oil painters Bill Davidson, Ann Templeton, Debra Nedelhoffer and Philip Carpenter and pastel instruction from Duane Wakeman, Elizabeth Mowry, Fred Somers and Liz Haywood-Sullivan, among others. Betty had thirty pieces in a one-woman show at the Smyrna Library, and her paintings are in public and private collections.

Betty has a studio at Kudzu Art Zone in Norcross. She is also a member of Dunwoody Fine Art Association and is on the Board of the Atlanta Artists Center and the Southeastern Pastel Society.

For purchase, please sign up on the price sheet. Sold work will be in the office at the end of February. 25% of all sales benefits Epiphany.



Transitions

Please make the following changes and/or additions to your parish directory and welcome our new members. Directories are available from the office by request (parishadmin@epiphany.org) or you can download a pdf from the news page of our website.

If you would like to transfer your membership to Epiphany, you may pick up a Transfer Request form in the gallery or send your date of birth and any dates of baptism or confirmation, along with the name and address of your previous church home, to the parish office.

Transfers In

Carter & Rachel Robb

from All Saints' Episcopal Church, Atlanta, GA

Transfers Out

Clara, Daniel & John Branch

to St. Bede's Episcopal Church, Decatur, GA

Daniel, Ann, Robert & Jane Murphy

to The Cathedral of St. Philip

February Anniversaries

- 17 Cliff Edge & Les Howell
- 18 Haley & Ted Cognata
- 18 Sybil & Robert McCullar
- 24 Brent Henderson & Calvin Houts

February Birthdays

2	Audrey Banfield	9	Jackie Boles	14	Ralph Howard	21	Emma Pattison
2	John Branch	9	LeAnn Duke	14	Gary McNabb	22	Jennifer Rivera
2	Henry Morrison	9	Jerry Holladay	15	Mamie Lee-Walker	23	Nicholas Christian
3	Nancy McCord	9	Barbara Overton	15	Bruce Maclachlan	24	Catherine Breed
3	Max Meyer	10	Mitchell Gray	16	Anne Kerner	25	Neil Banfield
3	Susan Moody	10	Jonathan Knope	16	Mason McAuliffe	25	Bill Gary
4	Ripley Prikkel	11	Dan Mundy	16	Michael Wisniewski	25	Barbara Nama
5	Trey Lucas	12	Jeanette Hanson	17	Matt Cook	25	Claudia Tillman
5	Carol Moser	12	Terry Howell	18	Jewel Allen	26	Emily Cook
6	Mary Braswell	12	Alix Janke	18	Johanna Hinman	26	Pamela Council
6	Travis Carr	12	Caitlyn Matthew	18	Will Thomas	27	Sawyer Holmes
6	Chelsea Stephens	12	Caitlyn Mitchell	18	Christian Zsilavetz	27	Owen Kavanagh
6	Jim Rabb	13	Kelli Gantt	20	Susan Biddle	28	Ted Baltrusaitis
7	Michael Smith	13	Amy Shipp	21	Wende Crow	28	Scott Sadler
8	Sharon Miller	13	Eleanor Gaffney Stone	21	Cristina Montesinos	28	Claire Simms

Outreach News

Food for DEAM

January is Epiphany's month to help stock the pantry at the Decatur-area Emergency Assistance Ministry. Our goal is to collect 200 boxes of cereal and 200 cans of meat products (i.e. chili, Chef Boyardee). Watch for our progress on the tally sheet posted near the DEAM basket.

Refugee Resettlement

If you are interested in helping to resettle a new refugee family in the coming months please join us for a meeting on Tuesday,

January 27 at 7 p.m. in Room 201. Contact: Bev Lorenzo 404.825.3402.

Peachtree Pine Homeless Men's Ministry

Please volunteer to help feed 500 men once a month. No experience necessary, just kind hearts and willing hands to give to those less fortunate. Contact Bev Lorenzo, 404.825.3402.

Upcoming Dates:

February 19 & 20, March 19 & 20, April 16 & 17

The Episcopal Church of the Epiphany

FEBRUARY 2015

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
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4 Epiphany 1 8:00 a.m. Epiphany Choir (MS) 8:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Epiphany Choir (MS) 11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist 2:00 p.m. Daisy Troop (JH) 6:00 p.m. Youth Group 6:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist	2 4:00 p.m. Writers' Group (202) 5:30 p.m. *AVAC (001) 7:30 p.m. Book Club (Regency)	3 7:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast (KT) 10:00 a.m. Staff (101) 5:00 p.m. Beginning Choristers (MS) 5:30 p.m. Intermediate Choristers (MS) 7:00 p.m. AA for Women (202)	4 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer (CH) 12:15 p.m. Holy Eucharist w/Healing (CH) 1:00 p.m. Bible Study (JH-C) 5:00 p.m. Junior Choir (MS) 5:30-6:45 p Supper (JH-B) 6:00 p.m. Epiphany Ringers (CH) 6:30 p.m. Bible Study (JH-A) 7:15 p.m. Epiphany Choir (MS)	5 Newsletter Published	6 5:30 p.m. *Cotillion (JH)	7 9:00 a.m. Adult Forum Retreat (JH B/C) 9:30 a.m. *K. Coker Retreat (BH) 10:00 a.m. Altar Guild 11
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Decatur Cooperative Ministry Ongoing Program Needs

Certain items are always needed, especially for the families staying in Hagar's House. Please see the monthly updated list on DCM's News and Needs at

http://www.decaturoperativeministry.org/pdf_s/news_needs.pdf

Chaperone Help at Hagar's House:

Sybil Corbin, Manager of Hagar's House, is asking for volunteers to open the shelter on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 3 p.m. and then stay as chaperones until 6 p.m. when regular staff arrives. If you can help either of these Sundays, which will let the mothers and children come in off the street earlier on these days, please contact Mary Ann Schneider at or 404.377.9134.

Join Us!

Epiphany Partnership Trip to Haiti: March 14-21, 2015

Epiphany is journeying to Haiti to visit our partners at the Bishop Tharp Business and Technical Institute (BTI) in Les Cayes, Haiti. Join the Rector and others on this life-changing and life-giving trip. This will be Epiphany's 5th trip to BTI. No special skills or experience are needed. The cost of the trip is about \$1,500. If you have any questions about the trip and/or would like to participate, please contact Lisa Daily at 404.325.0043 or lisadaily1884@gmail.com.

The deadline for reserving a spot on the trip is January 30, 2015.

What do we do while in Haiti?

We get to know Haiti, BTI, each other and ourselves.

We pray, worship and give thanks.

We eat together, swim, talk and learn.

We give seminars based on our daily work and passions. We listen and encourage.



We are present with our Haitian brothers and sisters.

What is BTI?

BTI provides education that changes lives. BTI graduates work at the cutting edge of innovative business technology developing new approaches to address Haiti's needs. BTI has a two-fold mission. The first is to provide students in Southwestern Haiti with the opportunity to achieve a high-quality, American-style, university-level education without being forced to leave their families and homes in this region. BTI also strives to support the economic development of Les Cayes and the surrounding areas by providing skilled employees for existing businesses and by supporting entrepreneurial graduates in starting and successfully operating small businesses.

Since its inception in 2005, BTI has produced 653 skilled graduates, of which more than 60% are employed in fields such as banking, government administration and non-profit organization management. In this school year, BTI has enrolled almost 540 students and anticipates a graduating class of 125. Seventy percent of BTI students are female.

Please take a look at the website developed by Ann Fowler upon her return from our March 2011 trip for more information about BTI <http://bti-haiti.org/>.

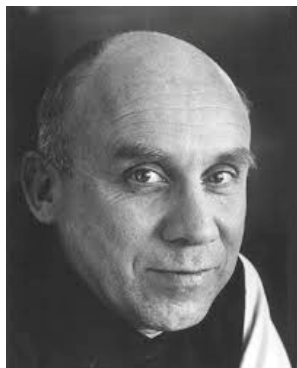
Why Epiphany?

After almost a year of research, during which we visited Haiti, discerned, conversed, formed relationships and planned, Epiphany became BTI's partner in 2009. Of the many problems that plague Haiti, the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere, a scarcity of successful small businesses and effective information technology support inhibit Haiti's ability to maintain a sustainable economic infrastructure. Epiphany's partnership with BTI offers us the opportunity to be in communion with our brothers and sisters in the Episcopal Church's largest diocese, while offering material support to a school that trains Haitians to run their own businesses, successfully work in businesses and not-for-profits and provide information technology services. Epiphany's vision for our partnership with BTI is to offer *Our Treasures, Our Skills and Ourselves*.

Those of us who visit Haiti find hope, faithfulness, resilience, hospitality and joy there. We also experience despair, anger and humility. Our lives change and we pray that all at Epiphany and all in Haiti receive God's grace. Please join us!

Diocesan & Community News

Monk, Mystic, Artist, Teacher and Author



Celebrate the life and work of THOMAS MERTON on his actual 100th birthday 9 AM to 12 Noon, Saturday, January 31, 2015. Hosted by Contemplative Outreach Atlanta at St. Jude the Apostle Catholic Church Ministries Building, 7171 Glenridge Drive, Sandy Springs, Georgia 30328.

Reserve your seat now. Contact Maggie Winfrey at maggie.winfrey@gmail.com or 404-717-6815.

English Tea to benefit Decatur outreach programs

Sunday, February 8; 2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 515 E. Ponce de Leon Ave., Decatur, GA

An English Afternoon Tea to benefit Decatur community outreach programs will be offered in two sittings, at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 8, in the parish hall at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 515 E. Ponce de Leon Ave., Decatur. Besides tea, refreshments include scones, sandwiches and sweets. Tickets are \$15 if purchased by Feb. 6 or \$20 after that. A cookbook of recipes of foods served during at the previous 14 annual English teas will be available for sale. For tickets and to make reservations for four or more, call the church office, 404-377-2622.

Join Kids4Peace -

Kids4Peace is seeking 64 passionate and open-minded Muslim, Christian and Jewish youth from across North America to join our interfaith community. The first step is an exciting two-week summer camp with Israeli and Palestinian kids from Jerusalem.

Sixth-Grade Applications Open

Deadline: February 15th, 2015

Open to 12 year-old girls and boys in North America, from Jewish, Christian & Muslim backgrounds. Apply to the camp nearest you or email info@k4p.org for details.

Kids4Peace camps are part of a six-year, year-round program of interfaith dialogue, leadership development and nonviolent action. Youth from Jerusalem and the neighboring areas of the West Bank meet new friends from North America for a two-week summer program, where they learn about each other's religious traditions, practice dialogue and conflict resolution, develop skills to be peacemakers and form lasting friendships across the barriers that divide their communities



Sterne to speak on 21st-century spirituality

The Rev. Martha Sterne, an Atlanta author and priest, will lead a program Saturday, Feb. 21, for Mary & Martha's Place titled "Real, Local & Organic: 21st-Century Spirituality." Sustainable Faith in the 21st Century...

How can we create a 21st century spirituality that speaks to the real daily concerns in our local communities and sustains us with spiritual practices that grow organically from our lives?

Martha Sterne finds spiritual depths in life's ordinary, sometimes shallow moments and invites us to explore our own depths and shallows. Martha says the stories we have in our heads can enhance and enrich our lives or leave us feeling drained. As Martha tells her stories, together we will lean into and trust our own stories and the Story Teller who made us. Expect a day of conversation, truth-telling and laughter that will support you on your spiritual journey. Visit

<http://www.maryandmarthasplace.com/register.html> to register.

For Our Prayers...



Prayer intentions for *The Epiphany Star* and for Sunday Services should be directed to the parish office at parishadmin@epiphany.org. For Pastoral Emergencies, text or call the clergy on call at 404.368.7937.

Please let the Parish Office know if there are any errors on the listings below.

Heal your sick servants

- Alice Cunningham
- Tim Gore
- Arlen Gray
- Chris Miller
- Jackie Miller
- Annalia Polemitis
- Evelyn Stewart
- Judy Urban
- Betty Walton
- Hobby Warner
- Louise Wheelless
- Larry Wilcox

Parishioners who desire our continuing prayers

- Marlene & Charles Coats
- Laura Faller
- Arlen Gray
- Adele Reeves
- Ted Yardley
- Sarah Jane Wollison

For those who have died

- Damon Hege, friend of Mark Rowles
- Jane Burke, friend of Brenda Lloyd
- Jocelyn Faith

Those in the armed forces

- GySgt Stewart Mundy, son of Dan & Diane Mundy
- Matthew Howells, nephew of Audrey & Neil Banfield

Family and friends who request our prayers

- Shirley, friend of Nancy Thompson
- Virginia Stuart, sister of Sytha Cheatham
- Jerrie & Carolyn Cheatham, sisters-in-law of Sytha Cheatham
- Margaret Moore, sister of Brother Francis Boniface
- Bryce, nephew of Audrey & Neil Banfield
- Michael Morehouse, friend of Holly Slater

- Jen Cronin, friend of Holly Slater
- Mickie Schierman, mother of Ann Fowler
- Lucy & Bob Yntema, parents of John Yntema
- Laurie MacLeod Bennett, daughter of Rod MacLeod
- Dave & Jack Willadsen, friends of The Deocampo Family
- Don Baltrunis, cousin of Sandy Land
- Janice, Jessica & Megan, relatives of Tracy Laird
- Kathy, Jeremy, Jerry, relatives of Pam & Mike Smith
- Bob Kruger, brother-in-law of Pat Madden-Hudson
- Annie Loring, friend of Linda Erhard
- Garrison Pierce, grandson of Pat Spivey
- Nick Klist, relative of Neil & Audrey Banfield
- Kay, friend of Jewel Allen
- Thelma & J.O. Hudson, parents of Bill Hudson
- Lynn and Colin, friends of Michele and Rod MacLeod
- Les Howell, partner of Cliff Edge
- Jan Pedersen, mother of Katie Pedersen
- Martha Sanders Vincent, mother of Heather Holly
- Greg, brother of Dan Deocampo
- Katherine, friend of Joanne & Dan Deocampo
- Mike and Bethany Gaige, Ed and Joan Hambalek, family of Barbara Belcore
- Mary Lou, mother of Susan Messner
- Bill Lawrence, brother of Terri Lawrence
- Janet, friend of Ruth Olson
- Kat Rader, friend of Chippy & Mac Holladay
- Jenny Allen and her family, sister of Jewel Allen
- Justin D'zan, friend of Rob Godsall
- Lynn Gable, friend of Rob Godsall
- Mike Tipton, brother of Pam Tipton
- Katherine Lee, daughter of Jackie Lee
- Lynn Gable, friend of Rob Godsall
- Kyle, cousin of Jessica Boatright
- Charles, Clara, Brady & Jeff, family of Penny Pritcher
- Chris Dolezel, sister of Marjorie Timmer
- Orval Jackson, father of Ted Jackson
- Connor & Keri McNulty, cousins of Lisa Carlson
- Henry, friend of Dan Mundy



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Worship Schedule—Sunday

8:45 a.m. - Holy Eucharist

11:15 a.m. - Holy Eucharist

6 p.m. - Holy Eucharist

Worship Schedule—Weekdays

Tuesday at 7 a.m. – Holy Eucharist

Wednesday at 12:15 p.m. – Holy Eucharist with
Healing Rite