



4th Sunday of Advent December 24, 2017

**Sunday Services: 8:00 A.M. and 10:00 A.M.
Wednesday Eucharist and Healing Service: 9:30 A.M.**

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Our Mission Statement

We welcome you to join us on our journey as we strive to share the love of Jesus through worship, Christian Education, fellowship and service to each other and the community beyond our walls.

Welcome to St. Paul's

We welcome you to St. Paul's Episcopal Church. If you are new, returning after a time away or have been here week after week, it is our hope that you feel welcomed and comfortable in this church. We are all travelers and seekers together on a journey of faith. We very much hope you will find your time with us one of renewal and refreshment. As you walk with us, may your faith deepen with the hope that you will continue on this journey with us, here at St. Paul's. If we can be of any assistance to you on your faith journey, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Our Weekly Prayers



We pray for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop, DeDe, our Bishop; Chris, our Dean; John, our Rector and the people and ministers of St. Paul's.

In St. Paul's we pray for all the children of our parish.

In our Parishes: We pray for St. John's Church, Cape Vincent; The Rev. Jennifer Kenna, Grace Church, Carthage; The Rev. Ed Murphy, Rector.

In our Diocese: We pray for a very blessed Merry Christmas to everyone!

In our Companion Diocese: We pray for Santisima Trinidad, Santa Teresa, San Martin, The Rev. Juan Pablo Alvarado.

In the Episcopal Church: We pray for the Rt. Rev. David Reed, Bishop of the Diocese of West Texas.

In the Anglican Communion: We pray for the Rt. Rev. Markus Ibrahim, Bishop of Yola (Jos, Nigeria).

Pray for those in need of our prayers:

Bill Krska, Nadine Maruca, Lew Jones, Becky Cizike, Domicelia Dickinson, Midge Wieland, Pat Roberts, Mary Buffum, Janet Kroclic, Louise Pierce, Bernice McManus (friend of Dolly Chergosky), Susan, Donna Krzyzewski (sister of Marilyn Karlson), Dale Bachman, Bruce Dailey, Ingrid Elliott, David Fenty, Dick Russell (cousin of Sandy Schwab), Josh Banta and Rick Berry (friends of Sandy and Dick Schwab), Louis' dad and aunt, Carol Petras (Jackson Petras' grandmother), and Tom Hall (Ken and Verona Kidder).



We pray for those serving in our military: Matthew Cole, Kevin Bradley, Daniel Sanoja, Brandon Marcello, Grant Cuprak, Danielle Ullman, Michael Kakusian, and Megan Shierly.

A Prayer to help those in need this Christmas.

May my family and friends who need
a Christmas miracle be blessed.

May whoever is feeling
weak during the festive
season be given strength.

May all of those who are
carrying heavy burdens
this Christmas have their
load lightened.



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New Year's Eve Morning Services

Liturgical Ministers 12/31

8:00AM	Presider	The Rev. John Martinichio
	Lay Assistant	Debbie Dieffenbacher
	2 nd Reading	Bill Dieffenbacher
	Chalice	Jack Westermann
	Usher(s)	Chip Kinne
10:00AM	Presider	The Rev. John Martinichio
	Lay Assistant	Jim Buffum
	1 st Reading	Judy Shannon
	2 nd Reading	Karen Cahill
	Chalice	Ruthie Koerts
	Acolyte(s)	Meghan Walton & Jordan Jones
	Altar Guild	Luther & Dolly Chergosky (8) Sue Hankey (10) Sue Hankey (linens)
	Counters	Scott Kidder & Susan Young
	Usher(s)	Walton Family

Have a Blessed Christmas!

Advent 4 Morning Services

Liturgical Ministers 12/24

8:00AM	Presider	The Rev. John Martinichio
	Lay Assistant	Mary Cermak
	2 nd Reading	
	Chalice	
	Usher(s)	Chip Kinne
10:00AM	Presider	The Rev. John Martinichio
	Lay Assistant	Jane Parker
	1 st Reading	Steve Koerts
	2 nd Reading	Ruthie Koerts
	Chalice	Richard Parker
	Acolyte(s)	Kurt Jones & Ruthie Koerts
	Altar Guild	Luther & Dolly Chergosky (8) Sue Hankey (10) Sue Hankey (linens)
	Counters	Jack Westermann & Chauncey Depew
	Usher(s)	Bob & Suzanne Pettit

Christmas Eve Night Services

Liturgical Ministers 12/24

6:00PM	Presider	The Rev. John Martinichio
	Lay Assistant	Jim Garceau
	2 nd Reading	Kristin Walton
	Chalice	Jennifer Westermann
	Acolyte(s)	Meghan Walton, Kristin Walton, Jordan Jones, Aiden Browning
	Usher(s)	Lorraine Jones & Marge Johns
10:00PM	Presider	The Rev. John Martinichio
	Lay Assistant	Karen Cahill
	1 st Reading	Steve Koerts
	2 nd Reading	Ruthie Koerts
	Chalice	Chip Kinne
	Acolyte(s)	Ruthie Koerts & Kurt Jones
	Altar Guild	Luther & Dolly Chergosky (8) Sue Hankey (10) Sue Hankey (linens)
	Usher(s)	Scott Kidder & Ken Kidder

Birthdays:



12/26 Dolly Chergosky
12/29 Judy Wolf
12/30 Jane Parker
Jenise Soules

Anniversaries:

12/30 Lee and June Palmer



Sanctuary Candle Memorials:



The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in loving memory of **Bud and Elaine Rozina**, from their daughter and son-in-law, Beth and Cliff VanDervort and family.

The Sanctuary Candle also burns this week in loving memory of **Connie Brant** from her friend, Susan Young.

December 25-31		
Monday	<i>Happy Birthday, Jesus!</i>	
Tuesday	NO CHOW TODAY	
Wednesday	Holy Eucharist	9:30AM
	with Healing Service	
Thursday	Bible Study	9:00AM
	CHOW	1:15 PM
	Bell Rehearsal	6:00PM
Sunday	<i>Happy New Year!</i>	
	Holy Eucharist	8&10AM
	Canteen Sunday	11:00AM

Advent 4/Christmas Eve Services

TODAY

Today's Services will be as follows: Advent 4 will be at 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. (there will be no music at the 10:00 a.m. service) and Christmas Eve will be at 6:00 and 10:00 p.m.



Christmas Day

There will be no services on Christmas Day.



Youth Group News!

Trinity Canteen

Sunday, December 31st, 11AM



Youth Group has been rebooted and is open to all members of St. Paul's in grades 7 through 12. We are hosting Trinity Canteen next Sunday, December 31st, and will be doing the prep work on Saturday. Come join us!

Jennifer Westermann

New Year's Day Service

January 1st, 9:00 AM

Come ring in the new year at St. Paul's on Monday, January 1st at the 9:00 a.m. service. A breakfast will be served following the service in Fellowship Hall.



Sunday at the Movies

January 7 after 10 AM Service



On Sunday, January 7th, the Women of the Church invite you all to join us after the 10 a.m. service for a wonderful movie of faith and determination. **ALL SAINTS** is based on the inspiring true story of a tiny Episcopal Church in Smyrna, Tennessee destined for closure. John Corbett plays the newly ordained rector whose first assignment was to minister to the twelve member parish while overseeing the closure. Together with a group of destitute refugees from Southeast Asia, and the grace of God, they plant the seeds for a future that might save them all. This movie is rated PG and is sure to get the New Year started with an uplifting message. A light lunch will be served, and of course there will be plenty of popcorn.

Sandy Schwab, Chairperson

VESTRY

NOMINATING COMMITTEE is now accepting names for the 3 vestry positions vacant (a three-year term). Names can be given to Jennifer Westermann, the chair of the committee.

A brief history of the person nominated is requested with a form indicating their permission to be nominated. The annual meeting is February 11th; nominations are due by January 1st. The committee is a screening one only, that its only function is to verify that a nominee is qualified to be a candidate in accordance with the Canons of the Episcopal Church, The Diocese of Central New York and the By-Laws of St. Paul's Church. The qualifications are: being a baptized person over 18 years of age, being a baptized member of St. Paul's Church, having been in regular attendance at its worship and has been a regular contributor* for at least the last 12 months prior to the Annual Meeting.

*'A regular contributor means pledging and having that pledge measurable by meeting the pledge obligations, per church records, in the 12 months prior to the election at the annual meeting.'

General Job Description for all Vestry Members

All vestry members should strive to the best of their abilities to:

- Have a love of God and demonstrate a commitment to following the way of Christ;
- Be active in and knowledgeable about the congregation, its programs and governance;
- Be fair, interact well with people and strive to earn the respect of the members of the congregation;
- Purposefully strive to "check one's ego at the door;"
- Purposefully strive to be a servant of the people without the need to be the "most important person" in the congregation or the need to be the one with the right answers to everything;
- Have enthusiasm and vitality for this ministry.

All vestry members should be able to make the following time commitments:

- Vestry meetings, committee work;
- Vestry retreat(s);
- Weekly worship services (rotating occasionally if more than one);
- Congregational events: coffee hours, meals, fundraisers, adult education programs, etc.;
- Diocesan meetings, as necessary;
- Annual meeting.

All vestry members are responsible for:

- Being a liaison to a Ministry within St. Paul's;
- Offering talents to support the congregation's ministry;
- Praying daily for the rector, leaders and members of the congregation;
- Pledging financial support early in the stewardship campaign;
- Being active ministers of the Gospel in daily life and work;
- Bringing one's whole self to the table; being present – mind, body, and spirit;
- Risking openness with one's ideas, beliefs and desires.

Father John+

Epiphany

Saturday, January 6th, 6:00 PM

As the Christmas season ends, we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany. This is a celebration of the wise men's visit to baby Jesus. Please join us on Saturday, January 6th at 6 PM. After a short service, we will be celebrating with a variety of ethnic foods. You are invited to bring a dish reflecting your heritage. We will wrap up the festivities with a piñata for the kids.

