



First Sunday after Christmas January 2, 2022

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

Office Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

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Covid Protocol

At this time, **masks are required for all individuals participating in indoor in-person activities** on church property and in any parish-sponsored indoor gathering. This requirement applies regardless of gathering size, vaccination status of individuals, or gathering purpose. Only those who are vaccinated may participate in small group gatherings.

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; Trula, our District Dean; John, our Rector, and the people and ministers of St. Paul's. We pray for our elected officials: Joe, our President; Kathy, our Governor; Jason, our County Executive; and Linda, our Mayor.

In St. Paul's: We pray for our Gould Investment Committee.

In our Parish Family: We pray for Ray and Anneliese Besemer, and for Nancy Boyd-Goff.

In our Parishes: We pray for the people of Trinity Episcopal Church in Camden and their priest, the Rev. Linda Logan, and the people of St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Camillus and their priest, the Rev. Jon White.

In our Companion Diocese of El Salvador: We pray for the people of La Divina Providencia, El Maizal, Sonsonate, and their priest, the Rev. Juan Pablo Alvarado.

In the Episcopal Church: We pray for the people of the Diocese of Pennsylvania and their bishop, the Rt. Rev. Daniel G.P. Gutierrez.

In the Anglican Communion: We pray for the people of the Province of the Anglican Church of the Congo and their prime bishop, the Most Rev. Masimango Katanda.

And we pray for all candidates and postulants who are taking the General Ordination Exam this week, especially Joseph Hannah of the Diocese of Central New York.

We remember in our prayers our homebound:

Bill & Florence Andrade, Shirley Babuka, Anneliese Besemer, Mary Buffum, Jenell Clayton, Nanda Cook, Beverly Costello, Marie DePew, Harold & Ingrid Elliott, David Fenty, Marguerite Ireland, Dan & Bette Knight, June Palmer, Peg Penrose, Louise Pierce, Bill Smith, Ted Snyder, and Carole Walton.



Prayer List:

Darin Miller (Susette Walton), Rob & Val Fiori and Kaylea Fiori-Foote (Carl & Marie Dollmetsch), Carol Marker (Sandy Schwab), Jane Stuart (Lynda Helmer's niece), Arthur Jack (Bob & Sue Pettit).



We pray for those serving in our military:

Michael Kakusian

Annual Meeting Reports

The year 2021 has drawn to a close, which means the Annual Meeting is just around the corner. The Annual Meeting will be held on **Sunday, February 13, 2022** following the **9:00 AM** service.



As you know, reports from each ministry group in the church are needed for the annual report. I am asking that Ministry Chairs submit your report as soon as possible. Include in your report, if applicable, the purpose of your group or committee, the day and time you meet, the number of active participants, what you accomplished this past year, financial information, and any other information you feel is pertinent.

The purpose of these reports this year is twofold. The first is to have an accurate reporting of the activities of the church for the annual report. The second is that our Canons and Constitutions require us to have such documentation.

There is a real urgency in submitting your reports. We ask that your report be submitted to the Parish Secretary by **Wednesday, January 19th**. The sooner we have these reports the easier it is for us to complete the booklet for the meeting. Thank you in advance for your attention to this very crucial step.

NOTE: A soft copy is much appreciated! If you can either send it as an attachment or simply paste it into an email it will speed up the process here in the office as it won't need to be retyped. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Fr. John+

Liturgical Ministers – 1/2

8:00AM	Presider	The Rev. Richard Schaal
	Lay Assistant	Mary Cermak
	2 nd Reading	Dolly Chergosky
	Chalice	Chip Kinne
	Usher(s)	Bill & Lynn Freeman
	Altar Guild	Bill & Lynn Freeman
10:00AM	Presider	The Rev. Richard Schaal
	Lay Assistant	Ruthie Koerts
	1 st Reading	Zach Manchester
	2 nd Reading	Steve Koerts
	Chalice	Jim Garceau
	Acolyte(s)	Kurt Jones
	Usher(s)	Susan Young & Marge Johns
	Altar Guild	Marge Johns & Jackie Fabiano
	Counters	Susette Walton & Kristin Walton

Liturgical Ministers – 1/9

8:00AM	Presider	The Rev. John R. Martinichio
	Lay Assistant	Jennifer S. Westermann
	2 nd Reading	Jackie Reece
	Chalice	Jack Westermann
	Usher(s)	Bill & Lynn Freeman
	Altar Guild	Bill & Lynn Freeman
10:00AM	Presider	The Rev. John R. Martinichio
	Lay Assistant	Steve Koerts
	1 st Reading	Sandy Schwab
	2 nd Reading	Bob Pettit
	Chalice	Barb Dailey
	Acolyte(s)	Alaina Browning
	Usher(s)	Scott Kidder & Matt Moon
	Altar Guild	Marge Johns & Jackie Fabiano
	Counters	Will & Mary VanOsten

We remember those celebrating Birthdays:

1/2 Bob Conant
1/2 Jenise Soules



1/6 Nolan Dougherty
1/7 Sue Kinne
1/7 Barbara Syrell

January 3 - 9

Monday	Prayer Service	9:30AM
Tuesday	Prayer Service	9:30AM
	All Things Spiritual follows	
Wednesday	Holy Eucharist	9:30AM
	with Healing Service	
Thursday	Prayer Service	9:30AM
	Lectionary Study follows	
	St. Paul's Ringers	6:00PM
	Choir	7:00PM
Friday	Prayer Service	9:30AM
Saturday	Prayer Service	9:30AM
Epiphany Sunday	Holy Eucharist	8/10AM
	Vocal Choir	9:30AM
	Sunday School	10:00AM
	Chimes 4 Jesus	11:00AM
	Undecorate Church	11:00AM

Welcome to St. Paul's

Today we welcome **The Rev. Richard Schaal** to St. Paul's. We are thankful to have him celebrate with us.



Rector's Forum



There will be no COFFEE HOUR/Rector's Forum in the month of January due to COVID numbers. We will re-evaluate this as time goes on.

Epiphany Lessons and Carols

Sunday, January 9th, 10:00 AM

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 Sunday, January 9th at the 10AM service for Epiphany Lessons and Carols. We will wrap up the festivities with a piñata for the kids.



Sleeping Bag for the Homeless Project

We have started up our sleeping bag projects on the **second Thursday of every month at 1:00-3:00PM**. If you are interested in fellowship, conversation, and fun all the while we make sleeping bags for those less fortunate, please consider joining us. You do not have to know how to sew. Diocese guidelines require that you have been Covid vaccinated.



Our next meeting will be on Thursday, January 13th.

Deb Wirag

Donations Needed for the Giving Tree and Mask Line

We greatly need donations of warm hats, gloves, mittens, scarves and socks, as well as face masks. Supplies are being quickly depleted and now that cold weather has set in, we expect the need for these items to increase. Our mask line is equally popular, particularly with the increased concern over the latest COVID variant. Items need not be expensive – Dollar Tree and other discount stores offer many options for warm outerwear, as well as face masks. Also, after Christmas sales at most stores will offer some affordable options. There is a box at the back of the church for your donations, or they can be left in the office during normal office hours.

Sandy Schwab

Trinity Canteen

Sunday, January 30th

One of the outreach ministries St. Paul's is involved in is preparing and serving meals at the Trinity Memorial Canteen. As you know, we have signed up for the fifth Sunday of the month when it occurs on the calendar. I have made a commitment to them for 2022. The dates that we will be hosting are January 30, May 29, July 31, and October 30. **Sandy and Dick Schwab will be coordinating the next Canteen on January 30th.** Currently we are providing an enhanced bagged meal for upwards of 60 people. We appreciate all of your donations.



Fr. John+

Movin' On Luncheon No Luncheon in January

There will be no luncheon in January. Our next luncheon will be on Monday, February 21st at noon. The Movin' On Lunch group will be held on the **THIRD MONDAY** of the month. All widows and widowers are invited for a time of food and fellowship.



Sunday School Schedule for January



There will be no Sunday School on January 2nd and 16th. Classes will be held on January 9th, 23rd, and 30th.

All Things Spiritual on Zoom!

We gather for discussion about a chapter in the book during each meeting. The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, January 4th, after the 9:30 AM prayer service. We continue We Were the Least of These (Reading the Bible with Survivors of Sexual Abuse) by Elaine Heath. We will read Chapter 6, Prayers of Lament and Mercy.**



Christmas Decorations

January 9th, 11AM



Come help put the Christmas decorations away for next year.

Congratulations Garvin and Stephanie Alexander



We offer our congratulations to Garvin and Stephanie Elder Alexander who in a recent ceremony become naturalized citizens of the United States of America.

This is a prayer I offered at a Naturalization Service at the Supreme Court of Broome County.

We offer this prayer for them and all those who become citizens of the USA.

Let us pray.

Eternal God, You have created each of us in your image and likeness and call us Your children. We are many people from different parts of this planet and have many languages. I ask that you bless these your people gathered seeking citizenship in these United States.

Let them appreciate the freedom they now share as part of our family.

Help those who welcome them refrain from judging them by the color of their skin, the accent of their speech or the religion they practice. Bless us all with acceptance and openness.

May we all recall that one day our own ancestors came to these shores appearing different from those who already arrived.

They may have spoken with accents or practiced a different religion from those already here.

May your goodness and righteousness surround and fill all who call this land home.

May we be good stewards of our land, forests and lakes.

May we care for each other as we stand one nation under God.

For it is in your name we pray. Amen.