

Trinity Times Weekly Edition

Second Sunday In Advent
Week of December 6, 2015

Holy Trinity Anglican Church

Altar Decoration

During Advent, the retable above the Altar depicts a manger scene. Each week, as we draw closer to Christmas, new figures will be added until, on Christmas night, the Christ child appears in the manger.

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

Anyone wishing to receive a prayer and blessing will be invited to the Altar. Participation is not compulsory, but all, including visitors, are welcome.

Micah's Place Toy Drive... through December 7th

Donations of new "unwrapped" toys and gift cards will be accepted by the Micah's Place Christmas Program to help provide a Christmas to families in their shelter and outreach, who otherwise may not have one. *Micah's Place is a non-profit organization and the only certified Domestic Violence Center serving Nassau County.*

Holiday Greening of the Church, Saturday, Dec. 12th at 9:00 AM

Join us for this day of decoration and preparation as we prepare for the great Feast of the Nativity of our Lord - Christmas Day! We will lay out all the decorations for the season of Christmas, enjoy a few refreshments, and close with prayer at 5:00 PM. Come when you can, stay as long as you like, return to pray if you can.

Estimated Tithes and Offerings

Those who plan to support Holy Trinity with their tithes and offerings next year are asked to prayerfully complete a **2016 Estimated Tithes and Offerings** card and deposit it in the box near the baptismal font. Last year, 98 percent of our households participated in this ingathering, giving the Vestry great confidence as they prepared the parish budget. Thank you!

Vestry Meeting Tuesday Evening

The regular meeting of the Vestry is Tuesday December 8 at 6:00 pm. Please alert Fr. Brad or the office to add new business to the agenda.

Columbarium Committee Meeting Wednesday

The Columbarium Committee will meet in Scott-King Hall on Wednesday immediately following the noon Mass.

Parish Christmas Party, Friday, December 18th at 6:00 PM

We have invited our neighbors in Amelia Park to join Holy Trinity for a Christmas celebration. Scott-King Hall will be decorated for the Christmas holiday, and the Men's Group will supply a Christmas-themed third Friday dinner with music and joy for the season.

Ring the Bells for Hope House

Holy Trinity provides bell ringers at Winn Dixie on 8th Street. Openings are available for Thursday Dec 10, Thursday Dec. 17, and Thursday Dec. 24. A sign up sheet is available in Scott-King Hall.

Salvation Army / Hope House

Please place your donations of non-perishable food and new / gently-used clothing in the basket located in Scott-King Hall, and we'll deliver.

Micah's Place

(See Above) Also, a "needs" list is available in the parish office.

Blood Drive

If you are able, please donate and ask that your donation be credited to Holy Trinity's Account M-159. Holy Trinity's current account balance is 27 Units.

- Dec. 9th, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM - CBC National Bank
1391 S. 14th Street, Fernandina Beach
- Dec. 12th, 12 Noon - 5:00 PM - Home Depot
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On The Calendar

Sunday, Dec. 6th, 8 & 10:30 AM
**Second Sunday
In Advent**

Sunday, Dec. 6th, 9:15 AM
Sunday Bible College
in Scott-King Hall
Adults - Matthew Chapter 16
Children - Classes for
First Communion

Sunday, Dec. 6th, 12 Noon
**Christmas Pageant
Practice**

Tuesday, December 8th, 6:00 PM
December Vestry Meeting

Wednesday, Dec. 9th, 12:15 PM
Mid-week Eucharist
This week, please pray for
parishioners with last names
beginning with A - E and
those on our Prayer List

Wednesday, Dec. 9th
Columbarium Cmte Mtg
In Scott-King Hall immediately
following Mass.

Thursday, Dec. 10th
Ring the Bells
For Salvation Army / Hope House
Winn Dixie Parking Lot

Saturday, Dec. 12th, 9 AM - 5 PM
**Holiday Greening
of the Church**
Set-up in Scott-King Hall

Friday, Dec. 18th, 6:00 PM
**Parish Christmas Party
(Third Friday Fellowship)**
In Scott-King Hall

Thursday, Dec. 24th
Christmas Eve Masses
Two Traditions - Two Masses

5:30 PM
Family Mass

The Christmas Pageant, Carols,
and Holy Communion

10:30 PM
**The Midnight Mass of
Christmas Eve**

The traditional Christmas Mass
with all the smells and bells



St. Benedict began the practice of Lectio Divina, reading the Scriptures prayerfully and contemplatively, asking always, "What is God speaking to me through his word?" This Benedictine practice is the core of Anglican Spirituality, and the foundation of the Book of Common Prayer's Lectionary, as well as, Morning and Evening Prayer.

To practice Lectio Divina, begin each day praying the Collect for the Second Sunday in Advent (BCP p.121 or 1928 p.92), then continue with each passage listed below. Read slowly, carefully, attentively.

Monday	Psalm 7	Matthew 11-12
Tuesday	Psalm 8	Matthew 13-14
Wednesday	Psalm 9	Matthew 15-16
Thursday	Psalm 10	Matthew 17-18
Friday	Psalm 11	Matthew 19
Saturday	Psalm 12	Matthew 20

The Lectio Divina Prayer (Collect for The Second Sunday in Advent)

Blessed Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience, and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace, and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Collect for The Season of Advent

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty, to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. Amen.

About The New 2016 Lectio Divina

This Lectio Divina (Divine Reading) is a six month discipline to read the entire New Testament and Psalter, arranged in four sections headed by one of the Gospels. We are currently reading through the St. Matthew section which includes New Testament books originally written primarily for a Jewish / Hebrew audience, including St. Matthew and the catholic Epistles to the Hebrews and St. James.

Holy Trinity Prayer List

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| Vesper Aschenbach – salvation / relief of severe headaches (daughter of Martin Teaster) | Marcia Fellows – COPD | Harold McCart – recovery from major surgery | Martha Skirven – health and strength |
| Marlo Thomas-Bailey – healing / back surgery (friend of Fatima Bowen) | Jane Fields – bone cancer (friend of Bev Mertz) | Beverly Mertz – health (and, patience!) | Herb & Nancy Smith – (friends of Elizabeth Ryan) |
| Kaye Blackmon – spinal cancer (friend of Bev Mertz) | Charlie Greene – dialysis (friend of Linda Neal) | Shirolyn Moffitt – cancer (cousin of Jan Figueroa) | Alice – for health (friend of Rebecca & Tom Raymond) |
| Frances Brothers – health (Cunningham grandmother) | Jean Harmon – kidney failure / A-fib heart condition (sister-in-law of Linda Neal) | Greg Myer – for health; stage 4 cancer (brother-in-law of Darci Lanaghan) | Duc Tang – for health and strength (a very dear friend of Chuck & Laura Farmer) |
| Gail Bunch – cancer (cousin of Jan Figueroa) | Jon Hiland – cancer / heart condition | Terri Pirtle – cancer (friend of the Lyles) | Daniel Teaster – to know peace in Christ |
| James Bunch – health | Vivian & Jim Holler – Vivian, Parkinson's Disease | Ludine – colon cancer & recovery from surgery, <u>and Nicole</u> – seizures (wife & daughter of Alvin Pinkney) | Stephen Thomas – severe diabetes ("Best Man" at Chuck & Laura Farmer's wedding) |
| Amber Burch – health (daughter of Martin Teaster) | Wally & Katherine Holmberg – dialysis (Wally) (friends of the Constants and Webers) | Don & Myra Rhoades – long term care | Karen Weber – recovery from surgery |
| Martha Copeland – cancer (the Bunch's neighbor) | Erin Joyce – for peace (niece of Ansley Acree) | Suzi Rishir – cancer (cousin of John Scarboro) | Kelly Whitton – cancer (friend of David & Jane Turner) |
| Lisa – recovery (daughter of Angela & Ed Crisp) | Barbara Kirkpatrick – brain tumor (friend of Lois Laing) | Molly – at home (sister of Penny Robinson) | Vickie Winsor – ocular melanoma (sister-in-law of Bev Mertz) |
| Greg Critser – inoperable brain tumor (cousin of Patrick Lanaghan) | Judy Kreutz – successful recovery after brain surgery (cousin of David Turner) | Nancy Roeser – myeloma cancer / chemo treatments (friend of Tom & Rebecca Raymond) | Linda Winters – cancer (sister of Sharon Hallman) |
| David – teenager with multiple chronic illnesses | Wayne Leach – cancer (Weber family friend) | Valerie Scarsberry – recovery from surgery (friend of H. Bunch) | |
| Wesley Duran – congestive heart failure (friend of Chuck & Laura Farmer) | Paula Leubke – health (friend of Lois Laing) | Frances Scarboro – health | <i>Members' names are underlined.</i> |
| Dale Evans – vision health (brother-in-law of Tom and Rebecca Raymond) | Kim Masisali-Leyva – breast cancer (co-worker of Darci Lanaghan) | Mec Shuler – health | <i>Please send requests to the parish office.</i> |
| Elizabeth – healing (friend of Jane & Pat) | Leslie – blood disorder (daughter of the Marshalls) | Wes Shuler – St. Augustine Veteran's Home | <i>Last updated 12-2-2015.</i> |
| | Marie MacDonald – to know peace in Christ (friend of Robin Bogosh) | Ivy – brain tumor (granddaughter of Mec Shuler) | |
| | | Gregg Shy – thanksgiving for successful surgery (a dear friend of the Turner family) | |