



# Newsletter

**Advent- Christmas**  
**December 2016**  
**Anglican Church of the Holy Trinity**  
*Christ-centered, Biblically grounded, worshiping in the Anglican Tradition*



**Christmas Eve Midnight Mass**  
**with a Festival of Lessons and Carols**  
*beginning at 10:00 pm*

***Invite your friends to join you for this great traditional Christmas Celebration***

Beginning at 10:00 pm Christmas Eve, we will have a Festival of Lessons and Carols following the pattern of Scripture readings and carol singing that was first used at King's College, Cambridge. The scriptures and carols will be a recitation of God's redeeming acts in history, which finds its apex with God coming among us- Emmanuel, the Incarnation of God in Jesus.



We begin our lessons with the Genesis account of Creation and The Fall. Then, through a series of Old Testament readings, we plumb the depths of our need for God to rescue us from our enslavement to sin. The New Testament readings that follow describe God literally stepping into history, "The Great Rescue," the Incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ. The singing of hymns, praise songs, and Christmas carols throughout the liturgy punctuate the telling of this *Old, Old Story*.

The choir will be working hard to make this evening a wonderful musical offering to our Lord. It is an excellent service to bring friends and introduce them to this great Anglican Tradition and to Holy Trinity. Nursery will be available for children 0-3 years of age. If you, your family, and friends are looking for a cure for the commercialism and secularism of the season, come join us.



**Advent,  
Christmas**



***Holy Trinity***  
***An outpost of***  
***the Kingdom***  
***of God,***  
***where people***  
***come to know***  
***and serve the***  
***Lord, and***  
***enjoy the***  
***fellowship of***  
***God's people.***

**Christmas Eve Children's Service**  
**and Pageant**  
**5:00 PM**



We hope to make this service a very special offering by our children and for the community. Our children will be acting out the Christmas Story from Luke 1 and 2 and the story of the Magi from Matthew 2. We are inviting all children to be a part of this. Costumes are provided, and given the simplicity of the scenes, no rehearsals will be necessary. All the children need to do is show up at 4:30 pm Christmas Eve. This service will also include the singing of Christmas Carols, reading of Scripture, a children's sermon, and sharing Holy Communion.

**Christmas Caroling**

**Sunday, December 18 at 3:00 pm**

The choir invites all to join them for caroling to some of our home-bound folk and to the Hammond House, the local nursing home off Walnut Lane. If you play an instrument, please bring it. We will meet at the church. When we return, we'll turn on the coffee pot and share some cookies.



## *December Lay Ministry Chart*

<b>2016</b>	<b>December 4 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>December 11 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>December 18 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>Saturday December 24 Christmas Eve Lessons &amp; Carols</b>	<b>Sunday December 25 Christmas Day</b>	<b>Saturday Dec. 31 N Y's Eve Great Litany</b>	<b>Sunday January 1, 2017 New Year's Day The Holy Name</b>
<b>Euch. Min.</b>	Sandra S.	Jerry Nault	Rosemarie Martin	Mike Sanders	Paula Wahl	<i>TBD</i>	Sandra Sanders
<b>Ushers / Greeters</b>	Jason N. Susan P. Bobbie R.	Monte Steedley Sue James Margaret Williams	Joseph Anson Bill Bargeloh Judy Chemin	Deborah Kurilla Donna Lariscey Wayne Lowe	Richard Mayson Jason Nault Susan Penberthy	<i>TBD</i>	Bobbie Roddy Monte Steedley Sue James
<b>Presenting Bread/Wine</b>	Billy & Amy Hane	Nancy Hartley Dianne Havird	Bob & Sue James	Lisa Johnson Phyllis Kirkland	Deborah Kurilla Donna Lariscey	<i>NA</i>	Wayne & Lora Lamberth
<b>Prayer Team</b>	Rosemarie M. Margaret W.	Ginger Hackett Monique Taylor	Nancy Hartley Wayne Lowe	<i>TBD</i> Margaret Williams	Ginger Hackett Monique Taylor	<i>NA</i>	Rosemarie M. Margaret W.
<b>Lector-OT</b>	JoEllen B.	Brenda Bargeloh	Mitch Carter	<i>TBD</i>	Judy Chemin	<i>TBD</i>	Betty Croy
<b>Lector-NT</b>	Jennifer Dorn	Tom Dorn	Ginger Hackett	<i>TBD</i>	Billy Hane	<i>TBD</i>	Sue James
<b>Altar Guild [week of]</b>	Virginia Folk Marguerite Prescott	Ginger Hackett Monique Taylor Terry Nault	Betty Croy Donna Lariscey	Annette Morris Myrle Wilson	Rosemarie Martin JoEllen Barbare	<i>TBD</i>	Virginia Folk Marguerite P.
<b>Acolyte Guild</b>	Avery S.	Kate Wells	Sandra Sanders	Oke Iwuji	Avery Shapiro	<i>TBD</i>	Kate Wells

### *God Doesn't Make the "Throwaway Kind"*

*Father Rob*

Luke 15:1-2

The Pharisees and the scribes grumble and say among themselves, *"This fellow (Jesus) welcomes sinners and eats with them."*  
So Jesus told them this parable: *"Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it?"*



I once met a man unlike anyone I had ever met. It was at Manning Correctional Institution, a facility of the SC Department of Corrections. His name was Darrell, and I met him on a Kairos Prison Ministry weekend. (We know about Kairos in this church family through the ministry of Sandra, Mike, Jerry, and others). Darrell, in his early 20's, was an angry, hard, physically aggressive young man. In the course of the weekend that I spent with him, I came to understand his demeanor as the way he learned to survive the violent world in which he grew up. He had been abused, rejected, and left to grow up on his own on the streets of one of South Carolina's larger cities. He was now in prison, and in Darrell's mind, his life was over before it had gotten started.

Darrell was at first hostile and disruptive, often defiantly turning his chair to face away from what was going on. This was seemingly his way of telling us that he was not going to meet our expectations, whatever those might be. Darrell, however, began to experience things he had not encountered before. As we "from the street" shared the story of our lives, Darrell received glimpses of lives that had an external joy and an internal peace. He began to open to the possibility of life from a different perspective, God's perspective.

We all know the Bible story about Jesus passing through the city of Jericho on his way to Jerusalem, and He encounters a man named Zacchaeus. Even with great crowds flocking around him, Jesus peers beyond the throng to a lone man in a Sycamore tree peering back at him. This man, Zacchaeus, had been ostracized by the community as a cheat and a scoundrel, but to Jesus, Zacchaeus was of as much worth as anyone else in the crowd. Darrell, like Zacchaeus, was as important to God as anyone else in that crowded room that day.

Another inmate I had met in prison had written a poem titled "The Throwaway Kind." This young man had made some very bad choices and, like Darrell, had grown up in an ugly and malignant environment. In his words, he had ended up on the trash heap of life. His poem, however, was about his discovery that God did not make the "Throwaway Kind" - not even him. Darrell made that same discovery in that crowded room that weekend at Manning Prison.

*Rob+*

### *Christmas Day on Sunday this Year*

Note that Christmas falls on Sunday this year; therefore, in addition to our normal Christmas Eve celebrations we will also have services on Christmas Day. This is different from previous years in that we have considered Christmas morning time for us to be with our families.

That also places New Year's Day on a Sunday. This gives us the opportunity to celebrate on this Sunday the "Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus Christ" with its assigned readings. This feast falls on January 1 because of Luke 2:21- *"After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb."*

## *The Stations of the Nativity*

The Advent/Christmas Seasons is about God coming to us in the Person of Jesus to do for us what we cannot do for ourselves. It is this divine act of love and graciousness that is the true source of joy of this wonderful season. This simple fact can easily get lost in the hustle and bustle of the season.

A partial remedy for the secularitis that may be infecting your Christmas Season is to join your fellow parishioners in a series of meditations and prayers on the events surrounding the Incarnation using the beautiful prints that adorn our church this time of year. During Advent, our *Stations of the Cross* in the nave are replaced with beautiful reproductions of fine art paintings that tell the story of Christmas.

The Daughters of the Holy Cross will be sponsoring the Stations of the Nativity on ***December 10, 2016 at 11:00 am.*** We will walk the nave of the church, spending time at each of the beautiful pieces of artwork that are now hanging there, reading the related scripture, and saying our prayers and devotions. Following The Stations of the Nativity there will be a luncheon of our favorite Christmas recipes. Bring one copy of your recipe to be copied and shared. We will make copies. This will be a great time for fellowship for the whole parish. Please sign up on the fellowship hall announcement board.

*Paula Wahl*



**Presentation in the Temple**  
Rembrandt, 1606-1669



**The Massacre of the Innocents**  
Francois Joseph Navez, 1787-1869



**The Return from Egypt**  
James J. J. Tissot, 1836-1902



**Joseph's Dream**  
James J. J. Tissot, 1836-1902



**The Visitation**  
Meriotta Albertinelli, 1474-1515



**The Shepherds and the Angels**  
Daniel Bonnell, 1962



**The Flight into Egypt**  
B E. Murillo, 1617-1682



**Naming of John the Baptist**  
Fra Angelico, 1395/1400-1455



**The Birth of Jesus**  
Claude Mellan, 1598-1688



**The Magi**  
P. Franz de Grebber, 1600-1653



**Shepherds at the Manger**  
Rembrandt 1606-1669



**The Annunciation**  
El Greco, 1541-1614



**Zechariah**  
Tissot, 1836-1902

## *The First 1000 Years of Christianity*



**Thursday Evenings, 6:00 pm  
January 12 to February 2**

This will be an historical survey of Christianity led by Father Dan. If you are interested in attending, please sign up on the bulletin board.

## *Wednesday Nights in Advent*

The coming of God into this world to be a man must figure among the greatest events in all human history. Yet in our over-Christmased culture we have trivialized the true Nativity Story in favor of images of Santa and gushings about the warmth of the true Christmas spirit.

On Wednesday evening, November 30, we began a four-week series which is designed to help Christians reconnect with the real meaning of Christmas by considering the main characters of the Christmas story: Mary, Joseph, the shepherds, and the wise men.

Plan to join us for supper at 6 pm, then prayer and praise and Bible study as we strive to prepare ourselves for His coming.

## *Are You Growing?*

*By The Rev. Rob Hartley*

Ephesians 4:13-14- *...until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, <sup>14</sup> so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes.*

What are you doing to advance your knowledge and love of the Lord and to take on what is the ultimate goal for all Christians, the likeness of Christ? Quoting Dr. Charles Stanley, "How you answer this question is important; your spiritual stature and well-being depend on it."<sup>1</sup> If we truly understand God's intention for the Church, we know that spiritual growth is not an option; it is a mandate and expectation of our Lord. So, how do we grow? **Here are four essentials that Dr. Stanley gives us:**

**Claim and Live into Your Salvation:** This is the first essential in the journey into Christ-likeness. Salvation gives us the freedom to grow and change. Jesus in John 3:3-8 tells Nicodemus that we are to be "born again." We are to enter into a New Life, a new way of living, based on and propelled forward by a redeeming and life-transforming relationship with God. Christ is clear...being Born Again is just the beginning of the journey.

**Be Intentional about Your Spiritual Growth:** Another essential to growing in the image of Christ is intentionality. In your Born Again relationship with God through Christ, the Holy Spirit has taken up residence in your life. With the

power and presence of the Holy Spirit, expect to be irresistibly compelled to begin your journey toward Christ. The Church calls this journey into Holiness "Sanctification."

**Immerse Yourself in Christian Fellowship:** A third essential for growing is to be immersed in a caring, sharing, loving fellowship. True Christian fellowship is a foretaste of the Communion of Saints to be gathered in Heaven. There is therefore no such thing as a Lone Ranger Christian. It is in relationship with others that we learn to love unconditionally the way Christ first unconditionally loved us.

**Allow God's Holy Spirit to Lead You from Self-Absorption to Self-Giving:** One final essential for growing in the image of Christ is sacrificially giving yourself for the sake of others. The Christian journey at its heart is a movement from self-absorption to self-giving. Christ-likeness is to stretch, sacrifice, and even suffer for others. Christ says in John 15:13, "No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." This sounds like something reserved for the Saints (with a capital S), but to think so would be unbiblical. We will never approach the sacrificial giving of Christ who gave His life for the sake of the world, but we are all called to grow in giving of our time, talents and resources for the sake of others and to the glory of God.

This parish is full of those committed to growing in Christ. The participation in our Wednesday fellowship time and Adult Forum on Sundays are a testimony to this. The men's Saturday breakfast and Bible study is one of my favorite gatherings of the week because it is a group of men seeking God's face and finding it in Scripture and in each other. This little church is full of givers, tithers and workers for the Kingdom.

<sup>1</sup> Dr. Charles Stanley, "The Height of Godliness," *In Touch Magazine*, August, 2012.

## *New Year's Eve at Holy Trinity*

We will gather at **10:30 pm** on New Year's Eve to pray in the New Year using the "Great Litany." The service will be followed by a New Year's Eve party. Bring your favorite snacks and drinks to share.

The Great Litany is intercessory prayer including various petitions that are said by the leader, with fixed responses by the congregation. It was used as early as the fifth century and is customarily led by a deacon. The Litany was the first English language rite prepared by Archbishop Thomas Cranmer at the beginning of the Protestant Reformation in British Isles. It was first published in 1544 and included as an appendix to the Eucharist in the 1549 BCP.

## *Financial Stewardship at Holy Trinity*

### **How are your tithes and offerings presently used? How do we move forward from here?**

It is this time of year that we begin planning for the next year, and we will be communicating thoughts on this throughout the end of this year and the first of next year. A place we need to begin is with everybody's least favorite topic- our stewardship of money. Below outlines where we are presently, as well as some of the visions and plans the vestry has for moving forward.

### **Our Ministry Budget**

We commonly call this our operating budget. It has three major sub-categories.

- **Outreach budget:** This reflects our planned commitments to support local, regional, and overseas ministries. This year's outreach budget is approximately \$24,000.
  - Vision:** Our vision is to sacrificially grow this portion of our budget to 50% of the operating budget. We are presently at about 14%.
  - Vision:** Our present commitment to the diocese is 5% of our budget. The diocesan expectation is 10%. We will need to grow into this expectation in the years ahead. This money is used to a great extent by our bishop and the Diocesan Standing Committee for new church plant initiatives, clergy/ lay formation, administration, and the yearly synod.
- **Staff compensation and staff expenses:** The total compensation for our three clergy, including their expenses, is about \$30,000. Additionally, we compensate our nursery worker, office administrator and sexton (building cleaning) together a total of \$9,000. Ever since we planted this church in 2009, staff compensation has been recognized by our successive vestries as a critical growing edge for our congregation.
  - Vision:** Planning for a Future Rector. The objective is to position ourselves to be able to call a new rector. For a young, high-energy priest with a family, a compensation package with appropriate benefits is roughly \$100,000.
  - Vision:** Music Director. We presently do not have a paid music director/organist. This places a burden on both our keyboardist and the Rector. The challenge here is more in finding a music director/organist than it is coming up with the money.
- **Other operating expenses:** This includes everything from mortgage to youth ministry- everything else it takes to run a church. We are tracking well under-budget on many of these line-items, but we nonetheless have a budget of approximately \$96,000. About half of that is the mortgage on our building.

You can see the details of Ministry Budget in last year's annual report. The Account for this Budget presently has a cash balance of approximately \$38,000.

Separate from the Ministry Budget above are several other funds:

- **Facilities Improvement Fund:** We commonly call this our Building Fund. Although we budget for the maintenance of our building and grounds in our Ministry Budget (above), funds for capital improvements to our facilities are tracked in a separate account. This fund presently has a balance of approximately \$27,000.
  - Vision** Road cut-through from Merovan Drive to Walnut Lane: This will significantly improve the church's accessibility, and it is presently being looked at in partnership with the other property owners in Sweetwater Business Park. Father Rob represents us on the Property Owners Association. We will need to raise the funds for doing this in the near future.
  - Vision** Kneelers. This project is well underway. Thank you to all who have supported this with donations.
  - Vision** New bathrooms: We have had a long-standing vision to renovate the storage area at the west end of the building to provide bathrooms, showers, one more classroom, and a storage/workshop. This is one of our more long-term plans.
  - Vision** Re-roofing: Leaks abound. Our Junior Warden Mike Sanders has done a good job getting the roof repaired as needed. Common wisdom says that at some point we need to look at a new roof.
  - Vision** Landscaping on the Walmart side of our building.
- **Reserve Fund:** This fund has a balance of approximately of \$12,000 and, when fully funded, will allow us to ride through emergencies and other unforeseen events.
  - Vision:** The vestry has a goal of building the Reserve Fund to half our operating budget.
- **Memorial Fund:** The memorial fund collects gifts and memorials. It is used as directed by the giver or as the Vestry deems appropriate. It presently has a balance of \$1,400.

## *Stewardship of our Time, Talents and Spiritual Gifts*

As we prepare to look at what the Lord has for us in the coming year, it is helpful to take stock of where He has brought us thus far. Last Sunday I highlighted what our **financial stewardship** looks like at Holy Trinity and where we are headed in that part of our life in Christ. This Sunday I would like to do the same with our **stewardship of our time, talent, and spiritual gifts**, which are those things we are doing here at Holy Trinity to grow the Kingdom of God within ourselves and in the world around us.

As the “Body of Christ,” we participate in what God is doing in the world by being His hands, feet, and voice, by doing the work of the Kingdom, and being Christ’s ambassadors. It is a great privilege for us to be invited to participate in Christ’s ongoing **healing** and **redemption** of this world. Some of our ministries we support with just our financial resources and through our prayers, but others involve us sacrificially giving of our time and talents for the sake of others- let me try to name them:

CMONA	Socks for Nicaraguan Orphans	Trinity Seminary
Anglican Mission in Gambella	Prayer shawls/cancer bonnets	Nichols SC flood relief
Kairos Prison Ministry	Christmas Shoebox Ministry	Adopting families at Christmas
Wycliffe Bible Translators	Megiddo	Louisiana flood relief
Christ Church, Jerusalem	The Lydia Project	Winter coat ingathering
Anglican Relief and Devel. Fund	Rector’s Discretionary Fund	Others?

Some of our outreach ministries above are strategic and well planned, but others are simply spontaneous and Spirit-driven. Some ministries just happen because we are open to the Holy Spirit and are continually looking for ways to serve the broken and hurting world around us.

We also have ministries internal to our church family through which we support and encourage one another in our corporate worship, Christian vocation, fellowship, and spiritual growth. They are:

Wed fellowship supper and study	Lay readers, acolytes	prayer counseling / inner healing
Tuesday women’s Bible study	Lay Eucharistic ministers	Blessing of the Animals, etc.
Saturday men’s fellowship/study	Kitchen Angels, meals to homebound	Friday night at the movies
Sunday adult forum	Treasurer, tellers, IT, bookkeeper	Cursillo
Children’s Church, Trinity Teens	Daughters of the Holy Cross	Pastoral Counseling
Catechism and newcomer classes	Audio-visual team, prayer teams	Home Communion
Choir, vestry, altar guild, ushers	Prayer chain; crisis response	House blessings

These lists are probably not exhaustive, but as you can see, there is no shortage of opportunities. Everyone at Holy Trinity is encouraged to seek those places where they can grow and serve.

### *A Vision*

It is the Lord’s expectation (and of course mine as God’s priest in this place) that we are all making the age-old Christian pilgrimage from self-absorption to self-giving. By the power of the Holy Spirit working in us, we are learning to sacrificially give ourselves for the sake of others. Sacrificially giving of our **time, talents, and spiritual gifts** for the sake of others is at the heart of what it means to be Kingdom People. This means that we are all challenged to grow in our discipleship, understand our callings, and pick our ministries. This journey toward self-giving is a journey toward Christ-likeness, because it is Jesus who is the ultimate giver and who sacrificially gave His life for the sake of all of us. This is our vision, because it is God’s vision.

*Father Rob* 11/13/16

## ***Introducing A New Eucharistic Liturgy beginning the First Sunday of Advent***



Window at St. Michaels and All Angels, Findley, Ohio

Advent ushers in a new church year. This makes it a good time to make a change to our Eucharistic liturgy. A revision to the *Book of Common Prayer* (the ACNA has begun calling it the *Book of Common Prayer 2019*) is in the works, and what we will be using as of the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent is one of the liturgical canons available as part of the ongoing development of this Prayer Book revision.

This Eucharistic canon is of course in the tradition of Thomas Cranmer's original *Book of Common Prayer*, dating to Protestant Reformation in England (1549), and is consistent with what has become the guiding Prayer Book revision within the Anglican Communion, *The Book of Common Prayer 1662*. This Eucharistic canon selected is also attractive because it is structured similarly to one of the earliest Eucharistic services for which we have a surviving manuscript, *Anaphora [Canon] of Hippolytus*, dating to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Century AD.



Thomas Cranmer

This Eucharistic canon also has the added advantage of being very similar to what we have been using and provides a flow in the Eucharistic prayers with which we here at Holy Trinity have become familiar. That flow of the Eucharistic Prayers is:

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| <i>Sursum Corda</i>          | ("Lift up your hearts" responsive sentences)   |
| <i>Sanctus</i>               | (Isaiah's words expressing what it is like for us to enter the throne room of God!)  |
| <i>Anamnesis</i>             | ("Remembering" the saving acts of God that has its culmination in Jesus.)  |
| <i>Institution Narrative</i> | (Reciting Jesus' sacramental institution of the Lord's Supper.)  |
| <i>Epiclesis</i>             | (Inviting the Holy Spirit to sanctify the bread and wine- As we come into His presence and to His Table, we ask the Holy Spirit to make the Bread and Wine to be for us the Body and Blood of Jesus. This prayer is also asking the Holy Spirit to sanctify us and make us worthy to receive the Body and Blood and participate in Jesus' death and resurrection.) |
| <i>The Lord's Prayer</i>     | (The church has of course always included the prayer given to us by our Lord.)   |
| <i>Fraction</i>              | (Breaking of the bread as a symbol of Christ's Body broken for us.)  |



This new Eucharistic canon additionally includes *The Prayer of Humble Access* just prior to us taking Communion. ("We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies..."). This prayer, originally pinned by Archbishop Thomas Cranmer in the first Prayer Book of 1549, having drawn from a number of ancient sources, has been a cherished part of Anglican liturgy for almost 500 years now. *The Prayer of Humble Access*, along with another prayer found in the Daily Offices, *The General Thanksgiving* ("Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks..."), have personally been very special to me since my childhood. More than any other prayers, they have brought me time and again into a closeness and an intimacy with God.

And finally, you will note that the *General Confession* and *Absolution* are in a different place in this liturgy than our current liturgy. Let me know your thoughts on that.

Blessings to all. May you all have a fruitful Advent and a joyous Christmas.

*Father Rob*

## 2017 Pledge Card

This card that can be used to make your declaration before the Lord of your Christian stewardship in 2017. This is, of course, a private matter between you and the Lord, but you can place this card in the offering basket, or simply mail it in. We will collect the pledge cards and present them before the Lord on behalf of us all at the Eucharist the Sunday before Christmas (Dec 18). The parish treasurer will in confidence record your pledge so that you have it on your individual quarterly giving statements.

Although pledging is a spiritual discipline you privately offer to the Lord, it is also helpful to the vestry. The treasurer will compile a total (no names) of pledges for use in their planning of parish giving to local ministries, foreign mission and other ways that we contribute to growing the Kingdom of God here at Holy Trinity.

If you have not done so in previous years, please consider pledging this year. You will find it a useful spiritual discipline and a milestone in your spiritual growth and relationship with our Lord.

*Father Rob*

### *Anglican Church of the Holy Trinity*

## 2017 Pledge Card

**In thankful response for all that God has given me,  
and as my way of participating Holy Trinity's mission  
and ministries, I would like to make a faith commitment  
before the Lord as follows:**

### **Commitment toward our Church's operating expenses & outreach ministries**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Year/Month/Week)

**Commitment toward our  
Parish Building Improvement Fund**  
(Funds used for the physical improvement of our facilities)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Year/Month/Week)

### **New commitments of time and talent**

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# December, 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Upcoming Events</b>				<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
Jan 8 Annual Parish Report: Submission Deadline Jan 12 to Feb 2 1 <sup>st</sup> 1000 years of Christianity, 6 pm Jan 22 Annual Parish Celebration Luncheon & Meeting					7:00 pm Friday Night at the movies	9:00 to 10:20am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Second Sunday of Advent</b> 8:00 am Eucharist 10:00 am Eucharist 11:20 am Coffee 11:30 am Christian Ed <i>Nursery available</i>		10:00-11:30am Women's Bible Study  6:00 pm Choir	6:00 pm Fellowship Supper & Bible Study <i>Nursery available</i>		7:00 pm Friday Night at the movies	9:00 to 10:20am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study  11:00 am <i>Stations of the                      Nativity</i>  6:00 pm Service of Prayer & Praise
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Third Sunday of Advent</b> 8:00 am Eucharist 10:00 am Eucharist 11:20 am Coffee 11:30 am Christian Ed <i>Nursery available</i>		10:00-11:30 am Women's Bible Study  6:00 pm Choir	6:00 pm Fellowship Supper & Bible Study <i>Nursery available</i>		7:00 pm Friday Night at the movies	9:00 to 10:20am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b> 8:00 am Eucharist 10:00 am Eucharist 11:20 am Coffee 11:30 am Christian Ed <i>Nursery available</i>  3:00 pm <i>Christmas Caroling</i>		No Women's Bible Study  6:00 pm Choir	6:00 pm Fellowship Supper & Bible Study <i>Nursery available</i>		7:00 pm Friday Night at the movies	9:00 to 10:20am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study  5:00 pm <i>Christmas Eve                      Children's                      Service</i>  10:00 pm <i>Festival of                      Lessons &amp; Carols</i>
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Merry Christmas!</b> 8:00 am Eucharist 10:00 am Eucharist <u>No Christian Ed</u>		No Women's Bible Study  6:00 pm Choir	6:00 pm Fellowship Supper & Bible Study <i>Nursery available</i>		7:00 pm Friday Night at the movies	9:00 to 10:20am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study  10:30 pm <i>The Great                      Litany followed                      by a                      New Year's Eve                      Celebration</i>

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