

In Our Pryers

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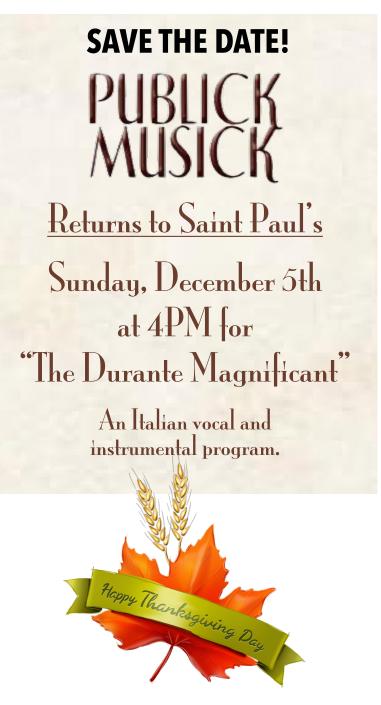
David Stead

Garth Swanson

* If you have a prayer request, please notify the office. *

NOTES FROM COUNCIL

- * The two large trees on the south side of the Church building are in need of removal and Farrell's Lawn Service will be handling the removal.
- * Katrina Macaluso's resignation as Parish Administrator was accepted. Katrina will become the full-time Pastor at the United Church of Warsaw. Our prayers go with her.



Pastor's Pen

Somehow, another year has flown by, and we find ourselves in "The Holiday Season," which now apparently begins November 1 and runs until the end of the year. When I was growing up, it began after Thanksgiving. It's a strange time, to be sure, given the ongoing pandemic, and the changes it foisted upon us all, in all aspects of life, including church life. How are we to not merely survive but thrive when so much has been disrupted, and when the headwinds seem to be so strong?

While the world markets its economic and political solutions, which almost always are some version of "buy what this company/candidate is selling," (as much as you like for whatever the cost!), I take great comfort that the Gospel remains out of step, offering its own way forward to true survival and the only real form of thriving. Conveniently for us, there is even an observance to remind us of what matters the most. No, I do not mean Christmas; this observance is a few weeks ahead of that. No, I do not mean Thanksgiving; this observance is a touch closer to us than that.

I refer to the feast of Christ the King, when smack in the middle of the secular holiday season, we return to the story of Jesus' Passion and Death. The wisdom of the Christian calendar makes us stop by the cross before racing to the manger! On the cross, we were reconciled by divine grace to God. There is no Christ ruling in heaven without him first ruling from the instrument of his death, from which he forgave his captors and declared the good work of (re)creation finished. The Cross is the reason for the Christian's being, the beginning of our salvation and - rightfully so - the cause of what should be profound, life altering gratitude on our part.

It is this gratitude, drawn from the Cross, that should animate our action going forward, as it has animated Christian action from the beginning. With gratitude, we worship: eucharist itself means "great thanksgiving," and in it we offer our own sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to God who so loved the world He gave His only Son. With gratitude, we serve: offering up our time and talent in the mission of the church - as well as in our daily life and work - because of the Son of Man who came not to serve but to serve.

With gratitude, we give: we give of our time, talent, and also treasure - things we have only because God gave them to us - to the mission of the church. To that end, we will focus on our gratitude through the annual stewardship campaign in the month of November. You can expect emails, letters, reflections on Sunday, and - yes - an invitation to pledge your own time, talent, and treasure for 2022.

If you find yourself overwhelmed by it all, take a moment to consider what you have to be thankful for. Above all, whatever else is going on for us all, each of us can begin with gratitude for God's redemption of the world through our Lord Jesus Christ. If we remember to start there, we will indeed find our way.

- Pr. Eric+

Give Thanks

- * Thank you to Wolfer's Septic Service and Dave Jones for removal of the shrubs around the Church building. Thank you to Bob Whiteman for providing top soil after the removal.
- * Thank you to Official Asphalt of Henrietta, NY, for repaving our parking lot in October. The work was done at no cost to the church.

Pay it Forward

- * The Synod World Hunger Task Force announced an Advent-Christmas campaign that is focused on personal and household necessities for disaster survivors, Our congregation is encouraged to donate at least \$400.00 towards this project. The Good Gifts catalog will be available for the congregation.
- * Several Afghan refugees will be coming to settle in Rochester. We have the opportunity to provide needed goods in conjunction with Catholic Charities and St. Timothy's Lutheran Church in Geneseo. Please bring any of the following items to the Church before **November 6**th: paper towels, toilet paper, dish soap, personal soap.

SERVING THIS NOVEMBER

<u>Ushers</u>

Rodney Button

Counters

TBA

Reader

Nov. 7 Judy Babcock

Nov. 14 John Buck

Nov. 21 Gerri Long

Nov. 28 Bob Babcock

Lay Minister

Please sign up on the bulletin board

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

- ★ Andrew M. Mountzouros United States Navy
- ★ Jordan C. Camacho
 United States Navy

November Birthdays

Jim Wagner Nov 1

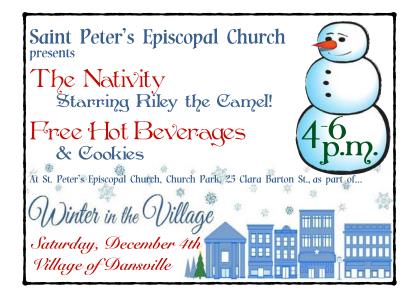
June Collier Nov 24

Wilma Traxler Nov 29



Family Laundromat 20 Franklin St.

November 6th 8:30 to 11:30 November 8th 4:00 to 7:00 November 20th 8:30 to 11:30 November 22nd 4:00 to 7:00









NOVEMBER CALENDAR

STANDING SCHEDULE

DAY/DATE/TIME

Sunday 9^{AM}

Wednesday 12pm
Wednesday 6:30pm
1st and 3rd Thursdays 11am
2nd and 4th Thursday 6:30pm
2nd Tuesdays
3rd Tuesdays

<u>Event</u>

Worship

Spoken Eucharist Choir Rehearsal Bible Study

Supper School
Council Meeting

Men's Breakfast

Notes

Communion on 1st & 3rd Sundays
Feast of All Saints celebrated on 11/7

St. Peter's Episcopal

11/4 & 11/18

11/11

11/16 at 6:30 PM

11/16 at 11:00 AM at Sunrise Diner

DATES TO REMEMBER

DAY/DATE/TIME

Mon. November 22

<u>Event</u>

December Newsletter Deadline

NOTES



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