

Glad Tidings

January 2017



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Vicar's Voice

Merry Christmas! I hope the Twelve Days of Christmas will be a joyous season for you. As you probably know, the season of Christmas properly doesn't begin until Christmas Day, and lasts twelve days, until the Feast of the Epiphany on January 6. On Epiphany, we celebrate the arrival of the wise men at Bethlehem.

House blessings are traditional during the season of Epiphany, and I'm thrilled to let you know that we'll have a special Epiphany celebration this year combined with a house blessing. Declan Jarry and David Wilkinson have invited us to their new home for an Epiphany Eucharist, a potluck, and a blessing of their new home at 6 pm, Friday, January 6th. See the invitation in this newsletter.

In other news, I'd like to introduce Bill Thaete (rhymes with state), our new deacon intern. Bill has been assigned to our parish to serve as deacon intern until next November when he will be ordained a deacon. I hope you'll welcome him to St. Antony's and help him as he learns a new role in the church. I envision that he will begin by observing and learning how we do things, and gradually becoming a participant in our worship, outreach, fellowship, and more.

Bill is originally from Philadelphia, and earned a degree in engineering from Villanova University. After a career in engineering, he's now retired. Bill and his wife Barbara live in Port Orchard and have been very active at St. Bede's Episcopal Church. Bill has been a Eucharistic Minister and Senior Warden, and he's a member of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. He has served as a group leader of Bible Study Fellowship and as a hospital chaplain at Harrison Hospital, and he's currently a chaplain to South Kitsap Fire and Rescue.

I think you'll find that Bill's warm and cheerful personality allow him to blend into nearly every setting and make him very approachable. He's already attended a number of our services and he'll soon become one of us.

Lastly, if you haven't made a pledge to St. Antony's for the coming year, I hope you'll do so. Our pledges help us plan for the coming year's budget, and the total pledge amount for St. Antony's is reported to the Diocese and to the National Church. You may put your pledge card in the offering plate, in the Treasure Box in the narthex, or mail it to the church office. Thanks!



Bill

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who worship God, grow in Christ, and serve others.
Gather, Grow, and Go!*

Annual Meeting 10:00 am Saturday, January 28

As required by Diocesan canons, we'll hold our annual meeting on Saturday, January 28. This meeting is a chance for us to assess how we've done in the past year and make plans for the coming year. It includes written reports (available the previous Sunday), oral reports, the presentation of the budget by our treasurer, and elections of members of the Bishop's Committee (BC).

This year we need to elect three members for three-year terms and one member for a one-year term. We also need to elect a youth member of the BC. In addition, we need to elect two delegates (one male and one female) to Diocesan Convention on a Friday and Saturday in October. Please consider whether you might be called to serve in one of these positions.

The requirement for voting in the annual meeting is to be a "Communicant in Good Standing," which the canons of the church define in this way: "All communicants of this Church who for the previous year have been faithful in corporate worship, unless for good cause prevented, and have been faithful in working, praying, and giving for the spread of the Kingdom of God, are to be considered communicants in good standing."

Submitted by Fr. Bill Fulton



Supporting St. Antony's mission with your pledge

St. Antony's is a loving and supportive church family that welcomes everyone. If you believe in that mission, won't you make a financial commitment to support the work of our church? By filling out a pledge card, you give us your best estimate of your contributions for 2017 and help our treasurer create the budget for the coming year. Your pledge helps pay for salaries, operational costs, outreach, music, our diocesan assessment, building maintenance, and much more. If you are new to St. Antony's, we invite you to invest in the mission of our church by making a pledge for 2017. To those who have pledged already, thank you!

Faith Formation and Welcoming Committee

On December 11 the Welcoming Committee hosted, with great success, the first Episcopal 101 class. Fr. Bill presented a wonderful program to 16 in attendance. We had a mix of parishioners new and old from both the 8am and 10am services. A light lunch was served, and over the course of approximately an hour and a half we all learned something! I also believe we all left wanting to learn more about our Episcopal history, tradition and faith. With that being said the Welcoming Committee will look into conducting a 200 level course for those who would like to learn more about some of the specific topics covered.

A date has yet to be set for the Episcopal 102 class that will focus on the ministries specifically offered here at St. Antony's of Silverdale.

A special thanks to Fr. Bill for researching and presenting a wide range of topics of which we all found we had at least one question. And Thank You to the Welcoming Committee for hosting a valuable class with great hospitality.

We plan to offer this Episcopal 101 course at least twice throughout the year, so if you missed it this time around please look for it again before summer break.

Sarah Rogers,
Faith Formation and Welcoming Co-Commissioner

A note from the Bishop's Warden

At this very special time of year I'd like to wish everyone a warm and meaningful Christmas and a good year in 2017.

St. Antony's is an exceptional place for me to worship because of the love we share for one another and especially for Christ.

Happy Christmas, Everyone!
Penny Whitney, Bishop's Warden



From the Altar/Flower Guild

Thank you, wonderful helpers, for constructing the swag for the Altar! It was fun! We are most grateful for the good response to the request to sign-up for poinsettias/Christmas flowers. In spite of the fact that the cost of flowers has gone up, we may have some money left, which will be used for Altar Guild supplies as well as for flowers and Sanctuary Lamps on Sundays when no one has signed up. Especially for Sanctuary Lamps we often have Sundays open. The 2017 Sign-up sheets are on the bookstand in the Narthex. Thank you very much!

Have a healthy and blessed New Year!
Caroline Hoag



Epiphany and a House Blessing

All parishioners are invited to an Epiphany Service, Potluck and a House Blessing at the new home of Declan Jarry and David Wilkinson.

What: Epiphany Holy Eucharist Service, Potluck and a House Blessing

When: Friday, January 6. 6:00 pm

Address: 1235 NW Hogan Lane, Bremerton, WA

Please bring something to share for the potluck supper.

Please RSVP by January 4. 301-787-4261

Directions to get there are in the Narthex.
(Incense will be used at this service.)



Lord's Neighborhood Diner

St Antony is one of several churches and organizations which volunteers to cook and to serve hot meals at the Lord's Neighborhood Diner for the homeless and other needy persons every Saturday. St Antony's next day of obligation is **Saturday, January 14, 2017.**

Join other St Antony's parishioners in participating in this rewarding function by entering your name on the sign-up sheet which is in the Narthex.

There are three shifts: The first prepares the meal, the second serves the meal and the third performs clean-up of the kitchen and eating areas.

After having placed your name on the Sign-up Sheet you find you cannot participate, please call the Church (698-0555) and have our Secretary remove your name. Thank you.

We really need your help!

John Steller, Lord's Diner Coordinator



People's Warden

I wish you a Merry Christmas, all twelve days of the season.

Many things are going on so it may take twelve days to appreciate them all. A few of the current events have been mentioned as concerns. One is the ongoing desire to see our field of dreams grow a building. Our building committee is working on that and we will hear more at the annual meeting. The other is nominations for the Bishop's Committee and Diocesan Convention to be voted upon at the annual meeting. The nominating committee is actively working on putting together a ballot. If you have someone you would like to suggest, please see me (Charles Smith) or give me a call 360 710-3059. The annual meeting is not until January 28th; however, I would like to get the suggestion to the nominating committee before the annual report is finalized so please try to do this before Epiphany (January 6th).

The annual meeting will be Saturday, January 28th at 10:00 AM. There will be more information in the bulletin as the meeting approaches. Items of note: Saturday was selected to avoid time crunch of meeting between services and to avoid playoff football games (the only game that weekend is the Pro Bowl at 5 PM [8 PM Eastern] on Sunday).

Submitted by Charles Smith,
People's Warden



Communications

Hello dear St. Antony Friends. I want to thank you all for your support during my tenure as the Communications Commissioner these past two years. It has been an exciting time thanks to all the hope and joy involved in the building campaign for our new church!

I have really enjoyed attending and learning communication processes from the various committees such as those who are so integral to welcoming new members.

During my time on the BC, I have attended an invaluable workshop about Social Media hosted by the Communications Specialist of the Diocese which helped me learn how to communicate more effectively on the Internet within our congregation as well as the larger Kitsap Community. As a result, those commissioners using our Social Media effectively, such as St. A's Facebook page and our website, have noticed improved response to their programs and events.

Unfortunately, as 2017 approaches, I have to depart from the Bishop's Committee a year early. Sometime in the coming year, I will undergo a heart operation to replace a faulty heart valve. Those of you who have gone through such an operation have been a real blessing to me providing encouragement, information, and support.

I have really enjoyed being your Communications Commissioner on the BC. The New Year will bring St. Antony's to a new property, and it is my hope that the planning currently in place and successful communication you all exhibit will cause the upcoming move to the new church to be a welcome and successful experience.

Initially I was worried about 2017 due mainly to my health concerns. But then I remembered that one of the most frequent statements between God and his people was "Be not afraid." It was written by the prophet Isaiah in his chapter 41. The authors of the Gospels recounted numerous times Joseph, Elisabeth, Mary, and many others were reminded "Be not afraid." As we look forward to the new year, please join me in remembering what Jesus said to his followers in John 14: 27: "Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."

Merry Christmas and a joyous Happy New Year

Bill Demmon
BC Communications Commissioner (outgoing)

Parish Life

Happy New Year! As people of faith, this is a time to take pause and consider how we can develop a deeper relationship with God in the coming year. Parish Life will continue to offer social and pastoral care activities that can lead to deeper spiritual and personal relationships.

Thank you to all who volunteered to help with our newly formed Pastoral Care Team. Points of contact for identified needs are:

- Care calls/care visits/meals - Caroline Segrist;
- Transportation - Linda Robuck;
- Caregiver Support - Penny Whitney;
- Eldercare/special needs community resources - Gail Campbell-Ferguson.

Contact Loretta McGinley if you are interested in helping with pastoral care at St. Antony's.

2017 will be a time of change for both our church, community and nation at large. May this Prayer of St. Francis be a source of guidance for us all:

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
And where there is sadness, joy.
Grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
To be understood, as to understand;
To be loved, as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive,
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Submitted by Loretta McGinley,
Parish Life Co-Commissioner



St. Antony's Youth

Past -

We had planned to get together to bake cookies and for fellowship on Friday December 9th but the snow caused some concern about whether everyone could travel safely and I (Charles) was concerned about the driveway at St. Antony's, so I canceled it. Unfortunately my message did not reach one family and they showed up at St. Antony's. Yes there was snow on the driveway but it didn't turn out to be an issue. I apologize. I made what I thought was the right decision.

Benjamin W and Aina Z began work on this year's Christmas pageant in January 2016. Rehearsal began 6 November and continued through 11 December. Our youth covered the many roles and were prepared, and then God provided more! Some of our parishioners brought grand-kids and our missionaries to east Africa (South Sudan and Uganda) came with their family. Suddenly there were plenty of shepherds to guide the flock and enough angels to fill the space around the altar just as the heavenly choir filled the skies that night. If you have pictures, would you consider sharing them? If you are willing, please send them to stantonysilverdale@gmail.com

I wish to join Benjamin and Aina in thanking Fr. Bill, Joann and all the parents who helped with the rehearsals, the music, and the costumes.

Present -

Merry Christmas!

Future -

We are nominating a youth for election to the Bishop's Committee at the annual meeting. See you on Saturday, 28 January.

We are looking forward to Youth Sunday, 29 January.

Please put the Valentines Spaghetti Dinner on your calendar. It will be Saturday, 11 February.

Submitted by Charles Smith

On behalf of S.A.Y. (St. Antony's Youth)

Saints Alive: Modern Women Meet Saints and Mystics of Old:

Camp Huston, Gold Bar

February 10-12

Registration Closes January 10

\$265 Registration, includes Program, Lodging, Meals

Walk the spiritual path with saints and mystics of old, explore their stories of faith, and discover the relevance of their lives to women of today. Engage all of the senses and experience the timeless themes of earth, wind, fire, and water. And meet these women where they lived - and where you live, too: in the loving arms of our God. Don't miss this weekend retreat for the women of the Diocese of Olympia, hosted by the retreat team of Holy Cross, Redmond, with guest speaker Joyce Reed.

For further details click or go to the link:

http://www.holycrossredmond.org/Home/Files/2017_8x5DioAdReg_Final.pdf



January Birthdays

1	Chelsea Reeder
5	Tristan Scalf
7	Norma Tipton
9	Heather Carnocki
10	Elizabeth Flagg
	Dew Wagner
13	Stan Marks
	Guy Fulton
	Christina Wentworth
16	Darrow Lindstrum
18	Patrick Foley
24	Aaron Scalf
27	Daniel Westin
28	Dave Peterson
	Holly Foley



January Anniversaries

	No anniversaries this month.
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Deadline for the February Glad Tidings is **Tuesday, January 24th** at 10 am.
Please send all submissions to:
stantonysilverdale@gmail.com. Thank you.



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Financial Report	(Preliminary) November	Year-to-date	Account Balances	November
Operating Income	\$17,150.44	\$172,133.65	Local Checking	\$25,351.05
Operating Expenses	\$14,926.04	\$176,677.64	Local Savings	\$56,884.79
Net in July	\$2,224.40	(\$4,543.99)	Diocesan Investment Funds	\$1,419,846.98
			Total	\$1,502.082.82

January 2017 Schedule


JOB	January 1 The Holy Name of our Lord Jesus Christ	January 6 The Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ -	January 8 The First Sunday after the Epiphany	January 15 The 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany	January 22 The 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany	January 29 The 4th Sunday after the Epiphany
EM 8 am	Elizabeth M.		Ruth Lindstrum	Charles Smith	Donna Hilton	Ruth Lindstrum
LC/OT & NT 8 am	Ruth Lindstrum		Elizabeth M.	Donna Hilton	Ruth Lindstrum	Norma T.
GREETER 8 am	Jim Smith		Darrow Lindstrum	Donna Hilton	Jacque Walker	Marin & Rod
						YOUTH SUNDAY
EM 10 am	Carolyn Segrist	Shane Carlson	Peter Stockwell	Mary Zabinski	Kathy Little	Charles Smith
LC/OT 10 am	Jim Foley	Norma Tipton	Kathy Little	Larry Little	Stu Smith	Benjamin W.
LC/NT 10 am	Larry Little	Gail C-Ferguson	Stu Smith	Shane Carlson	Jim Foley	Kate Z.
ACOLYTES 10 am	Collin H. Kate Z. Aina Z.	Collin H.	Heather C. Drew W. Mackenzie W.	Christina E. Chelsea R. Charles S.	Christina W. Benjamin W. Jason W.	Collin H. Aina Z. Christina W.
GREETER 10 am	Carole Nau		Tovi Andrews	Nancy Ladenberger	Rich & Sarah	Eamon & Gwen C.
USHER 10 am	Dave & Jan P.		Dave & Carolyn S.	Shane & Allison	Chris Crowson	Jason W.
BPOD				Loretta M.	Jim Foley 	
COUNTERS	Heidi F-W Bill Cleveland		Jim Foley Norma Tipton	Chris Crowson Heidi F-W	Bill Cleveland Nancy Ladenberger	Jacque Walker Heidi F-W
COFFEE HOUR						
Eucharistic Visitors	Kathy Little		Loretta McGinley	Kathy Little	Tovi Andrews	Beth Rohlfing
1st LESSON	Numbers 6:22-27	Isaiah 60:1-6	Isaiah 42:1-9	Isaiah 49:1-7	Isaiah 9:1-4	Micah 6:1-8
PSALM	Psalm 8	Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14	Psalm 29	Psalm 40:1-12	Psalm 27:1, 5-13	Psalm 15
2nd LESSON	Galatians 4:4-7	Ephesians 3:1-12	Acts 10:34-43	1 Corinthians 1:1-9	1 Corinthians 1:10-18	1 Corinthians 1:18-31
GOSPEL	Luke 2:15-21	Matthew 2:1-12	Matthew 3:13-17	John 1:29-42	Matthew 4:12-23	Matthew 5:1-12

Roster of Volunteers for Services

If you cannot serve on your assigned Sunday, please call someone from this list.
(A strike through a name means they are not available now but will be back.)

LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	GREETERS	COUNTERS	USHERS	ACOLYTES
8 AM	8 AM	8 AM	Bill Cleveland	Shane and Allison C.	Heather C.
Donna Hilton	Donna Hilton	Donna Hilton	Chris Crowson	Chris Crowson	Carleton M.
Ruth Lindstrum	Ruth Lindstrum	Darrow Lindstrum	Jim Foley	Ray Flagg	Christina E.
Lynda Loveday	Elizabeth Moorhead	Lynda Loveday	Nancy Ladenberger	Pete Morris	Chelsea R.
Elizabeth Moorhead	Bill Reeder	Rod & Marin Mash	Norma Tipton	Rich & Sarah Rogers	Drew W.
John Steller	Charles Smith	Jim Smith	Jacque Walker	Dave & Jan Peterson	Mackenzie W.
Norma Tipton		Jacque Walker	Heidi Feenstra-Wilson	Dave & Carolyn S.	Benjamin W.
Mardi Dawson (sub)					Christina W.
10 AM	10 AM	10 AM			Jason W.
Shane Carlson	Carolyn Segrist	Tovi Andrews			Aina Z.
Gail C- Ferguson	Shane Carlson	Malcolm & Sylvia C.			Kate Z.
Elizabeth Flagg	Kathy Little	Allison Carlson			
Jim Foley	Charles Smith	Ray & Elizabeth Flagg			
Kathy & Larry Little	Peter Stockwell	Liz Haney			
Carolyn Segrist	Mary Zabinski	Nancy Ladenberger			
Stu Smith		Carole Nau			
Mike Wentworth					

January 2017

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
1 8 & 10 am Holy Eucharist Nursery/ Sunday School	2 9 am Morning Prayer	3 7 am Sonshine Fellowship 6 pm Scouts	4 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:15 pm Potluck 7 pm Program	5 Noon Vicar's Bible Study 7 pm Building Committee Mtg.	6 Epiphany  6 pm Service,, Potluck & House Blessing	7 1-6 pm Writing Group
8 8 & 10 am Holy Eucharist Nursery/ Sunday School 5 pm Contemplative Prayer Service	9 9 am Morning Prayer 4:30 pm Outreach Team Mtg.	10 7 am Sonshine Fellowship 10 am Annual Reports Due Standing Committee	11 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:15 pm Potluck 7 pm Program	12 Noon Vicar's Bible Study 6:30 pm Bishop's Committee Meeting	13 Vicar's Day Off	14 10 am Lord's Diner 1-6 pm Writing Group
15 8 & 10 am Holy Eucharist Nursery/ Sunday School	16 Martin Luther King Day 9 am Morning Prayer 11 am Witty Knitters	17 7 am Sonshine Fellowship 4 pm Worship Planning Mtg.	18 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:15 pm Potluck 7 pm Program	19 Noon Vicar's Bible Study	20 Vicar's Day Off	21 11 am Pastoral Care Meeting 1-6 pm Writing Group
22 8 & 10 am Holy Eucharist Nursery/ Sunday School 5 pm Contemplative Prayer Service	23 9 am Morning Prayer	24 7 am Sonshine Fellowship 10 am Newsletter Deadline	25 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:15 pm Potluck 7 pm Program	26 Noon Vicar's Bible Study	27 Vicar's Day Off	28 10 am Annual Meeting 1-6 pm Writing Group
29 Youth Sunday 8 & 10 am Holy Eucharist Nursery/ Sunday School	30 9 am Morning Prayer	31 7 am Sonshine Fellowship 6 pm Scouts				

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