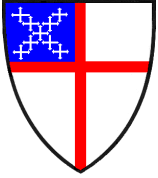


Glad Tidings

January 2024



ST. ANTONY OF EGYPT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

11885 Old Frontier Road

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 2822, Silverdale, WA 98383 360-698-0555

E-Mail: stantonysilverdale@gmail.com Website: www.saintantonys.com

The Rev. Hillary Kimsey, Vicar



Vicar's Voice

Dear people of St. Antony's, Happy new year!!!

As I write this to you, it is Tuesday, December 26th, and I am still basking in the joy I experienced celebrating Christmas with this wonderful community. It's only been three months since we began our shared ministry on October 1st, 2023, and yet, it feels as if I have been with you much longer because of how warm, welcoming, and enthusiastic you have all been. My heart overflows.

I look forward to officially celebrating our New and Mutual Ministry together on **Wednesday, January 17th, at 6pm** for a special service where the Bishop and many other clergy from across the diocese will be visiting! It's the Feast of St. Antony, so we will be celebrating this new leg of our journey right alongside our patron saint with a festive reception afterwards. This is a once-in-a-call type of service, so we hope to see everyone there!

As we ring in a new year, we will also be welcoming new Bishop's Committee members. In this newsletter, you will get to hear from those rotating off, including our wonderful Bishop's Warden, Loretta, and BC members Dee, Bennie, and Julie. I am incredibly grateful for all time, effort, and love that all four of these wonderful people have given us. I hope you will join me in thanking each of them and continuing to thank and encourage those remaining or joining the BC in 2024. Without them and our treasurer Jim, and our wonderful staff, I'd be lost! We are so blessed to have such a great team.

That said, we need more of you to offer your own gifts to the community! In addition to pledging or tithing, there is a need for additional volunteers in several of our ministry teams, especially Children and Youth. Our Altar Guild and Flower Guilds would welcome additional members as well, no experience required!

We hope to be sending out a different type of pledge card this month-- one where you can tell us where you might want to give of your time and talent to St. Antony's in 2024.

One of my traditions for Epiphany is to choose a "star word" for the next year of my life. At our Epiphany service, I will invite you all to do the same! The word I've received for St. Antony's in 2024 is *inspire*.

Continued on next page

***The mission of St. Antony's is to be a loving and welcoming community
who worships God, grows in Christ, and serves others.
Gather, Grow, and Go!***

According to Dictionary.com, to inspire means to a) fill (someone) with the urge or ability to do or feel something, especially something creative, b) to create a positive feeling, c) to animate or give rise to, or d) to breathe in or inhale. In Hebrew, the word for Spirit is ruach, which can also mean wind, breath, air, soul, or mind.

Where is God breathing new life here? What will God inspire us to do to serve our community? Where is the Spirit inspiring you to join in God's work at St. Antony's and throughout our neighborhood? I can't wait to hear and see how God moves through each of you in 2024!

With great hope,
Mother Hillary+

Musings from the Peoples Warden

Hope you all had a wonderful and blessed Christmas. I know that the planning and culmination of our advent (and baking and shopping) season can be exciting, busy and maybe stressful. I only hope it culminated in a bright shining star in your lives.

I loved the sermon that Mother Hillary shared on Christmas Eve about needing the dark to see the stars or lights shining. Isn't that so true in our everyday lives? I know SHE is the bright star that has come out of our two years of sometimes thrashing around in the dark of the search for a new Vicar. I want to thank all of you who worked tirelessly to reach this goal. I also want to thank the Lord for sending Mother Hillary to us!

It is an exciting time in our community and I want to encourage you to consider running for the BC at our January Annual Meeting. It will be Jan 21 after a joint service. The BC has worked very hard the past few years doing the "WORK" of running the church. I want to assure you that will be a lot easier in the coming years with a Vicar in place and the organization that has happened with the great members of the BC this year. SO if you feel the call to be part of the group that makes things happen, the more people helping, the less work for the individuals, and you know what is going on before everyone else.

If you haven't yet sent in your pledge card, even if you are planning on just offering in the plate or your time and talents, it helps us with the budgeting for next year to know who to count as members. Coming soon with be a separate time and talent pledge sheet, we are adding some up to date considerations.

Happy New Year to you all and may your blessings continue to multiply,

Holly Foley
Peoples Warden and Pastoral Care

Coming soon!

Our youth aged 13 and older will soon have the opportunity to join Sunday Youth Seminars twice a month with Michael Wentworth. We are excited to provide our older students a chance to discover and discuss topics related to our church during the beginning of the service. Mother Hillary will make her office available for this group to meet while the younger members are in Godly Play.

Let Mother Hillary know if you would like to attend.

Notes from the Bishop's Warden

As I write this final message as Bishop's Warden, I'm still experiencing the joyful glow of shared time with my new grandson for his first Christmas, while also feeling compassion for those suffering from war and hardship in the Middle East, Ukraine and around the globe. Light and darkness; joy and sorrow; ever-present among us. And as we turn the page of our lives to a new year, I am grateful for the gift of faith, and assurance of God's loving presence within and among us through it all.

Last year I stepped into the Bishop's Warden role with much hesitation, but assurance from Father Craig that all would be well. Faith would sustain, and essentially he advised, 'Don't worry!'. This year has been an experience of faith and growth for me. My anxiety diminished as I had the repeated experience of new and unexpected dilemmas arising, caring church members stepping forward to assist, small groups continuing to meet and support each other and collectively the congregation kept showing up for Sunday worship - eager and open to hear God's message for them. As we awaited the selection of a new Vicar, we continued to be church for one another in real, tangible and compassionate ways. And the responsibility of my role was lightened by the wonderful support and work of our Bishop's Committee. God's loving presence continued to support and guide us all.

Many thanks to the awesome assistance of our People's Warden - to Holly Foley, to Esther Osborne, Melanie Reeder, Tim VanAs, and to BC members who are completing their terms - Dee Perreira, Bennie Wright, and Julie Sherwin. Jim Foley has continued to devote countless hours and careful management of our church budget. I'm grateful for the privilege of having worked with each of them.

Please plan on attending the New and Mutual Ministry service on **Wednesday, January 17th, at 6pm**. This is a special service planned for Mother Hillary, and happens for all new clergy who have accepted a call to a new church congregation. Our Bishop and many other clergy from across the diocese will be attending, and it is an opportunity for you to celebrate and support our wonderful new Vicar. This is also the Feast day of our patron saint, St. Antony, and he will be join the celebration in spirit! Thank you to Tovi Andrews for planning a reception after the service, and to all who offered assistance with this.

Our **Annual Meeting will be after one combined service at 9 am on 21 January**. This is a time to review what's happened at St. Antony's the past year, to vote on a budget for 2024, and to both vote in new members to the Bishop's Committee and candidates and alternates to attend the Diocesan Convention this fall. Please consider serving on the Bishop's Committee and/or to be a Convention delegate next year; we could use your help!

I am grateful for being part of our St. Antony's church family, and look forward to continuing to serve in the New Year. In closing I'd like to share a poem by theologian Howard Thurman that inspires me.

The Work of Christmas

When the song of the angels is stilled, when the star in the sky is gone,
when the kings and princes are home,
when the shepherds are back with their flocks, the work of Christmas
begins: to find the lost,
to heal the broken,
to feed the hungry,
to release the prisoner,
to rebuild the nations,
to bring peace among the people, to make music in the heart."

Wishing you all a joy-filled and blessed New Year!
Loretta

CALLING ALL MEN of St. Antony's

January will bring with it the 1st day of 2024 and another opportunity to energize ourselves. This year we are going to restart our monthly Men's Breakfasts. You are invited to gather on Saturday, Jan. 20th at the Silverdale bowling alley at 8:00 for a no-host breakfast. In addition to the fellowship we always seem to enjoy, Bill Reeder is going to share about his consulting work with NATO and give us a better picture of the international world that he is a part of. I hope you will mark this date and time on your calendar now and join us for breakfast.

Dick Scott+

***Men's Fellowship Breakfast
Saturday, Jan. 20 at 8am***



Silverdale Bowling Alley Diner

From the Altar Guild/Flower Ministries

Our sincere thanks to ALL who contributed to the beautiful celebration of Christmas by your gifts of Poinsettias, greens for the garland, talents and especially your time. We are so appreciative to all throughout the year for your generous donations of flowers, lilies, sanctuary lamps, purchase of calendars, etc., as these are our source of income enabling us to continue to provide as needed.

I am particularly thankful for my altar guild members who have stepped up to help during the busy weekend we had with the fourth Sunday of Advent, immediately followed by Christmas Eve preparation. Also, to the members of the Flower Ministry, thank you for your artistic, gorgeous arrangements we have enjoyed each Sunday. They are always exceptional and appreciated by all, particularly by those who have the pleasure of their beauty following services as they are "sent forth" to ones in need.

THANK YOU all,
Ruth Lindstrum

Outreach

Final results November 2023 food drive.

A huge thank you to the congregation and our Youth Group for a very successful food drive in November.

Final results of the food drive as follows:

Three deliveries to the Central Kitsap Food Bank (CKFB) totaling 370 ITEMS and 545 POUNDS of food donations.

In addition to the food donations, Mother Hillary delivered in-person to the Director of the CKFB, Chris Benson, a check for \$500 resulting from the congregation's monetary donations to the food drive.

In combination with the congregation's effort at the CKFB on 11/3 to put together bags of food for 600 families for Thanksgiving, the month of November proved to be a very active month for our congregation in support of the CKFB's important mission PRESERVING THE DIGNITY OF THE CLIENTS WE SERVE.

Please stay tuned as the Outreach Committee plans additional opportunities in the coming year to support our local community.

Tim van As, Outreach Commissioner

Celebration of New Ministry

Mark your calendars if you plan to attend our Celebration of New Ministry on Wednesday, January 17 at 6:00 PM. We look forward to your attendance and there will be refreshments following this special service. Our Bishop of Olympia will be there along with her clergy support, and other clergy from around our Diocese.

A sign-up sheet will be available for you to fill in if you want to bring a plate of cookies or savory treats. No hot food items please. You can also let us know how many of you plan to attend on the 17th.

Looking forward to seeing you then. Call Tovi Andrews if you have any questions. 360-779-2610. Leave a message if needed.

Tovi Andrews

Communications Corner:

Let me begin by saying how privileged I feel to have had the opportunity to serve on the Bishop's Committee at St. Antony. I want to thank my fellow members who I have worked with and want to say that I have enjoyed every minute of being a part of it. I truly feel that the last three years have been fulfilling and have given me the opportunity to gain valuable experience on this committee.

When I first started on the Bishop's Committee in 2021-2022, I started off as the Clerk which I took minutes at each BC meetings or Special meetings, plus I was also the Outreach Co-Commissioner who I have had the honor working alongside with Loretta McGinley. In my term as the Outreach Co-Commissioner, we were able to coordinate on the project called "Mission to Seafarers" and the Fall Food Drive. I have also assisted Chelsea Reeder in Parish Life when we had various outdoor activities including a Luau theme which is when I first danced hula for the congregation. I have also assisted in the Stewardship dinner and Father Bill Fulton's retirement party and even danced hula for both events. In my next term in 2022-2023 I continued as the Clerk and took on the role of Communications Commissioner. In that year I was able to coordinate St. Antony's Annual Picnic and Potluck and create St. Antony's new logo along with designing and placing the order of St. Antony's T-shirts, which anyone can still purchase through Linda.

In my years of serving on the Bishop's Committee I have gained friendships, knowledge, and experience. I decided to join as it felt like a calling plus I wanted to give my time, share my talents and treasure to St. Antony. I believe being a part of the committee required my presence to be an effective committee member to help build a strong positive relationship between staff and congregation. This coming year the committee will work with Rev. Hillary Kimsey and other staff to fulfill legal and ethical responsibilities related to St. Antony. I would encourage anyone to take part of this journey as it will help make St. Antony become a stronger church and it is a wonderful opportunity.

Thank you once again to my current committee members, Linda R., and Rev. Hillary Kimsey and to my outgoing fellow members, Loretta, Julie, and Bennie, good luck and thank you for your time, talents, and treasure. Good luck to the new committee of 2024, take care and God Bless everyone!

Sincerely,
Dolores (Dee) Perreira



Meet your Bishop's Committee



Loretta McGinley
Bishop's Warden
Stewardship



Holly Foley
People's Warden
Pastoral Care
Welcoming



Julie Sherwin
Faith Formation, Youth



Esther Osborne
Faith Formation, Adult



Tim Van As
Outreach



Dee Perreira
Clerk of the BC
Communications



Benny Wright
Environment

No Photo
Yet

Melanie Reeder
Welcoming

Please contact one of these persons if you have questions or concerns or ideas within their commission.

January 2024

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	1	2	3 Noon New Beginnings Contemplative Group	4 12:30 pm Bible Study	5 Music Group 9-noon	6
7 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist	8 9-12:30 P.E.O. Ladies	9 Annual Reports Due! 10 am Music Together Program	10 10 am Pastoral Care Meeting	11 12:30 pm Bible Study	12 Music Group 9-noon Cleaners Morning	13
14 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist 11:30 BC Meeting	15	16 11:00 am Witty Knitters 10 am Music Together Program	17 Noon New Beginnings Contemplative Group 6:30 pm Celebration of New Ministry	18 12:30 pm Bible Study Noon BC Reports Due	19 Music Group 9-noon	20 8 am Men's Breakfast at Allstar Lanes Diner 10 am Peninsula Church Leadership Day
21 9:30 am Holy Eucharist 11:00 am Annual Meeting - BC Meeting after Annual Mtg.	22 11-3 Tony's Trekks Planning Luncheon	23 10:0 am Newsletter Deadline 10 am Music Together Program	24	25 12:30 pm Bible Study	26 Music Group 9-noon Cleaners Morning	27 BC Retreat
28 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist	29	30 10 am Music Together Program	31			

Feb. 3, Youth Spaghetti Dinner



January Birthdays

1	Chelsea Reeder
4	Audrey Shear
7	Norma Tipton
9	Heather Carnocki
10	Elizabeth Flagg
	Drew Wagner
11	Mary Collier
13	Stan Marks
	Guy Fulton
	Christina Wentworth
15	John Teller
	Robert Kellogg
16	Darrow Lindstrum
18	Patrick Foley
20	Kay Kellogg
24	Aaron Scalf
27	Judy VanHook
	Daniel Westin
28	Dave Peterson
	Holly Foley



January Anniversaries

	There are no anniversaries this month.

The deadline for the February Glad Tidings is **Tuesday, January 23rd** at 10 am.
Please send all submissions to:
stantonysilverdale@gmail.com. Thank you.



James Ourada

(Please contact the office for his
contact information.)

Financial Report November			Account Balances	
		Year-to-date		
Operating Income	\$16,728.13	\$184,768.88	Local Checking	\$45,526.03
Operating Expenses	\$19,203.85	\$180,632.42	Local Savings	\$17,248.38
Net in November	(\$2,475.72)	\$4,136.46	Diocesan Investment Funds	\$208,712.50
			Total	\$271,486.91

January 2024 Schedule

JOB	January 7 First Sunday after the Epiphany	January 14 Second Sunday after the Epiphany	January 17 Celebration of New Ministry 6:30 pm	January 21 Third Sunday after the Epiphany	January 28 Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
EM 8 am	Ruth Lindstrum	Donna Hilton		Ruth Lindstrum	Elizabeth Moorhead
LC/OT & NT 8 am	Dee Perreira	Norma		Donna Hilton	Dee Perreira
GREETER 8 am			Peter Stockwell		

EM 10:15 am	Peter Stockwell	Marj Zantek	Sarah Rogers	Cris McCarty	Kristen Fabry
LC/OT 10:15 am	Stu Smith	Michael Wentworth	Ruth Lindstrum	Peter Stockwell	Marj Zantek
LC/NT 10:15 am	Jim Foley	Michael Wentworth	Marj Zantek	Cris McCarty	Esther Osborne
ACOLYTES 10:15 am			Luke R.		
CHALICE BEARER					
USHER 10:15 am	Mark Westin	Bill Fagan	Tim van As Bill Fagan	Peter Stockwell	Dave Peterson
COUNTERS		Marj Norma Tipton		Jim Foley Dave Wedeven	
COFFEE HOUR	Jane Stockton Carrie Rivers	Carol Wedeven	Tovi Andrews and Friends	Reeder Family	Sarah Rogers
BPod	Loretta McGinley	Holly Foley		Dolores Perreira	
1st LESSON	Isaiah 60:1-6	1 Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20)	1 Kings 17:1-24	Jonah 3:1-5, 10	Deuteronomy 18:15-20
PSALM	Psalms 72:1-7, 10-14	Psalms 139:1-5, 12-17	Psalms 91:9-16	Psalms 62:6-14	Psalms 111
2nd LESSON	Ephesians 3:1-12	1 Corinthians 6:12-20	1 Peter 5:6-10	1 Corinthians 7:29-31	1 Corinthians 8:1-13
GOSPEL	Matthew 2:1-12	John 1:43-51	Mark 10:17-21	Mark 1:14-20	Mark 1:21-28

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	Ann Daniels B	Bill Fagan	Sean Rivers
Donna Hilton	Donna Hilton	Donna Hilton	Jim Foley A	Carol Nau	Luke Rogers
Ruth Lindstrum	Ruth Lindstrum	Pam Morton	Maggie Scott B	Dave & Jan Peterson	Ellery Van As
Elizabeth Moorhead	Elizabeth Moorhead		Norma Tipton B	Linda Robuck	Soren Van As
Dee Perreira	Bill Reeder		David Wedeven B	Peter Stockwell	Avery Van As
Norma Tipton			Marj Zantek A	Mark Westin	Elijah Woods
10 am	10 am	10 am			
Elizabeth Flagg	Kristen Fabry				
Jim Foley	Cris McCarty	Suzanne Brock			
Cris McCarty	Esther Osborne	Elizabeth Flagg			
Luke R.	Sarah Rogers	Carole Nau			
Sarah Rogers	Peter Stockwell	Malcolm & Sylvia Campbell	A - computer		
Maggie Scott	Marj Zantek		B - non computer		
Stu Smith	Rick Zapp				
Peter Stockwell					
Michael Wentworth					

***St. Antony's Episcopal Church
11885 Old Frontier Road,
P O BOX 2822
Silverdale, Washington 98383***

www.saintantonys.com

***The mission of St. Antony's is to be a loving and
welcoming community who worships God,
grows in Christ, and serves others.***

Gather, Grow, and Go!