

# St. Stephen's News

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## THE ENDOWMENT FUND

### Please put the church on your Christmas list

FINANCIALLY speaking, this year has been a tough one for everybody -- church treasurers included. The offertory has been down by some 10 percent since the beginning of the year, which means we have had to watch the expenditure of every last cent like hawks.

The Endowment Fund has shown encouraging growth, though at a rate somewhat less than we had hoped. Currently we are still some \$60,000 short of our initial \$200,000 goal.

A seasonal gift of shares is always warmly welcome by folks like us who are establishing an endowment fund. A gift of shares can also provide the giver with a useful tax write off, especially if they have an highly appreciated value. St. Stephen's maintains a brokerage account and we can either hold the shares you donate or sell them if you think that best. The parish has already benefitted from gifts of highly appreciated shares.

The Endowment Fund is intended to provide the parish with the financial stability to sustain its growth. The income will be primarily devoted to reducing the mortgage.

The Endowment Fund Drive team welcomes contributions large and small. If you would like to donate to the fund, please send your check to the Treasurer, made out to *St. Stephen's Traditional Episcopal Church* and marked on the memo line "*Endowment Fund.*" If you wish to make an donation in memory, or in honor of a loved one or friend, please give us the information in a separate note. Also let us know if you would like to be named in the newsletter as a donor. **BILL HAWKINS**

## FROM THE TREASURER

### My life is much easier when pledges come in

A TREASURER'S lot is by no means always a happy one (apologies to Gilbert & Sullivan) at this time of the year. The problem, you see, is that the poor treasurer has to prepare a budget for the coming year and -- as always -- there are still a lot of pledges to come in.

If you haven't yet sent in your pledge, please pop it in the mail as soon as possible. It will make my life so much easier. Take pity on poor treasurers at this time of year. We like to celebrate Christmas too! **BILL HAWKINS**

## FROM THE LADIES WHO LUNCH

### Join us December 14th

This month the Ladies Who Lunch will be meeting at Pearce's Restaurant at 12 noon on Wednesday, December 14th. Why not join us for a convivial pre-Christmas get-together over a delicious meal. Good food and good fellowship -- what more could you want? To reserve your place call Joyce Perlberg at 410-252-2680.

## ✠ PARISH PRAYER LIST ✠

OUR Prayer Chain offers prayer daily for people on the Prayer List and guests of the Joseph Richey Hospice. To add a name to the prayer list, or to the visiting list, or to join the Prayer Chain, call the parish office at 410 560 6776.

**RECOVERY:** Judith, Deborah, Dorothy, Thelma, Mary, Adele, Linda, Jan, Liz, Bob, Wyatt, Jim, Reta, Sara, Tammy Sophie, Paula, Blair, Melvin, Noah, Mavis, Heather, Laurie, Diane, Don, Lynn, Helen, Katherine, Hindra, Ravi, Elizabeth, Brian, Tracey, Robert, Nancy, Edithann, Jay, Perry, Amelia, Shirley, Adrian, Kimberly, Dean, Barb, Tanya, Jane, Brook, Val, Joseph, Joshua, Rachel, Carl, Cal, Catherine, Sam, Ruth, Kristi, Paul, Sue, Patty, Antonio, Ray, Lauren-Michelle, McKayla, Randy, Jack, Grace, Fran, Carolyn,

## CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR Schedule, Dec. 24th, 2011, to Jan. 8th, 2012

### CHRISTMAS EVE

**Saturday, December 24th**

**4.00 PM:** Children's Christmas Service  
& Blessing of the Creche

**7.00 PM:** Family Candlelight Eucharist

**10.30 PM:** Prelude with  
Choir of Men & Boys

accompanied by  
small chamber orchestra and organ,  
followed at

**11.00 PM** by Choral Midnight Mass

*Music will include excerpts from  
Handel's Messiah, Bach's Cantata 140,  
and Mozart's Missa Brevis in B flat.*

### CHRISTMAS DAY

**Sunday, December 25th**

**10.00 AM:** Sung Holy Communion

### NEW YEAR'S EVE

**The Feast of St. Sylvester,  
Saturday, December 31st, 2012**

**5.00 PM:** Holy Communion

### NEW YEAR'S DAY & PATRONAL FESTIVAL

**Sunday, January 1st, 2012**

**8.00 AM:** Holy Communion

**9.15 AM:** Holy Communion

**11.15 AM:** Holy Communion

### THE SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

**Sunday, January 8th, 2012**

**8.00 AM:** Holy Communion

**9.15 AM:** Holy Communion

**11.15 AM:** Morning Prayer

**6.00 PM** The Choir of Men & Boys sing:

### A FESTIVAL OF LESSONS & CAROLS FOR THE EPIPHANY

Ken, Serina, Wyatt, Bobby, Alexander, Erlene, Kathleen, Earle, Judy, William, Betty, Trisha, Peggy, Linda, Millie, Walt, Bruce, Cienna, Tom, Lelillah, Jennifer, Miriam, Karen, George, Eliza, Mel, John, Randy, James, Sarah, Linda, Suzanne, Marian, Steven, Jeanne, Tammy; Ellen, Patricia, Bonnie, Mary Ann, Christine, Dee, Brian, Barbara, Gillian, Eileen, Matthew, Bryan, Jason, Joan, Frances, Pat, Michael, Leslie, Brandon, May, Scott, Stephen, Robert, Danny, Billy, Betty-Ann, Mildred, D'Metrius, Laura, Stacey, Frank, Alma, Christine, John, Henry, Naomi, Pam, Ben, Kevin, Gwen, Gloria, Lee Emily, Bruce, Regina, Lewis, Madolin, Linda, Carol, Bernie, Charlene, Josephine, Margaret, Jody, Sheila, Jo Anne, John, Geradine, Thomas, Jeanne, Sister Catherine-Grace, Maxine, Ann Sharon, Dennis, Mae, Anita, Marilyn, Lawrence, Rebecca, Dorothy, Joanne, ✠Albion, Martha, Jackie, Charles, Tony, Edward, Kim, Vivian, Doris, Carol, Suzie and Jennifer.

**LIGHT, STRENGTH & GUIDANCE:** Jennifer, Brendan, Rosa, June, Anna, Jean, Garrett, Ned, Stephen, Rachel, Robert & Renee,

**THE SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR  
THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT**

Being Sunday, December 11th, 2011

**8.00 AM & 9.15 AM**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

For the Epistle: I Corinthians 4:1-5

The Gospel: St. Matthew 11:2-10

**11.15 AM MORNING PRAYER**

The Psalter: Psalm 99

The First Lesson: Jeremiah 1:4-10,17-19

The Second Lesson: St. Luke 1:57-80

Lydia; Richard, Melba, Debbie, Phyllis, Carolyn, Suzanne, Tony, Erik, Drake, Bobby, Kay & Emma, Gillian, Beverley, Adrienn, Jhana, Marla, Matthew, Joan, David, Laurie, Ellen, Lynn, Mildred, Sarah Lee, Tom, Susan, Kathy, Owen, Douglas, Amy, Jo Anne, Mary, Gregory, Isabel, Bobby, Dorothy, Darren, Scott, Rebecca, William, Charles, Joyce, Asfa, Eleanor, Kathy, Linda, James, Barry, Ann, Evelyn, Jeanette, Elizabeth, Virginia, Mildred, Chris, Stephen, Carol, Sandra, John, Mary, Michael and David

**ON ACTIVE SERVICE:** LTC R.J. Lytle, PFC Charles E. Heintz, IV, USA; Lt. Benjamin Schramm, USMC; Lt. Alex Bursi, Charles Watts, USN; Capt. Charles Bursi, Lt. Col. Harry Hughes, USAF.

**Ding Dong Merrily On High!**

Adric has a very special music program in store for us this Christmas. The Choir of Men & Boys will be accompanied at the Midnight Mass by a small chamber orchestra.

You can honor loved ones by helping to defray the cost of the Oboes and Strings. It's the ideal gift for the people who seem to have everything. Complete this form and return it with a check payable to St. Stephen's Church (marked Christmas Music). Their names will be published in the Service Booklet.

Name: .....

I would like to honor/memorialize

.....  
with a gift of \$5 ... \$10 ... \$25 ... (other)  
towards the Christmas Music

**Christmas Memorial Flowers**

To make a contribution towards the Church Christmas decorations in honor or memory of a loved one please complete this form and return it with a check (payable to St. Stephen's Church and marked Christmas flowers) by December 20th.

**Name of Donor:** .....

**Poinsettias** (Pink, Red or Jingle Bells) 6 inches, single (5-8 blooms) @ \$9 (# of plants ..... )

7 inches, double, (10-12 blooms) @ \$15 (# of plants ..... )

8 inches, triple, (red) (12-18 blooms) @ \$26 (# of plants ..... )

**Total # of plants** \_\_\_\_\_ **Total amount enclosed: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

My gift is **IN HONOR OF, IN MEMORY OF, IN THANKSGIVING FOR** (Please Circle)

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DIRECTOR OF PASTORAL CARE: Anne Hawkins (410-308-2771)

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SUNDAY SERVICES

8.00am: Said Eucharist

9.15am: Sung Eucharist (with Nursery & Church School)

11.15am: Choral Mattins (1st Sunday: Choral Eucharist)

6.00pm: Choral Evensong (1st Sunday only)

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Wednesday, 6.00pm: Evening Prayer

Friday Noon: Healing Eucharist

Saturday, 5.00 pm: Family Eucharist.

**COLLECTS FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY  
IN ADVENT & ST NICHOLAS OF MYRA**

BLESSED LORD, who has 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*

ALMIGHTY God, who in thy love didst give to thy servant Nicholas of Myra a perpetual name for deeds of kindness both on land and seas; Grant, we pray thee, that thy Church may never cease to work for the happiness of children, the safety of sailors, the relief of the poor, and the help of those tossed by tempests of doubt and grief; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who livest and reignest with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *AMEN*

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