

St. Stephen's News

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THE COOKIE WALK

A tremendous effort and a stupendous success!

THIS YEAR'S Cookie Walk was a stupendous success. Our friends in the neighborhood -- new and old -- turned out in droves. By the end of the day, with not a cookie left on the tables, the Cookie Walk team had taken in close on \$7,700. That's no small potatoes! What's more that figure does not include post Cookie Walk sales or the proceeds from the silent auctions of theme baskets. These are expected to push the final sales figure up towards the \$9,000 mark. What's more, the wonderful work of the Knitting Circle raised more than \$1,400 for Dr. Bob's Place, the hospice for children.

The parish owes these spectacular results to extraordinary team work on the part of the Parish Life Committee crew, headed by the redoubtable Donna Szper. It would be most unfair to single out particular individuals for praise when so many were involved and when everybody worked so hard. Putting on such an event is an immensely stressful business, but the good humor, kindness and tolerance for which St. Stephen's is noted ensured things ran as smoothly as possible.

Please accept my thanks on behalf, of all those of us who looked on in admiration. Of course, that's not a very large number -- because so many people played a part, baking the scrumptious cookies that gives the event it's name. The wonderful work of the Knitting Circle Thank you again -- from the bottom of my heart. **GUY HAWTIN**

FROM THE TREASURER

Put us on your Christmas list

A SEASONAL gift of shares, large or small, is always a warmly welcomed addition to our endowment fund. It can also provide the giver with a useful tax write off, especially if they have an highly appreciated value. To donate, please make your check out to *St. Stephen's Traditional Episcopal Church*, marked on the memo line "*Endowment Fund.*" To make an donation in memory, or in honor of a loved one or friend, please give us the details in a separate note and let us know if you would like to be named in the newsletter as a donor.

Please send in your pledges a.s.a.p.

CHRISTMAS is the time of year when the treasurer works out the 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. Pity the poor treasurer. We like to celebrate Christmas too! **BILL HAWKINS**

FROM THE LADIES WHO LUNCH

Join us December 14th

The Ladies Who Lunch will meet 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? To reserve, 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: Sallie, Robert, Nancy, 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, Ken, Serina, Wyatt, Bobby, Alexander, Erline,

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

Kathleen, Earle, Judy, William, Betty, Trisha, Peggy, Linda, Millie, Walt, Bruce, Cienna, Tom, Leliliah, Jennifer, Miriam, Karen, George, Eliza, Mel, John, Randy, James, Sarah, Linda, Suzanne, Steven, Jeanne, Tammy; Ellen, Patricia, Bonnie, Mary Ann, Christine, Dee, Brian, Barbara, Gillian, Eileen, Matthew, Bryan, Jason, Joan, Frances, Pat, Michael, 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, 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, Lydia; Richard, Melba, Debbie, Phyllis, Carolyn, Suzanne, Tony, Erik, Drake, Bobby, Kay & Emma, Gillian, Beverley, Adrienn,

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

Being Sunday, December 18th, 2011

8.00 AM & 9.15 AM

HOLY COMMUNION

For the Epistle: Philippians 4:4-7

The Gospel: St. John 1:19-28

11.15 AM MORNING PRAYER

The Psalter: Psalm 80

The First Lesson: Isaiah 40:1-11

The Second Lesson: St. Luke 3:1-17

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.

FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL: Eva Kelley

FOR THOSE WHO MOURN: Fr. Rhae & Molly Kelley & family.

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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ORGANIST & CHOIRMASTER: Adric

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 THIRD SUNDAY
IN ADVENT & PEARL HARBOR DAY**

O LORD Jesus Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger before thee to prepare thy way before thee; Grant that thy ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *AMEN*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, in whose hands are the living and the dead; We give thee thanks for all those thy servants who laid down their lives in the service of our country at Pearl Harbor, on December 7th, 1941. Grant to them thy mercy and the light of thy presence, that the good work which thou has begun in them may be perfected; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord. *AMEN*

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