

# St Stephen's News

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COOKIE WALK '16 – A BRAZEN APPEAL

### Tick Tock, Tick Tock ...

A few parishioners were a bit taken aback on Sunday to see the Knitting Circle's Silent Auction items lining the hallway outside the Parish Hall. "Already??" "So soon??" Their surprise didn't really surprise me. After all, I've been keeping an eagle's eye on things around St Stephen's for the past 25 years.

You see, every few years or so the first Saturday of December just happens to occur during the first three days of the month. And the Cookie Walk is all of a sudden right in front of us – in fact, just two weeks from this coming Saturday.

So for all of us who work best under pressure, it's about time to do some of our best work by producing the mountain of cookies that makes the Cookie Walk such a huge success. It's also time for us to remind our friends and families that the big day is imminent so it's not over before they realize it's coming.

Remember, we have a lofty goal (and who knows about "lofty" better than an eagle?) of 1000 pounds of cookies - that's ten pounds from each parish family. Last year we had the best selection yet. So break out the sugar and flour, soften the butter, heat up the oven, and BAKE!

Our featured cookie recipes this week were selected for those who want to get a jump on their baking by preparing the dough ahead and freezing it for later baking. They also feature cinnamon as a common ingredient, and what spice better says "Christmas" than cinnamon?

### Cinnamon Roll Cookies

*INGREDIENTS:* 3/4 Cup Softened Butter,  
1 Cup Packed Brown Sugar,  
1 Egg,  
1 Tsp Vanilla,  
2-1/2 Cups All-purpose Flour,  
2 Tsp Cinnamon,  
1/2 Tsp Baking Powder,  
Pinch Salt

*In a large bowl, beat 3/4 cup butter with 1 cup brown sugar until fluffy; beat in egg and vanilla. Whisk together flour 1 tsp cinnamon, baking powder and salt; stir into butter mixture in 3 additions. Divide dough in half; shape into discs. Wrap each disc in plastic wrap; refrigerate for 1 hour. Let stand at room temperature until soft enough to roll out, about 15 minutes. Between waxed paper or on a floured surface roll each disc into a 12 by 10 inch rectangle.*

*Combine remaining sugar, butter, and cinnamon. Spread half evenly on each rectangle. Starting at long side, roll up dough. Wrap in plastic wrap and refrigerate until firm about 30 minutes (May be frozen at this point).*

*Cut rolls into 1/4 inch slices; place 1 inch apart on greased baking sheets. Bake in 375 F oven until pale golden on bottoms and edges, about 10 minutes. Let cool for 1 minute and transfer to racks to cool completely.*

### Cinnamon Sugar Crinkles

*INGREDIENTS:* 1/2 Cup Unsalted Butter-softened,  
1/2 Cup Packed Brown Sugar,  
1 Egg,  
1/4 Cup Fancy Molasses,  
1 Tsp Vanilla,  
2 Cups All-purpose Flour,  
1 Tsp Baking Soda,  
1-1/2 Tsp Cinnamon,  
1/4 Tsp Salt,  
1/4 Cup Coarse Sugar

*In a large bowl, beat butter with brown sugar until fluffy; beat in egg, molasses and vanilla. Whisk together flour, baking soda, cinnamon and salt; stir into butter mixture. Refrigerate dough for 20 minutes. (May be frozen at this point). Roll about 1 Tbsp into balls. Roll in coarse sugar. Place 1-1/2 inches apart on parchment paper lined baking sheets. Bake in 350 F oven until puffed and crackly, about 9 minutes. Let cool on pan for 5 minutes. Transfer to rack and cool completely.*

Cookies may be dropped off at the church from Tuesday, November 29th onwards.

Of course, while cookies may be the central ingredient, we also need your help in many other areas in order to make Cookie Walk the success it has been in years past.

We need items for our children's table and gift table, including ornaments and geegaws suitable to the season. So please hunt around for that special treasure given to you by Uncle Filbert that you have never used!

Our children's table offers modestly priced items suitable for

### Parish Prayer List

Our Prayer Chain offers prayer daily for people on the Prayer List as well as the 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, ring the parish office on 410 560 6776.

**FOR RECOVERY:** Hilarie, Edie, Bill, Alan, Terry, Helen, Jim, Linda, John, Judy, Neal, Aida, Stephen, Nathan, Hobie, Betty, Helen, Eunice, Tom, Robert, David, Jan, Susie, Sophia, Bobby, Lee, Pam, Cary, Courtney, Marie, Joanna, Finnie, Kendall, Ian, Gloria, June, John, David, Jorge, Adrian & Llwyd

**FOR LIGHT, STRENGTH & GUIDANCE:** Stephen, Melba, Vinnie, Doug, Ian, Lisa, Carey, Ned, Cindy, Jacob, Casey & Beth

**IN MEMORIAM:**

**THOSE WHO MOURN:**

**ON ACTIVE SERVICE:** Lt Alex Bursi, Capt. Charles Bursi, Lt Nicholas Clouse, USN; Lt Col. Harry Hughes; Lt Cdr Emma Hawkins, RN; MSGT Michael Holter, USAF; Cpt Fiodor Strikovski, US Army

the whole family, so the children can buy something for everyone on their list!

We need greens – as many varieties as possible – especially magnolia, boxwood, fraser (and other) fir, hemlock, white pine, blue spruce, nandina, holly, variegated holly, cedars, berried juniper, etc. Also on our list are pine cones (large and small), dried pods, and other dried items, and decorative items for our table arrangements and greens assortments.

We can also use small baskets for our arrangements. Greens should be brought to the church on the weekend of November 25th/26th .

Another thing we will be needing very badly is HELP!!! We need folks on Tuesday, November 27th at 2:00 PM to set up the parish hall in readiness for the work days on Wednesday, November 30th and Thursday, December 1st.

These are the days on which we need your help to make our table baskets, wreathes, and greens arrangements, meeting here at 10:00 AM 'till late.

We would also appreciate volunteers on Friday, December 2nd

and Saturday, December 3rd – the big day – to help set up and take down and, of course, we need sales help on the day of the sale.

And don't forget, email your household hints to Peter Threadgill; his address is [petrus@ststeve.com](mailto:petrus@ststeve.com). He may still be able to include them in the Cookie Walk Book.

Last but very far from least, we need your custom - and that of your friends. Please come to the Cookie Walk and see the wonderful things we have for sale. And please spread the word among your friends. When they experience the Cookie Walk, they will thank you for it.

Please call Happy Riley at the parish office (410-560-6776), Priscilla Huffman (443-764-6554), or Anne Hawkins (410-308-2771) to volunteer. Thanks awfully! ISAAC EAGLE

**FROM SARA DOUGLAS**

## Mays Chapel Elementary School

Here's an item of interest for St. Stephen's parishioners who generously donated to the school's supplies appeal last summer: Recently students joined together to create a garden around the school's flag pole.

It was an joyous sight as they enthusiastically planted a variety of flowers that will attract essential pollinators, like butterflies and bees. The project was made possible by a donation from a local garden club, with matching donations from Baltimore Country Club and the school PTA. Please stop by this spring to enjoy the beautiful results!

**FROM THE SUNDAY SCHOOL**

## Sunday School Fun Event

Attention Sunday School Parents: This Sunday November 20 from 2-4PM please allow St Stephen's teachers and volunteers to entertain your children and their friends for an afternoon of fun. We will have some outdoor games (weather permitting), a scavenger hunt, board games, music and a snack. Please bring a canned good for At Jacob's Well. Hope to see you!!!!

**DIANE NOVICKI**

**FROM THE RECTOR**

## Thanksgiving Day Eucharist

There's something odd about people referring to Thanksgiving Day as "Turkey Day." After all, American Turkeys have very little to be thankful for at Thanksgiving. For turkeys, being cooked, cut up and consumed cannot be a particularly cheerful prospect. Actually, turkeys doubtless consider Thanksgiving a national day of mourning.

American human beings, by contrast, have much for which to be thankful. Not least we should give thanks for the many blessings we too often take for granted -- including the God-given right of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Please join us for our Thanksgiving Eucharist at 10.00 am, on Thursday, November 24th.

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The Rev. Michael Belt, The Rev. John Novicki and  
The Rev. Robert Ludwig, *Associate Rectors*  
The Rev. M Wiley Hawks, *Pastoral Care Chaplain*  
Mrs Happy Riley, *Director of Pastoral Care & Wedding Coordinator*

### SUNDAY SERVICES

8am: Said Eucharist

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

11am: Choral Mattins (1st Sunday: Sung Eucharist)

6pm: Choral Evensong (as announced) –  
[evensong.ststeve.com](http://evensong.ststeve.com)

### WEEKDAY SERVICES

Wednesday, 6pm: Evening Prayer

Friday, 12 noon: Healing Eucharist

Saturday, 5pm: Family Eucharist

## Calendar of Events

### WEEKLY

**Monday, 6.30pm:** Bridge Club

**Tuesday, 7am:** Fellowship Breakfast (Nautilus Diner)

**Thursday, 10am:** Knitting Circle

**Friday, 10.30am:** Bible Study

### MONTHLY & SPECIAL

## Grounds Cleanup

Saturday, November 19th, 9.00 am - 12.00 pm

## Sunday School Fun Event

Sunday, November 20th, 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm

## Thanksgiving Day

### *Sung Holy Communion*

Thursday, November 24th, 10.00 am

## Cookie Walk 2016

Saturday, December 3rd, 9.00 am - 1.00 pm

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