

The Carpenter's Helper

This Week...we begin to see signs of Spring

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

**St Thomas's 179th
ANNUAL MEETING**

Sunday, March 21st 11am-noon
LIVE via Zoom

*Have you
returned your
ballot yet?*

a message from Bishop Kevin...

Hello beloved of God in Delaware,

I am happy to announce that, given the continued improvement in COVID-19 community spread metrics, I am authorizing parishes to regather in person when they are ready to do so and when they have been certified to do so safely.

While it is true that the pandemic's prevalence has dropped in recent weeks, it is important to remember that it has dropped from historic and deadly highs. The virus is still as dangerous as ever, especially to the elderly and the ill, and the dangers and damages of COVID-19 continue to hammer communities of color and the poor in breathtakingly disproportionate amounts. We cannot relax our attention when it comes to wearing a mask, social distancing, and washing our hands. Please, do everything you can to stop the spread of the virus, regardless of how you might feel about your own risk and safety. Do this, I pray, not only for yourself but for the good of all.

Your brother in Christ,
+Kevin



Thank you for wearing a mask in the church building.
It protects those who are worshiping, and communing.
Your mask protects the clergy, staff, faith family members, and community.
Let's keep our church building safe, healthy, open, and a respectful place for all.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, St. Thomas's is alive and well.

We are worshiping via live streaming on YouTube (See our YouTube Channel and hit Subscribe!). The full-text bulletins for our services can be found on our website, and by email request.

We also continue to respond to the needs of the Newark community through our collaboration with the Newark Empowerment Center and others. Those who would like to support our work may do so by going to our "Giving to St Thomas's" page.

Our prayers are with all those who are ill, all who are caring for them, and all who are striving to hear the voice of God in these challenging times. May God bless you and keep you, now and always. For more, see the Episcopal Diocese of Delaware COVID-19 site.



Drive Through/Walk Up Communion and Prayers

continues every Sunday
10-11am

ALL are Welcome!



NEW BENCHES IN THE GROVE

The snow is clearing, and the crocus are peeking through! Come check out the two new benches in the Grove. They were built by Ecoplastics of Delaware from recycled plastic and donated by Girl Scout Troop 719 who has been meeting at St. Thomas.

Many thanks to Troop 719. We are grateful for their generous gift to St. Thomas and those who stop to enjoy the Grove.



THE NEWARK PARISHES OF SAINTS NICHOLAS & THOMAS
ADULT CHRISTIAN ED

LENT 2021: THURSDAYS AT 11AM
ALL ARE WELCOME!

WINNER OF THE PULITZER PRIZE

Jon Meacham



THE HOPE
OF GLORY

THE HOPE OF GLORY by Jon Meacham
Reflections on the Last Words of Jesus from the Cross
Lead by Fr Bill Lane of St Nicholas

- MAR 4: THIRD WORD (BEHOLD YOUR MOTHER; JN. 19:26-27)
- MAR 11: FOURTH WORD (WHY HAVE YOU FORSAKEN ME; MT. 27:46)
- MAR 18: FIFTH WORD (I THIRST; JN. 19:28)
- MAR 25: SIXTH WORD (IT IS FINISHED; JN. 19:30)
- APR 1: SEVENTH WORD (I COMMEND MY SPIRIT; LK. 23:46)

If you would like to take part and are not already participating in the Thursday Adult Study, please e-mail your request to wmbplane@gmail.com and you will receive the sign on information.