



**4TH SUNDAY  
AFTER  
EPIPHANY**

January 29th  
**10:30 am**      **RITE II**



# God loves you. No exceptions.



**The Episcopal Church Welcomes You.**

Welcome! It is wonderful have you with us. Everybody you see here was a newcomer at one time, and we've all had questions—possibly like some that you may have today.

The faith community of St. Thomas's Parish believes that everyone has been invited to follow the Way of Jesus, who commands us to love God and to love our neighbors. Therefore, we are committed to embrace and respect people of every age, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, and gender identity; people who live with all mental and physical abilities, in all socio-economic conditions, in all household compositions, and with every citizenship status, including immigrant and refugee; people who hold diverse political and theological backgrounds, beliefs, and questions. Whoever you are and wherever you are on life's journey, as God's beloved, you are worthy and welcome here!

## Today's Service

We are worshipping both in-person and via live-stream on YouTube. Full-text bulletins are distributed at all services and posted on our parish website. At the in-person service, "busy bags" for children and a dedicated sensory-friendly "soft space" can be found at the back of the sanctuary. We follow directions from our diocese for in-person pandemic precautions; masking is currently optional.

We commit ourselves to ensuring that our place of worship is a safe place where all can feel comfortable and know that they are accepted and loved. In the Episcopal church, everybody doesn't always do things in the same way. But **when you're worshipping God, you can't get it wrong!** If you would like help, ask anyone in the pews around you or speak with Fr. Howie.

## Learn More about St. Thomas's

At the end of this booklet, as well as on our website, you will find information about our weekly worship services and about opportunities to learn and grow in the faith through our Christian education programs for all ages. There also you can explore opportunities to join us in service to the Newark community through the Episcopal Campus Ministry and "Blue Hen Bounty" food pantry, through our work in support of the Newark Empowerment Center, through refugee resettlement and other programs of community service.

Thank you for joining us today. Your presence is a blessing to us. Fill out a visitor card in your pew and leave it with a clergy person or an usher if you would like to be contacted. We hope to see you again soon!

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Prelude

Procession

standing

Blessed Jesus, At Thy Word

Hymnal 440

1. Bless - ed\_ Je - sus, at thy word we are gath - ered all to  
 2. All our\_ know - ledge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est dark - ness  
 3. Gra - cious Lord, thy - self im - part! Light of Light, from God pro -

hear thee; let our\_ hearts and souls be stirred  
 shroud - ed, till thy\_ Sp - rit breaks our night  
 ceed - ing, o - pen\_ thou our ears and heart,

now to seek and love and fear thee; by thy teach - ings  
 with the beams of truth un - cloud - ed; thou a - lone to  
 help us by thy Spi - rit's plead - ing. Hear the cry thy

pure and ho - ly, drawn from earth to love thee sole - ly.  
 God canst win us; thou must work all good with - in us.  
 Church up - rais - es; hear, and bless our prayers and prais - es.

## THE WORD OF GOD

**Celebrant** Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
**People** **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

**Celebrant** Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## The Gloria

### Celtic Gloria



To God, be the glo - ry, all glo - ry in the  
Lord Je - sus, the on - ly be - got - ten of the  
high - est and peace to his peo - ple who dwell here be - low. Our  
Fa - ther we praise and we bless you, the Son and the Lamb. The  
heav - en - ly Fa - ther, our Lord, and our Sov - reign, to you, the Al -  
sin of the world you have tak - en up - on you, have mer - cy up -  
might - y, our prais - es be - stow. We wor - ship and a - dore you we  
on us, the Great I Am. For ho - ly, you meet us, yet  
bow be - fore you with grate - ful thanks - giv - ing, our song let us  
low - ly you greet us, the Lord in the high - est, the Ho - ly  
raise. All glo - ry and hon - our and glad a - do - ra - tion to  
One. All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, the Son, and the Spi - rit, from  
God in the high - est ho - san - na and praise.  
a - ges ev - er last - ing, the Three - in One.

Music: *Leaving of Lismore*  
adapt./arr. George Bayley  
Text: Mark Schweizer

## Collect

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

**People**          **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth:  
Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

*sitting*

### First Lesson

Micah 6:1-8

Hear what the LORD says:

Rise, plead your case before the mountains,  
and let the hills hear your voice.

Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD,  
and you enduring foundations of the earth;

for the LORD has a controversy with his people,  
and he will contend with Israel.

“O my people, what have I done to you?

In what have I wearied you? Answer me!

For I brought you up from the land of Egypt,  
and redeemed you from the house of slavery;

and I sent before you Moses,  
Aaron, and Miriam.

O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised,  
what Balaam son of Beor answered him,

and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,  
that you may know the saving acts of the LORD.”

“With what shall I come before the LORD,  
and bow myself before God on high?

Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings,  
with calves a year old?

Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams,  
with tens of thousands of rivers of oil?

Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,  
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

He has told you, O mortal, what is good;  
and what does the LORD require of you

but to do justice, and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 15

*Domine, quis habitabit?*



15

- 1 Lord, who may >> dwell **in** your tabernacle;\*  
who may abide upon >> your **ho-ly** hill?
- 2 Whoever leads a blameless life and >> does **what** is right,\*  
who speaks the >> **truth from** his heart.
- 3 There is no guile upon his tongue;  
he does no e->> **vil to** his friend;\*  
he does not heap contempt >> **up-on** his neighbor;
- 4 In his sight the wick->> ed **is re-jected**,\*  
but he honors those >> who **fear** the Lord.
- 5 He has sworn >> to **do no** wrong\*  
and does not >> take **back** his word.
- 6 He does not give his money >> **in hope** of gain,\*  
nor does he take a bribe >> **a-against** the innocent.
- B** 7 Whoev->> er **does** these things\*  
shall never >> be **o-ver** thrown.

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

**People Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual**

Family Choir

*Deacon* The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**People** **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil  
against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in  
heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

**People** **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

*seated at the preacher's invitation*

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

With all our heart, and all our mind, let us pray to the Lord.

For all who have seen the light of Christ, and for all who work to spread it in the world. May they have the joy that moves mountains and the peace that wins over all enemies. We pray especially for Christians whose faith must withstand the loss of home, family, and personal safety.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For the leaders of Christian communities around the world. May their wisdom and gentleness inspire the faithful and convert the hard-hearted. We pray especially for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, all those who lead the Anglican Communion and those who lead our own Church: Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Kevin, our Bishop.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For those who lead the nations of the world, and for all countries and people. May they do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly as servants of the Kingdom of God. We pray especially for our President, our Governor, and our Mayor, and for all who work for peace and reconciliation.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For the needs of our own community, for our neighbors, and for those whose dignity depends on our compassion. In helping and being helped, may we make one another holy.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For all who have lost home and security through war, natural disaster, and economic hardship. May we have the courage and energy to see and respond to their needs, and may they find the safe rest that is a foretaste of our promised rest in Heaven.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For all who risk their own safety for the sake of others, all who work for the safety of our own community, and all who serve in the armed forces, especially those listed in this morning's service leaflet and those we name now, aloud or in our hearts.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

We pray for those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially those listed in this morning's service leaflet, those who have no one to pray for them, and those we name now, aloud or in our hearts. May they find healing and strength.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

We pray for our partners in mission, especially for St Andrew's School Chapel, Middletown, and for The Church of Pakistan (United). May they join with us in spreading the Gospel and building the Kingdom.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

We pray for all who have died, especially those whose memorials are in this church and those we name now, aloud or in our hearts. We give thanks for all the saints and faithful people who have gone before us. May they have rest from their labors and a share in God's promises.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Savior, Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*standing or kneeling*

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**All**           **Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

## THE PEACE

*standing*

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**People**       **And also with you.**

## OFFERTORY

Our offerings are an act of worship through which we respond with gratitude to God's grace, love, and mercy, putting our trust in the Lord into action. You may place your offering in the plate, or--if you give through the "Giving to St. Thomas's" link on the parish website--you may place an "online giving" card in the plate. With the bread and the wine, these donations are carried to the altar and offered to the Lord on our behalf.

### Offertory Hymn

All Glory be to God on High

Hymnal 421

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature of 4/4. The lyrics are arranged in three columns, corresponding to the three verses. The first line of music is followed by the first three verses. The second line of music is followed by the continuation of the first and second verses. The third line of music is followed by the continuation of the first and second verses. The fourth line of music is followed by the continuation of the first and second verses. The fifth line of music is followed by the continuation of the first and second verses. The sixth line of music is followed by the continuation of the first and second verses. The seventh line of music is followed by the continuation of the first and second verses. The eighth line of music is followed by the continuation of the first and second verses. 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1. All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth\_\_from  
2. O Lamb of God, Lord Je - sus Christ, whom God the Fa - ther  
3. You on - ly are the Ho - ly One, who came for our\_\_sal -

hea - ven, and God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be  
gave\_\_ us, who for the world was sac - ri - ficed up -  
va - tion, and on - ly you are God's true Son, who

to all peo - ple giv - en. We bless, we wor - ship  
on the cross\_\_ to save\_\_ us; and, as you sit at  
was be - fore\_\_ cre - a - tion. You, on - ly Christ, as

you, we raise for your great glo - ry  
God - s right hand and we for judg -  
Lord we own and, with the Spi - rit,

thanks and praise, O God,\_\_ Al - might - y Fa - ther.  
ment there must stand, have mer - cy, Lord, up - on us.  
you a - lone share in\_\_ the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

**Celebrant** The Lord be with you.  
**People** **And also with you.**  
**Celebrant** Lift up your hearts.  
**People** **We lift them to the Lord.**  
**Celebrant** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**People** **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. [Proper Preface] Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## Sanctus

*Cantor*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might.

*All*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heav - en and earth are full of you glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - - - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high - - - est.

*standing or kneeling*

*The Celebrant continues* We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

Acclamation B

We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -  
rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry. Marc F. Chebn

*The Celebrant continues* And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Ever-Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior  
Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say,

**All** Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**People** Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

## Fraction Anthem

Blessed are Those

*First Cantor, then All* S-172

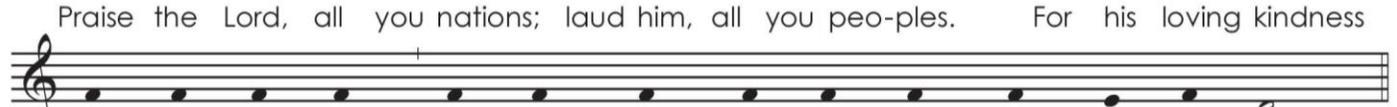


Bless-ed are\_\_\_ those who are call - ed to the Sup - per of the Lamb.

*Cantor*



Praise the Lord, all you nations; laud him, all you peo-ples. For his loving kindness



toward us is great, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures for ev - er.

*All*



Bless-ed are\_\_\_ those who are call - ed to the Sup - per of the Lamb.

Ambrosian chant

*Celebrant* Behold the Lamb of God,  
Behold Him who takes away the sins of the world;  
Happy are they who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

**All** **O Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof,  
but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.**

*All are welcome to come forward up the center aisle to receive from the priest either the sacrament of Christ or a blessing. If you desire a blessing, cross your arms over your chest. Receive the host in open hands. Gluten-free bread is available; you may request it from the priest when you come to the front of the line. Receiving the wine is optional. To take the wine, drink from the cup or intinct (carefully dip) the bread into the cup. Please use the side aisles to return to your pew. If you are unable to come forward, ask an usher to let the clergy know, and communion will be brought to you.*

## THE COMMUNION

- silence -

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*standing*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**All** **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **Blessing of Birthdays and Anniversaries Announcements**

*seated*

*Please visit the "Worship Opportunities" and "Parish Events" page in the back of this booklet. Then, look on the following page for "Birthdays and Anniversaries" and wish your faith family blessings!*

## **The Blessing**

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Praise to the Lord

Hymnal 390

1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
 2. Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly  
 3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -  
 4. Praise to the Lord! let all that is in me a -

a - tion. O my soul, praise him, for he is thy  
 reign - eth: Borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his  
 fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall  
 dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with

health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng,  
 saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen  
 ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new  
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men

psal - ter - y, or - gan and song,  
 how all thou need - est hath been  
 what the Al - might - y can do,  
 sound from his peo - ple a - gain;

sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion.  
 grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth.  
 who with his love doth be - friend thee.  
 glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

## Dismissal

*Deacon*      Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

**Worship Opportunities:**

- Sundays at 8:00 am - Holy Eucharist, Rite I spoken, in-person and via YouTube
- Sundays at 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist, Rite II with music, in-person and via YouTube
- Wednesdays at noon - Intercessory Prayer with Holy Communion, in-person
- Thursdays at 7 pm - Compline Evening Prayer, live via Zoom

**Growth and Fellowship:**

- Sundays at 9:15 am- adult education in the great hall classroom
- Sundays at 10:15 am - Children's Ministries in the Undercroft
- 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month - Gospel in Spanish
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays at 9:15 am - Novel Theology in the parlor and via Zoom
- Last Sunday of the month - Family Church Sunday
- Last Sunday of the month - Coffee and Fellowship between services
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month- Hope Dining Room service
- Tuesdays at 10:00 am - 2 Saints Readers via Zoom
- Wednesdays at 10:30 am - Lectionary Bible Study

**Other Parish Events:**

- TODAY, 1/29 between services – presentation from Blue Hen Bounty

If you have anything to add to the [Parish calendar](#) or the [Carpenter's Helper newsletter](#), please email the office at [StThomasOffice@googlegroups.com](mailto:StThomasOffice@googlegroups.com).

To see a full listing of parish worship, events, or news, visit our website: [www.StThomasNewarkDE.church](http://www.StThomasNewarkDE.church)

## January Birthdays

|                   |            |
|-------------------|------------|
| Connie Cooper     | January 1  |
| Audrey Houghton   | January 4  |
| Laura Houghton    | January 5  |
| John Eshaghi      | January 6  |
| Ben Sausville     | January 7  |
| Luke Campbell     | January 9  |
| Beryl King        | January 12 |
| Barbara Graham    | January 12 |
| Clark Sido        | January 28 |
| Peter Greiss      | January 22 |
| Marc Cheban       | January 23 |
| Laura Fortunato   | January 23 |
| Bill Holstein     | January 28 |
| Christine Anibogu | January 31 |

## January Anniversaries

|                               |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| David and Barbara Pong        | January 1  |
| Larry and Devon Miller-Duggan | January 1  |
| Justin and Kristin Sausville  | January 1  |
| Jack and Marge O'Donnell      | January 17 |

## Parish Prayer List

|                         |                  |                   |
|-------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Archer family           | Christine D      | Lane Family       |
| Austin M & Krissy V     | Connie L         | Larry             |
| Barry G                 | D Green          | Liz R             |
| Ben A and family        | Daphne D         | Lynn D            |
| Bernice R               | Denise B         | Marge C           |
| Blackman family         | Dennis R         | Maria P           |
| Bob M                   | Devon MD         | Marian S & Family |
| Bob P                   | Diane B          | Marianne A        |
| Bob S                   | Eley family      | Morgen and family |
| Bob T                   | Elmer T          | Nelson M          |
| Brendan S               | Flora R          | Noah P            |
| Bright on P             | Fred & Lori      | Pam D             |
| Bryan A                 | Geoff C          | Pat & Emmett J    |
| Carew family            | Giorgio & Family | Rick R            |
| Carol G                 | Gwen K           | Ricky G           |
| Carol M                 | Hank H           | South Family      |
| Carolyn V               | Harrison family  | Stover B          |
| Cecily SH               | Jean & Richard P | Sue N             |
| Charles B               | Jeanne M         | Susan & family    |
| Charlie M & Ellen S     | Jim T            | Tom P             |
| Chaun                   | Joan B           | Vicki G           |
| Chris E                 | John D           | Winthrop          |
| Christine & Erich       | June G           | Witman Family     |
| Christine A & Francis M | Kathryn D        |                   |

We pray for all who serve our country abroad, in the military,  
in embassies, and in non-governmental organizations, especially...

|         |            |         |          |
|---------|------------|---------|----------|
| Adam    | Charlie K  | Kate    | Nicholas |
| Annie R | Christie J | Kathy   | Stuart   |
| Ben     | James      | Kevin   | Tina     |
| Bob     | Jeremy     | Luke    | Tyler    |
| Bradley | Joe        | Marvin  | Victoria |
| Brett   | Josh       | Matthew |          |
| Brian   | Kagen      | Nate    |          |

*To update or add to our parish prayer list,  
please contact the office or speak with Fr Howie directly.  
Please include a last name initial, and let us know if your loved one would like  
to be contacted by our pastoral care ministry or have a visit from a priest.*

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Clerk of the Vestry: Mike Grabowski

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Jill Englund Jensen  
Madeline Johnson  
Kristin Sausville

#### Class of 2024

Larry Duggan  
Cami Seward  
Philippa Sunnergren

#### Class of 2025

Joan Bennett  
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