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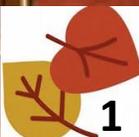
November 2021

Fr. Jim Stanley, Rector



Someone once quipped, "May you live in interesting times." I don't know how *interesting* our present time is. I do know it's a sad time and an angry time. It is an impatient time and a selfish time. I wish I could just blame the news media or the entertainment industry for overstating things, but the far-away stories of angry meltdowns and violent outbursts aren't so far away anymore. I don't just see these things happen on TV or You Tube. I experience them in the drive-through line; in the supermarket; in my neighborhood and on the highway. People are angry. If I am honest, sometimes I am angry and impatient, selfish, and entitled.

We're in November now and with that calendar change comes my all-time favorite holiday. You'd think a priest would be in love with



Christmas or Easter. I really DO love them both, but Thanksgiving is easily my favorite. I confess, that has at least *something* to do with my affinity for turkey, stuffing, gravy and mashed potatoes; and football, and family. But I am also profoundly drawn to the practice of gratitude as a spiritual discipline. In his wonderful way, G.K. Chesterton summed it up as follows - "Thanks are the highest form of thought. And gratitude is happiness doubled by wonder."

This November, give yourself the gift of wonder and gratitude. Make it a point to say, "Thank you" - especially to the unseen ones; those you might pass by without a thought: a doorman, a driver, a cashier, a lunch-lady at school. If a service worker does a good job, thank the worker and then make sure to thank his, or her, boss. Send someone a thank you note - either for a kindness rendered, a service performed or maybe just a thank you for "being the wonderful person you are". Doing such a simple thing is good for your soul. Also, it could very well move a person who might be on the edge of an unfortunate meltdown back to the calm center.

"So then, just as you have received Jesus Christ as Lord, continue to live in him...overflowing with thankfulness." Colossians 2:6



Mission Statement

SEEK...a deeper knowledge of Jesus Christ
SHARE...the love and compassion of Christ
SERVE...others with open hearts
SHINE...with Christ's light, illuminating our world



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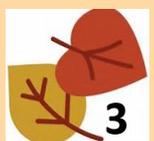
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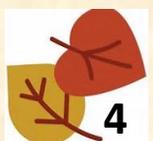
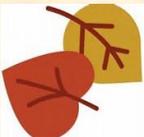
Services: Sundays and Tuesdays
at 9:30 a.m.

Please find a substitute if you
are unable to serve.

	Altar Guild	Greeters	First Readers	Second Readers (Vested)	Chalice Bearers	Nursery
Sunday, November 7	Liz Huth-Taylor Linda Purcell	Gary Morrill Peggy Morrill	DJ and Marvin Hill	Marg Duer	Alison Hill	Variable
Tuesday, November 9	Peggy Davis	?	Jack Notzen	Jack Notzen	?	Variable
Sunday, November 14	Karen Cappello Judy Zawacke	Ida Butler Bob Duer	Mike Zawacke	Jack Notzen	Jeff Cappello	Variable
Tuesday, November 16	Peggy Davis	?	Jack Notzen	Jack Notzen	?	Variable
Sunday, November 21	B. Wigger- Kistner	Bill Burns Lamar Jones	Karen Cappello	Ida Butler	Bob Purcell	Variable
Tuesday, November 23	Peggy Davis	?	Jack Notzen	Jack Notzen	?	Variable
Sunday, November 28	Nancy Holian Kathy Svendson	Jeff Cappello Aubrey Hercules	Olivia Purcell	Judy Zawacke	Marvin Hill	Variable
Tuesday, November 30	Peggy Davis	?	Jack Notzen	Jack Notzen	?	Variable

**Counters: Marvin Hill
and Bob Purcell**

*** Volunteer schedules are subject to change.**





Highlights of the Vestry Meeting on October 21, 2012



by Marg Duer

A quorum was not present at the Vestry meeting; therefore, no official action could be taken.

Highlights of discussion:

1. Members will be asked to approve a single 9:30 a. m. Eucharist on Sundays, which will then be ratified by the Vestry in November.
2. Mutual Ministry Review (MMR) forms have been distributed for Vestry, Wardens' and Clergy response
3. Outside access door to the elevator is complete. Last one out must lock.
4. A new copier will be the next major expense.

Upcoming events:

- Trunk or Treat on October 24 in our parking lot for neighboring and church families.
- Feed My Starving Children date is November 13.
- Thanksgiving Baskets are ready to receive contributions. Sign up in the Narthex.
- If you have any questions, please call 847-894-0007.

The Thanksgiving Basket Program

sponsored by the Palatine Township Outreach



by Peggy Morrill

We are again participating in the Thanksgiving Basket Program with the Township of Palatine helping those less fortunate people in Palatine to have a nice Thanksgiving dinner. The sign up sheet is in the coat room.

Please bring all purchased items to church on or before **Sunday, November 14th**. They can be placed on the table in the undercroft under the pictures of all our rectors



Questions?

Contact: Peggy Morrill or Mike DeMeyer



Bible Study:



Michael DeMeyer welcomes everyone to join him on the **first and third Mondays** of the month. —The next meeting will be **November 1st at 7 p.m.** Join us as we continue our walk through the Life of Christ.

Green Thumb:

Meets on the 1st Thursday @ 8 :30 am and the 3rd Saturday @ 9 :15 a.m.
—The next meeting will be **Thursday, November 4th**. Help keep our church landscaping beautiful. Join this dedicated group of volunteers!

Lunch Bunch:

Meets on the 2nd Friday of every month at **11:30 a.m.** — The next meeting will be **November 12th**. Bring your lunch & join in the fellowship



Eat, Pray, Read/The Book Club

by Jack Notzen

On Monday, September 13th, led by Judy Zawacke, Eat Pray (the Book Club) discussed *Still Life*, by Louise Penny. The evening was made even more enjoyable because Carol Hercules was able to join us!

The next meeting of Eat Pray Read will be on Monday, October 11th in the Foote Library. We will be discussing the classic *Hard Times*, by Charles Dickens. In the 19th century, Thomas Gradgrind, a wealthy, retired merchant in the industrial city of Coketown, England devotes his life to a philosophy of rationalism, self-interest, and fact. He raises his oldest children, Louisa and Tom, according to this philosophy and never allows them to engage in fanciful or imaginative pursuits. Ultimately, he founds a school and charitably takes in one of the students, the kindly and imaginative Sissy Jupe; after the disappearance of her father, a circus entertainer.



Know Your Church

The 2021 Diocesan Convention

(184th Annual Convention)

November 20

9:00 a. m. -3:00 p. m.



by Bob Purcell

The 184th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago will be held on Saturday, November 20, 2021 as a virtual gathering on Zoom

The Convention is the annual business meeting of the diocese, during which we elect leaders, consider resolutions and hear reports from across the diocese and the wider church.

Voting participants at convention include the clergy of the diocese and lay delegates elected from each congregation. All voting will be conducted electronically. General attendees have the option to listen via phone or watch the livestream on the diocesan YouTube channel. Phone and YouTube participation do not permit voice or vote.





November

2021



SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY




1

7:00 p.m.
Bible study



2

8:00 a. m. Chi Quong and Tai Chi 

9:30 a. m. Eucharist, Rite II Coffee Hour

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9:15 a.m. Green Thumb



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Set clocks back one hour.



7

2:00 a.m. Daylight Savings Time ends

9:30 a. m. Eucharist, Rite II Nursery Catechesis

11:30 a. m. Coffee Hour Vestry

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Veteran's Day 



7:00 p.m. The Book Club

9

8:00 a. m. Chi Quong and Tai Chi 

9:30 a. m. Eucharist, Rite II Coffee Hour

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11:30 a.m. Lunch Bunch



13

9:00 a.m. Parish fall clean-up day (with coffee and treats) Green Thumb



14

9:30 a.m. Rite II Service\ Nursery Catechesis

10:30 a.m. coffee hour

15

7:00 p.m. Bible study



17

8:00 a. m. Chi Quong and Tai Chi 

9:30 a. m. Eucharist, Rite II Coffee Hour

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Diocesan Convention (virtual)



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9:30 a. m. Eucharist, Rite I Nursery Catechesis

10:30 a. m. Coffee Hour

22

8:30 p.m. Spiritual Awareness (temporarily on hold)

23

8:00 a. m. Chi Quong and Tai Chi 

9:30 a. m. Eucharist, Rite II Coffee Hour

24



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Happy Thanksgiving

Parish Office Closed



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28 first Sunday of Advent

9:30 a. m. Eucharist, Rite I Nursery Catechesis

11:30 a. m. Coffee Hour

29



30

8:00 a. m. Chi Quong and Tai Chi 

9:30 a. m. Eucharist, Rite II Coffee Hour



