Mission Statement for St. Paul's: To proclaim God's love by word and example and to seek Christ in one another.

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Nov 5 - 11, 2017 Upcoming Events

(Events are at St. Paul's unless specified otherwise)

- Sun. Nov. 5 at 10:00AM Deacon's Mass with Rev. John Davis Sunday Service will change to 10:00am starting Nov. 5.
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- Daylight Savings Time Ends on Nov. 5. Clocks will go back one hour.
- > Wed. Nov 8 at 1:00PM Sleeping Bags
- Wed. Nov 8 at 5:30PM Parish Vestry Mtg.
- Sat. Nov 11at 10:00AM DOK Mtg.
- Sat. Nov 11 at 1:00PM Sleeping Bags

Our collections for the Food Bank & Women's Resource Center are the first Sunday of every month. Blessings and thanks for your support and participation.

Readings for this week

First Reading: Revelation 7:9-17 Psalm: 34:1-10, 22 Epistle: 1 John 3:1-3 Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

This Week's Lay Ministers:

Altar Guild: Mary Zalewski & Ben Zalewski Announcements: Lynne Graham Camera & Broadcast: Al Leigh & Andrew Wurth Acolyte: Benjamin Zalewski & Sean Eckert Counters: Tom Undercoffler & David Calby Chalice Bearer: Brenda Syle Lector: Stephanie Calby Intercessor: Jane Chandler Greeter/Usher: Elaine Petrzala & Stephanie Calby Hospitality: Maggie & Jerry Sock & Martha Kupscznk



Trehab & WNEP Channel 16 Feed a Friend Trehab & WNEP Channel 16 are asking all area churches for dessert food collection: including <u>CANNED PIE FILLING, BOX PIE</u> <u>CRUST, BOX CAKE MIXES and PREPARED</u> <u>CANNED ICINGS</u>. All Monetary Donations are always welcome to help defray the cost of the turkeys and extra supplies. We will need all donations no later than Sunday November 5th. All donations stay in Susquehanna County.



The Vestry has started a Sunday collection to provide bread for the Montrose Mobile Food Bank once a month. We expect that the cost would be around \$250 per month to provide bread for the monthly distribution.

SLEEPING BAGS FOR THE HOMELESS IN AMERICA

Thank you to all who have brought in needed articles for the sleeping bag project. At this time, BLANKETS are the most needed. They do not need to be perfect but only clean. Please consider marking your calendars for the second Wednesday and/or second Saturday of each month to join in making the sleeping bags. We meet at 1:00 in the new Room #1 downstairs We can arrange a work table in the parish hall for those who cannot use the stairs. Our sleeping bags are delivered to shelters in three states, PA, NY and NJ where most needed at the time of distribution. Blessings! Carol M.

Facts from Annual Homeless Assessment Report to Congress (most recent) On a single night in January 2017, there were 549,928 homeless in America.

60% men, 40% women 1,770 were trans gender 32% not in shelters 39,471 were veterans, 9 out of 10 were men 35,686 were unaccompanied youth

The Vestry will meet to prayerfully discern the qualities we are looking for in a new priest and why. We invite and encourage the parish to join us in this work. Due to the timing of these meetings, we will provide a light dinner. Our next meeting will be on Nov. 8 everyone is welcome to attend. The Vestry values your input. Please come share your insights as we work through the questions that will help us to submit a profile showing a prospective new priest what our parish has to offer and how much more we want to be able to offer in the future. The Diocese will then post this profile to various sites where prospective new priests will look. The Vestry looks forward to your participation in this important process.

Thanksgivings: Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us, especially during this past week. Amen.

UTO (United Thank Offering)

Our collection for the UTO will be held on **Sunday, November 18, 2017**. If you have not picked up a box to add your thankful coins to, or an envelope, they are at the entrance of the Church.

Placing the box in sight of you, and /or family members is a great way to say thank you to God for all He has done for you.

WINTER COAT DRIVE AND DISTRIBUTION UNDERWAY

American Legion Post 154 has started collecting winter coats for its annual Coats for the Community program, now in its 11th year.

The organization is seeking new or clean, gently used winter coats, hats, gloves, mittens and scarves, along with blankets, to help keep our neighbors a little bit warmer this winter. Children's coats are particularly in demand. Last year, the group gave away more than

- 1,600 coats. Donations can be dropped off at ProCare Physical Therapy, St. Rt. 706,
 Montrose, St. Paul's Church, 276 Church St., Montrose, and American Legion Post 154,
 14515 State Route 3001, Montrose. Money donations are also welcome and will be collected through November. Anyone who needs a warm winter coat is welcome to this free event. Coats are scheduled to be distributed at the following locations:
- St. John Neumann Center, Choconut, Nov, 3 and 4
- St. Marks, New Milford, Nov. 13, 14 and 15
- St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Montrose, Dec. 20 and 21

You can also call the Post at 570-278-1649 to arrange a pick up or to ask questions.

Friday Night Social

This week the Friday Night Social will be at the Calby's. Vickie is fixing chili. Please bring a dish to pass and your own beverage. See you Friday at 6:00! Thanks! Vickie

Mobile Pantry

The Montrose Mobile Panty holds a free monthly food distribution the second Friday of each month. This program also addresses the food insecurity issue that faces some of our neighbors and friends. Volunteers are needed the day of the distribution starting at 11:00 through 5:00. To donate, volunteer or to sign up for yourself please call 571-214-2184.

Our thanksgivings: We give thanks for Dorothy Shaw and Travis Birchard who celebrate their birthdays this week. O God, look with favor, we pray, as Dorothy and Travis begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life. Amen.

We give thanks for those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week. *Grant o God, in your compassion, that those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week may live out the covenant they have made. May they grow in forgiveness, loyalty and love, and come at last to the eternal joys which you have promised through Jesus Christ our Lord; and may the blessing of God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be with them this day and forever. Amen.* **St. Paul's Cycle of Prayer:** Glen & Ann Kiefer; Robert & Renee Kimmell; Robert & Janet Kuhn; Steve, Martha & Klye Kupscznk

For those who are ill or have requested our prayers: Margaret Burgh, Brad Darde, Joe Welden, Rick Arrowsmith, Jennie Bowen, Sarah Bertsch, Becky Stasko, Sara, Klye & Kathy Warriner.

CHURCH CLOSURES please turn your radio dial to WPEL 96.5 FM. We will announce any closure of our church service on that station.

Pastoral Emergency: call the parish office during office hours. After hours, you may call Lynne Graham at her home 570-934-1160.

SEND COMMUNICATIONS: minutes, special events etc. to the office, for the parish office to disperse.

St. Paul's Altar Flowers: If you wish to reserve, a Sunday please <u>sign-up on the sheet</u> at the back of the church. Then fill out an <u>Altar Flower Card</u>. Please use one card for each request, <u>enclose your check for \$36.00</u> with the card in the envelope provided, and place it in the offering plate or send it to the parish office prior to the week that you are doing flowers. For those wishing to <u>supply your own flowers</u> please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church and fill out an altar flower card indicating you will do your own flowers. Thank you!

2 Photos this week

Kitchen Restoration Progressing

St. Paul's kitchen restoration project is progressing nicely. The counters installed on Monday and the electric hooked up. Gas and electric added to the stove and dishwasher and the refrigerator plugged in. Both sinks are hooked up and working. The outside brickwork was completed and the new windows wrapped in aluminum. We are waiting for a part for the stove hood and for a cabinet. Painting is next. Look in and check it out. Before and after pictures.



