

**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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Jan 21 - 27, 2018 Upcoming Events

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

- Memorial Service for Karen Holgate Sat. Jan. 20 at 10:00am Rev. Lou Divis
- Holy Eucharist on Sun. Jan 21 at 10:00am with Rev. John Wagner
- St. Brigid Dinner Sat Feb. 3 at 5:00PM

Readings for this week

First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Psalm: 62:6-14

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

This Week's Lay Ministers:

Altar Guild: Mary & Ben Zalewski

Announcements: Lynne Graham

Camera & Broadcast: Al Leigh & Andrew

Wurth

Acolyte: Benjamin Zalewski & Sean Eckert

Counters: Vickie Calby & Sandy Seeger

Chalice Bearer: Jerry Sock

Lector: Stephanie Calby

Intercessor: Esther Welden

Greeter/Usher: Maggie Sock & Nancy Dooling

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St Brigid Dinner

There will be the St Brigid Dinner on Saturday February 3 at 5:00PM. The dinner is open to the community, we will be selling tickets \$5.00 each. The ticket money, as well as a free will offering, will be given to the employees of OIP that were affected by the fire.

We are asking DOK and St. Paul's parishioners to provide side dishes to go with the corned beef. It is expected that we may have 50-100 people attending the dinner.

A sign-up sheet for food dishes has been posted in the parish hall. This is what we have so far:

Corned beef with potatoes, cabbage & carrots.

Kale potatoes - Vickie & Nancy

Desserts - Carol Marker & Carol Lasher

Irish soda bread, hot cross buns - Brenda

Cole slaw - Rita

Any Questions call Brenda Syle 570-278-9302 or Vickie Calby 570-432-4009.

Reports for the Annual Meeting on January 28th after the service will need to be into the office by Tuesday, January 23. Thank You.



Bread Collection

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 which is the 2nd Friday of each month.

Coats For the Community -- Thank You St. Paul's

American Legion Post 154 and The Coats for the Community Program would like to say a sincere thank you to St. Paul's Church. Not only has the church given a significant financial contribution, they have helped in many other ways to make this another successful year. Between October and December, the program gave out over 1,500 coats, plus scarves, gloves, hats, snow pants and other articles of clothing to our neighbors in Susquehanna County. In December, St. Paul's distributed over 300 of those coats. Special thanks also to Vera Dunn, Nancy Dooling, John Finlon and Lynne Graham for helping with distribution.

Centering Prayer On Wednesdays 12 Noon to 12:20

"Prayer is sitting in the silence until it silences us, choosing gratitude until we are grateful, and praising God until we ourselves are an act of praise"

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

St. Paul's Cycle of Prayer: Carole Canfield; Timothy & Laurel Canfield; Jane Chandler; Evelyn & Emile Constantine

For those who are ill or have requested our prayers: Margaret Burgh, Brad Darde, Joe & Esther Welden, Rick Arrowsmith, Jennie Bowen, Sarah Bertsch, Becky Stasko, Sara, Kyle, Kathy Warriner, Janice, K'ann, Pat & Charles.

Our thanksgivings: We give thanks for Dave Calby and others who celebrate their birthdays this week. *O God, look with favor, we pray, as Dave and others 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.*

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

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

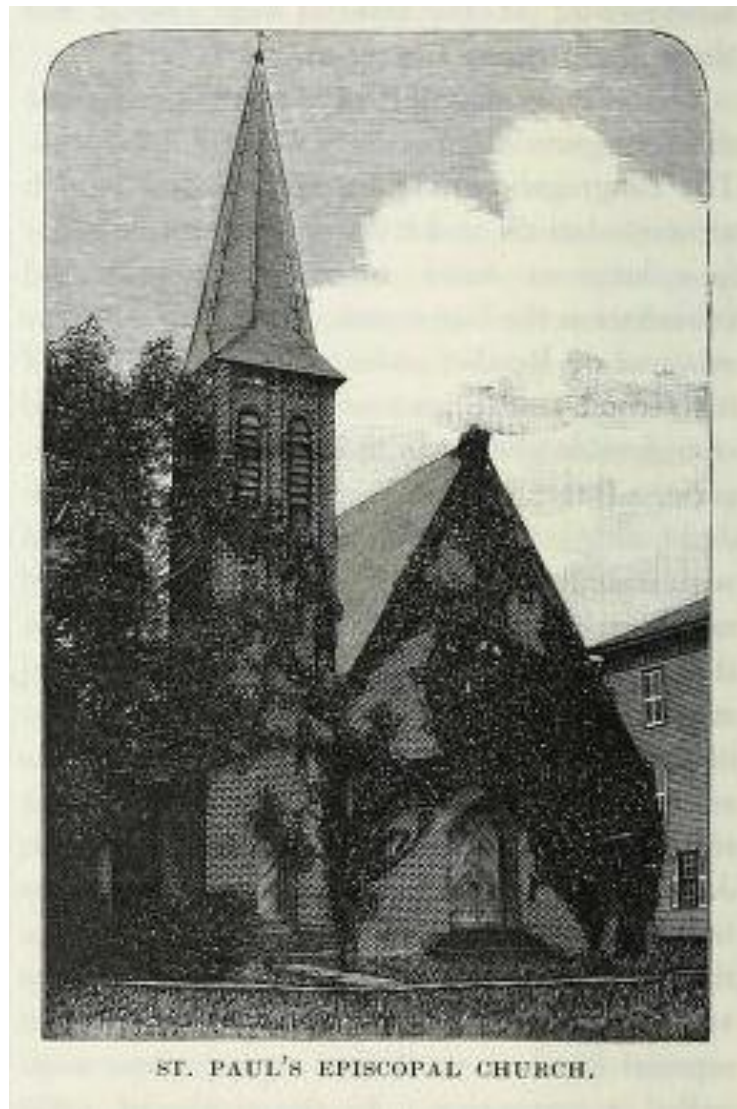
SEND COMMUNICATIONS: minutes, special events etc. to the office, for the parish office to disperse.

St. Paul's Altar Flowers: If you wish to reserve, a Sunday please sign-up on the sheet at the back of the church. Then fill out an Altar Flower Card. Please use one card for each request, enclose your check for \$36.00 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 supply your own flowers 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!

3 Photos this week

Earliest Likeness of St. Paul's

In 1887, Rhamanhus Stocker wrote the Centennial History of Susquehanna County. In his section on Montrose, a wood block print of St. Paul's Church is presented. It is the earliest likeness of the church found to date. The church was 30 years old by that time and as you can see, is already being covered by the ivy which by 1900, completely covered the front. Stocker calls it the "vine-clad Episcopal Church." The Rev. Edward Warriner, whose picture hangs in the Guild Room, was the rector at that time.



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Warming Up

Our Parish Hall fireplace warmed some of our coffee hour participants last Sunday. It was a cold snowy Sunday morning and there is nothing like a fire and good fellowship to warm you all over.

