

**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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June 3 - 9, 2018 Upcoming Events

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

- DOK Women's Retreat at Camp Lackawanna will be on June 1 starting at 3:00pm, June 2 starting at 9:00am & June 3 starting at 10:00am. Choose all 3 days for \$60. or 1day Sat. for \$30. All women are welcome.
- Holy Eucharist Sun. June 3 at 10:00am with Rev. John Wagner
- DOK Meeting Sat. June 9 at 10:00am
- Sleeping Bags Sat. June 9 at 1:00pm
- Community Conversation about Addiction Mon. June 11 at 6:00pm

This Week's Lay Ministers:

Altar Guild: Vera Dunn & Carol Marker

Announcements: Lynne Graham

Camera & Broadcast: Al Leigh & Andrew Wurth

Acolyte: Benjamin Zalewski or Sean Eckert

Counters: Maggie Sock & Richard Marker

Chalice Bearer: Vickie Calby

Lector: Nancy Dooling

Intercessor: Maggie Sock

Greeter/Usher: Sandra Seeger & Stephanie Calby

Altar Flowers today are from Maggie & Jerry Sock In Memory of Donna Sock, Bob Riley, Roseann McGee and Neal McGee.

Readings for this week

First Reading: Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Psalm: 81:1-10

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

Gospel: Mark 2:23-3:6

Centering Prayer Wednesdays from 12 Noon to 12:20

Prayer is not asking. Prayer is putting oneself in the hands of God, at God's disposition, and listening for Love's voice in the depths of our hearts. Mother Teresa

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.



Bread Collection Update

As you know, St. Paul's started a second collection on Sundays to provide money to buy bread for the Montrose Mobile Food Pantry once a month. We expected the cost to be about \$250 a month and that has been our goal. The monthly distribution takes place on the second Friday of each month. Thank you for your generosity. The recipients of the Food Pantry services are depending on us.

History of St. Paul's

As many of you know, Dan Graham is writing a history of St. Paul's. Entitled *The History of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Montrose 1831-2018*, he hopes to get it published this summer. If you have any pictures or stories you would like to share, please let Dan know.

For those who are ill or have requested our

prayers: Margaret Burgh, Brad Darde, Rick Arrowsmith, Sarah Bertsch, Becky Stasko, Kyle, Kathy Warriner, Joe & Esther Welden, Janice, K'ann, Pat, Charles, Charlotte Eckert, Alice Wood, Jean Williams, Charlotte Ellis, Esther McLaughlin, Susan Kamarauskas, Jeanette, Jeanne & Bart Conklin.

St. Paul's Cycle of Prayer: Sandra Seeger; Anne Shafer; Robert & Elizabeth Smith; Jerry & Maggie Sock

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

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.

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

2 Photos this week

Birthday Blessing

It has been a tradition at St. Paul's that the priest bless parishioners whose birthday or anniversary it is. It was Jerry Sock's birthday this week and Fr John brought him up toward the altar for a blessing.

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant Jerry as he begins another year. Grant that he may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen his trust in your goodness all the days of his life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Church Photograph 1979

Mary Zalewski sent in a picture that her father, Warren Morgan took on April 29, 1979, which was about two weeks after Easter. It's fun to see the subtle changes that have taken place. The ramp to the cloister entrance had not been built yet but was still a sidewalk with hedges on both sides next to the church and the parish hall. The black church sign that had been used since the 1930s was still being used until a new sign was erected in 2007. That sign was replaced by our current electronic one in 2016. The photo does show the current roof and guttering system which had replaced the 1856 original one in 1971. The year after the picture was taken, the stairs to the bell tower door were removed and a ramp was added but proved too steep to be functional. The ramp was replaced with the current blue stone steps in 2016.

