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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Oct. 13 - 19, 2019 Upcoming Events

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

- > Thu. Oct. 10 Vestry at 5:30pm
- Sat Oct 12 Seeping Bags at 1:00pm
- Sun. Oct 13 Holy Eucharist at 10:00am with Fr. John Wagner
- Tue. Oct. 15 10:00am to 4:00pm & Wed. Oct. 16 3:00 to 6:00pm Coats for the Community at St. Paul's

Readings for Sunday

First Reading: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c Psalm: 111 Epistle: 2 Timothy 2:8-15 Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

This Week's Lay Ministers:

Altar Guild: Sandy Seeger & Marsha Jones Announcements: Lynne Graham Camera & Broadcast: Al Leigh & Andrew Wurth Acolyte: Benjamin Zalewski or Sean Eckert Counters: Dan Graham & Steve Kupscznk Chalice Bearer: Esther Welden Lector: Lynne Graham Intercessor: Carol Marker Greeter/Usher: John Finlon & Barbara Undercoffler Hospitality: Stephanie Calby

Altar Flowers this week are from Anne McKenzie Rogers and Betsy McKenzie Bailey In Memory of Garfield A. & Elizabeth F. McKenzie.



Tom and Diane Lager from St. Mark's and St. John's Church in Jim Thrope – Fr. John's old church are asking for our particiapation in the "Lehigh ValleyWalk to Defeat ALS," which will be on <u>Saturday, October 12th</u>, at the Iron Pigs Stadium at Coca-Cola Park in Allentown. It is a two-mile walk. Donations could also be made from the web site.

St. Paul's Coat Distribution needs

help. We are giving out coats in October at St. Paul's on Tuesday, the 15th from 10 am to 4 pm; and on Wednesday, the 16th from 12 to 6 pm. We need some help. If you can help give out coats at any time during those periods, we could use it. Contact Dan or John.

For those who are ill or have requested our prayers: Margaret Burgh, Kathy Warriner, Joe Welden, Alice Wood, Naomi Bennett & Fr. John Wagner.

Oak Table

Did you know that the oak table currently on the stage in the Parish Hall was used as the altar in the 1831 Church? Read more about this and the history of St. Paul's church in the upcoming book, **The History of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Montrose, Pennsylvania 1831-2019.**



AUTUMN TRIP - COME ALONG

A trip to tour the Historic Episcopal Church of St. Mark's & St. John's in the town of Jim Thorpe is scheduled for OCTOBER 27th, 2019. We will leave St. Paul's after service on Sunday having refreshments before leaving. The distance is an hour and a half drive to and from and we will travel via car pool hoping to behold the autumn colors as we travel south.

Please let Lynne Graham or Carol Marker know if you are interested to be included. There is a sign-up sheet at entrance of the church and also in the parish hall. This trip is for EVERYONE, so come along! 5.00 gift children free Lynne 570-396-7612 Carol 570-465-7230







Feed a Friend

Trehab will be collecting desserts for the Thanksgiving Baskets. This is the 35th year. Last year 742 households were served in Susquehanna County. They are asking for <u>Canned Pie Filling, Box Pie Crust, Box Cake</u> <u>Mixes and Prepared Canned Icing.</u> All items must be brought in by Sunday November 10th.

"If you know anyone who wishes to receive the Weekly Update, please let Betty know."

Send Communications: minutes, special events etc. to the office, for the parish office to disperse.

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



Mobile Food Pantry

St. Paul's supplies the bread and many of our parishioners volunteer. The next distribution is on <u>October 11th</u>. Volunteers are always welcome.

St. Paul's Cycle of Prayer: Joe & Esther Welden; Alice Wood; Mary & Ben Zalewski; Robert & Patty Aiken

Centering Prayer Starts New Phase

Centering prayer has begun a new phase in May. We will "do" Centering Prayer at our own homes at noon on Wednesdays. On the last Wednesday of the month we will gather in the sanctuary at St. Paul's Church in Montrose. If you haven't tried meditation lately, this would be a splendid opportunity.

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.

Our thanksgivings: We give thanks for Benson Bartron & Vickie Calby who celebrate their birthdays this week. O God, look with favor, we pray, as Benson & Vickie 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 Altar Flowers: If you wish to reserve, a Sunday please <u>sign-up on the sheet</u> <u>at the back of the church</u>. Then fill out an <u>Altar</u> <u>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 <u>prior to the week that you are doing flowers</u>. 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!

4 Photos this week.

Diocesan Convention Last Week

The 148th Convention of the Diocese of Bethlehem was held in Reading, PA on Friday the 4th and Saturday the 5th. St. Paul's attendees were Fr. John, Lynne Graham and Stephanie Calby, our delegate. They were seated with delegates from St. Mark's and Christ Church. Bishop Kevin gave his address at dinner.



Bishop Kevin

It's hard to believe, but Bishop Kevin has been here almost a year. His ordination was Saturday, September 15th, 2018. He was seated at the Cathedral in October.



lt's Autumn

It's autumn, and it is time to make sure all the doors in church get closed. In the summer, we try to leave them open to circulate the air. But once the heat comes on, we need to keep them shut. Please remember to close all the internal doors when you leave.



The leaves fall, the wind blows, and the farm country slowly changes from the summer cottons into its winter wools.

Coats for the Community 2019

Coats for the Community kicks off their 13th year at St. Paul's this month. On Tuesday, the 15th, 10 am to 4 pm; and Wednesday, the 16th, from 12 to 6 pm, free coats will be distributed at St. Paul's. They will then be taken by the American Legion volunteers to 8 other places in Susquehanna County and then returned here for the last distribution of the year the third week in December. This is a local program that is focused on our local needs. We help make our neighbors a little warmer.

