

**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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Feb 2 - 8, 2020 Upcoming Events

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

- Sat. Feb 1 Holy Eucharist at 5:00pm
with Fr. Arthur L. Jones, III

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 & Patrick Gallagher

Chalice Bearer: Esther Welden

Lector: Nancy Dooling

Intercessor: Carol Marker

Greeter/Usher: Sandy Seeger & Marsha Jones

Readings for Sunday

First Reading: Malachi 3:1-4

Psalm: 84

Epistle: Hebrews 2:14-18

Gospel: Luke 2:22-40

**Altar Flowers this week are from Vita A.
Kiefer In Memory of Glen Paul Kiefer.**

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

**Our collections for the Trehab Food Bank &
Women's Resource Center** are the Evening
Service on the First Saturday of every month.
Blessings and thanks for your support and
participation.

Bible Study Has Begun

A small but enthusiastic group met on Tuesday
to begin a Bible study led by Fr. Arthur of the
readings and lessons for the following Sunday.
We shared supper at 5:30 and finished our
study by 7:00. A light dinner will be provided
on a volunteer rotating basis.

We will meet every other Tuesday on the
second and fourth Tuesdays of the month in
the Guild Room. Each week's study is
independent so please join us for any or all as
we delve further into the words of Scripture to
find meaning for our daily lives. This is a
wonderful opportunity to become more familiar
with your Bible while enjoying the fellowship of
your church family.



St. Paul's Church History for Sale

The 150 page *A History of St. Paul's Church, Montrose, Pennsylvania 1831-2019* is for sale
in the office for \$20.00. All proceeds will go to
St. Paul's. It presents the history of the of
Episcopalian beginnings in Montrose in the
early 1800s and the establishment and growth
of St. Paul's parish and ends with the calling of
Fr. Arthur in 2019. If you would like a copy
please let Betty know.



Mobile Food Pantry

As you know, St. Paul's supplies the money for bread through our weekly collections in the "bread basket." Feb 14 will be the next distribution, which is held at the Methodist Church, is run by volunteers and can always use some help.

St. Paul's Cycle of Prayer: Benson, Rachel, Maximus & Lucas Bartron; Naomi Bennett; Karen Blye-McAbee; John, Else & Molly Brunner

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

SLEEPING BAG MINISTRY

We were most blessed to have Joyce Burman with us to teach a faster way of completing a sleeping bag faster and easier. Joyce comes from serving many years at Holy Name of Mary sleeping bags ministry where they are able to produce many sleeping bags in one session. Needless to say, we welcomed her and needed her skills!! Thank you so much, Joyce. Another wonderful addition is the added donated sewing machine which is saving us time and "knots". !!!

Our supply inventory indicates that we are still in need of warm blankets plus help would be greatly appreciated.

Please remember they need not be perfect but only clean.

We continue to meet the second Wednesday and second Saturday of each month at 1:00 downstairs in Rm. #1. You need not stay the entire two hours if not possible but any time given is greatly appreciated.

Thank you All.

You only need to tie a knot!

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

St. Paul's Service Schedule

St. Paul's will have a Saturday evening service at 5 p.m. on the FIRST weekend of every month and no Sunday service that weekend. We will hold our regular service at 10 a.m. on the SECOND, THIRD, and FOURTH Sundays. Any FIFTH Sundays, we will gather with Christ Church at St. Mark's in New Milford at 10 a.m.

Pastoral Emergency or Non-Emergency

Contact: you can call the parish office during office hours. After hours call Arthur Jones at 570-665-1707 or email him at JonesAL0@sewanee.com

Our thanksgivings: We give thanks for John Brunner and those who celebrate their birthdays this week. *O God, look with favor, we pray, as John & 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.*

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!

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

2 Photos this week.

Epiphany 3

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew, his brother, casting a net into the sea – for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.”

Annual Meeting



After being snowed out last week, St. Paul’s had its annual meeting on Sunday. Presentations were given by Rev. Arthur and the various committee chairs. The parish expressed its appreciation numerous times to the various presenters.

New Curtains

New valance curtains appeared in Fr. Arthur’s office last week thanks to Karen Blye-McAbee. They gave his office a little homey touch. Good job Karen!

