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

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 276 Church Street, Montrose, PA 18801 Office 570-278-2954, Mon. to Thu. 8:15am to 1:00pm

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Mar 1 - 7, 2020 Upcoming Events

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

- Sat. Feb 29 Holy Eucharist at 5:00pm with Fr. Arthur L. Jones, III
- Lent Bible Study & Supper Tue. Mar 3, Mar 10, Mar 17, Mar 24 & Mar 31 at 5:30pm
- Sun. Mar 8 Holy Eucharist at 10:00am with Fr. Arthur L. Jones, III

This Week's Lay Ministers:

Altar Guild: Vera Dunn, Karen Blye-McAbee &

Carol Lasher

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: Patrick Gallagher Intercessor: Nancy Dooling

Greeter/Usher: Nancy Dooling & Karen Blye-

McAbee

Readings for Sunday

First Reading: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Psalm: 32

Epistle: Romans 5:12-19 Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

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.



Envelopes for Easter Flowers are available at the back of the church. Easter Lilies are \$21.00. I will need all envelopes to the office by Sun. April 5th for Memorials to be in the Easter Sunday Bulletin.

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 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." Mar. 13 will be the next distribution, which is at the Methodist Church, it is run by volunteers and can always use some help.

St. Paul's Service Schedule

St. Paul's will have a Sat. evening service at 5 p.m. on the FIRST weekend of every month and no Sun. 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.

Our thanksgivings: We give thanks for Carol Lasher and Nancy Finlon who celebrate their birthdays this week. O God, look with favor, we pray, as Carol & Nancy 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.

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

St. Paul's Cycle of Prayer: Charlotte Ellis; John & Nancy Finlon; Scott, Mari, Emma & Cora Finlon; Patrick Gallagher

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!

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

5 Photos this week.

Last Sunday after the Epiphany

When morning gilds the skies;
My heart awaking cries; May Jesus Christ be praised!
Alike at work and prayer To Jesus I repair: May Jesus Christ be praised!



Happy Birthday!



Happy birthday to Kristina Kinney. She celebrated a birthday along with Carol Lasher. We got to sing "Happy Birthday" during coffee hour but there were no candles to blow out.

Transfiguration Sunday

The season after the Epiphany came to a close Sunday and we now turn toward Lent, with a final burst of light. The liturgical cycle that began with the light of the star guiding the magi to Jesus ended with the light of Jesus revealed in Transfiguration.

While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!"

Pancake Supper



St. Paul's annual Strove Tuesday Pancake Supper was a huge success. The cooks had trouble keeping up with all the guests -- 60 or so people came. Extra tables and chairs were hastily put up – a good problem. Pancakes, eggs, sausage, applesauce, juice, coffee and a ton of desserts donated by parishioners were served. A good time was had by all.

The Cooks



Quite a Crew - 2020

Ashes to Go



On Ash Wednesday, Fr. Arthur was on Church Street from 12:00 to 1:30 for St. Paul's first "Ashes To Go." He greeted drivers in their vehicles by marking their foreheads with ashes and giving them a blessing. Volunteers gave every driver a brown bag lunch that was both delicious and nutritious. It was a good turnout for our first year.