

TRINITY STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The people of Trinity Episcopal Church are committed to deepening our relationship with God, through the power of the Holy Spirit, in order to reach out with Christ's love to our parish and to the community.

*We come together in faith to:
"Seek God, Live Christ,
Share the Spirit!"*

JOIN US FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP

8 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 1
Followed by coffee hour

10 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 2
Followed by coffee hour

Nursery Care beginning at **10 am**
10 am Church School



The *ETC* is the newsletter of
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Please join us!



ETC

May 2012

Warden's Corner

May 2012

Hugs have been shared, tears shed, and the people of Trinity have sent Betty and Bill on their way to Cape Cod with our thanks, our best wishes, and all of our love.

Now as we read in the Book of Ecclesiastes we have work to do. "There is an occasion for everything and a time for every activity ... a time to weep and a time to laugh ... a time to mourn and a time to dance." It is time for us to pull together as a parish and go about the task of keeping our parish alive and lively.

The Search Committee reports that it has been in contact with a number of promising candidates. As my mother used to say, "It will all unfold in due time."

In the meantime, the rest of us have plenty of work to do. ***There will be a parish meeting after the single service at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, May 20.*** In addition to answering your questions and hearing your suggestions about our interim period, we will discuss work to be done at the rectory, summer social activities, Sunday school, adult Christian education, pastoral care, and whatever else comes up as we map our way through our time without a rector. We will also be asking people to take part in or lead these tasks. After the meeting we will share lunch with hot dogs, hamburgers, and ice cream. All are invited and urged to attend as we take our first steps together as a parish in transition. So ... come on, we're all in this together and we are going to have fun.

As we move forward, please hold our Search Committee in your prayers:

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (BCP, p. 818)

Yours in Christ,
Joe Allen
Senior Warden

May Birthdays

- 2 Deborah Rozak
4 Julia Morin
6 Joe Allen
Stephanie Stadig
11 Drew Nichols
Linda Taylor
12 Betty Mudway
16 Joanne Cox
17 Dick Miller
Frank Pugliese
18 Blake Lewis
19 Ed Jarrell
20 Joan Jeffs
22 George Medlinskas
24 Michelle Hopping
25 John Krey
26 Teena Mason
31 Elaine Brouillette
Alden Harris

May Anniversaries

- 2 Ed & Diane Stadig
3 Ron & Sherry Alarie
16 Mark & Catherine Foster
Scott & Nancy Goodwin
Craig & Leslie McDonough
20 Mark & Joanna Wrona
23 Don & Bonnie Goodney
30 Luke & Moira Chan

Please inform the parish office if we have missed or misdated any birthday or anniversary information.

If there is a pastoral Emergency ~~~

During this period of transition, the office phone (508.842.6040) will continue to be monitored on a regular basis several times a day, and calls returned as soon as possible. In the event of a pastoral emergency please also contact Joe Allen, senior warden at: **508-479-9629**. Thank you.

May, 2012

Dear Friends,

I think you all know that it has been an enormous joy to have served you as your priest for the last 5 years. Because of your warm welcome, It didn't take long for Bill and me to fall in love with you. This is a wonderful parish: you really do "Seek God, Live Christ, Share the Spirit" as the banner that hung over our front door proclaimed. I want to thank you for making my journey in faith here in Shrewsbury such a fulfilling time for me.

What a fabulous send off you gave us at the Afternoon Tea celebrating my ministry! Bill and I had a terrific time being with you and sharing memories of our time together. I was thrilled that so many of you could be here on a Saturday afternoon to share this special time with us. And thank you for the generous gifts of your love. I never expected such an outpouring of love as you sent me off to a new life in retirement on the Cape.

I will always carry you in my heart. You will be there forever.

When your new Rector arrives please welcome him/her with the same love that you offered to me. There is an exciting new journey in faith ahead for Trinity.

I wish you many blessings for the future,

Love,
Betty

**Address for Bill and Rev. Betty:
2 Viking Lane, Sandwich, MA 02563
E Mail: Betty2viking@aol.com**

MUSICAL NOTES



On behalf of the Music Ministry, I want to wish Rev. Betty and Bill a fond farewell. We are so thankful for Betty's inspiration and leadership and for Bill's dedication to providing beautiful music for our Sunday morning services. We'll certainly miss Bill's talents both in song and on the guitar! Bill and Betty, we will miss you both very much and wish you happiness and relaxation in abundance as you start this new chapter in your lives.

Brenda Salvi, Music Director

IN OUR PARISH FAMILY

Welcome to: Linda Allen, who is a resident of West Boylston and has recently joined our Trinity family.

Necrology: Ken Mason, Teena Mason's father, in April.

*May the souls of the Faithful Departed,
by the mercy of God rest in Peace.*

Thank you, a Thousand Thanks to:

Brenda McDonald and the **Choir** and to our **Altar Guild, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Acolytes**— for their part in A Glorious Easter at Trinity!
And to **Sue Harris** and **Mary Rhodes** for their patient folding of all those Easter bulletins!

(Note: If you know a soon-to-be graduate please send along details (who's graduating, from where, future plans??? etc.) to the parish office so we can make note of it in an upcoming ETC.)

TRINITY'S SPRING THRIFT SALE this Saturday, May 5, 8 am-2 pm

It's time for the ever-popular Spring Thrift Sale! Donations are welcome through Thursday. Sorting and pricing will continue all this week and any time that you can spare will be greatly appreciated. Questions? contact Barbara Metcalf (508/842-8348 or ~~ barbarametcalf@townisp.com) *And tell your neighbors and friends that we will gladly accept their donations as well! And welcome them as shoppers too!*

Get Ready for Trinity Women in Maine!

Ladies –Mark your calendars for a relaxing weekend of fellowship and rejuvenation in Maine!



TWIM 2012 is November 9-11, with an option to stay over a third night to take advantage of the long Veteran's Day Weekend. Deadline to sign up is August 1. Further details will follow in the coming months!

Contact Catherine Foster – crfoster@charter.net with any questions or ideas.

May Church School News

In May we will focus on what happened during the 40 days Jesus was on Earth after his Resurrection. In April we made resurrection rolls and made puppets to help the children comprehend what happened to Jesus after his death on the cross. It is a marvelous story to share and celebrate God's gift of eternal life through Jesus' death. The following lessons will be taught in May:

May 6 - Letter on Love

May 13 - One in Christ

May 20 - Ascension

May 27 - Pentecost **Wear Red!**

Paul's letter to the Corinthians describes love as an action not a feeling. He conveys that there is no spiritual gift as important as rooting all our actions in God's love.

Bible verses to learn this month are:

Love never ends. 1 Corinthians 13:8

All of you are one in Christ. Galatians 3:28

You will be my witnesses. Acts 1:8

All were filled with the Holy Spirit. Acts 2:4

In church school we strive to pay attention to the Spirit at work in each child. We provide alternatives for children who don't want to participate in a given group activity and find ways to let each child feel at home in the group. Working in Special Education has taught me to accept all children and try to teach them how to accept each other. "Now is the time to make justice a reality for all of God's children." Martin Luther King, Jr.

Susan Jennings-Reposa

Church School Director

June ETC

If you have news, calendar notices, or advertising for the June **ETC**, please forward to the parish office no later than **Friday, May 25.**

Thank you.

MAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 6

The Rev. John Phelps, Celebrant

8 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 1

10 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 2

On Site Host: Joe Allen

Sunday, May 13

The Rev. Clifford Gerber, Celebrant

8 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 1

10 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 2

On Site Host: Joe Allen

Sunday, May 20

The Rev. Perry Kingman, Celebrant

10 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 2

Single Service

{*See Note Below* regarding the special all-parish meeting to be held following this service.}

On Site Host: Tom O'Hara

Sunday, May 27 - Pentecost Sunday

Joe Allen, Worship Leader

10 am Morning Prayer—Single Service

Looking Ahead to June: Our Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Gordon P. Scruton, will join us for a single service of Holy Eucharist on Sunday, June 3 at 10 am. This will be Bishop Scruton's last visit to Trinity before his retirement. A reception will follow the service. Mark your calendars!

All Parish Meeting

The Vestry has planned a parish-wide meeting concerning the transition time following Rev Betty's departure and the arrival of our new rector.

This meeting will take place following a single service at 10 am on Sunday, May 20. Please come ready to participate in what promises to be an informative and fun filled hour. The Vestry is working hard to make this transitional period as seamless as possible and would like to hear from you.

Lunch will be provided after the meeting. For more information please check out this month's Warden's Corner on page 1.

SHARE - THROUGH THESE OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, May 6

Project Bread's Walk for Hunger

Starting and ending at Boston Common.

walk@projectbread.org

Sunday, May 6

Coins for IHN

Our Outreach Collection for IHN continues at services on May 6. The vestry pledged \$2,000 in donations in support of IHN for 2012 and after our March loose coin collection, we were able to send them a check for \$500! Thank you for sharing

Saturday, May 12

Letter Carriers' Food Drive

rubin@townisp.com

Please consider volunteering to help at this year's Letter Carriers' Food Drive on Saturday, May 12 from 1-6 pm at the Fr. Smith Center, 130 Turnpike Road, Shrewsbury. Volunteers are needed to sort and distribute incoming food donations. The busiest time is from 3-6 pm. All food collected on this day stays in Shrewsbury and benefits local residents.

Sunday, May 20

Central Mass Housing Alliance's

Walk for the Homeless

awalsh@cmhaonline.org

Starting and ending at **Institute Park**, Worcester, The Walk helps to support the Central Massachusetts Housing Alliance which benefits several local organizations working to serve and nurture the homeless - including the Interfaith Hospitality Network. (IHN)

Saturday June 9

IHN's Ride for a Reason

www.ihnworchester.org/event

9 am-noon. A fun and scenic bike ride starting and finishing at the First Congregational Church of Holden. 15, 30, and 50 mile options through the towns of Holden, Leominster, W.Boylston, Sterling, and Princeton.

Ongoing

Supplies for the St. Anne's Food Pantry

Sherry Alarie: salarie@shrewsburycu.com

Please keep filling the bin in the narthex!



If you can help host Trinity's **IHN Week** at First Congregational, Shrewsbury, May 27-June 3, please contact Ron or Sherry Alarie at 508-845-9072.

CHALLENGE FUND UPDATE

As you know, a member of the Trinity family, who has chosen to remain anonymous, has come forward to help Trinity with its budget deficit by helping Trinity with the costs of calling a new Rector including search and relocation expenses if we also help. The Vestry has budgeted \$10,000 for this expense. Our anonymous donor - i.e. our Angel, will match new gifts to Trinity for this purpose up to a total of \$5,000. In other words, we have to give a dollar to get a dollar.

If we can raise \$5,000 by June 30, 2012, the Angel will give Trinity an additional \$5,000.

In order that an accurate accounting be kept, your gifts for this purpose should be marked "Matching Gift" and should not be included with annual pledge payments - unless the Matching Gift portion is conspicuously indicated. Thank you - we are on our way!

Challenge Funds Received through April 29= \$4,010



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A NEW BISHOP FOR THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS

The Diocese recently announced the names of the five candidates for ninth bishop of the Diocese of Western Massachusetts. They are:

The Very Rev. Richard A. Demarest, 55, Dean, St. Michael's Cathedral, Boise, Idaho (Diocese of Idaho)

The Rev. Dr. Douglas John Fisher, 57, Rector, Grace Church, Millbrook, New York (Diocese of New York)

The Rev. Nancy Gossling, 60, Rector, St. James' Church, Glastonbury, Connecticut (Diocese of Connecticut)

The Very Rev. Ron W. Griffin, 58, Rector, Christ Church, Eureka, California (Diocese of Northern California)

The Very Rev. Mark B. Pendleton, 49, Dean, Christ Church Cathedral, Hartford, Connecticut (Diocese of Connecticut)

There will be four opportunities to meet the candidates at "WalkABOUTs" later this month:

Monday May 21, 7 pm
St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield

Tuesday, May 22, 10 am
Church of the Atonement, Westfield

Tuesday, May 22, 7 pm
St. James Church, Greenfield

Thursday, May 24, 7 pm
Church of the Nativity, Northborough

The new bishop will be elected on June 2, 2012, and ordained on December 1, 2012.

For more information please visit the Diocesan website dedicated to the search for our next bishop:

www.wmassbishopsearch.org

THANK YOU FOR SERVING IN MAY *

DATE/TIME	Lector(s)	EM	Chalicist	Ushers/Snacks	Acolytes	Altar Guild
May 6 8 am HE Rite 1	M. Tompkins B. Metcalf	A. Taylor		Metcalf		Leigh O'Connor Anne Morse
May 6 10 am HE Rite 2	P. Croteau D. Stading	M. Chan	E. Jarrell	Tebbetts/ <i>Tebbetts</i>	Chris Estrop, Jonathan Kelly, Tyler Hopping	
May 13 8 am HE Rite 1	L. Taylor M. Tompkins	J. Allen		Barclay		Linda Banks Joan Barclay
May 13 10 am HE Rite 2	D. Nichols J. Pugliese	J. Goodwin	J. Croteau	Hopping/ <i>D. Mudway</i>	Alec Estrop Matthew Jarrell Evan Jarrell	
May 20 10 am HE Rite 2 Single Service	E. Jarrell A. Jarrell	T. O'Hara	R. Nichols	Medlinskas/ <i>P. Thompson</i>	Jonathan Kelly, Sophia Marshall Victoria Marshall	Linda Taylor Beth Murray
MAY 27 - PENTECOST!! WEAR RED! JOE ALLEN WORSHIP LEADER						
May 27 10 am Morning Prayer Single Service	H. Marshall C. Estrop	P. Marshall		Marshall/ <i>TBA</i>	Alex Chan	Moira Miller Nancy Goodwin

*** Schedules updated as of April 27, 2012**

Please Note revisions for May 20 and May 27.


May 20 is now a single service Sunday with Holy Eucharist;; May 27 is a single service Sunday with Morning Prayer.

Schedules are distributed quarterly, in advance of serving dates; these schedules also appear (without contact information) on the Trinity website – www.trinityshrewsbury.org. Schedules month to month as above appear in the *ETC*. Reminders/updates are sent by e-mail a couple of days prior to every Sunday as part of the weekly Trinity E-Update.

And if you ever have a question about when you are scheduled to serve, you can always contact the parish office!



DATE	EVENT(s)
5/2 (Wed)	3 pm Wellspring, Common Room 6:30 pm ACOA, Common Room
5/5 (Sat)	8 am-2 pm SPRING THRIFT SALE 6:30 pm Youth Group, Youth Room
5/6 (Sun) <i>The Rev. John Phelps, Celebrant</i>	8 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 1 9:45 am – 1 pm Wellspring, Lawrence Hall 10 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 and First Communion 10 am Church School Outreach Collection for IHN 4 pm Dance, Lawrence Hall
5/7 (Mon)	6 pm Yoga , Lawrence Hall
5/8 (Tues)	8:45 am ACMT, Lawrence Hall
5/9 (Wed)	3 pm Wellspring, Common Room 6:30-8:30pm ACOA, Lower Hall 7 pm Yoga, Lawrence Hall
5/11(Fri)	5 pm Wedding Rehearsal, Sanctuary 7 pm Yoga, Lawrence Hall
5/12 (Sat)	8:30 am Men's Group, Lower Hall 3 pm Wedding, Sanctuary 6-8 pm Wellspring, Lower Hall & Lawrence Hall
5/13 (Sun) Mothers Day <i>The Rev. Clifford Gerber, Celebrant</i>	8 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 1 9:45 am- 1 pm Wellspring, Lawrence Hall 10 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 10 am Church School 4 pm Dance Instruction, Lawrence Hall
5/14 (Mon)	6 pm Yoga, Lawrence Hall
5/15 (Tues)	8:45 am ACMT, Lawrence Hall 7:30 pm Vestry, Common Room 7:30 pm Mineral Club, Lower Hall
5/16 (Wed)	3 pm Wellspring, Common Room 6:30 pm ACOA, Lower Hall 7 pm Yoga, Lawrence Hall (T)

DATE	EVENT(s)
5/18 (Fri)	7 pm Yoga, Lawrence Hall (T)
5/20 (Sun) <i>The Rev. Perry Kingman, Celebrant</i>	9:45 am-1 pm Wellspring, Lawrence Hall 10:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 10 am Church School 11 am All Parish Meeting, Lower Hall 1 pm Walk for the Homeless, Institute Park, Worcester 4 pm Dance, Lawrence Hall
5/21 (Mon)	6 pm Yoga, Lawrence Hall
5/22 (Tues)	8:45 am ACMT, Lawrence Hall
5/23 (Wed)	10 am Parish Audit 3 pm Wellspring, Common Room 6:30-8:30pm ACOA, Lower Hall 7 pm Yoga, Lawrence Hall
5/24 (Thurs)	7 pm Walk About with candidates for Bishop, Nativity, Northborough
5/25 (Fri)	<i>Articles Due Today for the June ETC!</i> 7 pm Yoga, Lawrence Hall
5/27 (Sun) Pentecost <i>Joe Allen Worship Leader</i>	9:45 am-1 pm Wellspring, Lawrence Hall 10 am Morning Prayer 10 am Church School [end] IHN at First Congregational, Shrewsbury through June 3 * 4 pm Dance Instruction, Lawrence Hall
 5/28 Mon)	Memorial Day – Office Closed 6 pm Yoga, Lawrence Hall (T)
5/29 (Tues)	8:45 am ACMT, Lawrence Hall
5/30 (Wed)	3 pm Wellspring, Common Room 6:30pm ACOA, Lower Hall 7 pm Vestry/Bishop, Common Room 7 pm Yoga, Lawrence Hall

*** SAVE THE DATES May 27 through June 3. Trinity will host IHN families at First Congregational Church, Shrewsbury. If you can help, please contact Ron or Sherry Alarie at 508-845-9072.**