

The Angelus

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WHAT'S INSIDE

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From the **Youth Group** comes the Mitten and Hat drive; Lenten Lock-in Movie Marathon; Mardi Gras Dinner, Movie, and Pancake Dinner prep; and Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner and Mardi Gras Celebration.

There are NINE new **Accolytes** to be installed in February!

Find out how you can exercise your spirit and your body with **Yoga.**

The **Environmental Stewardship** team has been BUSY! Find out what they have been doing and how you can contribute. Also, this month's "Did You Know?"

Booktalk announces its next book and discussion happening in March.

Pastoral Care gives us Fasting AND Feasting thoughts for Lent.

Help a homeless family, be the Parish Representative for Samaritan Ministry of Greater Washington, "Like" Christ Church on Facebook, and find out about Community Ministries of Rockville opportunities in **Outreach.**

Our family keeps getting bigger and bigger! Meet the newest member in the **Newcomer Corner.**

Yes, we do have a **Church Directory.** It is not too late to make sure you are included!

Attention 2nd Grade Parents (and others who may have missed this opportunity before) – a new **Holy Communion Class** has been announced.

And last, but not least, **The Bargain Box** wishes everyone a Happy Valentine's Day, puts out the call for volunteers, and announces Outreach Sundays through May!

From the Rector



Fr. McDuffie

Dear Friends in Christ,

February is here, and Lent is almost upon us (Ash Wednesday is February 13th). Thankfully, there is still much active conversation going on in this nation in the wake of the terrible shootings in Newtown, Connecticut on December 14th. At the front and center of the conversation is a renewing debate over whether there is a need for stronger gun control laws, including restrictions on the types of weapons that can be purchased, and who may legally purchase guns.

The debate is strong and polarized. At one end is a stunning reflection by author Garry Wills, which appeared in the New York Review of Books in December, entitled “Our Moloch” (<http://www.nybooks.com/blogs/nyrblog/2012/dec/15/our-moloch/>). In that piece, Wills reminds us of the Old Testament figure of the God Moloch, to whom children were sacrificed, and goes on to opine that the gun in America is the God Moloch – and the pope of this religion is Wayne LaPierre. What happened at Sandy Hook, says Wills, was a sacrifice that we as a culture made, and continually make, to our demonic god. Sometimes the sacrifice is done by mass killings (eight this year) and sometimes by private offerings to the god (thousands this year).

At the other end of the debate, of course, is Wayne LaPierre and the National Rifle Association, arguing that “the only thing that can stop a bad guy with a gun is a good guy with a gun”, and that armed guards are needed at schools, churches, and public gathering places. More guns are therefore needed to stop gun violence.

Beyond this contentious debate is the question of adequate provision of services in this country to assist the mentally ill. Some say that gun violence might be helped by insuring that persons suffering from emotional disorders can obtain better care – while others would hold that the mentally ill are not inherently more violent than others. The Sandy Hook shootings were the product of pure, objective evil, not of mental illness, wrote a psychiatrist in a recent Washington Post editorial piece.

And there are those, such as Valerie Webdell, daughter of parishioners Jim and Judy Hubbard, who invite us to take a hard, honest look at ourselves as a culture. What are we

teaching our children, in the profusion of violent books, films, television shows, and video games? Why are we as a culture immersed in, and obsessed with images of violence?

Personally I am on the side of Garry Wills, and I think that tactically we have a better chance of reducing gun-related deaths by having fewer available guns. But the enormous question remains about our popular cultural identity. Are we so de-sensitized that we fail to see how addicted we are to violence as a form of entertainment?

To that end, I invite people to join me in a Lenten discipline this year – which is to undertake a fast from violence. I am inspired by our parishioner Rebecca Browning, who suggested this to me. Such a fast doesn't mean that we refrain from the commission of violence. It is hoped that we do that already, throughout the year (although we might take a look at our use of language on occasions). What we will fast from is the consumption of media and other entertainment that contain violent content. What might your life look like if you stay away from books and television that have violent images – if, for instance you spend a quiet evening reading some of the world's great poetry instead of watching *C.S.I.*? Even if you do a partial fast, and begin to take notice on occasion after occasion of how saturated we are with violence, you might get a more transformed awareness of what we breathe in and out each and every day of our lives.

Be glad that this conversation is continuing. The Church is an important player in this cultural self-examination. I believe that at the heart of Christ's atoning death are his words in the Garden of Gethsemane, after a disciple cut off the ear of the slave of the high priest: "No more of this!" (Luke 22:51)

May this Lent be a time of blessing for us all.

Faithfully in Christ,

John+

Christ Church Goes to the Movies

-or-

"The Return of the Lenten Film Series"

Last year's Lenten film series, sponsored by the Adult Christian Formation Committee, was a great success. We met on Wednesday evenings in the Murdock Room at 6:45 p.m., shared supper and friendship, watched a film at 7:15 p.m., and afterward had a brief and stimulating discussion on spiritual and religious themes evoked by the film.

It's all happening again this year on the **Wednesdays of February 20th, 27th, March 6th, 13th, and 20th.**

Mark your calendars and stay tuned for instructions on how you can take part in meal preparation and sharing.

The films this year are *Whistle Down the Wind* (February 20th); *The Truman Show* (February 27th); *Through a Glass Darkly* (March 6th); *Amazing Grace* (March 13th); and *The Gospel According to St. Matthew* (March 20th).

--John+

Ash Wednesday Services on February 13th

Ash Wednesday begins the 40-day spiritual journey of Lent. Please join us at one of the three different opportunities for worship on February 13th. Holy Eucharist with imposition of ashes will be offered at 7:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m., and 7:30 p.m. The evening service will include music and our Parish Choir. Come make a right beginning of this holy season.

Lenten Quiet Day on Saturday, February 23rd

Our annual Lenten Quiet Day will take place on Saturday morning, February 23rd, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the church. Fr. McDuffie will be our Quiet Day leader, offering meditations during the morning. There will be extended periods for spacious silence, in the spirit of contemplative prayer. We will close with a service of Holy Eucharist at 12:15 p.m.



SHARING OUR SOURCES

Fasting and Feasting

By William Arthur Ward

Lent can be more than a time of fasting. It can also be a joyous season of feasting.

Lent is a time to fast from certain things and to feast on others.

It is a season to:

Fast from judging others; feast on Christ living in them.

Fast from emphasis on differences; feast on the unity of all life.

Fast from apparent darkness; feast on the reality of light.

Fast from thoughts of illness; feast on the healing power of God.

Fast from words that pollute; feast on phrases that purify.

Fast from discontent; feast on gratitude.

Fast from anger; feast on patience.

Fast from pessimism; feast on optimism.

Fast from worry; feast on appreciation.

Fast from complaining; feast on appreciation.

Fast from negatives; feast on affirmatives

Fast from unrelenting pressures; feast on unceasing prayer.

Fast from hostility; feast on non-resistance.

Fast from bitterness; feast on forgiveness.

Fast from self-concern; feast on compassion for others.

Fast from personal anxiety; feast on eternal hope through Jesus.

Fast from discouragement; feast on hope.

Fast from lethargy; feast on enthusiasm.

Fast from suspicions; feast on truth.

Fast from idle gossip; feast on purposeful silence.

Fast from thoughts of weakness; feast on promises that inspire.

Fast from problems that overwhelm; feast on prayer that undergirds.

Fast from everything that separates us from the Lord; feast on everything that draws us to the Lord.

Pastoral care meetings are held the first and third Tuesdays of the month in the Parish House living room at 7:30 p.m.

Newcomer Corner

In this section, the Welcoming Committee provides profiles of individuals and families new to Christ Church. Read about new members of our Church family, learn about their interests and involvement here at CEC, seek them out, and welcome them!

Steve Sells

Steve grew up in Indiana and moved to southern Maryland in 1983. He worked for consulting firms providing IT services from 1983 until 2010 when he took early retirement and moved to Rockville. Steve's wife, Narate Supavivat, works as a chef in a local Thai restaurant. His daughter Buffy and her husband Eddie live in Lexington Park, MD. Steve also has two grandchildren (Breanna and Michael) and a great-grandson (Jordan).

Steve has a long history in the Episcopal Church. He was confirmed in the church in 1974 and has served on the vestry of two churches, as well as serving as Junior Warden of the Church of the Ascension in Lexington Park. He trained for three years at the Sewanee Institute School of Theology of the Episcopal University of the South, in their 'Education for Ministry' program, which provides the laity with theological study and reflection rooted in scripture and church tradition. Steve first came to Christ Church this September and has already become active as a Lay Eucharistic Minister. He also attended the Adult Covenant Series this fall and was reaffirmed at the Cathedral on November 10th.



Steve's hobbies include reading (particularly British and American History, as well as the History of the Church), rugby (formerly as a player, now mostly as a spectator), and Indy racing, as well as rooting for the Red Sox, Notre Dame, and Navy.

Welcome to Christ Church, Steve!



Church Directory Update

We look forward to a new Christ Church pictorial directory sometime this spring. 145 families and individuals participated in the seven photography days that occurred between November 15th and January 4th. If you were unable to get your photo taken then, we still want you in the directory! You can participate by submitting a photo to the church office. Instructions for doing this can be found in the Narthex or by clicking on the icon in the upper right hand corner of the Christ Church website home page, <http://christchurchrockville.org>. Having your photo in the member portion of the book guarantees that you will get a copy of the directory, but we need it by January 31st in order to keep on schedule, so don't delay! After incorporation of the submitted photos, layout of the activity pages, and final editing of the roster that will appear in back of the book, we will submit it to *Lifetouch*, our directory company, to prepare it for publication. Please contact Tom or Linda Rhoads at 301-279-0186 if you need further information.



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner & Mardi Gras Celebration



**Tuesday, February 12th
5:30 – 7:30 p.m.**

Come for the food, fun, & fellowship mixed with some live JAZZ music. Bring family, friends & neighbors – it’s a great time to introduce someone to one of our best traditions at CEC!

\$4 for children under 5, \$8 for adults or \$25 for a family – what a deal!
All proceeds benefit

Youth Outreach & Mission Trips!



NEW ACOLYTES TO BE INSTALLED

Please join us at the 9:00 a.m. Service on Sunday, February 17th, when Fr. McDuffie will install this year's class of new acolytes. This is the one service in the year when we try to get all of the acolytes to attend. The new acolytes participated in a seven-week training program in the fall on liturgy and church history, as well as covering the mechanics of serving as we practice it at Christ Church. During the service, the new acolytes will be vested with white cottas and receive a simple wooden cross on a black ribbon which will be worn during their first year of service. Here at Christ Church, the ribbons on the crosses change to indicate how many years an individual has been an acolyte: 2nd year - purple; 3rd year - green; 4th year - blue; 5th year - red. Acolytes who have served for six years receive a silver cross.

This year, two acolytes will be awarded six-year crosses: Casey Parker and Nadya Yaksich. We are fortunate to have a large group of nine new people to install – William Fowler, Courtney Herzog, Paul Magee-Renner, Grace Martin, Juliana Martin, Mandy Mossman, Megan Mossman, Alina Philip, and Aliza Philip. They will take their place with the veteran acolytes. What a treat it is to have such a large group of people willing to dedicate their time to serving every Sunday and at other liturgical services at Christ Church.

We invite you all to attend this service to give your welcome and support to this great group of people.

Bob James

Acolyte Master

Notice for Parents of Children about the Holy Communion Class



Holy Communion Instruction Class is offered to children in 2nd grade (and older who may have missed the class in previous years) and their parents. The class will be during regular Sunday school time beginning on Sunday, February 24th and will be mentored by Mrs. Fran Hill, our own very experienced Communion Class Instructor. The class will participate in an Outreach project, a visit to the Rockville Nursing home, the Family Seder Meal, a Bread Making session, and an Instructed Eucharist with parents led by Rev. McDuffie. Class recognition will be held for the CEC Community on Sunday, May 12th during the 9:00 a.m. service, followed by a Celebratory Coffee Hour for all.

The children in the Holy Communion Class learn both to understand and to respond to the Celebration of the Eucharist. Just as your family enjoys gathering around the dinner table at home, your child will learn the joy that is found in gathering around the Table of the Lord.

Join us February 10th at 10:30 a.m. in the Parish House for an information meeting!

The Outreach Committee is looking for someone to be the **Parish Representative** to Samaritan Ministry of

Greater Washington (SMGW), an organization that helps homeless people find jobs, housing and other services. Christ Church donates over \$2000 yearly to SMGW. For more information, contact Sandra Clark , sandra_e_clark@yahoo.com

Help Wanted

Yoga and the Spirit!



Yoga to enliven your body, the Word to fortify your spirit!

Yoga for everyone: All-levels Hatha/Vinyasa classes for better health. Each week we'll begin with a Bible verse and learn different breathing techniques to clear the mind and relieve daily stress. Poses will strengthen and stretch then we'll release with prayer and relaxation.

All classes are 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. in the Murdock Room on the following Sunday afternoons:

February 17 (3rd Sunday)
March 17 (3rd Sunday)
April 28 (4th Sunday)
May 19 (3rd Sunday)

Bring a mat. Enter the building directly through the outside Murdock Room doors facing the Parish House.

The classes are free. If you want to contribute, donations will be given to Episcopal Relief and Development to help those rebuilding from Hurricane Sandy.

Parishioner Cindy Cotte Griffiths (RYT-200) will teach the classes in order to share her love of yoga with the church community. Email Cindy@OnlineandInPerson.com for more information or any questions you may have!

INSIDE OUTREACH

An update from the Christ Church Outreach Committee



COMMUNITY MINISTRIES OF ROCKVILLE

Community Ministries of Rockville (CMR) is a faith-based organization that seeks to improve the quality of life of the most vulnerable residents of Montgomery County. In support of its mission, CMR provides healthcare and mental health services to uninsured adults through the Mansfield Kaseman Health Clinic; offers emergency financial assistance through the Rockville Emergency Assistance Program (REAP); provides English as Second Language classes through its Latino Outreach Program (LOP); offers home health care and home repairs to elderly Rockville residents; and provides transitional housing to formerly homeless men at Jefferson House. CMR also works with local legislators to keep the values of justice, fairness, and compassion in public decision-making.

Through the Outreach Committee, Christ Church provides monthly funding to CMR to support its direct service programs. Approximately twenty other congregations in the Rockville area contribute to CMR. Each member congregation has representation on the CMR Board of Directors.

CMR hosts an annual gala to raise crucial funding for its programs. This year, the Gala will take place on March 23rd, 2013, at the Lakewood Country Club. The Health Clinic hosts its own fundraiser, Monte Carlo Night, scheduled for November 9th, 2013. Other upcoming fundraisers include:

CMR Night at Rocklands Barbeque in Rockville: February 5th, 2013, 4:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Rockville Singers Benefit Concert at Rockville United Church: February 24th, 2013, 3:00 p.m.

A list of current volunteer opportunities is available on CMR's website: <http://www.cmrocks.org>. If you are interested in learning more about CMR, please contact Outreach Committee member Kaitlin Rancier at ktrancier@hotmail.com, or Lynn Arndt, CMR Director of Development and Volunteer Services, at (301) 637-0705 or lynnarndt@cmrocks.org.

The Outreach Committee meets the second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish House. All are welcome to attend and learn more about the opportunities to live our faith through service to those who need us most. For further information, contact Kelvin Dowd at KJDowd24@gmail.com.



Coming in the Spring

Help us furnish an apartment for a Homeless Family

We need small furniture in very good condition

Contact info: Rodney Beard
beardrm@gmail.com



JAZZ VESPERS, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH

Join Fr. McDuffie and friends for jazz music and evening prayer at Jazz Vespers on **Sunday, Feb. 24th**, at **5:00 pm** in the Church. A free-will offering will be gratefully received to support Samaritan Ministry of Greater Washington. Bring your friends—they'll be glad they came!



Booktalk

On Monday, March 11th, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. in the Dining Room of the Parish House, **Booktalk** will discuss ***In the Garden of Beasts***, by Erik Larson. The story takes place during Hitler's rise to power in Berlin. The year is 1933, a year that proved to be a turning point in history, when William E. Dodd became America's first ambassador to Hitler's Germany.

Environmental Stewardship

The Earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.
Psalm 24:1

Dear Friends,

The new year seems like a wonderful time to tell a bit about the work unfolding in one of our youngest ministry seedlings, the informal Environmental Stewardship team.

Our first gatherings last spring included 18-22 enthusiastic supporters, with an ongoing core group of 6-10. Our intent is to allow the interests and concerns of the participants to in large measure define the group's character and focus. That being said, we continue to uncover impressive talents and skills in our midst. Details and participants are noted below.

Three animal activists expanded our annual Blessing of the Animals service to include donation drives for our local humane society and animal shelters (Ruth Hanessian, Leslie Porter, and Debbie Thompson). Their initiative illumined the strong animal lovers' dimension in our parish.

Two wordsmiths crafted a mission statement approved by the group which we will later bring to the Vestry for consideration as a formal committee (Richard Cole and Janice Musselman).

We looked at environmental actions endorsed at recent Episcopal General Conventions – in particular, the Genesis Covenant approved at the 1999 Convention. We interviewed members of parishes identified by our diocese as "green" to learn what they were doing and what wisdom they had gleaned through their endeavors (Carolyn Cole, Skip Hyberg, Leslie Porter, Debbie Thompson, Ralph Veale, and C. Simpson).

A "book club" in our midst read and reported on a collection of accounts of "green" houses of faith across the country (Carolyn Cole, Kelvin Dowd, Ruth Hanessian, Skip Hyberg, Barbra Johnson, and Leslie Porter), while Barbra Johnson also researches the possibility of a food-producing garden.

Our recycling champions are beefing up our receptacles for all manner of materials, stepping up our efforts on this front, and in the process, discovering committees such as our Fellowship ministry, who have already replaced styrofoam products with those that are biodegradable!! (Amanda Anastasi, Barbara Hunt-Wolper, and Skip Hyberg; Bobbie Power chairs our Fellowship Committee.)



We discovered that five of our parishioners are "professional" environmentalists: Peter Boice serves as Deputy Director of all Natural Resources for the Dept. of Defense; Charlie Griffiths is an economist with the EPA (Environmental Protection Agency); Skip Hyberg works on the largest conservation program in the Department of Agriculture; Don English serves with the National Forest Service and its 93 million acres; and Ann English is a landscape architect addressing water quality and more in Montgomery County. This group provides another level of support and advocacy, and we hope they will further enrich us going forward through Adult Forum and Angelus articles. Skip, Charlie, and Don are currently evaluating our parish energy usage through utilities in years 2010, 2011, and 2012 to establish our usage "baseline." From this we will track hoped-for progress in conservation and the lowering of our "carbon footprint," as guided by our supportive Vestry. Ann is a panel speaker at an Interfaith Green Workshop on Sunday March 10th, 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. at Epworth United Methodist Church on Rt. 355 in Gaithersburg. Some members of our team are going and invite all who wish to attend as well.

Last month, this very newsletter heralded our new "Did You Know..." blurb, written by Janice Musselman. Watch for these interesting notes in the seasons ahead.

Any and all saints who seek more breadth and depth in our care of "this fragile planet, our island home" (Holy Eucharist Rite II, Eucharistic Prayer C) are warmly invited to join us – in person, electronically, in prayer, or any combination of these – in this new ministry.

Mission Statement:

Exhibiting a reverence for and a desire to live in harmony with the earth and all that exists within it, we strive to educate ourselves and others so that we may use our resources rightly, always as the good stewards that God intends for us to be.

With gratitude for our parish and for this sprig of new life,

Cindy Simpson

Adult Forum Sunday, Feb. 24 – Reflections on Environmental Issues and Faith from a Long-time Believer and Environmentalist



We welcome Dr. Reid Detchon to share with us his perceptions of our current environmental scenario – good news he sees, what concerns him most, what wisdom he offers to a parish just beginning its communal journey with this issue, and how his faith guides him. Come hear Dr. Detchon speak Sunday, Feb. 24th from 10:10 a.m. – 10:55a.m. in the Murdock Room.

Dr. Detchon is vice president for energy and climate at the United Nations Foundation. He is also executive director of the Energy Future Coalition, a public policy initiative that focuses on U.S. energy policy with regard to oil dependence, climate change, and global energy access. He was a founder of the environment committee at St. Columba's Episcopal Church, where he has also served on the vestry and has served as chair of the environment committee of the Episcopal Diocese of Washington and as chair of the steering committee of Interfaith Power and Light (MD•DC•NoVA). He has spoken at Christ Church Alexandria, Episcopal Church of the Ascension, the Humanities Council of DC, Mount Vernon Unitarian Church, and St. John's Episcopal Church in McLean.

Did You Know?

A message from your Environmental Stewardship Committee

Here's how long it takes for some products to decompose:

- Banana peel: 3-4 weeks
- Paper bag: 1 month
- Cardboard: 2 months
- Wool sock: 1 year
- Tinned can: 50 years
- Aluminum can: 200-500 years (but if recycled, it can be reused within 6 weeks)
- Disposable diapers: 550 years
- Plastic bags: 20-1,000 years
- Plastic jug: 1 million years
- Glass: 1-2 million years
- Styrofoam: 1+ million years

Source: behealthyandrelax.com/2007/11/how-long-does-it-take-to-decompose

Hat & Mitten Collection



The CEC Sunday School

invites you to contribute

New Hats & Mittens

for local needy children

during this season of Epiphany

Jan. 6th – Feb. 12th

Please drop off your donations on one of the
Collection Trees located in the church or the Dining Room.

Thank you for helping honor God's message to all of us that it is in Giving
that We Receive!



Love Christ Church? Then "Like" it, too.

Visit our Facebook page

www.facebook.com/christchurchrockville

The image shows a screenshot of the Facebook page for Christ Episcopal Church, Rockville. At the top, the Facebook login interface is visible with fields for email or phone and password, and a 'Log In' button. Below the login area is a banner for the church's Facebook page, featuring a photo of the church building and a text box that says 'Christ Episcopal Church, Rockville is on Facebook. To connect with Christ Episcopal Church, Rockville, sign up for Facebook today.' There are 'Sign Up' and 'Log In' buttons in the banner. The church's profile picture is a shield with a cross and the letters 'CEC'. The page name is 'Christ Episcopal Church, Rockville' with 58 likes and a dropdown menu. Below the name is a description: 'Episcopal Church - Christian Church. A vibrant Episcopal community, connecting with Christ through ministries, mission, and formation.' There are tabs for 'About', 'Photos', 'Events', 'Videos', and 'Likes'. The 'Likes' tab shows 56 likes. Below the profile information is a 'Highlights' section. The first highlight is a link shared by Christ Episcopal Church, Rockville, titled 'Do you consider yourself an "Evangelist"? Or does the word evoke heavy-handed proselytizing? Join Fr. McDuffie at Sunday's 10 a.m. Adult Forum for a discussion of how we can find authentic and spiritually enriching ways to share our faith in the world around us.' The link is to 'Transforming Evangelism' on books.google.com. The second highlight is a post from Christ Episcopal Church, Rockville, dated 'Yesterday', about celebrating Christ's Baptism and asking if the reader knows the date of their baptism. The right side of the page shows a list of liked pages, including 'Sashbury Resources for Aging', 'Episcopalians for Global Reconciliation', 'Forward Day by Day', 'Washington National Cathedral', and 'EPM Education for Ministry'. At the bottom, there is a post titled 'ATTENTION ALL POETRY LOVERS!' from Christ Episcopal Church, Rockville, dated 'Yesterday', about an annual poetry reading on Monday, January 14, at 1:00 PM.

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The Bargain Box

Thrift and Consignment Shop

An Outreach Ministry since 1957

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On the web: www.christchurchrockville.org

Monday – Saturday, 10 am – 4:30 pm

Donna Wolohojian, Manager

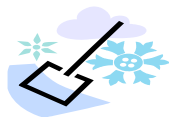
All profits fund outreach projects in the community and diocese.

Happy Valentine's Day!

Thursday, February 14th is just around the corner, and so is the Bargain Box! Come shop for jewelry, gifts, decorations, and clothing for you and your special sweethearts! We even have holiday cards and lots of teddy bears!

Need an easy gift idea?

The Bargain Box doesn't sell flowers and chocolate but we do have lovely vases, candy dishes, champagne flutes. Then head to the grocery store for a bouquet, some bon-bons, and a sparkling beverage!



For inclement weather, we use MCPS as a guideline. However, please call the store to check our open/closed status. Without risking life and limb, and if the power is on, we aim to be open!

OUTREACH SUNDAYS

The Bargain Box third Sunday Outreach will take a two-month hiatus during Lent. We will set up again in the dining room in April and May during coffee hour. Come learn ways to donate your spare time, your unique talents, and your gently used treasures to the store. Books, toys, and other treasures will be for sale. Cash and checks accepted.

Our monthly raffle themes will be:

February 17 & March 17 (No Sales in Lent)

April 21 Spring Time (Plus Special Sales at the Store!)

May 19 Gardens & Flowers

Volunteers Needed! (So what else is new!?)

The Bargain Box is no different than any other group at Christ Church. We rely solely on volunteers and always seem to be a bit short-handed. Our sales desk should be staffed with four volunteers each day, two for the morning shift and two for the afternoon. That's 24 shifts per week, 96 per month. At the moment, we have just 36 regular front desk volunteers so there are many under-staffed shifts each month. Be an angel and join this worthy ministry.

Front Desk Clerks

- help customers find what they need
- ring up sales
- morning shift (9:45 – 1:30)
- afternoon shift (1:30 – 4:45)
- once a month, once a week, or more!
- *MOST NEEDED*: Tuesday & Thursday

Consignment Volunteers

- Write consignment tickets
- Tag clothing and other items
- Thursday or Friday, 10 to noonish
- Once a month, once a week, or more!
- *MOST NEEDED*: 1st, 3rd, 5th Fridays and all Thursdays

***Lenten* Movie Marathon,
Games & Lock-in
Youth Group**



Sun, Feb 17
8 p.m. – 9 a.m.

**Join us for a night of
Movies with Meanings!**



**Meet in the Dining Room.
Bring \$5.00 & a sleeping bag**

Youth Group



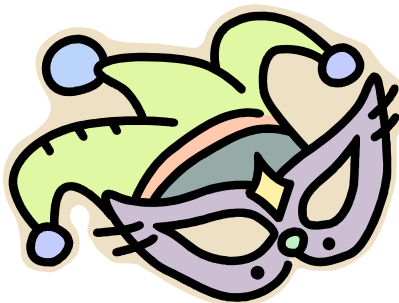
February 10
4 – 7 p.m.

Youth Room

Bring \$2.00 to cover dinner.

Friends are Welcome!

**Movie, Dinner &
Pancake Dinner Prep**



February 2013

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OTHER PARISH EVENTS

(Date/Event/ Time/ Location)

- 1 Private Recital **6:30pm** (Church)
- 2 Chorister Festival Rehearsal **10:00am** (Church)
- 3 Chorister Festival Evensong **4:00pm** (Church)
- 4 Welcoming Committee Meeting **7:00pm** (PH LR)
- 5 Pastoral Care Committee Meeting **7:30pm** (PH LR)
- 6
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- 8
- 9 Adult Supper Club **7:00pm** (Home of Dr & Mrs Von Arx)
- 10 Children's Communion Class Parent Meeting **10:30am** (PH LR)
Youth Group Event **4:00pm** (YR)
- 11 Outreach Committee Meeting **7:30pm** (PH DR)
- 12 **Shrove Tuesday**
The Angelus Submission Deadline for the March 2013 issue
Shrove Pancake Dinner **5:30pm** (MR, DR)
Adult Christian Formation Meeting **7:30pm** (PH LR)
- 13 **Ash Wednesday**
Holy Eucharist & Imposition of Ashes **7:00am** (Church)
Holy Eucharist & Imposition of Ashes **12:10pm** (Church)
Holy Eucharist at Collingswood **2:00pm** (Rockville)
Holy Eucharist & Imposition of Ashes **7:30pm** (Church)
- 14 Annual CEC Kitchen Cleaning – Kitchen Closed
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- 17 “Rockville Help” Sunday (*Third Sunday of each month*)
Loaves & Fishes carpool **10:15am** (leave from Church)
Yoga & the Spirit **4:00pm** (MR)
Youth Group Lock-In **8pm-9am** (CEC DR)
- 18 Presidents' Day (office closed)
Dine & Deal **6:30pm** (MR)
- 19 *The Angelus* Printing
Pastoral Care Committee Meeting **7:30pm** (PH LR)
- 20 Adult Lenten Film Series begins **6:00pm** (Church-lower level)
- 21 *The Angelus* Assembly
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- 23 Lenten Quiet Day **9:00am** (Church)
Holy Eucharist at **12:15pm**
- 24 Communion Class begins **10:15am** (Classroom)
Environmental Stewardship Meeting **12:30pm** (PH LR)
Jazz Vespers **5:00pm** (Church)
- 25
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- 27 Holy Eucharist at Collingswood **2:00pm** (Rockville)
Adult Lenten Film Series **6:00pm** (Church-lower level)
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FEBRUARY 2013 WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Regular Schedule
Services at 7:45, 9:00 & 11:00am

- 7:45 AM** Holy Eucharist Rite I
a spoken service with Sermon
- 9:00 AM** Holy Eucharist Rite II
with Sermon, Service Music, Hymns, and Anthems
Choristers of Christ Church
- 9:00 AM** Children's Church – Murdock Room
a service for children, using a story-telling theme with music
for young children. 9:00-9:30am

- 11:00 AM** Holy Eucharist, Rite I
with Sermon, Service Music, Hymns, and Anthems
Christ Church Choir

ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS

- 8:25 AM** Choristers Warm Up – Choir Room & Church
- 9:00 AM** Studies in Christian Faith (*led by Fran Palmer-Hill*)
- 10:10 AM** Adult Forum – Murdock Room
- 10:15 AM** Sunday School – Classrooms Preschool-8th Grade
- 10:15 AM** Choir Rehearsal – Choir Stalls
- 10:15 AM** Coffee Hour – Dining Room
- 1:00 PM** Korean Service – Chapel

REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

- Monday**
7:00 PM English Conversation Practice (DR)
- Tuesday**
9:00 AM Staff Meeting (PH)
- Wednesday**
11:00 AM Bible Study (PH LR)
12:10 PM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)
8:00 PM Korean Prayer Group (PH LR)
- Thursday**
12:00 PM AA (PH)
4:30 PM Chorister Rehearsal (Church)
7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (Church)

KEY	<i>CEC = Christ Episcopal Church</i>
<i>PH = Parish House</i>	<i>CES = Christ Episcopal School</i>
<i>LR = Living Room</i>	<i>K = Kitchen</i>
<i>DR = Dining Room</i>	<i>N = Nursery</i>
<i>MR = Murdock Room</i>	<i>YR = Youth Room</i>