

The Angelus

October 2016



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From the Rector



Fr. McDuffie

Dear Friends in Christ,

As I write this letter to you, I find myself in the middle of a busy September, and thought I would share with you some of our recent office and parish news.

I came back from vacation to meet several sad transitional moments. Our parishioner Daniel Garcia-Beech, the 13-year-old boy who had bone cancer, and whom we had prayed for almost two years, died on August 28th. Dan bore his illness with inspiring courage and dignity, and we celebrated his life at a service on September 4th, which was well-attended by those who knew and loved him. My thanks to our hard-working Fellowship Committee, who organized a beautiful reception. At the funeral service, we invited people to make a donation to support an organization helping children with osteosarcoma. It is called M.I.B (Make it Better for Osteosarcoma) Agents. If you would like to make a donation in Daniel's memory, you can go to www.mibagents.org.

Several days before my return from vacation, Michael Hinds, former Vestry member and beloved parishioner, died from pancreatic cancer, which was both swift and aggressive, and left us all shocked and surprised. Our hearts go out to Michael's wife Amy Ellis, and sons David and Andrew. We will have a celebration of Michael's life on **Saturday, October 8th, at 11:00 a.m.**, followed by a reception.

I also discovered shortly before coming back that Tad Cavuoti, our director of music, was taken seriously ill from complications related to diabetes, and was hospitalized for a second time this summer. Tad has recently been transferred to a rehabilitation facility, and we anticipate a lengthy time of convalescence. As we await further developments regarding Tad's recovery, I have been able to secure the services of James Walton for our Sunday services through the end of October. Jim is recently retired as the organist and choirmaster at St. Martin in the Fields Episcopal Church in Severna Park, and he worked with me for three years while I served as the rector of St. Dunstan's Church in Bethesda. He is a fine church musician. As the weeks progress, we will have to carefully evaluate Tad's health and determine what his length of recovery will be.

Also, just before returning, I found out that Maggie Schneider, who had been our office assistant for almost two years, was leaving us to go work full-time at Christ Episcopal School as their front desk person. Maggie has been a bright and cheerful presence in the Parish House, and we will miss her. But I'm glad to report that we were able to find a capable successor to Maggie in a speedy fashion. Penelope Johnson started with us on Friday, September 9th. She is a former church parish administrator who is happy at this point in her life to no longer supervise others, but to work part-time as a support person. Welcome, Penelope!

In the midst of change, which is one of the realities of living, it is still good for me to realize once again what a special place Christ Church is. On September 1st, I observed the 18th anniversary of my first day as your Rector, and I'm thankful for the privilege I have of serving here. We are a community of the beloved of God, and I feel this every time I come to work, as well as worship with you on Sunday. We also have, as an arm of our mission to the community, a wonderful parish day school. Christ Episcopal School is observing its fiftieth anniversary this school year, and I give thanks for its rich history and place in our collective spiritual life as we move forward in faith.

I invite you to give thanks to almighty God for the life of our church, and one way to do this is by coming to one of our three services on **Sunday, October 2nd**. It marks the beginning of our fall stewardship campaign, entitled "Living by Faith", and as usual, our Stewardship Committee has something special to offer you that day in our worship.

God's blessings be upon us all as we continue in this busy fall season!

Faithfully in Christ,

John+



Stewardship Sunday is October 2nd

Our fall stewardship campaign, "Living by Faith", kicks off on Sunday, October 2nd, at all three services that morning. Your Stewardship Committee will have a special sermon presentation that morning, and stewardship packets will be available for all to pick up. We pray that all individuals and families will make a pledge of financial support to Christ Church for 2017, to help continue our faithful good works. Remember – it's your support that keeps Christ Church strong and healthy!

Jazz Vespers on October 16th



If you can't make it to the annual Diocesan Hunger Walk on Sunday afternoon the 16th, there is another option – come to Jazz Vespers that afternoon from 5:00 to 6:20 p.m. Our regular Jazz Vespers quartet will perform jazz classics accompanying the liturgy of evening prayer, and your free-will offering will go to support the Diocesan Hunger Fund! Bring a friend – we always have fun at Jazz Vespers!

Inside Outreach

An Update on the Christ Church Outreach Program



John 21:17a: "He said to him the third time, 'Simon, son of Jonah, do you love me?'"

Feed My Sheep

In the last chapter of the Gospel of John, Jesus asks Peter three times if he loves him. Jesus then tells him each time that because he loves him that he must tend to and feed his sheep. Jesus doesn't say, "Feed my law-abiding clean sheep," but simply "Feed my sheep." This month, we will highlight ways in which many different groups in Christ Church are actively feeding God's sheep. Christ Church, by way of many groups, obeys this command in various ways. The third Sunday of

the month sees many of us trying to feed the hungry through different means. The third Sunday is “Serving Others Sunday” when the youth pack sandwiches for McKenna’s Wagon to be given to homeless people on the streets of DC, and when backpacks are filled with food for needy students at Meadow Hall Elementary to eat over the weekend. It is also MANNA food Sunday when non-perishable food is collected for the MANNA food bank. St. Francis Flock, through the CHOMPERS pet food collection program, ensures that pets are not forgotten. Also on the third Sunday, a group of people go to St. Stephen’s and the Incarnation Church in Washington D.C. to help serve a hot meal to anywhere from 150-250 people. Christ Church is also a big participant in the Diocesan Hunger Fund Walk in October.



We also package thousands of meals (and have a great time doing it!) through the yearly Stop Hunger Now event. This year, Stop Hunger Now will be held Saturday, November 19th from 10:00 a.m. to Noon at the church. Join us to help us feed God’s sheep. What better way to begin the week of Thanksgiving, than to help pack 15,000 meals and help stop world hunger! More info to come, and we look forward to seeing you there. Questions?, please email david@spacesaverVA.com.

The Outreach Committee meets the second Tuesday of each month from 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. in the Parish House beside the church. The next meeting will be October 11th, 2016. 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 Ben Shuman at benofwater@gmail.com.

Adult Forum

Dr. Hemchand Gossai

Oct. 16th, 23rd and 30th

10:10 a.m. to 10:50 a.m.

Topic: The Bible, Justice, and the Good Life

What does it mean to live a just and good life? In the midst of a political season what do the Hebrew Prophets and the Bible in general have to say about a just society? What does it mean to live a principled life? What does it mean to act justly? What does it mean to live courageously? How do we welcome and embrace the outsider? From Job to Boaz; Amos to Jonah.

Don’t miss our award-winning professor’s lively reflections upon this timely subject. The Rev. Dr. Gossai is no stranger to us, returning to lead another engaging series of Forum discussions. He is a beloved member of our parish as is his wife Viera, and currently serves as Associate Dean of Liberal Arts at the Annandale Campus of the Northern Virginia Community College. He is also the author of the book *The Hebrew Prophets after the Shoah: A Mandate for Change*.

Adult Forum October 2016 Schedule

*Sundays at 10:15 a.m. in the Murdock Room**

Adult Forum October 2nd and 9th

Fr. McDuffie will lead the Adult Forum on October 2nd and 9th at 10:15 a.m., a two-part series called “Keep Your Eyes on the Prize: A Journey Through the Civil Rights Era”. Having gone on the Montgomery County-sponsored Historical Civil Rights Tour this past April, Fr. McDuffie will help us to remember the faith, courage, and witness of committed Christians in the struggle for civil rights of African Americans in the 1950’s and ‘60’s.

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| October 2nd <i>20th Sunday after Pentecost</i> | The Rev. John McDuffie | Keep Your Eyes on the Prize: A Journey Through Civil Rights Era |
| October 9th <i>21st Sunday after Pentecost</i> | The Rev. John McDuffie | Keep Your Eyes on the Prize: A Journey Through Civil Rights Era |
| October 16th <i>22nd Sunday after Pentecost</i> | Dr. Hemchand Gossai | The Bible, Justice and the Good Life |
| October 23rd <i>23rd Sunday after Pentecost</i> | Dr. Hemchand Gossai | The Bible, Justice and the Good Life |
| October 30th <i>24th Sunday after Pentecost</i> | Dr. Hemchand Gossai | The Bible, Justice and the Good Life |

St. Francis Flock



I will remember my covenant, which is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. Genesis 9:15

St. Francis Flock honors God through the compassionate treatment of His animals. The Flock was gifted copies of The Humane Economy by Wayne Pacelle of the Humane Society of the United States. If you are interested in learning about how innovators and consumers are transforming the lives of animals for the better and would like a copy of the book, please contact Debbie Thompson at stfrancisflock@cecrockville.org or 301-762-3164.

Upcoming Fall Events

Please mark your calendars and join us for our key fall events:

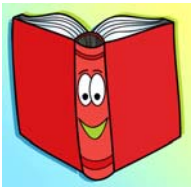
- Blessing of the Animals: Sunday, October 2nd, 5:00 p.m. Please join us as we celebrate one of God's greatest gifts, our pets, for our annual Blessings of the Animals in Foley Park (open field next to the basketball courts). We'll have music, prayers, and snacks for humans and animals alike!
- Second Annual Pet Memorial Service: Sunday, November 20th, 5:00 p.m. Location: CEC. If you would like your pet to be remembered at the service, please submit a pet photo to Lori Nicely at stfrancisflock@cecrockville.org.

Ongoing Services

- Pet illness/bereavement counseling: St. Francis Flock provides counseling to those experiencing the loss or illness of a pet. Please contact Eva Lin stfrancisflock@cecrockville.org for more information.
- Pet food drive to help keep pets with their families: Please provide unopened donations in the shopping cart in the main dining area of the basement (same cart as Manna donations) and the Flock will deliver to the Animal Welfare League of Montgomery County's Chompers Pet Food Bank. Pet food donations benefit local families struggling to provide for their pets. In many cases, providing pet food to families makes the difference between them being able to keep their pet or having to surrender them due to a lack of food. With our donations, Christ Church is making a difference!
- Assistance to the elderly: St. Francis Flock provides assistance to Christ Church elderly and/or disabled parishioners in driving them and/or their pet to the veterinarian. Please contact stfrancisflock@cecrockville.org if you need assistance.

All who feel called to expand their circle of compassion, please join us!

Booktalk



The Boys in the Boat, by Daniel James Brown, has been chosen for **Booktalk's Monday, November 14th** meeting. This is the story about nine working-class Americans, who were never expected to defeat teams from the elite East Coast or Nazi Germany, and their quest for gold in the 1936 Olympics in Berlin. Please join us at 1:00 P.M. in the Parish House to discuss this fascinating story.

Diocesan Hunger Fund Walk

Sunday, October 16th

Lake Needwood in Rockville

Schedule of Events

1:30pm Registration and Yoga Stretches led by Cindy Griffiths

1:45pm Prayer Send-Off and Walk Begins

Finish Walking, Enjoy Snacks & Drinks with Friends ~

Go home knowing you have made a difference today!



YOUR shoes are made for Walking?

All donations are 100 % tax deductible & 100% benefit the Hunger Fund.
Make checks payable to “Christ Church” with memo to Hunger Fund. You can turn them in or mail them to the church office, put them in the offertory plates or bring them with you on the day of the walk!

Can't make it to the Walk..... you can still participate in the **JAZZ VESPERS at Christ Church beginning at 5pm on October 16th** –
ALL donations collected will be given to the Diocesan Hunger Fund!

The Lake Needwood Hunger Walk is sponsored by our own CEC YOUTH GROUP!

398 **THRIFT SHOP**
THE BARGAIN BOX

Meet Our Volunteers



Wendy Bushey

is one of our newest volunteers, having started working at the Bargain Box in February 2015. Wendy's husband is in

the Navy and they move every 2-3 years so she was looking for something close to home to keep her busy when she wasn't doing geneology research or watching her two daughters, a junior and a senior in high school, play soccer. Wendy not only liked the fact that the Bargain Box is virtually across the street from her home, but also that the profits from donations to the Bargain Box funded outreach activities in the community. She likes the people she meets working at the front desk, both customers and volunteers. Not only is Wendy gregarious and efficient, she is also very artistic. Those colorful signs all over the store that make it easy to find things are Wendy's artwork. She also does displays and "other duties as assigned."

The Bargain Box Thrift and Consignment Shop

An Outreach Ministry since 1957
398 Hungerford Drive, Rockville 20850
301-762-2242

Monday - Saturday, 10 am - 4:30 pm
Donna Wolohojian, Manager

Email: bargainbox@cecrockville.org

On the web: www.bargain-box.org



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*All our profits fund outreach projects in
the community and diocese.*



OUTREACH SUNDAYS

The third Sunday of the Month is Serving Others Sunday. The Bargain Box will be back in the Dining Room on October 16 with Fall merchandise and a raffle with a **Halloween** theme. Stop by our tables and see what we have to offer.

Halloween is coming!

We have LOTS of costumes, both ready-made and do-it-yourself. Be a bride, a ninja, a gypsy, a fireman, a witch, a cheerleader, let your imagination run wild.

We also have Halloween decorations aalore.

Come in and See our Merchandise!



Children's & Youth Ministries

Sunday, October 2nd



Worship Services are at 7:45, 9am & 11am

Nursery is available 9am – 12:15pm for infants & toddlers

Children's Church begins at 9am in the Murdock Room for all Preschoolers - Third Grade. All are welcome including parents!

Sunday School from 10:15 – 11am in the Classrooms

Youth Group from 3 – 6:00pm Meet at the Youth Room.

Sunday, October 9th



Worship Services are at 7:45, 9am & 11am

Nursery is available 9am – 12:15pm for infants & toddlers

Children's Church begins at 9am in the Murdock Room

Sunday School from 10:15 – 11am in the Classrooms

Sunday, October 16th



Worship Services are at 7:45, 9am & 11am

Nursery is available 9am – 12:15pm for infants & toddlers

Children's Church begins at 9am in the Murdock Room

SOS – Serving Others Sunday in the Dining Room at 10:15am

Smart Sacks, Gifts for the Troops & Pets - We fill 320 bags of food for 80 children at Meadow Hall Elementary School who need food on the weekends. We also make Cards and Bookmarks for Halloween to send to the Troops and Dog Toys for Shelters & Rescues.

Diocesan Hunger Walk begins at 1:30pm at Lake Needwood

ALL are welcome including families with young children & the young at heart! Join our yoga warm-up then walk, run, stroll, or hike around the Lake with others from the Diocese who are helping to FEED the HUNGRY. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Donations to the Hunger Fund are 100% tax-deductible, but not necessary to walk – join the fun!

Jazz Vespers at 5pm in the Church led by Rev John McDuffie & Friends

All ages are welcome & **donations benefit the Diocesan Hunger Walk!**



Sunday, October 23rd



Worship Services are at 7:45, 9am & 11am

Nursery is available 9am – 12:15pm for infants & toddlers

Children's Church begins at 9am in the Murdock Room

Sunday School from 10:15 – 11am in the Classrooms





Friday, October 28th

Youth Group Markoff's Haunted Forest Adventure from 6 – 10pm

Youth Group (6 – 12 graders) are invited to an adventure at Markoff's Haunted Forest. The cost is \$15 and friends are welcome for \$25. Parent drivers are needed & they get in free!
RSVP to mrcraig@cecrockville.org or 301/762-2191 #15 before 10/25.

Sunday, October 30th



Worship Services are at 7:45, 9am & 11am

Nursery is available 9am – 12:15pm for infants & toddlers

Children's Church begins at 9am in the Murdock Room

Happy Halloween Walk begins at 10:15am in the Dining Room

for all children & youth. The event is story time with walk around the church buildings and grounds. Children are welcome to wear costumes and infants in strollers are welcome!

Sophia House Meal Prep from 1 – 3:00pm in the Kitchen & Dining Room.

The Youth Group will make dinner for 35 women at Sophia House in Rockville along with breakfast and lunches for the following day. Monetary donations are always welcome and volunteers are needed. Contact Michele Craig at mrcraig@cecrockville.org.

Family FUN Night Halloween begins at 5:00pm in the Dining Room

for all children, youth & families! Costumes are welcome, but not required. The evening is Dinner, Simple Crafts, the Charlie Brown Great Pumpkin Movie and all over by 6:30pm.

RSVP by Oct 23 to mrcraig@cecrockville.org or 301/762-2191 #15.



Sunday School ROTATIONS

| | 10/2 | 10/9 | 10/18 | 10/23 |
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| Preschool | Regular Class | Regular Class | SOS Serving Others Sunday | Regular Class |
| K & 1 st | Art & Drama | Cooking & Science | SOS Serving Others Sunday | Bible Games |
| 2 nd & 3 rd | Bible Games | Art & Drama | SOS Serving Others Sunday | Cooking & Science |
| 4 th - 7 th | Cooking & Science | Bible Games | SOS Serving Others Sunday | Art & Drama |

For questions relating to Children's & Youth Ministries – please contact:
 Michele Craig
 Director of Children's & Youth Ministries
 301/762-2191 #15 or mrcraig@cecrockville.org

NEEDED NEEDED NEEDED

Canned Foods

Vegetables, Tuna, Soups and Beans

Food collected will be given to *Manna Smart Snacks Program*

Toiletries

Travel and Full Size Shampoo, Soap, Razors, Tooth Paste, Toothbrushes, etc.

Items donated will be given to our friends at *DC Thrive*

Pet Food

Cans or Bags of food for Cats & Dogs

Donations will be given to *Chompers*

Bring donations to the Narthex or Dining Room – THANKS!

October 2016

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OCTOBER 2016 WEEKLY SCHEDULE

**Regular Sunday 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*
- Nursery** 8:45 AM – 12:15 PM *for infants and toddlers
6 months to 4 years old*

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-7th Grade
- 10:15 AM** Choir Rehearsal – Choir Stalls
- 10:15 AM** Coffee Hour – Dining Room
- 12:45 PM** Korean Worship Service – Chapel
- 2:10 PM** Korean Congregation Coffee Hour – Parish House

REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

- Monday**
7:00 PM English Conversation Practice (CEC DR)
- Tuesday**
9:00 AM Staff Meeting (PH)
- Wednesday**
11:00 AM Bible Study (PH LR)
12:10 PM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)
7:30 PM Acolyte Training - *through 11/16* (Church)
8:00 PM Korean Congregation Prayer Group (CEC DR)
- Thursday**
12:00 PM AA (PH)
4:30 PM Chorister Rehearsal (Church)
7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (Church)

**OTHER PARISH EVENTS
(Date/Event/ Time/ Location)**

- 1
- 2 Youth Group **3-6pm** (YR/off campus)
Blessing of the Animals **5:00pm** (Foley Park)
- 3 Youth Group Volunteering **8am-1:30pm** (DC Central Kitchen)
- 4 Pastoral Care Committee Meeting **7:30pm** (PH LR)
- 5 Acolyte Training **7:30pm** (Church)
- 6
- 7 Private Recital **6:15pm** (Church)
- 8 Funeral Service for Michael Hinds **11:00am** (Church)
Adult Supper Club **7:00pm** (George & Donna Wolohojian’s home)
- 9 Faithful Professionals – CEO God Meeting **10:15am** (PH LR)
Holy Eucharist at Rockville Nursing Home **1:30pm**
St. Francis Flock Meeting **4:00pm** (PH LR)
- 10 Columbus Day (Office Closed)
- 11 *The Angelus* Submission Deadline for the November issue
Adult Christian Formation Meeting **7:00pm** (PH LR)
Outreach Committee Meeting **7:30pm** (PH DR)
- 12 Acolyte Training **7:30pm** (Church)
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- 14
- 15
- 16 “Manna” Sunday (*Third Sunday of each month*)
Loaves & Fishes carpool **10:15am** (leave from Church)
Bargain Box Outreach Table (CEC DR)
Adult Forum in the Parish House **10:15am**
SOS, “Serving Others Sunday” **10:15am** (MR)
Diocesan Hunger Fund Walk **1:30pm** (Lake Needwood)
Jazz Vespers **5:00pm** (Church) *benefits Hunger Fund*
- 17 Dine & Deal **6:30pm** (MR)
- 18 *The Angelus* Printing
Pastoral Care Committee Meeting **7:30pm** (PH LR)
- 19 Acolyte Training **7:30pm** (Church)
- 20 *The Angelus* Assembly
- 21
- 22 Rockville Truck Touch **12-3pm** (Church/School Parking Lot)
- 23
- 24
- 25 Vestry Meeting **7:30pm** (PH LR)
- 26 Holy Eucharist at Collingswood Nursing Home **2:30pm** (Rockville)
Acolyte Training **7:30pm** (Church)
- 27 Chorister Halloween Dinner **5:00pm** (MR, DR)
- 28 Youth Group Markoff’s Haunted Forest & Dinner **6:00pm**
- 29
- 30 Happy Halloween Walk **10:15am** (CEC DR)
Sophia House Meal Prep & Serve **1:00pm** (K)
Children & Family Halloween Dinner & Celebration
5:00pm (MR, DR)
- 31 Halloween

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