

The Angelus

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From the Rector



Fr. McDuffie

Dear Friends in Christ,

Years ago, I went to a conference sponsored by the Episcopal Network for Stewardship, and one of the speakers invited us to consider what we each gave to support the life of our respective faith communities. We were encouraged to think of our individual financial resources, and then to reflect on the status of our habits of giving on a continuum. To what extent could we consider ourselves to be in the habit of sacrificial giving – that is, giving with the knowledge that we were feeling a pinch with some of the creature comforts to which we were ordinarily accustomed? And to what extent might we be merely “tippers” – that is, keeping most of the fruits of our labors for ourselves, and merely giving the church a “gratuity” as an afterthought?

I have to admit that these were uncomfortable questions for me – and I can only suspect that they might be for all of us. I had already dealt with some of those questions when I was just out of seminary and joined the Stewardship Commission of the Diocese of Ohio. At the first meeting I attended, I was told by the chair of that group, “You must be tithing as a personal witness, if you are going to be in our group.” A woman at the meeting who was a hairdresser in Cleveland proceeded to look at me, and smile, and then said proudly, “Every two weeks I get a paycheck from my job; then I deposit it and immediately write a check for 10% of my paycheck to my church.”

In a word, I felt intimidated and pushed into a corner! I made my way home and told my wife that to stay in this group, I had to pledge to tithe to our church. We prayed about it, and we decided that we would take on this discipline, and it took a while for me to actually feel good about what we were doing. No one likes to feel forced or pressured to give – but gradually I felt thankful that I had made the commitment because it was gratifying and life-giving.

Years later, I can tell you that I’m no longer tithing – paradoxically, it becomes harder to do when you have more income, and an increasing array of responsibilities toward family and the needs of children. But those questions are still with me every time I consider what I’m going to pledge as a gift to the church. Is my gift a form of “paying dues”? Is it a gratuity? Is it something done under compulsion? Or is it given with a sense of joy and thanksgiving, and in a spirit of sacrifice? Again, I’m reminded that the word “sacrifice” does not simply mean choosing to undergo suffering – it literally means “to make holy”. Am I pledging a gift that is a sacred offering to the glory of God?

I invite you to consider these questions as you pray about what offering you want to make in thanksgiving to God. There is no spirit of compulsion or guilt inducement – just a simple invitation to think about yourself and your life with God, and what you can offer. For me, I have a recurrent experience of gratitude, when I think about our church family as an oasis in a confusing world of secularism. At our best, we have something to share about giving and receiving Christ’s love,

amongst ourselves and to the world around us – and that makes a big difference to me, in terms of who I am and how I see things, and how I want to help strengthen our life.

As October begins, we continue in our capital campaign, “Firm Foundation, Bright Future”, and we also begin our fall stewardship campaign, “A New Heart and a New Spirit”. One is for the long-term future stability and strength of our church and school communities; the other is for the support of our annual budget that funds all that we do as a church. With joy, I am pledging to both campaigns – and I pray that you might be moved to do so as well.

I’d like to share one more story about giving that has inspired me for years. In the middle of July, our parishioner John Weddell entered into eternal life. John had been a member of Christ Church since 1962, and we gathered on August 26 not only to remember his earthly life, but also to celebrate his entrance into resurrection life in Christ. John was a warm, caring and positive person who loved people – most of all his family. His life was in many ways an embodiment of joy.

But John also loved Christ Church. At his funeral, I invited people to gaze at our Ascension Window, over the altar. About nine years ago, John suddenly called me up and said, “I’ve just come into a windfall – it is \$40,000, and I would like to give it to Christ Church.” It just so happened that at the same time we were preparing to pack up our Ascension Window and ship it to Winona, Minnesota, for badly-needed repairs. The total cost of the repairs was exactly \$40,000, and I said to John, “We have a current pressing need in our church”, and I told him about the window repair. “I would like this gift to go to restoring that window”, John replied, without hesitation. “I only have one condition – I would like the source of the gift to remain anonymous”.

I kept John’s wish until after his death, and then I asked his wife Janet for permission to tell this story at his service. Every time I look at that window I think about an extraordinary act of generosity; and when you see the window on Sunday mornings, I hope that you, too, will think about a gift given, not out of compulsion, but out of love.

May the Holy Spirit inspire us all to be people of faith, hope, and love, who can give with generous hearts.

Faithfully and Sincerely,

John+



Inside Outreach

An Update on the Christ Church Outreach Program

The second is this: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself’.
-Mark 12:31a

How to Prevent Hundreds of Thousands of People from Losing Their Jobs and Going Hungry - Ben Shuman

Bishop Mariann Budde recently spoke about the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. Speaking to people brought here as children, “I want you to know that you belong here. We love you; we are so proud of you; and we need your gifts, talents, and hard work to help make this country live up to its greatest ideals.” It is clear from her advocacy that she supports loving her neighbor. Her sentiment means a lot to me because it reflects my understanding of God’s will for us. Loving our neighbors is what outreach is all about.

So, why care about the issue? The DACA program allowed dreamers, a term used for a person who was not authorized to be in the United States but had been brought here as a child, to work legally in the United States. The LA Times reports that most DACA recipients are employed and about half are in school. Without work, people and families face hunger and homelessness. They begin to fall through the safety nets and they suffer. Do we care? Many say that after all, the law is the law. However, in a democracy, citizens should participate in the governing of their society, including encouraging the development of just laws.

A few years ago I had the privilege of attending a quinceañera, a culturally significant event that celebrates the 15th birthday of a young woman. The young woman was a dreamer. Over dinner, I heard the conversation turn to whether she should register for the DACA program along with the risks and opportunities that may entail for her life. Many dreamers have registered for the program: according to the PEW Research Center nearly 790,000 have received work permits and deportation relief through the program.

As Christians we must consider God's word. Consider Leviticus 19:33, "When an alien resides with you in your land, do not mistreat him" or Deuteronomy 24:20-21, "When you beat your olive trees, do not go over the branches a second time. Leave what remains for the alien, the fatherless, and the widow" or Malachi 3:5, "So I will come near to you for judgment. I will be quick to testify against...those who deprive aliens of justice, but do not fear me."

Before you form a final opinion on the issue, also consider that the President appeared to call on Congress to legalize DACA within six months in a tweet on September 5th. Bishop Mariann has also emphasized the importance of forming laws to help dreamers. In fact, she said, "we will turn our attention to Congress." Let us all pray that dreamers will not go without food or shelter as the society they grew up calling home decides their fate.

Rise Against Hunger

Save the Date!

Our annual Rise Against Hunger (formerly called Stop Hunger Now) meal packing event will take place Saturday, November 18, 2017. 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. We look forward to seeing you there. Questions?, 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 10th, 2017. 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.

Hurricane Relief Fund

Please give today to the Episcopal Church's Hurricane Relief Fund and help our partners reach vulnerable communities devastated after Hurricane Irma and other major storms. In the face of what could be a record-breaking hurricane season, please make an urgent gift today.

<https://support.episcopalrelief.org/hurricane-relief>



Environmental Stewardship

The Environmental Stewardship Committee consists of a number of concerned and caring people who want to conserve and protect our natural world. We focus on prayer, education, and activities that help to make a difference in our parish, communities, and through the initiatives of the Diocese of Washington. Our meetings are usually on a monthly basis.

Our membership is organized into four main areas of interest: Worship, Education and Outreach, Internal Environment, and External Environment. As a result, our activities have been centered on creating additions to the Sunday Prayers of the People, writing monthly contributions to The Angelus, preparing an energy audit that was presented to the Vestry, and participating in clean-up projects in local waterways and gardening projects on the parish property. We are currently seeking more involvement at the Diocesan level.

Please join in our concern for the state of our environment and participate in our efforts to serve and honor God's creation. All are welcome.

Our Changing Planet

from Forward Day By Day – Monday, August 21st, 2017

Acts 23:6 *When Paul noticed that some were Sadducees and others were Pharisees, he called out in the council, "Brothers, I am a Pharisee, a son of Pharisees. I am on trial concerning the hope of the resurrection of the dead."*

Many of us find it hard to trust people who think differently than we do. I suspect that our biases keep us from seeing Christ in those with whom we do not agree and hamper our development as disciples of Jesus.

The spinning wheels of the Sadducees and Pharisees are disconcertingly similar to the political discussions around climate change today. While some are stuck in the debate over whether climate change is real and what to do about it, the planet is changing more rapidly and profoundly than we comprehend.

All things were made through Christ, and in our destruction of the planet, we participate in the killing of countless innocents of other species and our own. However bleak the situation, I am certain that Christ's redeeming love will show us a way that negates our divisions and reshapes all of creation.

St. Francis Flock

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

Blessing of the Animals



PLEASE COME – all creatures great and small – to celebrate the tremendous blessing that are our pets and animal companions. Our annual **Blessing of the Animals** service will be held at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 1st, 2017, in Foley Park, adjacent to the Church. St. Francis (our namesake) is the patron Saint of animals. The Church holds this wonderful event in remembrance of St. Francis' love for all creatures. We will be honoring all animals that attend with a beautiful medallion for their collars or cages. We will also use this opportunity to collect donations of any unopened pet food for Chompers Pet Food Bank and pet toys and old sheets and blankets for the Montgomery County Animal Services and Adoption Center. Bring your family and bring your pets – you'll be glad you came!

Mark your calendars for our **Third Annual Pet Memorial Service** at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 12th, 2017, in the Church. Please join us in celebrating the lives of our beloved pets who are no longer with us. It is a unique, moving, and tremendously healing way to honor and remember our animal companions, God's gift to us. Please submit a .jpeg photo of your pet or pets – whether recently passed or long ago remembered – for inclusion in our slideshow during the service. Email your photo(s) along with your pet's first and last name to Lori Nicely at stfrancisflock@cecrockville.org.

Ongoing Activities

- **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 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!
- **Donations of pet toys and old sheets, towels, & blankets are ALWAYS welcome.** Many dogs, cats, and other critters are *waiting for their forever families* at the Montgomery County Animal Services and Adoption Center. They would love to have toys (gently used or new) to play with, soft blankets to lay on, and sheets & towels to be cleaned up with. Drop off your donations in the shopping cart in the main dining area of the basement and the Flock will deliver them to the shelter.

- **Pet grievance ministry.** St. Francis Flock provides ministry to those grieving the loss or illness of a beloved pet. Please contact Eva Lin at stfrancisflock@cecrockville.org for more information.
- **Assistance to the elderly and/or disabled.** 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! Our monthly meeting is the second Sunday at 12:30 p.m. in the Parish House. For more information contact stfrancisflock@cecrockville.org.

Adult Forum



**Welcome Second Chance Wildlife Center's
Executive Director, James Monsma**

October 1- in honor of St. Francis' commitment to animals

Second Chance provides compassionate, rehabilitative care to orphaned, ill, and injured wild animals, and advises our community on helping animals.

Each year, concerned citizens and animal services officers bring Second Chance about 3,000 distressed native wild animals — songbirds, raptors, waterfowl, squirrels, groundhogs, chipmunks, bats, rabbits, turtles, and a host of other native species — for medical treatment, attentive care, and release. Learn more about this wonderful resource for wildlife all around us!!!!

Brought to us by the leadership of our own St. Francis Flock!!!!

Justice and a Just Society

Oct. 22, 29 & Nov. 5 with The Rev. Dr. Hemchand Gossai



In this three-part series, we will examine what it means to be just in our society and world. What is the relationship between worship and justice; between economics and justice; between politics and justice; between leadership and justice; between equality and justice; between fasting and justice. We will examine several texts from the Old

Testament Prophets, including Isaiah, Jeremiah, Amos, Micah, and Hosea. Come and discover anew the prophetic words for us.

Christ Episcopal Capital Campaign

Countdown

Have you had the opportunity to see the Academy award-nominated movie “Hidden Figures”? If you haven’t, you NEED to see it. It is exciting, smart, heartfelt, family-oriented, and truly an inspirational movie. It’s the amazing story of three women – all brilliant, African-American women working at NASA – who were key in making the launch of astronaut John Glenn into orbit happen. And they did it while also crossing gender and racial lines and were a true inspiration to future dreams of generations to come.

You can make similar situations happen with your support of our Christ Episcopal School and Church generations to come as minds are inspired – including yours.

Please [click to pledge to the Christ Episcopal Capital Campaign](http://cesrockville.org/capital-campaign) or open a web browser and go to <http://cesrockville.org/capital-campaign>.

The goal of the Christ Church Capital Campaign is to keep the inspiration of future dreams for our own children and the programs of the church alive for generations. That's why improvements are necessary. These improvements include:

- A new school building to shape young minds for future creativity, leadership, and inspiration of their own through their lives.
- Renovation of our worship space, and FINALLY an elevator for those who need it – of all ages.
- Renovations of existing classrooms and bathrooms and the Murdock Room, ceiling work outside the nursery, and more.

As of this writing, the pledged amount for our combined Christ Episcopal Capital Campaign is

\$1,972,180. Amazing...and SO generous. But, the goal to do all the improvements is double this amount. Consider this – improvements to the Murdock Room, replacing the aging floor in the worship space, and ceiling fans in the worship space, all make everyone much more comfortable as well.

Now is the time to find out more about how to make your pledge (Yes, it's a pledge extended over three years—not an immediate donation if you need some time). Please call the Church office at 301-762-2191 to request someone come visit with you and tell you all about our exciting plans.



Look for videos of our own parishioners posted to the Capital Campaign website (www.christchurchrockville.org/capital-campaign) sharing their stories of what the church and school community has meant to them and why they expressly feel the need to support the growth and vibrancy of Christ Episcopal.

Our target deadline for pledges is fast approaching – it's October 1st. Don't miss out on providing your support to the future of the CES/CEC community, AND having BRILLANT students in a supporting community at Christ Church. If you have comments or questions, please contact us at capital-campaign@cecrockville.org.

[Please pledge to the Christ Episcopal Capital Campaign now.](#)

Music at Christ Church

The Lutheran Connection

October 31st marks the 500th anniversary of the posting of Martin Luther's Ninety-five Theses on the chapel door at Wittenberg. At Christ Church, we have honored the "Lutheran Connection" in liturgical music for countless years. We regularly sing Luther's poetic paraphrase of Psalm 46 *A mighty fortress is our God* in the splendid English translation by Catherine Winkworth. We are lucky that the editors of The Hymnal 1982 chose to include not only the stately Bach harmonization of the tune (# 688), but also Luther's original jazzy rhythmic version of the chorale (# 687), which has become a treasured part of our congregational repertoire in recent years.

Other chorales from the time of Martin Luther may be found in our hymnal at # 421 *All glory be to God on high* – a poetic paraphrase of the *Gloria* – and at # 496 *How bright appears the morning star*. This Christmas, we will introduce # 80 *From heaven on high I come to you*, which Luther wrote for his family's devotions. Although *Away in a manger* is often said to be by Luther, neither the words nor music appeared in print until 1888 and only in America, making it unlikely to be from his pen.

Besides being a monk, a university professor, and reformer, Luther was also a skilled musician, both singer and composer. He published clear instructions in his Deutsche Messe of 1526 about preserving the polyphonic choir repertoire of the Roman Catholic Mass and enriching it with German hymns to be sung by all within the framework of the reformed liturgy.

During the month of October (and beyond), we will be recognizing and honoring Luther's 500th anniversary through music by singing English translations of his hymns, both in their lively original Renaissance rhythms, and also in the majestic settings of J. S. Bach:

Kyrie	God, Father in heaven above
Gloria	All glory be to God on high
Sanctus	Isaiah, mighty seer in days of old
Lord's Prayer	Our Father, thou in heaven above
Agnus Dei	O Lamb of God, pure, spotless

News About Our Korean Congregation

The Washington Korean Christ Episcopal Church, which has been holding Sunday worship services at 1:00 pm at our church since February 2012, is moving to Virginia, effective October 1. Earlier this year, Fr. Valentine Han, a Korean priest and vicar of the Holy Cross Korean Episcopal Church in Fairfax, retired from active ministry. Since Fr. Han's retirement, Fr. Athanasius Choi has been making weekly trips to Fairfax to celebrate and preach at the Sunday morning service at Holy Cross. He then travels back across the river to be at our Korean service at 1:00 pm.

The people of Holy Cross decided that they wanted Fr. Choi to be the permanent vicar of their church, and during the summer The Diocese of Virginia, with the blessing of the Diocese of Washington, communicated its hope that Fr. Choi would take this position, and merge the Rockville congregation with the Fairfax congregation. This is a very helpful development, as financial support of the Rockville congregation from the Diocese of Seoul ended in January 2017, and the Holy Cross congregation does have financial support as a mission of the Diocese of Virginia.

Fr. Choi plans to remain in residence at the Hillstrom House, next door to our church building, until the summer of 2018. There are plans to continue a small weekly prayer group here at our church until Fr. Choi moves to Virginia.

I'm very pleased that our leadership welcomed Fr. Choi at the end of 2011, and that we provided a nesting place for this small, but vibrant and energetic congregation to begin its life in worship and in ministry. God's continued blessings be upon Fr. Choi, his wife Margaret, and the good people of their church, who will always be our special friends.

--Fr. McDuffie

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THE BARGAIN BOX

MEET OUR VOLUNTEERS



Nancy Still is celebrating her first anniversary at the Bargain Box. Nancy was looking for some volunteer work and Linda Wright, a former co-worker of hers at the Nuclear Regulatory

Commission and long-time friend (and another Bargain Box volunteer), suggested she try the Bargain Box. She works the front desk and likes assisting the customers because they are nice and appreciate the great and affordable items offered. Nancy owns a miniature art supply business, MiniArt Supply (www.miniartsupply.biz) and also builds web sites. In addition to appreciating being able to work at home in her pajamas with these businesses, Nancy enjoys oil painting, teaching art classes and workshops, knitting, and most anything related to arts/crafts. She is on the Board of the DC Miniature Art Society and provides presentations on the history of miniature art to local organizations. She and her husband Don travel extensively.



OUTREACH SUNDAY 3rd Sunday of each month

The third Sunday of the month is Outreach Sunday at Christ Church. We will be in the Dining Room on Sunday, October 15 with a Halloween/Football raffle. We have lots of cool Halloween decorations so be sure to visit our table during coffee hour and our store if you miss us on Sunday.

We have do-it-yourself as well as ready-made Halloween costumes.



Calling all Chocolate Lovers!

In a recent study conducted by Gettysburg College professor Brian Meier, researchers gave subjects either a piece of chocolate, a cracker or no food at all and then asked them to volunteer for something and estimate how much time they could give. Those who chose chocolate offered 42 percent more time than the cracker group and almost 68 percent more time than those who ate nothing.

The Bargain Box invites you to join our kind and well-fed staff. Our snack drawer always has a nice variety of chocolates, cookies, candy and even crackers for volunteers to enjoy while they generously donate 42 to 68 percent more of their time!



The Bargain Box Thrift and Consignment Shop

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in the community and diocese.*

Children's & Youth Ministries

Sunday, October 1st



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 Games & Lunch from 12 - 3:00pm in Murdock Room



Sunday, October 8th



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 15th



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

Sandwich & Granola Making, Smart Sacks - We make 350 sandwiches and granola bags for McKenna's Wagon, fill 280 bags of food for 70 children at Meadow Hall Elementary School who need food on the weekends. We'll make Cards and Bookmarks for Halloween for the Sunrise Nursing Home, and work on a Paper Project for the Bargain Box.



Sunday, October 22nd



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

Youth Group Hunger Fund Volunteering from 11:30am – 4pm

We'll carpool down to Cathedral to set-up for the Walk and have lunch. After the Walk, there will be a Youth Gathering at the Bishop's Office with a BBQ before the Evensong.



Many Hearts. One Mission.

Sunday, October 22nd



Diocesan Hunger Walk begins at 1:30pm at the National Cathedral!
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 Cathedral Grounds and Gardens 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! The Walk will be followed by a family-friendly **Evensong Service at the Cathedral at 4pm** with special prayers and readings for the homeless and hungry!



Friday, October 27th

Youth Group Markoff's Haunted Forest & Dinner from 6 – 10pm
Youth Group (6 – 12 graders) are invited to Dinner and 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 mcraig@cecrockville.org or 301/762-2191 #15** before 10/22.

Sunday, October 29th



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!



A special showing of Charlie Brown's Great Pumpkin will be at 11:00am for children of all ages! who want to watch the video in the Youth Room. Popcorn will be served and families are invited to watch or wait in the Murdock Room. Friends Welcome!

Sophia House Meal Prep & Serving from 4:30 – 7:30pm in the Kitchen
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 mcraig@cecrockville.org.



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

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OTHER PARISH EVENTS

(Date/Event/ Time/ Location)

OCTOBER 2017 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-5th Grade
(Oct. 1 & 8)
- 10:15 AM** Choir Rehearsal – Choir Stalls
- 10:15 AM** Coffee Hour – Dining Room

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 11/7* (Church)
- Thursday**
12:00 PM AA (PH)
4:30 PM Chorister Rehearsal (Church)
7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (Church)

- 1 Sophia House Meal Prep & Serve **4:00pm** (K, Shelter)
Youth Group Games & Lunch **12-3pm** (MR)
Blessing of the Animals **5:00pm** (Foley Park)
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- 3 Pastoral Care Committee Meeting **7:30pm** (PH LR)
Acolyte Training **7:30pm** (Church)
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- 8 St. Francis Flock Meeting **12:30pm** (PH DR)
- 9 Columbus Day (Office Closed)
- 10 *The Angelus* Submission Deadline for the November issue
Adult Christian Formation Meeting **7:00pm** (PH LR)
Outreach Committee Meeting **7:30pm** (PH DR)
Acolyte Training **7:30pm** (Church)
- 11
- 12
- 13 Private Recital **6:30pm** (Church)
- 14 Adult Supper Club **7:00pm** (TBD)
- 15 “Manna” Sunday (*Third Sunday of each month*)
Loaves & Fishes carpool **10:15am** (leave from Church)
Bargain Box Outreach Table (CEC DR)
SOS, “Serving Others Sunday” 10:15am (MR)
- 16 Dine & Deal **6:30pm** (MR)
- 17 Pastoral Care Committee Meeting **7:30pm** (PH LR)
Acolyte Training **7:30pm** (Church)
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- 21 St. Francis Flock Field Trip **12-3pm** (Star Gazing Farm-Boyd)
- 22 Youth Group Hunter Walk & Lunch **11:00am** (PH)
Diocesan Hunger Fund Walk **1:00pm** (Nat’l Cathedral)
Evensong Service **4:00pm** (Nat’l Cathedral)
- 23
- 24 Vestry Meeting **7:30pm** (PH LR)
Acolyte Training **7:30pm** (Church)
- 25 Holy Eucharist at Collingswood Nursing Home **2:30pm** (Rockville)
- 26 Chorister Halloween Party **5:00pm** (PH)
- 27 Youth Group Dinner & Markoff’s **6:00pm** (PH)
- 28 CES Truck Touch **11am-2pm** (Church/School Parking Lot)
- 29 Happy Halloween Walk **10:15am** (meet in CEC DR)
Sophia House Meal Prep & Serve **4:00pm** (K, Shelter)
- 30
- 31 Halloween
Acolyte Training **7:30pm** (Church)

KEY

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