



CHRIST CHURCH PRAYER LIST

CURRENT LIST :: Susan Ford, Ted and Family, Ryan, Bruce, Prentice, Rose Richie, Robert Warsh, Barbara Warsh, Steven, Hugh Gleason, Joanne Gleason, Daryle Biunno, Eva Ramano, Barbara DiGirolomo, the Butcher Family, Lisa Mottes, Slade Carter, Vanessa Webber, Lillian Whelan, Thomas Pivarnik, Mary Kurtis, Gus Sougelas, Andrew Grosghal

LONG TERM LIST :: Jane Henry, Liz Doyle, Bill Clayton, Betty, John Bunnell, Brenda White, Harold Stultz, Diogenes Allen, Ridley Taylor, Amy, Randy, Ann, Guy, Deborah, Carol Way, Marilyn Croneberger, William Powers, Katharine Jones

FOR THOSE WHO SERVE IN OUR ARMED FORCES :: James Golub, Charles P. Conley, Tyler Murphy

FOR THOSE WHO WHO HAVE DIED :: Elsie Cane, Joshua Videka

BIRTHDAYS

12/01 Matthew William
 12/02 Andrew Clark
 12/03 Barbara Armour
 12/03 Roger Hoit
 12/04 Graham Riley
 12/05 Anne Bunn
 12/05 John Draper
 12/06 Kyle Syracuse
 12/08 Annie Stathis
 12/10 Bryce McCourt
 12/10 Lisa Gadsden
 12/12 Katherine Sankovich
 12/12 Paul Speaker
 12/12 Libby Lindstrom
 12/14 Ernestine Hartshorn
 12/14 Katherine Ristau
 12/14 Mackenzie Shapard
 12/15 Sandra Johnson
 12/15 William Mebane
 12/15 David Dwyer
 12/17 Chuck Nwachuku
 12/17 Chip Peinado
 12/19 Hope Lampe
 12/19 Deborah Barker
 12/19 Irena Beder
 12/19 Petey Lurie
 12/20 Edward Shapard
 12/20 Ruth Southwick
 12/21 Amy Marchisio
 12/21 Julia Drahzal
 12/22 Michael Sankovich
 12/22 John William
 12/23 Robert Near
 12/23 Liz Clark
 12/24 Kate Lee
 12/26 Jamie Barker
 12/26 Blake Kernan
 12/27 Bruce Kendall
 12/27 Andrew Bunn
 12/27 Joseph McBride
 12/28 Jud Riley
 12/29 Jay McGraw
 12/30 Jack Carter
 12/30 Jane Derickson Friar
 12/31 Mark Saulnier
 12/31 Diane Redding Stathis

ANNIVERSARIES

12/05 Linda & Richard Carchia
 12/06 Elizabeth & Chris Burn
 12/08 Valerie & Michael Boyle
 12/19 Marian & Jack Carter
 12/20 Ann & Herman Michels
 12/20 Marilyn & Denny Candler
 12/22 Peggy & A. Gary Shilling
 12/27 Inese & Theodore Houllis
 12/28 Jill & John Draper
 12/30 Valerie & Gregg Richards

FLOWERS

The flowers on the altars this morning are given to the glory of God and in memory of Henry W. Gadsden, Patricia P. Gadsden, Jessie Cooper Downer and William N. McCain.



FOR THE RECORD

December 7, 2008

Total Attendance: 302
 Sunday offering: \$9,245

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
14 8:00am – Holy Eucharist 9:15am – Nursery Care & Sunday School 9:30am – Holy Eucharist 10:45am – Coffee Hour 10:45am – Pageant rehearsal 11:00am – Adult Forum 11:00am – YPF Bronx Zoo trip	15 9:00am – Yoga for Advent 7:45pm – Stewardship meeting	16 10:30am – Staff meeting 8:00pm – Vestry meeting	17 9:30am – Education for Ministry 10:30am – CCNS Christmas Program 7:30pm – Education for Ministry	18 10:30am – CCNS Christmas Program	19 9:30am – Interweave Bible Study	20 8:30am – Careers in Transition 4:00pm – The Ordination of Rev. Lisa Green
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December 14, 2008

WEEKLY MESSENGER

CHRIST CHURCH IN SHORT HILLS

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Dear People of God,

It is often said that one cannot over-communicate. I heartily agree! Over the coming months there will be many exciting new ministries that are being launched, great existing ministries that will continue, and of course some changes that will occur. Upon arrival at church this morning you encountered the mailboxes. Each family unit in the Church will have a mailbox. This will be a new home to store your nametags, as well as the depository for your **Weekly Messenger**. This **Weekly Messenger** will be e-mailed to all members who have email. The e-messenger is being replaced by this communication vehicle. This new parish-wide communication will provide up to the minute news about what is happening around Christ Church and will be placed in your mailbox each week. Folks who attend irregularly will have the contents of their boxes mailed to them once per month. Parishioners may also send notes and cards to others using the parish mailboxes. Each parish ministry will also have a mailbox to enhance communication. Please use the boxes and check your mailbox regularly.

If you arrived this morning and did not have a family mailbox, I apologize, please make a note on the mailbox clipboard and you will have a box ASAP. If you need a new nametag or are new to the parish and have never received a nametag, also please note that on the mailbox clip-board.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation!
 Faithfully, Scott +



Advent Meditations from the writings of Henri Nouwen, **Living in Hope**—is the title of a devotional booklet for your Advent use. Please pick up your free copy in the narthex.

Our sympathies go out to **Jean Bailey** on the death of her father this past Thursday. Hook and Jean were able to arrive in Florida before he died.

Rest eternal grant to him, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon him.

WOW, what a welcome! Many thanks to all who shared in the joy of our first Sunday at Christ Church. It was a memorable occasion and we were genuinely moved by the attendance and the thoughtful gestures. Thank you to Joan McKeown and the Hospitality Committee, the youth group for their gift of the photo cross and to all who lovingly baked cookies and other goodies for the reception. Thank you to all who paved the way for our arrival, the work tirelessly done on the rectory and all who prayed us here. We look forward to our ministry among you and being knit fully into the life and ministry of the parish. *A note from Scott and La Nora Holcombe*

ADULT FORUM TODAY: I would also like to invite you all to come to the adult forum in the Parish Hall today. I will be the guest speaker (?) and would like to share with you my reflections and my journey to Christ Church in Short Hills. While this is a story known to the vestry and search committees, many of the folks in the congregation are just not quite sure how the new guy got here. Grab a cup of coffee after Church and join us for a get-to-know-Scott gathering! Looking forward to getting to know, serve and love you all. Scott +

Many thanks to all who have made pledges to Christ Church for 2009. To date, we have received 12 pledges totaling \$317,328.00. We hope that all members of Christ Church will sacrificially participate in this year's campaign. If at all possible please return your pledge by Saturday, January 31. If we have omitted your name from this list, please accept our apologies and let the parish office know of the oversight.

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| Mr. & Mrs. Robert Arnold | Mr. & Mrs. William Harwood | Mr. Robert M. Pyle, Jr. |
| Mr. & Mrs. Philip Baggaley | Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Henry | Mrs. Lynne Ranieri |
| Mr. & Mrs. J. Hugh Bailey | The Rev. & Mrs. Scott Holcombe | Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Reckford |
| Mr. & Mrs. Vernon Barback | Mr. & Mrs. Theodore Houllis | Ms. Molly Rennie |
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| Ms. Jane Barone | Mrs. Gayle Chamberlin Hoyt | Mr. & Mrs. Michael Roberts |
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| Mr. William Betteridge | Mr. & Mrs. William Johnson | Ms. Benita Rountree |
| Ms. Marjorie Billington | Mr. & Mrs. Henry Johnson | Mr. & Mrs. James Sammartino |
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| Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Boller | Mrs. Lowell Jonach | Mrs. Peter Schaub |
| Mrs. Robert Bonner | Mr. Stewart Jones | Mr. & Mrs. Gunter Seeger |
| Dr. & Mrs. John Boozan | Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Kendall | Mr. & Mrs. Albert Shelby |
| Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Brace | Mr. & Mrs. Robert King | Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Shewmaker |
| Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bryan | Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Kirsten | Dr. & Mrs. Gary Shilling |
| Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Bunn | Mr. & Mrs. Carl Klemme | Mr. & Mrs. MacDonald Snow |
| Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Burn | Mrs. Shelley Lach | Miss Ruth Southwick |
| Mr. & Mrs. Gary Busacca | Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Lee | Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Stevens |
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| Mr. & Mrs. Robert Campbell, Jr. | Mrs. William Leslie | Dr. & Mrs. Donald Syracuse |
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| Mrs. Robert Cunliffe | Mr. & Mrs. Mike McChesney | Mr. & Mrs. Ken Udland |
| Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan DeCiantis | Mr. & Mrs. Jay McGraw | Mr. & Mrs. William Wallace |
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| Mr. & Mrs. Terence Finan | Mrs. Barbara Murray | |
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| Mr. & Mrs. Gary French | Mr. & Mrs. Robert Ogden | |
| Mr. & Mrs. George Freund | Mrs. Karen Oleson | |
| Mr. & Mrs. Paul Funk | Mr. William Omelia & Mr. Darren Spinelli | |
| Mr. & Mrs. William Gadsden | Mr. Joseph Ort | |
| Mr. & Mrs. Jeremy Gordon | Mr. & Dr. Arnold Peinado | |
| Mr. Thomas Gordon | Mr. & Mrs. Marcus Pelham-Webb | |
| Reverend Elizabeth Green | Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Petersen | |
| Mr. & Mrs. Tom Greene | Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Peterson | |
| Dr. & Mrs. Richard Greenlee | Mr. & Mrs. John Pivarnik | |
| Mrs. Edwina Harris | Mr. & Mrs. John Pivarnik | |
| Mr. & Mrs. Michael Harwood | Mrs. George Proud | |



Come join in the celebration of the Ordination of Elizabeth Ann Green to the Sacred Order of Priests in Christ's One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church this coming Saturday, December 20, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.
RSVP to 973.379.2898

Please call Peggy Baggely at 973.467.5583 if you can help with the reception.

WANTED
Volunteers to fold and staple on Thursday afternoons or Friday mornings to help assembling the Weekly Messenger and the bulletins. Please call the Church office if you can help!

FOR YOUR CALENDARS CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE:



- 12/24 Christmas Eve**
4:30 p.m. Christmas Pageant with Holy Eucharist– Rite Two
10:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Concert begins
10:30 p.m. Candlelight Eucharist –Rite Two begins
- 12/25 Christmas Day**
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite Two - Birthday party for Jesus (have your kids bring their favorite gift with them to church!)
- 12/28 First Sunday after Christmas**
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite One
9:30 a.m. Lessons and Carols with Eucharist Rite Two
10:00 a.m. Community Congregational Church presentation of selections from "the Messiah"
No Sunday School or adult forum

Several folks have asked????

Question: Why are we doing the service booklet each week instead of a bulletin?

Answer:

- It is more user-friendly
- For folks who are unfamiliar with service there is less juggling of books
- When people visit it is easier to follow the service
- Persons with arthritis find it less painful than juggling heavy books
- It provides the opportunity for flexible wording and more intentional worship service planning
- Special service booklets are available for momentos and to send to friends
- For people who are homebound they have the opportunity to see what the service is really like

Sunday SCHOOL

Important Sunday School Dates

- 12/14 Pageant rehearsal following worship in church sanctuary – all choirs and pageant members!
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12/24 4:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Pageant.
12/28 No Sunday School or Nursery care.

Christmas Pageant December 24 4:30 p.m.

All are invited to participate! Canterbury Choir (Pre-K through 1st grade), Children's Choir (1st grade and up), pageant angels and shepherds (5th – 8th grades), high school and adults needed to help! Pageant rehearsals Sundays following worship.

7th & 8th Graders Outreach Ministries

Please donate: food drive hamper for the St. Marks Food Pantry, and Winter Warmth (coats, blankets, etc.) in Parish Hall. Bake sale to benefit Heifer and the Food Pantry December 14!

December Nursery Family Helpers

- 12/14 - Birch
12/21 - DeCiantis
12/28 - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR NURSERY CARE