

Announcements: The First Sunday after Christmas, December 28, 2014

Welcome to your church; We welcome the Rev. Jim Kellaway as guest preacher and celebrant this morning for both services. **Communion** uses a common cup for wine and wheat wafers. You can take the wafer only if you prefer or “intinct” the wafer into the wine. Non-gluten wafers... check with clergy at the rail; No Coffee Hours this morning; **Coffee Hour is a great way to meet fellow parishioners.**

Church School –No Church School or Nursery today. We’re back in session on January 4th. Note... please return your Pageant costume if you have not already. We will have a movie of the Pageant available on line! Thanks, **Amy and Nicole** ccchurchschoolpomfret@gmail.com

Library-- We’re pondering some new approaches including a DVD Swap section to augment our Book Swap. We will continue to emphasize the Young Adult Fiction & Adult Religion/Education areas. Got ideas? sraarch7569@gmail.com Kristen Archambault

Prayer Shawl Blessings as needed. Thanks so much to Rebecca Patenaude who is going to be the Spokesman & Organizer of our Prayer Shawl Ministry. She can be reached at: 860-928-5504 or patenaude.rebecca@gmail.com

Rector is on a vacation break for the week following Christmas. Thanks. If you need pastoral support please call the office, 860-928-7026.

Teen Program: Rite-13 (grades 7-8), J2A (9-10) and YAC (11 grade+); Thanks for your support. Our next event is the famous Chili Cookoff on Sat. Jan. 31st (the night before the Superbowl). Coordinator: Dee Dee Markes: deedeespa@charter.net; 860-963-1245

Visions and Ventures/Stewardship – Thanks for your participation. We’d love to increase our number of pledges this year. Please consider converting your donation to a pledge. Thanks. We have in place a robust program for Online Giving/Donating and Pledging through Easytith (see “Buttons” at the website and in the Reminder). “Generic” donation envelopes in back.

Worship Notes: Both 8 and 10:15 Services today and next week. Church School and Teen Programs back in session next week, Jan. 4th. All three services on January 11th.

House-keeping Items:

Courier Deadline for February is January 20th; *We will mail out first class to those who request it.* Our **Thursday Reminder** is a key email update (which includes the Courier). **Do we have your email or snail-mail address?** Update or renew, see the form on the music stand **or email** (address below).

Directories... there are *usually* directories of the parish in the basket to the left just inside the office!

CSO – Community Kitchen in January TBA. See Pauline Phillips, Supervisor.

We collect durable foods here weekly for ACCESS (Church School offering).

Master Flower Schedule is posted outside the office. You can sign up right there! Office: 860-928-7026.

Inreach – *There are a few new casseroles* in our chest freezer for any in need.

Parish Life – Coffee Hour Teams –See the Bulletin Board outside the Library.

Pastoral Call Emergencies should be directed to office (860-928-7026) or Fr. Dave’s cell phone: 860-608-7632. Or if you need to call in prayer concerns to the **Prayer Chain** call the office: 860-928-7026

Prayer Shawls – Blessed shawls on the back table of the church (please write in who is receiving the gift in the shawl journal). More on the top shelf in the hallway closet by the offices: Rebecca Patenaude: patenaude.rebecca@gmail.com.

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Stewardship 2014: Finishing up the year! Visions and

Ventures: As we head into the conclusion of our fiscal year our numbers are looking quite good thanks to your support. With 92% of the year gone in November we have 95.2% of pledges paid. Pledges are the most crucial part of our income. Other income such as endowment, the Rectory School donation, the Fair all come in periodically with the final installments coming in December. So at this point of the year we usually run a deficit. This year's is one of the lowest in recent memory, about \$13,000. It is often quite a bit higher. Again, thanks for your support!



The chair persons for the St. Nick Fair would like to take this opportunity again to thank EVERYONE who helped make the fair a success again this year. Dayna and Lisa

THANK YOU EVERYONE!!

Vision & Ventures 2015
Packets are all out. If you didn't receive one and would like to pledge, please contact the office at 860-928-7026

Need a healthier New Year's Resolution?

Join us for 4 Saturday mornings starting on **January 24th**
At **9:30 a.m. in the Great Hall**
Workshops led by the Rev. Oscar Brockmeyer, Drs. Murray Buttner & Heather Sullivan & Doe West
The health of the body and the health of the spirit.

Annual Reports - *due* mid-January;
they don't have to be long.

Annual Meeting

January 25, 2015

11:45 a.m. - Great Hall



10th Annual J2A Chili Cook Off

January 31, 2015

6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Christ Church Great Hall

Prizes for best chili with 3 categories to choose from
Best Cornbread Contest also
Contact DeeDee Markes for more details

