
Announcements for January 31, 2010

Ash Wednesday: The first day of Lent this year is February 17. We will have two identical services, both including hymns and the imposition of ashes, at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Super Bowl Sunday we are planning a “Soup”er Bowl Sunday for the Center for Food Action. If everyone could bring in 2 cans of soup (one for each team), we will collect them and bring them to CFA for the hungry, unemployed in Bergen County.

Memorial Fund Donations in memory of Dorothy Craig and Christopher Hrbek have been received.

The annual meeting of the parish will be held after church next Sunday, February 7.

A partial slate for elections has been endorsed by the Vestry: for Warden until the annual meeting of 2011, Grace Oliff; for warden until 2012, Brian Demay; for Vestry member until 2013, George Keitel. Additional nominations will be announced at or prior to the Annual Meeting.

Haiti relief: We have collected nearly \$700 in donations for relief from the earthquake in Haiti. Our funds will be disbursed through Episcopal Relief and Development, and used to assist the many Anglican schools and parishes in their difficult period of recovery. The Vestry also voted to match the congregation’s gifts, dollar for dollar, from the Outreach Fund. You can still participate in this important effort. Place any cash donations in an envelope or write a check, leaving either in the offering, clearly marked “Haiti.”

There are jobs to be done! If you can spare even a few minutes for one of several easy and simple volunteer tasks, please speak with the Rector. The list of tasks is posted on the bulletin board (which, the last time we saw it, was just inside the Parish Hall). Everyone’s help is needed!

Yoga With Friends want to get in better shape, or reduce stress, feel better, break a bad habit or start a new good habit? Yoga can help and what better way to try yoga than YOGA WITH FRIENDS. A class is forming to meet every Thursday evening. This will be a good introduction, you can stretch out those muscles, tone up, improve flexibility, posture, even your attitude (if it needs some mild reconditioning). Yoga can lead to improvements in diet, stress levels, weight loss and if one of your resolutions to quit smoking, it sure helps to replace the old habit with something healthful. So call and reserve a place in the class help yourself with Yoga and help Friends for Life with a freewill donation, to help with the good work we do. If you don’t have a mat let me know, so we can supply one for class, wear loose comfortable clothing, or workout clothes, in layers, you may find you work up a seat in some of these poses. To reserve a spot please contact Bill at bilray@verizon.net or call Nelson at 201-262-1150.

The February issue of our parish e-News is available at our web site (www.annunciationradell.org) and has been sent to those registered as members of our free online Google group. Printed copies will be available next week for those who do not have internet access.

Bakeless cake sale starts today and concludes at the end of February. Put checks or cash in an envelope marked E.C.W. and give to any member of our parish chapter of Episcopal Church Women. Remember to put your name on the envelope or check in order that we may credit you with your donation. If you wish to have your donation on your church contribution statement, your check must be payable to the Church of the Annunciation, marked “E.C.W.” in the memo line.

No cooking or stirring or icing or such / And really and truly we’re not asking much /
Just the price of some cookies, a pie, or a cake / There is nothing to sell, to mix, or bake

At our Wednesday services we gather in the Lady Chapel to celebrate a simple service of Holy Eucharist, including the laying-on of hands, anointing, and prayers for healing. The service lasts about half an hour, and begins at 11 a.m.

Nursery care is now available during our Sunday service. If you have friends or neighbors with small children, please consider inviting them to church. We have also removed another pew near the back of the church, and we hope to place a couple of rocking chairs there for mothers with infants. We are becoming a more family-friendly church, thanks to everyone’s cooperation and good wishes.

Donate online to the Church of the Annunciation, through Network for Good. Click on the “Donate Now” icon on our web site to make secure online payments toward your pledge or other donations with your credit card.

To contact the Rector, please call the church office for non-urgent business (201-262-7222). The office is ordinarily open on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 1:15 to 3:15, and closed on all federal holidays. In more timely

situations, please use e-mail (rector@annunciationoradell.org) or call his cell phone (201-390-8270). Please do not call the rectory, except in the case of dire emergency.

Google Groups: We now have two groups in Google. These are free, and we encourage you to sign up. Start at our web site (www.annunciationoradell.org), then click on the link on the home page to join one or more groups. Everyone should be part of the “Parishioners” group!

In Our Prayers

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Sylvester Cabell, a client of Friends for Life. He died peacefully in his sleep last week.

Special Intentions: Dotti Zebrowski, Marilyn Noll, Chloe Devine, Dorothy Craig, Marie Papp, Agnes Dockendorff, Helen Dziemian, Deanna Miller, Sandra Carida, Carolyn Bensen, Gary Hoag, Jane Maher, Theodore Stell, Linda Christensen, Christina Zisa, George Carpenter, Leslie Granville, Soffie Minassian, Dick Boyd, Lisa Emelo, Cindy Hagan, Susan Jaichner, Gloria Brower, Marshall Leaser, John Gibbons, Patt Seitz.

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God, in loving memory of Bill King by Edythe King.

Birthdays This Week: Barbara Maggio 2/2.

Absent Guest Plate (a second offering at the altar steps each week and given away for charitable purposes): **Center for Food Action** (Provides emergency food, rental and utility assistance, counseling, and advocacy to our neighbors in need in Bergen County and in the Upper Passaic Valley.)

Those Serving in the Military: Jason McGillivray, Ryan E. Bartholf, Salvatore Petruso, Chris Schlingo, Geoff Zann, Joe McCarthy, Dr. Gregory Sugalski.

Parish Leadership

Rector: The Rev. Dr. J. Barrington Bates (church office 201-262-7222, e-mail rector@annunciationoradell.org, cell 201-390-8270, or, *in an emergency only:* rectory 201-265-4144, country 518-731-1131)

Wardens: Grace Oliff (grace_1355@yahoo.com, 201-573-1148), Elizabeth Craig (lizzabets@yahoo.com, 201-803-4393)

Vestry: Barbara Maggio, Marie Mitchell (2010), Bob Sarnicki, Jan Simpson (2011), Ted Gustenhoven, Greg Kouletsis, and Brian Demay, *Clerk* (2012), Dave Dziemian, *Treasurer* (non-voting)

Parish Administrator: Gayle Stoute (201-262-7222, administrator@annunciationoradell.org)—office hours: Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, 1:15 – 3:15 p.m.

Musician: Michael Kooman (michaelkooman@gmail.com)

Today's Lay Leadership

Altar Guild: Marie Mitchell, Phyllis Thurlow, Chris Gwynne	
Lay Worship: Leader: Grace Oliff	Lector: Ling Wang
Financial Stewards: Jim Gwynne	Ushers: Barbara Maggio, Jan Simpson
Acolytes: Brianna Cottone (Crucifer), Ben Corrado, Disha Dass.	

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