# **St Paul's Nantucket**

The Weekly Epistle: The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

On the edge of the world, anchored at sea, covered with sky, and surrounded by God.

# **Christian Education Opportunities**

# **Tuesday Lectionary Study**

Everyone is invited to join John in the Parish House on Tuesdays at 5:00 pm. We will discuss the upcoming week's lessons. Join us!



# Thursday Afternoon Book Group

Thursdays, 11:30 am -12:30 pm

St. Paul's Parish House We are studying **Lilac Girls** by Martha Hall Kelly. For more information, please

contact Lucy Bixby bixbyphoto@gmail.com

## **Centering Prayer Group**

Saturdays, 9:00 am -10:00 am St. Paul's Parish House Led by Sister Susanna Margaret This group includes an opening prayer or meditation, a 20-minute practice of Centering Prayer (silent sitting), a scripture reading, and a time for discussion.

## SAFE PLACE BENEFIT

Mark your Calendars. Please all come to St. Paul's Christmas Potluck Brunch to benefit "A Safe Place" Sunday, December 11th after the 9:30am service



Sign up sheet will go up next week for the Potluck and a list of things needed for "A Safe Place" The Fellowship Committee



This week! Film documentary NEWTOWN showing at Dreamland theater Thursday, Nov 3 at 5:00 pm. This critically acclaimed documentary tells a story of the aftermath of the deadliest mass shooting of schoolchildren in American history on December 14, 2012, and it is showing in cinemas nationwide this week. "Why is this story important to tell?", asks David Wheeler, father of Ben Wheeler. "It is transforming in ways you can never anticipate, and there is an immediate human desire to protect the rest of the world from having to go through this."

A first responder on the scene tells us, "I don't feel that any of us that were in there, feel that anybody needs to know graphically what occurred in there. Emotionally, I think the world needs to know to understand it." Join the national conversation right here in Nantucket at the question and answer session after the film with a panel of speakers from the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), the Family and Children's Services of Nantucket, the Make It Stop coalition, and local schools and police.

MAKE IT STOP is a Nantucket group of people who meet once a month to write letters, make calls to senators and congress people, demonstrate, speak out, host events, and educate ourselves about how to make a difference in gun safety.



## NECKLACE WORKSHOP

Saturday, November 19 Home of Nancy Jane Woolley, 32 Autopscot Circle in Nashaquisset 9:30am – 12 Noon (ages 11, 12) 10:30am – 12 Noon (ages 8-10) R.S.V.P. by Wednesday,

November 12 to njwoolley@verizon.net

A necklace workshop for children 8-12 years old will be held on Saturday, November 19 at the home of Nancy Jane Woolley. Several experienced ladies from the church will be on hand to teach and assist. Children will choose their materials from an interesting selection. Each child should be able to make two or more necklaces for their own use, or to give as Christmas gifts. Snacks will be provided. The workshop is free of charge.



We will celebrate All Saint's Day on November 6th at both services. We ask that you send in names of those that you have lost to the Parish office (office@stpaulschurchnantucket.org) so that we might remember them in our prayers. This Sunday will also be "bring a friend" Sunday. We invite every parishioner to invite a friend to attend Church. **\*Daylight savings ends don't forget to turn your clocks back an hour the night of Nov. 5th**.

#### **Collection for Food Pantry**

Our next collection for the Food Pantry will occur next **Sunday, November 6th,** at both services. You are encouraged to bring a brown grocery bag containing your favorite non-perishable items that you would purchase for yourself. In addition to food stuffs, needed items include those not eligible for food stamps – for example, laundry detergent, dish soap, shampoo and cleaning supplies.

#### Pastoral Care is Here and Near

Do you or does someone you know need a visit, a call, a card, a meal, flowers, prayers, a caring presence, spiritual guidance, a helping hand, a ride to the doctor, dentist or Stop and Shop or other assistance? St. Paul's has a pastoral care team of individuals who may be able to help.

Please call or e-mail with your request:

The Church Office: (508) 228 0916; office@stpaulschurchnantucket.org

The Rev. John Beach: (508) 228-0916; rector@stpaulschurchnantucket.org

Sara Jones, Chaplain, R.N.: (508) 221-6801, quesara@comcast.net

# **Items Needed**

A group from St. Paul's will be travelling to the Diocese of Cuba on November 10th. We shall be bringing supplies which are hard to come by even with the lifting of sanctions. We value donations of any of the following items which will bring with us.

-Pain relievers

-bandages

- -yarn
- -toothbrushes and paste
- -vitamins (especially for children)
- -disposable plates, flatware, and napkins
- -a blood pressure kit
- -gardening gloves

-art supplies (including scissors, beads for Anglican rosaries, small boxes to store them in.

-kitchen towels

- and, ironically, Cuban Coffee.



CHRISTMAS MARKET – Stroll weekend – Saturday, December 3rd, 9:30 am – 3:30 pm DONATIONS NEEDED: Please take time to look around your house to wee what you might be able to give to the Christmas Market. We're looking for decorative items which could be used over the Christmas season. The pew inside the door of the Parish House is waiting to be filled; it's been looking rather empty thus far, but there is still time to donate. **KNITS & CRAFTS NEEDED:** We're also hoping all our knitters, sewers and other crafty people are hard at work on projects for our crafts table. People are always on the lookout for baby sweaters and

blankets, as well as scarves, hats and mittens, and handmade ornaments, stockings and Christmas tree skirts. Let's supply our shoppers with a good array of choices.





**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Call Nancy Bills at 508-228-9044 (or email at nancymbills@comcast.net). We have morning and

afternoon shifts in all departments including the popular tours of our stained-glass windows.



**TEA TIME:** we'll be offering tea and hot drinks along with baked goods in the afternoon from 2:00 on. This will be a good time for just taking a break. Westford; St. Peter's Church, Weston; St. John's Church, Westwood; All Saints' Church, Whitman; Deans.

We pray for: The men and women serving in our Armed Forces; easing of racial tensions in our country; those with mental illness and their families; healing and peace among peoples and nations throughout the world; the President of the United States, the United States Congress, the Supreme Court and all in authority; our brothers and sisters from other faiths; our local Food Pantry, the Rental Assistance Program; and the God's Child Project in Guatemala.

**Sharon Robinson** will arrange and deliver today's altar flowers to those who are ill, recovering from surgery, needing cheer and/or celebrating a special event or achievement.

# This week's

# **Scripture Reading**

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 Psalm 119:137-144 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12 Luke 19:1-10





We pray for: Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael our Presiding Bishop; Alan, our Bishop; Gayle, our Suffragan Bishop; Bud and Barbara, our retired Suffragans; and John, our Rector.

We pray for: Marshall, Caryn, Jerry, Beverly C., Barbara, Jay, Anna, June, Andrew, Susan, Elizabeth, Marci, Jack, Nora, John, Vi, Frances, Pat.

#### We give thanks for the life of James Wood.

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Rev. Nicholas Dill, Bishop of Bermuda.

The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Mark's Church,