

The Weekly Epistle: The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



All youth 6th grade or higher are invited to gathering together on February 10th from 6:00pm to 7:30pm at the Parish House for a light dinner, scripture reading , and some fun games. Please let us know if you can attend by contacting St. Paul's office or Deanna McCormack directly deannamccormack@gmail.com or call 508-325-1509. If you can not attend but want to be included in Youth Group Events and emails please let us know that too.

Book Discussion

Beginning February 16th, Each Thursday evening for 3 weeks at 5pm

I invite all interested persons to join several of us for a discussion of the book *The Relevance of Religion: How Faithful People Can Change Politics* By John Danforth. We will be meeting at 5 p.m. Each

Thursday evening for 3 weeks starting on February 16th for an hour. All are welcome, and I encourage you to order a copy of the book (please let me know if this is problematic). This wonderful work written by a past senator of Missouri (and Episcopal priest) writes to remind us that our faith must inform our social engagement. The book was published in 2015 (before anyone could imagine our past presidential campaign). Do let me know if you are able to join us so that I can plan accordingly. Below is an excerpt from a review of this book.

Peace,

John+

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

MID-WINTER DINNERS

Saturday, February 18, 2017

This year's Winter Dinners will be held on Saturday, February 18 in the homes of hosts who volunteer. Coming in the dead of winter, these occasions are most welcome. Guests have a chance to enjoy the warmth and fellowship of seeing fellow church members in a social setting. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church where you can choose to just attend or agree to host a dinner.

Dinners can either be potluck, or the host family can provide most, or all, of the food. It's always nice to *offer* to bring something – especially a bottle of wine.



New this year is the possibility of a **CHILDREN'S DINNER** in Gardner Hall on Saturday, February 18 if there is enough interest. We would need a couple of adults who would be willing to help. (These volunteers definitely do not have to be the parents of the children.) There is a second sign-up sheet for the **CHILDREN'S DINNER**.

Penny Macintyre (508-257-4447 or pennymacintyre@comcast.net) and Nancy Jane Woolley (508-325-7014 or njanewoolley@gmail.com) chair the Mid-Winter Dinners. Please be in touch with them with any questions.

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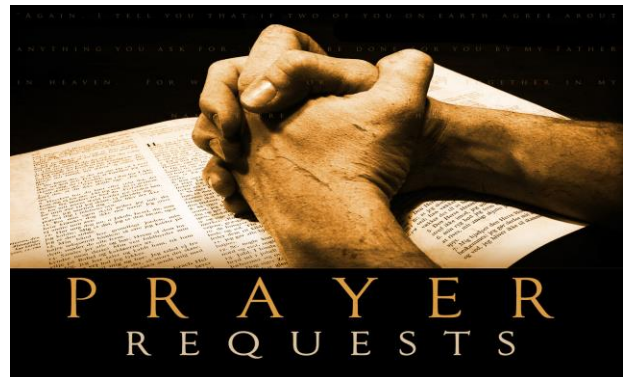
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Building Concerns

If there are any physical plant concerns please contact Christine in the Church Office.



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: Andrea, Elizabeth, Lucy, Reggie, Marianne, Barbara, Jay, Anna, June, Andrew, Susan, Jack, Nora, John, Vi, Pat.

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Rev. Paul Yagusuk, Bishop of Lomea.

The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Boston; The Crossing; The Cathedral Chapter; Boston Episcopal Chinese Ministry; Postulants and Candidates for Holy Orders.

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.

Randy Wight 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

[Isaiah 58:1-9a, \[9b-12\]](#)

[1 Corinthians 2:1-12, \[13-16\]](#)

[Matthew 5:13-20](#)

[Psalms 112:1-9, \(10\)](#)

