



THE DOVE

January / February 2021

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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During the State of Emergency for the COVID-19 Virus
All calls to the Parish Office will be forwarded to Father Rushton

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Pending COVID Restrictions**

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**The Right Reverend Santosh Marray, Bishop of Easton
The Reverend Joseph Rushton, Rector
Bonnie Rease, Bookkeeper and Secretary to the Rector**

**Monica Martin, Senior Warden
Cal Hook, Junior Warden
Kathy Elmer, Sunday School
Tim DeSilver, Music Minister**

“Seeking Christ With Others While Sharing The Christ Within Us”



The Dove – Church of the Holy Spirit – Jan / Feb 2021
Seeking Christ With Others While Sharing The Christ Within Us

From the Rector

Here we are once again, still within the Twelve Days of Christmas, celebrating the Birth of Jesus and awaiting the celebration of the Epiphany, the arrival of the Magi (the Wise Men) with the gifts to the Child Jesus and his Mother. From there the Wise Men detour to avoid returning to King Herod, who we later learn did not wish to honor but to destroy the Child Jesus. (Matthew 2:1-18.) This is the story of “The Epiphany”!



While it is not recorded in our scriptures, I can't help but believe that in their travels, the Magi spoke of the Star, the Child and the prophecies of a Messiah issuing from the House of David, as well as the sense of joy and satisfaction they experienced upon the visit to the Child Jesus and His Mother. Through them the Child Jesus was revealed to the people beyond that Little Town of Bethlehem.

The Sunday scripture readings in the weeks that follow will leave Jesus, Mary, Joseph, the shepherds, the sheep, the Wise Men from the East and the story of the infancy of Jesus.

We will hear about Jesus, presented at the temple and in fulfillment of Jewish law, he is circumcised along with other rites, and returned home. Jesus grew and became strong, filled with wisdom, and the favor of God was upon him. (Luke 2:22-40.)

We then move a few decades to John the Baptizer and Jesus being baptized:

And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.” (Matthew 3:16-17.)

Jesus was about thirty years old when he began his work. (Luke 3:21-23.)

From here Jesus is off and running, teaching in the synagogue, and choosing some who would become apostles. He is teaching large crowds on the mountainside and performing acts of healing. Before we know, Ash Wednesday will be upon us and we will begin our annual Lenten Journey.

This is the rhythm of our Church Liturgical (Worship) calendar. We keep moving, hearing again the stories of our God. In the rehearing our sacred stories, we strive to find ways that we can continue to live faithful to the message and life of Jesus.

May the new year be filled with many wonderful experiences. May we find new opportunities to express the love we have received through the Graciousness of God.

May God grant us the Blessing of safety and health for a love-filled 2021!
Father Rushton

Bless leaders and governments at this time of world pandemic during COVID-19 with wisdom and strength

The Dove welcomes comments, suggestions, and articles.
Contact Katie or Terry at 410-641-6326 or TheDove@sprynet.com

LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS



Our Parish Family: Carol Lee Hensyl; Michael Konoski; Steven Martin;
Jane Florentino; Desirae Godwin; Gail Dunbar;
Barbara Wachter; Father Joe Rushton; Jack Panuska;
Miriam Murphy; Alice Jones; Alex Strebe; Richard Taylor

Our Extended Family: Logan Czwerwinski; Sandy; Jim Popa; Celeste Spaninger; Amy Harris; Shianne; Marian Cannon;
Scott Kling & Family; Doc; John Rease; Linda Rolfes; Ziggy; Mary; Pat Hutchison; Jody Farley;
Chuck Spaninger; The Jackson Family; Sabrina & Joey Helms; Ron Jones; Margo Cahill; Karl;
Sawyer; Chuck Evans; Nancy Meadows; Kim Whaley; Ann Ezzo; Robert Vaughan; Regina Eckard;
The Numbers Family; Mike Brian; Charles Spaninger, III; Joan Faulkner; Jeff; Kathy; Patti; Tim;
Ann O'Donnell; Cara; Analise; Ruth



January and February Birthdays

01/05 Emily Cathell	02/02 Susan Flaherty
01/06 Jeanne Schiffler	02/06 Samantha Derickson
01/08 Ann Dougherty	02/07 Benjamin Hemming
01/09 Lynda Cook	02/09 Harris Domangue
01/13 Tim DeSilver	02/09 John Heiger
01/14 Kyle Flaherty Jr.	02/12 Carissa Holt
01/15 John Frombach III	02/15 Jack Panuska
01/18 Joe Dougherty	02/20 Desirae Goodwin
01/21 Sarah Reid	02/23 Sara Price
01/22 Dryden Brous	02/24 Robert Wauhohp
	02/26 Diane Frombach

January and February Anniversaries

02/14 Sara & Frank Price

*If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, we are very sorry!
Please notify the church office with the appropriate date so we can update our files.*

**Vestry Meetings - Monday January 11 at 7:00 PM
and Monday February 8 at 7:00 PM**



Sunday School - Details Provided Soon!

	<u>November</u>	<u>YTD Actual</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>	<u>2020 Budget</u>
Income	\$8,388	\$93,344	\$94,320	\$102,400
Expenses	\$11,338	\$108,312	\$109,502	\$119,360
Net Income/Loss	(\$2,950)	(\$14,968)	(\$15,182)	(\$16,960)



Annual Meeting and Election of Vestry - Sunday February 7 after the 10:00 Service

**Ash Wednesday Service - with imposition of ashes will be held
at the church on Wednesday February 17 at 12:00 Noon**



**Please make sure to welcome our newcomers and visitors vacationing in Ocean City.
A friendly smile and quiet conversation after service will make our guests feel comfortable.**

Prayers and Thanksgivings in the Book of Common Prayer

Prayer #27 - For Social Justice

Grant, O God, that your holy and life giving Spirit may so move every human heart and especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Announcements

Church of the Holy Spirit – From the Parish Office on 12/17/2020

“We received direction last night from the Bishop to suspend in-person worship and gathering in our church buildings from Sunday, December 20, 2020 through Sunday, January 3, 2021 due to the continued increase in cases of the COVID-19 virus in our area.

Please remember to stay in touch with family and friends, please stay safe, and know that Father Rushton is available to speak with you anytime as you need. He can be reached by phone at 410-279-2582 or 410-723-1973.”

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Church of the Holy Spirit – Christmas Outreach with Worcester G.O.L.D. (Giving Other Lives Dignity)

I would like to thank everyone who helped to make our Angel Tree program a huge success this year. Seventeen children in five families received gifts. Their parents received Food Lion gift cards and tins of cookies.

I would like to also thank our elves, Terry, Katie, and Joel, who helped with pick-up and delivery of gifts, as well as Martha, Melinda, and Ann who wrapped, sorted, and organized the gifts for the individual families. Our hearts were warmed by the response of the parents when they saw what we were able to provide this year!

Happy New Year, Everyone! Sue Flaherty

Church of the Holy Spirit – Annual Meeting for 2021

Mark your calendars for our annual meeting scheduled for February 7, 2021 in the parish hall after the 10:00 a.m. service.

We hope everyone will join us to hear the reports looking back on parish finances and ministries for 2020, then looking forward to our 2021 budget and planned activities. We will be electing two vestry members for 2021 and two alternates for the 2022 Diocesan Convention.

If you are interested in joining our vestry or becoming a convention alternate please contact Father Rushton or any member of the nominating committee, Monica Martin, Jackie Carey, and Diane Frombach.

Announcements

This is a reminder to please return your giving cards as they are necessary to prepare the church budget for 2021. The budget will be presented at the annual meeting on February 7.

Church of the Holy Spirit has received 34 responses for 2021. Thanks to all members and visitors who have responded. If you have not returned your Giving Card, please carefully consider this request.

Thanks again for your loyalty this year, last year, and in the future!

Sincerely – Your 2021 Stewardship Committee!

Father Rushton, Bonnie Rease, Monica Martin, Katie Coffman, Melanie Konoski, Terry Moody

Church of the Holy Spirit - Giving Card for 2021



In support of the Ministries and Activities of the Church of the Holy Spirit
in Ocean City Maryland with Thanks to God for our Many Blessings.

I/we will contribute \$ _____ to our Church of the Holy Spirit in 2021.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____



Would you like to be included in the parish directory? _____

Would you like to learn more about Legacy Giving? _____

Place your Giving Card in the Sunday collection, call the office at 410-723-1973,
or mail it to your parish family at the address below:

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Pledges can be raised or lowered during the year by calling the office at 410-723-1973

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The Church of the Holy Spirit – “Souper Bowl” Sunday



The Church of the Holy Spirit in support of the local Food Pantries encourages parish members to donate cans of soup on “Souper” Bowl Sunday (February 7). Items can be placed in the baskets at the back of the church. Let’s share our blessings with individuals and families in need of a warm meal.

Please see or call Terry Moody at 410-641-6326, if you have any questions.

Community

The Ocean Cluster - Church of the Holy Spirit (Ocean City), St. Paul’s by-the-Sea (Ocean City), and St. Paul’s (Berlin) – Outreach for Hope4Recovery

Many thanks to everyone who brought paper goods for the Hope4Recovery House. My car was full of items! They were delighted and most appreciative.

We will continue to feed the residents on a monthly basis during the New Year, hoping that at some point we will be able to share the meal with them in person again.

The Church of the Holy Spirit is providing the main dish at Hope4Recovery on Sunday January 17 and salad/bread on February 21.

For information about this ministry or to get involved, please contact Jackie Carey at 443-735-4275.

The Noel Community – 19th Annual gLOVEs Drive

This Valentine's Day ... Open your hearts and share the gift of warmth.

The Noel Community continues its outreach program. This time of year finds us in need of new gLOVEs, socks, blankets, and hats (all sizes). Especially for men.

Donations will be collected on February 14. Please place donations in the bins located near the entrances.

From Your Heart to Theirs!

Please call or see Monica Martin or Katie Coffman, if you have any questions.



Schedules for January

Greeter / Check In - 8:00 Service

- 03 - RECORDED, Link will be Emailed
- 10 - Jackie Carey
- 17 - Jackie Carey
- 24 - Jackie Carey
- 31 - Jackie Carey

Acolyte - 8:00 Service

- 03 - RECORDED, Link will be Emailed
- 10 - Skip Carey
- 17 - Skip Carey
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Altar Guild

- 03 - Sue Flaherty and Barbara Wachter
- 10 - Diane Frombach and Bonnie Rease
- 17 - Sue Flaherty and Barbara Wachter
- 24 - Diane Frombach and Bonnie Rease
- 31 - Sue Flaherty and Barbara Wachter

Greeter / Check In - 10:00 Service

- 10 - Kay Saxon
- 17 - Ann Dougherty
- 24 - Diane Frombach
- 31 - Marena Konoski

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- 31 - Monica Martin

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- 24 - Marena Konoski
- 31 - Monica Martin

Chalice Bearer - 10:00 Service

- 10 - Monica Martin
- 17 - Carolyn Johnston
- 24 - Melanie Konoski
- 31 - Diane Frombach

Recorders

- 03 - Ann Dougherty and Barbara Wachter
- 10 - Melanie Konoski and Barbara Wachter
- 17 - Melanie Konoski and Barbara Wachter
- 24 - Ann Dougherty and Jane Florentino
- 31 - Ann Dougherty and Jane Florentino

May God Bless the United States of America in 2021!

Schedules for February

Greeter / Check In - 8:00 Service

07 - Jackie Carey
14 - Jackie Carey
21 - Jackie Carey
28 - Jackie Carey

Greeter / Check In - 10:00 Service

07 - Kay Saxon
14 - Ann Dougherty
21 - Marena Konoski
28 - Melanie Konoski

Acolyte - 8:00 Service

07 - Skip Carey
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21 - Skip Carey
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Acolyte - 10:00 Service

07 - Cheryl Spaninger
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... and May God Continue to Bless the United States of America in 2021!

January 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3 8a - Recorded Morning Prayer	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 8a & 10a Eucharist	11 Vestry 7p	12	13	14	15	16
17 8a & 10a Eucharist Hope4Recovery Dinner 4p	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 8a & 10a Eucharist	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 8a & 10a Eucharist						



February 2021

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	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 8a & 10a Eucharist “Souper” Bowl Annual Meeting	8 Vestry 7p	9	10	11	12	13
14 8a & 10a Eucharist gLOVES Drive	15	16	17 Ash Wednesday 12n	18	19	20
21 8a & 10a Eucharist Hope4Recovery Dinner 4p	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 8a & 10a Eucharist						