

A newsletter from us for all of you.

THE DOVE

JANUARY 2024 - CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



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Father Joseph M. Rushton's cell: 410.279.2582 (All calls to the Parish Office are forwarded to Father Rushton.)

SERVICES (The office sends a weekly email with links to the posted services.)

8 a.m. In-Person Holy Eucharist Rite II and live-streamed and posted to YouTube

10 a.m. In-Person Holy Eucharist Rite II and live-streamed and posted to Facebook

The Right Reverend Santosh Marray, *Bishop of Easton*

The Reverend Joseph M. Rushton, *Rector*

The Reverend Alisha M. King, *Deacon*

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"



FROM THE RECTOR



My Dear Church of the Holy Spirit Family,

Here we are once again, while 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 Magi 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”!

January 7, 2024

Feast of the Epiphany

Matthew 2:7-12

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.” When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary, his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

While it is not recorded in our scriptures, I cannot 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, sheep, the Wise Men from the East and the story of the infancy of Jesus.

During this liturgical year we will hear primarily from Mark the Evangelist; however John the Evangelist will occasionally be read on some Sundays to compensate and fill in for the brevity of Mark’s account.

Our Gospel story then advances several decades to tell of Jesus beginning to invite some to join him as he begins his mission of traveling and preaching about God the Creator whom Jesus will refer to as my Father in heaven.

January 14, 2024

Epiphany II

John 1:43-51

Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus, son of Joseph from Nazareth.” Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him,



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“Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!” Nathanael asked him, “Where did you get to know me?” Jesus answered, “I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.”

From here Jesus is off and running, teaching in the synagogue, choosing those who would become apostles, teaching large crowds on the mountain side and performing acts of healing. And before we know it, we are nearing the end of February and Ash Wednesday will be upon us and we will start our annual Lenten Journey.

January 21, 2024

Epiphany III

Mark 1:14-20

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishers. And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James, son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.

January 28, 2024

Epiphany IV

Mark 1:21-28

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.” But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, “What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

This is the rhythm of our Church liturgical (worship) calendar. We keep moving, hearing again the stories of our God. And in the rehearing our sacred stories, we strive to find ways that we can continue to live lives that are faithful to the message and life of Jesus.

May this new year be filled with 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 2024!

In Christ’s Love,
Father Joe Rushton





PARISH PRAYER LIST

OUR PARISH: Our staff, our vestry and its officers, and our ministries and committees.

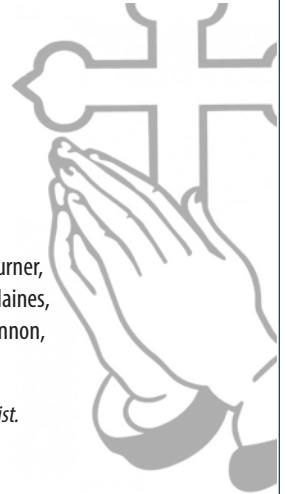
OUR PARISH FAMILY: John Frombach, Cal Hook, Sara & Frank Price, Jack Panuska, Rochelle Desimone, Joe D., Bob Wauhoh, Katherine Wauhoh, Victoria DeSilver, Jane Florentino, Jane, Cris, Carol Lee Hensyl, Fr. Joe Rushton

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Mary Pines, Pat Borkowski, Robyn Van Bruggen, Willem & Joyce, Kelly, John Haller, Chas Kinelski, Wendy Purnell, Claudia & Bill Troy, J. Paul, Jennifer Giro, Rosa Lee, Pam Barrier, Gen Haller, The Payne Family, Judah, Deanna Turner, Ron Jones, Ladd Layton, Alisha Kornfuehrer, Edith Vogl, Bob Spradlin, Flo Donoway, Steve Hall, Bobby Wertz, Ronin Kenneth Haines, Joan Faulkner, Dee, Lane & Liam, Anne Grabenstein, Bruce, Nicki Ridenour, David, Phyllis, Jane E., Sandy, Jim Popa, Marian Cannon, Linda Rolfes, Ziggy, Mary, Sabrina & Joey Helms, Margo Cahill, Nancy Meadows

Please notify the office or complete a yellow prayer card to include loved ones on our prayer list and to remove loved ones from our prayer list.

*Memorial Cards are available through the Parish Office

In the unfortunate event that a member of your family requires hospitalization or other acute care, notify the parish office at 410.723.1973 or Father Rushton at 410.279.2582.



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 01/05 Emily Cathell
- 01/08 Ann Dougherty
- 01/13 Tim DeSilver
- 01/15 John Stephen Frombach III
- 01/18 Joe Dougherty
- 01/22 Dryden Brous
- 01/24 Rudolph Brevard

ANNIVERSARIES

None

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.



BUDGET			
	November	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
OPERATING INCOME	\$13,449	\$136,577	\$113,714
OPERATING EXPENSES	\$11,157	\$125,433	\$116,695
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$2,292	\$11,144	(\$2,981)

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

- 01/01 **New Year's Day**
- 01/08 **Vestry Meeting** 7 p.m.
(Parish Hall)
- 01/15 **Martin Luther King Jr. Day**
- 01/21 **Hope4Recovery Dinner** 4 p.m.
- 02/04 **Single Service** 9 a.m.
Pancake Breakfast 10 a.m.
(Parish Hall)
Annual Meeting 11 a.m.
(Parish Hall)
- AA MEETINGS** **Every Wednesday evening at 6 p.m.**
(Parish Hall) Parish Hall is reserved from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Every Thursday evening at 7 p.m.
Parish Hall is reserved from 6:15 - 8:30 p.m.

YOUR VESTRY

- 2023: Jackie Carey, Marena Konoski
- 2024: Ann Dougherty, Barbara Wachter
- 2025: Birgitt Brevard, Sue Flaherty
- Monica Martin, Sr. Warden 443.235.8942
- Cal Hook, Jr. Warden 302.775.4043
- Melanie Konoski, Treasurer 443.497.2163
- Diane Fromback, Registrar 443.523.4519
- Bonnie Rease, Bookkeeper/Secretary
- Tim DeSilver, Music Minister
- Kathy Elmer, Sunday School





IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Church of the Holy Spirit - ANNUAL MEETING FOR 2024

Mark your calendars for our annual meeting scheduled for **February 4, 2024**, in the parish hall.

There is **only one service that Sunday at 9 a.m.**, followed by a Pancake Breakfast and then the **Annual Meeting will start around 11 a.m.**

We hope everyone will join us to hear the reports looking back on parish finances and ministries in 2023, then explore our 2024 budget and planned activities. We will elect two vestry members for three-year terms beginning in 2024 and two alternates for the 2025 Diocesan Convention.

If you are interested in joining our vestry or becoming a convention alternate, contact any member of our nominating committee: Monica Martin, Jackie Carey, or Marena Konoski.



A huge **THANK YOU** from Monica and Martha to **EVERYONE** who contributed to the success of our Christmas Tree Gift Card Raffle. The success of these events is always based on the support of the congregation, friends, and visitors to the Church of the Holy Spirit. **The raffle raised a total of \$1880.** Congratulations to this year's winners:

- 1st Place:** \$500 in gift cards/tree **Kate Hemming**
- 2nd Place:** \$300 in gift cards/tree **Mr. Geiger**
- 3rd Place:** \$200 in gift cards/tree **Sue Flaherty**



We appreciate donations from the following individuals and businesses for this event: **Phyllis Brian, Maria Bahno, Deborah Conran, Sue Flaherty, Marena and Melanie Konoski, Monica Martin, Pat Panuska, Sara and Frank Price, Marti McNiff and Sui Windemuth, Martha Stone, Carol and Bill Richardson, and Ruth's Chris Steakhouse.**

2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES

The boxed **offering envelopes for 2024** are on the table in the rear of the church. Part-time members are asked to let Bonnie Rease know if they would like their envelopes mailed or if they will pick them up when they are next at the church.



The **2024 flowers and candle charts** are in the back of the church on the closet doors. The price for **flowers** in 2024 is **\$30** and the **candle price is \$4**. The altar flowers may be taken by the purchaser each week after the 10 a.m. service. Payment for flowers and candles may be placed in the offering plates or mailed to the office at 10001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD 21842.

CHRISTMAS BAGS FOR H4R

Members of the Ocean Cluster of churches (St. Paul's Berlin, St. Paul's by-the-Sea, Ocean City and Church of the Holy Spirit, Ocean City) met December 21 to fill Christmas bags for residents of Hope4Recovery House, a treatment center and halfway house for men recovering from addiction.



Thanks to the generosity of parishioners, we filled 12 bags with T-shirts, socks, hats, candy, and other items. Not to mention the huge box we filled with games, coloring books, word searches, and more.

A huge shout-out to people from Holy Spirit who donated so lavishly!



Ocean Cluster Hope4Recovery 2024 Sunday Dinner Plan												
	1/21/2024	2/18/24	3/17/24	4/21/24	5/19/24	*NOTE* 2nd Sunday 6/9/24	7/21/24	8/18/24	9/15/24	10/20/24	*NOTE* 2nd Sunday 11/10/24	*NOTE* 2nd Sunday 12/8/24
Main Dish	Holy Spirit	St Paul's B-T-S	St Paul's Berlin	Holy Spirit	St Paul's B-T-S	St Paul's Berlin	Holy Spirit	St Paul's B-T-S	St Paul's Berlin	Holy Spirit	St Paul's B-T-S	St Paul's Berlin
Salad / Bread	St Paul's Berlin	Holy Spirit	St Paul's B-T-S	St Paul's Berlin	Holy Spirit	St Paul's B-T-S	St Paul's Berlin	Holy Spirit	St Paul's B-T-S	St Paul's Berlin	Holy Spirit	St Paul's B-T-S
Dessert / Beverages	St Paul's B-T-S	St Paul's Berlin	Holy Spirit	St Paul's B-T-S	St Paul's Berlin	Holy Spirit	St Paul's B-T-S	St Paul's Berlin	Holy Spirit	St Paul's B-T-S	St Paul's Berlin	Holy Spirit

Dinners are at 4pm in the conference room of the H4R Recovery Center, 10226 Old Ocean City Boulevard, Berlin, MD. Dinners are the 3rd Sunday unless noted.





Angel Tree Project Success

Thank you to everyone who helped to make this year's Angel Tree project a success. Colorfully wrapped presents were delivered to six families with a total of 15 children. We were also able to provide Food Lion gift cards and boxes of candy to each of the families. The parents were very grateful for all that we were able to do for them this year. There are no doubts that we were able to enrich these families with the gifts we bestowed upon them. It would have been wonderful to see the smiles on Christmas morning!

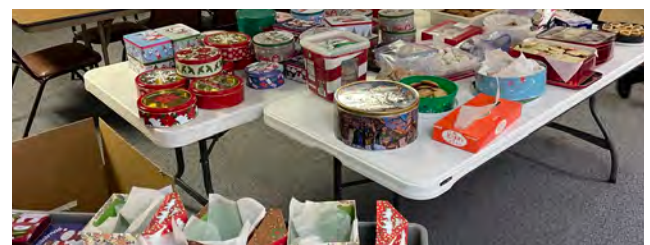
A big thank you to Monica Martin, Martha Stone, Ann Dougherty, and Barbara Wachter who helped with the wrapping, shopping, sorting, and/or delivering of the gifts.

A huge thank you to Sue Flaherty for spearheading this outreach effort!



Cookies for Shepherd's Crook

We delivered over 50 tins of cookies to the Shepherd's Crook which has become a tradition many guests look forward to each year. Thanks for all the donations of tins, cookies, and candy. And also thank you to all who helped putting these sweet treats together.





STEWARDSHIP MATTERS

Dear Parish Family and Friends,

It is time for the Stewardship Committee at the Church of the Holy Spirit to begin our annual Giving Campaign for 2024. The Stewardship Committee requests all parishioners to prayerfully consider their annual pledge. Through the faithful and generous support of our members and visitors we have been able to continue the spiritual mission at Church of the Holy Spirit in Ocean City, Maryland.



Visitors are an intrinsic part of the success of the church. Please consider joining our parish. We are always happy and appreciative to see our summer and off-season visitors return to worship at the Church of the Holy Spirit.

We finished your Church of the Holy Spirit brochure. It is a tool to share basic information and hopefully spark some interest in people to learn about our church. If you want to share a few details with friends, family, anyone who may want to know, please pick up a copy in the Parish Office or call or email the church to mail a copy to the individual or family.

We are grateful that the outreach of our parish has continued. The needs of many individuals and families within our local area have been supported by members of our church with donations and volunteer time. The church assists the Shepherd's Crook patrons, Hope4Recovery residents, children served by the Worcester County G.O.L.D. program, the N.O.E.L. Community, and other groups that provide services to those in need in our community.

Returning the enclosed giving card provides guidance to plan for the coming year at the Church of the Holy Spirit.

Questions and feedback are encouraged because stewardship involves everyone who attends the Church of the Holy Spirit. Your giving card and giving statement are confidential. Our documented church policy indicates that only our secretary and recorder have knowledge of this information. The rector may request details, but this is not done routinely by our current rector.

The Stewardship Committee members this year are Father Rushton, Katie Coffman, Melanie Konoski, Monica Martin, and Terry Moody. You may contact any member of the Stewardship Committee with questions or comments, email the office at office@holy-spiritoc.org, or call Father Rushton at 410.723.1973.

Offering envelopes are currently available. They may be picked up at the back of the church. If you are making your donations online and do not need the box of offering envelopes, please let us know.

With thanks and appreciation for your generosity!

GIVING CARD FOR 2024

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 2024.


Name: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____



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

Would you like to learn more about Legacy Giving? _____

Contributions can be raised or lowered anytime by calling the office at 410.723.1973.



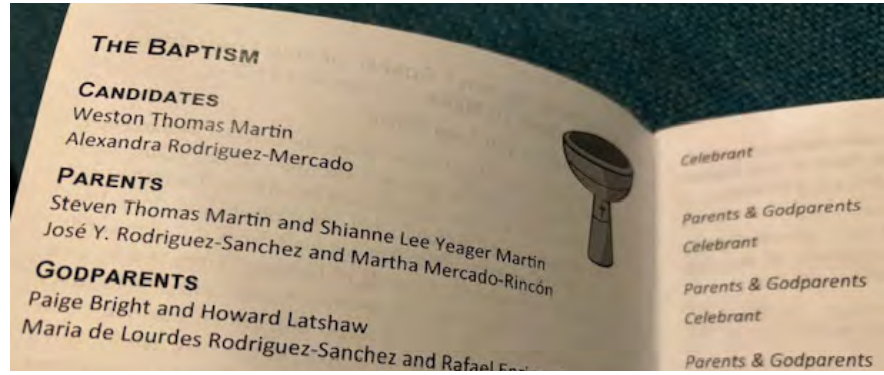


A Time For Preparations ...





A Time For Celebrations ...



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Guess Who Came To Visit ... St. Nicholas

St. Nicholas came to visit The Church of the Holy Spirit on Sunday, December 10 after 10 a.m. service. Young and old(er) listened quietly to the story that was told. Maybe next year he will come again and all who couldn't join him this year will be able to do so then.



A Very Special Christmas Pageant ...

On Sunday, December 17 (3rd of Advent) all who attended the 10 a.m. service received a very special treat - the Annual Christmas Pageant. If this didn't bring a smile to evryone's face - what does ...



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YOUR SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY



8 a.m.

10 a.m.

USHERS/GREETERS

07 Skip & Jackie Carey
 14 Skip & Jackie Carey
 21 Skip & Jackie Carey
 28 Skip & Jackie Carey

Ann Dougherty
 Joe Dougherty
 Ann Dougherty
 Joe Dougherty

LECTORS

07 Birgitt Brevard
 14 Jackie Carey
 21 Birgitt Brevard
 28 Jackie Carie

Monica Martin
 Marena Konoski
 Melanie Konoski
 Joe Dougherty

ACOLYTES

07 Skip Carey
 14 Skip Carey
 21 Skip Carey
 28 Skip Carey

Monica Martin
 Marena Konoski
 Melanie Konoski
 John Frombach

CHALICE BEARER

07 Skip Carey
 14 Skip Carey
 21 Skip Carey
 28 Skip Carey

Carolyn Johnston
 Melanie Konoski
 Diane Frombach
 Monica Martin

ALTAR GUILD

07 Sue Flaherty & Barbara Wachter
 14 Diane Frombach & Monica Martin
 21 Sue Flaherty & Barbara Wachter
 28 Diane Frombach & Monica Martin

COUNTERS

07 Rudy Brevard & Ann Dougherty
 14 Ann Dougherty & Melanie Konoski
 21 Sue Flaherty & Barbara Wachter
 28 Sue Flaherty & Barbara Wachter


COFFEE HOUR

07 Pancake Breakfast
 14 Diane Frombach
 21 Monica Martin
 28 Melanie & Marena Konoski





JANUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	HAPPY NEW YEAR 2024! 1	2	AA MEETING Parish Hall - 6 p.m.	AA MEETING Parish Hall - 7 p.m.	5	6
7 EUCHARIST - 8 & 10 a.m.	8 VESTRY MEETING Parish Hall - 7 p.m.	9	AA MEETING Parish Hall - 6 p.m.	AA MEETING Parish Hall - 7 p.m.	12	13
14 EUCHARIST - 8 & 10 a.m.	15 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. Day 	16	AA MEETING Parish Hall - 6 p.m.	AA MEETING Parish Hall - 7 p.m.	19	20
21 EUCHARIST - 8 & 10 a.m. HOPE4RECOVERY DINNER- 4 p.m.	22 SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY DOVE CONTENT	23	AA MEETING Parish Hall - 6 p.m.	AA MEETING Parish Hall - 7 p.m.	26	27
28 EUCHARIST - 8 & 10 a.m.	29	30	AA MEETING Parish Hall - 6 p.m.	1	2	3

OCEAN CITY EVENTS

- 01/01 Penguin Swim, 12 - 3 p.m.
Princess Royale, 91st Street
- 01/05 First Friday Opening Reception, 5 - 7 p.m.
Art League of Ocean City, 502 94th St.

OCEAN CITY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

- 4001 Coastal Hwy.
- 01/05 7 p.m. Mean Girls Jr.,
 - 01/06 9 p.m. Mean Girls Jr.
 - 01/12 8 - 10 a.m. Mayor's Prayer Breakfast
 - 01/12 7 - 9 p.m. Who's Bad: The Ultimate Michael Jackson Exp.
 - 01/13 7 - 9 p.m. Marshall Charloff & the Purple xPeRleNCE
 - 01/14 7 - 9 p.m. Take 6
 - 01/18 7 - 9 p.m. Joe Gatto's Night of Comedy

MORE INFO: <https://www.oceancity.com>



WORCESTER COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS JANUARY 2024

- 01, 02 Both Days Schools Closed
- 08, 09 9 a.m. Board of Education Meeting
- 10 All Day Early Dismissal for Students
- 15 All Day Schools Closed: MLK Day
- 16 10 a.m. Board of Education Meeting
- 29 HS Exams Early Dismissal for Students
- 30 HS Exams Early Dismissal for Students
- 31 All Day End of 2nd Marking Period
Schools Closed: Professional Day

MORE INFO: <https://www.worcesterk12.org>





ABOUT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



March	1968	Ground broken for the Chapel of the Holy Spirit.
June 23	1968	First service, the Rev William R. Dewees rector; one service average; attendance 33.
July 14	1968	Building dedicated and blessed.
Sept. 1	1968	Last service for the first year. Building completed in fall.
June - August	1969	Same as previous year.
	1970-75	Two services held each Sunday. June-first Sunday of September. Some of the priests were William Dewees, Elmer Baker, L. Barton, Edward Bushong. Average attendance 45.
May 30-Sept 5	1976	Two services (more at 8.) Priests: Walt Reuschling and N. Acton. Average attendance 66. Steeple added.
May 29-Sept. 18	1977	Two services. Priests: N. Acton and L. Barton. Average attendance 95 (again, more at 8.)
May 28-Sept 17	1978	Two services. Vicar Walt Reuschling. Average attendance about 95. About equal attendance at services.
	1979 thru 1984	Pattern about the same as 1979. Attendance increases gradually to about 110, flags and fair linens dedicated in 1979 and mid-week prayer service added in 1984.
May 26	1985	Chapel becomes a year-round mission and John Wright is the vicar. Two services May thru Oct. Attendance about 97. One service Oct. thru Dec. Attendance about 71.
	1986	One service Jan thru May and Sept thru Dec. Two services May thru Sept. John Wright vicar. John Wright completes 21 months of service, June 1985 to Feb. 1987
	1987	One service winter months, two in summer. John Wright, John Hurd, and Norbert served as priests. Average attendance drops to 50s. December 1 – Full time Vicar Larry Hill begins service.
	1988	Two services in the summer: Saturday evening at 6 p.m. and one on Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Attendance begins to build to average 66.
	1989	Average attendance 89 in 1989. Trailer used for Sunday School.
	1990	Average attendance 103 October 1 - parish hall dedicated.
Jan. 25	1991	Chapel receives parish status and is called Church of the Holy Spirit. Two services for longer time of the year. Average attendance 154.
	1992	Continued growth - average attendance 178.
	1993	Fall of 1993: Additions begin to church and parish hall.
	1994	New additions dedicated in March. Father Nickerson and Father Larry Hill serve as priests. Two services year-round. Average attendance 166.
	1995	Larry Hill leaves as rector in Nov. and Father Nickerson fills in.
June 17	1996	Ronald Robinson begins as new Rector. Average attendance 124.
	1997	R. Robinson rector. Two services, one midweek on Wed. Average attendance 151.
	1998	R. Robinson rector. Two Sunday services. Average attendance 165.
Jan. 17	1999	R. Robertson's last service and now only one service with Graham Rowley or Richard Swartout. Average attendance drops to 96.
	2000	Rev. Philip Houghton becomes rector May 7 and serves until Oct. 29. Rev Bill Truitt begins services on Nov. 5. Only one service during this year. Average attendance 84.
	2001	Easter Sunday begins two services. Rev. Truitt serves thru May. Father Bryan Glancey and Father Ken Thom (priests from SPBTS) begin serving in June. Average attendance 92.
	2002	Father Bryan Glancey and Father Ken Thom continue to serve. Average attendance 96.
	2003	Father Walt Reuschling begins serving Jan.26. Average attendance at the two services 100. Father Glenn A. Duffy called as rector and begins services June 1. Average attendance 109.
	2004	Father Glenn A. Duffy, rector. Average attendance grows to 145.
	2005	Father Glenn A. Duffy, rector. Mortgage paid off for parish house and church additions in June. Average attendance 121.
	2006	Average attendance 126.
	2007	Parishioner since 2000, Carl Mosley ordained as deacon by the Rt. Rev. James Shand, Bishop of Easton; Average attendance 112.
	2008	900 sq. ft. addition for new kitchen started. Average attendance 108.
	2009	Average attendance 101.
	2010	Kitchen completed. Average attendance 101.
	2011	Average Attendance 101.
	2012	After completing seminary and a Master's Degree from 2008-2011 through the Nashotah House in Wisconsin, Deacon Carl Mosely ordained a priest by the Rt. Rev. James Shand, Bishop of Easton. Barry Neville of St. Paul's Berlin served at Holy Spirit from Jun.-Dec. as part of his educational program to become an ordained deacon. Average attendance 95.
	2013	After serving as assistant priest at Holy Spirit and supply priest in the Diocese of Easton, Father Carl Mosley was appointed to St. Mary's in Bridgeville, Delaware. Average attendance 96.
	2014	Father Glenn A. Duffy retires after the December 7th annual meeting. Father G. Allen LaMontagne begins serving as priest-in-charge on Dec.14. Average attendance 84.
	2015	Parishioner since October 2014, Deacon Sherry Snyder begins service in June. Average attendance 74.
	2016	Father G. Allen LaMontagne retires on September 30. The Reverend Doctor Mark Cyr is brought in as Interim Rector on November 1. Average attendance 75
October 1	2017	The Reverend Joseph Michael Rushton becomes rector.
January 21	2018	Welcoming a new rector & renewal of ministry service with Bishop Santosh Kumar Marray April 22. 50th Anniversary Celebration.



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SUBMISSIONS

The content deadline for the February 2024 issue of "THE DOVE" Monday, January 22, 2024.

Please submit your content in Microsoft Word document with text only, no designs. Email your letters, ideas, articles, comments, information, photos, questions - carefully labeled to **Birgitt Brevard at bsbrevard@yahoo.com**.

NOTE: Dates, times, locations mentioned in this newsletter are subject to change. All information has been edited to the best of our abilities. Be kind and understanding. PEACE!

REMEMBER the January 22 deadline.

QUOTE FOR JANUARY

“Do not wait until the conditions are perfect to begin. Beginning makes the conditions perfect.”

— ALAN COHEN



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