

What's Happening December 3 - 10, 2017

We Hold In Our Prayers This Week:

For the repose of the soul: Ed Jordan, father of Lorna Jordan

Parishioners in Need of Prayer: Pat Wielinski, Chris Hill, Dan Gourash, Molly Simon, Clara Mae Cain, Margaret Hull, Vicki Hunt, Connie Cooper, Warren Williams, Ron Gantt, Lawrence Gibson, Jennifer Carlson

Homebound Parishioners: Constance Chisamore, Maxine Schwartz, Ann Keller, Barbara House, Betty Fifner, Mildred Bittel, Bob Houck, Deb Sefcek, Margo McClure, Winifred Savidge, Don & Pat Ashmun, Fran Ogan, John & Mary Etta Bitter, Nancy Gray, Linda Thompson

Parishioners' Friends and Family: Barbara Ragan (John Keller), Ron Boyce (Ginger Hill), Betty Lange (Linda Lange & Naomi Opdycke), Nancy Lyons (Jim Cofer), Cara, Dom and Hugh Oliver Brook (Ken Taylor), Bob Hollowell (Lisa Cheshier), Michael Randolph & Randolph Family (Schauer Family), Jason Thullbery, Tracy Arrington (Kathy Woolner, Jackie Brown (Naomi Opdycke), Lydia Swanson (Julie & Ed Stenger), Jeanne Hritz (Marilyn Schabel), Jim Goldston (Brad & Deb Vandrasik), Beverly Step (Cathe Step), Meg Wolf, Shelli Snyder (Amanda Wolf), George Vogelgesang (Ryan V.), Ann DeRosiers, Suzie and Don Whittingham, Pastor Alvin T. Jones (Joanne Hull)

Our Wider Fellowships: In the Diocese of Ohio pray for the South Central Mission Team and in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, pray for Uganda

December Outreach Partner: St. Peter's Community Meal: Each day in the news, it seems like there is another story of disharmony, misunderstanding, and division. We at St. Peter's are here to help! Through the Community Meal program, and with your support, we can add a little more harmony, understanding, and fellowship to the world.

Community Meal benefits everyone involved. Our patrons receive a meal prepared by our volunteer cooks, as well as desserts provided by parish bakers. For many, this is their only meal of the day. The food, however, is only one of the reasons they come. Our guests enjoy the fresh flower centerpieces on the tables, and often take them home. They also appreciate the essentials such as toothpaste, extra food, and warm socks in the winter that we frequently provide. Finally, and perhaps most importantly, they come for the companionship. They sit with friends and talk about their day, the weather, and their hopes and concerns. We provide a safe and comfortable gathering spot for our greater community.

Community Meal benefits its volunteers as well! The kitchen is its own community of cooks, and all are welcome. Set-up volunteers transform the undercroft into a cozy dining room. Servers give out food and receive more than a hundred "Thank you!"s in return. If you're frustrated about something, scrubbing pots and pans will help you feel better, and towel drying a mountain of silverware with friends gives a great feeling of accomplishment.

Please give generously to this month's Outreach Focus, St. Peter's Community Meal. Thank you. ~ *Lesley Demagal*

Singers for Christmas Eve Choir Needed: This is a special invitation to all parishioners and extended family and friends. With our choral scholars on college break and some of our parishioners away, we need more volunteers to increase our ranks for the 10:00pm Christmas Eve Eucharist. We have many visitors and guests that evening and how good it is to welcome them with the inviting and encouraging sounds of a parish choir. Please see or contact Michael Miller today and help us make music at Christmas!



St. Cecilia's Guild invites you to the annual Christmas luncheon on Wednesday, December 20 at the Clifton Club. The cash bar will open at noon followed by a meal of asparagus and chicken crepes, salad and rolls. Dessert will be New York cheesecake. Joanne Calkins has once again agreed to host this lovely event. Please mail your \$30 check to Joanne by December 14. Your check serves as your reservation. Joanne's address is 17893 Captain's Cove, Lakewood OH 44107. If you have questions about the luncheon, please call Joanne [216-226-0752](tel:216-226-0752). If you have any other questions contact Lorna Jordan

[216-227-0163](tel:216-227-0163) or ljcookie1@gmail.com

Episcopal Kalendars: The Church Office has a limited number of Episcopal calendars for sale. The cost of each calendar is \$5.00. If you are interested in a 2018 calendar, please contact the office at 216-226-1772 or via email at office@stpeterslakewood.org.



Blitz Retreat: Our next "Blitz Retreat" will be on Friday and Saturday, January 5 - 6, again at "Centering Space." We will begin with supper at 6:00 p.m. on Friday. We conclude at 9:00, go home and sleep in our own beds, and return.

The theme of this retreat will be "**The Challenge of the Bible, and the Bible Challenge.**" This will be a comprehensive overview of the Holy Scriptures, how to read, understand and enjoy them. Participants will be invited to use the weekend to begin their own **BIBLE CHALLENGE**, in which they commit to a program of reading the entire Holy Scriptures in one calendar year.

We will have a third Blitz Retreat in Lent on February 23-24, and the theme will be **22 hours in a Monastery**. More info later!

Coffee Hour with a Twist: Coffee Hour = Community Hospitality

The response to our coffee hour approach has been wonderful! Plenty of food and many more folks are sticking around and enjoying fellowship. "Hosts" in the coming weeks are: **December 3:** Jessica Mester-verger, Parish Breakfast; **December 10: Bishop Hollingworth visit;** Linda Purdy-verger, Michelle & Larry Killin-Keith, Roger and Carol Kienzle, Anne Kroehle, Rob Kuhlenschmidt and Robin Ingram, Dan & Sally Lammers, and Jason & Christine Lance; **December 17:** Hilary & Mike Bickerton-verger, John & Monica Opdycke, Naomi Opdycke, Matt & Ellen Ospelt, Keith & Monica Owen, Charlotte Patrick, and Claire Perrin; **December 24:** No coffee hour; and **December 31:** Bring goodies from home to share.

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Sunday	8:00 am	Holy Eucharist
12/03/2017	8:45 am	Parish Breakfast
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Holy Eucharist
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
Wednesday	9:30 am	Holy Eucharist
	10:30 am	Bible Study
Thursday	7:30 pm	Choir
Friday	7:00 am	Men's Bible Study
Saturday	8:30 am	Bishop's Retreat
Sunday	8:00 am	Holy Eucharist
12/10/2017	9:45 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Holy Eucharist
	11:30 am	Tea with the Bishop/Coffee Hour
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Community Meal
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	10:30 am	Bible Study
Thursday	7:30 pm	Choir
Friday	7:00 am	Men's Bible Study

NET Deadline

**Memorial Flowers
Christmas 2017**

If you would like to contribute to the Christmas Flower Fund for decorating the church this year, please complete the form below. The requested donation is \$30 or more. Please make your check payable to St. Peter's Episcopal Church with a notation that this check is for the Christmas Flower Fund; place the form in the alms basin, drop it off at the office, or mail it to the church. Please be sure to attach the form with your check. Thank you for your thoughtfulness and generosity.

DEADLINE: Friday, December 15th.

Your Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Please **print** the names of those to be remembered or honored:
