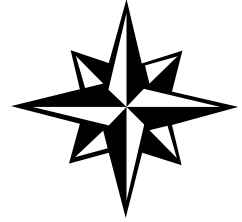


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Rector's Corner January 2023

Epiphany Beloved,



Archbishop William Temple wrote: "The Church is the only organization that exists for the benefit of its non-members."

We are entering a busy season here at Epiphany. Make sure to mark your calendars:

Feb 3-4 – Icon Workshop – open to all skill levels, tell your friends. Friday 5-9 and Saturday 9-3.

Contact Mother Kelly at motherkelly10@gmail.com

Feb 5 – Holy Eucharist I at 11am

Feb 18 – OYSTER ROAST – if you have not received your tickets, let us know. We are hoping to sell 75 tickets.

Feb 21 – Pancakes and Margaritas – Shrove Tuesday -Lets go into Lent with a bang. 6 PM.

Feb 22 – ASH WEDNESDAY –

- Interfaith service at Methodist church at noon with lunch to follow
- Epiphany -Holy Eucharist with ashes at 6pm

I would like to thank everyone who came and participated at our Annual Meeting on Jan 29. I welcome our newest members – Base, Harriet, and Mark, and I would like to express my gratitude to those Vestry members who have agreed to stay on – you have been incredible to work with, and I look forward to working with you all.

Semper Amaberis ([God says] you are loved, you will always be loved)

Mother Kelly+

Prayer Requests

Pray for healing and comfort: Donna and Daniel Babineau, Alice Cato, Dale Davis Roth, Deven Champaneri, Jennifer Cooper Gravley, Bev Kennedy, Barbara Barbary Mann, Megan McCartney, Breanna Revis, Jackie Vincent, Those Unemployed, The Armed Forces of Our Country, and Those Affected by Covid-19.

Prayer requests can be sent to the church in many ways: Our website at <http://epiphanyoflaurens.org/find-us> or by e-mail to [PriestinCharge@epiphanyoflaurens.org](mailto: PriestinCharge@epiphanyoflaurens.org) or by phone at 864.984.7000 (leave message) or drop a note in the basket at the church

Oyster Roast

The annual oyster roast at the Church of the Epiphany is scheduled for Saturday, February 18, at 6 PM. Help will be needed to set up for the roast on Friday, February 17. Please let Reid Cox know if you are available to help set up. The cost of a ticket is \$50, same as last year. A signup sheet will be placed in the parish hall for food and other items needed for the event.

February Birthdays and Anniversaries

Feb. 5:	Luke Wright (grandson of Lorri Roughton)	
Feb. 18:	Dick Barksdale	
Feb. 20:		Ann and Reid Cox
Feb. 23:	Miller Barksdale	
Feb. 24:	Sue Barksdale	

Facebook

If you have a Facebook account, please like Epiphany's page and posts and share them. Our Facebook page is updated regularly and can be found at www.facebook.com/EpiphanyOfLaurens

Likewise, visit Epiphany's website, www.EpiphanyOfLaurens.org. It is updated weekly with service information and includes links to newsletters and other pieces of information about Epiphany and the Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina.

Miss Lucy's Garden

Hugh Brownlee has started an Instagram page for Miss Lucy's Garden. It is under the name gardenepiphany. Instagram will be easier than the blog. Hugh plans to keep the blog site, WWW.GARDENEPIPHANY.WORDPRESS.COM, up for now because of the old content. If he eventually deletes the blog, he will let us know.

February and March Schedule

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ALTAR GUILD

Feb. 5:	Lois Love	Harriet Barksdale & Base Smith
Feb. 12:	Donna Babineau & Ed Taylor	Base Smith & Loren Taylor
Feb. 19:	Loren Taylor	Loren Taylor
Feb. 22:	(Ash Wednesday) Graham Duncan	Graham Duncan
Feb. 26:	Mark Adams	Graham Duncan & Harriet Barksdale
Mar. 5:	Lois Love	Harriet Barksdale & Base Smith
Mar. 12:	Donna Babineau & Ed Taylor	Base Smith & Loren Taylor
Mar. 19:	Loren Taylor	Loren Taylor
Mar. 26:	Graham Duncan	Graham Duncan

Want to learn how to set up the altar for communion? Then, the Altar Guild is looking for you! If you are unable to be a regular part of the guild, but you are willing to fill in for someone on an occasional basis, we also want you. We are in the process of making detailed notes for guild members to use for preparing for services. If you are interested, please contact a guild member. This is an important and rewarding way in which to serve God and his church



February 2023 Backpack Ministry Update

All is going well with the Backpack Ministry. We continue to search for the lowest prices on our food products so our donated dollars go as far as possible. First Methodist Church is planning a spaghetti supper fundraiser for the Backpack Ministry sometime near the end of February. Plan to enjoy a good meal and support a good cause.

As always, please contact Connie Daniels, cdaniels1234@hotmail.com, if you have any questions, comments or suggestions for the Backpack Ministry. We meet in the basement of First Methodist on Thursday mornings at 9 a.m. to pack the backpacks and deliver them to Ford Elementary. Come join us if you wish. Thank you for your donations and prayers for this ministry.

Send Items for future editions of the Epiphany Star to Bill Cooper at mthappy@prtcnet.com, telephone 864-969-2707 or mail to PO Box 400, Enoree, SC 29335. Let me know of additions or changes to the birthday and anniversary list.