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NOVEMBER is upon us! Daylight Saving Time ends, the leaves will have changed into glorious colors before falling, the days grow shorter, and the speed of “the holiday” season soon approaches. I want to encourage you to take the whole month and focus on gratitude. Not just giving thanks verbally or mulling over the good stuff you’ve experienced, but stopping and staying in the moment a bit longer. Think and feel how you may be drawn to move forward IN thanksgiving and into some kind of action. To what is God calling you? Are you drawn to help lead worship? Are you called to make time for deeper prayer? What does this inspire in you? How are you arranging your time to leave room for giving thanks and for sharing your abundance of gifts and talents?

Elizabeth Bartlett writes this about thanksgiving: *“Yes, I have found that it is not enough for me to be thankful. I have a desire to do something in return. To do thanks. To give thanks. Give things. Give thoughts. Give love. So gratitude becomes the gift, creating a cycle of giving and receiving, the endless waterfall. Filling up and spilling over. To give from the fullness of my being. This comes not from a feeling of obligation, like a child’s obligatory thank-you notes to grandmas and aunts and uncles after receiving presents. Rather, it is a spontaneous charitableness, perhaps not even to the Giver but to someone else, to whoever crosses one’s path.*

*It is the simple passing on of the gift.”*

Thanksgiving doesn’t stay with the one giving thanks. Like the Good News of Jesus Christ, it is passed along, shared freely with the world. Thus, practicing daily thanksgiving this way is not simply a duty, but a means of connecting to our brothers and sisters in Christ and to the greater world that so needs to be connected in holiness. Sensitivity to others and to life experiences is an automatic process for all humans. We are formed by all inputs, whether relationships with others or, the experiences we gain through our senses.

No matter how we do it, we can always give thanks, because we can always pray. We might sing or dance our prayers, we might kneel, sit, stand or lie down, but no matter how we do it we are called to pray always, anywhere and everywhere, silently or aloud. Our prayers, especially those of thanksgiving, become a way of life, a daily discipline of responding to God’s abundance.

*...let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in work or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus; giving thanks to God the Father through him.*

(Colossians 3:17)

Caroline+

## Stewardship

Stewardship pledges have been returned at a steady rate and we thank you for your prayerful consideration. We will have more information on how our Stewardship Campaign has gone next month as we are writing prior to our Blessing of the Pledges.

Our labyrinth is complete! You have all been wonderful in contributing your artistic talents to decorating shells for the labyrinth. Many have helped to lay the shells down in the pattern that we laid out as well. We had enough shells collected to add an additional loop to the design. If you didn't get a chance to walk and meditate on the labyrinth during our Firepits & Fellowship Celebration on Oct. 30th, stop by and take a few minutes to pray, meditate, or just think while you walk the path.

*Stewardship Committee*



## Dishing with the Deacon

### The Month of Thanksgiving

#### What are we thankful for?

- family
- friends
- home
- church

#### What about unusual things?

- flowers
- trees
- porches
- old friends
- swimming holes
- first grade teachers
- aunts and uncles who took us under their wings
- a snow owl someone dear gave to me
- a seashell on Cape Cod that signaled a major change in my life
- the first flower in spring
- a cat or a dog who loves you

#### What about?

- The breath of the Holy Spirit whispering in our ear
- How Jesus loves you
- How Jesus gave his life for us that we might live with him forever
- How Jesus answers prayer
- The beauty of worship
- The beauty of the love which flows from the congregation to each one of us
- All the work various people in our church do that makes our experiences so meaningful

Take some time over Thanksgiving to think of the rare and beautiful blessings in your life

Happy Thanksgiving from your deacon who loves and cherishes you.

*Love you, Your Deacon, Judy*



# From Our Minister of Music

## Veterans Day Service

Please join me and Rich Cashel on our Facebook page on Veterans Day **Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm** for evening prayer. This service will include prayers and some special music to honor our War Veterans.

## Save the Dates:

### Messiah Sing

*Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 4pm*

Please join us for our Annual Messiah Sing with the NJ Chamber Singers (NJCS). NJCS will present a “mini-concert” before joining the audience to sing the Christmas portion and “Halleluiah Chorus”, from G.F. Handel’s *Messiah*.

### Lessons and Carols

*Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm*

Join us for readings and some beautiful music offered by our choir, as well as some special guests. A free will offering will be taken and a reception will follow both of these events.

*Ellen Dondero, Minister of Music*

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## October Happenings at Holy Innocents’!



2022 Annual Silent Auction....Stewardship 2023  
Painting of the clamshells for our labyrinth....and a  
concert of traditional and contemporary folk music by  
The Rev. Canon Ron Clingenpeel followed by a  
reception with yummy refreshments!!



## Parish Prayer List November

*If you need to add or delete a name, please contact Lisa Halpin, our Parish Administrator*

Alycia	Timothy August	Ellis Barbieri
Charles Bishop	Kevin B. Campbell	Cynthia Clarke
Hannah Camarote	Joan Connolly	Mary Ann Crewdson
Art "Jim" Curtin	Jack DiFeo	Rosemary Deininger
Carol Dobbins	Roseann Dolan	Meg Dougher
Dave Elfreth	Elliott	Faye
Frank	Genevieve	Gordon H.
Adam Houser	Jan	Jeannine
Joan & Susan	Jastrzembski Family	Rick Johnson
Joni	Carol Jordan	Anne Joyce
Julie	Karen & DJ	Gollihur Family
Erma Green	Karen Grossman	Kathy G.
Mary Keough	Ryan Koehl	Dave Lamon
Cyndi Lamon	Florence Lamon	Lippincott Family
Barry Longenbach	Lovas Family	Lucas
Walt Luwenduski	Pat Meyer	Virginia Nicholas
Bill O'Connell	Sharon Osborn	Brian O'Sullivan
TJ Patton	Lucien Picard	Oliver Jack Powell
Gloria & Tara Prindable	Pat Pritchard	Rhonda Pritchard
Marie R.	Cora Raggiucci	Debbie & Joe Reising
Rebecca	Kathy Rice	Ron & Kenny
Rick Rosenbaum	Peg S.	Peggy
Elizabeth Mary Schade	Chloe Snyder	Lara Sparks Deitz
Terry Stebbins	Charles Sullivan	Bill Todd
Tony	Robert Thomas	Colin Walker
Ann White	Annabelle Vaughan	Jane Enos
Lynn T.	Nancy & Gary Acker	Floss Boulden
Cowper Family		

### **Those serving in the military and other dangerous professions:**

Paul Bailey, Justin A. Dumhart, Danny Melega, Andrew Wall, Brandan White

## Kitchen Renovation!!

We have a 3<sup>rd</sup> estimate for flooring for our renovation, but have run into a glitch we are working through.

As of the end of October we have received **\$78,474** in monies/pledges for the renovation! Thank you to all whom have so graciously donated thus far. Our goal is to raise **\$120,000!!** We will have monies from the Auction heading into our coffers which should bring us closer to \$100,000.

This project started out like a ball of fire prepping all the other areas necessary to move ahead. I had so hoped we would have construction under way by now, but am sure the results will outweigh the delays!  
Breathe with me! ;)

Jeanne Cashel, Committee Head ~ 609-276-7710 or [jcashel@comcast.net](mailto:jcashel@comcast.net)



## November Birthdays

Britton Carrigan	01	Johnny Dondero	18
Karen D. Vaughan	07	Richie Southwick	20
Gail Anderson Steiner	10	Carol Boll	26
Michael DeCicco	11	Carl Sheppard	27
Lisa Halpin	16	Jeffrey Hollis	30
Clifford Wymbs	17	Steve Steiner	30



## November Anniversaries

Charles & Virginia Nicholas    06                      Frank & Ruth McLaughlin                      23

## WE LOVE OUR VOLUNTEERS!

The following parishioners have graciously volunteered to assist with our worship and/or have donated either candles or flowers for the altar for the month of **November**.

### NOVEMBER ALTAR DONATIONS

6<sup>th</sup> - Debbie Hunter  
 13<sup>th</sup> -  
 20<sup>th</sup> - Frank & Ruth McLaughlin  
 23<sup>rd</sup> -  
 27<sup>th</sup> -



### NOVEMBER FLOWER GUILD

6<sup>th</sup> - Kim Sparks  
 13<sup>th</sup> - Carol Hammond  
 20<sup>th</sup> - Sherry Johnson  
 23<sup>rd</sup> - Joyce Hillyer (Thanksgiving Service)  
 27<sup>th</sup> - Joyce Hillyer

### NOVEMBER ALTAR GUILD

6<sup>th</sup> - Melissa Wall, Jeanne Cashel  
 13<sup>th</sup> - Carol Hammond, Diane E.  
 20<sup>th</sup> - Jackie Sparks  
 23<sup>rd</sup> - Jackie Sparks (Thanksgiving Service)  
 27<sup>th</sup> - Jackie Sparks, Jeanne Cashel

### NOVEMBER USHERS & GREETERS

6<sup>th</sup> - Sue Hughes, Bill Kehr  
 13<sup>th</sup> - Melissa Wall, Gail Jacobsen  
 20<sup>th</sup> - Mike Fahner, Alexa Fahner  
 23<sup>rd</sup> - TBD (Thanksgiving Service)  
 27<sup>th</sup> - Sue Hughes, Leila Sullivan

### MINISTRY NEEDS – to be filled from THE CONGREGATION

We are always joyfully seeking volunteers for very important ministries such as Altar Guild, Flower Guild, Ushers, Greeters, Readers, Lay Eucharistic Ministers, Chalice Bearers etc.! Please take some time to prayerfully consider *active participation in the Holy Innocents' Community* and share some of your time for the glory of God!

**If you are able to volunteer as an usher at anytime during the upcoming months please contact Rob Meyer at 609 618-3914 or [rmeyer1394@aol.com](mailto:rmeyer1394@aol.com)**



# In the Spotlight

*Parishioner Spotlight is a regular feature in The Post. The purpose is to provide insights into the background and personalities of our fabulous parishioners! We hope you enjoy getting to know the people of Holy Innocents'!*

## **November Parishioner Spotlight ~ Jerry South**

Raised in a small, Appalachian, coal mining village in Southwestern Pennsylvania, where the only enterprise more numerous than the bars was the churches, my youth was typical for a rural lifestyle in the 40s and 50s. In ninth grade I went away to a prestigious boys' boarding school. Then I went to Dickinson College (where I ruined Gail's plan to join the Foreign Service). After graduating with a degree in history it was off to a Master's Degree in Counseling at New York University where we had an apartment in a Brooklyn Heights brownstone. For my first professional position we moved to Philadelphia and Jefferson Medical College. After two years, we moved to Penn State Harrisburg as Assistant Dean of Students. I earned my doctorate in Sociology and Higher Education, and eventually (30 years) retired as Emeritus Associate Provost for Administration.

In 1991 as we began to think about life after the corporate world, we purchased a run-down motel at the corner of Pearl St and Atlantic Ave. in Beach Haven, where we had spent many happy vacation years. We renovated it, renamed it the Mussel Beach Club, and operated it, without any other staff, until 2004. After that we began to spend most of the winter at our Florida condo.



Along the way we had two children (James III and Paige), and we had three grandchildren Megan, James IV (deceased by suicide) and Devin James.



As a lifelong outdoorsman I have enjoyed fishing and hunting. At one point Gail and I built, literally, a cabin completely off the grid in the middle of 500 acres of forest. We enjoy traveling, most recently to Slovenia and Croatia, and have been to most parts of the world. A winter trip to Panama will, hopefully, result in catching sailfish and roosterfish. That would add to the tarpon I enjoy catching in Florida.

Throughout my adult years involvement with community organizations and contributing to the well-being of the community where I live have been key elements in my life.

I have had an ecumenical relationship with churches: including Baptist, Congregational, Methodist, Episcopal (Holy Innocents') and Presbyterian (my church in Florida).



## Operation Christmas Child



Operation Christmas Child was started in 1993 by Franklin Graham (son of Billy Graham) with 11,000 shoeboxes. Since then, **Samaritan's Purse** has been filling shoe boxes for children all over the world. In over 25 years 157,000,000 gift shoeboxes have been distributed in 160 countries. Last year, even with the pandemic, 9 million shoeboxes were collected and sent. Many of the children have never received a Christmas present or a gift. These boxes are a WONDERFUL opportunity for the recipients to learn about Jesus Christ, through a discipleship course "The Greatest Journey."

To pack a shoebox, choose a girl or a boy and add age appropriate gifts. Select a "wow" gift, a doll, small stuffed animals, hair ribbons, or a soccer

ball w/ pump. Other gifts could be cards, games, toy cars, T-shirts, socks, flip-flops, hygiene items (such as soap, washcloths, hair brushes, combs, and tooth brushes), and school supplies. NO candy, gum, or any liquids!!!

**Samaritan's Purse** shoeboxes will be in the narthex soon and **will be collected on Sunday, November 20 at 10:30 a.m.**, so they can reach the children by Christmas.

*Any boxes that come in **after** the morning church service on Nov. 20th will be saved for the following year. The boxes are delivered immediately after the service and loaded into a truck for departure the following morning before dawn. Late boxes are NOT able to be accepted!*

## Environmental Education and Advocacy Committee

### Shocking Ocean Plastic Statistics: The Threat to Marine life, The Ocean & Humanity

The ocean is said to be Earth's life support, with 97% of the world's water held by the ocean. We rely on it to regulate our climate, absorb CO2 and it is the number one source for protein for over a billion people.

However, at the rate we are polluting the ocean with around 12.7 million tons of plastic a year, the damage we are doing to marine life and our ecosystem is becoming irreparable. Our actions over the next 10 years will determine the state of the ocean for the next 10,000 years to come.

The plastic waste statistics below tell you everything you need to know about how much damage we're doing to the ocean's ecosystem, marine life and how it impacts humanity.

More than 1 million seabirds and 100,000 marine animals die from plastic pollution every year.

100% of baby sea turtles have plastic in their stomachs.

There are now 5.25 trillion macro and micro pieces of plastic in our ocean & 46,000 pieces in every square mile of ocean, weighing up to 269,000 tons.

Every day around 8 million pieces of plastic make their way into our oceans.

88% of the sea's surface is polluted by plastic waste.

1 in 3 fish caught for human consumption contain plastic.

The US contributes 38 million tons of plastic every year.

Plastic packaging is the biggest culprit, resulting in 80 million tons of waste yearly from the US alone.

More than 1 million plastic bags end up in the trash every minute.

The world uses over 500 billion plastic bags a year – that's 150 for each person on Earth.



*Submitted by: Robert Meyer*

# NOVEMBER 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> All Saints' Day 11am Hunger Relief Walk 6pm EP	<b>2</b> All Souls Day 6:30-8:00pm Choir Rehearsal 7pm Praying the Psalms (FB)	<b>3</b> 9:15-10:15 Let's Get Fit! 2pm Book Study @ Rectory 9pm Compline (FB)	<b>4</b> <i>Parish Office Closed</i>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> <i>Proper 27</i> 9:30am Rite II All Saints' Observed 	<b>7</b> 9am MP (FB)	<b>8</b> 9:15-10:15 Let's Get Fit!  6pm EP (FB)	<b>9</b> 6:30-8:00pm Choir Rehearsal 7pm Praying the Psalms (FB)	<b>10</b> 9:15-10:15 Let's Get Fit! 2pm Book Study @ Church 9pm Compline (FB)	<b>11</b> <i>Parish Office Closed</i> 7pm <i>Veteran's Day</i> online service (FB) 	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> <i>Proper 28</i> 9:30am Rite II 11am Vestry Meeting w/brunch @ Rectory	<b>14</b> 9am MP (FB) <i>Dio NJ Clergy Conference</i>	<b>15</b> 9:15-10:15 Let's Get Fit! <i>Dio NJ Clergy Conference</i> 6pm EP (FB recorded)	<b>16</b> <i>Dio NJ Clergy Conference</i> 6:30-8:00pm Choir Rehearsal 7pm Praying the Psalms (FB)	<b>17</b> 9:15-10:15 Let's Get Fit! ( <i>Last class until Spring</i> ) 2pm Book Study @ Church 9pm Compline (FB)	<b>18</b> <i>Parish Office Closed</i>	<b>19</b> 9:15am-6:30pm Surflight Theater Rehearsal (MH reserved)
<b>20</b> <i>Proper 29</i> 9:30am Rite II <i>Guest Celebrant &amp; Preacher</i>	<b>21</b> 9am MP (FB)	<b>22</b> 6pm EP (FB)	<b>23</b> No Choir Rehearsal 6pm <i>Thanksgiving Service (in person)</i>	<b>24</b> <i>Parish Office Closed</i> 	<b>25</b> <i>Parish Office Closed</i>	<b>26</b> 9:15am-6:30pm Surflight Theater Rehearsal (MH reserved)
<b>27</b> <i>Advent I</i> 9:30am Rite II <i>Canon Joanne Izzo</i>	<b>28</b> 9am MP (FB)	<b>29</b> 6pm EP (FB)	<b>30</b> 6:30-8:00pm Choir Rehearsal 7pm Praying the Psalms (FB)			





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