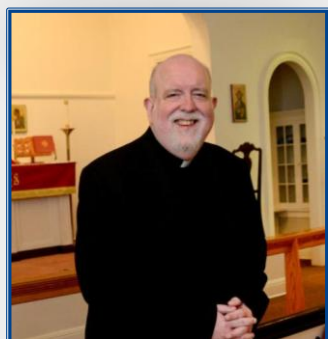


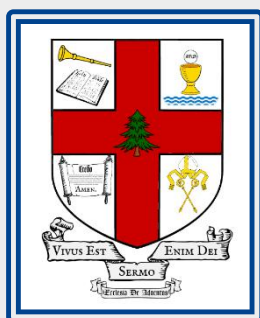
The Church of the Advent

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ADVENTures

Your upcoming events at TCOTA



"LIFT HIGH THE CROSS"

On Sunday, September 20th we will celebrate
TCOTA's 4th Anniversary with song, the Spirit,
homemade cookies, and a challenge!

Over the past four years, we (TCOTA and its parishioners= YOU!) have Lifted High the Cross within its walls, in our homes, and out in the community. And we continue to do so with our new church plant, St. Alban the Martyr, in the Seven Lakes community. Here's your challenge:

How will you Lift High the Cross this year?

At our 5th Anniversary Celebration next September, we will ask you to reflect and share your "when" and "how"!

Inviting a friend or neighbor to experience TCOTA's love in Christ is a great place to start!



Calling all Bakers! Can you bring a plate of your very best cookies to share on Celebration Sunday, September 20th? We'll need plenty to go around for both services!

Sunday Mornings:

JOIN US

**9:00 a.m. Solemn High
Mass** (with Traditional
Language & incense)

**11:00 a.m. Holy
Eucharist**

Children's Chapel is
offered at both services for
ages 4-10 (following the
Gospel Proclamation and
returning during the Offertory)

**Nursery care is available
during both services for
children ages 0-3**



Wednesdays:

6:00 p.m. *Holy Eucharist

**6:45 p.m. Adult Bible
Study**

*Note: A Service of Healing
followed by a light supper is
held on the 1st Wednesday of
each month.*

Thursdays:

12:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist

12:45 p.m. Book Study
(bagged lunches
welcome!)



Lifting High the Cross for our children:

Nursery care (downstairs) is available **at both services** for our wee ones, **ages 0-3***, giving parents an opportunity to receive God's word without distraction and allowing them to help older children understand ways of the faith. *Yes! They can be rejoined with you for communion!*

Children's Chapel (in the rotunda) is available **at both services** for our children, **ages 4-10***. Children are called to follow to cross after the reading of the Gospel, where they participate in a lesson based on the day's Bible readings. The age-appropriate message is wrapped up with a game, craft or other fun way to remember it! They return during the offertory.

**Note: Two adults who have completed the Anglican trainings for children's programs are present at all times.*



Lifting High the Cross for our youth and young adults:

Youth Group resumes on September 13th and offers our youth in **6th-12th** grades a special place to grow in the faith with other tweens and teens. Melissa Giltzow, our Youth Minister, and Kristin Spurlock host Youth Group on **Sundays at 12:45pm** with lessons, games and fun adventures. All youth are invited! **BYOL** (Bring your own lunch!)

The Young Catholics is an excellent opportunity for our older teens and young adults, **ages 16-21**. Robert Morabito, our Duke Divinity Seminarian, hosts this dynamic group on Sundays at 12:30pm in the Narthex with readings, deep discussions, and honest theological answers to hearty questions!

Lifting High the Cross for TCOTA's gentlemen:



ATTENTION GENTLEMEN OF ALL AGES & STAGES!

FRIAR TUCK'S THEOLOGY ON TAP will meet **Thursday, September 24th @ 6:30pm! Location TBD**. Please join your fellow brothers in Christ for a cold beverage while discussing matters of faith. **Yes, Bring a friend!**



There are so many opportunities to get involved! Do you love to work with children? Would you like to Usher or join the Altar Guild? We are always recruiting!



Do you have an upcoming special day you'd like to celebrate, such as a birthday, anniversary or special accomplishment? Sign up in the book in the Narthex to dedicate flowers for the Altar in their name!



Women of TCOTA - Bible Studies and Book Clubs!

Join us! Get involved in one (or both) of our fall Bible Studies:

Susan Saulsbury will lead us in a six-week Bible study on Women of the Bible beginning **Tuesday, September 15th at 11:00am at TCOTA.**

To register, ask a question or discuss scheduling, please contact **Susan at 410.984.4401**

Belinda Furby will guide us through the Book of James in a six-week book study beginning **Tuesday, September 22nd at 6:00pm**

To register, ask a question or discuss scheduling, please contact **Belinda at 910.995.2798**



Participation is more than just learning, its fellowship, companionship and relationship in Christ Jesus!



We welcomed into Christ through Baptism
Delaney Pearl Harmon and John Martin Paul
on August 9th

If you are interested in Baptism for yourself or your children, please speak with
Fr. Michael ASAP! Our next Day of Baptism will be Sunday, September 27th



Welcome Diana Kirkpatrick! We are so excited to welcome Diana as our
new organist & Choir Director! Exciting info about special music & choir
opportunities and coming soon!



Don't carry a heavy heart- let our **Prayer Team**, led by Father Bill and Linda, pray over you
during communion in the Narthex. Need daily prayer for yourself or someone you care about?
Write your request on one of the little cards and drop it in the box in the Narthex.

And coming next month....



- * Annual Giving Campaign Kickoff Sunday, October 4th
- * Walking in Weymouth, a prayerful celebration of Fall
- * Deacon Jeff Skipper's Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood
- * Announcements about Advent- the church's New Year! *Wait, already???*

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