Announcements

Christ Church Parish - Plymouth, MA

Please keep the following people in your prayers during the coming week. Any names added this week are in bold.

Amber Brown; Anita Trottier; Barbara Hulme; Bill Lutz; Carol MacPhee; David Flynn; David Mann; Deborah Dines; Dennis Smith; Donna Eby; Dorothy Allen; Dorothy Smith; Earl Norlin; Elizabeth Liuzzi; Ellen Nordquist; Evelyn Ferioli; Francis Ferioli; Forrest Berardi; Greta Couter; Heidi Hunter; Jim Kelly; John Powderly; John Steele; **Judy Lutz;** Karen Guerra; Katharine LiBretto; Kathy Rust; Kenny Blackwell; Kenny Witte; Kesha Nielsen; Kim Stevenson; Kristin Denker; Laurie Ghelfi Smith; Linda Quigley; Mark Ouellette; Mark Poster; Mark Ward; Mason, Kristen, and Peter McDermott; Matthew Begley; Patricia Giaccaglia; Peter Trenouth; Polly Chadwick; Raymond Reid; Roberta Williams; Sandy Underhill; Skip Nielsen; Suzanne and Dave Salois; Sylvia Wade; Theodora DeGaust; Valerie B. Pflock

We ask your prayers for those serving in the military and their families: Aidan McKinney, Andrew Barton, Arianna Drew; Austin Vico, Harry Morini, Josh Zabin, Peter Leone, Sarah Laulu, Sean Cotter

In our Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for:

Churches of the North Shore Deanery
St. Michael's Church, Marblehead
St. Mary's Church, Rockport
Grace Church, Salem
St. Peter' Church/Iglesia de San Pedro, Salem
Congregations: Secretaries and Administrators

Greeters Needed – The Greeters ministry needs more volunteers. Would you like to welcome people as they enter church for the Sunday morning 9/10am service? If you are interested in learning more about this important ministry, please contact Dee Ferguson at 508-224-1680 or email fergusondandb@gmail.com

Evening Women's Group – EWG will be meeting on Wednesday, October 7th at 5 PM in the Parish Hall. Please RSVP to Marlene Jennings at marlene.jennings@verizon.net or call 617-650-3626

Week At - A - Glance * October 5, 2026 – October 11, 2026

TUESDAY	10:00 AM	Companions Group
	12:00 PM	PAICA Meeting
WEDNESDAY	5:00 PM	Evening Women's Group
	6:30 PM	Vestry Meeting
THURSDAY	2:30 PM	Pastoral Care
	7:15 PM	The Psalms in our Lives of Change
SATURDAY	**5:00 PM**	**Holy Eucharist – The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**
SUNDAY	**8:00 AM**	**Holy Eucharist – The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**
	9:00 AM	Youth Formation (grades 6 and up)
	9:00 AM	Church School (grades Pre-K through 5 and adults)
	10:00 AM	**Holy Eucharist – The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**
	11:15 AM	Coffee Hour

Recurring Events

- Fore & Aft – Monday to Friday, 10:30 – 11:30 AM
- Morning Prayer on Facebook Live – Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9:00 AM
- Bible Study – Thursday 10:00 AM
- Thrift Shoppe
    - Thursday & Friday 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
    - Saturday 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
- Food Pantry
    - Thursday 12:00 – 1:15 PM & 4:00 – 5:15 PM
    - Saturday 10:00 – 11:15 AM

2026 Season of Creation: Living Water - In our worship and learning from September 5th through October 11th, Christ Church will join Christian communities around the world in celebrating the Season of Creation. This year's theme is Living Water, drawn from the Scripture passage Ezekiel 47:9-12, a vision of God's life-giving river.

Sunday, OCTOBER 11th at 10a (weather permitting): Join us for outdoor worship and the Stations of Creation. While the 10am service will be entirely outside, the 5p Saturday and 8a Sunday services of Holy Eucharist will be indoors, with the option to go outside to pray the Stations of Creation.

Adult Sunday School resumes September 27th! Sundays, 9a to 9:45a, in the hospitality suite - Beginning Sunday 9/27, gather upstairs in the hospitality suite at 9a for a time of wondering, discussion, listening, fellowship, prayer, and sharing about the Scripture readings we will hear in worship, the seasons of our liturgical year and life, and our relationships with God and one another. No sign up or registration is necessary. Come as you are. Come for one week or every week. Feel free to grab some coffee from the parish hall beforehand (or bring your own!).

Campfires & Compline - CCP Church School & Youth Group are hosting a relaxed autumn evening filled with s'mores, lawn games, laughter, and friendship. **All parishioners** are invited to join us around the campfire Friday, October 9 from 7-9 PM on the Christ Church Lawn. Bring your family, invite a friend, and join us for a peaceful autumn evening together.

Veterans Day 2026 - As Veterans Day approaches, we are continuing our Christ Church recognition project to honor veterans connected to our parish family. We invite all veterans, as well as parishioners who have a veteran family member to participate. Whether you or your loved one is currently serving, served in years past, or is no longer with us, we would be honored to recognize their service. Please contact Lynne Neeley at lneeley123@gmail.com or 973-760-3063 if you would like to be a part of the Veterans Day Project.
Our hope is to create a meaningful tribute that reflects the many veterans and military families who are part of our church community.

Sharing Our Grief Journey - We are now offering two opportunities each month. We meet the 3rd Friday from 1 – 2:30 PM AND the 3rd Saturday from 10-11:30 AM of every month.

Join us Friday, October 16 and/or Saturday, October 17
Come to one. Come to both. We meet in the Hospitality Suite.

Please join us at any time.

Christ Church is offering a series of get togethers designed for anyone who is grieving the loss of a loved one, whether the death is recent or in the past. Participants will have the opportunity to share where they are on their grief journey, receive mutual support, share ways to cope, and may, through prayer and meditation, find new strength and hope to continue on their healing journey.

Parish Potluck Supper for the Find a Way Pilgrims: Wed. 10/14
To mark the week of Indigenous People's Day, a group of six pilgrims will be walking for three days from Kingstown, Rhode Island to Boston, Massachusetts, as part of the Find a Way Pilgrimage.

The pilgrims are stopping overnight in Plymouth on their route and have shared that they would love to meet and share fellowship and prayer with us at Christ Church. Let's host them for a parish potluck!

When is the potluck? Wednesday October 14th. Please plan to arrive between 4:30-5:30pm... if the pilgrims' time frame changes (being flexible is the nature of pilgrimage), we will let you know!

How you can participate: Sign up to bring something to the potluck this weekend or next weekend during one of our worship services. Rev. Melissa will have a paper sign up sheet available. Or, you can call or email David in the office and he will help you sign up: office@christchurchplymouth.org If you wish to volunteer to be part of setup or cleanup for the potluck, you will also be able to indicate this when you sign up.

Many thanks for sharing hospitality in this way, and many thanks to the parishioners who have volunteered to host the pilgrims overnight in their homes.

Notes from the Vestry meeting of September 16, 2026

Please note that ALL vestry meeting minutes are posted on the bulletin board outside our parish office following their approval at the subsequent vestry meeting.

If you would like to receive an electronic copy of our minutes, they are available by request. Please email David Tyler at office@christchurchplymouth.org.

At its September meeting, the Vestry:

- Worked on drafting a new Vestry norm about voice and vote at Vestry meetings. While guest parishioners are welcome, only Vestry members have vote and voice during Vestry meetings. Guests who have been invited to make a presentation to the Vestry have the privilege of voice during their presentation. If a guest wishes to speak outside of that exception, Vestry will vote to approve their voice.
- Continued its discussion of Christ Church's commemorative memorial plaques. The conversation will continue at the next regular vestry meeting.
- Approved allocation of $10,000, from a recent $30,000 gift, toward replacing the deteriorating decking on the Food Pantry ramp and up to $5000 toward the design and construction of a medium altar table for use during services celebrated at the floor level instead of the high altar. The remaining $15,000 has not yet been allocated.
- Discussed our annual pledge campaign. This year's theme is *Plenty Good Room at God's Table*. The campaign invites us to prayerfully consider how we support the life and ministries of Christ Church through our time, talents, and financial gifts. Parishioners may be invited to share brief reflections about why they give to Christ Church.
- Confirmed that the Google calendar is now the official parish calendar. The calendar can be accessed from the parish website, Keeping Connected, or a QR code posted on the main office door. Anyone who needs help using the calendar is encouraged to contact a Vestry member or the church office. Printed calendars are also available upon request.

Next Meeting

Special meeting of the Vestry with special guest The Rev. Brian Raiche, Development Consultant for our diocese, scheduled for Wednesday, October 7, at 6:30 pm. This will be a closed executive session.

The next regular meeting of the Vestry will be held on Wednesday, October 21, at 6:30 pm.

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Office Hours
Monday - Friday 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM