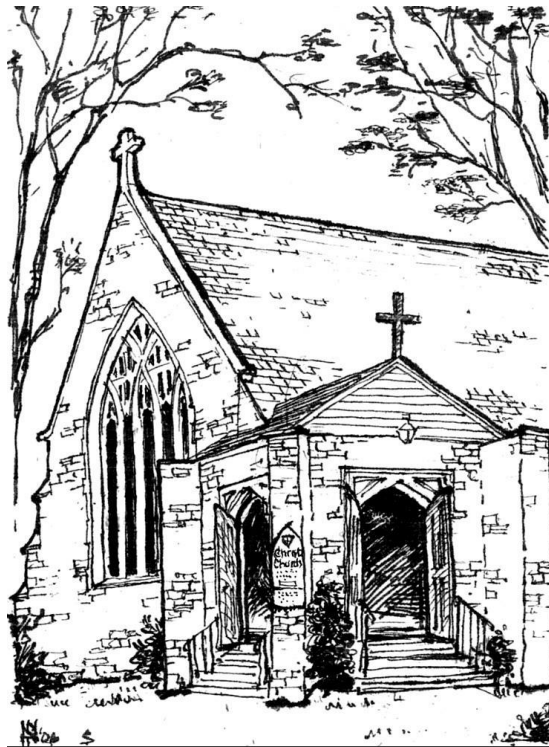


**CHRIST CHURCH PARISH
EPISCOPAL**

5:00 PM / 8:00 AM / 10:00 AM

Christ the King

November 23 + 24, 2024



WELCOME

Christ Church is an Episcopal Parish in the Diocese of Massachusetts. We welcome and honor the God-given gifts that make us unique as individuals and strong as community. You and your family are welcome regardless of age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, marital status or prior religious affiliation.

A Note to Parents and Caregivers with Children in Church

Thank you for bringing your children to church. We are so glad you are here!

We know it can be difficult at times to manage little ones during the service.

For that reason, we have provided some resources which we hope will make it easier for you and your family to enjoy worship together.

You will find books and coloring pages at the back of the Mary Chapel. Please feel free to utilize these at any point during the service.

We have installed a TV in the nursery! You are welcome to visit the nursery with your child during any portion of our service and join us via our livestream.

It is okay to take breaks. If you need to step out with your child, our parish grounds are a great place to get the wiggles out.

Above all, please remember: You and your family are very welcome here!

Though your children may be squirming, talking, or making noise, they are also observing, copying, and learning. Children are a gift and an important part of our community; we are grateful to have them worship with us.

Announcements

Please keep the following people in your prayers during the coming week.

Any names added this week are in bold.

Anita Chase; **repose of the soul of Sr. Brigid Courtney; repose of the soul of Bruce Oliver**; Caleb Eaton and family; Carol Owen; Cindy Boyer; Darlene Parnass; David Greene; Dianne Powers; Don Bolt; Donna Eby; Doug Perry; Elaine Christian; Fred Thornton; **Gail Elliott**; Greta Couter; Harvey LeSueur; John Davidson; Karen Guerra; Karen Romero; Kate Taylor; the family of Kent Kopke; Kim Fillian; Jack Bersani; Jim Davis; John Crosby; Lauren Parnass; Laurie Ghelfi Smith; Linda Garrone; Louise Woodruff; Lynne Neeley; Maryanne Kerrigan; Rev. Melissa Howell; Michelle and Michael Almeida; Nicole Smith; Norm Zinger; Owen Smith; Paula Darsch; Polly Chadwick; Ray Rogers; Ron Kleiner; Sandy Burgess; Sam (Samantha) and Mike (Michael); Sam Barry; Sharon Steadman; Steven Mills-Price; Suzanne and Dave Salois; Suzanne Williamson-Vico; Tim N.; Tina MacAllister; Tyler Christian; Valerie B. Pflock; William Underhill

We ask your prayers for those serving in the military and their families:

Aidan McKinney, Andrew Barton, Austin Vico, Harry Morini, Joel Carveiro, Josh Zabin

From the Office

In order to have your announcements included in the weekly bulletin and *Keeping Connected*, please send them to the office by 12 Noon on Wednesday. They should include date, time, place, description of event and contact information and should be written exactly the way you want them to appear.

Christmas Pageant: It's time to get ready for our annual Christmas Pageant which is presented on December 24 at the 4 pm service. There are parts for everyone! Rehearsals start in November. For more information or to sign up, contact Su D'Ambrosio at education@christchurchplymouth.org.

Cookbook Update – We still have a long ways to go before we can submit our recipes for publishing. The good news is that we still have plenty of time without any stress. Please drop off your recipes to the office when possible or submit recipes through the website typensave.com
Username: CCParish
Password: garlic547

With much appreciation ~
~Anne & Robin

Meal Train Program at Christ Church - Parishioners Melissa Pechey and Robin Nielsen are in the process of offering a Meal Train program available to our Christ Church Parish community. Contact Robin Nielsen if you would like to know more robinmarianielsen@gmail.com

Prayer Chain - Our prayer chain consists of devoted parishioners who, in confidence, pray daily for the needs of our parish family. Our mission is to lift up to God the prayers of people in need, in joy, or in thanksgiving. All prayer requests are said for a period of 2 weeks, and all requests are kept in strict confidence. If you would like a prayer said for yourself, a member of your family or friends, please reach out to Robyn Lench Whittles 781-291-9459 or email to betty02364@gmail.com

Evening Women's Group - The annual Christmas gathering of the Evening Women's Group will be held on Weds., Dec, 11th at Connie's house at 5 PM. Please note the change of date.

We are asking folks to bring a sock filled with trinkets for our special activity.

Please let Connie know if you plan to attend via email, text or calling (conmel@aol.com, 508.746.3805).

All women are considered members of the EWG. We do ask for a donation of up to \$10 to assist with meal costs and outreach projects.

Christ Church Thrift Shoppe - Happy Thanksgiving

It is with an abundance of gratitude that we wish a Blessed Thanksgiving to our volunteers, donors, and shoppers, all of whom have greatly contributed to the Thrift Shoppe success.

November 23- closed for the Parade
November 28- closed for Thanksgiving
November 29-30 **Wreath Sale**

Shoppe Hours

Thursday and Friday 10-4
Saturday 10-1

Parish Nurse Ministry - Two Registered Professional Nurses have joined the Parish Nurse Ministry with Drew Lench and Judy Lutz. We are pleased to welcome Danielle Ecobacci and Andrea Colby to this Ministry. Please see the bulletin board outside the Hospitality Suite for pictures and professional information about each one of us.

We continue to present timely educational information on the bulletin board and in Keeping Connected, as well as monitoring the AEDs and First Aid supplies in all locations. If you have a topic you would like us to present, please let us know.

We are available for phone calls or personal conversation if you have medical concerns or questions. Please call the Church Office to reach us.

Join Us in Spreading Cheer! - Join Us in Spreading Cheer! - Dear Friends, this year, our Christmas outreach program at Christ Church will be in collaboration with the Salvation Army. We're deeply grateful for their support, especially as Donna Eby recovers from her recent back surgery.

We invite you to contribute to this wonderful cause by providing gifts for children ranging from newborns to 14 years old. You can choose to donate clothing, toys, or any item that you feel would be appropriate. Please ensure that each gift is unwrapped and placed in a bag, with the age, size, and gender clearly marked on the package. **The deadline for donations is December 4th.**

You can deliver your gifts to the Salvation Army located at 52 Long Pond Rd. in Plymouth. If getting there is a challenge, Donna Lawrence has cards with children's names from the Salvation Army to give out to those that can't get to Long Pond Rd. Please see her in the bookkeeper's office after the 10 AM service to take a name.

On December 9, 2024, the Salvation Army will be distributing these gifts. If you feel inclined to come and help distribute these gifts to these needy families, please feel free to just show up at 9 AM at the Salvation Army at 52 Long Pond Rd. It would be wonderful to have as many as we can of Christ Church parishioners passing out these gifts to these families.

CORRECTION: Gift cards for food or gas:

We would like to reach out to those who are interested in sponsoring gift cards for food or gas to assist our parishioners in need.

- Gift cards will be collected until Wednesday December 18th.
- Cards should be in denominations of \$25.00.
- We will give these cards out to church family members during December.
- Both Stop & Shop and Walmart deliver.
- Stop & Shop also sells gas.
- Cards may be placed in the offering plate or taken to the church office.
- If you know of someone who might need this help, please reach out to Donna Lawrence or Bill Ferguson.
- Also, you may also write a check to Christ Church Parish and add "Gift Card Outreach" on the memo line. Your donation will be converted into cards.

If you have any questions or need further information, please don't hesitate to contact Donna Lawrence, at 508-243-2293 or via email at donnaml21@comcast.net.

Thank you for your generosity and support as we spread joy this holiday season!

A Successful First Benefit Coffee House - We wish to thank all those who helped make this fundraiser for the Overnights of Hospitality winter program a great success!! ~ to the young musicians from the parish and greater Plymouth community who gave of their time and talent and to our dear Fr Harry with his beautiful voice and guitar playing!! To the bakers of muffins, cookies and donuts; to the hot chocolate and tea servers; to the generous free will offerings; to the silent auction contributions and purchase of artwork from Inky Hands Studio, with proceeds going to this cause. We met our goal...to raise about \$1000. We did it with so much gratitude!!

Peace and Blessings ~
Kat & Robin

Overnights of Hospitality - Starting Sunday, December 1st, The Plymouth Taskforce to End Homelessness, in collaboration with the Fr. Bill's and Mainspring (FBMS) organization, will offer winter emergency shelter to 20-25 single individuals through Saturday, April 5th. We can't continue this important ministry without your help.

We need folks to serve as Shelter Volunteers and Meal Providers. Shelter Volunteers commit to give one evening of their time from 4:45 to approximately. They provide support to the FBMS staff. Meal Providers prepare meals at home to serve at the shelter.

By volunteering we show our unhoused neighbors that they are not forgotten. We who have volunteered in the past have been touched by the appreciation shown by many of the guests. It has been a very rewarding experience!

The shelter rotates weekly among three congregations beginning Sunday, December 1st through Saturday, April 5th - Christ Church, First Baptist Church and St Mary's and St Joseph Collaborative at St Mary's Parish Center, using the fellowship halls. Orientation is provided.

To sign up as a Shelter Volunteer or Meal Provider, go to <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/k4w5gd>. Slots for Meal Provider tend to fill up quickly. To review the Shelter Volunteer and Meal Provider guidelines, go to <https://plymouth-taskforce-homeless.org>

Questions? Call Connie Melahoures, President of the Plymouth Taskforce to End Homelessness at 508.367.0516 or email conmel@aol.com or call Kat Libretto, our shelter coordinator at 201.286.5591 or email katlibretto@gmail.com

The first two weeks of the shelter season begins at Christ Church on December 22nd through Saturday, January 4th. We especially need Shelter Volunteers representing CCP for those first two weeks.

Christ Church Food Pantry –

All are welcome to the Christ Church Food Pantry!

We are open by appointment: Tuesday 4:00-5:15, Thursday 12:00-1:15 and 4:00-5:15, and Saturday 10:00-11:15. Call the pantry message line: 508-746-4959, ext 6, BY 1 PM THE DAY BEFORE YOU WISH TO PICK UP YOUR ORDER. Our volunteers check messages and return your call from their homes to ask you what you need.

Leave a message if you wish to donate non-perishable food and household items, or you may leave your donations under the mailboxes outside the office or in the front entrance to the sanctuary. Squirrels like to get into any bags left on the porch of the food pantry!

If you wish to volunteer, contact Eileen Paris at eileenpca@aol.com

For more information, please contact Barbara Wojtkiewicz at 617-291-4634, or by email at barbara.wojtkiewicz@gmail.com

2025 Stewardship Campaign Walk in Love Support Christ Church and its Ministries



Week At - A - Glance * November 24, 2024 – December 1, 2024

SUNDAY	8:00 AM 9:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:15 AM 11:15 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite I – Christ the King Church School (Adults and Grades Pre-K – 5) Choir Rehearsal Holy Eucharist Rite II – Christ the King Coffee Hour Worship Committee
MONDAY	9:00 AM 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Morning Prayer – Facebook Live Fore & Aft
TUESDAY	10:30 AM – 11:30 AM 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Fore & Aft Food Pantry Thanksgiving Pickup
WEDNESDAY	9:00 AM 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Morning Prayer – Facebook Live Fore & Aft
THURSDAY	9:30 AM – 3:00 PM	Office Closed
FRIDAY	9:00 AM 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Morning Prayer – Facebook Live Office Closed Thrift Shoppe Fore & Aft
SATURDAY	10:00 AM – 1:00 PM 10:00 AM – 11:15 AM 5:00 PM	Thrift Shoppe Food Pantry Holy Eucharist Rite II – Advent I – music with The Hills
SUNDAY	8:00 AM 9:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:15 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite I – Advent I Church School (Adults and Grades Pre-K – 5) Choir Rehearsal Holy Eucharist Rite II – Advent I Coffee Hour

Christ Church Parish
Seeking Christ in Ourselves * Serving Christ in the World

JESUS CHRIST IS THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH

MINISTERS

All the people of Christ Church Parish

Staff

The Rev. Melissa Howell, Rector
The Rev. Deacons James & Natalie Thomas
David Tyler, Parish Administrator
Lea Tyler, Choir Director
Su D'Ambrosio, Sunday School Coordinator

Officers and Vestry Representatives

Bill Ferguson, Senior Warden
John Steele, Junior Warden
Ray Rogers, Treasurer
Brenna Buckley, Clerk

Wil Bernard, Barb Hurney, Kat LiBretto, Judy Lutz, Makenzie Manchester,
Ellen McTighe, Becky Metzger, Amanda Peterson, and Jack Willett

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Office Hours

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