

**CHRIST CHURCH PARISH  
EPISCOPAL**

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

Pentecost

May 18 + 19, 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.

# Announcements

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

**Any names added this week are in bold.**

Family of Clara Clements; Caleb Eaton and family; Carol Owen; Cindy Boyer; **Charlene Birkenhead**; Dianne Powers; Don Bolt; Doug Perry; Elaine Christian; Gabriel; **Jamarr and Tracey Norman**; John Davidson; Karen Romero; Lauren Parnass; Laurie Ghelfi Smith; Linda Garrone; Louise Woodruff; Margie Kaupp; Maryanne Kerrigan; Michelle and Michael Almeida; Nicole Smith; Nicole Zapolski; Norm Zinger; Owen Smith; Richard Larraga; Ruth Ann Cederholm; Sam Barry; Sharon Steadman; **for the memory of Stephanie Legg**; Steven Mills-Price; Suzanne Williamson-Vico; Tim N.; Tina MacAllister; Valerie B. Pflock; William Underhill

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

Andrew Barton, Austin Vico, Harry Morini, Josh Zabin, Tory Boudreau

## 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.

**Keeping Connected** – Christ Church’s weekly eNewsletter can now be found on our website [christchurchplymouth.org](http://christchurchplymouth.org). Visit our website to view the newsletter or scroll to the bottom of the page and enter your name and email to have it sent directly to your inbox.

## Adventures In Learning

**This month we start our third Love First unit: *Love God*. Please see the May schedule below:**

## Church School Schedule

### May

19 Love God 5—PENTECOST

26 **Memorial Day Weekend** –No Church School

### Join Our Church School Team!

We warmly welcome adults to become part of our Church School program! Alongside our dedicated teachers, we are in search of adults to partner with them, ensuring there are always two adults present in every class. Additionally, we need individuals who are willing to step in as substitutes when teachers are unavailable.

No prior experience is necessary as we provide all the information and materials needed for a fulfilling experience. Your enthusiasm and willingness to contribute are what truly matter!

If you're interested in making a meaningful difference in the lives of our children, please reach out to Donna Eby at [donnaeby@rocketmail.com](mailto:donnaeby@rocketmail.com) and [education.christchurchplymouth@gmail.com](mailto:education.christchurchplymouth@gmail.com) for more information or to volunteer. Together, let's create a nurturing environment where our children can grow in faith and understanding. Thank you for considering this opportunity to serve!

**Christ Church Food Pantry** – The Food Pantry is low on bags to pack food for our clients. If you have paper shopping bags to recycle or extra fabric shopping bags, please drop them in the food pantry collection box at the entrance to the sanctuary, under the mailboxes outside the church office, or inside the Pantry during shift hours (see below). Non-Sugar added cereals (Corn Flakes, Cheerios or like items, Raisin Bran, Rice Krispies), Small juice boxes, Canned peaches or mixed fruit.

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](mailto:eileenpca@aol.com)

For more information, please contact Barbara Wojtkiewicz at 617-291-4634, or by email at [barbara.wojtkiewicz@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.wojtkiewicz@gmail.com)

**Thrift Shoppe** - The Thrift Shoppe proudly partners with Plymouth Public School's *Project Growth*. This inclusive program provides unique opportunities for special needs students to experience success, regardless of how tough or challenging their journey. Nick Muscato is one such student. A much loved and valued member of the Thrift Shoppe team, Nick volunteers weekly sorting and organizing donations and assisting with various tasks that maintain a neat and orderly shop. We are grateful for Nick and his desire to help others, his cheerful can-do attitude, and the many positive contributions he makes to the Thrift Shoppe.

If you or someone you know is interested in joining this ministry, all are welcome regardless of age, experience, abilities, or religious affiliation. Please contact us at [office.christchurchplymouth@gmail.com](mailto:office.christchurchplymouth@gmail.com) or speak with any volunteer.

Shoppe Hours  
Thursday and Friday 10-4  
Saturday 10-2

**Parish Safe Church Policies** - At its May 8th meeting, our vestry voted to adopt two parish Safe Church policies. Vestry also set a goal of parish compliance with the policies by the end of 2024.

Our diocese requires every congregation to adopt and follow these policies in order "to create safe and welcoming space for minors, elders and people with disabilities and those engaged in ministry with them."

**Links to the policies are located in this week's Keeping Connected and will be posted on our parish website.** Binders with paper copies will be located in each area of the main church, as well as on both floors of Hall House and in the food pantry. We strongly encourage all parishioners and volunteers to read and become familiar with these documents. It takes all of our efforts to live into being a safe and welcoming community for all people, and following the "universal precautions" in these Safe Church policies is part of our call to minister together in healthy ways as the Body of Christ.

Rev. Melissa and vestry liaisons will be reaching out to ministry leaders who serve directly with children, youth, and vulnerable adults to ensure they have received and reviewed these documents. We are also working with staff and leaders to complete required and recommended Safe Church training and identify areas where we need to update our practices.

Thank you! If you have questions about these policies or wish to take the online Safe Church training (which is open to all), please contact David in the church office, and he will assist you directly or direct your question to the right person.

**Week At - A - Glance \* May 19, 2024 – May 26, 2024**

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> 11:15 AM 11:15 AM	<b>Holy Eucharist Rite I - Pentecost</b> <b>Holy Eucharist Rite II - Pentecost</b> Coffee Hour Thrift Shoppe Volunteer Meeting
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b> 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	<b>Morning Prayer</b> – Facebook Live Fore & Aft
<b>TUESDAY</b>	10:30 AM – 11:30 AM 12:30 PM 4:00 PM – 5:15 PM	Fore & Aft Pastoral Care Food Pantry
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b> 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	<b>Morning Prayer</b> – Facebook Live Fore & Aft
<b>THURSDAY</b>	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM 10:00 AM 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM 12:00 PM – 1:15 PM 1:00 PM 2:00 PM 4:00 PM – 5:15 PM 7:00 PM	Thrift Shoppe Bible Study Fore & Aft Food Pantry Book Study Office Closed Food Pantry Choir Rehearsal
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b> 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	<b>Morning Prayer</b> – Facebook Live Thrift Shoppe Fore & Aft
<b>SATURDAY</b>	10:00 AM – 2:00 PM 10:00 AM – 11:15 AM 11:00 AM <b>5:00 PM</b>	Thrift Shoppe Food Pantry Eucharistic Visitor Training <b>Holy Eucharist Rite II – Trinity Saturday</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> 11:15 AM 11:15 AM	<b>Holy Eucharist Rite I – Trinity Sunday</b> <b>Holy Eucharist Rite II – Trinity Sunday</b> Coffee Hour Thrift Shoppe Volunteer Meeting

**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. Deacon James Thomas  
Connie Melahoures, Verger  
David Tyler, Parish Administrator  
Lea Tyler, Choir Director  
Donna Eby, Interim Sunday School Coordinator  
Jae Johnson, Sexton

**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,  
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**Office Hours**

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