

All Saints' Memorial Church
674 Westminster Street
Providence, RI 02903

January 3, 2019
e-Parish Messenger

Come and worship
Rejoice in fellowship
Love and serve the Lord!

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The Rev. Dr. Julianne Hanavan

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Senior Warden

I was born and raised in Wilmington, Delaware and fairly regularly make the six hour drive from Rhode Island to visit our mother. Having driven this route for a few decades now, it is a relatively easy drive with the exception of predictable traffic around the George Washington Bridge and parts of Connecticut. Not surprisingly, last week when I made the trek I hit a lot of traffic around NYC. I did my usual in these moments - amused myself by looking at billboards, bumper stickers, and license plates. Thankfully, a billboard and a bumper sticker set me to pondering for a while, at least into Connecticut. A prominently displayed billboard read: *Christmas is an answered prayer*. I can think of lots of ways that Christmas is an answered prayer. I will leave that for you to ponder as well. After all, we still have a few days of Christmas to celebrate before Epiphany on Sunday. The bumper sticker that grabbed my attention was this: *God bless the whole world, no exceptions*. How true! I have to admit that at times I have found exceptions to this wonderful prayer. What a great reminder to us all, especially when stuck in traffic.

Christmas Blessings,
Julie

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UPCOMING ALL SAINTS' MEETINGS/EVENTS

January 6: Vestry Meeting, 11:00 a.m.

January 13: Bishop Knisely's visit to All Saints'. Coffee hour, forum with Bishop Knisely and Vestry Meeting

Monika Kraemer

Junior Warden

Dan Mechnig

Treasurer

Becky Silliman

Clerk

Anne Tait

Finance Chair

Robert Wells

Members

Maryann Darbeh

April Donahower

Musa Goll

Bill McBorrough

Charles Smith

January 15: Knitting and crocheting, 6:00 p.m.

January 18: Annual reports are due to the Parish office

January 20: Outreach Committee Meeting

January 27: Annual Meeting

January 29: Knitting and crocheting, 6:00 p.m.

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PRAYERS

Those for whom prayers have been asked:

We pray for John Angell, Robert Angell, Derek Badio, Marie Baylis, Trish Blake, Harriet Choi, Madhia Cooper, Paul Cummings, Florence Depatie, Rick Edwards, Anthony Eke, Rosetta Evans, Margaret Flynn, Dorothea Evans Gordon, Jim Greene, Claire Hanavan, Carolyn Hirsch, Barbara K., Jeffrey Knapton, Katie Lawton, Margaret Mirin, Elizabeth Pacek, Richard Rebello, Tomasina Sinnott, Cecelia Sirleaf, Eric T., Frances Tait, Mary Tryforos, Teddy Zeekeh, April Beth, Renée, Leith, Maryjane and Kristen.

Celebrating her birthday this week: Trish Blake

Remember those who work for peace and members of our armed forces, especially Raymond Tanguay and Matthew Degree.

ALTAR FLOWERS FOR 2019

Altar flowers are a wonderful way to remember a loved one who has passed away or give thanks for someone special. You may reserve dates for Sundays in 2019 by using the yellow forms on the information table in Rose Hall. If you would like a form mailed to you, please call Kathy in the parish office.



2018 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Contribution Statements: 2018 Contribution Statements are now available through your personal access to ChurchTrac. Here is how you do it: 1) Log-in (if you haven't done so previously, see directions on our website home page or recent E-Messengers); 2) Click on Giving History; 3) Set dates to 1/1/2018 and 12/31/2018; 4) Click on View Statement; 5) Review and print as needed for tax purposes. Note that it will also show your pledge for 2018. If you don't see that, it means that you haven't pledged! Please do so. This new feature will allow you to track your contributions vs. pledged amount throughout the year.

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KNITTING, CROCHETING

The knitting and crocheting group meets every other Tuesday at 6 p.m. This group is open to anyone in the parish. You are welcome to come as often as you can and you are welcome to bring a friend.



Please note that the next meeting is Tuesday, January 15, 2019

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FOOD COLLECTION

Each week All Saints' collects food to be distributed monthly to food pantries in our area. You are asked, as you are able, to bring one item on the monthly list each Sunday.



January, canned pasta
February, peanut butter

As always, thank you for your generosity.

PARKING LOT AVAILABLE ON SUNDAYS

The parking lot adjacent to the church lot is once again available for additional parking, during Sunday services only. If you are the last car leaving the lot, please lock the gate after you leave. Thank you.

SCRIPTURE READINGS AND MINISTRY SCHEDULES

January 6, 2019

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6; David Moniz

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:1-12; Rebecca Silliman

Prayers: Robert Wells

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

Chalice: Dan Mechnig

Greeters/ Ushers: Marsha Mott and Musa Goll

Altar Duty: Patricia Solo and Felicia McBorrough

Coffee Hour Team: April Donahower and Alex Perdue

January 13, 2019

First Reading: Isaiah 43:1-7; April Donahower

Second Reading: Acts 8:14-17; Musa Goll

Prayers: Monika Kraemer

Gospel: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Chalice: Harrington Evans

Greeters/ Ushers: Marsha Mott and Robert Wells

Altar Duty: Cecilia and Paul Connors

Coffee Hour Team: Marybeth Hanavan and Gloria Perry

NEXT E-PARISH MESSENGER

The next edition of the e-messenger will be emailed on January 10. The deadline to submit information and articles for this edition is Tuesday, January 8. Please submit any articles/info you may have to Kathy at asmcri@verizon.net.

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