

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

December 20, 2018 e-Parish Messenger

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Love and serve the Lord!

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The Rev. Dr. Julianne

Hanavan

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While attending Western Iowa Tech Community College in Sioux City, Iowa back in 2005, I played trombone with the Morningside College Symphonic Wind Ensemble. A few us would go over to play after our repair classes were over three times a week. Every year they put on a concert "Christmas at Morningside" with various ensembles from the college. That year we played a concert band arrangement of Morten Lauridsen's "O Magnum Mysterium." Performed in an a fully decorated Eppley Auditorium at the end of my first semester, it was quite the way to end the year before finals and flying back east for winter break. The band arrangement is similar to the choral setting with long melodic continuous lines. It had a certain mystical and magical feel to it there and another performance in Omaha, Nebraska.

Fast forward to 2019 and my desire to do the choral version at All Saints'. The text is sung in latin and reflects on the scene of the birth of Jesus with Mary, the shepherds, and the animals. The translation is... "O great mystery, and wonderful sacrament, that animals should see the new-born Lord, lying in a manger! Blessed is the Virgin whose womb was worthy to bear the Lord, Jesus Christ. Alleluia!"

Ryan Mott

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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND VERY BEST WISHES TO YOU, YOUR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS FOR A BLESSED HOLIDAY SEASON AND 2019

The Parish office will be closed December 26-28 and will reopen on Wednesday January 2.

UPCOMING ALL SAINTS' MEETINGS/EVENTS

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<u>December 23</u>: Last day to turn in white socks for Crossroads

<u>December 24</u>: Christmas Eve Service, 6:30 p.m Christmas music, 7:00 p.m. Eucharist

December 25: Christmas Day Service, 10:00 a.m.

<u>December 30</u>: Service of Lessons and Carols and Holy Eucharist, 9:30 a.m.

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

January 13: Bishop Knisely's visit to All Saints' and Vestry Meeting

January 18: Annual reports are due to the Parish office

January 27: Annual Meeting

PRAYERS

Those for whom prayers have been asked:

We pray for 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., Jeffry 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 their birthdays this week: Nebolisah Amaechina and Harrington Evans

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

2019 PLEDGES

If you have already turned in your pledge envelope, thank you very much for supporting All Saints'. If you haven't turned it in yet, please do so as soon as possible. We are planning to distribute 2019 pledge envelopes at the Christmas Eve service.

There are extra envelopes at the church, or please call Kathy at the parish office (401-751-1747) to have one mailed to you. Thank you again for your generosity.

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OUTREACH COMMITTEE MEETING

There will be a brief Outreach Committee meeting following the church service on Sunday December 30 for those who would like to attend.

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SPOTLIGHT ON THE PARISH



Meet the Rev. Dr. Emmanuel Solo, husband of Patricia. Born and raised in Liberia, he came to the US during the Liberian Civil War, on August 31, 1991. After spending time in New York, he travelled south to Camile, Georgia where he received his doctorate from the Andersonville Theological Seminary. He was ordained a minister in the AME Zion Church in 1992, and has pastored churches in Georgia and New Jersey. At present, he is an Ordained Elder at the Hood-Shaw Memorial AME Zion Church here in Providence. For those, like me, who don't know the history of the AME Zion Church, it was founded in 1796 in New York, having its roots in the Methodist Church. Fast forward to the 21st century: It has an active presence in the United States, Europe, and Africa and in May 2012, it entered into full communion with the United Methodist Church, African Methodist Episcopal Church, African Union Methodist Protestant Church, Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, and Union American Methodist Episcopal Church. Emmanuel enjoys reading, especially current events, and sagely notes that he roots for sports teams wherever he is living - notably, the Patriots.

THANK YOU FROM RIPIN FOR THE THANKSGIVING BASKETS AND ANGEL TREE GIFTS

Dear Kathy and Gloria,

I would like to extend my warmest appreciation for the donations that your parish made to our RIPIN families. It was in the true meaning of the holidays that these generous gifts were given to others. As I mentioned in Trisha's thank you, you must all be blessed to be in a church filled with caring and thoughtful people. I hope that your holidays and the work that you do fills your hearts with love as you filled our RIPIN families with your donations.

As I mentioned last year, should any of your families need help or assistance please share our contact information with them. All of our services are free and we can solve a host of issues for families. The best way to this assistance is through our telephone number; 401-270-0101. They can also go to our website at www.ripin.org to learn more about our services.

Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and healthy New Year!

Cynthia Kaplan

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.



Next meeting is Tuesday, January 8, 2019

SOCKS FOR CROSSROADS

We are collecting new white socks for Crossroads Rhode Island during Advent. **December 23** is the last day to donate. You may leave the socks in the decorated container outside the second floor southeast entrance door to the church.

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.



December, canned vegetables January, canned pasta

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

December 23, 2018

First Reading: Micah 5:2-5a; Monika Kraemer

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10; Willcia McBorrough

Prayers: April Donahower Gospel: Luke 1:39-55 Chalice: Agnes Fox

Greeters/ Ushers: Marsha Mott and Maryann Darbeh

Altar Duty: Gloria Perry, Patricia Fahnbulleh and Trish Blake Coffee Hour Team: Belinda Johnson and Wilmar Jennings

December 24, 2018

First Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7; Charles Smith

Second Reading: Titus 2:11-14; Barbara Lawton

Prayers: Rebecca Silliman

Gospel: Luke 2:1-20 Chalice: Dan Mechnig

Greeters/ Ushers: Marsha Mott, Patricia Solo and Musa Goll Altar Duty: Gloria Perry, Patricia Fahnbulleh and Trish Blake Coffee Hour Team: Barbara Badio and Bill McBorrough

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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