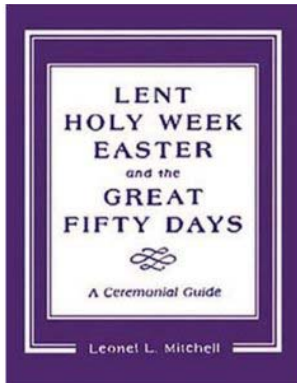




# TIDINGS

The Newsletter of Christ Church – St. Michael's Parish (Episcopal) February 2012

## Entering into a Holy Lent and Beyond *Enduring the Fasts in order to appreciate the Feasts*



Each year on Ash Wednesday we faithful Christians are invited to keep a holy Lent which, as explicated in our prayer book, we undertake by “self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God’s holy Word.” It is a time when we remember our own mortality and are reminded that we are dust, “and to dust shall we return.”

Nevertheless, there is something endemic in our culture that seems to make our keeping of a holy Lent increasingly difficult. Let’s face it; many, many people absolutely hate Lent. Perhaps they feel that living in such a difficult world why should the church pile on? Others may wonder how the church is going to attract more members when the message during Lent is so “depressing” and the music is so “dreadful”. And others may ask, who wants to give up chocolate, dessert, wine, cocktails and caffeine when the weather outside is frightful and occasionally downright gloomy? It seems that each year fewer people turn out on Ash Wednesday. After all, they may ask, what’s the point? Well, Lent is really just one phase of what the church calls the Paschal Cycle—that period of time that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on the day of Pentecost and typically stretches from February to June. The Season of Lent allows a time for taking stock, for preparing ourselves, for beginning the journey that leads first to the Cross and the Passion of Holy Week, before arriving at the joy of the Resurrection and the giving of the Holy Spirit. As such, the Paschal Cycle serves as the primary narrative of the Christian Church. So, join us on Ash Wednesday as we begin the journey once again.

## Annual Parish Meeting *Evensong, Elections, Budget and So Much More!* Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup>

Christ Church is a community of parishioners who love to come together to eat and socialize. Sometimes we gather just for fun, other times following a special service, and once a year to conduct the business of our parish. Please join us on February 12<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM for evensong in the church, followed by dinner and our annual meeting.

*(See inside for more information.)*

## Ash Wednesday Services February 22<sup>nd</sup>

*Ash Wednesday Liturgy with  
Imposition of Ashes  
and Holy Eucharist*

8:00 AM

12 Noon

7:00 PM \*

*\*with the Chancel Choir*

## Morning Prayer – *Weekdays at 9 AM*



Looking for a Lenten discipline or a new ritual for starting your weekday? One of the better kept secrets of Christ Church is that for decades we have offered a simple said service of Morning Prayer from Monday through Friday at 9 AM. Held in the Choir of the Church, this service includes psalms, readings from our sacred scripture, canticles and prayers and lasts just twenty minutes or so. The service is lay-led, although clergy may participate as well, and the setting is quite intimate as we read our way through the Bible two lessons at a time...

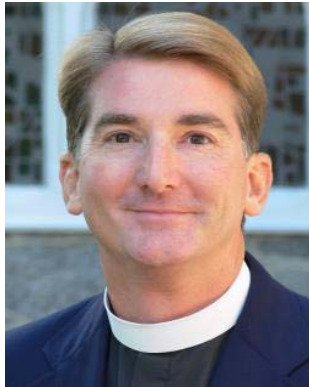
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Office Hours: 9AM – 4PM, Monday-Thursday  
Weekly Service Schedule:  
Morning Prayer - 9AM Mondays through Fridays  
Holy Eucharist (Londonderry) – 1:30PM 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays  
**Sunday Services: 8AM & 10:15AM**

Submissions to the *TIDINGS* monthly parish newsletter are due on the  
**10<sup>th</sup> of the previous month**

Please email items for publication to  
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or leave in newsletter editor's mailbox  
located at the parish house

Newsletter editor: Peter Houck



## Finding Happiness in the Time of Lent?

February is one of the oddest months in which to live in St. Michaels. Those tourists who are visiting our town for the first time may be left with an impression of a town that, perhaps like a bear, is hibernating for the winter. Some of the restaurants are closed for the season—some have closed for good—shops have liquidated their merchandise and won't reopen until March, and those residents who have the luxury of both the time and the income have beat a hasty retreat to Florida in advance of the onslaught of rain, sleet and snow that often fall in February. So, unlike our more populated and youthful county seat to the east of us, St. Michaels seems to have settled down for a long winter's nap.

Of course, the truth of the matter is that much is happening here this time of year; it's just that fewer people are around to participate. As we move into February there are adults, many who are new members, gathering for the weekly Inquirer's Class; a half-dozen or so high school students meeting and preparing for Confirmation; and a Worship & Music Committee busily planning for Ash Wednesday, Lent and Holy Week. Movies have been selected for Popcorn Theology, the theme set for our Covenant Churches Lenten series, and our Parochial Reports completed and submitted to the Diocese and the National Church. By mid-month, new vestry members and wardens will be elected, and at month's end the Diocese will have gathered for Diocesan Convention. February is, in actuality, a rather busy time at Christ Church, and as our front sign reminds us this month, we've been OPEN YEAR ROUND SINCE 1672.

I happen to like the month of February. Growing up in Georgia, February often served as a transition month with temperatures occasionally rising into the low 70s serving as a reminder that spring was not too far off. More than that, my birthday falls in February which meant that, as a child, I could assess what had been forgotten in the Christmas gift-giving and resubmit my request after that five-week cooling-off period. As an adult, February marks not only my own birthday, but my wife Abigail's birthday as well, with Valentine's Day sandwiched in between. And this year two of these three secular and quite personal Feast days fall just before the beginning of Lent, with only Abby's birthday requiring special dispensation—I mean, can we really in good conscience pledge to keep a holy Lent, have ashes smeared on our foreheads and then go out for a birthday dinner at Theo's, Mason's, Bartlett Pear or some other restaurant? If only the church had retained the practice of selling Indulgences, we could mark the day with a guilt-free conscience and possibly fund our parish's operating budget at the same time—a real “win-win.”

Once Lent does begin life certainly changes. New disciplines and offering require more time and giving up certain treats means that I have to stop and think about it when the host asks, “What may we get you to drink?” As for taking on new practices, one of my goals is to read those books that I received for Christmas 2011, so that I can then read the books that I received for Christmas 2010, and maybe even a couple from Christmas 2009. Top of my list is Gretchen Rubin's *New York Times* bestseller, *The Happiness Project*, which, as its title suggests, is a memoir about test-driving the wisdom of the ages, current scientific research, and lessons from popular culture about how to be

happier. And while there are many biblical verses that mention happiness, such as this one from Ecclesiastes —“I know that there is nothing better for them than to be happy and to do good while they live”—a part of me likes the words of Voltaire even better, “ I have decided to be happy because it is good for my health.”

—Mark Nestlehutt

## The Search for an Assistant Rector or Curate

We continue to move forward in calling a new priest to join us at Christ Church. Last month our position was listed on the positions open bulletin of the National Church’s Office of Transitional Ministry website, a nationwide clearing house for open positions within the Episcopal Church. We also have sent position descriptions to some of the Episcopal seminaries—Virginia Theological Seminary, General Theological Seminary, Yale-Berkley Divinity School and Episcopal Divinity School. In the interim, we may occasionally employ local clergy to assist us with supply work and mid-week services.

—Mark Nestlehutt

### Mary Garner’s Farewell Letter

Dear Ones,

My last Sunday at Christ Church was overwhelming! My heart is so full of love and gratitude. Thanks to Mark, the wardens and vestry and all of you who attended. The reception was delightful, the slideshow is a treasure and the gifts are so deeply appreciated. I will always have the most wonderful memories of our time together. God bless you and thank you so much.

Love and prayers,

Mary

## Scenes from Mary’s Sendoff, Jan. 8th, 2012

Photos by Bud Keiser



Shown above are the Rev. Mary Garner, speaking from her heart; Judy Sandground, who presented the Parish gift of a specially designed silver cross and chain; and Lee Thomas presenting a gift from the Church School. Not shown are presentations by Alice Utterback, Martha Austin and the Rev. Mark Nestlehutt.

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Annual Dinner Feb. 12th!

The beginning of a new year provides an opportunity for parishioners to gather together in fellowship to review 2011 and plan for 2012. Our Annual Dinner is scheduled for Sunday, February 12, beginning with Evensong at 5:00 PM followed by dinner at 5:30 in Etherton Hall. Please plan on joining us for this important event when we will review our 2011 financial statements, the 2012 budget, and vote for our new wardens, vestry members, and Diocesan Convention delegates and alternates. The Vestry will be providing the beverages and a ham entrée.

**You can help by bringing: A-H (Salad), I-R (Dessert), S-Z (Side Dish).** Phone the parish office at 410-745-9076 if you would like to request childcare or transportation.

### Healing Service on Wednesday, Feb. 8th

On Wednesday, February 8th at 12:00 noon, a Service of Healing and Holy Eucharist will be celebrated. All are welcome, especially those who are in need of healing or those who are caregivers. The service will be held on the second Wednesday of every month.

### February Stewardship Update



#### *All that you do makes possible all that we do at Christ Church*

The 2012 Stewardship Campaign has been a great success. As *Tidings* goes to press, the Parish has received 192 pledges amounting to \$447,682. We expect to receive a few more pledges over the next 30 days to match the 2011 pledging level. Your support has been awesome, and we thank you for supporting Christ Church. -- George Dixon and Tom Orem, Stewardship co-chairs

### Winter Safety Tips -- Linda Norris

- ✓ Keep informed of weather hazards. Look after the elderly.
- ✓ Check battery-powered equipment, including cell phones, before a storm arrives.
- ✓ Keep three day's worth of food, water (one gallon per person per day), and medicines. If you depend on well water, fill a bathtub with water for flushing. Make sure pets and animals have shelter and a water supply.
- ✓ If appropriate, check your supply of heating fuel. Fuel carriers may not be able to reach you due to closed roads. Conserve fuel by closing off unused rooms.
- ✓ Be careful when using fireplaces, stoves, or space heaters. Proper ventilation is essential to avoid a deadly build-up of carbon monoxide. Don't use charcoal inside, as it gives off large amounts of carbon monoxide. Keep flammable material away from space heaters and do not overload electric circuits.
- ✓ Wear several layers of clothing and a hat outdoors. Cover your mouth with a scarf to protect your lungs.
- ✓ **Don't over-exert yourself while shoveling snow. It can bring on a heart attack -- a major cause of death during and after winter storms.**
- ✓ Avoid driving alone or at night during hazardous conditions. Keep your fuel tank at least half full.



# Don't Miss These February Parish Events!

**Friday, February 3** - The Senior and Junior wardens and their spouses will be hosting a **Wine & Chocolate Tasting**. Come from 5:00 to 7:00 PM to taste a selection of wines and cheeses with chocolates for all ages. Donations will be enthusiastically welcomed.



**Tuesday, February 21 - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper** from 5:00 to 7:00. Boy Scout Troop # 741 will be serving pancakes hot off the griddle with delicious sausages. Fun activities will be available for the kids along with plenty of pancakes and sausages. Cost is \$6 per person or \$18 per family.

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## February Birthdays and Anniversaries

### Birthdays

2/1 Tellie Dixon, Scott Kilmon  
2/2 Pat Ellis  
2/3 Fiona Cooper, Mark Nestlehutt  
2/5 Ginny MacLeod, Ruth Suter, Patrick Weller  
2/7 Chris Newberg  
2/9 Janet Bickert  
2/10 Alice Cohee, Aly Valentine  
2/11 Molly Malkus, Kathy Norman  
2/13 Eddie McCall, Katie Myers, Pat Patton, Mason Roe  
2/16 Bethany Driggs, William Thomas  
2/17 Nancy Masone, Charles Rogers  
2/18 Brandon Kealy  
2/20 Bill Jacoby  
2/21 Edward Wyant  
2/22 Abigail Nestlehutt, Ann Roe, Carolyn Wasdyke  
2/24 Brooke Alexander, Mark Newberg  
2/25 Di Kingman, Emily Miller

2/26 John Scofield  
2/27 Ian Buxton  
2/28 Burgess Kegan, Elizabeth Newnam, Jeffrey Weller



### Anniversaries

2/2 Tom & Edie Huddleston  
2/7 Tom & Janet Underwood  
2/28 Neil & Susan Armstrong

### From the Parish Register:

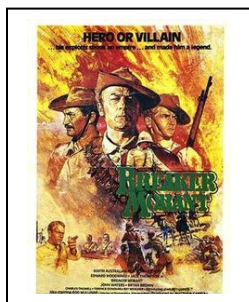
**Funerals:** Charles Alego Wilson, Jr., January 3, 2012  
Richard Alan Rhine, January 2, 2012



**Clergy Visits to the Sick** -- Did you know that patient privacy laws prevent the hospital from calling your church to inform the clergy that you are in the hospital? In addition, there is no longer a census by denomination at the front desk that can be checked by clergy. This means that Christ Church clergy do not know that you are in the hospital unless you or a family member or friend informs us. Visiting the sick is an important part of Christ Church's commitment to pastoral care. Please call the church office or the emergency number (410-310-6719) if you would like a hospital visit.

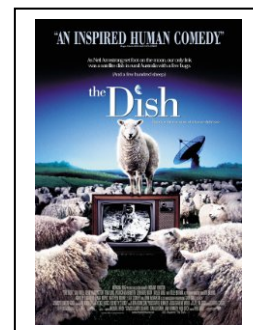
# Lenten Series: Popcorn Theology

How often do you notice the ethical, religious or spiritual dimensions or allusions in a movie? Have you ever wondered what others might think of the same film? If so, please join us on the five Mondays during Lent for our annual Lenten series, Popcorn Theology! Movies begin at 7:00 PM and soda and popcorn are provided (please feel free to bring your own alternative beverage). This Lent we offer a mix of films from Australia and New Zealand. See the *March Tidings* for the final two films on each of the last two Mondays in March.



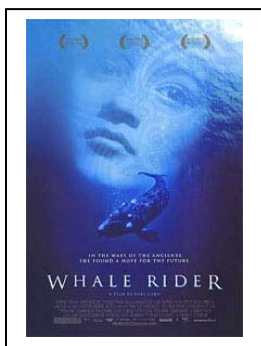
## **Breaker Morant (1980) PG, Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>**

Breaker Morant is one of the most acclaimed Australian films, telling a powerful tale of wartime betrayal and injustice set against the South African Boer War, as three Australian soldiers become scapegoats for the British Empire. (Running time is 107 minutes)



## **The Dish (2000) PG-13, Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup>**

This film is an account of three Australian scientists and their NASA representative, who endeavored to bring the world live shots of man's first walk on the moon during the Apollo 13 space mission. (Running time is 101 minutes)



## **Whale Rider (2002) PG-13, Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**

Set on the east coast of New Zealand, Whale Rider tells a story of love, rejection and triumph through the eyes of a 12 year-old Maori girl. The film is based on the novel, *Witi Ihimaera*. (Running time is 101 minutes)

## PARISH & COMMUNITY LIFE

Photos by Jim Proctor



# REACHING OUT

## The Dec. 2011 Angel Tree and Christmas Party



**Left:** The Angel Tree after parishoners had taken its 120 wish cards and transformed them into Christmas gifts.



**Right:** the organizers of this very successful Angel Tree project: Druisilla Barnett, Susan Armstrong, Janelle Allen, Karen Maony, Sparrow Rogers, Neil Armstrong and Judy Sandground.

Photos by Jim Proctor

**YOU DID IT!** Thanks to all of you, 80 children in need in St. Michaels had a merrier Christmas than they would have had otherwise! We received more requests than ever this year, and you came through to meet that need. The Angel Tree Project was truly a joint effort, as the church school children created the lovely tags for the gifts, our youth group baked cookies for the party, Union United Methodist Church provided their Parish Hall for the party, and you provided beautifully wrapped gifts for each child. The children loved the party complete with Santa, engaging crafts, and a cakewalk. It was great fun. Thank you all very much. -- Susan and Neil Armstrong, Judy Sandground, and Sparrow Rogers



**Above & Top Center:** Unloading gifts from Santa's trailer and arranging them before the party. **Top Right & Below:** *Just a few* of the delighted children who benefited from your generosity.

# Christian Formation for Children

-- Lee Thomas (Photos by Jim Proctor)

## CHRISTIAN FORMATION

We want to share some pictures from the Christmas program in December, now that they're available for print. Thank you, again, to everyone involved in the event – it was a wonderful way to welcome Christmas. In January, we said goodbye to Reverend Mary. We will truly miss her involvement with the church school program and her special connection with each child. Before leaving for Heron Point, Mary helped select our new curriculum, "Living the Good News", which we introduced in mid-January. In February, we've planned a

Valentine project for the 12<sup>th</sup>; and on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, we'll be creating a new frontal for our "Youth Sunday," which will be on March 4<sup>th</sup> this year. We always like to have visitors, so you're welcome to stop in on a Sunday morning and see what we have going on!



**Left:** The children narrating and dramatizing the Christmas story. **Below Left:** Lane and Lexi Clark assist Rev. Mary with communion preparation. **Below Right:** Rev. Mary serving communion wafers to the assembled program participants.



## Youth Group -- Get Ready for the Souper Bowl of Caring

We all know what the Super Bowl is—that annual extravaganza where millionaires battle one another like gladiators on a green rectangle with millions of people watching. Less known is the Souper Bowl of Caring—a nationwide effort of young people to raise money for, and awareness about, the problem of hunger in our world. On Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, members from our youth group will be at the doors of the church following the two services collecting money in big soup pots. Please contribute what you can afford—\$1, \$5, \$10, \$20 or more. The young people will then decide how they'd like to allocate the monies they've raised to alleviate hunger in our community and beyond.

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## CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

### Docents' Guild – Linda Makosky

Photo by Al Holmes

The Docents' Guild Fall Meeting was held on November 12, 2011 in Etherton Hall. About 27 people were present, including several new volunteers. Some highlights of the meeting:

-- Joan Frey turned over the chairmanship to Irmay Webster. The members expressed heartfelt thanks to Joan for her three years of service to the Guild.

-- Mary Garner came to bring thanks from the clergy for the work of the docents. We did not know we would be saying "goodby" to her so soon.

-- Pam Widell presented her video "Our History - Christ Episcopal Church," in which several docents were featured.

-- The Spring meeting of the Docents' Guild is scheduled for Saturday, March 24, 2012, at 10:00 AM in Etherton Hall.

The quiet winter season provides an ideal opportunity to learn about the work of the docents. Our scheduler, Lillian Watts, welcomes questions and will provide information and a tour. Please call her at 410-745-9999 for an introduction to the Guild.

Sadly we note the passing of Charlie Wilson. In 1987, he and his wife Betsy were among the founding members of our Guild. Charlie was Guild chairman from March 1996 to March 1999. From the Guild archives we learn that in 1997 he oversaw the renaming of the Visitor's Guild to Docent's Guild, as it was known then. His good-humored guidance is remembered with love and appreciation for his many years of service to the Guild.



**Docents' Guild officers**, L-R, are: Irmay Webster, incoming Chairman; Linda Makosky, Secretary; Carol Kilbourn, Treasurer; Joan Frey, outgoing Chairman; Lillian Watts, Scheduler; and Vestry Representative Carolyn Wasdyke.



### **The Men's Breakfast Club** -- Leo Foulds

The breakfast club will meet in the Etherton Hall at 8:00 AM on February 11, 2012. The guest speaker will be Pam O'Brien (pictured at left), Talbot County Coordinator of "Partners in Care." Pam will offer suggestions on how we in the Christian community can assist those who need help in a variety of ways. Non-members are also welcome. Those wishing to attend should contact Leo Foulds, 410-745-6153, prior to February 8, 2012.

## Ministry Areas of Christ Church



### Finances for twelve months ended Dec. 31, 2011

#### Revenues

Actual – Current Month***	\$ 91,392	
Budget – Current Month***	93,532	
Over/(Under) – Current Month	(2,140)	Unfavorable
Actual – YTD	569,840	
Budget – YTD	563,150	
Over/(Under) – YTD	6,690	Favorable

#### Pledges

Actual – Current Month	44,999	
Budget – Current Month	47,710	
Over/(Under) – Current Month	(2,711)	Unfavorable
Actual – YTD	453,643	
Budget – YTD	450,000	
Over/(Under) YTD	3,643	Favorable

#### Expenses

Actual – Current Month	43,821	
Budget – Current Month	48,686	
Over/(Under) – Current Month	(4,865)	Favorable
Actual – YTD	542,617	
Budget – YTD	558,320	
Over/(Under) – YTD	(15,703)	Favorable

#### Excess of Revenues over Expenses or (Expenses over Revenues)

Actual – Current Month***	47,571	
Budget – Current Month***	44,846	
Over/(Under) – Current Month	2,725	Favorable
Actual – YTD	27,223	
Budget – YTD	4,830	
Over/(Under) – YTD	22,393	Favorable

\*\*\* Includes \$37,000 transferred from Permanent Endowment Fund.

#### CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Adult Forum	Ray Wasdyke, Carl Widell
Adult Inquirers	Mark Nestlehutt
Church School:	
Ages 3-Grade 4	Lee Thomas
Rite 13	Ann Roe
Youth Confirmation	Mark Nestlehutt

#### OUTREACH & WIDER MISSION

Back to School Project	Gillian Whyman, Judy Sandground
Children's Home Found.	Nance DuPont, Martha Austin
El Hogar Project	Bill Corba
Environmental Issues	Margie Steffens
Episcopal Relief & Dev.	Pamela McCloud
Grants Committee	John Hunnicutt
Habitat for Humanity	John Hunnicutt
Honduran Dental Mission	Jim Campi
St. Michaels Food Pantry	Beth Eckel, Judy Tanczos
Talbot Interfaith Shelter	Pamela McCloud
United Thank Offering	Carol Carlson

#### PARISH & COMMUNITY LIFE

Coffee Hour	Mike Clark
Covenant Churches	Mark Nestlehutt
Docents' Guild	Irmy Webster
Episcopal Church Women	Lynn Freeburger
Kitchen Committee	Mary Riedlin, Nancy Sipe
Lay Weeders	Kay Perkins
Lea Library	Robert & Marilyn Barrett
Lemonade/Cider in Hall	Alison Sanford
Men's Club	Leo Foulds
Parish Paparazzi	Bud Keiser
Tidings Newsletter	Peter Houck
Welcoming Committee	Alison Sanford

#### PASTORAL CARE

Eucharistic Visitors	Jessie Weddle
Flower Delivery	Martha Austin
Pastoral Care Team	Martha Austin
Prayer Chain	TBD
Stephen Ministry	Ann Roe

#### STEWARDSHIP

Finance Committee	Cathy Mendenhall
Property	John Booth, John Masone
Stewardship	George Dixon, Tom Orem
Teller	Larry McCanna

#### WORSHIP & MUSIC

Acolyte Guild	Sparrow Rogers, Ann Roe
Altar Guild	Helen Bower, Judy Hause
Choirs:	
Chancel & Youth	William Thomas
Handbell	Shelley Reel
Euch. Ministers & Readers	Martha Austin
Flower Guild	Nancy Besso
Greeters/Oblation Bearers	Sheila Vaughan
Ushers	Robert Burger

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b> 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Youth Choir Practice 7 PM Chancel Choir Practice	<b>2</b> 8:30 AM Stephen Ministry Leaders 9 AM Stephen Ministry Supervision 1 PM Holy Eucharist at Londonderry 8 PM AA Meeting	<b>3</b> OFFICE CLOSED 5 PM Wine & Chocolate	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> <b>5 Epiphany Souper Bowl Sunday</b> 8 AM Holy Eucharist 9 AM Coffee Hour 9:15 AM Adult Forum & Church School 10:15 AM Parish Family Eucharist 11:30 AM Cider in the Hall	<b>6</b> 8:30 AM St. Michaels Art League Workshop 4 PM Youth Confirmation Class 7 PM Inquirers Class	<b>7</b> 5 PM St. Andrew's Society of the Eastern Shore Dinner 6 PM Bell Choir Practice 7 PM Vestry Meeting	<b>8</b> 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 12 PM Healing Service 6:30 PM Youth Choir Practice 7 PM Chancel Choir Practice	<b>9</b> 9:30 AM Pastoral Care Team Meeting 8 PM AA Meeting	<b>10</b> OFFICE CLOSED <u>TIDINGS DEADLINE</u> 6 PM Boy Scouts Blue & Gold Banquet	<b>11</b> 8 AM Men's Breakfast
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<b>19</b> <b>Last Epiphany</b> 8 AM Holy Eucharist 9 AM Coffee Hour 9:15 AM Adult Forum & Church School 10:15 AM Holy Eucharist 11:30 AM Cider in the Hall 12 PM Worship & Music Meeting	<b>20</b> <b>Presidents' Day</b> OFFICE CLOSED 9 AM St. Michaels Art League Meeting 5 PM Christmas in St. Michaels Meeting	<b>21</b> <b>Shrove Tuesday</b> 5 PM Pancake Supper	<b>22</b> <b>Ash Wednesday</b> 8 AM Ash Wednesday Service 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 12 PM Ash Wednesday Service 7 PM Ash Wednesday Service	<b>23</b> 9:30 AM Pastoral Care Team Meeting 8 PM AA Meeting	<b>24</b> OFFICE CLOSED Diocesan Convention at the Hyatt in Cambridge, MD	<b>25</b> Diocesan Convention at the Hyatt in Cambridge, MD
<b>26</b> <b>1</b> Lent 8 AM Holy Eucharist 9 AM Coffee Hour 9:15 AM Adult Forum & Church School 10:15 AM Holy Eucharist 11:30 AM Cider in the Hall 12 PM Prayer Chain Meeting	<b>27</b> 4 PM Youth Confirmation Class 7 PM Popcorn Theology	<b>28</b> 5:30 PM Bell Choir Practice 6 PM Covenant Churches Lenten Program	<b>29</b> 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Youth Choir Practice 7 PM Chancel Choir Practice	<b>Notes:</b> Morning Prayer Monday – Friday 9 AM		

## Staff

The Reverend Mark S. Nestlehutt, *Rector*  
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Ms. Carol A. Osborne, *Parish Administrator*  
Mr. George E. Short, *Sexton*  
Ms. Anne Whyman Esposito, *Nursery Director*

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Judy Sandground, *Junior Warden*  
Larry McCanna, *Treasurer*  
Mary Ellen Olcese, *Registrar*

John Booth 2012  
Cathy Mendenhall 2012  
Philip Parkinson 2012  
Hanna Woicke 2012

George Dixon 2013  
John Masone 2013  
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