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Sunday Schedule

8 am, Rite I
8am-Noon, 6-7 pm Nursery Available
9 am, Breakfast
9:40 am Sunday School & Jr. Choir
10:30 am, Rite II
11:45 am, Gathering Tree
6 pm, Wellspring (1st 3 Sundays) service & dinner
7:15 pm EYC

Christmas Services:

Christmas Eve Eve, Calvert Epiphany
(12/23) 5:00 pm Holy Eucharist

Christmas Eve (12/24)
5:00 pm

Holy Eucharist & Children's Program
10:30 pm
Carols & Holy Eucharist

Christmas Day (12/25) 6:00 pm Christmas
party @ Rhoda's home

Sunday after Christmas (12/26) services 8
and 10:30 am
sing-a-long at 9:30 am

Dear Jack,

I have been busy crossing items off my to-do list before I leave for vacation with my husband, Scott, and I am close to being organized and ready to leave! I leave December 1st and will be back in the office December 13th. Most graciously, Polly Niles and Thelma Isenhart have volunteered to cover the church office while I am gone. Thank you Polly and Thelma!

Early December can be a difficult time to leave, but it also gives me the opportunity to clear my mind and rejuvenate before the end of the year when budgets need to be completed, tax statements need sending out, extra bulletins for Christmas services need preparing, in addition to my activities and life outside of St. Thomas.

The one item left on my to-do list is to complete the part I'm responsible for with regard to St. Thomas' 2011 budget for operations and the ministry center mortgage. The parish budget totals approximately \$600,000.00 (Six hundred thousand)! St. Thomas has about 200 active families and I am **very** thankful to the 60 that have responded so far.

On December 14th, I am supposed to deliver a finalized pledge report to your St. Thomas Finance Committee....**for me to successfully complete this part of my job, I need responses from the remaining 160 families.** You may make a pledge by emailing me directly at churchoffice@stthomasbcs.org, by hitting the pledge button on our web page (www@stthomasbcs.org), by dropping off a card, note, letter, or chicken (ha) in the collection plate, or by calling me Monday the 13th. All pledges are strictly confidential. After the 14th, Vestry will begin making calls to parishioners to check on those we haven't heard from.

I have said it many, many times; St. Thomas parishioners are such a wonderful, giving family. I am constantly amazed how you all reach out and take care of each other and those in need. I am very thankful to have the opportunity to work and be a part of St. Thomas' church family.

Have a wonderful week,
Kammy

Season of Advent & Christmas

For Music: Thursday Dec. 2, 9th, and 16th for AGO Advent Recitals in the church. Join us for the St. Cecilia Christmas Cantare, Sunday, December 19th at 7:30 pm in the church.

For all ages.....the Christmas Spirit: December 5th at 5 pm for a celebration of St. Nicholas. Children leave your shoes outside! During the service while we learn about this 4th century bishop, the first Santa Claus, the kids will leave their shoes outside to be filled with gifts by St. Nicholas. A potluck dinner will follow the 30 minute service. The church is providing ham; please choose a side or dessert to bring and share! After dinner, we will head to Central Park to take a tour through the woods and view the Christmas lights. When you get there, head to the big Christmas tree. We'll depart from there once everyone arrives.



For the Ability to Share: Our Angel Tree is up and ready for the wonderful feelings WE receive by being able to help those less fortunate. Please return gifts by Dec. 10th (the gift requests are written on the back).

For our Church and Church Family: We need LOTS of help greening the church, Sunday, Dec. 19th. Please plan to stay for about 30-45 minutes after the 10:30 service to decorate church for the Christmas services.

Bereavement Group: For those we Love and Miss: For those who grieve the death of a loved one, the holiday season can be a particularly poignant time. Rhoda will be offering a bereavement care group and special candlelight service on Sunday December 19th. The group will meet from 4pm to 5:30 pm. The service will begin at 6pm in the historic chapel. Anyone who has suffered the death of a loved one is welcome to attend either the group or the service or both. Feel free to bring pictures and mementoes of your loved one. Call Rhoda for more information.

Meredith Holt's Ordination! Will be January 6th at 7 pm at St. Mary's, Cypress.



Rhoda's Installation: Rev. Rhoda's installation will be January 20th at 7 pm. Please mark your calendars to attend this wonderful occasion!

Have a Wonderful, Wonderful Week!