

PHILADELPHIA EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

WEEKLY NEWS OF PHILADELPHIA CATHEDRAL'S PEOPLE, MISSION & MINISTRIES

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NOVEMBER 27, 2011

SUNDAYS

10 a.m. – HOLY EUCHARIST

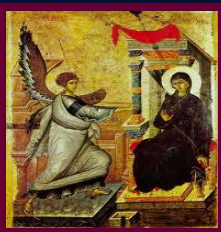
10 a.m. – GODLY PLAY FOR CHILDREN

WEEKDAYS (Mon – Fri)

12 NOON – HOLY EUCHARIST

We welcome our visitors.

We are happy to have you worship with us today. Please make yourselves known to the clergy and members of the congregation. We invite you to join us for refreshments following the Holy Eucharist. Please sign our visitor's book so we may stay in touch.



Today, we celebrate the first Sunday of Advent which is the beginning of the Church's liturgical year. The word **Advent** means "coming" or "arrival". Advent is marked by a spirit of expectation, and anticipation as we prepare to celebrate the birth of the Christ.

Readings for this Sunday: Isaiah 64: 1-1-9, I Corinthians 1: 3-9; Matthew 13: 24-37.

Your prayers are requested for: DIOCESAN PROGRAMS: *Diocesan Youth Council.*

DIOCESE OF GUATEMALA: Our Companion Cathedral, Cathedral de Santiago Apóstol; Guatemala City, Saint Joseph of the Exodus Church, Guatemala City, The Rev. Rene Rodriguez.

Prayers are also requested for: Ben Bell, Michele Betin, Mary Alice Brimmer, Terrance Calvert, Blanche Coleman, Jerry Di Falco, Peter Fuller & Family, Cindy, Joe Gilligan, Marilyn Hutchinson, Karen Li, Kelson & Family, Ken, Marie, Michael, Mary Ellen, Delores Shepherd, Gerry Wilson, Sandy, Sui Yen Lie, Tom, Kieran Quinn, Donald White.

Special thanks to: The Orange and Blue Team for supporting today's liturgy.

Team Leaders: Giby Garnier, Bill Summers

Team Members: Caitlin Davis, Lisa Davis, Walter Davis, Edlyne Garnier, Amber Hikes, Lamont Hopson, Samantha Giusti, Simone Jeffers, Delilah Lewis, Jean-Paul Louisot, Ada Perkins, Grace Perkins, Kim Rumaker, Matt Rumaker, Andre Trevathan, Carol Trevathan, Gerrie Wilson, Richard Yonkoski.

The Team for December 4 will be the Yellow and Purple Team.

Music this Sunday - This Sunday the Cathedral Singers initiate what will be a series of paired anthems related to the Advent themes of expectation, and the image of Mary, Mother of Jesus. There is a rich trove of sacred choral music on these themes from many times and cultures. This week, expectation is expressed through one of the most beloved anthems in the repertoire, "E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come" by Paul Manz - this is one of those anthems that many worshipers have become attached to in a very personal way. The Marian antiphon is a setting of the "Salve Regina" by the German composer Josef Rheinberger, a highly gifted composer who lived in the shadow of Brahms. Rheinberger's music brings out the emphasis on the sweetness (*dulcedo*) of Mary in this ancient text.

SAVE THE DATES



SUNDAY, November 27 through January 6, 2012

Advent Art Exhibition —“Out of Darkness into Light” - Kathleen Holder, Artist

Kathleen Holder has used the terms “emotional landscape” and “psychic landscape” to describe the hauntingly, hazily, revealed vistas in her pastel drawings. Abstraction and nature: the true subject of Holder’s work is the Creation. Viewing times: Mon. through Fri. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., other times by appointment. Visit the artist’s website: kathleenholder.net For information, contact the Rev. Robert Tate, Priest Associate, at 215.386.0234; rtate@philadelphiacathedral.org.

FRIDAY, December 2, 5- 7 p.m. Artist’s Reception in the Cathedral.



SUNDAY, December 4, Anne McGuire, *The Kies Family Associate Professor in the Humanities; Associate Professor of Religion* at Haverford College will give a talk on the role of Mary Magdalene in the New Testament following the 10 a.m. Eucharist. Her research and teaching are concerned primarily with the analysis and interpretation of early Christian and Gnostic literature, especially the writings of the *Nag Hammadi* library, discovered in Egypt in 1945. Please join us for this informative lecture with a discussion to follow.



SUNDAY December 18, 10 a.m. — The Right Reverend Frederick Houk Borsch, will be the guest preacher at the 10 a.m. Eucharist. Bishop Borsch is presently Professor of New Testament and Chair of Anglican Studies at The Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia. Earlier he was the Interim Dean of the Berkeley Divinity School at Yale and Associate Dean of the Yale Divinity School. He is the retired Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles. Bishop Borsch is a contributor of essays, articles and poetry to a number of journals and newspapers and is the author or editor of some twenty books. He has lectured throughout the world and is a leading Biblical theologian of the Episcopal Church.

SUNDAY, December 11, 11:30 a.m. — Artist Talk “In Darkness Waiting for Light”

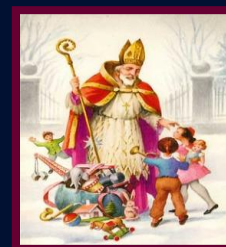
Following the 10 a.m. Eucharist, Melinda Parsons will speak about Advent images throughout the history of art. *Melinda Boyd Parsons, Ph.D., is an Adjunct Professor of Art History at Neumann University in Aston, PA.*

EPISCOPAL COMMUNITY SERVICES CHRISTMAS GIVING PROGRAM.

Just a reminder about the 2011 Episcopal Community Services (ECS) “*Christmas Giving Program*”. ECS has sent us the names of 12 children 9-10 years old along with their gifts requests. The name of each child and his or her gift request is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Gifts may be received from November 28th through December 11th. Your contributions on behalf of these children will be greatly appreciated. If you are interested in contributing to this annual Christmas outreach ministry, please contact Stacey Middleton email: staceyd11550@yahoo.com or by calling 610.328.9755.



On Sunday, December 18th the “Greening of the Cathedral” will take place following the liturgy. There will be activities for the children with a special visit from Saint Nicholas. A potluck lunch will be served. All are invited to participate as we decorate the Cathedral in preparation to celebrate the birth of the Savior.



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