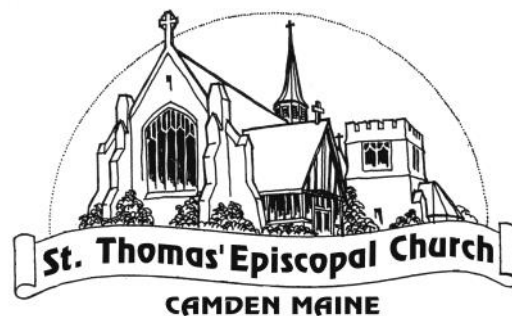


S T . T H O M A S ' Tidings

**Sunday, January 14, 2018:
The Second Sunday after the Epiphany**

We welcome all who enter these doors, especially those who enter for the first time or after a long absence. May this place be like home to you! All are welcome to receive the Bread and Wine at this altar. Members of our prayer ministry are available in the Chapel during Holy Communion to pray with you about any need or thanksgiving.



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2018 Parish Directory

We're updating our membership information as we prepare for our 2018 Parish Directory. The information we have on file for each member is available for review in a looseleaf book in the Sun Room. Please take a look at the information and correct it if necessary. If you are not listed, there are blank form you can fill out. Out of town for the winter? Contact George in the Parish Office. Thank you!

Parish Annual Meeting January 28

Please plan to attend the Annual Meeting immediately following the 9:30 service on Sunday, January 28! The Annual Parish meeting happens once a year in every Episcopal church. It is the time when the Vestry presents the budget to the congregation, warden and/or vestry members are elected, and we hear about the state of the church. This year we will consider some minor changes to the canons of St. Thomas', either to bring them more in line with the Episcopal Church, or to clarify vaguely worded bylaws. This year we will also be electing delegates to the special convention to elect the next bishop of Maine. We look forward to a big crowd at this once a year event.



Protect Against the Flu

This year's flu season is shaping up to be a virulent one. In states where it is widespread they are seeing a larger than usual share of deaths from the flu, as well as complications including pneumonia. As the flu progresses towards Maine, remember that 'intinction' of the host is a time-honored tradition in our church. Instead of sipping from the common cup, you may hold the host in your hand and dip the edge of it into the wine, avoiding contact with the wine by your fingers. Parents, you might want to play the "Eucharist game" at home with your kids to show them how to do this! I have read several articles that have stated that children are particularly vulnerable to the flu this year.

Middle School Youth Group

We are partnering with the Camden Congregational Church to discuss the possibility of having a combined Middle School Youth Group. *The informational meeting has been rescheduled for Saturday, February 10 from 5-7 at the Congregational Church.*

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Today's Music is on vacation this week while Jane is in Portland, OR, visiting with her son, daughter-in-law and granddaughter, Zoë Eloise. Meanwhile, sing with gusto!

Jane Hards Funeral

The funeral service for Jane Hards will be held here at the church on Saturday, February 3 at 1:00 pm. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall.

Prayer List

We celebrate those members whose birthdays are this week: Jan Conrad (January 18). Please pray for those members of this parish and others who are in special need: Marya Allen, Ron, Andrew, Jean Harper, Joanne Scott, Nancy Soderberg, Missie Stone, Tiffany Andrews, Stormy Bok, Seana Roubinek, Carolyn Morris, Roxanna, Brian Fitzpatrick, Cara, Risa, Chris, Janan Vaughn, Peg, Ann Foster, Trish.

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Next Sunday

January 21, 2018

The Third Sunday after Epiphany

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Mark 1:14-20

Psalms 62:6-14

7:30 am: Celebrant/Preacher: The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry; **Eucharistic Minister:** JoAnne Ryan; **Lectors:** Edmund Hartt, Pam Bardon; **Prayers of the People:** Pat Ayers; **Usher:** Marilyn Smith.

9:30 am: Celebrant/Preacher: The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry; **Crucifer:** Dean Jackson; **Eucharistic Minister:** Jacqueline Recht; **Lectors:** Sarah Groman, Kathryn DerMarderosian; **Prayers of the People:** Jeffrey Conrad; **Ushers:** Joan Bennett, Bill Freeman.

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Calendar

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7:30 am—Holy Eucharist Rite I

8:30 am—Choir Rehearsal

9:30 am—Holy Eucharist, Rite II

10:45 am—Coffee Hour—Parish Hall

5:15 pm—Centering Prayer—Chapel

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Monday, January 15

9:30 am—Holy Eucharist Rite II

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Tuesday, January 16

9:00 am—Camden Garden Club

—Conference Room

6:30 pm—OA meeting—Library

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Wednesday, January 17

9:30 am—Holy Eucharist and Healing Service—Chapel

10:00 am—Fellowship Hour—Sun Room

11:00 am—Bible Study—Sun Room

4:00 pm—EfM Conference Room

6:00 pm—VoXX Rehearsal

—Parish Hall, Green Room

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Thursday, January 18

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Friday, January 19

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Saturday, January 20

11:30 am—Loaves and Fishes at St. Peter's Rockland

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Sunday, January 21

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