



Good News

MARCH 2025

FROM THE RECTOR

Nothing that is worth doing can be achieved in a lifetime. Therefore, we must be saved by hope.

-Reinhold Niebuhr

This morning, I watched a video of a conversation our Presiding Bishop, the Most Rev. Sean Rowe had with Eric Motley about the Episcopal “Church’s Vision for Our Future”. The talk came about as part of the recent Episcopal Parish Network Conference. In it, our presiding bishop spoke about the administrative restructuring happening within the church at the national and diocesan level. This restructuring, which is in its beginning stages, has resulted in the loss of jobs by some brilliant and faithful church leaders, which is heartbreaking. That said, Presiding Bishop Rowe made the case in this talk that this restructuring at the national church level is necessary in order to refocus the energy and resources of the Episcopal Church toward heightened support of dioceses and parishes, rather than toward the perpetuation of national church infrastructure. You can watch this enlightening interview with Presiding Bishop Rowe by visiting <http://episcopalnewsservice.org>. I will try to get a link to the interview to you via flocknote also.

For those “in the trenches” in parishes, including you and me, this news is welcome. So much of the work of the church happens person-to-person, soul-to-soul at the parish level. Just as we together are the hands and feet of Christ in the world, so we at St. Andrew are the face of the Episcopal Church in our community and Northeast Ohio. In light of the challenges our parishes face today, we need heightened support from our diocesan and national church leadership to strengthen, resource, and equip our parishes to engage effectively with our neighbors today, in a largely secular world. Recent restructuring initiated by Bishop Anne

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in our own diocese reflects her knowledge and understanding of our reality as church, and so does the work being undertaken by Presiding Bishop Rowe to restructure the national church. How these changes will impact the Body of Christ in the Episcopal context is unknown, and most likely won't be fully realized in our lifetimes, but we sure do have reason to hope given our faith and the power of the Holy Spirit working among us even yet!

In going about his work as the leader of our beloved Episcopal Church, Presiding Bishop Sean has, by his own account, been inspired by theologians and mystics across the generations, including St. John of the Cross, Thomas Merton, and Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Bonhoeffer, particularly, wrote prophetically about the future of church in a post-war, secular world ravaged by the inhumanity of continuing violence and threats of violence. In his recent interview Presiding Bishop Rowe cited Bonhoeffer's writings on what he called Material Christianity as potentially life-giving to the struggling church of his day in Germany, which had abandoned Christ's teachings by its complicity with Hitler. Unfortunately, Bonhoeffer's good news for the future of Christianity in a secular world simply came too late to change the downward trajectory of the German church before, during and immediately after WWII.

The church today is also struggling to connect people with the Good News of Christ during a period of significant social stress and upheaval both nationally and internationally. Bonhoeffer's writings on Material Christianity, found in his "Letters and Papers from Prison" offer us food for thought as we negotiate our own troubled times as the Body of Christ in the World.

This Lent please join me in studying Bonhoeffer's prophetic "Letters and Papers from Prison." This five-week study combines selected readings from Bonhoeffer's work with video commentary on the work featuring Irish theologian and author Peter Rollins. I studied Peter's first book "How Not to Speak of God" in my first seminary course and took two subsequent courses from him during my seminary career. I found his approach to Bonhoeffer's work and to the future of church in the secular age enormously formative and I look forward to sharing Bonhoeffer's work, and Peter Rollins' commentary on the work with you.

Beginning on Sunday March 9 we will meet directly after church in the Worman Room to discuss our readings for the week. I'll make the first week's readings and video commentary available to you online on Monday March 3 so that you can prepare for our first conversation together about Bonhoeffer's Letters and Papers from Prison on March 9. Each subsequent Sunday during Lent we'll study selected readings from Bonhoeffer and discuss the readings and commentary together. All materials will be provided on-line, along with the video commentaries which we'll draw upon in our discussions.

Blessings and peace to you as we enter into a Holy Lent together and

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study Dietrich Bonhoeffer's Letters and Papers from Prison.

In Christ,
Lisa+

MARDI GRAS PANCAKE SUPPER

Please join us at Church of the Epiphany, Euclid, 21000 Lakeshore Drive, for a festive Mari Gras meal hosted by Epiphany!

Next Tuesday March 3 between 5-7pm. On the menu: Pancakes galore, sausages, apple sauce, and Mardi Gras cupcakes! Meet our soon-to-be shared ministry partners and feast before it's too late-Lent begins on March 4 with Ash Wednesday.

Feasting, fellowship, and fun! What could be better? Please reply to this Flocknote or sign the sign-up sheet in the Narthex if you plan to come. Epiphany needs some idea of how many of us to expect!

Hope to see you there!

SOUP DINNER AND COMPLINE

Join us for a simple soup supper followed by Compline/Night Prayer during Lent. We'll gather Thursday March 13 at 6:00pm and each Thursday at 6pm until Holy Week. A sign-up sheet will be available in the Narthex.

Have a particular setting for Compline/Night Prayers that you love? Let Lisa know and we'll pray it together!

Important Dates in March

- 02 Sunday Eucharist 10:30 am
Food Pantry 1 - 3 pm
- 03 Bible Study 1 pm
- 04 Mardi Gras Pancake Supper
- 05 Ash Wednesday
Ashes to go 10 am - noon
Adventures in Spirituality 10:30
Ash Wednesday Service 7 pm
- 06 Food Pantry Delivery 10:30
- 09 Sunday Eucharist 10:30 am
Lent Study 11:45 am
- 10 Bible Study 1 pm
Men's Club 7 pm
- 11 Food Pantry 1 - 3 pm
- 12 Adventures in Spirituality 10:30
Finance Committee 6:30 pm
- 13 Soup Supper and Compline 6 pm
- 16 Sunday Eucharist 10:30 am
Lent Study 11:45 am
- 17 Bible Study 1 pm
- 19 Adventures in Spirituality 10:30
Vestry 6:30 pm
- 20 Soup Supper and Compline 6 pm
- 23 Sunday Eucharist 10:30 am
Lent Study 11:45 am
- 24 Bible Study 1 pm
Men's Club 7 pm
- 26 Adventures in Spirituality 10:30
- 27 Soup Supper and Compline 6 pm
- 30 Sunday Eucharist 10:30 am
Lent Study 11:45 am
- 31 Bible Study 1 pm

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE



Join us for Ash Wednesday Services on Wednesday, March 5th at 7:00 pm.

MEN'S CLUB

The Men's Club will meet on Monday, March 10th and Monday, March 24th at 7:00 pm. The club is discussing the Gospel of John.

EASTER FLOWERS

The Flower Guild is collecting money for Easter Flowers now through Lent. Forms can be found at church and at the end of this newsletter.

You can mail your donation to the church or place in the collection plates in the back of the church.

Thank you very much for your continued generosity! Janna Penkowski

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

The Candy Apple Craft Show will take place on Saturday, October 11th. There will be 2 elections and we will have a bake sale for both (May 6th and November 4th.)

We are also planning on a summer picnic/movie night/raffle and the Jingle Bell Jam.

Stay tuned for the date/time for our next meeting.

March Celebrations

BIRTHDAYS

- 04 Jaxyon Riddell
- 11 Kathy Steffens
- 16 Ryan Symonds
- 21 Victoria Leitch
- 22 Jill Sankal
- 30 Marsia Berlan

ANNIVERSARIES

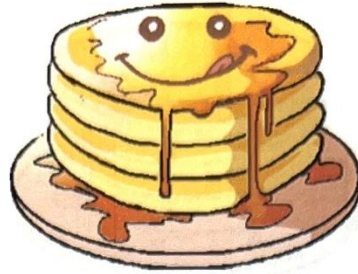
- 11 Richard Berlan & Andrew Caruso
- 17 Brian & Sheree Sandacz
- 23 Todd & Janna Penkowski

CLEANING UPDATES

The Men's vesting room was organized and cleaned. It is now a storage area with the heating and cooling system installed.

June Webb





Church of the Epiphany
21000 Lakeshore Blvd., Euclid

Mardi Gras Pancake Supper
Shrove Tuesday, March 4, 2025
5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Mardi Gras Beads
Mardi Gras Treats
Mardi Gras Music

(Supper includes pancakes, sausage, applesauce
and a Mardi Gras cupcake for dessert!)



PRAYER CALENDAR

Let's Pray for Each Other!

Introducing the Prayer Calendar, which will come to you each month in your newsletter. You'll note that there is a parish member designated for each day of the month on the calendar. Please take a moment to pray for that person on the day indicated, whether you know them or not! Prayer blesses the one who prays and the one who receives prayer, so incorporating this prayer calendar into your daily devotions is a win/win situation!

March 2025 Prayer Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 June Webb
2 Kerry & Chris Weichsel (Hudson, Sierra)	3 Christopher Whitaker	4 Elain Abrams <i>Jaxyon Riddell(B)</i>	5 Jim & Shirley Andersky	6 Billie J. Anderson	7 Michael Bailey	8 Rick Berlan & Andrew Caruso
9 Russell & Masia Berlan	10 Jerjes & Samia Bishara	11 Ed Bridge <i>Kathy Steffens(B) RichardBerlan & Andrew Caruso(A)</i>	12 Beth Brown	13 Heather Catlett	14 Ted & Katie Clark (Jackson, Sarah)	15 Judy Cudnik
16 Chris & Heather DiAlfrdi <i>Ryan Symonds(B)</i>	17 Doug & Deborah Ditterbrand (Amy, Shawn) <i>Brian & Sheree Sandacz(A)</i>	18 Steve & Megan Grau	19 Patricia Grisdale	20 Wayne & Christine Heim (Nicholas, Samantha, Ivy, Emma)	21 Ted & Kim Herczog (Tim, Ben) <i>Victoria Leitch(B)</i>	22 Dorothy Hickey <i>Jill Sankal(B)</i>
23 Emma Krueger <i>Todd & Janna Penkowski(A)</i>	24 Tom & Joan Lally	25 Alec I Lawlor	26 Betsy Lee	27 Jake & Victoria Leitch (Addalyn Vernon)	28 Mika Lock	29 Myrna Luskin
30 Genny Maistros <i>Marsia Berlan(B)</i>	31 Eunice May					

LECTOR AND VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Date	Altar Guild	Coffee Hour	Chalice Bearers	Lectors	Acolytes /Cross Bearer	Ushers /Greeters	Counters
March 2 The Last Sunday after Epiphany	June Webb, Margaret Sinclair, Marsy Berlan, Tori Leitch		Mary Provins	Randy Pengov, Dona Currutt, Barb Sopko, Debbie Pulman	C-Dona Currutt	Andy Spiesman/ June Webb	Andy Spiesman, Kim Herczog
March 5 Ash Wednesday	June Webb, Margaret Sinclair, Marsy Berlan, Tori Leitch		Mary Provins		C-Dona Currutt	Andy Spiesman	
March 9 The First Sunday in Lent	Mary Provins, Sarah Peshek		Marsy Berlan	Marsy Berlan, Ed Bridge, Micki Rotz, Chris Whitaker	C- C-Dona Currutt	June Webb	Brian Sandacz, Andy Spiesman
March 16 The Second Sunday in Lent	Randy & Carol Pengov, Susan Zuber		Mary Provins	Eunice May, Dona Currutt, Barb Sopko, Andy Speisman	C- C-Dona Currutt	Andy Spiesman	Kim Herczog
March 23 The Third Sunday in Lent	June Webb, Margaret Sinclair, Marsy Berlan, Tori Leitch		Judy Cudnik	Judy Cudnik, Brian Sandacz, June Webb, Carol Pengov	C- C-Dona Currutt	June Webb	June Webb, Brian Sandacz,
March 30 The Fourth Sunday in Lent	Mary Provins, Sarah Peshek		Marsy Berlan	Peggy Sturm, Marsy Berlan, Mary Provins, Ed Bridge	C- C-Dona Currutt	Andy Spiesman	Andy Spiesman, Kim Herczog

READINGS



March 2

The Last Sunday after Epiphany

READINGS FOR THE DAY

- [Exodus 34:29-35](#)
- [2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2](#)
- [Luke 9:28-36, \[37-43a\]](#)
- [Psalm 99](#)

March 5

Ash Wednesday

- [Joel 2:1-2, 12-17](#)
- *or* [Isaiah 58:1-12](#)
- [2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10](#)
- [Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21](#)
- [Psalm 103 or 103:8-14](#)

March 9

The First Sunday in Lent

- [Deuteronomy 26:1-11](#)
- [Romans 10:8b-13](#)
- [Luke 4:1-13](#)
- [Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16](#)

March 16

The Second Sunday in Lent

- [Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18](#)
- [Philippians 3:17-4:1](#)
- [Luke 13:31-35](#)
- [Psalm 27](#)

March 23

The Third Sunday in Lent

- [Exodus 3:1-15](#)
- [1 Corinthians 10:1-13](#)
- [Luke 13:1-9](#)
- [Psalm 63:1-8](#)

March 30

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

- [Joshua 5:9-12](#)
- [2 Corinthians 5:16-21](#)
- [Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32](#)
- [Psalm 32](#)

PARISH CALENDAR

10:30 am 2nd & 4th Sunday Online
 Worship with music
10:30 am Eucharist Service with
 Music

St. Andrew Episcopal Church March 2025 Parish Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		**6:30-7:30p <u>Fit4Mom's- Assembly rm</u>				**8am <u>Fit4Mom's</u> I 10-3 Phia Art Bittersweet Retreat Ping Pong 10:30-12:30Tai Chi 2-4 Truth & Love 7-8 Sat.Nite Live NA
2 10:30a Eucharist w Music 1-3 Choice Pantry Need Help	3 1pm Bible Study 6:00 3 Legged Beginners AA 7:15 12X12 Little Mountain AA	4 12:15 AA 6pm Shrove Tuesday Supper at Epiphany 6-7:30 Death Café(W.R.) 7-8 Augustine Flwshp	5 10:30-12:30Tai Chi 10-noon Drive -Up Ashes 10:30-12:30 Adv. In Spirituality 7pm Ash Wednesday Service 7:30p McD AA	6 8-5 Chris-W.R. 10:30a-Food Delivery Need help 7p Choir	7 12:15 p AA	8 Ping Pong 10:30-12:30Tai Chi 2-4 Truth & Love 7-8 Sat.Nite Live NA
9 10:30a Contemporary Eucharist w Music/, Online service 11:45 Lent Study	10 1pm Bible Study 6:00 3 Legged Beginners AA 7:15 12X12 Little Mountain AA 7pm Men's Club	11 12:15 AA 1-3 Choice Pantry Need Help 6-Boy Scouts 7-8 Augustine Flwshp	12 10:30-12:30Tai Chi 10:30-12:30 Adv. In Spirituality 12:30-Myrna-visit Painting 6:30 p Finance 7:30p McD AA	13 8-5 Chris-W.R. 6p Soup Supper and Compline 7p Choir	14 12:15p AA	15 Ping Pong 10:30-12:30Tai Chi 2-4 Truth & Love 7-8 Sat.Nite Live NA
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EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

Easter Flower Contributions



The Flower Guild is collecting for Easter flowers and candles during Lent. To donate, please fill out the below form and put in the collection basket or mail to the church office. Please put "Flower Guild" in the memo line of your check.

We are decorating the church for Palm Sunday on Friday, April 11 at 1:00 pm and for Easter on Saturday, April 19 at 1:00 pm. Additional help is always appreciated!

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In Memory of _____

In Memory of Loved Ones

In Thanksgiving (optional for _____)

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