

# The Weekly Messenger for SAINT ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE

## News and Announcements for the week of November 28, 2021

### ***SPECIAL EVENTS ON NOVEMBER 25 & 27***

**22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner**  
**November 25 - Noon to 3 p.m.**  
**Due to COVID 19 this year's dinner**  
**will be TAKE OUT.**

Everyone is invited to a delicious home-cooked Thanksgiving meal to take home and enjoy. Come to Saint Anne's by driving down S. Cox Street. Please stay in your vehicle. A volunteer will be there to greet you and deliver the number of meals you request. This dinner is only made possible through the generosity of our community. Thank you to all who donated food, time and financial support.



### **November 27—Advent Wreaths Drive-Through**

Stop by church between 11:00 AM and 12:00 PM to pick up an Advent candleholder, Advent candles, wreath decorations, and instructions for using your Advent wreath. To participate, come to Saint Anne's by driving down S. Cox Street. Please stay in your vehicle. The clergy will be there to greet you. Everyone is welcome.

## Sunday Worship Services

8:00 AM In-Person Holy Eucharist

8:50 AM Children's Worship - *Broadcast Live through the Church Website*

9:30 AM In-Person Holy Eucharist with Music and Hymns

*The 9:30 service is livestreamed on the Church's website and Facebook page.*

### *O Come, Divine Messiah* Advent Reflections and Prayers

Via Zoom

Facilitated by The Rev. Celeste O. Cox

St. Anne's Priest-in-Residence

Tuesdays in Advent 6:00 PM

November 30; December 7, 14, 21



Advent (literally, "before the coming") is an especially appropriate season to explore quiet practices of waiting, watching, hoping, and rejoicing.

Each session draws from the Advent Carol "O Come, Divine Messiah" or other sources and includes an Advent Devotion with intercessions; twenty minutes of peaceful centering prayer; then shared reflection on brief writings or verse sent in advance to participants via email invitation.

*No experience necessary. You are invited to any or all sessions. We will conclude by 7:00 PM.*

To register and receive the Zoom link,  
send an email to Celeste Cox at [Clergy@SaintAnnesChurchDE.org](mailto:Clergy@SaintAnnesChurchDE.org)  
Questions? Call Celeste at (302) 653-4488.

### ***Please make a financial pledge to support the church in 2022*** **2022 Pledge Campaign**

Please make a financial pledge to support Saint Anne's in 2022. A financial pledge is a promise and sign of our commitment to the church. Our pledge is the total financial amount we will give to support Saint Anne's Church in 2022. To submit your 2022 pledge, please choose one of these two methods. 1) Complete a 2022 Pledge Card and mail it to the church. Or 2) email your 2022 pledge to [Finance@SaintAnnesChurchDE.org](mailto:Finance@SaintAnnesChurchDE.org). In deciding how much you will give to Saint Anne's in 2022, please reflect on the many ways that God blesses you and our families, friends, and neighbors through the church's worship, mission, and ministry. All pledges are kept strictly confidential.

## *Family Christmas Gifts Project*

Dear People of Saint Anne's,

This Christmas, Saint Anne's is once again collaborating with parishioner Erin Rideout and the Delaware Coalition Against Domestic Violence to support mothers and children affected by domestic violence. Our church has adopted 55 families, which altogether includes 55 mothers, 123 children, and one puppy, and agreed to provide Christmas gifts—both practical and playful—for each of these 55 families.

If you would like to adopt one of these families, please contact me—Julie Quackenbush—by text, phone call, or email and let me know what size family you would like to adopt. Family sizes range from a mother with one child (2 people) to a mother with seven children (8 people). I will do my best to accommodate your requests, but please understand that I may not be able to offer you the size family you request.

Once you have adopted a family, I will send you their Christmas wish list. Please do not purchase violent toys (e.g., toy guns, knives, video games, etc.) or clothes with violent images. Also, please do not purchase expensive electronics (e.g., game systems, phones, music devices, etc.). If you have questions about the appropriateness of a gift, please contact me.

Please combine your gifts into a box or large bags, ensure that your family number is securely attached to the box or bags, and drop them off in the Great Hall no later than Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. Please do not wrap the gifts. You may provide the wrapping paper, ribbon, and tape with your gifts.

If you cannot adopt a family but would like to support this ministry, please make a financial contribution to Saint Anne's and write "Christmas Gifts" in the memo line or on the envelope.

Please get in touch with me if you have questions. Thank you for helping each of these families receive a Christmas blessing.

Faithfully,

Julie Quackenbush  
Cell: 202-841-1990  
Email: [juliehollo@yahoo.com](mailto:juliehollo@yahoo.com)

*You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God.*

*2 Corinthians 9:11-12*





## Christmas Cheer for Residents of Broadmeadow

Saint Anne's is invited to bring joy to the residents of Broadmeadow, an assisted living facility in Middletown, by donating gifts. Suggested items include toiletries, slip-resistant footies, liquid body wash, picture frames, stationery, simple art & craft kits, fleece blankets, calendars, jigsaw puzzles, greeting cards, puzzle books, hat & glove sets, or designed COVID-19 masks. Please drop off unwrapped items to the Church Office by Thursday, December 9 during office hours.

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## Christmas Plant Donations

If you would like to make a Memorial or a Thank offering toward Christmas plants, please fill out this form and place it in the offering box on Sunday or bring/mail it to the Church Office by Monday, December 13.



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Donor's Name:

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Please make a \$25 check payable  
to Saint Anne's Church and note  
"Christmas Plants" on the memo line.

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## Parish Prayers

We pray for Ed and Louise Barber, Meta Barrow, David Belitskus, Lewis Birmingham, Maria Cruz, Jon and Christina Dorando, Rollyn Freeman, Eileen Gurecki, Paul Hollo, Velma Johnson, Monica and Ted Klimashko, Bryson Masten, Joanne Mayfield, Jean McGinnis, Sue Osborn, Jan Phillips-Mezier, Alena Quintero, Lisa Raker, William Raker, Jr., Allan Riemer, Ricky Seip, Robin Shupe, Anthony Smith, Paul Spence, John Stavlas, Mary Trejo, Nancy Trejo, Christine Tschampel, Janet Vines, Zachary Whalen, Alan White, Karen Zak, & Phyllis.

We pray for William Raker, Sr. who has died.

[In the Episcopal Church in Delaware](#), we pray for Saint Anne's and Saint Andrew's Schools, and all Clergy in The Episcopal Church in Delaware, active and retired.

[In the Anglican Communion](#), we pray for Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil.



*Everyone on Facebook be sure to "like" our Saint Anne's Church page.*

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## Parish Staff and Leadership

Rector: The Rev. Russell Bohner, TSSF

Minister of Music: Damien Jones

Minister for Children & Youth: Mandy Catalfamo

Senior Warden: Gary Stover

Treasurer: Mark Cavanaugh

Priest-in-Residence: The Rev. Celeste Cox

Minister for the Office: Nancy Koenig

Sexton: Cindy Cruz

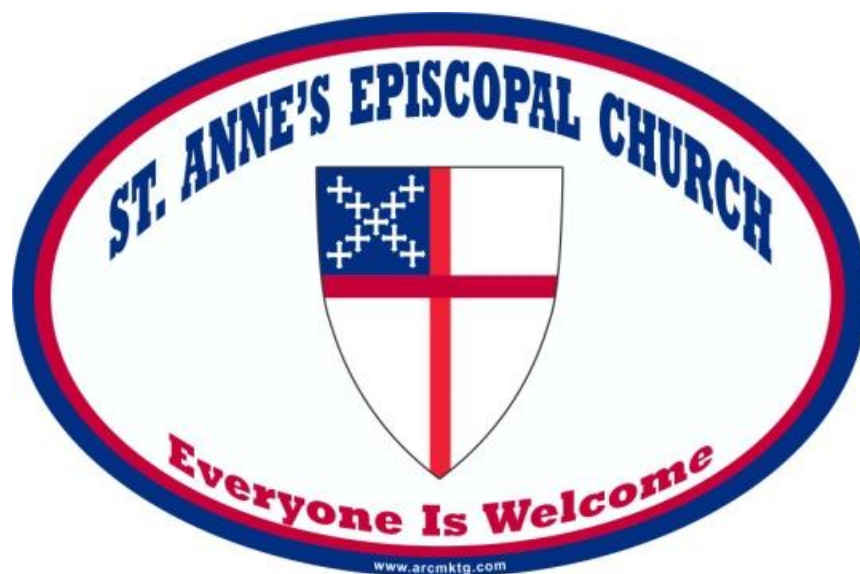
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## Church Calendar for the Week of November 28, 2021

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<https://www.facebook.com/saintannes1705/>

### Sunday, November 28-The First Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist: Rite I—8:00 AM

Sunday Children's Worship—8:50 AM

*Broadcast Live through the Church Website*

Holy Eucharist: Rite I—9:30 AM

*This service is in-person and broadcast live*

Youth Group 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>—6:00 PM—Sanctuary

Youth Group High School—7:00 PM—Sanctuary

### Tuesday, November 30

Advent Reflections and Prayers by Zoom—6:00 PM

Saint Anne's Women's Book Club by Zoom—7:00 PM

### Thursday, December 2

Bible Study by Zoom—8:00 AM

Bible Study LIVE—10:00 AM

Bible Study by Zoom—6:30 PM

### Sunday, December 5-The Second Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist: Rite I—8:00 AM

Sunday Children's Worship—8:50 AM

*Broadcast Live through the Church Website*

Holy Eucharist: Rite I—9:30 AM

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