

CHRIST CHURCH PARISH

BORDENTOWN, NJ



GAUDETE SUNDAY

12 DECEMBER 2021

WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH

We extend a welcome to all visitors who are worshipping with us today. Christ Church is truly a beautiful edifice, erected and appointed to the Greater Glory of Almighty God. Herein you find all things in their proper place; everything focused toward the Altar, the center of our worship. The windows in the Nave depict some of the fathers of the early Church, both English and Latin. The Rood shows our Savior, robed as a Priest, with the right hand in Blessing. The Chapel forms a quiet restful spot where, before the Blessed Sacrament, one may kneel in supplication and reverence. We are proud of our worshipful Church and invite you to share its benefit. Come in, rest, pray apart from the world. Surely God is in His Holy Temple.

All who confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, have been baptized in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, are repentant of their sins and believe the Blessed Sacrament to be the true Body and Blood of Christ are invited to receive the Sacrament of the Altar. We hope that you will enter fully into worship by joining in the prayers, responses and hymns. Because our worship may be unfamiliar to those not raised in the Episcopal Church, feel free to ask the assistance of those around you in following and participating in the liturgy. If you are in search of a church home, we invite you to join us in worship, fellowship and service. Please sign the guest register at the church entrance so we may have a record of your visit.

Restrooms are located in the Parish House, and are accessible through the double doors by the pulpit or by exiting through main doors and accessing the Parish House by way of the side office door.

Pastoral Emergencies such as sickness, hospitalization, or the death of a loved one should be directed to Fr. Matt at 732.859.5823. Father is happy to respond to your needs even if you are not a parishioner, so please do not hesitate to call.



5:30 P.M. VIGIL MASS

The Vigil Mass follows the form found in the Chapel Booklet

8:00 A.M. LOW MASS

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INTENTIONS OF THE MASS

V. Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord

R. *And let light perpetual shine upon them.*

V. ☩ May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in the peace. **Amen.**

OFFERTORY

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10:00 A.M. SUNG MASS

The page numbers refer to pages in the red 1979 Book of Common Prayer found in your pew. Hymns can be found in the blue Hymnal 1940.

ORGAN *Improvisation on Veni Emmanuel*

S.C. Bearse (b. 1971)

INTROIT – *Gaudete*

REJOICE in the Lord alway: and again I say, rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men: for the Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing: but in every thing by prayer let your requests be made known unto God. Psalm 85. Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land: thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob. Glory be... Rejoice...

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

COLLECT FOR PURITY AND SUMMARY OF THE LAW

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KYRIE ELEISON *Hymnal 747: Sowerby*

PROPER COLLECT

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The Congregation is seated for the Lesson and Psalm.

LESSON *Zephaniah 3:14-20*

PSALM 85:7-13

Plainchant Tone IV 5



7 Show us thy mer-cy O LORD * and grant • us thy salvation.

8 I will hearken what the LORD God will say con-cerning me; * for he shall speak peace unto his people and to his saints that they turn not a-gain unto foolishness.

9 For his salvation is nigh • them that fear him; * that glory • may dwell in our land.

10 Mercy and truth are • met together: * righteousness and peace have • kiss-ed each other.

11 Truth shall flourish out • of the earth * and righteousness hath look-ed down from heaven.

12 Yea the LORD shall show • loving-kindness; * and our land • shall give her increase.

13 Righteousness shall • go before him * and shall direct • his going in the way.

EPISTLE *Philippians 4:4-7*

The Congregation stands for Sequence Hymn and the Gospel.

HYMN 10 *On Jordan's bank*

Winchester New

THE HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 3:7-18*

SERMON

Fr. Tucker

The Congregation stands for the Creed.

NICENE CREED

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The Congregation kneels for the Prayers.

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OFFERTORY

HYMN 9 *Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding*

Merton

THE MASS OF THE FAITHFUL

SURSUM CORDA *Hymnal 734*

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT *Hymnal 748/799: Sowerby*

The Congregation kneels for the Canon of the Mass.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

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ANGUS DEI *Hymnal 749: Sowerby*

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

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COMMUNION *Dicite*

Say to them that are of a fearful heart: be strong, fear not; behold, our God will come and save us.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

The Congregation kneels through the Dismissal.

HYMN 153 *Christ, whose glory fills the sky*

Ratisbon

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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BLESSING

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DISMISSAL

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The Congregation stands for the Last Gospel.

THE LAST GOSPEL

V. The beginning of the Holy Gospel according to John.

R. *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

...full of grace and truth. **R. *Thanks be to God.***

HYMN 3 *Wake, awake for night is flying*

Sleepers Wake

ORGAN *Improvisation on Wachet Auf*

S.C. Bearse (b. 1971)

PRAYERS & DEDICATIONS

*The flowers that decorate the church this week are given in loving memory of
John A. Austin, Doris C. Austin, John Crawford, and Steven Borman.*

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

the sick: James Tucker, Jacob Bonser, Patricia Dixon, Christiana Carty, Joseph Carson III, Darrell Vigh, Karen Kwietnieski-Casais, Earl Reading, Fran Sutter, Reagon Condron, Russell Childs, Lisa Jones, Patty MacAllister, Scott O'Brien, John Miosz, Mary Koch, Sava Nedic, Aimee Kurtis, Walter Easley, Frank Corbo, Josephine Corbo, Kathy Gabel, Alanna Bellflower, John Haney, Sharon Kedzierski, Marcus Behrsin, Sean Higgins, Howard Dreskin, Kathy Buckland, Daryl Albury, Val Jackson, Bruce Smith, Sarah Talpis, Alexander Ounjian, Dennis Russell, Michele Hartpence, Renee Formica, Alexandra Mckallagat, and Isabelle Adams.

and those who have long term illnesses: Donna Fritz, Carl Hasson, Stephen Vigh, Mark Casais, Dixon Leavers, Dawn Matthews, Lucy Janicelli, Zachary Birnbaum, Shelly Eberhart, Robert Geneski, Maureen Rees, Gary Rutherford, Charles Martin, Alice Ward Carriger, Carla Douglas, Ryan Murray, Justin McCafferty, Zachary McCafferty, Kelly Bergen, Hannah McNinch, The Rev. Ted Anderson, R. Loraine Burke, Mackenzie Sutter, Daniel Applegate, Jennifer Vigh, Jim Tranter, Jonathan Okeson, Mary Dallmann, Bob Bernard, Pat Temple, Danielle Morgan, Jai Autar, Emma Burris, Gloria Jones, Kelley Gilger, Emma Carver, Maria Stout, Lori Forenson, Michael Chahanovich, Rita Haney, Sue Kelly, Sister Angela, Sister Gussie, Dee Watkins, Marge Lee, Michael Slaper, Robert Fritz, Lynn Muller, Holly Jones, Irene Fithian, Cheryl Kranz Bach, Brian Nguyen, Brianne Nicosia, Carl Hasson, Susan Sizetz, Frank Clebock, Ron Clebock, Jennifer Millar, Kelly Zsenak, Robert Burke and Harry Vale

and for those in military service: Ben Skarzynski, USMC; Chris Neal, USN; Jacob Foerter; USAFR; Samuel Manion, USA.

celebrating a birthday this week: Anna Sander, Jeffrey & Melissa Katora, Brittani Kintner, Gia Lynn Fox, and John Patrick Stibol.

Anyone may contact the office with names of those who are ill and/or hospitalized for inclusion in our prayers. Names will remain on the list for a maximum of four weeks unless we are notified that they should remain for a longer period.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADDITIONAL CHRISTMAS AND MEMORIAL flower and greens envelopes and Christmas envelopes are available on the entrance table in the church. The flower envelope, listing Christian and last names, **must be returned to the parish office no later than Sunday, December 19**, for publication.

STEWARDSHIP MATERIALS FOR 2022 are now available on the table in back of the church and have been mailed to all parishioners on our mailing list. Please return the pledge card to the office via plate, mail or drop it off to the office by December 5th. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

BLESSING BOX: Donations of travel-sized items such as toothpaste, deodorant, baby powder, razors and shaving cream, soap, hand sanitizer, and the like are always needed and can be placed in the back of the church. Please contact Donna Kirk at the Parish office 298-2348 or email office@ccbtown.com with any questions.

PLEDGES AND GIVING: Please remember your pledges and weekly giving, even in this time of crisis. Envelopes can be mailed to the church or slipped through the Rectory mail slot. Also consider online giving, which is convenient and socially distant. You can find the page for online giving under the donation link on our website. Thank you for remembering your church!

NEWBORNS IN NEED: Baby clothes, diapers, wipes, baby shampoo, and other items are currently being collected for Newborns in Need. Items can be placed in the white donation bin outside of our church office entrance at the end of the handicap rail. Please let Doan know after you have dropped off the items so we can bring them into the church. We will be making monthly deliveries to the Burlington County Chapter location in Mt. Holly, NJ. Thank you!

PROJECTS PAGE: A page has been set up on our website with examples of projects that would beautify our churchyard and contribute to its ease of use. Please let Fr. Matt or Mary Ellen Carty know if you would like to take on a project or donate towards its completion. The page can be found at www.ccbtown.com/projects.html.

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A Parish of the Episcopal Church



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Schedule for the Week of 12 December

Sunday, 12 December

*The Third Sunday of Advent –
Gaudete Sunday*

8:00 a.m. Low Mass
10:00 a.m. Sung Mass
12:00 p.m. Community Soccer party
7:00 p.m. AA Group

Monday, 13 December

Lucy, Martyr in Sicily, 304

Tuesday, 14 December

John of the Cross

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
12:10 p.m. Low Mass
7:30 p.m. Vestry Meeting

Wednesday, 15 December

Advent Feria

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
6:30 p.m. Rosary and Low Mass
7:00 p.m. AA Group

Thursday, 16 December

Advent Feria

10:00 a.m. Low Mass

Friday, 17 December

Advent Feria

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
12:10 p.m. Low Mass

Saturday, 18 December

Advent Feria

5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass

Sunday, 19 December

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. Low Mass
9:00 a.m. Homefront Meal Prep.
10:00 a.m. Sung Mass
7:00 p.m. AA Group