

All Saints Episcopal Church

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*Moving Forward in Him*

*February 2018*  
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February Worship Services

Sunday, February 4 at 9:00 AM
Morning Prayer

Sunday, February 11 at 9:00 AM
The Holy Eucharist
Fellowship Breakfast-Love Boxes

Wednesday, February 14 at Noon
Ash Wednesday Eucharist Service

Sunday, February 18 at 9:00 AM
Morning Prayer

Sunday, February 25 at 9:00 AM
The Holy Eucharist

Wednesday, February 28 at Noon
The Holy Eucharist

A Lenten Pastoral Message from our Parish Priest

In John's Gospel there is no account of the blessing of bread and wine as the body and blood of Christ—no commandment to “Do this in remembrance of me” (Luke 22:19). Instead, in the Fourth Gospel, his last discourse begins with the account of Jesus washing his disciples' feet as a radical example of servant-hood.

As Jesus contemplated his imminent separation from his followers, he realized how intensely he loved them. He also understood that his union with the Father, from whom he had come and to whom he was returning, meant that all things had been entrusted to him (John 13:3). As the disciples were gathered together before the Passover, Jesus removed his robe, tied a towel around his waist, took a basin, and began to wash his disciples' feet.

This was an act of great humility. His serving was an ordinary gesture of hospitality that a slave would perform. It stood for the paradoxical teaching of the Gospel. Judas Iscariot, was among those whose feet Jesus washed, and Jesus already knew that it was Judas' intention to betray him, as noted in our Lord's words, “*Not all of you are clean*” (John 13:11).

When this task was completed, Jesus explained what he had just done. As both teacher and Lord, he set an example of humility, of self-sacrifice, and of leadership as service. The Kingdom that Jesus has come to proclaim is a community of equals in which conventional hierarchical structures are turned upside down. More than this, his disciples are called to follow his example and be servants to one another (John 13:15). The fact that Jesus washed the feet of Judas, his betrayer, demonstrates that this generosity also includes those who are disloyal and unfaithful.

Jesus' time with his disciples is rapidly coming to an end. But before he leaves them, he gives them a “*new commandment*.” “*Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another*” (John 13:34). It is through this love that Christ's witness will be made known to the world: “***By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another***” (John 13:35).

In the hymn, *The Servant Song*, we're reminded of our Lord's teaching his first disciples, and us, to be servants of one another. As you read them now, it is my prayer that Christ's teaching might become embedded on your heart... and soul.

The Servant Song...

Brother/ sister, let me serve you;
let me be as Christ to you.
Pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey,
and companions on the road.
We are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ light for you
in the night-time of your fear.
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow,
till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven,
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love and agony.

Brother/sister, let me serve you;
let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

“By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another” (John 13:35).

God's blessing be with you, as we strive to live into Christ's teachings each day of our lives,

Father Leon Mozeliak

Parish Priest

Report of the Parish Priest to the Annual Meeting
All Saints' Episcopal Church, Fulton, New York - January 21, 2018

It seems that our journey together has been much longer than ten months. During this short time we have had opportunities to get to know one another as we celebrated many aspects of life together. Foremost, our lives have been blessed through the liturgy and sacraments of the church.

We marched together in the citywide Memorial Day Parade. We have enjoyed each others' company during the several meals we've eaten together, both in the parish hall and outside of church surroundings, thanks to the efforts of many of you, but especially Sonja Shoen-Delong. Thanks to the generosity of our organist, Jeff Wise, we were privileged to enjoy a splendid organ concert.

Following the dedicated and careful work of our own David Cordone (the younger) who chose to enhance that sacred place for his Eagle Scout Project, we re-dedicated All Saints' Memorial Garden. We also began celebrating the Holy Eucharist on Wednesdays, at Noon.

I believe we've made a good start. However, there is so much more that we could be accomplishing together for the spread of God's Kingdom, in Fulton and throughout the surrounding communities. If you agree, on our next Sunday together following Bishop Dede's visit on January 28 (i.e. February 11) I'd like to have a Parish Forum during coffee hour.

At that time we could explore many of the possibilities you and I have in our imaginations laying them before all of us, as we discern together how each one might contribute to realize our Lord's Great Commission. (Please read: Matthew 28:16-20)

In Christ's love and ministry,

Father Leon Mozeliak

The Rev. Dr. Leon C. Mozeliak, Jr., Parish Priest

2017 Wardens' Report

All Saints' continues to maintain a constant presence in our community as the "Passionate Presence of Christ." The congregation of All Saints continues to keep the focus of their collective and individual ministries on our parish goals and outreach to the greater Fulton Community.

The Wardens' and Vestry's goals for the parish for 2017 were:

- Maintain weekly worship opportunities for the congregation
- Provide a viable Christian education program for our youth.
- Maintain an outreach programming for our local community
- Minister to parishioners who are shut-in and keep them connected to the parish.
- Provide fellowship opportunities for parishioners
- Maintain the physical plant for all ministries and parish activities

The calendar year of 2017 was again a season of change for All Saints. From January through March, Sunday worship consisted mainly of a Morning Prayer service with our Lay Eucharistic Ministers leading. Working closely with the Diocese provided us the opportunity in April to welcome Fr. Leon Mozeliak into our church. He has served the church, providing Eucharist on the second and fourth Sunday's of each month. In addition, he has established office hours and provided outreach to our parishioners every other week. In the fall Father established a Wednesday noon Eucharist service in the chapel. This has been well attended with a consistent group of people.

Our summer picnic was held at the home of Fr. Leon and Lynn in conjunction with St. Paul's Chittenango. We were all surprised when the Karen community from Utica joined us. Our anticipated group of 35 quickly swelled to over 70. Just like the loaves and fishes story in the Bible, we were all well fed, and no one went home hungry!

Some of the struggles we have dealt with during 2017 include our Christian education program. This problem is twofold. One is the lack of people who are willing to commit to providing a program weekly for our children. The other is there is a definite lack of children. There are currently only two families that bring school-age children to church, and those children are rarely here at the same time. It is very difficult to plan a special program or project with these issues, which are only compounded by the age range of the children involved. We continue to provide bulletin inserts which line up with the theme of the day, and encourage parents to work with the children in completing those pages which include puzzles, coloring pages as well as connecting on the internet for additional learning opportunities.

The parish continues to actively support the outreach ministries of the parish that include: weekly Tuesday Night Dinners; CROP Walk; special collections for UTO, the Episcopal Relief and Development Fund; and also the children who use our facility daily for the Head Start Program. Barbara Clonch and David Cordone Sr. continue to keep parishioners who were hospitalized or shut-in connected to their parish family as they take communion to them.

A monthly fellowship breakfast has been provided throughout 2017. This continues to be well attended, and the food is always delicious. The vestry continues to look at other fellowship opportunities to help build our community.

Maintaining our physical plant continues to be a challenge. Added to our typical flooding issues this year we had to deal with two types of infestations. We have contracted with exterminators to keep these issues under control and prevent future unwanted visitors. Keeping ahead of ice jams and the snow on the chapel roof is a huge challenge which requires not only man power, but precise timing. In the recent past, we missed that timing for the ice jams, which cost us \$450.00 to rectify. A special thank you goes out to Mark and Phil Field for shoveling the chapel roof, which saved us at least \$300.00.

On a bright note, David Cordone Jr. completed his Boy Scout Eagle Project in Forever Garden. He reset and replaced bricks (some of which were gift bricks purchased by parishioners and friends of David), refurbished the benches and repainted the bird bath. We hosted a Forever Garden rededication service in October.

In November, Fr. Leon, Lee Webber, and Becky Johnson represented All Saints' at the 148th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Central New York. For the first time, we were assigned specific seating, and it was disappointing that we were not seated with St. Paul's Chittenango since the two parishes share the services of Fr. Leon.

There is so much more work to keeping this parish and this church building functioning than most people realize. The behind the scenes activities are truly a full time job which are being performed by part time people. The old saying "many hands make light work" come to mind.

It takes more than two wardens

It takes more than five vestry members

It takes more than a part time clergy

**IT TAKES THE WHOLE CONGREGATION TO HELP RUN A WHOLE CHURCH,
TOGETHER!**



TUESDAY NIGHT DINNERS



NOVEMBER– 4 TUESDAYS

201 meals served

22 second requests

11 take outs to go

234 Total meals served

DECEMBER– 3 TUESDAYS

133 meals served

26 second requests

8 take outs to go

167 Total meals served

JANUARY– 5 TUESDAYS

169 meals served

39 second requests

9 take outs to go

217 Total meals served

FEBRUARY– 1 TUESDAY

32 meals served

10 second requests

2 take outs to go

44 Total meals served

As we express our *gratitude*, we must
never forget that the highest appreciation is
not to utter words, but to *live* by them.
John Fitzgerald Kennedy

TENTATIVE MENU – SUBJECT TO CHANGE

FEBRUARY MENU

06 – hotdogs w/baked beans, veggie & salad



13 – sloppy joe w/veggie & tossed salad



20 – chili over rice w/bread & tossed salad

27 - home made veggie soup w/toasted 🥪 cheese sandwich
and tossed salad

MARCH MENU

06 – spaghetti w/meat sauce, salad and bread



13 – sausage and gravy over potatoes

20 – pot pies w/applesauce and tossed salad

27 – home made veggie soup w/toasted 🥪 cheese sandwich
and tossed salad

APRIL MENU

04 – tuna noodle casserole with peas

10 – scalloped potatoes with ham

17 – 🍷 burger sandwich w/French fries, salad and veggie

24 – home made veggie soup w/toasted 🥪 cheese sandwich

and tossed salad

**** All the coffee, lemonade, Kool aid and/or ice tea you can drink****

**** Dessert is always included w/the meal****

~Milestones~

*O God, our times are in your hand:
Look with favor we pray, on your
servants as they begin another year.
Grant that they February grow in wisdom and grace,
and strengthen their trust
in your goodness, all the days of their
lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen*



February Birthdays

Feb. 3rd Janelle Cordone

February Anniversaries

Feb. 6th Donald & Lisa Cordone

Feb. 5th	Leslie Johnson	Feb.22 nd	James & Marilou Santoro
Feb. 7th	Edith Cordone	Feb. 28th	Stuart & Jennifer Wattles
Feb. 9th	Ron Utley		
Feb. 11th	Faith Morin		
Feb. 13th	Hailey Delong / Gregory Arnold		
Feb. 14th	Dick Buck		
Feb. 16th	Susan Cordone		
Feb. 20th	Kyle Delong / Brian Arnold		
Feb.26th-	Austin McDonald / Tonja Metcalf		
Feb.28th-	Charles Burlingham		



Please Pray for These People

Immediate Concerns

Muriel Adkins, Sethany Alongi, Barb Abbott, Christine Brown, Mathew Clancy, Carol Comstock, Jayden Conn, Andrew Drozd, Charlotte Elias, Sally Ess, Fred Ferguson, Pete Gage, George Graham, Ron Haney, Terry Healey, Fr Jeff Knox, John Luckier, Maureen McCauley, John McDonald, Eli McDowell, Rose McMillen, JoAnne Nelson, Linda Richardson, Carol Ann Smith, Gail Steele, David Stone, Jenny Wattles, Sam Vescio, Sr.

Long Term Concerns

Nancy Baldwin, George Barlow, Ryan Barry, Billy Cuyler, Rowan DeLong, Jack Durfey, Dorothy Engell, Lucy Frank, Charlie Geers, Les Johnson, Sandy Metler, Kim Miller, Dorothy Page, Helen Sievers, Cliff Wilder, Ed Roberts, Barbara Stanard

Home Based or Nursing Home

Cherie Buck, Agnes Hoefler, Elizabeth Wattles, Edith Cordone,

O God, our Heavenly Father, by the might of your command you drive away from our bodies all sickness and infirmity. Be present in your goodness with those for whom we pray, that their weakness may be banished and their strength restored; and that their health being renewed they may bless your Holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Please Pray for All Those Who Serve our Country

Remembering Especially:

Troy Foster, Glen Olsen, Paul Steele, Nick Trapasso, Jimmy White

Please call Nancie Miller (592-5916) to update the “immediate concerns” list by keeping, adding or deleting a name. Each month the list will start anew. 2/1/18.



We are still running a fundraising drive to support our Tuesday Night Dinners program. Our goal is to raise \$5,000, which is about what we need to operate for a year. We have been receiving donations from local businesses and individuals that are impressed with our program.

We plan on sending more letters to businesses, asking for donations. We have talked to churches and community groups to discuss the importance of these dinners to the members of the community. Now, we have some volunteers from that are not part of church, and some Rotary members that assist us. If you have a contact for a group that you think we should contact, please let us know.

You can send a check to All Saints Episcopal Church, 153 S. 1st St. Fulton, NY 13069. Please feel free to share this information with others. We will also raise funds through a GoFundMe page at <https://www.gofundme.com/tuesday-night-dinners-fund>. Please give if you can. Our program helps people who have nowhere else to turn for a nutritious meal and the fellowship of others. Some of our clients have been coming every week and have become good friends.

Our volunteers work very hard to provide a delicious meal and a comfortable place for individuals and families to come. We are always open to having new volunteers to help with the dinners. Contact Lynn Bullard, 315-598-9535, for more details.