

CHRIST CHURCH PARISH

BORDENTOWN, NJ



THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

18 DECEMBER 2022

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.



The Five Traditional Precepts of the Church

1. Attendance at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.
2. Confession of serious sin at least once a year.
3. Reception of the Blessed Sacrament at least once a year.
4. Observance of the days of fasting and abstinence.
5. Providing for the needs of the Church.

At Christ Church

1. Share the joy and strength found in Christ with others.
2. Be present at the Mass unless prevented by travel, illness, or condition.
3. Support the Parish with time, talent, and treasure.
4. Find community in the mission and ministry of the Parish.
5. Show Christ in the world by being of service to others.

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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R. <i>And let light perpetual shine upon them.</i>	
V. ✠May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in the peace. <i>Amen.</i>	
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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 *Freu dich her, o meine Seele*

Max Reger (1873-1916)

INTROIT *Rorate caeli desuper*

DROP down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness: let the earth open, and bring forth the Saviour. Psalm 19. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament sheweth his handy-work.
= Glory be... Drop down...

OPENING SALUTATION AND RESPONSE

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KYRIE ELEISON *Missa 'On me l'a dit' (sung by choir)*

Orlando de Lassus (1532-94)

PROPER COLLECT

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The Congregation is seated for the Lessons and Psalm.

LESSON *Isaiah 7:10-17*

PSALM 24 *Domini est terra*

Tone VII 5



THE earth is the LORD'S and • all that therein is; * the compass of the world and • they that dwell therein.

2 For he hath founded • it upon the seas * and stablish-ed • it upon the floods.

3 Who shall ascend into the • hill of the LORD? * or who shall rise up • in his holy place?

4 Even he that hath clean • hands and a pure heart; * and that hath not lift up his mind unto vanity nor sworn to de-ceive his neighbour.

5 He shall receive the • blessing from the LORD * and righteousness from the God of • his salvation.

6 This is the generation of • them that seek him; * even of them that seek thy face O • God of Jacob.

7 Lift up your heads O ye gates and be ye lift up ye • everlasting doors; * and the King of • glory shall come in.

EPISTLE *Romans 1:1-7*

The Congregation stands for Sequence Hymn and the Gospel.

1 The Lord whom earth and sea and sky
Adore and praise and magnify,
Who o'er their threefold fabric reigns,
The Virgin's spotless womb contains.

2 And he whose will is ever done
By moon and seas, by stars and sun,
Is borne upon a maiden's breast,
Whom God's foreseeing grace possessed.

3 How blest that Mother, in whose shrine
The very Word of God divine,
The maker of the earth and sky,
Was pleased in fleshly form to lie.

4 Blest in the message Gabriel brought,
Blest in the work the Spirit wrought
Blest evermore, who brought to birth
The long-Desired of all the earth.

5 O Jesu, Virgin-born to thee
Eternal praise and glory be,
Whom with the Father we adore
And Holy Spirit, evermore. Amen.

THE HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 1:18-25*

SERMON

NICENE CREED

M. M. (♩ = 114) (Choir and Congregation)

(Priest) *mf*

I be-lieve in one God † the Fa-ther Al-migh-ty,
Ma-ker of heav-en and earth, And of all things vi - si -
ble and in - vi - si - ble: And in one Lord Je - sus
Christ, the on - ly - be - got - ten Son of God; Be - got - ten of his
Fa-ther be - fore all worlds, God of God, Light of Light,
Ver - y God of Ver - y God; Be - got - ten, not made; Be - ing of one
mf rit. poco
sub - stance with the Fa - ther; By whom all things were made:
p
Who for us men and for our sal - va - tion came down from heav - en,
p
And was in - car - nate by the Ho - ly Ghost of the Vir - gin Ma - ry,
rit. ff a tempo
And was made man: And was cru - ci - fi - ed

al - so for us un - der Pon - tius Pi - late: He suf - fer - ed

rit. poco **Tempo primo**
mf *f*
and was bu - ri - ed: And the third day he rose a -

gain ac - cord - ing to the Scrip - tures: And as - cend - ed in - to

heav - en, And sit - teth on the right hand of the Fa - ther:

And he shall come a - gain, with glo - ry, to judge both the

quick and the dead, Whose king - dom shall have no end.

And I be - lieve in the Ho - ly Ghost, the Lord, and

Giv - er of Life, Who pro - ceed - eth from the Fa - ther and the Son;

Who with the Fa - ther and the Son to - geth - er is

wor - ship - ped and glo - ri - fi - ed; Who spake by the pro - phets:

And I be-lieve One Ho-ly Cath-o - lic and A-pos - tol - ic Church

I ac-know-ledge one Bap-tism for the re - mis - sion of sins:
cresc. poco a poco

And I look for the Re - sur - rec - tion of the dead:
al fine rit. f

And the Life - of the world - - - to come.
f a tempo rit.

A - - - - - men.

The Congregation kneels for the Prayers.

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OFFERTORY	<i>Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-94)</i>

Alma Redemptoris Mater, quae pervia caeli Porta manes, et stella maris, succurre cadenti, Surgere qui curat, populo: tu quae genuisti, Natura mirante, tuum sanctum Genitorem Virgo prius ac posterius, Gabrielis ab ore Sumens illud Ave, peccatorum miserere.

Loving Mother of our Savior, hear thou thy people's cry star of the deep and Portal of the sky! Mother of Him who thee made from nothing made. Sinking we strive and call to thee for aid: Oh, by what joy which Gabriel brought to thee, Thou Virgin first and last, let us thy mercy see.

HYMN 484 *Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates* *Truro*

SURSUM CORDA *Hymnal 734*

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT *Missa 'On me l'a dit'* *de Lassus*

The Congregation kneels for the Canon of the Mass.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER p. 334-36

THE LORD'S PRAYER *Hymnal 722*

AGNUS DEI *Missa 'On me l'a dit'* *de Lassus*

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

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COMMUNION *Ecce vírgo*

Behold, a Virgin shall conceive, and bear a son: and his name shall be called Emmanuel.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN 117 *Sing of Mary, pure and lowly*

Pleading Saviour

The Congregation kneels through the Dismissal.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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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 2 *O come, O come Emmanuel*

Veni Emmanuel

ORGAN *Improvisation on 'Stuttgart'*

PRAYERS & DEDICATIONS

The flowers that decorate the church this week are given in loving memory of John F. & Jacqueline K. Carty, Anna May Carty, Carl Fritz, Donald C. & F. Elaine Seelhorst.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

the sick: Mark Goldstein, Roseann Walder, Joyce Venis, Roger Kafer, Dave Mohr, Fran Sutter, Christine Nicosia, Douglas Tootell, Christine Fritz, Theresa Abitz, Robert Abitz, Walt Fell, Ellen Murphy, Stephanie Ackert, Marc Mercantini, Harry Vale, James Tucker, Jacob Bonser, Patricia Dixon, Christiana Carty, Joseph Carson III, Darrell Vigh, Karen Kwietnieski-Casais, Earl Reading, 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, John Haney, Sharon Kedzierski, Marcus Behrsin, Sean Higgins, 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: Caroline Tucker, 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, 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, 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, Frank Clebock, Ron Clebock, Jennifer Millar, and Kelly Zsenak.

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

celebrating a birthday this week: John Patrick Stibol, Zachary Neal, Lawrence Nosari, Riley Fleming, and Robert Bauer.

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.

If you would like to include loved ones in the Altar Flower or Sacramental Candle dedications, please contact the Church Office. The donation for flowers is \$50; the donation for the Sacramental candle is \$10.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY: come celebrate the manifestation of our Lord to the Gentiles on Friday, January 6, at 7pm.

CHURCH ENVELOPES FOR 2023 are available for pick-up on the table in front of the church office. If you don't find a box with your name on it and would like envelopes, please call the church office at 298-2348 or email office@ccbtown.com

OUTREACH UPDATE: since the day before Thanksgiving (and including this Sunday), more than 1000 meals have been prepared and delivered to those in need. Our Christmas Outreach is wrapping up with all the families accounted for. Well done!

ACCESSIBILITY UPDATE: several pieces of our work to make the parish more accessible to those with differing abilities have been completed in the last week, including the creation of an accessible space in the Nave, motion-detector switches in the restrooms, and a baby-changing station in the accessible restroom. Our thanks to the diocesan Ministry with the Disabled committee for giving us a grant toward the work!

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!

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 basket in the back of the church. Please contact Donna Kirk at the Parish office 298-2348 or email office@ccbtown.com with any questions.

CHRISTMAS EVE

6 p.m. Family Mass

11 p.m. Sung Mass of the Nativity

CHRISTMAS DAY

8 a.m. Low Mass of Christmas

10 a.m. Low Mass w. Carols

*If you or someone you know cannot make it to Mass due to frailty or illness,
please let Fr. Matt know so that he can offer the Blessed Sacrament this Christmas.*

CHRIST CHURCH PARISH

A Parish of the Episcopal Church



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Schedule for the Week of 18 December

Sunday, 18 December

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. Low Mass

8:45 a.m. Homefront Meal Prep.

10:00 a.m. Sung Mass

11:15 a.m. Coffee Hour

7:00 p.m. A.A. Meeting

Thursday, 22 December

Advent Feria

10:00 a.m. Low Mass w. Anointing

Friday, 23 December

Advent Feria

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

12:10 p.m. Low Mass

Monday, 19 December

Advent Feria

Church Office Closed

Saturday, 24 December

Christmas Eve

6:00 p.m. Family Mass

11:00 p.m. Solemn Mass of the Nativity

Tuesday, 20 December

Advent Feria

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

12:10 p.m. Low Mass

Sunday, 25 December

Christmas Day

8:00 a.m. Low Mass

10:00 a.m. Low Mass w. Carols

7:00 p.m. A.A. Meeting

Wednesday, 21 December

Saint Thomas the Apostle

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

6:00 p.m. A.A. Meeting

6:30 p.m. Rosary and Low Mass

