

# CHRIST CHURCH PARISH

BORDENTOWN, NJ



## THE FEAST OF SAINT STEPHEN

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

26 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.



## 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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OPENING SALUTATION AND RESPONSE	p. 323
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INTENTIONS OF THE MASS	
V. Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord	
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>	
OFFERTORY	
SURSUM CORDA	p. 333
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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 'Cranham'*

COLLECT FOR PURITY AND SUMMARY OF THE LAW

p. 323-24

KYRIE ELEISON *Hymnal 710/Healey Willan*

GLORIA *Hymnal 713/Willan*

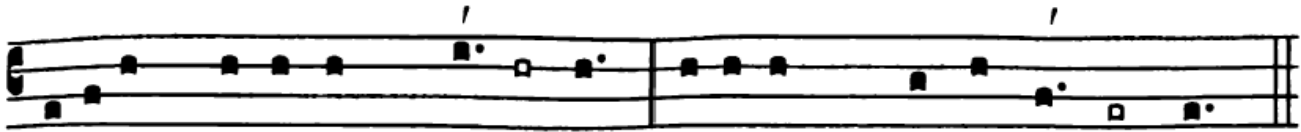
PROPER COLLECT

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*The Congregation is seated for the Lesson and Psalm.*

LESSON *Jeremiah 26:1-9,12-15*

PSALM 31:1-6



**I**N thee O LORD have I put my trust; † let me never be put to confusion; \* deliver me • in thy righteousness.

2 Bow down thine • ear to me; \* make haste • to deliver me.

3 And be thou my strong rock and house of de•fence \* that thou • mayest save me.

4 For thou art my strong rock and my • castle: \* be thou also my guide and lead me • for thy Name's sake.

5 Draw me out of the net that they have laid privily for • me; \* for • thou art my strength.

6 Into thy hands I commend my • spirit; \* for thou hast redeemed me O • LORD thou God of truth.

EPISTLE *Acts 6:8-7:2a,51c-60*

*The Congregation stands for Sequence Hymn and the Gospel.*

HYMN 130 *Who are these like stars appearing*

*All Saints*

THE HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 23:34-39*

SERMON

Fr. Tucker

*The Congregation stands for the Creed.*

NICENE CREED	p. 326-27
<i>The Congregation kneels for the Prayers.</i>	
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE	p. 328-30
CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION	p. 330-32
THE PEACE	p. 332
<i>The people may greet one another in the Name of the Lord with a bow or wave.</i>	
INTENTIONS OF THE MASS	
V. Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord	
<b>R. <i>And let light perpetual shine upon them.</i></b>	
V. ☩ May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in the peace. <b>Amen.</b>	
OFFERTORY	
HYMN 40 <i>God rest you merry, gentelmen</i>	<i>God Rest You Merry</i>
THE MASS OF THE FAITHFUL	
SURSUM CORDA	<i>Hymnal 734</i>
SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT	<i>Hymnal 711/797: Willan</i>
<i>The Congregation kneels for the Canon of the Mass.</i>	
THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER	p. 334-36
THE LORD'S PRAYER	p. 336
ANGUS DEI	<i>Hymnal 712: Willan</i>
PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS	p. 337
COMMUNION	<i>Video caélos apértos</i>
<i>I see the heavens opened and Jesus standing on the right hand of the power of God; Lord Jesus, receive my spirit, and lay not this sin to their charge, for they know not what they do.</i>	
THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE	
<i>The Congregation kneels through the Dismissal.</i>	
HYMN 34 <i>Unto us a boy is born!</i>	<i>Puer Nobis Nascitur</i>
POST-COMMUNION PRAYER	p. 339
BLESSING	p. 339
DISMISSAL	p. 339
<i>The Congregation stands for the Last Gospel.</i>	
THE LAST GOSPEL	
V. The beginning of the Holy Gospel according to John.	
<b>R. <i>Glory be to thee, O Lord.</i></b>	
...full of grace and truth. <b>R. <i>Thanks be to God.</i></b>	
HYMN 329 <i>How bright appears the morning star</i>	<i>Frankfort</i>
ORGAN <i>Nöel Suisse</i>	<i>Louis Claude D'Aquin (1694-1772)</i>

## PRAYERS & DEDICATIONS

*. Flowers and greens which decorate the church and chapel in celebration of the Nativity are given in memory of the many loved ones listed in the Christmas Memorials brochure, copies of which may be found on the table at the entrance of the church.*

### **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

***the sick:*** 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, 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, 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, and Robert Burke

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

***celebrating a birthday this week:*** Riley Woodrick, Dennis Brown, Robin Nosari, Evan Cartwright, Darrell Vigh, Rylee Collins, Derek Fiabane, Mark Casais, Devon Vlahovic, Piper Hensley, Marianne Jackson, and Eric Pullen

***celebrating an anniversary of their nuptials:*** Joseph & Gayle Carson

*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

**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 church office. 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](mailto: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!

**PROPERTY NEWS:** McCabe Electric has installed LED lighting in the two Parish House first floor classrooms, the accessible restroom, and our choir room. The Chapel altar window may now be illuminated from the outside. The lenses have been replaced in the ten parking lot lamps providing more light in the area. Two LED fixtures now give dusk to dawn light to our lychgate creating a safer environment. These projects have been supported in part by a bequest from the estate of Richard P. Knott to Christ Episcopal Church. Mr. Knott, 93, passed away in Florida. Before his retirement, he had worked with Rue Insurance Company in Hamilton, NJ. Mr. Knott attended services during the 1980s and early 1990s and was a friend of Father Benedict. The balance of funding for the LED projects, including some updated lighting in the Rectory, is supported by our non-budget Building Fund. We sincerely appreciate Mr. Knott's generous bequest to Christ Church. We thank our parishioners and friends of Christ Church who contribute to our Building Fund. This is an important way to directly help with the upkeep of our Parish.

**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](http://www.ccbtown.com/projects.html).

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A Parish of the Episcopal Church



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## Schedule for the Week of 26 December

### Sunday, 26 December

*Saint Stephen, Deacon and Martyr*

8:00 a.m. Low Mass

10:00 a.m. Sung Mass

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

### Monday, 27 December

*Saint John the Apostle and Evangelist*

*Church office closed*

### Tuesday, 28 December

*The Holy Innocents*

### Wednesday, 29 December

*Thomas Becket, Archbishop of*

*Canterbury*

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

### Thursday, 30 December

*Josephine Butler, 1906*

10:00 a.m. Low Mass

### Friday, 31 December

*Sylvester, Bishop of Rome, 355*

### Saturday, 1 January

*The Most Holy Name of our Lord Jesus Christ*

5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass

### Sunday, 2 January

*The Second Sunday after Christmas*

8:00 a.m. Low Mass

10:00 a.m. Sung Mass

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