

CHRIST CHURCH PARISH

BORDENTOWN, NJ



CANDLEMAS

2 FEBRUARY, 2018

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.

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THE FEAST OF THE PURIFICATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Sung Mass w. Procession and the Blessing of Candles, 6pm

The Congregation stands at the ringing of the Bell

THE BLESSING OF THE CANDLES

Celebrant Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

Congregation **Who hath made heaven and earth.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you

Congregation **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

OHOLY Lord, Father almighty, everlasting God, who hast created all things out of nothing, and by Thy command hast caused this liquid to become perfect wax by the labor of bees: and who, on this day didst fulfill the petition of the righteous man Simeon: we humbly entreat Thee, that by the invocation of Thy most holy Name and through the intercession of Blessed Mary ever Virgin whose feast is today devoutly observed, and by the prayers of all Thy Saints, Thou wouldst vouchsafe to bless ✠ and sanctify ✠ these candles for the service of men and for the health of their bodies and souls, whether on land or on sea: and that Thou wouldst hear from Thy holy heaven, and from the throne of Thy Majesty the voices of this Thy people, who desire to carry them in their hands with honour, and to praise Thee with hymns; and wouldst be propitious to all who call upon Thee, whom Thou hast redeemed with the precious Blood of Thy Son; Who liveth and reigneth with Thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

OLORD Jesus Christ, the true Light who enlightenest every man that cometh in to this world: pour forth Thy blessing ✠ upon these candles, and sanctify ✠ them with the light of Thy grace, and mercifully grant, that as these lights enkindled with visible fire, dispel the darkness of night, so our hearts illumined by invisible fire, that is, by the splendor of the Holy Spirit, may be free from the blindness of all vice, that the eye of our mind being cleansed, we may be able to discern what is pleasing to Thee and profitable to our salvation; so that after the perilous darkness of this life we may deserve to attain to neverfailing light: through Thee, O Christ Jesus, Saviour of the world, who in the perfect Trinity, livest and reignest, God, world without end. **Amen.**

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE CANDLES

Following the Choir, the People will receive their candles at the rail and return to their pews

ANTIPHON *Lumen ad revelationem* *A light to enlighten the Gentiles: and the glory of thy people Israel*

CANTICLE *Nunc Dimittis* *Richard Farrant*

ANTIPHON *Lumen ad revelationem*

V. Let us proceed in peace.

R. In the name of Christ. Amen.

HYMN 115 *Hail to the Lord who comes*

Old 120th

HYMN 116 *O Sion, open wide thy gates*

Bedford

At the conclusion of the Procession, the candles are extinguished

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
Congregation **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we humbly beseech thy majesty: that, as thy only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in substance of our flesh; so we may be presented unto thee with pure and clean hearts, by the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord: Who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

LESSON *Malachi 3:1-4*

The Congregation stands for the Hymn, the Holy Gospel, and the Creed

HYMN 20 *Of the Father's love begotten*

Divinum mysterium

THE HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 2:22-40*

NICENE CREED

BCP 327-328

The Congregation kneels for the Prayers through the Peace

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

BCP 329

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

BCP 331

COMFORTABLE WORDS

BCP 332

THE PEACE *The People may rise and greet one another in the Name of the Lord and then be seated*

INTENTIONS OF THE MASS

Celebrant ...rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

Congregation and let light perpetual shine upon them.

Celebrant May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, by the mercies of God, rest in peace and rise in glory. **Amen.**

MOTET AT THE OFFERING *Diffusa est*

Full of grace are thy lips: because God hath blessed thee for ever.

The Congregation stands for the Hymn through the Benedictus

SURSUM CORDA & PREFACE

BCP 333

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS *Hymnal 711/797*

Willan

The Congregation kneels for the Canon of the Mass

CANON OF THE MASS

BCP 334

THE LORD'S PRAYER *Hymnal 722*

AGNUS DEI *Hymnal 712*

Willan

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

BCP 337

COMMUNION - *Responsum accepit*

It was revealed unto Simeon by the Holy Spirit: that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Anointed.

As soon as the Celebrant has finished distributing Holy Communion to the altar party and choir, the members of the Congregation should approach the altar rail.

All Christians baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost are welcome to receive the Body and Blood of our Lord. Others who instead wish to receive a blessing may also come and kneel at the altar rail. The Celebrant will know to bless those who bow their heads and cross their arms over their chest.

HYMN 347 *Let all mortal flesh keep silence*

Picardy

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 339

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

BCP 339

The Congregation stands for the Last Gospel and Hymn

THE LAST GOSPEL

HYMN 545 *Hail the Lord's Anointed*

Woodbird

POSTLUDE *Crown Imperial*

William Walton



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: Susan Preston, Reagon Condron, Sister Pat, Jim Baker, Russell Childs, Jennifer Millar, Elizabeth Williamson, Barbara Venanzi, Karen Lospinoso, Lisa Jones, Gary Koch, Lois Anderson, Ryan Kochie, Patty MacAllister, Betty Carr, Lilly, Alma Poksay, Evelyn Montalvo, and Brianne Nicosia, Roger Kafer, and Nancy Walls

and those who have long term illnesses: Stephen Vigh, Stella Eichinger, Mark Casais, Arthur Jukes, Leavers, Robin Kintner, John McCoy, Gary Rutherford, Jane Humble, Charles Martin, the Rt. Rev. George Councill, Alice Ward Carriger, Carla Douglas, Ryan Murray, William Sweeney, Justin McCafferty, Zachary McCafferty, Jeanine Walker, Kelly Bergen, Hannah McNinch, Gabe Fresco, the Rev. Ted Anderson, R. Loraine Burke, Shawna Catarinicchia, Mackenzie Sutter, Daniel Applegate, Roberta Cash, Jennifer Vigh, Daniels, Jean Fithian, Jim Tranter, Jonathan Okeson, Jean Greenwood, Mary Dallmann, Patricia Dixon, Dawn Marie Nee, Gary, Jeanette Poole, 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, Pat Skelly, Sister Angela, Sister Gussie, Dee Watkins, Marge Lee, Michael Slaper, Robert Fritz, the Rev. Son Xuan Nguyen, Lynn Muller, Holly Jones, Irene Fithian, Helen Gardiner, Dick Gher, Don Ackert, Richard Shain, Joe Hand, Edward Rosina, Carl Luthke, Cheryl Kranz Bach, Maxwell Warrack, Brian Nguyen, Rob Mendez, Christine Nicosia, and Karen Schweppenheiser

the departed: Hans Ruhlandt

those in military service: Ben Skarzynski, USMC; James F. Preto, USNG; Chris Neal, USN; Jacob Foerter, USAFR; and AnneMarie Bowring, USA

celebrating a birthday this week: Sean Varga, John Voorhees, The Rev. Tinh Huynh, Darsea Markell, Seamus Kelly, and Landon Fiabane

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Schedule for the Week following 6 January

Sunday, 7 January

The Baptism of Our Lord

- 8:00 a.m. Low Mass
- 8:00 a.m. Church School
- 10:00 a.m. Sung Mass
- 7:00 p.m. A.A. Meeting

Monday, 8 January

Harriet Bedell, Deaconess, 1969

Church office closed

Tuesday, 9 January

Julia Chester Emory, Missionary, 1922

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

Wednesday, 10 January

William Laud, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1645

No Services

- 6:00 p.m. Tai Chi
- 8:00 p.m. - A.A. Meeting

Thursday, 11 January

- 8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer w. Angelus
- 10:00 a.m. Low Mass w. Anointing for Healing

Friday, 12 January

Aelred, Abbot of Rievaulx, 1167

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

Saturday, 13 January

Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers, 367

- 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass

Sunday, 14 January

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

- 8:00 a.m. Low Mass
- 8:00 a.m. Church School
- 10:00 a.m. Sung Mass
- 11:15 a.m. Coffee Hour
- 7:00 p.m. A.A. Meeting