CHRIST CHURCH PARISH

BORDENTOWN, NJ



THE BLESSING OF THE FIRETRUCKS AND 9/11 REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

11 SEPTEMBER 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.

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Vigil Mass w. Hymns 5:30pm

VOLUNTARY

The Congregation stands at the ringing of the Bell. The Congregation says the words found in **Bold.** Hymns can be found in the blue Hymnal 1940.

SALUTATION

Celebrant ★Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Congregation And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY & SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

KYRIE ELEISON

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.
 Congregation Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.
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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
Congregation And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please thee, mercifully grant that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

LESSON James 2:1-5,8-10,14-18

My brethren, show no partiality as you hold the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. For if a man with gold rings and in fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, and you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, "Have a seat here, please," while you say to the poor man, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brethren. Has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which he has promised to those who love him? If you really fulfil the royal law, according to

commit sin, and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it. What does it profit, my brethren, if a man says he has faith but has not works? Can his faith save him? If a brother or sister is ill-clad and in lack of daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what does it profit? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead. But some one will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I by my works will show you my faith.

the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you do well. But if you show partiality, you

Lector The Word of the Lord.Congregation Thanks be to God.

The lesson from the letter of James.

The Congregation stands for the Hymn and the Holy Gospel.

HYMN 393 Faith of our fathers! living still (vs. 182)

Saint Catherine

S. Mark 8:27-38

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

Congregation And with thy spirit.

Celebrant The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

Congregation Glory be to thee, O Lord.

And Jesus went on with his disciples, to the villages of Caesare'a Philip'pi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do men say that I am?" And they told him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Eli'jah; and others one of the prophets." And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ." And he charged them to tell no one about him. And he began to teach them that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. And he said this plainly. And Peter took him, and began to rebuke him. But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter, and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not on the side of God, but of men." And he called to him the multitude with his disciples, and said to them, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.Congregation Praise be to thee, O Christ.

SERMON Father Matthew Tucker

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church Militant here on Earth.

The Congregation kneels for the Prayers.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with thy heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of thine abiding presence wherever they may be.

Blessed art thou, O Lord God of mercy, whose Son Jesus Christ laid down his life so that we may live; bless, keep, and preserve the emergency personnel of our city and nation who so generously devote themselves to helping others. Grant them courage when they are afraid, wisdom when they must make quick decisions, strength when they are weary, and compassion in all their work. When the alarm sounds and they are called to aid both friend and stranger, let them faithfully serve thee in their neighbor.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially those killed in the attacks of September 11, and the firefighters, EMS personnel, police and military personnel who have laid down their lives so that others may live, and those lost to us in the past year (a moment of silence, followed by the ringing of bells); beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of Blessed Mary Ever Virgin and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

Congregation And with thy spirit.

The Congregation may rise and greet one another in the Name of the Lord.

INTENTIONS OF THE MASS The Celebrant recognizes the dignitaries and then gives the Intentions:

Celebrant Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.People And let light perpetual shine upon them.

Celebrant May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed,

rest in peace and rise in glory.

The Congregation rises for the Hymn until the Canon of the Mass.

HYMN 143 God of our fathers (vs. 1&2)

National Hymn

SURSUM CORDA & PREFACE

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

Congregation And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

Congregation We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

Congregation It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

CANON OF THE MASS

The Congregation kneels for the Canon of the Mass.

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again:

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, THIS IS MY BODY, which is given for you; Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the Cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for THIS IS MY BLOOD of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy Divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness, mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, *be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice; yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:

Our Father,

All Who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be

done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, \(\mathbb{P}\) but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the

power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

AGNUS DEI

Celebrant O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

Congregation have mercy upon us.

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Celebrant O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

Congregation grant us thy peace.

ECCE AGNUS DEI

Celebrant Behold the Lamb of God: Behold he that taketh away the sins of the world.

As soon as the Celebrant has finished distributing the Blessed Sacrament to the altar party, the people 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.

The custom for receiving the Blessed Sacrament during this crisis is to receive the Host (Bread) on the outstretched palm of the right hand (supported underneath by the left palm). After receiving the Sacrament or a blessing, please return to your pew and kneel or sit.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty and everliving God,

we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of his most precious death and passion. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
Congregation And with thy spirit.

Celebrant The peace of God which passeth all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son Jesus Christ, and the blessing of God Almighty, *Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be amongst you. and remain with you, forever.

Congregation Amen.

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Depart in peace.Congregation Thanks be to God.

At this time all may depart through the front doors of the church and gather at the steps and around the apparatus to hear from our dignitaries and for the prayers and blessing.

The people of Christ Church wish to thank all those who keep us, and all of Bordentown, safe and secure.

Our thanks also to the Businesses and Private Citizens who have been so generous in sponsoring the Blessing of the Firetrucks, as well as the dignitaries who have blessed us with their presence today.



AT THE BLESSING OF THE FIRETRUCKS

Celebrant The fire's fury was tamed, and its overpowering heat quenched, congregation as thy beloved youths, Lord, were preserved unharmed.

Celebrant Lord have mercy upon us.

Congregation Celebrant Lord have mercy upon us.

Lord have mercy upon us.

Celebrant Save thy servants.

Congregation Who trust in thee.

Celebrant Lord, send them aid from heaven.

Congregation And watch over them from Sion.

Celebrant Let the enemy have no power over them.

Congregation And the son of iniquity be powerless to harm them.

Celebrant Fire and heat, bless the Lord.

Celebrant
Congregation

Celebrant Lord, hear my prayer.

Congregation And let my cry come unto thee.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

Congregation And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Celebrant O God, stand by thy servants with thy most generous aid, so that whenever we are threatened by dreaded fire we may have the protection of these devices; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

Celebrant O God, the just and loving ruler of mankind, pour out thy blessing on these engines, trucks, and ambulances; that whenever these tools are used with lively faith and fervent prayers against the ravages of fire, may they work to extinguish the roaring flames, so that no injury befalls the faithful who trust in thee, and no damage is done to their possessions. Thus may it come about that all who experience thy protection against the fright and dangers of fire will turn away from sin with all their heart, and, mindful of thy benefits, turn readily to thee; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS & DEDICATIONS

Flowers at the High Altar are given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving, by Dr. David Addis and family.

The Fritz-Weitzel Sacramental Candle in the Lady Chapel is given in honor of our emergency personnel.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

the sick 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, and Kevin Preston.

and those who have long term illnesses: Donna Fritz, Carl Hasson, Patrick Moscatiello, 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, Sister Pat, Carl Hasson, Susan Sizetz, Frank Clebock, Ron Clebock, Jennifer Millar, Kelly Zsenak, Robert Burke, and Alexandra McKallagat.

for the dead: Maryann Pullen

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

celebrating a birthday this week: Wyatt Million, Natasha Graver, Doan Tucker, Ivan Sopko, Janet Moscatiello, Madelyn Malone, Fiona Guyer, Jennifer Dalton, Andrew T. Zalescik, William Mesa, and Kenneth Hartmann.

celebrating an anniversary of their nuptials: Gary & Suzanne Wheelock, Richard & Andrea Jones, Mark & Wendy Goldstein, and James & Janet Atkinson.

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Schedule for the Week of September 12

Sunday, 12 September The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 a.m. Low Mass 9:30 a.m. Sung Mass 10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour 7:00 p.m. A.A. Meeting

Monday, 13 September Cyprian, Bishop and Martyr of Carthage, 258 Church Office Closed

Tuesday, 14 September

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Church Office Closed

7:30 p.m. Vestry Meeting

Wednesday, 15 September The Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Ember Day)

6:00 p.m. Tai Chi 8:00 p.m. A.A. Meeting Thursday, 16 September Ninian, Bishop in Galloway, 430

10:00 a.m. Low Mass

Friday, 17 September
Hildegard of Bingen, 1179 (Ember Day)

Saturday, 18 September Edward Bouverie Pusey, Priest, 1882 (Ember Day)

5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass

Sunday, 19 September The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 a.m. Low Mass

8:45 a.m. HomeFront Meal Prep

10:00 a.m. Sung Mass 10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour 7:00 p.m. A.A. Meeting