

# **The Ministers of Shrewsbury Parish Church**

## **The Entire Congregation**

**Mr. David Murphy, Senior Warden**

**Mr. Rick Schelts, Jr. Warden**

**Mr. Rich Walls, Sexton**

**Mr. Rick Bacastow, Cemetery Warden**

**Mrs. Mary Lou Pagella, Treasurer**

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**Mrs. Catherine Davis, Altar Guild**

**Ms. Pamela Quarstein, Acolytes Guild**

**Mrs. Karen Trout Reed, Daughters of the King**

**Mr. John Silcox, Ushers' Guild**

**Ms. Nicole Wagner, Registrar**

**The Reverend Marguerite Samuels, Social Ministries**

**Mr. Kevin Wekke, Minister of Music**

**Mrs. Elizabeth Carr, Administrative Assistant**

**The Very Reverend Henry M. Sabetti,**

**Rector/ Dean of Northern Convocation**

**The Reverend Stephan Klingelhofer, Priest Associate**

**The Reverend Marguerite Samuels, Deacon**

**The Right Reverend James J. Shand, Visiting Bishop**

## **The Vestry:**

**Mrs. Deborah Geng 26, Mrs. Katie Hughes 26, Ms. Sallie Price 26,**

**Mrs. Jane Cropper 27, Mrs. Kelly Schelts 27, Mr. Jim Steveson 27,**

**Mr. Bob & Mrs. June O'Connell 28 and Mr. Ralph Van dyke 28**



## Welcome

Welcome to Shrewsbury Parish Episcopal Church! We are honored by your presence today for worship and invite you and your family into the life and ministry of this historic and active parish.

Here are a few items that will assist you with navigating our service:

- Please receive a service bulletin from an usher. You may take it home or return it following the service to the basket in the narthex.
- At both services, please follow along in *The Book of Common Prayer*, which can be found in the pew rack in front of you.
- At the 10:00 am Rite II service hymns can be found in *The Hymnal 1982* and at times in separate handouts.
- Please join in singing at the 10:00 am service.
- Restrooms are available in the Parish Hall.

If you need anything or have a question, please ask an usher or another parishioner. We are here to help you feel comfortable.

## Holy Communion

**ALL persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion in this church.**

**There are no exceptions. YOU are welcome to God's table.**

Please come to the altar rail and either stand or kneel for the reception of communion. The priest will place the bread in your hand and the chalice will be offered by the Lay Eucharistic Minister. You may take a sip or intinct, that is dip the bread into the chalice before consuming it. If you have mobility issues, please notify the usher and the priest will be happy to bring communion to you in your pew.

~Following the service, please join us in the Parish Hall for a time of hospitality. Coffee, tea, water and snacks are available.

## Pastoral Care and Prayer Requests

Should you wish to speak with a priest or have a pastoral emergency, please contact the Rector, Fr. Henry Sabetti at 301-418-0908.

Please direct any prayer requests to the Rector or to place a name on the Parish Prayer List contact the Parish Administrator at 410-348-5944 or [shrewsburychurch@gmail.com](mailto:shrewsburychurch@gmail.com)

The Service is being *Livestreamed* each Sunday at 10:00 am on our Facebook Page.

**Praise God from whom ALL blessings flow!**

## Shrewsbury Parish Prayer List - February 2026

### Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

The Church of Ireland

### Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Gracious God, guide and sustain your faithful people in your church in the Diocese of Easton as we gather for our 158th Annual Convention this week in Ocean City.

Lead us to be your light and vessels of compassion and mercy, hospitality and reconciling presence. Inspire your church in this convention and beyond with a grateful heart and thankful spirit. We pray for our convention delegates Pam Quarstein and Lisa Sabetti and our clergy Fr. Henry and Deacon Peggy

### Parish Cycle of Prayer:

Carol Orange, Charles & Katherine Paff and Mary Lou Pagella

### Parish Ministry Cycle of Prayer:

For a meaningful and faithful Lenten Season

### Prayers For:

Vaccus Afentoulis, Mark Barto, The Beasley Family, The Rev. Warren Beaven, The Rev. Nora Becker, Karen Boulden, Jan Brandon, Gail Carter, Melissa Casadonti, Tom Coler, Patrica Craven, Steve Cropper, Lee Davis, The Rev. Clarie Nevin-Field, Linda Fonseca, Sara Gepp, Linda Hall, Sandy Hamilton, Charlie Hawkins, Eileen Hoban, William Irish, Ray Jovanovich, Susan Karbaum, Vernon Miller, David Murphy, Bob O'Connell, Carmen Parks, Laurie Pearn, Amie Price, Pamela Ann Quarstein, Patrick Randolph, Joe Riding, Don Redman, Barbara Rein, Denise Roberts, Peggy Samuels, Kiera Seyd, Raina Seyd, Holden Slaughter, Benjamin Smoot, Faith Spear, Kate Terry, Kathy Terry, Michelle and Trey Timmons, Anne Van Horn, Kirk Wade, Lori Watson, Chris Wallman, Dan Walsh, David Welch, Abiah, Eleni, Joshua, John, Judge and Marianne

### Those serving in the Armed Forces:

Jonathan Campbell, Jonathan Conner, Jeff Gross, Jr., Tracy Lee Fauteux II, Collin Jones, George Jones and Jack Mecca



Announcements

Parish Hall Furniture

The Vestry has identified the need to replace some of the well worn furniture in the Parish Hall. They are seeking financial donations to offset the cost. If you wish to make a gift please place it in an envelope marked “Furniture” and/or make checks payable to Shrewsbury Parish and write “Furniture” in the memo line. Many thanks in advance for this act of thoughtful stewardship for Shrewsbury.

Ushers Needed

**A Simple Way to Serve: Join Our Ushering Team**

Have you ever wondered how you can get more involved at Shrewsbury Parish without a mid-week time commitment? We are looking for friendly faces to join our **Usher Guild**, with a particular need for volunteers during our **10:00 AM service**.

**What does an usher do?** It’s more than just handing out bulletins! Ushers set the tone for our worship by:

- Greeting members and visitors with a warm welcome.
- Assisting with seating and guiding the flow of Communion.
- Helping collect the weekly offering.
- Ensuring everyone feels safe and comfortable throughout the service.

**Why join?** It is a wonderful way to meet your fellow parishioners and play a vital role in making our church feel like home for everyone. You can serve as little as once a month, and no prior experience is necessary—we’ll provide all the training you need.

**Interested?** Please see one of the current ushers ( Robert Bryan, Lisa Raffetto, Kirk Wade or Peter Thayer) after the service, or contact John Silcox (jhsilcox@gmail.com) to learn more. Help us keep the 10:00 AM service running smoothly and welcoming for all!

Good Morning

SHREWSBURY PARISH  
FEBRUARY 22, 2026  
THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

*The flowers on the altar are given by Bob & KC Holland in loving memory of our great niece, Holly Smith and Bob's mother, Mary A. W. Holland*

**Serving This Sunday:**

February 22, 2026

The First Sunday in Lent

**Altar Guild:** Team 2

**Ushers:** Joy Mayfield, Kirk Wade

**7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I**

**LEM:** Carol Niemand

**Acolyte:** Jim Stevenson

**8:45 am Adult Spiritual Formation**

**10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II**

**LEM:** Kelly Schelts

**OT Reader:** Kelly Schelts

**Acolyte:** Adeline Pechin

**Serving Next Sunday:**

March 1, 2026

The Second Sunday in Lent

**Altar Guild:** Team 3

**Usher:** Rich Walls

**LEM:** Carol Niemand

**Acolyte:** Adeline Pechin

**9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II**

**Followed by the Annual Meeting and breakfast in the Parish Hall.**

*Breakfast will be catered by and the gift of Lucinda McCartan and Davey Walker.*



February 22, 2026  
The First Sunday in Lent  
7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I

*Silence is observed prior to worship*

The Word of God	
The Great Litany	BCP 148
Opening Acclamation for Lent	BCP 323
The Collect for Purity	BCP 323
The Summary of the Law	BCP 324
The Kyrie eleison (Lord have mercy)	BCP 324
The Collect for the First Sunday in Lent	BCP 166
The Lessons (sitting)	
The First Lesson	Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7
The Psalter	Psalms 32
The Epistle	Romans 5:12-19
The Gospel	Matthew 4:1-11
The Sermon	The Very Rev. Henry M. Sabetti
The Nicene Creed	BCP 326
The Prayers of the People	BCP 329
The Confession of Sin and the Absolution	BCP 331
The Passing of the Peace	BCP 332
Greetings, Announcements and Blessings	
The Holy Communion ( <i>All are welcome to receive the Body and Blood of Christ</i> )	
The Offertory	
Eucharistic Prayer I	BCP 333
Holy, Holy, Holy ( <u>Sanctus</u> )	BCP 334
The Prayer of Consecration	BCP 334
The Lord's Prayer	BCP 336
The Breaking of the Bread	BCP 337
The Lamb of God	BCP 337
The Prayer of Humble Access	BCP 337
The Post Communion Prayer	BCP 339
The Blessing	BCP 339
The Dismissal	BCP 339

The Gospel

Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written,

‘One does not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

‘He will command his angels concerning you,’  
and ‘On their hands they will bear you up,  
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’”

Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

‘Worship the Lord your God,  
and serve only him.’”

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

The Epistle

Romans 5:12-19

As sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned-- sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

February 22, 2026  
The First Sunday in Lent  
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Processional The Great Litany	BCP 148
Opening Acclamation for Lent	BCP 355
The Kyrie-eleison (Lord have mercy)	BCP 356
The Collect of the Day	BCP 218
The Lessons	
The First Lesson	Genesis 2:15-17: 3:1-7
The Psalm	Psalm 32
The Epistle	Romans 5:12-19
Gradual	“Lead us, Heavenly Father” Hymn 559
The Gospel	Matthew 4:1-11
The Sermon	The Very Rev. Henry M. Sabetti
The Nicene Creed	BCP 358
The Prayers of the People Form VI	BCP 388
The Confession of Sin and Absolution	BCP 360
The Passing of the Peace	
The Offertory Hymn	“Lord, Who Through-out These Forty Days” Hymn 142
The Doxology	“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” Hymn 380 (v.3)
The Holy Communion	BCP 361
<i>All are welcome to receive the Body and Blood of Christ</i>	
The Sanctus	S125
Communion Hymn <i>(Sung after Communion)</i>	
“You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord” Hymn 810 WLP (Bulletin Insert)	
Post Communion Prayer	BCP 365
The Blessing	
The Recessional	“A Mighty Fortress is Our God” Hymn 688
The Dismissal	BCP 366

**The Collect**

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**Old Testament**

**Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7**

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

**The Psalm**

**Psalm 32**

- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, \*  
**and whose sin is put away!**
- 2 Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, \*  
**and in whose spirit there is no guile!**
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, \*  
**because of my groaning all day long.**
- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; \*  
**my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, \*  
**and did not conceal my guilt.**
- 6 I said, " I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." \*  
**Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.**
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; \*  
**when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**
- 8 You are my hiding-place;  
you preserve me from trouble; \*  
**you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; \*  
**I will guide you with my eye.**
- 10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; \*  
**who must be fitted with bit and bridle,  
or else they will not stay near you."**
- 11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; \*  
**but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.**
- 12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; \*  
**shout for joy, all who are true of heart.**