

Annunciation is a place...
To be included
To be honest
To be empowered
To be challenged
To find hope



Annunciation of Our Lady

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Parish News

for the Week of Sunday, January 22, 2023

Worship Bulletin

3rd Sunday After Epiphany

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Annual Meeting - January 29, 2023

The Annual Meeting for the parish of Annunciation of Our Lady will be on January 29, 2023. For those who are leading or have led a ministry in our parish family, please submit your reports to the church office by January 26, 2023.

On the agenda will be the approval of the 2023 budget, the slate of candidates for Warden, Vestry Members, and Delegates to Convention. We will take nominations leading up to the meeting and from the floor of the meeting. Please mark your calendars to attend this very important Sunday.



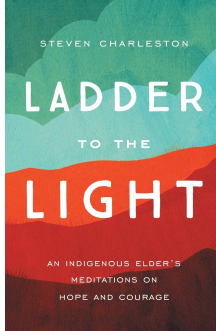
Fat Sunday!

It is time to begin thinking about Lent! The last Sunday of Epiphany is **February 19** and is our traditional day for **FAT SUNDAY!** That Sunday the service will be at 10:00am - mark your calendars!

The planning crew has already begun plans for that feast to celebrate the end of Epiphany and clear out our cupboard for the start of Lent.

The Book Study

The Book Study of *Ladder to the Light* by Bishop Steven Charleston continues on Wednesday mornings at 10:00am and Thursday evenings (on Zoom) at 7:00pm. This week we will be reading Chapter 2.



We extend an open invitation to everyone to join us on this spiritual exploration and quest.

Here is a [link](#) to learn a little bit more about the book, as well as purchasing options.

Bishop Charleston continues writing daily reflections on Facebook. If you would like a taste of his wisdom of hope check out his Facebook [page](#).

To join the Thursday Book Study, click [here](#).

Meeting ID: 870 8108 8667

Passcode: 471270



Community Meals at Christ Church

Expanded role for Annunciation: A growing team of our parishioners having been working with New Hope UMC to provide a meal and snacks once a month to many families. On January 8, the combined teams from New Hope UMC and Annunciation provided 80 fresh meals and bags of snacks. For the first time, Annunciation will take the lead for our next scheduled Sunday, February 12. We will provide the main course and a bag of nonperishable food

for around 80 people. We need many members of the parish to bring food for the bags by Sunday February 5, and we will pack the bags during coffee hour.

Please sign up in the Narthex or contact Deacon Anne for what you will bring. Here is what we need:

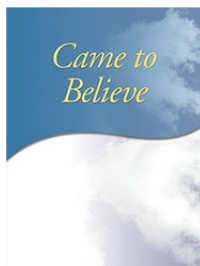
- 80 -100 - 16 oz bottles of water
- 80 juice boxes (please bring packs of 40 or more boxes)
- 80 granola or breakfast bars (please bring packs or 40 or more)
- 80 packs of individual wrapped cookies or Rice Crispy treats (please bring packs of 40 or more)
- 80 snack-sized bags of chips (please bring packs of, if possible, 40 or more of same type of chips)

If you would like to join our team to help prepare the meal or serve the meal please contact Deacon Anne.



PADS donations

If you would like to contribute to the ministry of PADS, we are currently in need of monetary support. Please note on the check or mark on the envelope, **PADS**.



12@12 Service

Our service of healing and recovery continues on Tuesday at noon. We will be working through chapter 7 in the book *Came to Believe*. In the down time after Christmas and New Year's, an opportunity for a recharge can be welcome. We hope you will join us for a time of prayer, meditation, and renewal on Tuesdays.

Click [here](#) (on AA.org) or [here](#) (on Amazon) to order.

Lunch Bunch!

This month on Friday, January 27th I have set up a reservation at Eggspress Cafe in Lindenhurst at 12:00pm.

It is located on Rt. 45 north of Grand Avenue or just take Stearn School Rd. to 45 and turn left at that traffic light. It will be in a strip mall on the east side.

The restaurant closes at 2pm so try to be prompt and please reserve your spot by emailing me. Thanks! Sue (lamags55@gmail.com)



Scout Sunday - February 12th

A Scout is Reverent....

The Boy Scouts of America program (started by Lord Baden Powell in England on August 1, 1907) annually celebrates its founding date of February 8, 1910, on the first Sunday of February. The Scout Sunday tradition is to

make people in Houses of Worship

aware of Scouting, and to allow Scouts to live into their Duty to God pledge. The Scout Law says that a Scout is Reverent and the Scouts of all ages promise to do their Duty to God and Country. These values strengthen youth character in their family, community and faith.

We will celebrate Scouting on February 12th. Scouts are encouraged to participate and RSVP with Brian Penticoff.

Safe Church, Safe Communities

The Diocese has training for preventing abuse and misconduct in parishes. Those who are in positions of leadership or ministry are required to take part in these training sessions. Over time, it is the plan that everyone will have taken some form of training to continue to keep our communities safe. The vestry, wardens, clergy, and employees will be asked to complete the training by the beginning of Lent. Leaders of ministries will be invited to complete the training by Pentecost. To participate, please let Pastor Jenni or the wardens know and we will get you the codes and log-in information.



Parish Life Corner

Thank you to Steve Kulbis for providing much of the food, especially the Kringle, for coffee hour on Sunday, January 15. Jane Schaefer and Miriam Berry served it while Steve was at Sunrise. Thank you, Jane.

This Sunday, Samantha Robison will be hosting coffee hour. Oh, the yummiest of yummy treats are coming, I can just feel it!!!! Thank you in advance!!!!

Following is a reprint of last week's Parish Life article to be sure everyone is aware of our clean up plans and Soup-er Bowl:

Pantry and Kitchen cleaning

The kitchen and pantry have gotten out of control in the past couple years. Deb Gallinger and I are leading a group to tear it all apart, clean it all up and put it back together nicely. We have decided to work on the pantry on Tuesday, January 24 starting at 9 AM and the kitchen on Saturday, January 28, also at 9 AM. If you would like to help, please contact Deb or me. We will have plenty for you to do. Thank you to those who have already signed up to help.

Soup-er Bowl of Caring

The Super Bowl will take place on Sunday, February 12 so we will have our annual "Souper Bowl of Caring" Outreach event that day. For those who do not know what this is, here's a quick explanation. A seminarian in the 1990s came up with the idea to serve soup to people on Super Bowl Sunday and ask them to bring cans of soup to be given to food pantries across the nation that day. He came up with the following prayer: "Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us to be mindful of those who are without a bowl of soup to eat." Everyone brings cans of soup that day and we build a soup pyramid on a table in the parish hall. We have an assortment of soups for parishioners to choose to eat which are made by parishioners. So, everyone gets to sample some wonderfully tasty soups and help the Lake County Food Pantry stock their shelves with soup. Thank you, ahead of time, to Deb Modde who transports all these cans over to the pantry. We had 208 cans last year. I will have the white board out starting this weekend for you to sign up to make some soup. We need both ones with meat and meatless as well.

Thank you to those who have already signed up to host coffee hour.

We are still offering you two sign up options. You can click on the link at the end of this article to go to Sign Up Genius and choose your dates which are available out to June 11 right now. OR, you can sign up on the paper sheet on the "sign up board" in the parish hall and I will transfer your name to Sign Up Genius. I will be keeping the paper copy updated with what is on Sign Up Genius so no duplication will occur.

Hosting coffee hour is not hard and I can help you with it. I normally come in early and make the coffee if the host wants me to. I also will do some sort of decoration to make every coffee hour a bit festive.

If you have any questions, please see Miriam Berry or Andrea Lindblad.

[To sign up to host coffee hour, please click here.](#)



Mah Jongg

So, I said we would have more players our second week of playing in 2023 and I was right. We had 11 people playing and, as always, we had a lot of fun. Again, I will say we would love to have some more people join us, so why not start this week?

We would love to have some new players join us. We meet at noon each Thursday with our lunches so we can have some time to chat before we start playing.

You don't need to know anything about Mah Jongg, we will teach you. Also, this is not just a lady's game, we have three very dedicated men playing.

So, come on over to the church on any Thursday at noon and bring your lunch or come between 12:30 and 1 PM to just play. Please let Miriam Berry know if you would like to learn to play so we make sure to have a card for you.

We just received the 2023 National Mah Jongg League brochure so we will be able to order our 2023 card which will come the first week in April if the card is ordered before February 21. By ordering a card, you become a member of the National Mah Jongg League and receive the above mentioned brochure which has answers to some game questions and other interesting information. You can also call the league and ask questions about play as well. A neighbor friend of mine has done this several times and she received very well explained answers.

So, y'all come.

Madagascar Updates

It never ceases to amaze me how much I learn about Madagascar and the Diocese of Toliara each week.

If you have subscribed to the Friends of Toliara newsletter or seen pictures of worship services, you might have seen a group of women all wearing blue dresses. These ladies are part of the Mothers' Union. I knew that's who they were but had no idea that the Mothers' Union is an international organization. When I asked Sue Babbs about it, her first words were, "Well, I can certainly tell you are not English!!!!" Since the Mothers' Union in the Diocese of Toliara does a lot of work in the Diocese, I thought you might want to know about the organization.



Here is what their Homepage (mothersunion.org) says:

"Supporting families around the world

We are an international Christian membership movement supporting families and communities in need of support in the UK and worldwide since 1876. Our members are active in 84 countries and work tirelessly to serve their communities whilst offering Christian care for families, regardless of faith or background.

Ending violence, ending poverty, ending injustice. We are a truly worldwide Christian movement."

In 1876, Mary Sumner the wife of an Anglican priest in Hampshire, England started the first Mothers' Union. Its initial purpose was to support mothers in bringing up their children no matter what religion they were. After a speech given by Mary in 1885 to a women's congress in Portsmouth, she inspired the women to go back to their parishes and set up similar groups to the one she did. From that has grown groups in 84 countries, one being Madagascar.

Archdeacon Donne's son, Marc, has sent me pictures and videos of the Fort Dauphin Mothers' Union conference at Santa Gregorie. They are very active and do many things at Christmas and Easter for the parishes.

Here is a picture of the whole Fort Dauphin group and their logo at the bottom of this article.

Please remember that it is never too late to sponsor a child's education. For \$25 per month, you pay for tuition, fees, uniforms (if necessary) and school supplies which are greatly in demand.

If you would like to know anything about Madagascar, child sponsorship or the Diocese, please see Miriam Berry.



Links to Zoom Worship for this Week

Sunday Worship

3rd Sunday after Epiphany
January 22, 2023 9:00am

Join Sunday Worship

Meeting ID: 854 0982 9822

Passcode: 921375

Monday Morning Prayer: 8:30am

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Meeting ID: 899 6756 6965

Passcode: 676070

Tuesday Morning Prayer: 8:30am

Join Morning Prayer

Meeting ID: 837 2223 9298

Passcode: 848952

Wednesday Morning Prayer: 8:30am

Join Morning Prayer

Meeting ID: 848 5595 0812

Passcode: 047321

Thursday Morning Prayer: 8:30am

Join Morning Prayer

Meeting ID: 811 9177 8341

Passcode: 917299

Friday Morning Prayer: 8:30am

Join Morning Prayer

Meeting ID: 820 1881 2369

Passcode: 138576

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Parish News and Prayer Requests
Submissions due Thursday morning.
Send to parishadmin@annunciationurnee.org

Website Updates
Send to MarkRJohnson52@gmail.com

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Food Tidings Meal Ministry
Surgery? New birth? If you need a little help with supper, contact Samantha Robison:
Robison_Samantha@yahoo.com

During the week:
Pastoral emergencies: 847-336-3730
The Church office is open by appointment.