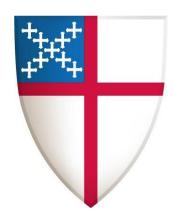


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ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A House of Prayer for All People

Bishop challenges ALL to read the Bible in 2017

In a recent letter received from the Office of the Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Daniel G. P. Gutierrez, shared as a part of his promise to better serve us, he is presenting a major initiative, reading the Bible.

With the help of a special Bible App, Bishop Gutierrez states, "we will feel connected, it'll provide a platform for participating in the Bishop's Bible Challenge, and perhaps most importantly is a powerful tool for us to read or hear the Word of God in 1,000 languages."

He continues to share: "With the Bible App, many will have access to the word of God in their primary language. Reading the Bible together as a diocesan community will have a life changing effect. The importance of Christian people using Holy Scripture as a foundation for daily life is hard to overstate. Who we are as the People of God flows directly from our worship, doctrine, and liturgy, which are all rooted in Scripture. To know the Bible better, is to know ourselves as the People of God better, to know our mission to the world better, and to know our faith better. We are here to help and to serve you, and this mobile app is another important step in showing the kind of innovation and emphasis that is placed on equipping our congregations to build the Kingdom of God."

The Bishop's Bible Challenge leads us through the entire bible in a year's time. Not only will you find the daily reading and meditation rewarding, but you will be joining in community with hundreds, possibly thousands, of fellow Episcopalians in our diocese. While this may seem like a daunting undertaking, as the Bible tells us "Fear Not", for there are many ways to connect!

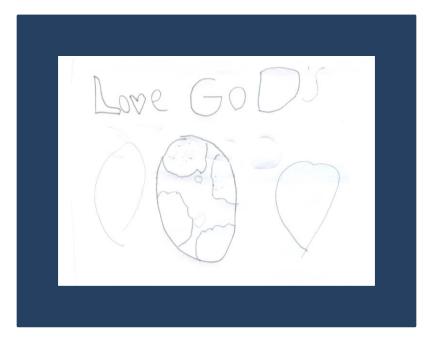
You can download The DIOPA Bible in a Year App from iTunes, Apple App Store, and Google Play. To download the mobile application, go to the "App Store" icon on your iPhones or the "Google Play" icon on your Android Phone and search for "DIOPA" or "DIOPA bible." It is a self-contained way to participate and has everything you need including a link to the registration page, the Bible readings for each day, an online link to the Bible in audible and readable forms and daily reading or listening selections that will help everyone to read the same selections each day.

- * If you don't want to use the app, register to participate at our online registration site: https://diopa.wufoo.com/forms/bishops-bible-challenge/
- * If you do not use a computer or smart phone simply call the Offices of the Diocese at 215-627-6434 to register and receive a Bible Study Packet; or contact Mother Sandra for these materials.
- * Join the Diocese online Facebook group at < <u>DIOPA Bishop's Bible</u>

 <u>Challenge</u>>. This is where you can post your own testimonies on the readings.

 These responses can be written or use your phone or camera to take a picture that reflects your response to the reading. Include a brief description and post with the hash tag #wordon and #diopabbc. Check the group page or the hash tags to see what other participants are saying!

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Pew Artist of the Month

Loving God's World by Clare Ely



Remember: "Each one, bring one!" Help our Neighbors in Need

All Saints has been using the motto "Each one, bring one" to remind us all about bringing items for the local food pantry; why just stop there? Let's keep this motto in

mind with All Saints' special outreach promotions, church events and ministry activities throughout 2017. Have you ever thought of giving one hour or one day of service to help another? In this month's newsletter, you'll see many ways how our gifts of time and financial contributions are being put to use.

May all our hearts continue to overflow with loving generosity throughout the month of February, thanking God for our overabundance of blessings to bless others!



Shirley Brinker, our devoted weekly picker upper, deliverer of All Saints Interfaith Pantry donations, reports the last quarter of 2016 results of our "each one, bring one" promotion was fruitful and tremendously heavy. The people of ASC responded with an outpouring response with the magnitude of canned goods and non-perishable items received October through December. The outcome of the loving gifts weighed in at an approximate 310 pounds, which was a fairly strenuous workout for her weekly stroll from All Saints to the Pantry through unpredictable weather at times. Shirley is faithful in her commitment to keep the shelves and tummies full at Interfaith traveling in the warm sunny, cloudy, drizzling, and bitter cold days of the fall and winter. Thank you Shirley, and thank you to ALL!

February

Birthdays

- 1 Tommy Durante
- 3 Bob Jording
- 5 Francie Dean Isabella Nero
- 9 Nina Ely
- 11 Sue Errington
- 15 Jay Kerr
- 18 Jerrit Windbiel
- 20 Jennifer Gelet Olivia Gelet Mike Reynolds
- 23 Ayden Mitchell-Mullen
- 28 Fr. Steve Nelson

Anniversaries

- 8 Ginger & Rich Banmiller
- 12 Chrissy & Brian Gilroy
- 20 Kay & Hal Ely



Best Wishes to ALL!

I'm grateful for:

Responses from our 2017 Pledge Drive

Life

Children

Grandchildren

Home

Prayers

Caring and Support

Priests, Choir, Vestry

Lay Ministers

ALL SAINTS

My family

A most wonderful family

All Saints Church community

Mother Sandra

Father West

Health and family

My Church

My health

Judy, Christina, Rachel, Juan, Mike

Family

Good health

Love and support of All Saints Church family

The love at All Saints

Being alive!

Seeing and being with grandchildren

People that care about others

God

My life and all your thoughts, prayers, calls and visits

No matter how small the congregation, we still have a service and receive communion.

Calvary

Social Security, ability to pay my bills and taxes

My home

For having what I can give

God's many blessings!

Special Thanks To: All Saints



Thank you for your generous in-kind donation to the Philadelphia Ronald McDonald House. We rely on in-kind gifts such as yours to create a community of comfort and hope for the thousands of

families with seriously ill children that we serve each year through our two Ronald McDonald House, two Ronald McDonald Family Room, Hospitality Kiosk, and Ronald McDonald Camp.

We are only able to offer our programs because of the generosity of friends like you.

Learn more about the impact of your contribution by visiting www.philarmh.org.

* All Saints donated 39.5 ounces of soda tabs



Branching out in love and generosity

The Outreach Committee is happy to report the branches of our giving tree for CADCOM this past December were hanging full of stockings filled with many loving gifts of gift cards. The value of the gift cards totaled \$235 and ECHO contributed an extra \$100 to the cause. Thank you for your generosity and compassion; many individuals who use the services of CADCOM and their families were blessed during the Christmas holiday and will be blessed in 2017. Together we are helping many people meet their immediate needs and helping others move to self-sufficiency.

Learn more about CADCOM's services and programs at <u>www.cadcom.org</u>. Benefits many Montgomery County's homeless, unemployed, and limited/low income residents.



"Joy to the World"!

We Christmas carolers boarded the "yellow school bus" and off we went and visited four shut-ins. We also called and sang carols to five other shut-ins, while riding in the bus!

Thank you carolers, and to Anthony Nero, for his accompaniment while we sang.

We returned to the church and had a delicious lasagna dinner (3 kinds) prepared by the Dello Buono family, thank you!

Until later this year - Fa la la la la la la!

Susan Dean



Season's greetings and best wishes for a happy New Year.

Our family is so thankful for your prayers, notes and calls for our dear Martha Ough Briggs. We entrust God's healing gift, "knowing He is doing more than we can ever desire or pray for."

Sarah Lee Ough Kouston



Donating food/items for Bread of Life Café, Interfaith Pantry, and Church activities? For the Café, please contact Kate Petel prior to donating/dropping off. For the pantry, please place in a grocery bag with Interfaith written on the outside of the bag. For Church activities, please tag dishes with your name on along with a hand-written note on individual bags with name of activity/event. (Please be sure to pick-up your dishes after the event and dispose of leftovers. All items left behind without names/notes will be disposed of.)

Renovation work and facility usage. With the many ministries, activities/events, and renovations happening at All Saints; we appreciate your attention, help, patience, and understanding. Our sexton is trying his best to keep up with the daily cleaning along with snow removal and additional demands. If you are leading or assisting with a special ministry, activity or event, please be respectful of everyone's time using the area/room after you. Please be sure everything is left neat and spot-cleaned well before leaving.

Storage. All Saints' closets, shelves, and class rooms are gradually being housecleaned, sieved through, reorganized and repurposed. Space is limited. Please be considerate in donating and storing items at church. Please be sure to check with staff and church leaders before storing large quantity/size items in specific areas. We have found many items are outdated, unneeded items taking up valuable space.

Thank you for your attention and help to make our donations, items, and space used efficiently and wisely and facilities kept tidy, clean, and organized for all to be blessed.



Bishop's Bible Challenge (continued)

* Information and resources regarding The Bishop's Bible Challenge can be found online: http://www.diopa.org/bishops-bible-challenge/

The important thing to know is that you are not alone in this and you cannot mess this up! If you miss a day of reading, or a week for that matter, just jump back in to the schedule because there is no wrong way to do this. If you'd rather not read, the Bible App will play the day's selections in a dramatized audio format for you to listen.

So let's come together as a diocesan family and build the Kingdom of God -praying together, worshipping together, and studying together - in this the "come and see" diocese. #diopalove #diopacomeandsee #wordon #diopabbc - there are multiple ways to connect!

Serving for the Glory of God

| Date | February 5 | February 12 | February 19 | February 26 | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Acolytes | Betsy Gottshall, Sarah Callow | Beville Jones, Donna Penman | | Joe Gelet, Jack Spottiswood, Natalia Dello Buono | | | | | |
| Altar Guild | Susan Cohen, Mary Jane Daley | Susan Cohen, Susan Dean | Deb Porcelli, Joanne Heisler | Susan Cohen, Susan Dean | | | | | |
| Bulletin Assemblers | Marilyn Clemson, Louise Geisinger, Donna Penman (2/3) | Marion Shupe, Phil Gottshall (2/10) | Donna & Bob Penman (2/17) | Ginger Banmiller, Mary Jane Daley (2/24) | | | | | |
| Coffee | Joanne & Bob Heisler | Karen & Jack Spottiswood | Steve Dello Buono | Judy & John Freeman | | | | | |
| Counters | Diane Mullen | Joanne & Bob Heisler | Diane Mullen | Betsy & Phil Gottshall | | | | | |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Bill Koffke, Donna Hale | Ginger Banmiller, Phil Gottshall | Louise Geisinger | Cy Burke, Dale Kerr | | | | | |
| Intercessor | Laurie Sawyer | Louise Geisinger | If you would like to read the prayers of the day, contact the office | Donna Penman | | | | | |
| Lector | Jack Spottiswood | Joanne Heisler | If you would like to read the scriptures of the day, contact the office | Ely family | | | | | |
| Nursery | Adults and older youth are invited to join this special ministry; speak with Nina Ely, if you're interested in giving it a try. | | | | | | | | |
| 10AM Ushers/ Greeters | Majid Etemad, Dale Kerr | Dello Buono family | Betsy Gottshall, Judy Baca | Donna & Bob Penman | | | | | |
| 8AM Server/ Reader | Viviann Harris | Viviann Harris | Joe Raudenbush | Diane Mullen | | | | | |

If you'd like to serve in any of the above ministries, contact Donna Longobardi, Parish Administrator, at 610-279-3990 or allsaints535@yahoo.com. Donna will be happy to direct you to the appropriate church leader who may best answer your questions about the ministry to get you started and involved.



February 2017

What's Happening at All Saints...

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|--|---|---|---|--|---|
| January 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 10AM-1:30PM Second Time Around Shop 6:30PM Vestry Mtg. | 9:15AM -Noon Calvary LC visits computer lab 11AM Bible study w/ lunch 7PM N.A. | Rector's day off 7:30PM N.A. (activity room) | 4 3PM Private Event (activity room) |
| | | Pictorial Directory Photo Day | Pictorial Directory Photo Day | 7FWIN.A. | | |
| 5 Epiphany 5 8AM HCI 10AM HCII 1-4PM Private Event (activity room) | 6 Parish Administrator's day off 8PM V.F. Highland Band practice | 7 | 8 9:15AM Norristown Ministerium 10AM-1:30PM Second Time Around Shop VESTRY REPORTS DUE | 9 9:15AM -Noon Calvary LC visits computer lab 7PM N.A. | 10 Rector's day off 7:30PM N.A. | 11 4-6:30PM Bread of Life Community Cafe |
| 12 Epiphany 6 10AM HCII 10AM Sunday School & Eucharist w/ Rector (Rectory) 11:30 Annual Parish Meeting | 13 Parish Administrator's day off 8PM V.F. Highland Band practice | 14 6:30PM Work Night Subject to change Valentine's Day | 15 10AM-1:30PM Second Time Around Shop 6:30PM Vestry Mtg. Subject to change MESSENGER DEADLINE | 9:15AM -Noon Calvary LC visits computer lab 11AM Bible study w/ lunch 7PM N.A. | 17 Rector's day off 7:30PM N.A. | 18 |
| Epiphany 7 8AM HCII 9AM Good Noise Band practice & setup 10AM Contemporary Worship (activity room) | 20 Parish Administrator's day off 8PM V.F. Highland Band practice Presidents' Day | 21 | 9AM West End Preschool visits computer lab 10AM-1:30PM Second Time Around Shop | 9:15AM -Noon Calvary LC visits computer lab 7PM N.A. | 24 Rector's day off 7:30PM N.A. | 25 4-6:30PM Bread of Life Community Café |
| 26 Last Epiphany 8AM HCII 10AM HCII 11:30 Kaleidoscope adult forum (chapel); Sunday school (activity room) | 27 Parish Administrator's day off 8PM V.F. Highland Band practice | 28 | March 1 Ash Wednesday 10AM-1:30PM Second Time Around Shop 6:30PM Parish Dinner 7:30PM Worship & Imposition of Ashes | 2 9:15AM -Noon Calvary LC visits computer lab 11AM Bible study w/ lunch 7PM N.A. | 3 Rector's day off 7:30PM N.A. | 4PM Black History Celebration at St. Augustine of Hippo |



Prayer of Love

In thanks to John Birch, author (http://www.faithandworship.com/prayers)

For the love you have shown us since the moment of our birth; the path you open up for us to be your servants here on earth; for the footsteps that we follow, and your words that we shall say; for the seed that we shall scatter as we walk your narrow way; and the harvest you shall gather on that great and glorious day.

O Lord to you we raise, this our offering of praise.

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