

PARISH CALENDAR

2009

SEPTEMBER

20 – Choir Resumes after Summer
(Sunday), 10 am Mass

27 – Panel Discussion – Goodbye, Columbus
(Sunday), 7 pm; various speakers

29 – Sung Vespers and Mass for Saint Michael and All Angels (Tuesday), 5pm / 5:30 pm in the Lady Chapel

OCTOBER

4 – Parish Luncheon to begin Stewardship Program (Sunday), following the 10 am Mass. Speaker: Mr. Scott Nicholson

18 – Memorial Recital
(Sunday), 5:30 pm. Music of J.S. Bach with John Whittlesey, baritone; Matthew Knippel, cello; and James Busby, organ

25 – Presentation and Blessing of Received Pledge Cards (Sunday), at the 10 am Mass

NOVEMBER

2 – All Souls Requiem
(Monday), 5:30 pm

8 – Remembrance Sunday
Requiem Mass, 10 am

29 – Advent Lessons & Carols
(Sunday), 5:30 pm

DECEMBER

5 – Advent Quiet Day (Saturday), times TBA. Addresses: The Rev'd Michael G. Tuck

8 – Sung Vespers and Mass for the Immaculate Conception (Tuesday), 5 pm / 5:30 pm in the Lady Chapel

24 – Christmas Eve (Thursday)
Pageant & Family Mass, 5:30 pm
Solemn Mass of the Nativity, 10:30 pm

25 – Christmas Day (Friday)
Low Mass, 10 am

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JANUARY

1 – New Year's Day (Friday)
Mass for the Feast of the Circumcision, 9:30 am
New Year's Day Dinner for the Needy, 12 noon

6 – Sung Vespers and Mass for the Epiphany
(Wednesday), 5 pm / 5:30 pm in the Lady Chapel

24 – Concert (Sunday), 5:30 pm
Convivium Musicum, Choir for Renaissance Music, Michael Barrett, Director

31 – Annual Parish Meeting
(Sunday), following the 10 am Mass

FEBRUARY

2 – Sung Vespers and Mass for the Presentation of our Lord in the Temple
(Tuesday), 5 pm / 5:30 pm in the Lady Chapel

16 – Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
5:30—7 pm in the Great Hall

17 – Ash Wednesday
Low Masses 7:30 am & 12:10 pm
Sung Mass 5:30 pm

Stations of the Cross—Fridays in Lent
(February 19, 26; March 5, 12, 19, 26) following the 5:30 pm Low Mass

Lenten Series: The Passion and Crucifixion in Music – Sunday Evenings in Lent (February 21, 28; March 7, 14, 21), 7 pm

MARCH

6 – Lenten Quiet Day (Saturday), times TBA. Addresses: The Rev'd R. Trent Fraser, SSC, Rector, St. John's Church, Newport, RI

25 – Sung Vespers and Mass for the Annunciation (Thursday), 5 pm / 5:30 pm in the Lady Chapel

28 – Palm Sunday Liturgy of the Palms & Liturgy of the Lord's Passion, 8 & 10 am

APRIL

1 – Maundy Thursday Liturgy, 7:30 pm

2 – Good Friday Liturgy, 12 noon;
Maria Desolata, 5:30 pm

3 – The Great Vigil of Easter, 7:30 pm

4 – Easter Sunday, Low Mass, 8 am
Solemn Mass of the Resurrection, 10 am

18 – Organ Recital (Sunday), 5:30 pm
Mark Dwyer, Organist and Choirmaster,
The Church of the Advent, Boston.

Parish Retreat – Friday 23 April through Sunday 25 April, at Glastonbury Abbey, Hingham, Massachusetts. Meditations by the Rev'd Michael J. Godderz, SSC, Rector, The Parish of All Saints, Ashmont, Boston

Episcopal Charities Campaign
Sundays April 18, 25, May 2, 9

MAY

13 – Sung Vespers and Mass for the Ascension (Thursday), 5 pm / 5:30 pm in the Lady Chapel

23 – Parish Barbecue
(Sunday), following the 10 am Mass

30 – Brown Commencement
(Sunday), Solemn Mass, 8 am

JUNE

6 – Solemnity of Corpus Christi—Choir's Last Sunday before Summer Break

13 – Sunday School Recognition
(Sunday), at the 10 am Mass

USEFUL DATES

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

On the days listed below the liturgical schedule will be:

*Morning Prayer 9 am
Low Mass 9:30 am*

2009

Labor Day—Monday 7 September
Columbus Day—Monday 12 October
Veterans' Day—Wednesday 11 November
Thanksgiving Day—Thursday 26 November

2010

New Year's Day—Friday 1 January
Martin Luther King Day—Monday 18 January
Presidents' Day—Monday 15 February
Memorial Day—Monday 31 May
Independence Day—Monday 5 July

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Ends Sunday 1 November 2009
(Set clocks back one hour)

Begins Sunday 14 March 2010
(Set clocks forward one hour)

Note: all scheduled events are subject to change without notice; please call or email the parish office for information on specific events

ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS

The Altar Guild – cares for the vestments, linens, and vessels used in worship. Rotating teams set up for each Sunday Mass.

Prayer Group – meets Thursday afternoons in parishioners' homes for prayer, study, and fellowship.

Epiphany Soup Kitchen –serves between 80 and 120 guests each week. A team from S. Stephen's staffs the meal site from approximately 3 to 6 pm on assigned Saturdays.

Society of Mary – meets the first Saturday of the month (as announced) for Marian devotions, followed by coffee and a meeting. The Society plans activities through the year related to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Christian Education – Sunday School Classes for grades Pre-K through 9 are offered during the first half of the 10 am Mass. Confirmation and Inquirers' Classes are organized and led by the parish clergy.

New Year's Day Dinner – Volunteers prepare and serve a meal for the homeless and needy on January 1st in the Great Hall.

Acolytes – assist at the altar. The Solemn High Mass requires six vested servers in addition to the clergy. At Low Mass one server assists the priest.

Lectors – read the scripture lessons during services. The 8 am and 10 am Sunday Masses each have a rota of assigned lectors.

Ushers – distribute service programs, take the collection, and stand ready to assist visitors.

The Schola Cantorum – performs the finest choral music of the Western Catholic tradition, from medieval plainchant to contemporary. Our professional standard choir comprises both paid and volunteer singers. Admission is by audition.

Coffee Hour – Volunteers provide coffee and refreshments on Sundays in the Narthex following the 8 am Low Mass and in the Great Hall following the 10:00 am Solemn High Mass.

The Vestry – is responsible for the temporal governance of the parish, including property and finances. Its members are elected at the Annual Parish Meeting in January.

The S. Stephen – is the parish newsletter, published monthly from September through May. Submissions from parishioners are welcome.

WEEKLY LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sunday

Morning Prayer 7:30 am
Low Mass 8 am
Solemn High Mass 10 am
Episcopal Campus Ministry Service 5 pm

Monday through Friday

Evening Prayer 5 pm
Low Mass 5:30 pm

Saturdays and Public Holiday Mondays

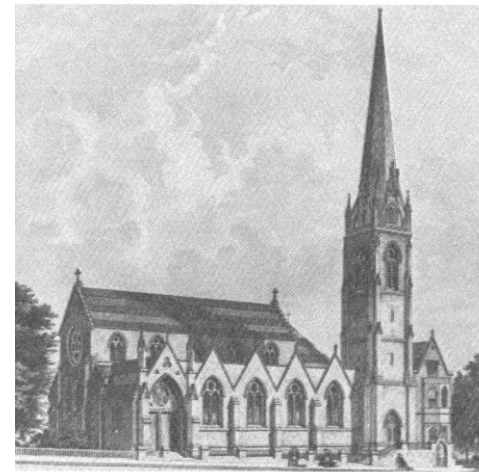
Morning Prayer 9 am
Low Mass 9:30 am

Confessions

A priest is normally available to hear Confessions following the Friday 5:30 pm Mass (or, during Lent, following the Saturday morning 9:30 am Mass), or by appointment

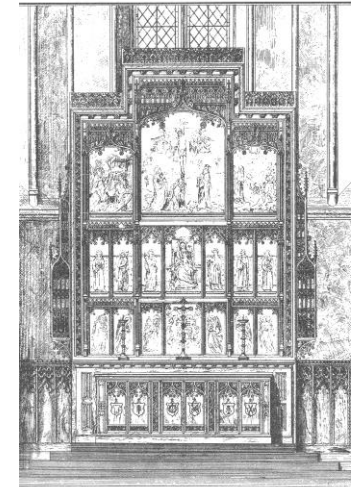
Anointing of the Sick

During Wednesday 5:30 pm Low Mass or by appointment



PARISH PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

2009 – 2010



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