

GRACE NOTES

MARCH 2018



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A Holy Lent

Lent is traditionally a season of penitence, but also a season of preparation for the great feast of the Resurrection of our Lord. As we pray in the preface of the Holy Eucharist,

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that fervent in prayer in in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

While we may give up something for Lent, or take on some additional practice, the idea is not that we do it for forty days and then stop; the idea is that we, through our Lenten discipline, increase in holiness. It is similar to how musicians, from the very beginning always practice playing scales. This practice doesn't stop, but continues for a lifetime. Great violinists, pianists, cellists, trumpeters, saxophonists etc. all practice scales every day. Musical scales are the building blocks of everything else a musician does. In a similar way, prayer, works of mercy, immersing ourselves in Holy Scripture and worshipping at the Holy Eucharist are the building blocks of Christian life by which we increase in becoming like Jesus. God loves us immeasurably just the way we are, however we can increase our love of God by these practices.

The Very Rev. Eric Symes Abbott, the dean of Westminster Abbey from 1959-1974 and a gifted pastoral priest and writer had this to say about Christian life

Spaces of Silence

Whatever we may say about particular times and methods of prayer, this much is essential, that each day should have some dedicated silence in it.

This is the gift of our time to God.

We are to put ourselves at God's disposal in the quietness. The prayer will be dispersed throughout our day, throughout our activity, but there will be some dedicated spaces of silence.

Blessings for a holy Lent.

Cathy+

from *Invitations to Prayer: Selections from the Writings of Eric Symes Abbot, Dean of Westminster 1959-1974*, as quoted in *Love's Redeeming Work: The Anglican Quest for Holiness* Geoffrey Rowell, Kenneth Stevenson and Rowan Williams eds. Oxford University Press 2001.

SAVE THE DATE

The 52nd annual Chicken BBQ will be on Saturday, June 2nd this year. Planning will start soon and then tickets will be on their way, sign-ups will go up, and then BBQ will be here before you know it. If you would like to help plan this year's event please let me know. As usual, we will be looking for as much help as we can to help this be another successful event.

Thanks in advance,
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CONFIRMATION CLASS on Saturdays and / or Sundays 9:15—10:15 A.M. beings in March for those wishing to be confirmed, received into the Episcopal Church, or reaffirm their baptismal promises. Contact the parish office, Mother Cathy or catechist Carolyn Smith for more information.

BALDWINSVILLE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH EVENTS

Corned Beef & Cabbage Drive-Thru

Thursday, March 8th at 4:30 P.M. - 6 P.M.

Annual Rummage Sale

April 6th from 9 A.M.—7 P.M. and April 7th (bag sale) from 9 A.M.— Noon.

Items to donate take them to the Presbyterian Education Center after March 19th.
(NO electronic or large furniture items accepted)



VERA HOUSE

March Outreach focuses on collecting donations for Vera House, a comprehensive domestic and sexual violence service agency providing shelter advocacy and counseling services, and education and prevention programs. Donations needed for our local Vera House shelter programs include:

- New white sheets, queen size and twin only (not full)
- New white bath towels and wash cloths (any size)
- Baby diapers, any brand & all sizes

OUTREACH FOOD DRIVE items especially needed are displayed on the poster in the Welcome Area.

FROM THE PAST

From *The Grace Recipe Book* by Women's Auxiliary
Grace Episcopal Church, published 1885



Snowflake Pudding M.M. Jaycox

Pour 1 cup boiling water over 1/4 box of gelatin, add a teacup of sugar, 1 lemon squeezed in, and let stand in a bowl on the back of the stove till dissolved, then let it get cold. Beat the whites of two eggs to a stiff froth and add the gelatin water a little at a time, beating constantly until all is added. It must be beaten in a cool place, then pour it into a mould which has been wet or buttered and it will harden if properly made. When it has set it will, by being loosened with a knife, turn out solid like a mass of snow. If not beat enough the gelatin will settle to the bottom and form a leathery jelly. You can tell by taking out a tablespoonful in a dish and letting it stand in a cold place five minutes. This cannot be made in the summer unless you have ice to put it on. Make a custard of the yolks of the 2 eggs, 2 tablespoons sugar and 2 cups milk.

SAMARITAN MEAL FEBRUARY 4

On Sunday, February 4th 23 volunteers from Grace made our first visit of the year to the Samaritan Center in Syracuse to serve our popular meal of Sloppy Joes, corn and green salad topped off by bananas and cookies to an expected 200 guests. In the event only 147 meals were actually served, so there was plenty of food left over for another meal during the week.

The following members of Grace and their families gave up part of their Super Bowl Sunday to assist those less fortunate; Mother Cathy, Bob and Joan O'Brien, Dan Wiemers, Pat Farrance, Brad Pettit, Kathy Tamblin, Sue and Stuart Allen, Tina and Lou Santy and their grandchildren Jayda Lawrence and Morgan Osborne, Phyllis Begg, Joy Pople, Peter and Rosemary Coyne and their daughter Cora-Ann Gosson and granddaughter Marcy, Pat Apicella, and Diane Bowes and granddaughters Madelyn and Kathryn.

Our next Samaritan Meal will be on Sunday, April 29th. Please consider joining us.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Gage Atkinson, Phyllis Brown, Fern Butler, Anne Davis, Don Davis, Greg Ceresko, Stuart Allen, Paul Diller, Jr., Brian Fancher, Casey Hamilton, Gage Hudson, Stephanie McCall, Laura Moreau, Justin Hart, Phyllis Rogers, Ava Warner, Amy Warner, Jane Atwater

FIRST SATURDAY HOLY EUCHARIST

March 3rd at 4 P.M. Join us for this formal Holy Eucharist.

WAFFLE BREAKFAST

Join us on March 18th between Sunday morning services. Parish Life will be offering delicious homemade waffles, syrup, fruit topping, whipped cream, sausages, milk, juice, and coffee or tea for \$5/person, \$15 / family and 5 and under free. Don't miss this finger-licking good opportunity!



PARISH LIFE'S JAMBALAYA DINNER – GRACE STYLE

A repeat of Parish Life's Mardi Gras Jambalaya Dinner instead of the traditional Pancake Supper was held on Tuesday, February 13th. While a traditional jambalaya would be spicy and have some type of seafood in it, Jeannie LaMere's version was made with chicken and sausage and mildly seasoned. Hot sauce was available for those who wanted to "spice things up". Cornbread and beverages plus pineapple coconut pecan cake or brownies for dessert completed the meal.



This dinner was open to the general public, and with all the publicity generated in the local papers and signs posted in various establishments, we were prepared to serve approximately 75 people. We were pleased to have many non-parishioners attend. We ended up serving 43 meals and 6 take outs. Guests could bring a nonperishable food item and receive \$1.00 off their dinner. Our basket was overflowing with items that were donated to the VFW Post 153 Food Pantry along with a check for the dinner proceeds of \$436.

Thank you to all who attended and a huge THANK YOU to Jeannie LaMere and Tina Santy for chairing this event and to all the members of Parish Life who helped put this on. Thank you also to Sue Allen's grandson Ross Hudson, Connor & Casey Hamilton and the men's work night crew who helped set up, serve dinners and do dishes.



Parish Life wishes to remind you that we appreciate your thoughts on our activities and are always looking for new ideas. Thank you

BRASS POLISHING Members of Altar Guild will be polishing the church brass on Saturday, March 10th at 9 A.M. All are welcome to come join us.

DONATE ALTAR DECORATIONS

The following weeks are open on the flower calendar: April 8, 15, 22 and 29.

Contact the office or go to Flowers@GraceEpiscopalBaldwinsville.org. Donate to the flower fund for Sunday decorations in remembrance or in thanksgiving! These remembrances and thanksgivings are acknowledged in *This Week at Grace* and the Prayers of the People. Usually one arrangement will be available to take home after the 10:30 A.M. service. (Note that in Advent, decorations are evergreens, and in Lent no flowers are used) Sponsoring flowers is \$30 per Sunday and two families can sign up for each week.



EASTER FLOWERS

Thanksgivings/memorials dedications are due in the office no later than Monday, March 26th to insure all names are listed in our Easter bulletin. Flowers may be taken following the 10:30 A.M. service. Forms are online or in the Welcome Area. The cost is \$10.00.

PALMS FOR PALM SUNDAY

If you would like to donate any amount towards the for Palm Sunday in memory or thanksgiving call the office at (315) 635-3214.



EASTER LILIES

We encourage you to leave your flowers through Monday March 26th. If you will not be picking up your flowers at all, please indicate below*, and we will distribute them.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Number of plants: _____ at \$10.00 each = Total Amount enclosed: _____

*I will NOT be picking up my flowers: _____

Please PRINT CLEARLY all names and dedications below exactly as they should appear in the bulletin.

e.g. "In Memory of Jane Doe" or "In Thanksgiving for Thomas, Edward and Kristen"

HOLY WEEK



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Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday, March 25

Services at 8 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.

Blessing of palms and Mark's Passion Gospel

Maundy Thursday, March 29

Simple meal at 6 P.M.

Holy Eucharist, foot washing & stripping of the altar at 7 P.M.
Watch before the Blessed Sacrament until Good Friday morning

Good Friday, March 30

Stations of the Cross at Noon

Liturgy for Good Friday

with Holy Communion from the reserved sacrament at 7 P.M.

Great Vigil of Easter, March 31

Kid & Adult-friendly Vigil at 7 P.M.

We will kindle the first light of Easter

Easter Sunday, April 1

Festal Services at 8 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.



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Don't forget: Turn clocks forward 1 hour on March 3rd



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SUNDAY SERVICES 8 & 10:30 A.M.

TUESDAYS 12 NOON

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT 5:30 P.M.

FIRST SATURDAY HOLY EUCHARIST 4 P.M.

ASH WEDNESDAY IMPOSITION OF ASHES
NOON & 7 P.M. WITH HOLY EUCHARIST