

The Chart



Christ Church

1355 Northern Boulevard

Manhasset, NY 11030



Wardens' Letter

April 1, 2014

Hello Fellow Parishioners:

As we prepare for the month of April, and, in particular, the celebration of Easter, we are reminded of the sacrifice that Jesus made for us and the Glory of God that followed. In our final days of Lent, we should be particularly mindful of the needs of others before our own needs. For Jesus sacrificed himself for us and for that we must be grateful, and our actions should be guided to serve others before ourselves. Even the smallest offering of kindness can make a world of difference.

On March 23, 2014, we bid a fond farewell to Seminarian Walter Fuller who served Christ Church for 6 years and 3 months. We thanked Walter for his service and celebrated his good works with a gift and a special cake during coffee hour.

As for what's in store for Christ Church in the coming month...

The renovations of the Parish House and Rectory remain underway, with progress in the Parish House being particularly noticeable from within. Walls are up, cabling has been run, and we are beginning to see the light at the end of the tunnel. Father David Lowry continues at his post as our Project Manager and Junior Warden Bill Siener is working in tandem with Father David and JOBCO on the day-to-day follow up of the many outstanding items associated with completing our Parish House. In late March, we regained access to some of our parking and anticipate having at least 75 spots available for Easter Sunday. Until then, limited spaces are available in the East parking lot. Please do NOT park in the banking parking lot at this time.

As for the Rectory, work is expected to begin in April and carry through until June. We are hoping to see completion of the work in time for the selection and arrival of a new rector.

The search for a new rector continues through the Affirmative Inquiry process with the Search Committee interviewing and onsite visits at our Church with 6 potential candidates. Once the vetting process has been completed, the Search Committee is expected to identify 3 candidates for review by the Vestry, with the assistance of our consultant, the Reverend Bruce Griffith.

In preparation for our future, Christ Church is preparing to launch a capital campaign. Details will follow in the coming months. Monies raised through the campaign will allow for the outfitting of our new Parish House and the pursuit of new mission work. Collectively, these will demonstrate to a new rector and the Episcopal Diocese our commitment to the future of Christ Church and our lives as Christians to do good works. Additionally, with Father Charley Colwell's assistance we have started a Welcoming Committee to assist newcomers to our parish – more details to follow.

Discussions are ongoing with the New Heart Mission Church and COS. Our availability of space remains in flux and therefore, our discussions remain so as well. We would like to see how we might partner with our friends at NHMC and COS, but that remains subject to our own access to space and their respective needs.

The Vestry conducted a successful and inspiring retreat on March 15th. The Vestry worked together to identify areas for potential growth and others in need of greater attention to ensure that our experience at Christ Church is a faithful and rewarding one. Indeed, just one day later, we launched our coat campaign, with a 7th Avenue coat rack set up at the back of the Church to collect used coats both for the remaining winter period and in anticipation of next year's winter and those in need. Of course, we are hoping that winter here really is over!

The next Vestry meeting is scheduled for April 21st, the day after Easter.

Wishing you Peace and Blessings,

Ariana Tadler Paterson

Senior Warden

William Siener

Junior Warden



Parish Notes:

A Message from our Director of Spiritual Formation

Following Jesus

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus. - Philippians 2:5

I have always loved St. Paul's saying in his letter to the Philippians: *Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus.* It is an invitation for all of us to turn away from societal influence and focus on Jesus' humble teachings. In a world that inspires a culture of wealth, comfort, power and status, he is showing us a better way.

Serve others. Love your enemies. Do not store up treasures on Earth. Do not judge. Give to please God, not to be seen. Turn the other cheek. Do not exalt yourself. Feed the hungry. If someone forces you to go one mile, go with him two. Do not let the sun go down on your anger. Clothe the naked. Do not worry about your life. Be merciful. Have complete faith in God.

Even in the greatest situations, I am challenged to fulfill these commands. I am happy to serve my friends, as long as they return the favor. I love participating in church outreach projects, because it makes me feel SO good. I can even love my enemies, if they promise to stop their offensive behavior!! This doesn't seem quite like what Jesus had in mind, does it?

Jesus' journey during Holy Week teaches us that there is a much more challenging meaning to his teachings. If we really want to follow Jesus, we need to choose his loving ways, even when faced with the worst of humanity: corruption, denial, fear, anger, distress, jealousy, anguish, neglect, despair, confusion, temptation. Can we really be of the same mind as Jesus in the midst of these unbearable circumstances?

During his last week, Jesus knows what is going to happen. He knows he will be betrayed. He knows he will endure great pain. Yet he does not do what seems natural to us. He does not run, hide or lie to save himself. Even as he begs God to spare him, Jesus epitomizes his humble teachings; he is full of grace, humility, mercy and forgiveness. He shares a Passover meal with Judas, his betrayer. He teaches the lesson of the sword to his

captors. He shows peace when condemned by authorities. He stays silent when taunted on the cross. Jesus goes through everything and anything to show God's love, in the darkest day to the most misguided people. And he expects nothing in return.

I can't imagine having the courage and faith to do the same. But I pray I can, because Paul goes on to remind us that the one who dies on Good Friday is not a false prophet who lost his life in vain. Jesus is the exalted son of God, forever worthy of our honor and praise. The way to true wealth, comfort, power and status is to empty ourselves of our worldly ways and follow Jesus, no matter what. Thank God for this Lenten season with its powerful lessons and the chance to deepen my journey and try.

Blessings,

Lesley Mazzotta, Director of Spiritual Formation



Upcoming Events and News

- **Easter Basket Outreach Project**

Our Sunday School is organizing our second annual Easter Basket Outreach program for needy children through Episcopal Community Services. Pick up an Easter basket during Sunday service on March 30 and April 6 and fill it with fun Easter treats, then return it by April 13 for blessings and delivery by Easter. Our goal: to fill five-dozen baskets between our two churches. You can help make a huge difference this Easter!



- **Easter Flowers and Music**

If you would like to contribute to the joy of Christ Church's Easter worship through the gift of altar flowers and/or music, please fill out the form at the bottom of [The Chart](#) and place it, along with your check (designated either Altar Guild/Easter Flowers or Easter Music), in the Sunday offering plate or you can mail it to Christ Church, 54 George Street, Manhasset, 11030. All offerings must reach the church office no later than Wednesday, April 9. Please provide a separate check for flowers and/or music.

- **Women's Ministry Lenten Service Project**

Through Sunday, April 13, our Ecumenical joint women's ministry will be collecting donations to make toiletry bags for the women's homeless shelter at Church on the Hill, Flushing, Queens (RCA). The Women's Ministry are in need of the following items to complete 120 bags: 1) 60 toothbrushes, 2) 30 travel size toothpaste, 3) 80 travel size conditioner, 4) 60 travel size shampoo. 5) \$5 Dunkin' Donuts gift cards - as many as possible. **We do not need any more soap/body wash or body lotion**

It is a lovely way to offer some comfort and joy to women who have very little in their lives, so please be generous!

- **Parish House. GREAT NEWS!** The projected completion date for the Parish House project is the beginning of June. JOBCO, the contractor, has advised us that the grading and paving will be completed for parking on the East side of the property, closest to the Apple Bank, providing 25 parking spaces (**Do not park in Citibank**). **Please note that entry and exit to these parking spaces can only be made from Northern Blvd.** For Easter, April 20th, we will be able to park in the East parking spaces, the Northern parking spaces and the Western parking spaces, which provides 75 parking spaces (note, that access to the Northern and Western parking spaces will be from the George Street entrance).

- **Nursery Care available each Sunday**



The Community Reformed Church has hired a new nursery attendant, Lydia Jeong, and is inviting parents from Christ Church who might be interested in having their infants and toddlers stay in the nursery during service each Sunday. Just like our joint Sunday School, we want our nursery to be

available to both CRC and Christ Church to support our current members and attract new families to our congregations. For more information, please contact Lesley Mazzotta, lesleymazzotta@gmail.com.

- **April Sunday Hospitality**

Now until Sunday, April 27

Families have been asked to provide refreshments and serve coffee, tea and juice to both adults and children following the 10 a.m. service in the Church. The beverages for both children and adults will be provided by the Church. Each coffee hour team will be responsible for bringing food items of their choice for **50** people (i.e. cookies, coffee cakes, donuts or bagels), and 2 quarts of milk. The coordinator of each team should contact the other team members to coordinate refreshments.



The following people are scheduled to host Sunday Hospitality.

DATE	COORDINATORS		OTHER TEAM MEMBERS	
April 6	Kathy & Vincent McGill	627-7708	Karen & Andrew Sherry	487-7003
April 13	Eileen & Richard De Haan	646-413-4815	Kelly & Michael Butler	801-2184
April 27	Lucy & Tom Chaly	627-5506	Debbie Czegledy	365-6773

If for some reason you are unable to host, please email **Holly Melichar** hbm10078@gmail.com or call her at **516-404-6688**.

- **Choir Rehearsals *NEW TIME***

The Chancel Choir and Schola Cantorum rehearses every Thursday evening from **6:45 to 8:15 p.m.** in the church. New members are always welcome to join the choir!

- **Episcopal Charities Appeal**

Episcopal Charities funds social outreach and justice programs throughout Long Island. The Diocesan's goal this year for Christ Church is \$7,500. We would like to exceed that total this year. Checks should be made out to Episcopal Charities of Long Island and may be mailed to Christ Church (please use the 54 George Street address), placed in the offering at church or sent to Episcopal Charities of Long Island, 36 Cathedral Avenue, Garden City, NY 11530. If you are sending in your contribution directly to the Diocese, please note 'Christ Church, Manhasset' on your check.

- **Stewardship Campaign**

The kick off for the Stewardship Campaign began in December. Your annual financial pledge to Christ Church will be used for the care of our church and its facilities and to ensure that we are able to provide services, programs, fellowship and mission outreach, as we are called to do as Christians. The Church needs such funds to operate. Expenses relating to the Church and its grounds have continued to rise, and income from our prior resources has dissipated. We are asking that you prayerfully reflect on what Christ Church means to your family and the community at large, and to consider how you can support our ministry financially in 2014.

To date, we have received 62 Pledges/Trust gifts from the 85 pledging families, or 73% of the total. However, we continue to receive pledges. As we close out the Stewardship Campaign, based on pledges received, we should achieve the Stewardship budget estimate. A personal follow up effort to families who had not yet pledged, will continue.

- **Lenten Soup and Supper Series - The Power of Forgiveness**

Wednesdays, April 2, 9

Please join members of Christ Church, CRC and other local churches for a Lenten program. Dinner will be offered at 6:15 pm in the Community Reformed Church Fellowship Hall, followed by a program led by Father Colwell at 7:00pm that includes an inspirational message, group conversation, personal reflection

and prayer. Friends and family are welcome! To RSVP, please sign up at the back of Christ Church or contact the parish office at 516-627-2184 or by email at admin@christchurchmanhasset.org.

- **Daily Lenten Email Series for Youth and Adults**

Sign up for *Love Life: The Gospel of Love*, a daily mobile accessible video series focusing on the Gospel of John. Starting March 5, you'll receive a short, daily video and thought-provoking question that helps you to delve deeply into scripture to live more abundantly into the life of love to which we are called. This series is designed for everyone in the community, is simple yet powerful to do and is completely free! To sign up using your email account, go to: <http://ssje.org/ssje/lovelife/>.

Children and Youth Activities

- **All Church Easter Egg Hunt: Sunday, April 20 - Fun for the entire family!**



- **Easter Egg Hunt - Donations needed**

We need donations of candy and chocolate for our joint church Easter egg hunt on Sunday, April 20. These will be placed in plastic eggs and sprinkled on the ground for kids to hunt and gather. Please deliver donations to the church by Sunday, April 13.

- **Sunday School**

The Sunday School will change its schedule beginning the Sunday after Easter. On April 27th, the children will have class as usual, beginning at 9:50 am. However, instead of having Children's Chapel after class, they will join their parents in church.

Save the Date

- **Retreat Day, Saturday, May 10, 9am - 1pm:** Our second annual retreat day for women and teenage girls will focus on courage, dreams and faith, as inspired by **Girl Rising**, a global campaign and award-winning film showcasing the unforgettable stories of nine girls living in the developing world, who overcome insurmountable odds to achieve their dreams. Join us as we engage in inter-generational conversation, workshops and activities to ignite our passion and commitment to trust, imagine and transform ourselves, families, communities, and eventually, the world.
- **Youth Fundraising Car Wash: Saturday, May 17**
- **Bishop Provenzano visits Christ Church**
On **Sunday, May 18**, we are honored to have Bishop Provenzano visit Christ Church to celebrate the Eucharist with us. At the 10:00 service, the Bishop will also celebrate the Rite of Confirmation for those students who have participated in confirmation class. Please be sure to mark your calendars for this special day. It is a joy to support and welcome our newest Confirmands into the life of the Episcopal Church.
- **Women's Brunch and Service Day, Saturday, June 7, 9am - 12pm:** We'll gather together for delicious food and fellowship to end the church year, then participate in a service project for a local charity, TBD.
- **Children's Day: Sunday, June 8 - We need all of our children and youth to help lead service this day!**
- **Youth Karaoke Night, Saturday ***Postponed until a later date!*****
Spend a night in NYC singing the blues or country or rock and roll! It's your choice at Karaoke Duet, an "under 21" club with thousands of songs to make your own! We've booked a private room to enjoy dinner, fellowship and a couple of hours of music before getting dessert and heading back home. Meet at the Manhasset train station at 4:30pm to travel into the city together. Cost: \$20, plus the price of a train ticket, paid by each youth.



UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

- **Annual Quiet Day featuring Katherine Salisbury "Be Still and Know That I Am God"**
Saturday, April 26, 2014 10:30 am to 3:30 pm sponsored by The Emily Malbone Morgan chapter of The

Daughters of the King, St. Boniface Episcopal Church, 100 46 Street, Lindenhurst, NY. RSVP to 631.957.2666 or debbierichbert@yahoo.com or stbonifacemainz@optonline.net.

- **Camp DeWolfe Summer Camp 2014**

Camp Registration 2014 is now open online at www.campdewolfe.org or by returning the brochure located in the back of the church. There are Episcopal Charities Scholarships for up to 50% fees before June 1, 2014, applications are on the Camp DeWolfe website.

Save the Date! Open House on Sunday, May 18 at 1:00 pm. This includes camp activities, tours and a meal. RSVP to the Camp Office at 631-929-4325 or email office@campdewolfe.org by May 11, 2014.



Holy Week Schedule



<i>Palm Sunday</i>	<i>8:00 am & 10:00 am</i>
<i>Maundy Thursday</i>	<i>7:30 pm</i>
<i>Good Friday</i>	<i>12:00 noon & 7:30 pm</i>
<i>Easter Sunday</i>	<i>10:00 am followed by the East Egg Hunt (no 8:00 am service) 6:30 am Sunrise Service at CRC</i>



Calendar for the Month of April 2014

Sunday Holy Eucharist at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. in the Church
Feasting on the Word at 11:30 a.m. (CRC)
Sunday School at 9:50 a.m.

Wednesday Holy Eucharist at 10 a.m. in the Chapel.

Thursday **Choir Rehearsal**, Chancel Choir (Adult) 6:45 to 8:15 pm *****New Time*****

Lenten Soup & Supper Series, Wednesdays, April 2 & 9 at 6:15 pm

Confirmation Classes, Sunday, April 6 & 27,, 11:30 am to 12:30 pm at the Rectory

In order to be confirmed, attendance is mandatory for all 7th graders as per Father Colwell.

Easter Basket Outreach Project April 6

Easter Flowers and Music Contribution must be in Parish Office by Wednesday, April 9

Vestry Meeting, Monday, April 21, Compline at 7:30 pm and meeting at 7:45 pm in the CRC Lounge

A funeral service for Harold (Hal) Heim is scheduled for Wednesday, April 2, 2014 at 11:15 am

A memorial service for Ida Miletich is scheduled for Wednesday, April 9, 2014 at 11:15 am



Sunday Readings

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT, APRIL 6, 2014
Ezekiel 37:1-14, Psalm 130: Romans 8:6-11

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION, PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2014
Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; John 18:1-19:42

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2014
Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14; Psalm 116:1, 10-17; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1-17, 31b-35


GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 2014
Genesis 12:1-4a; Psalm 121; Romans 4:1-5, 13-17; John 18:1-19:42

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2014
ACTS 10:34-43; PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24; COLOSSIANS 3:1-4; JOHN 20:1-18

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, APRIL 27, 2014
Acts 2:14a, 22-32; Psalm 16; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31



We are pleased to congratulate these friends and parishioners who have birthdays during this month...

 Nicholas Cyprus (8), Bob Carpenter (14), Lucy Chaly (16), Emma McMahon (16), Barbara Gutierrez (18), Analiese Deosaran (20), Jane Lightcap (22), Elana Gibbons (24), Allison Melichar (27), Alex John Storzum (27), Kate Phillips (29), Lydia Dibble Siener (30).

Our congratulations to all those friends and parishioners celebrating their wedding anniversary...

Bob and Betts Carpenter (14), William and Terry Riffin (19).





EASTER FLOWERS

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My offering is

"In loving memory of..."

– or –

"In thanksgiving for..."

Given by:

All offerings for Easter flowers must reach the church office no later than **Wednesday, April 9th**. Please provide a separate check for flowers and/or music. Many thanks for your cooperation.



EASTER MUSIC

If you would like to contribute to the joy of our Easter worship through donations for special music, please fill out this form and place it, along with your check (designated Easter Music), on the offering plate. Or you can mail it to Christ Church, 54 George Street, Manhasset, NY 11030.

My offering is

"In loving memory of..."

– or –

"In thanksgiving for..."

Given by:

All offerings for Easter music must reach the church office no later than **Wednesday, April 9th**. Please provide a separate check for music and/or flowers. Many thanks for your cooperation.