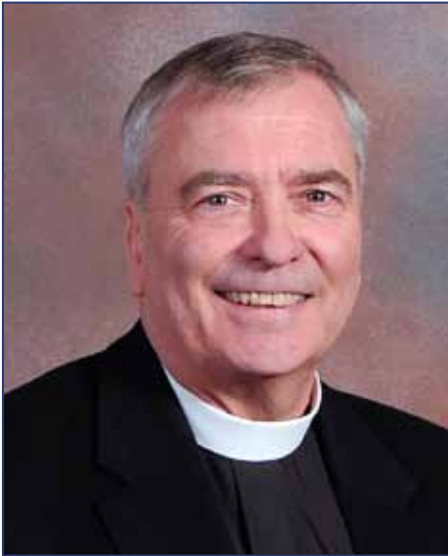




The
Epistle
June 2016

A Message from Your Priest in Charge



Dear Friends,

At a crucial time of our country's history, vis-a-vis the elections of a new president, "Operating Principles For A You And Me World," by Werner Erhard. Post them somewhere in your house that they remain visible.

- Respect the other person's point of view, whether or not you agree with it. Recognize that if you had their history, their circumstances, and the forces that play on them, you would likely have their point of view.
- Consider life a privilege – all of it, even the parts that are difficult or seem a waste of time.
- Give up the islands that reinforce mediocrity, the safe places where we gossip and complain to one another, where we are petty.
- Take a chance. Be willing to put your reputation on the line; have something at stake.
- Work for satisfaction rather than for credit.

• Honor your word. There will be times when the circumstances of life will make you forget who you are and what you're about. That is when you need to be committed to honoring your word, making what you say count.

Warmly,

Father Stephen

Vestry Meeting Highlights

The regular monthly meeting of the Priest in charge, Wardens and Vestry was held on Tuesday, May 17, 2016. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and the report of the Treasurer was accepted subject to audit. The actions of the Little Lamb Management Group and the actions of the Thrift Shoppe Management Group were ratified.

- The Buildings and Grounds committee fixed the fence around the Little Lamb playground and distributed the mulch. There was not a good turnout for the Clean Up Day. There is still work to be done.
- The Finance Committee reported that Shepherd's Haven is now able to give the Church \$100 a month as a facilities reimbursement.
- The Father's Day Brunch will be on June 19. There will be a blood drive on June 25. The Garage Sale is on July 16.
- Linda Meyer and Erica Stewart were honored with the David P. Hegg Senior Ministries Award. Shirley Van Dunk was also honored through Good Shepherd in Ringwood.

The minutes of the Vestry meeting will be posted on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall as they become available. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 21, 2016.

Christ Church Parishioners Honored

Linda Meyer and Erica Stewart received The 2016 David P. Hegg II Lifetime Achievement Award at the Diocese of Newark Senior Ministries 20th Annual Evensong, at St. Peter's Church in Morristown, for their accomplishments, and their commitment and dedication to Christ Church. Shirley Van Dunk received the same award for her commitment and dedication to Church of the Good Shepherd, Ringwood, and to Christ Church. Congratulations to Linda, Erica, and Shirley.

Shepherd's Haven Needs

- A volunteer is needed once a week, between the hours of 11:00 am and 1:00 pm, to cook lunch for 12 to 15 people. The menu is already determined. Call Leigh at 973-835-4747 to volunteer.
- Part time Activities Assistant. If you know of someone that is looking for a part time or summer job, please call Leigh at 973-835-4747.



Christ Church Graduates

Following are our Christ Church family 2016 Graduates. Congratulations everyone, and good luck!

Christopher Geresi graduated from Kutztown University with a major in Marketing. He will be investigating pursuits in Law Enforcement.

Emily Hoeflinger graduated from Texas A & M with a Ph.D. in Philosophy - 20th Century American Literature.

Melanie Liston graduated from Pennsylvania State University with a BS in Forensic Science and a minor in Chemistry and Psychology. She hopes to obtain a job working for a crime lab.

Julia Pikaart (granddaughter of Sue Pikaart) graduated from Westfield High School and will be attending Fairleigh Dickinson University, majoring in Business.

Sean Porter graduated from Wayne Hills High School and will be attending Full Sail University in Florida, majoring in Film Studies.

Nicholas Pugsley graduated from Kinnelon High School and will pursue a career as an electrician.

Blake Rohde (grandson of Tom & Adele Falk) graduated from Gettysburg College with a BA in Organization and Management Studies. He will be at AXA Financial in Morristown.

Mackenzie Rohde (granddaughter of Tom & Adele Falk) graduated from Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child in Summit, NJ. She will be attending Providence College, majoring in Business Economics and Marketing.

Matthew Sellitti (grandson of Rudy and Barbara Sellitti) graduated from Hackensack High School and will be attending Oswego University in Oswego, NY, majoring in Science and Environmental Education.

Blood Drive

Christ Church will be holding a Red Cross blood drive on Saturday, June 25th, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The Red Cross will set up, supply juice and cookies, and clean up afterwards. The blood drive is being organized by Bailey Gottheiner, granddaughter of Janet and Bruce Gottheiner, as part of her work as a member of her high school's Red Cross Club. Their activities include visiting Veterans hospitals, as well as organizing blood drives. The Red Cross recognizes the club activities by giving students credits for their activities, which will apply towards scholarship money. Please consider participating in this life saving event. Thank you to all those who have already signed up. A few reminders. Please bring photo ID with you (such as a driver's license). Drink plenty of water, the more water you drink the quicker the blood donation will go! Eat breakfast if you have a morning appointment or lunch if you are scheduled in the afternoon. Thank you again. We will update you with the results soon.



Let Us Continue on the Road to Where We Are

It's unlikely there are parishioners who recall Father Chillson who was our Priest from 1935 to 1965. He was assigned to Christ Church by Bishop Washburn who asked Father to try to prevent the closing of the little stone church in Pompton Lakes, NJ.

In addition, the Bishop asked Fr. Chillson to look after the people of the Church of the Good Shepherd in Ringwood. The work continued by Father and his wife for thirty years. The people of Ringwood had always been special to us just as they are this day.

What is equally important, and divine intervention, - Father Stephen came to Christ Church and continues to travel to Ringwood each Sunday providing them with the Sacraments and the Good News of Our Lord. Thanks be to God!

Quinnie Chillson



Parish Family Birthdays

Happy Birthday to all of you in our parish family having birthdays in the months of June, July & August. If you have not yet informed the parish office of your birthdate, please call Maureen at 973-835-2207.

June

- 1 - Randy Garb
- 5 - Ashley Tintera Garb
- 5 - Andrew Conklin
- 6 - Kim Pugsley
- 8 - Dylan Thornhill
- 9 - Kevin Gottheiner
- 11 - Hailey Conklin
- 13 - Kurt Wagner
- 14 - Nathan Hanania
- 14 - Caitlin Liston
- 15 - Dawn Milligan
- 16 - Stephen Rozzelle
- 17 - Karen Cahill
- 18 - Krista Lilienthal
- 20 - Priscilla Elliott
- 23 - Jessica Schmidt
- 23 - Olivia Elliott
- 24 - Keith Porter

July

- 1 - Cherise Coleburn
- 1 - Christopher Geresi
- 7 - Erica Stewart
- 7 - Chris Marvinny

- 8 - Lela Novak
- 10 - Debbie Hoeflinger
- 17 - Tony LoBue
- 19 - Norman Coleburn
- 19 - Evan Cassaleggio
- 21 - Jacquelyn Kida
- 24 - Christina Coleburn
- 25 - Alyssa Gottheiner
- 25 - Linda Meyer
- 26 - Bailey Gottheiner
- 28 - Raymond Van Dunk
- 28 - Mikayla Shepard
- 28 - Robert Maass
- 31 - Bill Nagel
- 31 - Susan Miller

August

- 3 - Alan Hanenberg
- 4 - Karen Simone
- 5 - Michael Milligan
- 5 - John G. Tintera
- 5 - Megan Miller
- 8 - Joe Stewart
- 8 - Erin Porter
- 8 - Frank Nemeth
- 11 - Eufemia Campagna
- 14 - Lisa Fitzgerald
- 21 - Karen Bogert
- 22 - Teddy Tintera
- 24 - Debbie DeFreese
- 27 - Donna Stewart
- 29 - Maxine Boudway
- 30 - Ryan Tintera
- 31 - Diana Farrell

Companion Needed

A companion is needed, two days a week from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm, for an elderly man in a wheelchair who lives in Pompton Lakes. Call Mary at 973-831-8176.

Family Promise

Family Promise of Passaic County brings shelter, meals and support to families without homes. Family Promise serves families with children without regard to race, religion or age. Families may stay in the network as needed, providing they are adhering to guest guidelines and making progress in their own efforts towards self-sufficiency.

Once again, Christ Church will host approximately 12-14 people (approximately 4 families) for a one week period beginning Sunday, June 19 through Sunday, June 26. Christ Church volunteers will cook, serve meals, stay overnight, interact with guests. We need volunteers to provide dinners for each day that week, have fellowship time with our guests in the evenings, stay overnight (9:30 pm until 7:30 am), provide food for breakfasts and lunches.

This is an opportunity for Christ Church to do what we do best in providing hospitality, delicious food, and the warmth and love we have to offer, to those who are less fortunate than ourselves. Our Family Promise weeks have been so successful because of the many people who volunteered. Please volunteer to participate in whatever way you can. Sign up sheets are posted in the Parish Hall. For questions or more information, please call the Parish Office, 973-835-2207 or Sue Helm, 973-856-2129.



Sunday School News

The Sunday School children and teachers greeted the Easter Season early this year. Palm Sunday was celebrated on March 20th, and everyone braved the windy day as we walked around the church after receiving our palms. Easter Sunday was on March 27th with three services that morning, and the Children's Service was celebrated at 11 am with the Youth and Cherub Choirs in attendance. It was nice to see some new young faces at the Youth Service and especially joyous when the new children got up and sang with the Cherub Choir! We hope they join us again in the future.

Early communion classes started in April and were taught by Kathy Shepherd who always does an excellent job. There was also be an early Communion workshop with Father Stephen in May. We celebrate Early Communion Sunday on May 22nd at the 9:30 service with cake afterwards.

During coffee hour on April 3rd members of the Cystic Fibrosis (CF) Foundation visited Christ Church. Their goal was to share their stories and experiences so the children and adults could learn more about the CF and also about their efforts to fundraise to develop treatments and an eventual cure for the disease. Kristin Dunn, who has CF, made a significant impression as she explained some of the difficult tasks that she must do every day just to survive with her disease. As a final event for our fundraising year for Cystic Fibrosis, the Sunday School

went on a Fundraiser Walk in Verona on Saturday, May 7th and raised more than \$1500. Hurray for us!!!

The Sunday School students also kicked off the annual Food Drive for St. Mary's. The food drive slogan for 2016 is Operation: End Hunger and on Sunday, April 10th, the students decorated grocery bags to be filled with food donations and brought into church for the food pantry. The children got to celebrate the start of the Food Drive on April 17th with an ice cream party.

Starting at the end of April and running until early June, each week the Sunday School requested nonperishable donations focused on a different theme (e.g. breakfast, lunch, dinner, paper, favorites). The last collection day was June 5th, also the Sunday School Parade of Food to the Saint Mary's Food Pantry!

As always, we will continue to foster and enjoy the wonderful Christian spirits that your children demonstrate each week.

*Karen Cahill, Louise Hanania
and Debbie Onderlinde*

Room Wanted

Zigi Zacs is looking for a room (furnished or unfurnished) with a shared kitchen, in the Pompton Lakes and surrounding area, for September for about a year. Please contact Zigi at 862-248-0092 or zzacs@optonline.net.

Town-wide Garage Sale

July 16

In *The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying-up*, author Marie Kondo writes that if there's something in your life that doesn't give you JOY, get rid of it! Whether you're moving, doing spring cleaning, or just tidying up, remember what doesn't give you Joy might work for someone else!

Help fill the Parish Hall with Joy for somebody else all day Saturday, July 16! We welcome holiday decorations, dishes, jewelry, treasures of all kinds (please no furniture, clothing, or televisions - baby furniture and baby clothes are okay), records, videos, CDs, DVDs, books, working appliances ... to name a few. The list is almost endless! Volunteers are needed July 11-16 to set up and sort. Also needed: lots of baked goods for breakfast and kitchen helpers for lunch.

Call Janet Furness (585-734-0374) or Maureen in the church office (973- 835-2207) with questions or to volunteer.

Ark Book Club

The next meeting of the ARK Book Club will be on Wednesday, June 29 at 7:30 PM. The Book Club will be reading "When Bad Things Happen to Good People" by Harold S. Kushner.

Save the Date

Christ Church will once again hold a fundraising auction in the fall. Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 5 and watch the bulletin and emails for more details!

Treasurer's Note

In an effort to appropriate funds to the correct accounts, any checks intended for the Capital Campaign should be made out to Christ Church noting "Capital Campaign" on the memo line. Thank you for your attention to this detail.



Choir Fund Raiser

Do you have old cellphones, ink cartridges or other small electronic devices such as games, MP3 players and Ipods? Don't toss them in the trash!! Bring them in and leave them in our box in the church office. The choir can recycle these items and receive cash for them! It's a win, win...the choir can buy more great music and you can help the environment at the same time.

Book of Remembrance

You may have noticed the red book on the Prayer Desk on November 2, and when the Lay Reader read the Prayers of the People, names you haven't heard in a while were read along with the names of those in whose memory altar flowers were given, or who were recently deceased. Once a year, on All Saints' Day, or the Sunday after All Saints'

Day, names added to the Book of Remembrance over the past 5 years or so are read.

If you would like a loved one's name inscribed in the Book of Remembrance, which normally resides in the case on the wall to the right of the Baptismal Font, please see Erica Stewart or any one of the Altar Guild members. The person's name, as you would like it to appear (for example, with or without a middle initial or name, etc.), and their birth and death year, will be inscribed in the book and read aloud next year during the Prayers of the People on All Saints' Day. A \$5.00 donation to the Altar Guild is requested.

Just a Reminder

We recycle at Christ Church. Plastics, glass, and metal cans should be placed in the large white plastic containers with the red tops, near the dumpster outside the kitchen. Paper and card board should be flattened and stacked neatly in the blue wire cart, also outside the kitchen, next to the dumpster.

Your help with these items is greatly appreciated since there is no particular person in charge of these tasks, and they shouldn't accumulate in the kitchen. Thanks in advance!

Tent Rental Reminder

Just a reminder to book your tent early for any upcoming Spring and Summer outdoor events. Call the church office for availability and associated fees. The dates get booked quickly... so don't get left standing out in the rain!



Soup on Sunday

The *Soup on Sunday* program continues in Spring and Summer with an expanded outreach. The proceeds from soup will be donated to Father Stephen's granddaughter who has cystic fibrosis.

To order, simply use the soup selection list that is available in the Parish Hall. When 12 pints of a particular soup have been ordered, that particular soup will be made during the week and have it ready for pick up on the next Sunday.

For those who don't always plan in advance, we will more than likely have some specials available from time to time and an inventory available from the freezer. Feel free to take what you like from the freezer and pay Maureen in the Parish Office, or Joel at the 8:00 coffee hour.

Look for the sign-up sheet in the parish hall if you would like to order soups and to support this special cause!

Joel Finger

Capital Campaign Offering Envelopes

Capital Campaign Offering envelopes are available for your convenience, and can be found on the table in the Vestry Room or in the Parish Office.

Vacation Rental

Condo, hotel, or villa accommodations available for rent. Flexible Time and locations across the globe! These are our personal Time shares that we currently cannot use. I offer a NO obligation availability search, so please allow me to find you a great resort, at a location of your choice, at a cost that fits your budget.

Cheryl Finger
cheryl@graphinn.com
973-616-0451



Personalized Cards

If you are looking for a convenient way to send out cards to friends, family, and/or business relations...look no further!

Order personalized cards with your name or signature printed directly on the card and return address printed directly on the envelope! This is a huge time-saving convenience!

Best of all, these cards are offered at a 20% discount and, in addition, Christ Church receives 7% back on the order...making your order a win-win for everyone.

The entire line of cards are available online for perusal at www.graphicinnovations.carlsoncraft.com. On the website, you will be able to select a stock verse or create your own, select typestyles, and personalize it further by adding your name.

There are cards available for all budgets – go on, have some fun! Call Cheryl Finger with any questions or if assistance is needed at 973-616-0309.

To preview products online:
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Our Communal Kitchen

There are many of us who use the kitchen at the church. Those who do should bear in mind the following guidelines:

- Leave the kitchen the way you found it. Everything should be cleaned, hand-dried, and put away. The counters and work surfaces should be clean and free of clutter. It's really nice to come into a clean kitchen.
- If you use cloth towels it would be greatly appreciated if you can bring them home, add them to your own laundry, and return them.
- Make sure the refrigerator doors are completely closed.
- Lock all lockable cabinets before your departure.
- Your help with maintenance is greatly appreciated since there is no particular person in charge of our kitchen; therefore, we all are. Thank you in advance!

The Thrift Shoppe

at 420 11 One Step Up

The Thrift Shoppe is now open on the second and fourth Sunday of each month from 11:00 am until 12:00 noon. We are also open Tuesdays from 3:00 to 7:00 pm, Thursdays from 4:00 to 8:00 pm, and Saturdays from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Donations can be left in the alcove just inside the kitchen door where the soda machine used to be. If there is anyone who has experience with Craig's List, the Thrift Shoppe would like some help posting some big items for sale. The Thrift Shoppe is always in need of shopping bags. For more information please call Florence at 973-962-6289 or 925-640-3421.

Florence Loscalzo

Yarn & Fabric Are Needed

The lovely senior woman who makes knitted and crocheted items such as slippers, scarves, booties, hats, baby blankets, etc. for charity events has expanded her outreach to making "coughing pillow teddy bears" for hospital patients who have had heart surgery. If you have any leftover yarn and fabric that she might be able to use, please consider donating it. Donations can be left in the Church office marked for Erica Stewart. Thank you to all who have donated and continue to donate - she greatly appreciates your donations!

2016 Swim Lessons with Miss Kristen



“Kristen has been giving swim lessons to my two kids for three years now. They are now 8 and 11. Their progress is more than I ever imagined! I originally started my son in it because he is such a daredevil and I wanted him to learn water safety. My daughter was afraid to even be in the shallow end of a pool. So I wanted her to gain confidence. After only a few lessons they both learned basic safety and were confident to even be in the deep end! Now, they are doing laps, diving for rings at the bottom of the deep end, and learning dives. Not only is she a good “swim coach” but also great with kids. I’d recommend Kristen for any level swimmer!”

-Louise, 2015

30-Minute Lesson Packages

Private (One-on-One)

# Lessons	Price	Total	Discount
1	\$36	\$ 36	
4	\$33	\$132	9%
8	\$30	\$240	17%
12	\$27	\$324	25%

Semi-Private

(2 students with similar proficiency, prices per person)

# Lessons	Price	Total	Discount
1	\$24 /person	\$24 /person	
4	\$22 /person	\$88 /person	9%
8	\$20 /person	\$160 /person	17%
12	\$18 /person	\$216 /person	25%

About Me

My name is Kristen Finger and I am a Rutgers student and a recent Pompton Lakes High School Graduate. I have been an American Red Cross certified lifeguard for 5 years and have been teaching swim lessons for the past 3 years at my house as well as at the James W. Roe Memorial Pool in Wayne, NJ. My personal swim journey began with Mommy and Me lessons at the age of 18 months and I have been a fish ever since! At the age of 6, I joined a local swim team and have received coaching to perfect my technique during the off season until the age of 16 when I began life guarding and teaching swim lessons full time.

What I Teach

I teach everything from basic safety in the water to competitive stroke techniques. I strive to help students learn and improve their swimming abilities in a patient and motivating manner! My classes are either private or semi-private (2 students with the same proficiency level) and can be held at either my private home or yours!

Certifications

American Red Cross Lifeguard
CPR/AED Certified
First Aid Certified



Kristen Finger

Text or call: 973-356-6789

E-mail: kristen.finger@rutgers.edu

**Please register early
for best scheduling options!**

Baptisms

May 15

Delia Marie Menezes

June 11

Sofia Brielle Andronaco

June 12

Landon August Jacobson

Evangelina Denae Osborne

Food for Friends

The second Sunday of each month is the traditional day to receive your contributions of canned or packaged food stuff and for personal hygiene items for distribution through our Food for Friends program. Items may be placed in baskets at the baptismal font or in the Children's Chapel. You may also bring items any time during the month and leave them by the box in the Guild Hall.

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Grocery Gift Cards

The painless fundraiser!

When you buy Grocery Gift Cards today, you'll have a good feeling knowing that Christ Church receives a Nickel for every dollar you spend! Grocery gift cards are available from A&P, ShopRite, and Stop & Shop in \$10, \$25, \$50 and \$100 denominations. All of the cards will carry any unused balance until you use it up. Perhaps you would consider donating a Shop Rite gift card to Shepherd's Haven or to Food for Friends. Cards are available from Joe Blauvelt, Linda Meyer after the coffee hours and Maureen Kilian in the church office during the week.



Cards of Remembrance

Cards of remembrance are for those, who on the death of a friend, desire to send a memorial offering to Christ Church, instead of sending flowers. The cards are available through the Parish Office.

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