

## PARISH PRAYER REQUESTS

Christy, Mathew, Rodney,  
Nick, Jeanie, Ed, Ryan &  
family, Betsey, Linton+,  
Lucas, Katy, Sally, Anne  
Marie, and Noelle.

Norma, Ray, David, Trent,  
Judi, Baby Jack, Agnes,  
Pat E, Larry, Phil, Ron,  
Anne, Stacy, and Diane.

Victor, John, Clayton,  
Edyth, George, Lisa,  
Mimi, Kris, Bill, Carol,  
John, Rick, Fred, and Ben.

*Please select a group of names to pray for and feel free to pray for them at home. Call the parish office if you would like a name to be placed on the prayer list. The names will be removed after three months, unless otherwise notified.*

Pray for the congregations of St. Thomas', Camden and St. Peter's, Rockland. Pray for Andrew, Cedric, Cody, Jason, Anderson, and all in the military.

Pray for those who have died especially Tom Miller, father of Kevin Miller, who died this week.

Diocese of Maine Bishop Search collect:

*God of Grace, we give you thanks for all of the blessings of our common life and ministries as the Episcopal Diocese of Maine, and for our leaders who are guiding us through this season of change. Grant to the Discernment and Transition Committees open hearts, minds, and spirits as they receive the Holy Spirit's gifts of faith, hope, and love to aid their work. We ask also that you send courage and vision to our next bishop of Maine as she or he discerns your call.*

### **THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S**

Check out our website for more details! [www.stpaulsmaine.org](http://www.stpaulsmaine.org)

Also on our website are the instructions for electronic giving. Please consider enrolling for a convenient way to provide consistent financial support to the church.

**“Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations  
of our life and labor to God.”**

**Sunday, January 28, 10 am Worship followed by Annual Meeting** and Election of St. Paul's leaders. We begin with our church service at 10:00 am in the Great Hall followed by light snacks and then the Annual Meeting. This year we are asking everyone to bring a savory snack or sweet to share. To help with having a mix of savory and sweets, we suggest that if your last name begins with A through M, bring a savory snack. If your last name begins with N through Z, please bring a sweet. All food donations should be finger foods – no forks needed. Suggestions of savory snacks are cheese and crackers, easy to pick up appetizers, mixed nuts, hummus and pita chips, popcorn, fruit, vegetables, etc. If you cannot bring a snack and would like to contribute, you may make a cash donation to off-set the expenses. We will provide beverages. We look forward to seeing all of you at St. Paul's Annual Meeting – Sunday, January 28th at 10:00 am.

## TODAY

**2:00 pm Winter Garden Workshop.** Basic Principles of Ecological Landscape and Design with Jennifer Claster, Claster Landscape Architecture and Planning. Learn basic landscape design concepts integrated with ecological practices.

## THIS WEEK

**Tuesday, January 16, 12:00 noon. Women's Bible Study** We're all familiar with the "good" girls of the Bible, but how about the Bad Girls of the Bible—And What We Can Learn from Them. Continuing Tuesday, January 16, the Women's Bible Study will be exploring Liz Curtis Higgs' book on what made these infamous "ladies" worthy of being mentioned. Join us from 12:00 to 12:30 for a bag lunch; followed by the book study from 12:30 to 1:30. The book can be purchased on Amazon for \$12.99. For more information or questions, please contact Terry Howell at 729-9306 or email at: [jth1@myfairpoint.net](mailto:jth1@myfairpoint.net)

**Wednesday, January 17, 2:00 pm. Bible Study.** We'll meet from 2:00 to 3:30 in the library, to begin the study of Paul's letter to the Ephesians. Study guides will be provided. Everyone is welcome! FMI contact Julia Walkling, 207-725-6353.

**Wednesday, January 17, 5:30 pm. St. Paul's Café**

## REMINDERS

**Notice of changes** to our schedule due to winter weather conditions will be available on the local TV stations. A parish email will also be sent to all who receive our weekly emails. Please use your personal discretion when deciding to venture out during severe weather.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Monday, January 15, 5:00-7:00 pm. UU Church of Brunswick, Martin Luther King Jr. Community Pasta Supper.** All proceeds go to Mid Coast Hunger Prevention. Suggested donation \$10 per person, kids under 10 eat free. Brief remarks by Rev. Sylvia Stocker “Why Black Lives Matter.”

**Saturday, January 27, 2018, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm.** Grace Episcopal Church invites you to join us for an interactive workshop designed to put our faith into action with John Hennessy, Director of the Maine Episcopal Network for Justice. In this workshop we will explore the concepts of Faith Rooted Organizing and Called to Transformation – An Asset-Based Approach to Engaging Church and Community. These are two complementary concepts that will spark your curiosity and attempt to answer your questions about the need and ability to bring your voice of faith to the public square. In our time together, we will talk about creatively and realistically developing a strategy to incite local change and development based on the theological perspective that God has gifted us with all things necessary to realize shalom – the state of living in peace and prosperity as the people of God. Please RSVP to Glenis Elliott, Volunteer Outreach Coordinator at **207-837-0014** by **January 21st** or via e-mail at **[GlenisWayne93@comcast.net](mailto:GlenisWayne93@comcast.net)** with the number who will be attending so that we will have enough seating for everyone.

**Sunday, January 28, 2:00 pm at St. Paul's.** The annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins Wednesday, January 18, and continues through Wednesday, January 25. The theme for 2018 is “Your Right Hand, O Lord, Glorious in Power” (Exodus 15:6). Begun in 1908, this time has been set aside each year so that Christians the world over may share in the prayer of Jesus: “that all may be one...that the world may believe.” (John 17:21). We have chosen to commemorate the week at 2 pm, Sunday, January 28, with an ecumenical service at St Paul's Episcopal Church, 27 Pleasant Street, Brunswick. Bishop James E. Hazelwood, Bishop of the New England Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Rev. Canon Michael Ambler, Canon to the Ordinary, Episcopal Diocese of Maine and Deacon Dan Sheridan, Director of Ecumenical and Inter-religious Relations for the Diocese of Portland, will preach. Please join us at St. Paul's January 28, 2:00 pm as we give thanks to the Lord, greet one another and renew our prayer for the full, visible unity of the Church.

**Tuesday, February 6, 1:00—6:00 pm. American Red Cross Blood Drive.** St. Paul's will sponsor a blood drive with the Red Cross. The need for blood at this time of year is critical. All blood types are urgently needed. Your donation of blood can go to save three lives. To donate, please go to the Red Cross web site and select the time you would like to donate. Your donation should take about an hour. **Volunteers from St. Paul's are needed** to support this drive. Volunteers will help register donors and give them refreshments when they finish their donation. Any amount of time you can give is appreciated. If you can volunteer, please call Bill Edman at 729-7326 or [WEDman4@comcast.net](mailto:WEDman4@comcast.net).

Sunday, January 14

8:00	Quiet Eucharist		
9:30	Family Eucharist		
9:30	Exploring the Word		737-2369
10:30	Eucharist with choir		
10:15-11:00	Coffee House Discussions		
2:00	Winter Garden Workshop		

Monday, January 15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Parish Office closed

Tuesday, January 16

10:00	Holy Stitches Needlework Group	Charla Spann	406-2172
Noon-1:30	Women's Bible Study	Terry Howell	729-9306
2:30	Reading the Bible and Koran		

Wednesday, January 17

7:30	Men's Group	Al Niese Ted Petterson	406-2396 729-8472
2:00	Bible Study	Julia Walkling	
5:30	St. Paul's Cafe		
7:00	Choir	Randy Day	318-5526

Thursday, January 18

11:00	Holy Eucharist		
Noon	Intercessory Prayer Group	Nancy Hawkins	442-7759
2:00	Women's Group		
7:00	Finance Committee		