



St. Anne's Episcopal Church

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From the Wardens

As we're all practicing safe distancing, frequent handwashing and going out wearing masks, St. Anne's is still there for us thanks to Fr. Jonathan and those who have made Sunday services available via Facebook and YouTube -- Ed, Mark, Peter, and Maria. Their efforts on a weekly basis have made it possible for to continue participation with Sunday worship from our homes. Hopefully, we'll be able to return to some normalcy soon and get back the social aspect of worship that we're currently missing. Speaking of virtual experiences, the vestry held its first virtual meeting using Zoom thanks to Linda. That meeting went well and we'll likely have another one this month.

On the facilities side, many of you know that a tree came down on the roof of the administration building in a windstorm. Fortunately, there was no structural or rain damage but only two holes in the roof and a lot of damaged shingles. The tree has been removed and there is currently a tarp covering the damage to prevent rain from getting in. The Church Insurance Company will cover the damage and has approved a work proposal from Integrity Solutions to repair the roof. Work should begin in the next week or so. Also, piece of the fence behind our building came down and we still need to get that taken care of.

In case you've noticed, driveway barriers blocking have been put out to limit access to the Thrift Shop. This is a temporary measure to

prevent people from dropping off items until the Thrift Shop can re-open.

I know there is talk about things opening sooner rather than later in some states and cities, but our policy is to follow Diocesan guidelines as things change. Several people at St. Anne's are on the Diocesan mailing list and we will keep everyone informed of any changes going forward.

Yours in Christ, Mike Hopkins

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Ed Giroux – Warden
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 Sue Geen – Treasurer
 Marguerite Massey, – Clerk
 Lisa Carpine – 2021
 Louise Boyce – 2021
 Brenda Komarinski – 2021

Rosemary Kinser – 2022
 Jose Torres – 2022
 Michele O'Shea – 2022
 Linda Kusnierz – 2023
 Dorothy Callihan - 2023

Worship:

Online only
 YouTube, Facebook and BATV

COMMUNITY OUTREACH CORNER



Billerica Community Pantry is a community-based volunteer organization working together to provide assistance in food and other non-perishable goods to our elderly, veterans and young families.

Our “Just in time” model for food distribution has helped almost 450 +; which has increased from 185 families just 3 month ago.

The Community Pantry is able to obtain many food items from the Food Bank but we are concerned because many other communities are facing the same increases. If you are able please consider donating food items or cash donations to the pantry. Food donations can be dropped off at 21 Horman Rd, North Billerica 01862. Or Monetary donations can be made to Billerica Community Pantry Inc. P.O. Box 285, Billerica, MA 01821.

If you are in need; we are the next distribution on Monday May 18th 2-5 pm at 70 Concord Road in Billerica (next to Sweeney's Funeral home). This is a drive through distribution – you do not even get out of your car; we ask you pop the trunk and we place the food in – Fast, Easy and Contactless.

Please make sure you RSVP and let us know you are coming (978) 663-8433 or billericapantry@gmail.com

SUNDAY SCHOOL 2019-2020 Take Home Sunday School!

Please contact Brenda Komarinski for a take home packet for the youth in your life



Gardening Angels



The Gardening Angels got together with social distancing recently on a beautiful afternoon to tidy up the Memorial Garden, flower beds and church grounds. Much was accomplished, some areas to be completed and plantings to follow in the coming weeks when weather allows.

St. Anne's Prayer List:

Lord Jesus Christ, Good Shepherd of the sheep, you gather the lambs in your arms and carry them in your bosom: We commend to your loving care this child (Name). Relieve their pain, guard them from all danger, restore to them your gifts of gladness and strength, and raise them up to a life of service to you. Hear us, we pray, for _____. Amen.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others:

Norm and MJ Zarella, Cathie O'Neil, Janet Lyna, Margaret Westerlund, Barbara Rogers, Pat McLeave and family, Cyndi, Donna and Sonny Martell, Cathy and Brian, Edward Bromley, Patricia Mobley, Susan Fader, Fred Brown, Brooks Bassi, Jean Hatch, Debbie King, Cathie and Greg Harper, Ronna Massucco, Irene and Kenneth Mouradian, Rys, Matt, Linda E., Mary Hyatt, Dolly Longuemere, Jose Torres Sr., Sarah Komarinski.

For those in nursing homes or with ongoing illnesses:

Kathy Jeffrey, Marie Horgan, Joshua Young, Dinah Holman

Ongoing activities are currently on hold until further notice

In Closing we ask for Serenity during this troubled time Jesus, let your mighty calmness lift me above my fears and frustrations. By your deep patience, give me tranquility and stillness of soul in you. Make me in this, and in all, more and more like you. Amen.