

**CHRISTMAS
MESSAGE**
BY PRESIDING
BISHOP MICHAEL
CURRY



**VESTRY MEETING 1/27
11:30 AM**



**WHAT'S NEW AT GOD'S
WILL RESALE**



**ANNUAL MEETING 1/20
@ 11:30**

THE GOOD NEWS

Presiding Bishop Curry's Christmas Message 2018



In the Third Chapter of John's Gospel, Jesus says at one point, "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that all who believe in him should not perish but have everlasting life."

For years, I've often thought that that passage only referred to Jesus giving his life as a sacrifice on the cross. And to be sure, that is part of what it means. But some years ago I was reading a commentary by Raymond Brown, on the Gospel of John, and Professor Brown said that that passage not only speaks of Jesus willingly giving his life on the cross, but it actually speaks of Christmas, of God giving his very self, his very son to the world, not for anything God could get out of it, but for the good and the welfare and the well-being of the world. Of us.

Someone once said, in a Christmas poem, "Love came down at Christmas." That's what love is. To give, and not to count the cost. To give, not for what one can get, but for what the other can receive. That's what love is. God so loved the world, that he gave.

I realized recently how powerful that passage really is, when I saw an old poster from 1938. A poster produced by the Episcopal Church at that time, to encourage Episcopalians and other Christians, and other people of faith and good will, to do whatever they could to help Jewish refugees fleeing tyranny in Europe. To help people from all over Europe seeking refuge in America, this land of freedom. The poster depicts Mary, Joseph, and the baby Jesus. They're fleeing persecution in Palestine, as Matthew's Gospel says. And the poster depicting Mary, Joseph, and Jesus says in the tag line, "In the name of these refugees, help all refugees."

God so loved the world, that he gave, even to the point of risking his own son. And in the name of those refugees, in the name of that Jesus, help all refugees, all people who suffer, anyone who's alone, everyone who is in need. That's what love does.

Love came down at Christmas, because God so loved the world, that he gave.

In those days, a decree went out from the Emperor Augustus, that all the world should be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem because he was a descendent from the House of David. He went to be registered with And

New Calendars Courtesy of Strang

Pick up your 2019 Calendar from the Fellowship Hall. Our Calendars are provided by Strang Funeral Home in Antioch. A big thank you to Strang. These are beautiful ways to track our days, and reflect on the seasons as they come. Thank you.



Christmas Pageant



CONTINUE THE MISSION. CONTINUE THE CHURCH.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

AND POTLUCK

ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH EPISCOPAL CHURCH
FELLOWSHIP HALL / SANCTUARY

01.20.2019 | 11:30AM

FOLLOWING THE 10AM MASS

Annual Parish Meeting January 20th

Come to St. Ignatius on 1/20/19 . After the 10 am Mass, please join us for a potluck lunch, and enjoy some fellowship and amazing food. Then, stay after for the annual parish meeting. The 2019 vestry needs your vote. Also, the 2019 budget can't approve itself. All members are highly encouraged to attend. Help us make

SAVE THE DATE

MARDI GRAS

MARCH 5TH @ 6PM

ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH FELLOWSHIP HALL

Christmas Eve Mass, 5pm, opened with our Christmas Pageant. The younger members of our parish (along with some adult helpers) told the story of Jesus' birth. May this beautiful, youthful, boisterous celebration, continue for years to come. Thank you to Linda Mizwicki, Nancy McConnell, Chris Brown, Dennis Mellen, and all the helpers. Merry Christmas!

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8 Week Fall Prevention Program



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BEGINNING FRIDAY 1/18 @ 10AM

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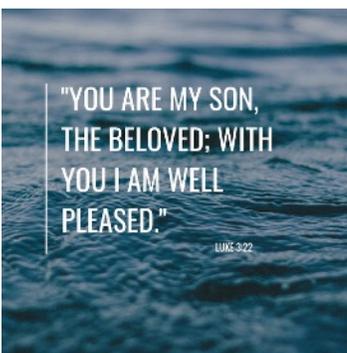
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(CHRISTMAS MESSAGE CONT)

Mary, to whom he was engaged, and who was expecting a child. While they were there, she gave birth to her first-born son, and wrapped him in bands of cloth and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. Meanwhile, in that region, there were shepherds, living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then the angel of the Lord stood above them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them, and they were terrified. The angel said unto them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I am bringing you good news of great joy for all people. To you is born this day, in the City of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign. You will find the child wrapped in bands of cloth, lying in a manger." And suddenly, there was with the angels a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and peace to all people on earth."

Have a blessed Christmas.
 Have a merry Christmas.
 Have a joyful Christmas.
 God love you, God bless you,
 and may God hold us all in
 those almighty hands of love.

The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry
Presiding Bishop & Primate
The Episcopal Church



2019 CARTOON LITURGICAL CALENDAR (JANUARY) BY WWW.CPG.ORG



January 3, 2019

In preparation for the upcoming annual parish meeting scheduled for [Sunday, January 20th](#), the following nominees for the Vestry will be presented to the congregation:

- Kathy Kraak**
- Paula Neville**
- Roger Vanpatten**

Election to the Vestry requires a plurality of votes at the annual parish meeting. Parish members are allowed to vote and are defined in the Parish By-Laws as follows:

Parish Members are qualified to vote for members of the Vestry and upon all questions coming before any Annual or Special Parish Meeting. Parish members are baptized persons sixteen or more years of age, who regularly attend the public services of the Episcopal Church in the Parish, and are recognized as members of the Parish by the Rector and at least one of the Wardens, or, if the Rector be not present, by the two Wardens. Additionally, voting members are those who have made a commitment of financial support to the operating budget of the parish and have been regularly paying on that commitment for at least six months as verified by the Treasurer preceding the date of the parish meeting; and in addition, declare their willingness to conform to the doctrine, discipline and worship of The Episcopal Church. (Diocesan Canon 22.3)

The 2018 Vestry is comprised of 7 members of which 4 are retiring. As outlined in the Parish By-Laws, the Vestry will be composed of the Rector, two Wardens and four to seven additional members. The election of nominees as outlined above will place the number of 2019 Vestry members at 6 which satisfies the minimal requirement.

As outlined in the By-Laws, additional nominations by the petition of at least five voting members may be made no later than two weeks prior to the date of the Annual Parish Meeting ([January 20th](#)). Additional nominations must be forwarded to the attention of your Wardens by [Sunday, January 6th](#).

Nominations from the floor will not be received at the meeting.

If you have any questions or require additional information please contact either Katie Foster or Bill McElligott.

Thank you.

January 2019

VESTRY MEETING

Jan 27 - Following the 10am Mass

JANUARY 20TH @ 11:30

VOTE FOR YOUR 2019

Vestry

01.20.19

We are starting a
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Spring Semester of Children's Formation
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For more information: see Linda Mizwicki or Erin Tetour

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**JAN 12TH
8AM-1PM
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ANTIOCH**

Checks made out to St. Ignatius

Mark Your Calendars! January 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
		New Year's Day OFFICE IS CLOSED	9am - 5pm GWRS OPEN	9am-5pm GWRS OPEN 10:00 am - CWM Meeting Fellowship Hall	9am-5pm GWRS OPEN	9am - 2pm GWRS OPEN Funeral for Mary Ann Allred 3pm
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Epiphany 7:30 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am Formation 10:00 am Holy Eucharist			9am - 5pm GWRS OPEN 12pm Holy Eucharist	9am-5pm GWRS OPEN Golden Gems Luncheon 11:00 am	9am-5pm GWRS OPEN 12pm: Senior Book Club - Deep Lake Rd 7:00 PM - Fellowship Hall Reserved for Private Event	9am-2 pm GWRS OPEN Snowflake Brunch at Antioch VFW 8am-1pm
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
7:30 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am - Formation 10:00 am Holy Eucharist	Knitters & Crocheters 1:00 pm at UMCA		9am - 5pm GWRS OPEN 12pm Holy Eucharist	9am-5pm GWRS OPEN	9am-5pm GWRS OPEN CWM Fall Prevention Belmont Village Buffalo Grove 10am	9am - 2pm GWRS OPEN
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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27	28	29	30	31		
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 to power over the farthest limits of the earth.
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 He who rose for our sakes is my one desire.

-St. Ignatius of Antioch c. 107 A.D.

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