



Christ Church Chronicles

Sunday Schedule

Based on recent guidance from the Bishop, Christ Church will continue to follow modified [Phase I restrictions](#) through January 15; which includes **no in-person worship**.

9:30 AM, Holy Eucharist, Rite II; streamed online via [Facebook](#).

Barring an additional rise, we will resume in-person worship with streaming via [Facebook](#) under our modified [Phase II protocols](#) starting January 16.*

Updated safety protocols, including details about sign-ups, will be shared next week by e-mail, Facebook, and on our website at www.christpottstown.org.

**Subject to change, please refer to our [website](#) or [Facebook](#) page for the latest updates.*

The parish office and building will remain closed during the week (except for pre-approved small gatherings) and, for the time being, staff will continue working remotely.

Update from our Deacon

I write this on Epiphany morning, the day that wise men conclude their journey to worship a baby king. The day that the light of Jesus shines in all the world. It is a good and joyful thing to welcome the light in the darkness of winter and a pandemic that seems to worsen daily, even with the promise of a cure on the way. I need to remind myself that it is not enough to simply endure these dark times, but to look to that light, and let it encourage, feed, envelope, and guide me.



[CLICK HERE](#) to read more.

Annual Meeting

Our annual meeting will be held on Sunday, February 7, and will be virtual. The Rector's annual address will be given in the context of the homily that morning, but the rest of the abbreviated annual meeting will be



conducted via Zoom. Details will be forthcoming.

The end of next week, mail-in ballots will be sent out with instructions to elect members of the 2024 Vestry class. If there are nominations “from the floor” for this year’s annual meeting of those who wish to stand Vestry, they need to be made no later than January 12, 2021. The requirements for standing for Vestry are in the [Bylaws](#).

[CLICK HERE](#) to read more.

Altar Guild Schedule

The 2021 Altar Guild schedule is now available, [CLICK HERE](#) to view. This information can also be found under the [Worship tab](#) on our website.

Christ Church’s Altar Guild is a ministry of “quiet service”, behind the scenes, but a most critical act of service to the church. We welcome men and women to join our “teams” who take pride in preparing all areas of our church for worship. If you are interested in the becoming a member of the Altar Guild, please contact Sharon Johnson at (610) 621-0043 or slj2146@aol.com.



Daily Parish Cycle of Prayer

Christ Church’s Daily Cycle of Prayer calls us to pray for the people who live on three or four specific, named streets in Greater Pottstown each day. This is a way for us to hold our neighbors before God and fulfill the Pauline exhortation to “pray without ceasing.”

We encourage all to join us in prayer; by year’s end, we will have prayed for everyone who lives and works in our area.

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the daily prayers.



Soul Care for Caregivers

Soul Care for Caregivers, a diocesan program, provides prayer and support for Frontline Caregivers. The 2020 coronavirus pandemic has brought into stark relief the courageous, ongoing, and whole-self-sacrifice of frontline caregivers, those who care for the sick and their families in hospitals and the community. They are looking for your help in prayer, [SIGN UP](#)



[HERE.](#)

Stop Racism

New year, new opportunity to participate in the diocese's 4-part anti-racism program. Part one, Introduction to Systemic Racism, led by Lailah Dunbar-Keeys, M.S. M.Ed., an educator and writer, will be held on January 30 (online). [CLICK HERE](#) for details.



Staying Grounded in Your Faith

During this time of distancing ourselves from others, it is especially important to find different ways to engage with your spirituality. The following is a list of resources that can be accessed from home:

[Book of Common Prayer](#) – Church Publishing has made a digital, clickable copy

[Daily Lectionary](#) – assigned readings and the collect for each day

[Forward Day by Day](#) – daily meditations. Now also available in audio; podcast is available on all streaming platforms, including Apple Podcasts, Spotify, Stitcher, and anywhere else you listen to podcasts.

[Tucked In](#) – Bedtime stories and prayers with Episcopalians and others each Monday and Wednesday.

[Three Minute Retreat](#) – take a short prayer break right at your computer; spend some quiet time reflecting on a Scripture passage

[d365 Daily Devotional for Youth](#) – inspirational and relevant reflections on scripture for young people

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