



## Christmas Day ❖ December 25, 2016

May the joy of the angels,  
the eagerness of the shepherds,  
the perseverance of the wise men,  
the obedience of Joseph and Mary,  
and the peace of the Christ child  
be yours this Christmas;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

*The Church of England*

### HOLY INNOCENTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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#### Weekly Worship Services

Sundays at 8:00 AM (*no music*) & 10:30 AM (*with music*)  
Wednesdays at noon (Holy Eucharist) & 6:00 PM (The Gathering)

#### **Feast of the Holy Innocents'**

Our noon service this Wednesday will commemorate this feast day, which is where our church gets its name. The service of Holy Eucharist begins at noon.

#### **New Year's Day Worship**

We will go back to our regular schedule of two worship services on January 1st.

#### **Contribution Deadlines for 2016**

All contributions for 2016 must be received or postmarked by December 31 in order to qualify for the 2016 tax year. *The church office will be closed December 24 through January 1* and will reopen on Monday, January 2, so please make sure you give yourself time to get your contributions delivered or postmarked by December 31.

#### **Church Office Closed**

The church office will be closed from Saturday, December 24, through Sunday, January 1. We will reopen on Monday, January 2, at 8:00 a.m. Should you have a pastoral emergency during this time, please call the church office at 813-689-3130 and leave a message on the emergency voice mail.

#### **Coming in January**

- ❁ *Book of Revelation class begins January 5.* Meets Thursdays at 2:00 in Parish Hall.
- ❁ *Begin earning scouting's protestant medallion.* All scouts in grades 1-6 are welcome to be part of this class. Contact Beth Latshaw-Foti at [elatshaw@earthlink.net](mailto:elatshaw@earthlink.net).
- ❁ *Time change for men's bible study.* Men will meet on the 2nd & 4th Mondays beginning at 7:30 in the youth room.
- ❁ *The Gathering resumes on Wednesday, January 11!*
- ❁ *Church directory update:* The directory is being reviewed and will go to the publisher in January. We will have it three weeks after it is turned in. There will be a make-up date in March for those who are new or who missed getting their pictures taken in the fall. More details will be available in January.

**CONTACTING THE STAFF** As we prepare for 2017, the church staff would like you to have current email addresses so you can easily reach each of us. Please refer to the list below as needed. If at any time you have a pastoral emergency, please call the church office at 813.689-3130.

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**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS & DECORATIONS ARE GIVEN BY THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE**



**Barbara Baker**, in thanksgiving for my grandchildren: Loren, Hazel, Veronica, Brielle, and Emmet  
**The Bass Family**, in memory of Wendy and Brian Meldrum  
**Ann & Dean Berger**, in thanksgiving for 55 years of marriage  
**Patricia Boody**, in memory of Harvey, Miriam and Kristen Winslow  
**Sue Bothe**, in thanksgiving for all the many blessings I have received  
**Bill Cox**, in thanksgiving for all God's blessings  
**Beverly Knox**, in thanksgiving for family and friends  
**The Marshall Family (2)**  
 In memory of Connie's parents, Edward and Helene Yanick  
 In memory of Neil's parents, Richard and Frances Marshall  
**Mary, Kathy, Linda and Susan**, in thanksgiving for Ann Katschka, our beautiful mother and inspiration  
**Jim & Cheryl Massaro**, in memory of Pringle & Eloise Redmond and Sam & Dorothy Massaro  
**Gordon & Sylvia McIntyre**, in memory of Billie McIntyre and in thanksgiving for our McIntyre and Capps families  
**The Meldrum Family**, in memory of Brian & Wendy Meldrum  
**Judy Mickel**, In memory of Linda Wolf Meyer and in thanksgiving for Pepe, Belinda and Savannah  
**Rob & Laura More**, in memory of our parents: Bob & Virginia and Nina & Dick  
**Cindy & Mike Overstreet**, in memory of Thelma Court and Ruth Ingalls  
**Tannia Peeples**, in memory of Don Peeples  
**Chrystal & Graham Roberts**, in thanksgiving for our children and grandchildren  
**Sherry & Michael Roithmayr**, in memory of Walter & Lillian Roithmayr, Robert & Marjorie Hagaman Jr. and Robert Hagaman, III  
**Ann Schoonmaker**, in memory of Janice and Mac Simpkins  
**Beth Seifert**, in memory of Bob Seifert  
**Bill & Pat Staley**, in memory of Walter & Geraldine Staley and Mickey White, and in thanksgiving for the Kartes Family: Shawn, Elizabeth, Austin and Ella  
**Paul Ulrich**, in thanksgiving for our many blessings  
**Kathy & Dale Vona**, in thanksgiving for Montine Ryon  
**Janet & Ken Watts**, in memory of Patlosky & Watts families  
**Bill & Beth Younker**, in memory of Corinne Kizer & Ralph Burk, and thanksgiving for family & friends

**THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

**Birthdays**

**December 25** Billy Watts  
**December 26** Michele Wolfe  
**December 27** Karen Godfrey  
**December 28** Judy Johnson  
 Mark Zak  
**December 29** Jim Sweat  
 Myrna Younglove  
**December 31** Jim Elder  
 Dayna Swanigan

**Anniversaries**

**December 28**  
 Jan & Jim Cary  
 Scarlett & Eugene Lenihan  
 Ruth & Steve Nowland  
 Ashley & Robb Routh

*We apologize if your birthday or anniversary is this week and it is not listed. Please call the office to update your information in our system.*

**FINANCIALS**

**How are we doing financially?** Prior Week Actual Revenue: **\$15,227**. Prior Week Budgeted Expenses: **\$9,560**. YTD Actual Pledge/Regular Contributions: **\$425,858**. YTD Budgeted Pledge/Regular Contributions: **\$441,252**. Thank you for keeping your financial commitments up to date.