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The First Sunday after the Epiphany

Holy Family Episcopal Church

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Our Staff:

The Rev. Cathy Scott, Deacon

Jolene Johnston, Director of Children's Ministry and

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Marty Blake, Director of Youth Ministry Cheryl Burke, Parish Administrator Bethany Paden, Music Director Church Office Hours:

Monday-Wednesday from 9 AM -2PM

The Vestry:

Senior Warden Ben Paden, **Junior Warden** Lauren Hendrickson; *Treasurer* Betty Bogeman; Connor Wilson (youth), Dan Chillemi, Marty Blake, Fred Stahly, Susie Beard, Debbie Talbert, Doug Tannas, Lauren Wilson, Lee Cahalan; *Clerk* TBD

The next vestry meeting will be held at 7 PM on Tuesday, January 16th.

Serving this Sunday, January 7:

Celebrant: The Rev. Larry Walters
Homily: The Rev. Larry Walters
Deacon: The Rev. Cathy Scott
Music Director: Bethany Paden
Greeter: Scott Wilson

Ushers: Brad Daniells, Joe Schrock

Readers: Betty Bogeman, David Emerson, Bob Murray,

Bryan Luce

Prayers: Wade Nichols, Joel Bruns

Chalice: Sandra Cline, Joan Head, Debbie Talbert

Acolytes: Joe Spangler, Jenny Luce, Mikaila Blake, Noah Tannas

Healing: Nancy Thomas, Ruth Everett

LEV: Nancy Thomas

Almoners: Lauren Hendrickson, Lee Cahalan

AG Sat. Set Up: Greta Wilson, Carol Bruns

AG Bread: Evelyn Johnson AG Sun. Set Up Amy Mundie

AG Clean Up: Greta Wilson, Lauren Wilson

Hospitality: Bryan Luce

9 AM Sunday School

Adult Forum: Half Truths #1: Everything Happens

for a Reason

Godly Play: Heather Tannas

Believers/Disciples: Bryan Luce, Stephen Canter

Youth Group: Marty Blake

10 AM Childcare

Nursery: Megan Perigo PreK-1st grade: Carol Dial



Sunday's readings:

First Reading Genesis 1:1-5 Psalm 29 Second Reading Acts 19:1-7 Gospel Mark 1:4-11

Our Mission

We bear witness to the Light of Christ by serving as the heart and hands of Jesus, nourishing people and transforming lives.

Worship and Feast Days

Altar Flowers: A new calendar is available for those who wish to purchase altar flowers to celebrate a milestone or remember a loved one. Please sign up to donate flowers on the chart located in the hallway near the parish hall. The cost to sponsor altar flowers for one Sunday is \$55.



Congregationa

Rector Search

We will make every effort to keep all members of the congregation updated on our progress during our search for a new rector. Currently we are in the rector discernment phase. Questions about the search process may be directed to our Senior Warden Ben Paden: benpaden@hfec.org You may also follow our updates ONLINE.

Search Prayer: Holy Spirit, inspire and guide our Search Committee as they discern candidates who have made application to be our Rector. Grant our Committee clarity, wisdom, and vision as they work together in this important task. Likewise, prepare the heart of the priest who will answer our call for leadership and grant that individual wisdom and peace in their prayerful discernment. May all decisions spring forth from our desire to please God. Grace us with perseverance and patience as we continue to bear witness to the light of Christ by serving as the heart and hands of Jesus. We pray this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior.

Christian Education



Sunday School Resumes: Sunday school for all ages resumes this Sunday, January 7th at 9 AM. Classes are available for Godly Play (PreK-grade 1), Believers (grades 2-3), Disciples (grades 4-6), Youth Group (7-12), and adults. Volunteers are needed in our Children's Ministry program - please sign up **HERE**. Registration forms are required for all ages. Registration forms are available at the welcome desk.

Adult Forum: Half Truths #1: "Everything Happens for a Reason" - We've all heard this phrase, yet it is not actually scripture. Please join Adult Forum this Sunday at 9 AM as we review Pastor Adam Hamilton's study on common Christian

phrases that are only half true and compare them to what the Bible actually says. (Although not required to participate, those who are interested may find the book <u>Half Truths</u> by Adam Hamilton on the Amazon and Cokesbury websites.)



Adult Forum Next Sunday: On January 14th at 9 AM, Sister Barb McClellan, founder of Miracle Place, will visit Holy Family and speak about the services they offer inner-city children, seniors, and victims of domestic violence.



Marty Blake January 4 Katherine Roth January 9

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Thanks Be to God

- The Reverend Larry Walters for celebrating Eucharist with us; view his homily **HERE**
- All those who helped shovel sidewalks and apply salt during our recent snow storms

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Outreach Opportunities

<u>January Outreach - Miracle Place</u>: During the month of January, we are asking for the following supplies to be donated to support the programs at Miracle Place in Indianapolis: granola bars, fruit snacks, crackers, dried fruit, pudding cups, large bags of premade popcorn (not microwave), Chex cereal, Cheerios, raisins, large bag of M&Ms, snack-size paper plates, and 9 oz. paper cups. Monetary donations are also gratefully accepted.



Happy Christmas

Cleanup

Fellowship Gatherings

<u>Game Night</u>: Join us on Friday, January 12th beginning at 6 PM for our monthly game night. We'll play board games and card games - fun for the whole family. Food and drinks will be provided. See you there!

<u>Newcomer Lunch</u>: If you have started attending Holy Family in the six months, you are invited to a newcomer lunch that will be held on Sunday, January 14th at 11:45 AM in the Parish Hall. This is an opportunity to get to know the clergy and wardens of Holy Family. Please RSVP online by Wednesday, January 10th so that enough food can be prepared.

Youth Group Monthly Dinner Meeting: Youth Group students (grades 7-12) are invited to our monthly dinner meeting on January 21st from 5:30-8:00 PM. The entree will be provided. Please bring a side dish or drinks to share. Please contact Youth Director Marty Blake to RSVP or for more information. mblake@hfec.org

Other News

<u>Childcare Volunteers Needed</u>: All adult volunteers are required to complete online training through the Diocese and must have been active members of the church for at least six months. We are happy to contact you to begin this process once you sign up to volunteer. Please use <u>this link</u> to access the 10 AM Nursery sign-up sheet. Click <u>HERE</u> to sign up to supervise 10 AM Childcare for children in PreK-1st grade.

Hospitality Help Wanted: Sign up to serve as hospitality hosts by clicking HERE.

<u>Vestry Applications Now Being Accepted</u>: We are now accepting applications for Vestry for the term beginning in January/ February 2018. Each Vestry member serves a three-year term. If you are interested in adding your name to the ballot for voting which will take place at the Annual Meeting in January, please see Lauren Hendrickson, Marty Blake, or Dan Chillemi for more information. You may also contact the church office. admin@hfec.org

<u>Church Un-greening</u>: THIS SUNDAY January 7th, after the 10 AM service we will be removing the decorations from the Sanctuary. Please stay in the Sanctuary after the service that day if you are able to help. Many hands make light work!



Annual Meeting- January 21st: The Holy Family Annual Meeting will take place on January 21st from 9:00-9:50 AM. One youth and three adult Vestry members will be elected at that meeting. In addition, 2 delegates and 2 alternates for the Diocesan Convention will be elected. In order to facilitate a quick meeting, we will need 2 adults to volunteer to watch the children in 6th grade and under while they enjoy a movie. Youth Group members in 7th grade and higher are expected to attend the meeting. Please contact Jolene Johnston if you wish to volunteer to provide childcare

during the meeting. jjohnston@hfec.org

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Our crafters will gather in the Narthex at 7 PM on Wednesday, February 7th.

Church Budget Through End of November:

	Actual	Budgeted
Income	\$163,839	\$162,409
Expenses	\$148,822	\$160,847
Difference	\$15, 017	\$1,562

Pledging Options: Did you know that you can issue checks from your bank directly to Holy Family? As more and more people stop carrying checkbooks with them, this is an easy option to set up recurring payments to fulfill your pledge for the year. If you prefer, you can pay your pledge via credit card through the church website. Simply use the secure PayPal link on the Contact Us page of the website. Please contact the church office if you have any questions. admin@hfec.org

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