

CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE PASTOR

“Where did I find you, God, so that I might learn to know you? You were not in my memory before I learned to know you. Where then have I found you, if not in yourself and above me?” (St. Augustine, Confessions). Samuel had the very unusual experience of having the Lord come and stand before him and speak to him face to face, voice to ear (1 Sam 3:10). But for most of us, even for the great St. Augustine, the very same voice comes to us in a different but just as powerful way. Augustine found the answer to his question, “Where is God?” not within himself or in humanity but in the Scriptures that God had given to him and to all of humanity. There he learned who his Lord is, how his Lord speaks, and how he is to speak. So life-changing was this that Augustine became one of the greatest theologians of the Church and founded an order of monks. Centuries later, that order trained and produced none other than Martin Luther. A story every Lutheran knows is that of Martin Luther’s search to know God. Yet that came only after nearly being killed by lightning, vowing to become a monk, and then becoming a student of Holy Scripture. It was there in the Word, and only in the Word, that Luther would learn who the Lord is, how he speaks, and how we are to speak for him. Luther had entered a quest for an answer as to how a sinful human being could ever stand before a holy and righteous God. That search was finally fulfilled when he read, “The righteous shall live by faith” (Gal 3:11). Everything else then made sense, and every other thought, action, deed, and speech would be shaped by that great truth—of Scripture.

Special points of Interest

- ◆ 1/7– undecorating church
- ◆ 1/21– Voters Meeting

There will still be regular worship service at 10:45am on New Years Eve!

The Boy Scout's program slogan is "Leave No Boy Inside" Boys! Get off the couch, put your video games down and look around at nature. Enjoy what God has given us! Ages 11-17 The scouts meet on Thursday nights between 7-8:30pm. Please check out our website at www.troop2010.com for more information.

The scouts are always looking for new members. If you are between the ages of 10-17 and are interested in scouting, please stop by on Thursday Night with a parent. If you are over 18, there are always opportunities for you to get involved with the leadership of the scouts. Please speak with Charles Blaha, Scout Master.

Cub Scouts now meet every 3rd & 4th Tuesday of the month! 7-8pm Ages 5-10



Undecorating

January 7th



NO Sunday
School on
1/14

Please remember to
send in your child's
baptismal date by
the Jan 7th class.

The Girl Scouts Daisy Troop 40145 is a new member of the church as they will be using our Fellowship Hall for their meetings to fulfill their mission statement. "Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place."

The Daisies meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday night of each month.

Led by Toni Ann Mulligan, Kate Reinertsen and Danielle Hansen.

They are just letting the church community know they are there!

Thank you so much Daisies for the wonderful Christmas packages sent out.

If you would like more information contact ToniAnnsBookshelf@gmail.com



GATHERINGS/MEETINGS

Pastor Tyce is available at the church every Thursday from 2-4:30 PM

Sunday School & Adult Bible Class - Every Sunday - 9:30 AM

Worship Service - Every Sunday - 10:45 AM

Church Council - 2nd Tuesday of each month - 7 PM

Ladies Guild - 3rd Wednesday of each month - 7:30 PM

Lion's Club - 1st Tuesday of each month - 7-9 PM

Boy Scouts - Every Thursday - 7-9 PM

LADIES GUILD

Thank you to everyone who took a tag or two off of the gift giving tree to purchase supplies for the church.

January Altar Guild

Sylvia Walker

Next Meeting:

January 17



International Luncheon - Feb 4th
following church service.

Bring a dish from your heritage.

SUNDAY SERVANTS

December 31st - New Year's Eve

Assistant: Linda Worker

Organist: Joan Tisbe

Usher: Irene Tatti

Lector: Linda Worker

January 7th - Church Undecorating

Assistant: Irene Tatti

Organist: Teresa Tyce

Usher: Barbara Cavanagh

Lector: Barbara Cavanagh

January 14th

Assistant: Birgitt Culver

Organist: Chris Williams

Usher: Audra Morrison

Lector: Birgitt Culver

January 21st

Assistant: Linda Worker

Organist: Joan Tisbe

Usher: Chris Williams

Lector: Linda Worker

January 28th

Assistant: Irene Tatti

Organist: Teresa Tyce

Usher: Sylvia Walker

Lector: Irene Tatti

Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who came to our Christmas Pageant. As always the children were great.



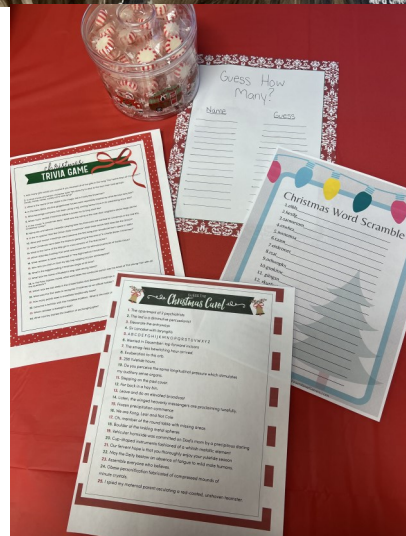
MISSION GROUP

We have been helping with The Warming Center.

Rockland County's Warming Center is operated by Catholic Charities Community Services of Rockland, in partnership with the Rockland County Department of Social Services and is open now through April. The Center has space for up to 75 homeless single adults at the Dr. Robert L. Yeager Health Center in Pomona. The Center remains open each night regardless of the temperature and remain open during the day when the temperature is 32 degrees or below.

On December 19, we heated up food and served dinner to the homeless. Thank you to everyone who brought in the needed items. We delivered 24 blankets, 18 coats and 30 personal care kits. We are now collecting pillow cases and any-size sheets. They don't have to be new. There will be a collection box for your donations.

Ladies Guild Holiday Party



A lovely afternoon had by all who attended.

A special thank you to the Boy Scouts for the Christmas Wreaths, church supplies, and the ornaments & stuffed animals presented at the Christmas Eve service. All is very much appreciated!

*Thank
You*



Voters Meeting

A meeting of the voting membership will take place on January 21st following the worship service.

Items on the docket are

-The proposed Budget for 2024

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We wish you and your loved ones a very happy, healthy, and peaceful New Year!

Best regards.

PS. We are toasting the New Year and the naming of Jesus following the service on December 31.

We are going to update the church directory. Please fill out to update.

We are currently updating our congregational records. Please complete the form below and return it to Barbara Cavanagh, place it in the Ladies Guild mailbox or e-mail it (BViguie@aol.com). Thank You.

Name: _____ DOB _____

Street Address: _____

Town/Zipcode _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Wedding Anniversary: _____

Other Household Members:

Name: _____ DOB _____

Name: _____ DOB _____

Name: _____ DOB _____

Name: _____ DOB _____

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Council
January 9th
7:00pm

Church Council

President: Irene Tatti
Vice President: Chris Williams
Treasurer: Robert Walsh
Financial Secretary: Birgitt Culver
Secretary: Linda Worker
Church Administrator: Barbara Cavanagh (914)-282-9512
Elders: Irene Keenan, Jim Poesl
Trustees: Rich Campbell, Joe Cymerman
Sunday School Superintendent: Andrea Tyler

**JANUARY BIRTHDAYS
AND ANNIVERSARIES**

1– Pam Toborg
5– Austin Lupo
7– Jordyn Gavan
8– Austin Tyler , Teresa Tyce
12– Robert Walsh
14– Andrea Tyler
19– Jason Culver
20– Liisa Jaaskelainen
25– Kristin Tatti
30– Mariela Gutenberger

BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

10– Cameran Gavan

ANNIVERSARIES

10– Alexis and Chris Lupo



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