

Weekly e-Epistle

from St. James' Mill Creek Wilmington, Delaware

Issued: November 14, 2018

This Week: 25th Sunday after Pentecost November 18, 2018

Service Times 8:00am & 10:15am Click <u>Here</u> for Scripture Readings



A word from Fr. Jim: "Retirement"

With mixed emotions, on Monday, November 12, 2019, I submitted to the Vestry my request to resign and retire as Rector of St. James' Mill Creek effective Sunday, June 30, 2019. It has been a wonderful 16+ years and the time seems right to consider the next phase of life, both for me personally and for the parish. A letter announcing my resignation was mailed on Tuesday, November 13, a copy of which can be read <u>here</u>.



Lynn Baker is once again heading up the solicitation of donations from the parish to help two families referred to us by Adopt-a-Family Delaware to have something for Christmas. A video of this ministry can be viewed <u>here</u>.

FAMILY 1 - Grandmother, head of household, has always had custody of her oldest grandchild. Grandmother lost her job and gained custody of four additional grandchildren this year. She now has custody of five grandchildren. Anything would be greatly appreciated. **Children:** Females ages 13, 9, 8; Males ages 9, 6.

FAMILY 2 - Father is married but due to his wife's substance abuse issues he has been the sole caretaker of their 6 children since March 2018. He has been balancing working full time and taking care of the children. They have been living in a RV until he is able to get more financially secure to obtain more stable housing. The children have been quite resilient throughout this time and although they struggle with not having their mother with them, they have been able to maintain a positive outlook. It would truly be a blessing for this family to be adopted this holiday season. **Children:** Females ages 13, 8, 6; Males ages 15, 4, 3.

Tercentennial Capital Campaign Less than \$20,000 needed to get Diocesan Match

We are less than \$20,000 from reaching our goal of \$300,000 for the Tercentennial Campaign. If we can reach our goal by the end of December the Diocese will kick in another \$50,000!!! If you still have a pledge balance, please finish those payments by the middle of December so we can report to the Diocese that we have met our goal. Only monies in hand will count toward the \$300,000 goal. If you are not sure if you have a balance, we will be contacting those with outstanding balances very soon.

Upcoming Services and Events

Click on the month below for the Servers' Schedules

NOVEMBER

SUNDAY, November 18 - 26th Sunday after Pentecost

- 8:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST in Church
- 9:00 a.m. Nursery available in Parish House
- 9:05 a.m. "The Path" Bible Study (Chapter 6)
- 9:05 a.m. Christian Education
- 10:15 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST with music in Church
- 11:30 a.m. Hospitality in Parish House

Wednesday, November 21

• No Service or Bible Study

SUNDAY, November 25 - Last Sunday after Pentecost

- 8:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST in Church
- 9:00 a.m. Nursery available in Parish House
- 9:05 a.m. "The Path" Bible Study (Chapter 7)
- 9:05 a.m. Christian Education
- 10:15 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST with music in Church
- 11:30 a.m. Hospitality in Parish House

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