# Saint Dunstan's Church

Building and strengthening relationships among God and God's children, through Christ our Lord.



#### **PRAYERS**

Birthdays: Gay Lanasa, Anne Lauer, Margie Cunnion,

**Bradford Taishoff** 

For those who Died: Chris Moore

**Prayer List:** Stefan, Michael, Tom, Willy, Jane, Mani, Janice, Charles, Jack, Chelsea, Mike, Ross, Jo, Debbie, John, Glen, Jim, Sandy, Judy, Irene, Barry, Pricilla, Marilyn, Karen, Rosa Maria, Clift, Catherine, Janet, Jason, Bradley, Ann, Lisa, Nina, Dixie, Julie.

#### **DECEMBER SERVICES & EVENTS**



# **Sunday, December 15th - Advent 3**

DELIGHT CAN'T WAIT (Joy can't wait)

Advent Lessons and Carols during 10:15 service

Adult Forum after both services

### Sunday, December 22nd - Advent 4

COURAGE CAN'T WAIT (Love can't wait)

Adult Forum after both services

Special Reception for Gray Snead

## Tuesday, December 24th - Christmas Eve Services

5:00 PM - Children's Pageant & Holy Eucharist

10:30 PM - Choral Prelude: *Gloria* by A. Vivaldi W/ orchestra and soloists
11:00 PM Holy Eucharist
Hymns with Strings and Brass *O Holy Night*Silent Night by candlelight

# Wednesday, December 25th - Christmas Day

10:00 AM in Chapel - Holy Eucharist

#### **CHRISTMAS PAGEANT 2019**

We need participants for this years' Christmas pageant. All parts are acting only – no speaking, just costumes! There will be one short rehearsal Dec. 24th before the 5pm service. Please arrive by 4:15 for costumes and instructions. The Pageant sign-up sheet is on the table in the back of the church. See Gray for more info.

#### CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Donations for Christmas flowers may be given as Thank offerings or Memorials. Please contact the church office or fill out the enclosed envelope and place in the offertory plate by 15 December. Thank you!

#### **COFFEE HOUR HOSTS NEEDED**

The fellowship committee is seeking people, family's or groups interested in being coffee hour hosts. We ask that hosts serve about two times a year by providing light snacks (think cookies, cheese & crackers, etc..) and making coffee & tea in the winter, lemonade in the summer for the fellowship after the 10:15 service. New hosts will be trained as needed. Please contact Martha Taishoff, (mvtaishoff@gmail.com), if you are interested. Thanks!

#### 2020 OUTSTANDING PLEDGE CARDS

Thirty-three pledge cards have been returned to date. Thank you! Your financial pledge is critical in keeping St. Dunstan's running and serving the community every day. Pledge cards are located on the table in the back of the church. You may return your pledge card by placing in the offertory plate or mailing it to the church.

#### **OUTREACH**

## **SERVICE OPPORTUNITY!**

From December 22<sup>nd</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> Epiphany church will welcome more than 70 guests in need of shelter as part of Fairfax County's Hypothermia Prevention and Response Program. Our Outreach Committee is calling for volunteers from St. Dunstan's to help. Over 30 faith communities participate in this effort November through March each year. To volunteer, please visit <a href="http://epiphanyec.org/shelter/">http://epiphanyec.org/shelter/</a>

#### **NEXT RMH 8 JANUARY at 4 PM**

Please contact Rev. Anna if you would like to volunteer.



On Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>, a lovely group of cooks met at the Ronald McDonald House on the campus of Fairfax Hospital to prepare a delicious meal with Asian flavor - pot stickers, fried rice, marinated cucumber salad, corn egg drop soup, and for dessert, pear turnovers. What a team! Thanks go to the entire team!

See you next month on January 8th!!

-Maureen Jenkins, Head Chef

# IMAGES OF ST DUNSTAN'S ADVENT JOY



Rejoice! Rejoice, believers, and let your lights appear!



Rev. Stephen makes quick work of replacing the battered light switch in the Parish Hall. He also fixed the switch in the Resource Room.

Thank you, Rev. Stephen for bringing on the light!



#### Advent III - Lessons & Carols

Sunday, December 15

Adult Form Following Both Services 8:15 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I & Healing 10:15 AM Lessons & Carols - Holy Eucharist Rite I & Healing Teacher's Meeting/PH Classroom downstairs

> 3:30 – 5:30 PM Girl Scout Juniors/PH 6:30 PM MYO/PH & UC

> > Monday 16 December 7:00 PM Boy Scouts #652/PH 7:00 PM Dance Fitness/UC

<u>Tuesday 17 December</u> 7:00 PM Vinson Hall Service

Wednesday 18 December
10:30 AM Bible Study/Conference Room

Thursday 19 December 7:00 PM Choir/UC

Saturday 21 December 9 – Noon Musikfest/PH

#### **Advent IV**

Sunday 22 December

Adult Forum following both services

8:15 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I

10:15 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II

Special Reception for Gray Snead following the 10:15 a.m. Service

# Saint Dunstan's Episcopal Church

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#### Prayer for St. Dunstan's Church

O gracious God, we thank you for the abundant blessings you continually bestow upon St. Dunstan's Church. We pray that your Holy Spirit would inspire and lead us, the current stewards of this community, in renewal, rejoicing, and restoration. Help us to convert the hopes and dreams of our capital campaign into reality, as we strengthen this church to fulfill our mission to build and strengthen relationships among God and God's children, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Vestry

Senior Warden - Nancy Searby Junior Wardens - Jim Buttz, Peter Scanlon Register - Tony Griffin

Group A (Finance, Stewardship, Communication)
Tony Griffin, Dirk Suringa, Perry Williams

Group B (Youth Christian Education, Adult Formation, Worship)
Fred Vogel, Marilyn Hourican, Mike Cluff

Group C (Fellowship, Outreach, Newcomers) Martha Taishoff, Louisa Dietrich, Russ Keck

# **Clergy and Staff**

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