

# TRINITY TIDINGS

## DECEMBER, 2019

### DECEMBER ADVENT PROGRAM

In our Advent program during December, when gift-giving is on our minds, we will explore four of the greatest gifts. On the four Sundays of Advent, at 9:00am, Tim Cogan and Bob Taylor will lead a forum as follows:

December 1: The Gift of Love

December 8: The Gift of Peace

December 15: The Gift of Hope

December 22: The Gift of Life

Join us on those days to explore these most important gifts and the weaving of them into our life. Each session will be held in our Parish Library or in the Parish Hall, depending on the number of those in attendance.

This program will enable us to be intentional in our preparation for the coming of Christ at Christmas. We hope you will choose to participate in it, staying after the 8:00am service or coming early before our 10:00am worship.

*"In the wilderness, prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God." Isaiah 40:3*



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**Sunday Services**  
8 a.m. and 10 a.m.  
**Evening prayer**  
Tuesdays at 5:30pm  
**Healing Service**  
Thursdays at 10:00a.m.

Holy Trinity is called to be a witness of God's love to the people of our community and to the world through our open minds and our open hearts. All persons are welcome to receive the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. We are a community on a spiritual journey, seeking to grow in faith and service through our worship, education, and outreach programs.

## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS



*If your name has inadvertently been omitted from this list, please call the Church Office and accept our apologies.*

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Libby Parker

Mary Layman

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Bill Richards

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Jennifer Bailey

Maddie Ioannou

Heidie den Hartog

Ella Woods

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Lynne Soldati

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Bob Guthrie

10

Nicole Ward

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Robin Buck

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Cheryl Grantham

15

Phillip Ray

Kristen Rogers

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Martha Lee

Marypage McCampbell

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Sue Fan Ferguson

Bill Rogers

20

Chris Wilburn

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Debbie Nellson

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Samantha Crouch

Noah Vives

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Susan Jones

Missy Rovinelli

Tara Puc

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Tom Ferguson

Liz Hulett

Olivia St. Antoine

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Sophia Balfour

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Sarita Stewart

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Bob Rogers

Beth Walton

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Kathy Chamblee

## WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Monday, December 16th, 2019

Selection: *Wreath Between the Lines*

Author: Daryl Wood Gerber

Hostess: Jane Sturgis

RSVP: 561-586-5947

Monday, January 20, 2020

Selection: *Educated*

Author: Tara Westover

Hostess: Joyce Mears

RSVP: 561-833-5769

Obtain books through the library, the bookstore, or at Amazon.com.

For questions, call Andrea Thomas at 561-236-6456



# DECEMBER DUTY ROSTER

*If you find you cannot serve please find a substitute.*

SUNDAY	DECEMBER 1	DECEMBER 8	DECEMBER 15	DECEMBER 22	DECEMBER 29
<b>LECTORS</b>	8:00am-SJones* 10:00am-BHadsell*, BDeviney. SHammell	8:00am-JLansing* 10:00am-JLewis*, JRichards, LWarner	8:00am-CWilson* 10:00am-MRovinelli, WLeavitt, TSimmons	8:00am- MMcCampbell* 10:00am-ELee, AForbes, NDrum*	8:00am-CWilson* 10:00am-LWarner, KChamblee, NKjos, BWeaver, JRichards, BForbes
<b>CHALISTS</b>	8:00am-SJones, ADean 10:00am-LGibson, SBates, LNaom	8:00am-JLansing*, RBuck, 10:00am-SAdams, JLewis, LWarner	8:00am-CDorsey, DVarella 10:00am-MRovinelli, KDrew, TSimmons	8:00am-SJones, MMcCampbell 10:00am-ELee, NDrum, NLordi	8:00am-DVarella, ADean 10:00am-AThomas, BNehemias, BWeaver
<b>GREETERS</b>	8:00am-PFiore, Bea Guthrie 10:00am-KCarrol, BCramer, TDickens, BWeaver	8:00am-RBuck, ADean 10:00am-JSturgis, KDrew, MBell	8:00am-MJohnston, BWalton 10:00am-BSmith, JSlater, PFuller	8:00am-CWilson, EKinsella 10:00am- JMaddaford, LWarner, EBrown	8:00am-MJohnston, BWalton 10:00am-BSmith, JSlater, PFuller
<b>TELLERS</b>	TEAM I	TEAM II	TEAM III	TEAM IV	TEAM I
<b>USHERS</b>	TEAM I	TEAM II	TEAM III	TEAM IV	TEAM I
<b>ACOLYTES</b>	NKjos,CeJette, THadsell, KJette, CaJetter Parent helper: Jette	NWard, Ost.Antoine, SWard, MWard, TWard Parent helper: Ward	TO'Malley,NVives, LVives, NSadler Parent helper:Vives	LGibson,BSadler, TDickens, ABurnett, ISadler, Parent helper:Sadler	NKjos, GCannon, CDickens, EKjos, AWilt Parent helper:Kjos

## CHRISTMAS, 2019, DUTY ROSTER

SERVICE	TIME	CHALIST	LECTOR
Tuesday, Dec. 24th	4:00pm	SJones, CDorsey	none
	9:00pm	TSimmons, KDrew LWarner	ELee, LWarner, TSimmons
Wednesday Dec. 25	10:00am	DVarella	CWilson
Wednesday, Jan. 1	10:00am		CWilson



The Church Office will be closed  
from  
December 25th to January 6th



**WELCOME TO OUR  
NEWEST ACOLYTES**

Ben Sadler  
Natalie Sadler  
Izzy Sadler  
Alora Wilt

**CONFIRMATION**

CONFIRMATION WILL BE HELD ON  
SUNDAY, JANUARY 12TH AT THE 10:00 AM SERVICE.  
THE BISHOP WILL BE PRESENT.

**DAUGHTERS OF THE KING PRAYER BREAKFAST**

**"The Joy of Waiting"**

The Louise E. Hindry Chapter of the Holy Trinity Daughters of the King will hold a  
Prayer Breakfast on

Saturday, December 7th, in the Holy Trinity Parish Hall

Breakfast 9:00am

Morning Prayer, Meditation, and Intercessory Prayers at 10:00 am



Led by the Rev. Susan Beebe

**OPEN TO THE PARISH**

**Christmas Eve Orchestra 2019**

As the Christmas Season approaches, preparations are being made for our Christmas Eve Orchestra. This year I would like to use 21 instrumentalists, each of whom receives \$175.00 for rehearsals and playing the service.

**To sponsor an orchestra member:**

1. Make checks payable to Holy Trinity Church with "Christmas Eve Orchestra" in the memo.
2. Place your contribution in an envelope marked: "Christmas Eve Orchestra".
3. **Clearly print your name and your loved one's name on the envelope,** or indicate "in thanksgiving for blessings received".
4. Place it in the Sunday offering or mail it to the church office at 211 Trinity Pl. WPB, 33401  
The names of the sponsors and memorials/thanksgivings will be listed in the Christmas Eve bulletin.

**Donations of any amount are encouraged!**

Deadline for the bulletin is Tuesday, December 10th, 2019.



## Christmas Eve at Holy Trinity

This year we will present the music from our Carnegie Hall program, "*Christmas Evergreen*", at Holy Trinity on Christmas Eve with a 21 piece orchestra, beginning at 8:15 pm, featuring the Parish Choir, Partington Bell Choir, and Christmas Eve Orchestra, with the service continuing at 9 pm. The orchestra will be rehearsing on Monday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> in the afternoon.

### COOKIE EXCHANGE

**DECEMBER 15TH, 2019 11:30 AM IN THE PARISH HALL**



Get out your favorite, fabulous cookie recipe. Make a batch and bring two dozen of them to the cookie exchange. Containers will be provided and you can exchange yours for two dozen of a variety of the other fabulous cookies brought by our talented Holy Trinity bakers. Please bring multiple copies of your recipe to share.

Eggnog and other seasonal drinks will be served and music will accompany the exchange

Questions? Call Elizabeth Brown 561-655-8650

### Advent Family Crafts

Each Sunday in Advent we will continue our tradition of making a craft to enjoy at home during the Advent season. Following the 10:00 service in the parish hall.

All are invited!

Craft Sundays: December 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>

## DECEMBER VESTRY UPDATE

Your vestry has been hard at work with the variety of activities happening at Holy Trinity. The youth group, while in need of an adult leader, is participating as Ushers, Acolytes, singing in the Youth Choir, starring in the Christmas Pageant, and Confirmation. We thank all who worked on the Rummage Sale and especially the Chairperson, Beatty Cramer, for making it a success. We also congratulate the choir for their triumphant concert at Carnegie Hall under the direction of Mace Graham. Come to Christmas Eve service for a sampling of the beautiful music they performed.

Work continues on the main campus with window replacement and landscaping made possible by the Capital Campaign and some generous donors. Cleaning and landscaping have been occurring at the Rectory in anticipation of visiting rector candidates taking a tour of the residence. Advent activities are well under way, and we hope everyone will participate as much as possible.

We thank all of you for your willingness to support all the activities at Holy Trinity,

Peace,

Tony Rasnick, Vestry Member





# CHRISTMAS SERVICES

## ***Christmas Pageant Dress Rehearsal***

*12:00n Sunday, December 22nd*

## ***Christmas Eve***

*Tuesday, December 24th*

*4pm Holy Eucharist & Family Christmas Pageant*

*8:15pm Pre-Service Music*

*9:00pm- Festive Celebration of the Holy Eucharist*

## ***Christmas Day***

*Wednesday, December 25th*

*10:00am Holy Eucharist*

## ***Lessons and Carols***

*Sunday, December 29th*

*8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite I*

*10:00am Service of Lessons and Carols*

*& Holy Eucharist Rite II*

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

*Wednesday, January 1st*

*10:00am Holy Eucharist*

## ***Epiphany***

*Sunday, January 5th*

*8:00am Holy Eucharist*

*10:00am Holy Eucharist & Arrival of the Three Kings*

## ST ELIZBETH'S ANGEL TREE

Please join **St. Elizabeth's** in collecting toys and gift cards to benefit the children at the **YWCA of Palm Beach County** and young adults at **Vita Nova**

The **YWCA** Child Development Center is a kindergarten-readiness preschool for children 3 to 5 years. The Center is located on Sapodilla Avenue in West Palm Beach. There are three classrooms that serve 57 children.

**Vita Nova** in West Palm Beach delivers services to emancipated foster youth ages 18-25 through a stable, nurturing environment that includes housing, counseling, and education. Vita Nova is determined to provide a safe place for young adults to get help when they do not have anywhere to turn.

### IT'S EASY TO PARTICIPATE

1. Choose a child or young adult from the tree located in the back of the church.
2. Purchase an age appropriate/gender specific toy or gift card for the young adults
3. Return your unwrapped gift or gift card to the Church by **Sunday, December 15**



**THANK YOU** for helping to brighten  
the lives of so many during this holiday season!

Questions? Please call **Barbara Richardson** (493-2923)



## MOVING FORWARD – TOGETHER

### HOLY TRINITY 2020 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

Sunday, November 24, 2019

Annual Stewardship Packets are available **today** for pickup  
at the Stewardship Display in the Parish Hall.

**Pick up your packet today** and your name will be entered in a raffle drawing  
to win a \$50 VISA Gift Card.

←grateful→

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE RAFFLE WINNER

Sunday, December 1, 2019

*so very thankful*

### ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT SUNDAY

Sunday, December 8, 2019

“What return shall I make to the Lord for all God’s gifts to me?”

Psalm 116

# HOLY TRINITY FINANCIAL REPORT

## HOLY TRINITY | MINISTRY AND PROGRAM BUDGET

### FINANCE UPDATE

January 1, 2019 – October 31, 2019 (10 months)

	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Pledges	\$320,276	\$370,833
Open Plate	\$135,656	\$100,000
Christmas   Easter	\$4,665	\$20,000
Montessori School	\$49,858	\$49,850
Facility Rental	\$14,250	\$12,500
Miscellaneous	\$7,638	0
Endowment	\$51,467	\$50,277
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$583,811</b>	<b>\$593,411</b>

	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Grounds and Maintenance	\$189,610	\$164,815
Diocese Assessment	\$78,389	\$87,367
Administration   Finance	\$118,445	\$108,544
Music	\$73,753	\$78,271
Christian Education	\$67,090	\$65,050
Worship	\$58,700	\$91,651
Miscellaneous	\$10,283	\$3,965
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$596,270</b>	<b>\$599,663</b>
<b>NET TOTAL</b>	<b>-\$12,460</b>	

## OUTREACH VITA NOVA PROJECT

On Saturday, November 16, volunteers from Holy Trinity showed up bright and early at Vita Nova to work on several hands on projects. The task was to reorganize 4 rooms at the agency's Drop In Center located on Australian Avenue in West Palm Beach. See the insert in Sunday's bulletin to see what was accomplished by:

**Suzanne Bates, Josephine Bayard, Darcy Farnan, Pam Kittinger, Cindy Prescott, John Richards, Terry Strecker, Beth Walton and Becky Wedgeworth**



# CARNEGIE HALL

The very first thing I want to say to you, our Holy Trinity family and friends who supported the Parish Choir trip and concert at Carnegie Hall through your contributions, prayers and Gala preparations, is an enormous “THANK YOU!” It was a magnificent adventure; one we will never forget!

As a send-off, on Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, the choir was treated to “Buon Viaggio”, an Italian dinner organized and prepared by Missy Rovinelli, Karen Friia, John Richards and numerous helpers. Attending were choir members, guests and the many people who helped with our Gala Fund Raiser earlier this year.

The choir met at Palm Beach International Airport on Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30 am to attain boarding passes and check bags. There was enormous energy even at that early hour! Our flight departed at 6:30 am and arrived at Newark at 9:15 am. After gathering our bags and belongings we were met by Golden Touch Transportation to continue our Journey to Park Central Hotel in Manhattan. Park Central is a 31 story, 935 room hotel located directly across the street from Carnegie Hall! We were met by our wonderful travel coordinator from Artist Travel Consultants, Robyn Messina, who helped us get to the hotel lobby.

As our check-in time was not until 4 pm, we were treated to “Uncle Jack’s Walking Tour of New York City Attractions”, led by our own Jack Lansing. The tour included a French Bakery, St. Thomas Episcopal Church, St. Patrick’s Roman Catholic Church, Rockefeller Center to see the Christmas tree (with the scaffolding still around it) concluding with a walk through Times Square. After our 4 o’clock check-in, choir members and guests had the remainder of the evening free to enjoy their time in NYC. Some attended a concert and service at St. Thomas which included a men’s and boy’s choir. In the meantime, I attended meetings with the other choir directors and staff of Distinguished Concerts International to acquaint us with the procedures and logistics for the weekend.

On Friday morning at 7:45 we met in the lobby of the hotel to distribute name badges and wrist bands to choristers and guests, permitting access to the rehearsal space and later, Carnegie Hall. At 8:15 am we went to the lower level of Park Central to begin our first rehearsal with composer, conductor, Joseph M. Martin and 300 singers from around the country. Each choir member was assigned to a specific row and seat, making the process extremely organized. “Joe”, as he asked to be called, or “Maestro” and later “Maestro Genius”, told us we were there to “expand our musicianship and experience of song”, “to lift our usual demands on ourselves to a higher level”, to “tune our ears and hearts, breathe as one, coordinate our lips and enjoy making music together”. He challenged us to “recognize our faith through the sung melodies and printed words, being cognizant that every word has meaning, creating ministry through sung words.” In his introduction he told us that he was raised in “Frog Level”, next to “Dirty Mush” and “Ankle Level”, otherwise known as the Tri-city! He also informed us that “the only difference between basses and a puppy is that puppies stop whining after 6 weeks!” The rehearsal was filled with anecdotes, humor and wonderful music! As different parts of the music needed particular attention, Joe commented it was like “wrestling with a jelly fish” or “pushing a ball of string up-hill”! He used the phrase, “baptized in pickle juice”! I haven’t a clue?! The rehearsal lasted until 1 pm but the time seemed to fly by. After rehearsal, choir members had the afternoon free to explore. Joe invited me to attend the rehearsal for Act 1 of the evening and I thoroughly enjoyed it as well.

We met in Park Central lobby at 5 pm to walk to Carmine’s Restaurant for a delicious “family style dinner” which included stuffed mushrooms with pork, and a Caesar salad for appetizers; Rigatoni Bolognese with Pork and Cheese Manicotti for the pasta course; Eggplant Parmesan and Chicken Marsala with Mushrooms for our entrée; and Chocolate Cannoli and Tiramisu for dessert! Thirty-five of us devoured the scrumptious dinner including parishioners Malcolm and Mary Page McCampbell and Susie and Billy Bryant, who flew in for the weekend; and as a “thank you”, our travel coordinator, Robyn Messina was our guest as well. At the conclusion of dinner, 16 people went to the Schoenfeld Theatre to see “Come from Away” and 17 people went to the Gershwin Theatre to see “Wicked”. There was soooo much food left over and as it was all served “family style”, I asked the Carmine’s staff to box it up. I carried 60 pounds of food from Times Square all the way back to Park Central Hotel and set up a buffet in the luggage room and fed the bellmen, front desk staff, security, and housekeeping staff! They were thrilled! They prepared plates for employees coming on at 11 pm and took plates of food outside to feed several homeless people who take shelter outside Park Central.

Saturday morning provided free time for choristers, with rehearsal beginning at 12:45 pm and concluding at 5:30 pm. I was again, invited to attend the orchestra rehearsal which I thoroughly enjoyed. We were treated to more of “Maestro Genius Joe’s” anecdotes and a phenomenal musical rehearsal. Saturday evening provided free time to explore.

Sunday morning rehearsal included the 40 piece orchestra which was absolutely magnificent! When rehearsal concluded at 11 am, we gathered to share in Morning Prayer, led by our wonderful Choir Chaplain, Libby Marshall. It was the perfect start to a once in a lifetime day! After every rehearsal Holy Trinity’s choir had a brief meeting to discuss the exciting things we learned. Meetings were held in the hotel bar!

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At 5:45 pm we met at Carnegie Hall for our sound check and line-up assignments. The first time walking onstage at Carnegie Hall was exhilarating! After sound check we were dismissed to go have dinner and get into our formal attire for the concert. We returned to the stage door at 9:25 pm where we lined up outside in the cold! After entering the building each person was directed to a pre-assigned room on levels 4, 5 or 6 of Carnegie Hall where we were placed in position to go on stage. As the concert time approached we were lined up single file down 6 flights of stairs and were then escorted onto the stage by the wonderful staff of DCINY.

At 10:30 pm we proceeded onto the stage at Carnegie Hall and were immediately greeted by numerous friends in the audience, including our Senior Warden, Laura Warner. As the introduction to the first song began, the butterflies were instantly replaced by the overwhelming joy of singing such glorious music... honoring the birth of Jesus... in Carnegie ... with composer, conductor Joseph Martin and the fabulous orchestra! We sang eight songs and the 40 minute concert seemed to be over in the snap of fingers! Nearly a year of planning, preparation, fund-raising, workshops and additional rehearsals had concluded with this memorable evening, shared with fellow choristers from around the country! It truly was a "once in a lifetime" experience.

After the concert we were treated to a lavish Gala Dinner Celebration at Rosie O'Grady's banquet room. It was a lovely ending to a memorable trip made possible by you! At the Gala, some of us even outlasted the Lutherans while the Methodists fell by the wayside! The other choristers were so much fun as well!

Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup> was a free day as we made arrangements to return to West Palm Beach and the welcome of warm weather!

I was so proud of our choir for the effort they made attending many hours of rehearsals both in Florida and NYC. They asked excellent questions and glowed with the joy of the experience. They were extremely prepared, allowing them to thoroughly embrace the experience at Carnegie Hall. By knowing their music so well they were able to take in the event, smile, and watch Joe Martin as he conducted and experience Carnegie Hall in all of its' historic splendor! What an honor to have been a part of "Christmas Evergreen"! We had 29 singers, 21 VIP's, numerous parishioners and last but not least "Tillie" with us for this wonderful occasion!

We will present the music we sang at Carnegie Hall at Holy Trinity on December 24<sup>th</sup>, Christmas Eve at 8:15 pm, continuing with the service at 9 pm.

We will gather in the Parish Hall on Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, immediately following the 10 am service for choir members to share their stories about the Carnegie Hall experience. Holiday punch and cookies will be served. Christmas Pageant rehearsal will be held concluding the program.

Thank you!  
Mace Graham

## **We received the following letter from Joseph M. Martin:**

Dear Singers,

My heart is soaring today as I reflect upon our great weekend of music. Your spectacular performance at CARNEGIE HALL was the perfect exclamation point to an outstanding evening of song!

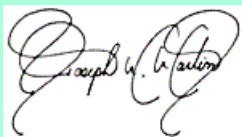
CHRISTMAS EVERGREEN was a smashing success! Each anthem came alive with great energy, style, and musicianship. Your spirit of excellence was on full display as you turned Carnegie into a cathedral of pure joy! The audience responded in the only way they could have, with a roaring standing ovation!

Directors, I am grateful for the many ways you prepared your singers for this event. Your efforts were the greatest contributor to Sunday night's success. Thank you for your integrity and for your "partnership in praise" throughout this great adventure!

A special thanks to the DCINY orchestra whose playing was both powerful and nuanced! Their efforts lifted us to new heights of expression. It was a rare privilege to sing with such marvelous musicians.

Choristers, you represented yourselves with distinction this past weekend. Your artistry and ministry were on full display! I was proud to be your director and to lead you all in the dance of a lifetime!

Until we sing again, happy scales to you!



Maestro Joe

P.S. You guys know I was kidding about the "MAESTRO" thing right? ;)







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