

# ST. PETER'S WAVE FEBRUARY 2024

### St. Peter's is a community called to Love, Worship, Proclaim, and Serve.

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

We have several important events and celebrations in February. Here's a list:

Sunday, the 4<sup>th</sup>, The Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple, often referred to as "Candlemas".

Sunday, the 11<sup>th</sup>, we will have one service at 9AM followed by coffee and refreshments and our Annual Parish Meeting in the church.

Wednesday, the 14<sup>th</sup>, Ash Wednesday - Holy Eucharist at 12 noon and Holy Eucharist at 6:30 PM with choir.

Thursdays in Lent begin on the 22nd at noon with the Stations of the Cross and Holy Eucharist followed by a bag lunch with fellowship and discussion.

Lent begins early this year. I hope each of us can plan on using the season for renewal and growth. As Jesus moved toward Jerusalem, and his last week, we, too, can move into a deeper appreciation of God's love and the work this love leads us to - in our parish, in our communities, and in our world.

Grace, Peace, Love, Bob

## **Parish Prayer List**

Please take a moment to review the parish prayer list on the Sunday bulletins. Did you request a name to be listed? Should that person still be on the list? If you see a name that should no longer be listed, please email, or call Kim and let her know to remove the name from the list. Starting March 1<sup>st,</sup> the current list of names will be removed. A new request form is being drafted and will take the place of the old form. The new form will be located in the Narthex and will need to be completed and submitted to have a name added to the list. This will help keep the list current and up to date. Thank you!



#### The Penitential Order

In the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) The Holy Eucharist can begin with "A Penitential Order." There are options for Rite I (pp. 319-321) and Rite II (pp. 351-353). An Exhortation and the Decalogue are listed first for optional use. This order is especially appropriate for the beginning of the Eucharist during the Penitential season of Lent.

At St. Peter's we will use this order for Sundays in Lent with the following additions. On the first Sunday in Lent, February 18, we will start with The Great Litany (pp.148-153). This can be said or chanted. On the second, third and fourth Sundays we'll start with The Decalogue. On the fifth Sunday in Lent we'll begin with the Exhortation.

The main parts of The Penitential Order include sentences from scripture (including the Summary of the Law, Matthew 22:37-40), The Confession and Absolution and The Kyrie Eleison. Starting the Eucharist during Lent in this way helps us to remember our prayer said on Ash Wednesday, "Create and make in us new and contrite hearts..." Lent reminds us, "...of the need which all Christians continually have to renew their repentance and faith..."



#### **January 16, 2024**

We have received 54 pledges totaling \$94,420. We're looking good for next year.

Dianne Cartmill and Len Hathon are leaving the vestry after serving10 years and in multiple positions.

We need to have a building/contents update as this has not been done for some time.

We are having someone come in to evaluate the flooding problem in the back parking lot.

Still waiting for a new internet wiring system to be installed.

We will have Stations of the Cross during Lent at 12:00 followed by a bring your own lunch fellowship.

We are still working on the columbarium, but are finally getting some help from the offices in Bourne.

The annual report for the Annual Meeting will be available on Sunday 2/4 before the meeting.

The Annual Meeting is Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>. We will have one service at 9:00 followed by the meeting and an extended coffee hour.

The knitting group will meet on Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00.

We would like to update the prayer list as some names have been on a long, long time.

There will be a mandolin concert on Sunday, 3/17 in the afternoon.



Our fourth get together was held on January 6, 2023. We had 12 attendees and the conversation continued to be varied and lively!

Our next breakfast get together will be held on **Saturday**, **February 3**, **2024 at 8:30 AM**. As usual, we will gather at Persy's Place, 3198 Cranberry Highway, East Wareham. If you would like to attend, please add your name to the sign-up sheet posted in the narthex. If you forget to sign up, don't let that prevent you from coming. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Jim Hankey at 781-534-2604. I look forward to seeing you at Persy's!

Jim Hankey



Several years ago, a group of parishioners concerned about the growing problems surrounding substance abuse issues joined together to study ways that St. Peter's could help. Educational opportunities were developed and presented to the congregation and a fundraising campaign was begun to support the Bourne Substance Free Coalition and support awareness around these issues.

We would like to thank the parish for their continuing support. This past year we raised over \$1,900 dollars. We held two "game" nights and placed our collection jar out on the second

Sunday of every month. We were able to supply the Rector with gift cards to help people in crisis.

If you would like to learn more about our mission, please join us at one of our meetings on the second Monday of each month at 3:33pm at the church.

#### Sincerely Submitted,

Substance Abuse Prevention and Support members: Celeste & Hankey, Jane & Jim Lema, Nancy & Bob Sherwood, Donna Beers, Kathy Letzeisen, Larry Higgins, and Diane Bergeron



## **MIDDLERS NEWS**

We have a number of events coming in February and would love to have you join us! On Monday, Feb. 5 the book club will meet at 6:30pm. On Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup> we plan to go bowling at The Lanes in Mashpee – sign-up is required. Coming in March, we will be baking and walking on the 23<sup>rd</sup>, weather permitting. For more information or to sign-up, please see Lisa or email her at <a href="mailto:stpetersmusicdirector@yahoo.com">stpetersmusicdirector@yahoo.com</a>.

#### PRAYER FOR A NEW RECTOR/SEARCH PROCESS

O God, you know us better than we know ourselves. Guide us in our search for a new clerical leader. empower each one of us to use our unique ministries, to share openly and honestly our thoughts, to respect the opinions of others, and to encourage humility, patience, and joy. Instill in us a vision of the Church's family; that guided by your Holy Spirit, we will be united in love and joyfully accomplish this mission of discovering the one you have called to serve with us as our rector. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

#### **FEBRUARY EVENTS**

Mon., Feb. 5

6:30pm – Middlers' Book Club

#### Sun., Feb. 11 ANNUAL MEETING

9:00am – Holy Eucharist w/music followed by Annual Meeting Sat., Feb. 17

TBA - Middlers' Bowling in Mashpee - registration required

## Wed, Feb. 14 ASH WEDNESDAY

12:00PM – Holy Eucharist & Imposition of Ashes

6:30pm – Holy Eucharist w/music & Imposition of Ashes

Thur., Feb. 22

#### **RECURRING EVENTS**

Sundays: 8am - Holy Eucharist Rite I

10am - Holy Eucharist Rite II w/music (unless otherwise noted)

Tuesdays: 11am - Bible Study Thursdays: 8:30am - TOPS

Thursdays: 12:00pm – (during Lent) Stations of the Cross, Holy Eucharist

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday, 8:30am - Men's Breakfast

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, 3:33pm - Substance Abuse Team

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 6:30pm - Vestry

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