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The Feast of Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr of Smyrna, 156

Dear Friends in Christ,

Many of you remember my late Silky Terrier, Polycarp. As you can see in the photo she was a fine representative for her namesake, Bishop Polycarp of Smyrna.



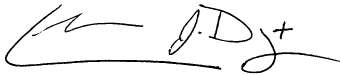
When it came time to name her, I remembered hearing the name one Lenten Sunday in the Prayers of the People at Calvary Church in Syracuse. It cracked me up: a saint named “many fish!” When I got home and looked up St. Polycarp, I discovered the name actually meant “Abundant Fruit,” although my literal translation was close. Moreover, I discovered that St. Polycarp was a pupil of the apostle John, a bishop of the second century church in what is now Turkey and was one of first martyrs, after St. Stephen, whose martyrdom was recorded. Caught in the Aurelian persecutions, Polycarp was asked to curse Christ and live. He replied, “Eighty-six years I have served my Lord, how can I deny him now.” Reportedly when he was thrown to the wild beasts, they refused to attack him, the centurion ordered to kill him by the sword refused to do so and finally he was burnt at the stake. St. Polycarp is remembered for his courageous witness of Christ.

St. Polycarp is a pretty hard act to follow. But then, he was following an even harder act to follow, Jesus Christ. We too follow Christ especially by the journeys of Lent and Holy Week. Lent is a busy time of the year. There is a special Lenten Program, “Embracing an Adult Faith” on Thursdays preceded at 5:30 pm by a Taize Eucharist in the Chapel. There are liturgies that are done only once a year as well as the regular weekend celebrations as Feasts of Our Lord. There’s Holy Week with services every day of the week. (See page 7) There all the things we do individually for Lent: days of special devotion or fasting, additional prayers and/or readings and good deeds or activities. Then there are all the things we do to prepare for Easter: spring cleaning of the church, silver and brass, special vestments and altar linens, hangings, vessels, etc. (See pages 4 & 6)

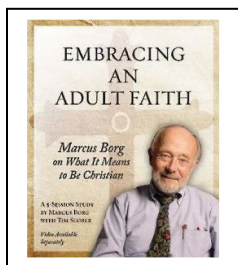
So I invite you to continue your journey through a holy Lent and Holy Week. Come Palm Sunday Weekend, March 19th and 20th at Saturday at 5 PM or Sunday at 10 AM and hear the Passion Gospel. Come to Maundy Thursday and Good Friday liturgies. You are invited to celebrate Easter, the Feast of the Resurrection Our Lord at and with All Saints' Episcopal Church. This year the Southern Tier East District's Great Vigil of Easter is at Christ Church,

Binghamton on Saturday, March 26th at 7:30 PM. Come and celebrate Easter on Sunday, March 27th with services of Holy Eucharist on at 8 AM and 10 AM. Better yet—bring family and friends along with you and really celebrate Easter!

Faithfully,



The Rev. Christine J. Day
Rector



LENTEN TAIZE EUCHARISTS AND LENTEN PROGRAM, “*EMRACING AN ADULT FAITH*”, CONTINUES IN MARCH AT 5:30 PM

The All Saints’ 2016 Lenten program continues Thursdays, March 3rd, 10th and 17th at 5:30 PM with a Taize Holy Eucharist in the Chapel followed by a simple supper of soup and bread and the program in the Library.

This year the Lenten program is “*Embracing an Adult Faith: Marcus Borg on What it Means to Be a Christian*,” part of the “Embracing series” by Church Publishing. Each session includes a DVD presentation by the late Marcus Borg followed by interaction with the group. The program workbook is designed to help you “join the dialogue.”

In this program, the late author and Bible scholar Marcus Borg invites us to join him in revisiting Christianity's most fundamental questions: Who is God? What does salvation mean? What place does Jesus hold in contemporary Christian faith? In this program participants enjoy the rare privilege of witnessing Marcus in dialogue with a small, diverse group of adults as they honestly -- and sometimes painfully -- confront the big questions and work together toward authentic answers. The study addresses fundamental questions that adults struggle with as faith matures. The remaining sessions include the following topics:

- Salvation
- Community
- Practice

Interested? Please sign-up in the Narthex, volunteer to make soup for a session, pick up a copy of the “*Embracing an Adult Faith*” workbook and come on Thursdays during Lent at 5:30 PM.



All Saints' Episcopal Church
2016 Lenten Fundraiser
Gance's Fish Fry
March 4, 2016
Hours: 3PM to 7PM
Location All Saints' Episcopal Church
Our church will receive 20% of all pre-sold tickets
and 14% of all sales on the day of the event

Pre-Sale Dinners

Fried Haddock, French Fries & Homemade side	\$12.00
Grilled Strip Steak, French Fries & Homemade side	\$12.00
Pork BBQ, French Fries & Homemade side	\$12.00

We must sell 50 tickets to be eligible to have this fundraiser.

Sandwiches must be purchased day of only (3-4-16) they may not be preordered.

Sandwiches

Fried Haddock	\$ 7.00
Pork BBQ	\$ 7.00

If you have any questions, please contact Joy Kasmarcik at 648-2461 or JKasmarcik@stny.rr.com



VESTRY MEETING FOR MARCH IS MARCH 9TH
6:30PM



Daylight Savings Begins at 2:00 AM on Sunday, March 13th Lent 5. Don't forget to set your clocks **ahead one hour before going to bed on Saturday, March 12th!**

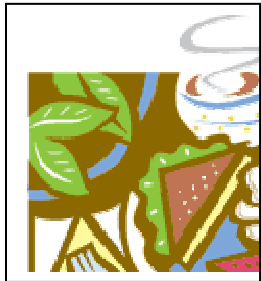


SOUP AND SANDWICH UPDATE

I am writing this article to thank every parishioner who has ever volunteered for or has given a donation to Soup and Sandwich Saturday. On Saturday (February 13th), it was COLD!! It was so cold that the volunteer group from BU said they would not be able to come. The second week team only set up four tables because we thought not many would come. We thought wrong! In 5° weather, 42 folks (children included) came because they were hungry and needed what we had to offer. Several people had faces and hands the color of valentines. One man talked about being homeless and living in a homeless encampment that he said was not far from our church. They all went home full, thanks to what we provide for them.

The Lenten appeal for Soup and Sandwich is our biggest fundraiser. Please be thankful for what you have, and remember those who have less. All Saints' is a generous parish and our community is grateful for that.

— *Debbie Thorpe, Chair of the Outreach Committee*



LIFE GOES ON MEETING ON MARCH 16TH

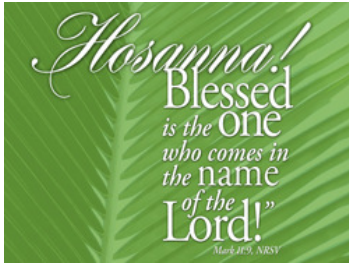
The March meeting will take place at 12:30pm on (3rd Wednesday because of Holy Week) Wednesday, March 16th at The Galley, on Hooper Road, Endwell, NY. If you are planning to attend, please phone Arlene Foley at 797-2111 to aid in planning the group's reservation.



WORK PARY SATURDAY MARCH 19th

There will be a work party for cleaning the church in preparation for Easter and Holy Week. SOUP and SANDWICH SATURDAYS will NOT be operating that day (**March 19th**) so the kitchen and Great Hall also can be cleaned. We will start at 9:00am and hope to finish around 3:00pm. We would like the grounds as well as inside the church to look

nice for Palm Sunday and Easter. Please bring window cleaning materials, dust cloths and anything else that you might have to clean inside the church. If weather permits, we will clean up outside, so please bring rakes and other outside tools. The more help we have, the more work we will accomplish. There will be assignments that can be done by both men and women. – *Property Committee*



**PALM SUNDAY WEEKEND LITURGY
ON MARCH 19TH AT 5:30 PM
& 20TH AT 10 AM
BEGINS WITH A PROCESSION AND
THE JOURNEY CONTINUES USING
PROJECTED IMAGES AND DRAMA**

On Palm Sunday Jesus began his Passion by a triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Come and join the choir and church school in the singing of “All Glory Laud and Honor” as we process around the church. Throughout the service paintings and artwork depicting Jesus’ triumphal entry into Jerusalem and the Passion will be projected on to the wall of the chancel—you’ll want to sit off the center aisle to get the best view of the images. After the Collect and lessons from the Old and New Testaments, Prayers of the People, the Peace and Offertory, the dramatic reading of the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke will begin. When the Passion reading reaches the Last Supper, we will pause to celebrate Holy Communion surrounded by depictions of the Upper Room. Following Communion, the dramatic reading of the Passion will continue. The liturgy will end with a solemn blessing and dismissal from the Book of Occasional Services. Thanks to Matt Labosky for providing the projector for this special liturgy.



PALM SUNDAY WORKSHOP-MARCH 20TH



We will be holding a Palm Sunday Workshop for all ages in the Great Hall on March 20th after the 10 AM service in the Great Hall. There will be egg coloring, Palm Crosses and a couple of other crafts. If you have a favorite activity that you would like included, please give Judy Horton a call at 729-2794.



FOOD FOR THE POOR

Saving Lives... Transforming Communities... Renewing Hope

To the All Saints' Episcopal Church Family,

Food for the Poor wishes to thank you for the welcome you extended to Father Torrey on our recent visit to your parish. On behalf of our brothers and sisters throughout the Caribbean and Latin America, we thank you for your compassion and care. We are all blessed by and grateful for your generosity.

In Christ,
The Food for the Poor Family



**THANK YOU FROM DEACON DOROTHY PIERCE TO
ALL SAINTS' and ST. MARK'S**

Dear Chris and Mark,

Could both of you put a note in your church bulletins and newsletters thanking the people who donated clothing and personal hygiene items to the jail ministry program? I took these items from St. Mark's and All Saints', all of them, to a Celebrate Recovery meeting and meal tonight, which I attend and participate in every Monday evening, including this evening during, which several people gladly accepted these gifts. These are men and women who have been in jail or prison and are trying to get their lives in better order. They were so happy to have the clothing, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoos, soaps, and other items. I love this program; it is held every Monday evening, and I love being with these who are our brothers and sister struggling to get on with life. We also work to help them build their faith and try to find work and meaning in their lives. You and your church families are **WONDERFUL**, please thank them for me! I am truly grateful, as are they.

Love you both so much,
Dorothy



Holy Monday, March 21st: 7:00AM Holy Eucharist in the Chapel

Holy Tuesday, March 22nd: 7:00AM Holy Eucharist in the Chapel

Holy Wednesday, March 23rd

7:00AM Holy Eucharist in the Chapel

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist in the Chapel

Maundy Thursday, March 24th,

7:00AM Holy Eucharist in the Chapel

5:30 PM Soup & Sandwich Supper (Bread, Soup and Beverage will be provided)

7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Liturgy with Choir, Eucharist and Stripping of Altar

Good Friday, March 25th there will be three worship services:

7:00AM Holy Eucharist (from the Reserved Sacrament)

12 Noon Stations of the Cross with Taize Chants

7:00PM Good Friday Liturgy with Choir

Great Vigil of Easter, March 26th

No Saturday 5:00PM service at All Saints'.

7:30PM at Christ Church, Binghamton (District Easter Vigil)

Easter Sunday, March 27th

There will be two services

8:00AM Holy Eucharist

10:00AM Holy Eucharist with Choir



**ATTENTION:
ALTAR GUILD MEMBERS**

We will all meet at church at **9:00 am on Saturday March 26th** to clean the silver and decorate the church for Easter. If anyone has questions or concerns, please call Patti Donnelly or Judy Horton so a meeting can be set up before we start work. The co-directors will make coffee and bring some cookies so please plan on coming and helping. Many hands make light work!

Please check your laundry baskets for Altar linens. With extra services every week during Lent it is important to return the Linens every week, particularly Holy Week. Your help during this very busy time is very much appreciated.



**EXPERIENCE THE DISTRICT
GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER ON
SATURDAY, MARCH 26TH
AT 7:30PM AT CHRIST CHURCH THIS YEAR!**

The Great Vigil of Easter is one of the oldest liturgies in the Church. It is a graceful and meandering service that around a “liturgical campfire” gathers the faith community in the Easter Light of Christ to tell the story of salvation history and celebrate the first Easter with baptisms or renewal of baptismal vows and Holy Eucharist. This year the Southern Tier East District’s Great Vigil of Easter will be held at Christ Church! The Rev. Elizabeth Ewing, Rector of Christ Church will preach and preside. The Rev. Christine Day, the Rev. Glenn Mahaffrey and the Rev. Jim Jones will be the concelebrants. The choirs of Christ Church, Trinity Memorial and All Saints’ will sing. After the liturgy there will be ice cream sundaes for all! What a way to break the Lenten fast! Please join everyone in the District for this ancient celebration of our Lord’s resurrection. Come to the Vigil and get an early start on Easter!



**EASTER EGG HUNT ON
EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 27th!**

All children are invited to participate in All Saints’ Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday, March 27th after the 10 am Festival Celebration of Holy Eucharist. Come and search high and low on the church grounds (weather pending—not all that likely this Easter) for chocolate and candy eggs as well other treats and prizes. There will be special large eggs with appropriate filling for our toddlers with toddler friendly food inside. Who will find the most eggs? Who will find the prettiest eggs? Come and find out while enjoying a casual coffee hour sponsored by Christian Ed!



BOOK CLUB TO MEET MARCH 30th AT 5:30 PM AT THE RECTORY TO FINISH *THE WITCHES: SALEM, 1692* OR WATCH *THE CRUCIBLE* OR WATCH *MOCKINGJAY, PART 2*....

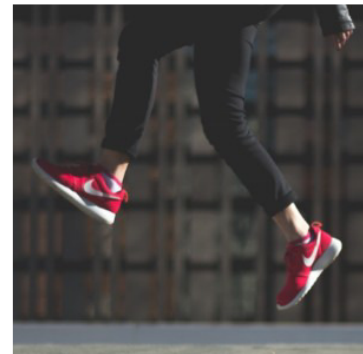
Book Club began reading Stacy Schiff's *The Witches: Salem, 1692* at its February 24th meeting—before press time. Perhaps we will be finished with *The Witches*, perhaps not. At any rate, since we will not be meeting on the Wednesday in Holy Week, March 23rd at 5:30 PM at the Rectory, we might just want to take a break and watch the movie version of Arthur Miller's play, *The Crucible* (same subject but takes liberties with history and interpreted through the lens of the McCarthy Hearings of the 1950's) or even *The Mockingjay, Part 2*, the final film in the *Hunger Games* series by Suzanne Collins which we read a few years ago. Interested? Come on Wednesday March 30th and find out which we are doing?

SAVE THE DATE: JUMPSTART!

Ready to "[Jump Start](#)" your church's ministry through creative use of your buildings?

Clergy, wardens, parish administrators and all members of vestries and building committees are invited to learn how your church can be:

- Thriving, not just surviving
- Relevant to your neighborhood
- Building ecumenical partnerships
- Generating income for ministry



When: Saturday, April 23, 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Where: [DoubleTree Hotel, 6301 NY-298 East Syracuse](#)

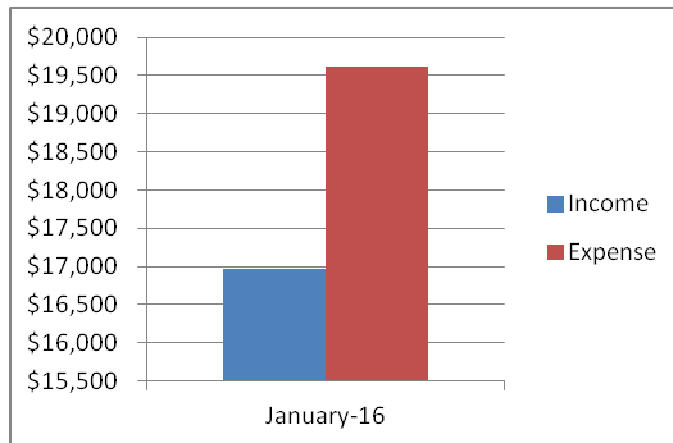
Registration: \$25 per person covers refreshments and materials. Registration is now open [on the diocesan website](#).

DOLLAR\$&CENTS JANUARY 2016

All Saints' 2016 budget—it is not a balanced budget. It is once again a “faith-based” budget. In other words, it will require faith to create \$14,524 more income for 2016 for operating expenses than budgeted. The need for \$ 14,524 in “Faith Income” for 2016 is primarily due to pledge income remaining flat and expenses which have increased about 6%. (Compare 2016 with 59 pledges for a total of \$129,454 to 2015 with 56 pledges for a total of \$126,226). In 2016 a monthly income of \$15,506 will be needed to balance the expenses. Please try to keep up your pledges. It really helps All Saints’ cash flow. Truly, with “God all things are possible” (Mt. 19:26)

	Actual as of January 31, 2016	Annual Budget 2016
Offering & Pledges	\$13,148	\$143,504
Fundraising✘	\$0	\$18,450
Other Income	\$3,542	\$9,590
Faith Income	\$0	\$14,524
Total Income	\$16,690	\$186,068
Total Expenses	\$19,621	\$186,068
Profit (Loss)	(\$2,931)	\$0

✘ Bon-Ton Community Days will show-up in February and Gance's Fish Fry will show up in March



Questions? Please talk with Treasurer Barb Freed or a Vestry Member!



**EASTER BRUNCH AT THE RECTORY-
APRIL 3RD**

**BOY SCOUT PASTA DINNER –
APRIL 9th**

In a blatant attempt to raise attendance on a “low Sunday,” and spread out Easter joy and chocolate throughout the Easter season, all are invited to an Easter Brunch at the rectory following the 10 AM service on Sunday, April 3rd. A spring feast of “mock soufflé,” asparagus, salad, fruit, breads and dessert will be offered. Come for food, fellowship and fun! Come play with young Thomas, on his best behavior, as the older and wiser Alphege figures out how to get more treats than Thomas. Come! All are welcome! Sign-up in the narthex before April 1st or RSVP to allsaintsjcny@aol.com.

All Saints’ Boy Scouts, Troop 110, will have a Pasta Dinner fund raiser on Saturday, April 9th from 5-7 pm in the Great Hall. Come, eat great food and support our Troop!



**SEARCH FOR THE ELEVENTH BISHOP OF
CENTRAL NEW YORK UPDATE...**

The nomination period for candidates for the position of Eleventh Bishop of Central New York closed on December 31, 2015. The Search Committee is currently reviewing nominations and screening candidates.

“We’re feeling very hopeful and optimistic as we look at the number and quality of our nominees,” stated the Very Rev. Carrie Schofield-Broadbent, Chair of the Search Committee.

A slate of 3-5 candidates will be announced in late April or early May 2016. Please hold the nominees, the Search Committee, and our Diocese in prayer as we pray and discern.

For more information about the Search for the Eleventh Bishop of Central New York, please visit the website: <http://www.bishopcny.org/> or the Facebook page, Bishop Search-Episcopal Diocese of Central New York!

WANTED ALTAR FLOWERS!



Each weekend when one walks into All Saints' there are beautiful flowers at the altar for our worship liturgies. This February as the outside temperatures dipped below zero it was wonderful to see a breath of spring in the chancel. (Thanks Christian Day who gave the flowers in memory of his father, Elmer W. Day!) After giving their beauty to our worship at All Saints', altar flowers are given to the donor, those in the hospital or our shut-ins. So you can see the gift of altar flowers keeps on giving! Moreover, those being commemorated or remembered are also included in the Prayers of the People that weekend.

In the past year All Saints' has lost to the Church Triumphant a number of faithful members who regularly gave altar flowers in memory of family members or in thanksgiving for the birthday and anniversaries of those dear to them. Please consider following these faithful All Sainters by making gifts for altar flowers and/or sanctuary candles. Altar flowers in thanksgiving are a perfect way to celebrate a birthday, anniversary or the birth or adoption of a new child. They are a perfect gift for "those who have everything." Altar Flowers, given in memory, are a wonderful way to remember one's parents, spouse, siblings and friends.

If you'd like to make a gift for either Altar Flowers or the Sanctuary Candle, it's simple to do. Complete a "Flower" or "Candle" form (found in the rack by the pew in the Narthex or on our website under "Quick Links") giving the date you wish, and who you wish to honor in thanksgiving or in memory. Altar flowers are \$10 and the Sanctuary candle is \$6 for each person commemorated. You can use the same form for a number of commemorations and for Christmas and Easter flowers as well. Then take the form and your check (memo line Altar Flowers) and place in the mailbox on the office door or send to the office.

PRAYER LIST BEGINNING MARCH

Policy reminder: Submitted names are placed on the short term list for four weeks and then moved to long term by request of the person submitting the name, or by need known by the Rector.



Short Term: The Sholtes Family, Margaret, Chris, Anna and Oliver Lake, Larry Kasmarcik, Jackie and Carol and the Wood Family, Jason, John Mando, Bob Mc Curry, Larry Kiley, Larry Taft, Donald Nauerz, Guy Billings, Sandra Perry, Laura Harmon, Ceil Cwikla, Nancy Miller, Roberta Szwalla, the Rev. Joell Szachara, Elaine Cwikla, Jessica McBride, Lori Szwalla, Phillip Kasmarcik, Joy Kasmarcik, Alicia LaMaine, Jaden Kasmarcik, Bella LaMaine, Joseph Dotolo, Louise Rogers, and Sarah Harrison-Pautard,

Long Term: Sam McMullen, LaVonne Zdimal, Eli Pierce, Dreux Cook, Ardis Rogers, David Pierce, Luther Chergosky, Jane Chomyszak, Joe Finta, Tony Szwalla, Dick Kimble, Kayleigh Mahon, Ralph Holloway, Connie Whalen, Bob Gilmer, Clark Byarley, Nanette McIntosh, Ken Barkman, Megan Gillmer



Military: Ben Holbus, Curtis Sholtes, Robert Preston, Joe Gentile, Steven Serbun, Justin Gillmer, Michael Lake



*Anniversaries
and Birthdays*



Birthdays

- 01 Dallas Elwood
Ralph Holloway
- 03 Richard Escott
- 07 Bobbi Zurn
- 08 Nancy Elwood
- 09 Richard Hrebin, Jr.
Amy Lynn Murphy
- 13 Jeanne Preston
- 14 Eleanor Genthner
- 15 Gopal Milligan-Cuffee
- 20 Alyssa Lockwood

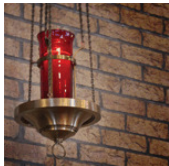
CELEBRATIONS IN MARCH

- 21 Marilyn Doersam
Cindy Anderson
- 24 Lindsey Hrebin
- 25 Jordyn Ericksen-Hrehor
Jonah Eriksen-Hrehor
Shirley Krum
Tucker Sholtes
- 28 Erik Heden
- 29 Arthur Elwood
- 31 Herbert Lake



Anniversaries

- 14 Ralph & Patricia Holloway
- 21 Richard and Lois Kimble
- 31 Don & Sandy Brewster



Sanctuary Candle

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March 6th is given in memory of her husband Rupert A. Furman by Ruth Furman and are given in memory of Caroline Labosky by Paul Labosky.

March 13th is given in memory of Florence Linaberry, her grandmother, by Barbara Freed.

March 20th Open

March 27th is given in memory of her husband, The Rev. H. Arthur Doersam, by Marilyn Doersam and are given in memory of William and Martha Motsko by Allen Motsko



Altar Flowers

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March 6th are given in thanksgiving for the birthday of their daughter, Stephanie Holbus, by Don & Debbie Thorpe; are given in thanksgiving for the birthday of their granddaughter, Katherine Adeline Holbus, by Debbie & Don Thorpe; are given in thanksgiving for the birthday of her daughter, Elaine McBride by Ceil Cwikla, and are given for the birthday of their granddaughter Abigail Molly McKeon by Lonna & David Pierce.

March 13th are given in thanksgiving for the birthday of her son, John Gasdaska, by Marilyn Doersam; are given in memory of his mother, Mary Jane B. Day, by Christian Day, and are given in thanksgiving for their wedding anniversary by Ralph and Patricia Holloway.

March 20th are given in thanksgiving for the birthday of their son Brendan McKeon by Lonna & David Pierce, and are given in memory of Margaret & Earl Sloan by Ralph and Patricia Holloway.

March 27th are given in thanksgiving for the birthday of her daughter-in-law, Lynda Doersam, by Marilyn Doersam; are given in memory of William and Martha Motsko by Allen Motsko; are given in memory of Donald Freed and Walter Brink by Barb Freed; are given in memory of Albert, Adeline and Marilyn Thorpe by Debbie & Don Thorpe; are given in memory of Teresa, Frederic and Steven Van Dervoort by Debbie & Don Thorpe; are given in memory of her husband, Martin Cwikla, by Ceil Cwikla; are given in memory of Joan & John Donnelly and Jay O. Holt by Paul and Patti Donnelly

Altar Flower commemorations for Easter (March 27th) are due no later than Palm Sunday, March 20th in order to be included in the Easter Bulletins!