



# CROSSTIES



## CHAPEL HAPPENINGS

### Vestry Retreat

Saturday, February 5, 10:00 am-3:00 pm  
The Cathedral Church of the Holy Communion

### Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, March 2; Services at 8:00 am (MP),  
Noon (HC) and 6:30 pm (EP & Litany)

### Lenten Series

Begins on Wednesday, March 9 at 6:00 pm



### The Rector's Report

by John P. Boonzaaijer

This world we love suffers under a profound sense of loss. Not only do all men suffer their loss of innocence from the Fall, and the defaced image of God in their own selves, they suffer from the disappointment of the continual fractures of the kingdoms of Man—profoundly so at present. In his rejection of God, man had first hoped that reason would give him certainty, and then that science would overcome nature. He suffers the loss of society, order, trust, and history. A thousand years after the happy loss of the gods for the Gospel, the West is shedding the one true God for ephemeral pleasure. Its claim of awakened freedom is but the death gasp of a dissolved humanity.

It has been the happy ministry of The Reformed Episcopal Church and The Chapel of the Cross this past year to live bravely and in faith—trusting God through weal and woe, and all that was unknown. While the Church of history has never neared perfection, this past year has revealed the inability of a consumer spirituality to speak wisely in times of “plague, pestilence, and famine,” as we pray in the Litany. Lost is the final desirability of being in God’s house. Lost is the confidence in a sovereign God Who loves His children in sickness and health, in poverty and plenty. Lost is the conviction for what is right. Lost is the God-centered worship of a people made holy by justifying grace. Lost is the conviction that God alone is Truth, Goodness, and Beauty in His Being. Our calling, however, is neither to pharisaic lament nor to romantic nostalgia—but rather to positive faithfulness.

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**Feast of Lights**



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With enthusiasm Chapel members recommitted themselves to faithfulness in “first things” and “foundations”—and God blessed such faith and trust. Members cared for one another, returned to worship, gave themselves, and continued stewarding God’s rich gifts for the Gospel saturation of their community. New friends were welcomed, and found refuge when their churches were closed. Yet another church was planted, while three prior plants and revitalization projects began to thrive. Numbers rebounded. I am proud of this parish for its members’ graciousness toward one another during the various and changing protocols necessitated by illness, regulations, and opinions. Regardless, it was good always to keep in mind one be wrong. We could still be, and some among us could yet suffer or die—as each of us shall one day.

The Church is Bride as well as Body, and should behave becomingly. A bride gives attention to beauty, rejoices in her husband, and dreams of new life together. She births children of the groom into the world and nurtures them. Of course we must go on reaching people, new neighbors, and old friends. But she also learns to love silence, to yield aromas from the ecclesial kitchen, to live a quiet and peaceful life regardless of length, and to welcome Truth, Beauty, and Goodness into the depths of her soul, for Jesus’s sake. In this world, the Bride is the homemaker of her divine Groom.

Having abandoned the one true God, new barbarians seek old gods but find the ancient temples to be empty—the only remaining god being the pleasure of Self. Yet sometimes this idolatry draws them to the Church’s love for beauty. Can they be converted? Is Beauty the unity of Truth and Goodness, as taught by the ancients? We are finding the answer once again to be a resounding “yes.” The risk of the common chalice is

far greater than a virus, as all communicants are likely to be infected with Christ’s final commitment to His disciples.

Chapel members value serious preaching and biblical teaching; they appreciate reverent liturgy; they shape candidates for the ministry; and they give themselves to train youth into educated, enthusiastic churchmen. I think we can improve, and increase. Fifteen years ago, in February of 2007, I was called as interim rector. It has been a long, satisfying pilgrimage. As full as those years were, I believe the last two have been the most consuming, and yet life-giving. God has restored much, provided more, and given fresh vision for a fully catholic, reformed, and evangelical prayerbook life as disciples of Jesus. The Chapel has much to offer, much to give: is it imaginable to graduate two or three curates to the greater church every year for a decade?

During this year we plan to revisit the parish’s strategic plan, to connect with new residents, and to assist those now several generations away from meaningful models of healthy Christianity and family life. I remain grateful to our clergy, staff, faculty, ministry committees, my family, and to each member of an inspired and peaceful parish. The Chapel enjoys convicted leadership, able servants, and willing members. Together, we are the Body and Bride of Christ. While culture casts off divine shackles, it also groans under their loss. Only Truth will set men free. Only Christ will be men’s health. Only repentance will touch men’s grief. And only faith will bring them joy.

With love and respect for the perseverance of saints,

The Rev’d Canon John Peter Boonzaaijer  
Rector

*Because thy lovingkindness is better than life, my lips shall praise thee.* Psalm 63:3



Katie Gaspard displays her merchandise at the annual Holiday Artisan Fair (above), hosted by Mission: *Evangelism* in December. The fair is one of the Front Porch ministries of The Chapel. Members enjoy fellowship and dance following the Feast of Lights service. (right)

**Birthdays**

Leta Sundet	2/1	Josephine Johnson	3/14
Suki Jarzemsky	2/6	Chris Wilson	3/16
Hannah Kelly	2/6	Ken Bennett	3/20
Ashley Dittman	2/8	Harry Nicholls	3/22
Brigid Seay	2/10	Christine Boonzaaijer	3/24
		Betty Friedrich	3/25
Frank Bridwell	3/1	Tiia Saunders	3/25
Lou Bridwell	3/2	Harry Friedrich	3/28
Tracy Lives	3/6	Elijah Dean	3/30
Eleanor Dickinson	3/10	Ed Fruin	3/31
Elenor Boonzaaijer	3/10		
Karl Boonzaaijer	3/12		

**Anniversaries**

Karen & Steve Mabry	3/15
Barbara & Harry Nicholls	3/17

# February 2022

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm AA Group	<b>2</b> <b>Purification</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 9:30 am Staff Meeting 3:05 pm Catechesis 6:00 pm Holy Comm, Potluck 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>3</b> 6:30 am & 7:30 am Burriss Bible Study 8:00 am M Prayer 10:00 am Burriss Bible Study 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm Santa Cruz Catechesis	<b>4</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	<b>5</b> 8:30 am Pro-Life M Prayer @ CHC (every Sat of month) 9:00 am Morning Prayer 10:00 am Vestry Retreat (CHC)
<b>6</b> <b>Epiphany 5</b> 8:00 am Holy Communion 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Holy Communion 1:00 pm Servicio Santa Cruz 4:00 pm Chapel Fellows Gift Exchange	<b>7</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	<b>8</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm AA Group	<b>9</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 9:30 am Staff Meeting 3:05 pm Catechesis 6:30 pm Evensong 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>10</b> 6:30 am & 7:30 am Burriss Bible Study 8:00 am M Prayer 10:00 am Burriss Bible Study 1:00 pm Macbeth 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 6:30 pm Macbeth 7:00 pm Santa Cruz Catechesis	<b>11</b> No School Today   February Break	<b>12</b> 9:00 am Morning Prayer & Doorkeepers Ministry 5:00 pm Valentine's Day Dance
<b>13</b> <b>Septuagesima</b> 8:00 am Holy Communion 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Morning Prayer (& HC) 1:00 pm Servicio Santa Cruz	<b>14</b> No School Today   February Break	<b>15</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm AA Group	<b>16</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 9:30 am Staff Meeting 3:05 pm Catechesis 6:30 pm Evensong 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>17</b> 6:30 am & 7:30 am Burriss Bible Study 8:00 am M Prayer 10:00 am Burriss Bible Study 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm Santa Cruz Catechesis	<b>18</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	<b>19</b> 9:00 am Morning Prayer & Doorkeepers Ministry
<b>20</b> <b>Sexagesima</b> 8:00 am Holy Communion 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Morning Prayer (& HC) 1:00 pm Servicio Santa Cruz 5:00 pm Evening Prayer for Missions (& Chapel Fellows)	<b>21</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	<b>22</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm AA Group	<b>23</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 9:30 am Staff Meeting 3:05 pm Catechesis 6:00 pm Holy Communion & Potluck Dinner 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>24</b> <b>St. Matthias</b> 6:30 am & 7:30 am Burriss Bible Study 8:00 am M Prayer 10:00 am Burriss Bible Study 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm Santa Cruz Catechesis	<b>25</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	<b>26</b> 9:00 am Morning Prayer & Doorkeepers Ministry
<b>27</b> <b>Quinquagesima</b> 8:00 am Holy Communion 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Morning Prayer (& HC) 1:00 pm Servicio Santa Cruz	<b>28</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm Vestry					

# February 2022

February	Day	Service	Time	Altar Guild Team	Nursery SS & Worship	Epistoler / Reader	Lector(s)	Acolytes *stays for HC	Ushers W = Welcomers (*Captain) Open/Close	Counters B = Broadcaster	
Wed	2	Presentation of Christ in Temple	HC(&MP)	8:00 am	x	x	Andrew D.	student	x	student	x
Sun	6	Epiphany 5	HC	8:00 am	x	x	x	x		Nola Rae Smith	D. Bucy J. Morton B - S. Cole
			HC(&MP)	10:30 am	Cynthia B.	A. Johnson A. Cole	Amaral	Karl B	*Karl B. Isaac L. W -	Ken B. Julian J. W - Mortons	
Wed	9	Wednesday Prayer	EP	6:30 pm	x	x	Karl B	Fruin	x	Lector	x
Sun	13	Septuagesima	HC	8:00 am	x	x	x	x	x	Nola Rae S.	x
			MP (11:30HC)	10:30 am	Christine B.	Virginia G. Kim K.	Bucy	Johnson	Edwin A. *Gabriel S. Thomas S. Joaquin A.	*Norris M. Brad L. W - Esther M.	D. Bucy N. Murray B - Thomas S.
			EP	5:00 pm	x	x	Karl B.	Fellows	x	x	x
Wed	16	Wednesday Prayer	EP	6:30 pm	x	x	Karl B.	Nathaniel	x	Lector	x
Sun	20	Sexagesima	HC	8:00 am	x	x	x	x	x	Nola Rae Smith	x
			MP (11:30HC)	10:30 am	Cathy M.	Laura B. Bailey A.	Murray	Fruin	*E. Fruin Isaac L. John D. James D.	*John M. Gabriel S. W - Woolseys	J. Morton E. Archbold B - S. Amaral
Wed	23	St. Mathias (Eve)	HC(&EP)	6:00 pm	x	x	Karl B.	Fruin	x	Lector	x
Sun	27	Quinquagesima	HC	8:00 am	x	x	x	x	x	Nola Rae Smith	x
			MP (11:30HC)	10:30 am	Becky M.	Lily A. Layne A.	Edwin	Nathaniel	*Nathaniel B. Gabriel S. Thomas S. Paul C.	*Norris M. Ken B. W - Bucys	S. Cole B. Lives B - S. Cole

ST. TIMOTHY SCHOOL  
VALENTINE'S SWING DANCE  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 5 PM  
BRING A FINGER FOOD  
& \$5 PER PERSON  
LIVE MUSIC



# March 2022

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b> <b>Shrove Tuesday</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 6:00 pm Pancake Dinner & Races 7:00 pm AA Group	<b>2</b> <b>Ash Wednesday</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 9:30 am Staff Meeting 12:00 pm Holy Comm 3:05 pm Catechesis 6:30 pm Evensong 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>3</b> 6:30 am & 7:30 am Burriss Bible Study 8:00 am M Prayer 10:00 am Burriss Bible Study 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm Santa Cruz Catechesis	<b>4</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	<b>5</b> 8:30 am Pro-Life M Prayer @ CHC (every Sat of month) 9:00 am Morning Prayer & Doorkeepers Ministry
<b>6</b> <b>Lent 1</b> 8:00 am Holy Communion 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Holy Communion 1:00 pm Servicio Santa Cruz	<b>7</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	<b>8</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm AA Group	<b>9</b> <b>Ember Day</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 9:30 am Staff Meeting 3:05 pm Catechesis 6:00 pm Lenten Series and Potluck 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>10</b> <b>Quiet Day</b> 6:30 am & 7:30 am Burriss Bible Study 8:00 am M Prayer 10:00 am Burriss Bible Study 12:00 pm Quiet Day Eucharist 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm Santa Cruz Catechesis	<b>11</b> <b>Ember Day</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	<b>12</b> <b>Ember Day</b> 9:00 am Morning Prayer & Guild Training
<b>13</b> <b>Lent 2</b> 8:00 am Holy Communion 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Morning Prayer (& HC) 1:00 pm Servicio Santa Cruz 5:00 pm Evensong & Concert (Fellows)	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 7:00 pm AA Group	<b>16</b> 10:00 am AGMP 6:00 pm Lenten Series Holy Communion (with AGMP) 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm AGMP (only) Dinner	<b>17</b> <b>St Patrick's Day</b> 6:30 am & 7:30 am Burriss Bible Study 8:30 am M Prayer (AGMP) 10:00 am Burriss Bible Study 7:00 pm Santa Cruz Catechesis	<b>18</b> 8:30 am M Prayer with Litany for Missions (AGMP) 1:00 pm End of AGMP Conf.	<b>19</b> 9:00 am Morning Prayer & Doorkeepers Ministry 4:00 pm SMOTJ service
<i>Spring Break ——— Anglican Global Mission Partners Conference W-F</i>						
<b>20</b> <b>Lent 3</b> 8:00 am Holy Communion 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Morning Prayer (& HC) 1:00 pm Servicio Santa Cruz	<b>21</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	<b>22</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm AA Group	<b>23</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 9:30 am Staff Meeting 3:05 pm Catechesis 6:00 pm Lenten Series and Potluck 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>24</b> 6:30 am & 7:30 am Burriss Bible Study 8:00 am M Prayer 10:00 am Burriss Bible Study 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm Santa Cruz Catechesis	<b>25</b> <b>Annunciation</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 6:00 pm Sung Holy Communion & Concert	<b>26</b> 9:00 am Morning Prayer & Doorkeepers Ministry
<b>27</b> <b>Lent 4</b> 8:00 am Holy Communion 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Morning Prayer (& HC) 1:00 pm Servicio Santa Cruz	<b>28</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm Vestry	<b>29</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm AA Group	<b>30</b> 8:00 am M Prayer 9:30 am Staff Meeting 3:05 pm Catechesis 6:00 pm Lenten Series and Potluck 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>31</b> <b>Quiet Day</b> 6:30 am & 7:30 am Burriss Bible Study 8:00 am M Prayer 10:00 am Burriss Bible Study 12:00 pm Quiet Day Eucharist 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm Santa Cruz Catechesis		

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<b>Season: Lent</b>											
Wed	2	Ash Wednesday	MP	8:00 am	x	x	x	student	x	x	Alms Box
			HC	12:00 pm	x	x	Dittman	x	x	Norris M.	Altar Guild
			EP, Pen & Litany	6:30 pm	x	Hired	Bucy	Karl B.	x	Ken B.	Alms Box
Sun	6	Lent 1	HC	8:00 am	x	x	x	x	Nola Rae S.	x	
			HC (&MP)	10:30 am	Cynthia B.	Kathryn J. Leta S.	Bucy	Amaral	Nathaniel B. Gabriel S.	*Brad L. Julian J. W - Mortons	David B. Norris M. B - S. Amaral
Wed	9	Lenten Series #1	Lecture and Dinner	6:00 pm	x	x	Fruin	Johnson	x	Fruin	Alms Box
Thur	10	Lenten Quiet Day	HC	12:00 pm	x	x	Dittman	x	x	Norris M.	Alms Box
W/F/S	9/11/12	Ember Days	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sun	13	Lent 2	HC	8:00 am	x	x	x	x	x	Nola Rae S.	X
			MP (11:30HC)	10:30 am	Christine B.	Lily A. Brittany D.	Nathaniel	Edwin	Edwin A. Joaquin A. James D. JohnD.	Norris M. Gabriel S. W - Esther M.	Sam C. Brad L. B - Nathaniel B.
			EP/Concert	5:00 pm	x	x	Karl B.	Johnson	x	Lector	x
Wed	16	Wednesday Prayer Lenten Series #2	HC	6:00 pm	x	x	Amaral	Fruin	x	Amaral	Alms Box
Sun	20	Lent 3	HC	8:00 am	x	x	x	x	x	Nola Rae S.	x
			MP (11:30HC)	10:30 am	Cathy M.	A. Johnson Bailey A.	Norris M.	Fruin	*E. Fruin Paul C. Gabriel S. Thomas S.	*John M. Ken B. W - Bucys	John M. Edwin A. B - Thomas S.
Wed	23	Wednesday Prayer Lenten Series #3	Lecture and Dinner	6:00 pm	x	x	Karl B.	Johnson	x	Karl B.	Alms Box
Fri	25	The Annunciation of The Blessed Virgin Mary	HC and Concert	6:00 pm	x	x	Dittman	Amaral	John D.	Norris M.	Alms Box
Sun	27	Lent 4	HC	8:00 am	x	x	x	x	x	Nola Rae S.	x
			MP & Litany (11:30HC)	10:30 am	Becky M.	A. Cole Laura B.	Bucy	Karl B.	*Karl B. Karl B. VI Ansel B. Isaac L.	*Brad L. Norris M. W - Woolseys	David B. Norris M. B - S. Cole
Wed	30	Wednesday Prayer Lenten Series #4	Lecture and Dinner	6:00 pm	x	x	Fruin	Amaral	x	Fruin	Alms Box
Thur	31	Lenten Quiet Day	HC	12:00 pm	x	x	Amaral	x	x	Norris M.	Alms Box

## A Holy Lent – Lenten Series 2022

### “Eat this Book,” Part II

Psalm 119:11



### Parish Notice Board

• **Episcopal Visit!** The following were happily welcomed as communicants in The Reformed Episcopal Church last Sunday by Bishop Walter Banek during his Episcopal Visit.

**Confirmations:** Ana Celeste Archbold, Ethan Daniel Niño, Scott Charles Berthiaume, Tonia Marie Berthiaume, Monette Gregory, Steven Lee Hills, Andrea Hills, Octaviano Tijerina Niño, Angela Niño, Christopher Jerome Wilson, Walter Ryan Davis, and Remy Plummer Davis; Julie Reed.

**Received:** Alexis Canniff deAlvarez, Elizabeth Layne deAlvarez, Jenny Dickinson, Mary Dickinson, Eleanor Dickinson, Lucy Dickinson, Adam Christopher Reed, Christopher Wayne Adams, Nicholas Loy Dean, Brittany Lane Dean.

Those who were not able to attend will be received later this Spring. Welcome!

• **Lent/Easter Catechesis:** cycle of classes include: *Romans*, Fr. Thom Smith; *The Larger Anglican Catechism* (Decalogue), Canon Boonzaaijer; *The Mystery of Marriage*, Mike Mason, Dcn & Mrs. Woolsey; Youth: Mr. David Bucy. Choose one that most interests you, and keep growing in faith!!

• **Hosts Needed for Anglican Global Mission Partners** March 16-18, 2022. Contact the Parish Office.

• 100 copies of *Oración Común* (Spanish 1928 BCP) were purchased for The Chapel's mission parish, *Santa Cruz*. To offset costs, donations may be given through the Alms Box.

• **REC100!** *Give Him a Hundred!* Each Reformed Episcopalian is asked to give \$100 toward church planting and extension during Lent. Identify on the Memo line, or give online please.

• It is with sadness that we bring news of the death of Dr. Carl A. Fischer, who passed away on March 7, 2021, at the age of 49. Carl was the Chapel organist for 7 years before moving away in 2010.



### The Saint Timothy School

- **Enrollment** opens to public February 1
- **February Break**, Friday and Monday, Feb. 11 and 14
- **Spring Break**, March 14-18
- **Jog-a-thon**, Friday, April 8



### Church/Diocesan News

ACNA Downloadable Catechism available at [anglicanchurch.net](http://anglicanchurch.net)

#### The Caedmon Church Music Conference

Early Bird Registration: \$120.00 (group discounts available with 4+) August 3-6, 2022; Saint Mark's Church, Jenkintown, PA

#### Anglican Way Institute (AWI)

July 7-9, 2022; The Cathedral Church of the Holy Communion



### New Titles in the Parish Hall Bookcase.

“The Everlasting Man”, G. K. Chesterton. Noted as the book which converted C.S. Lewis from atheism to Christianity, outlines the spiritual journey of western civilization through the errors of the enlightenment. Man is distinguished from animals and is made in God's image and exists as both creature and creator.

“Kristen Lavransdatter”, Sigrid Undset. A novel in three volumes.

Won the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1928. Described as the most Christian of novels, “Kristen Lavransdatter” presents fourteenth century life of medieval Norway in great detail in both day to day life and in spiritual life. Wonderful for a Christian's time travel.

At the left side of the bookcase is a checkout sheet.

### Upcoming Events

**Valentine's Day Dance**, Saturday, Feb. 12 at 5:00 pm., with band. Bring \$5 and a finger food dish to pass.

#### Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, March 2; Morning Prayer at 8:00 am; Holy Communion at Noon; Evening Prayer with Penitential Office and The Litany at 6:30 pm

#### The Lenten Series

Begins on Wed., March 9 at 6:00 pm. Weekly Lenten supper and teaching.

#### Lenten Concerts

The Chapel will host two concerts during Lent. The first on Sunday, March 13 (following Evensong) and the second on Friday, March 31 (following Holy Communion for the Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary).

**Macbeth**, Saint Timothy School students, Thursday, February 10, 1:00 pm and 6:00 pm. All welcome!

**Parish Work Day** March 19, 9:00 am –1:00 pm

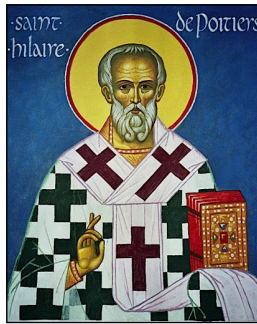
### Vital Signs

	Nov	Dec	Year to Date (Jan - Dec)
Income	\$37,037	\$60,981	\$364,576
Expenses	\$27,999	\$39,536	\$325,385
Surplus (Deficit)	\$9,038	\$21,445	\$39,191
Attendance	124	110	116

*A Faith to Believe · A Place to Belong  
A Rule of Life*

## Faithful Witness – Hilary of Poitiers

All existence originates from the Father. In Christ and through Christ, God is the source of everything. In contrast to everything else, He is completely self-existent. He doesn't receive His being from the outside, but possesses it from and in Himself. He is infinite, for nothing can contain Him and He contains everything. He is eternally unrestricted by space, for He can't be limited. He is eternally prior to time, for time is His creation. Imagine what you would think might be God's farthest limit, and you will find Him present there. Strain to see as far as you can, for there is always a further horizon to strain



toward. He owns infinity, just as you own the power to make such efforts to comprehend Him. Words will fail you, but His being will not be restrained. Turn back the pages of history and you will always find him present. If numbers fail to express the old ages you have penetrated, God's eternity still isn't diminished. Exercise your intellect to comprehend Him as a whole, but He will elude you.... Therefore, since no one knows the Father but the Son, let our thoughts of the Father be one with the thoughts of the Son. He is the only faithful Witness who reveals God to us.

## The Newsletter of The Chapel of the Cross

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