ST. MARY'S-IN-TUXEDO



THE SUNDAY OF THE EPIPHANY

January 7, 2024 10:00 a.m. The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

Welcome to St. Mary's

Thank you for joining us today! From the very beginning in 1887, our founders saw St. Mary's-in-Tuxedo as the community church, being present and receptive to all those who came in faith, need, gratitude, curiosity -- or for whatever reason. Please know that you are always welcome here.

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Restrooms are located in the undercroft of the church (use stairs in the back, across from the entrance).

All baptized Christians (from any denomination) are welcome to receive Communion in the Episcopal Church.

Ministers Serving Today

Celebrant: The Very Rev. Richard J. Robÿn Choir Master & Organist: Sheldon Eldridge

Lector: B. McKechnie Acolyte: Matt Hlavka

Eucharistic Minister:

Usher: Sue Heywood Video: Pete Datos-Robÿn

Cantors: Aileen Sager, Johanna Maria Rose,

Anthony Cinelli, William Dickinson





Prelude

Two settings of How brightly shines the Morning Star:

Max Reger Op. 135A (1873-1916); Johann Christian Heinrich Rinck (1770-1846)

Introit

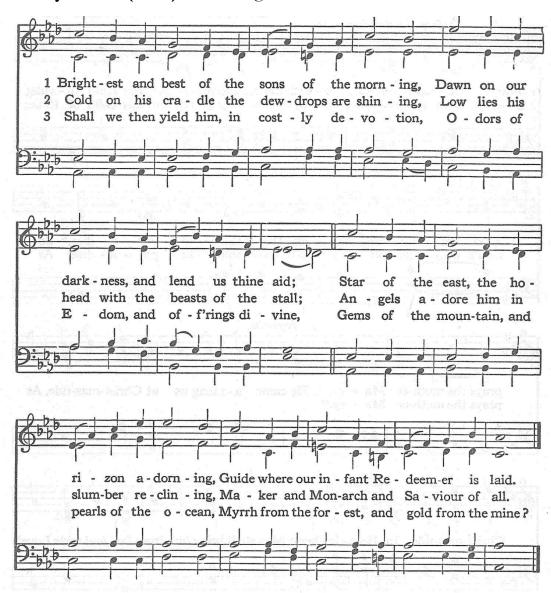
Sung by the Schola

Please stand

Processional Hymn 46 (1940)

Brightest and best

Morning Star



- 4 Vainly we offer each ample oblation,
 Vainly with gifts would his favor secure;
 Richer by far is the heart's adoration,
 Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.
- 5 Brightest and best of the sons of the morning, Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid; Star of the east, the horizon adorning, Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

The Word of God

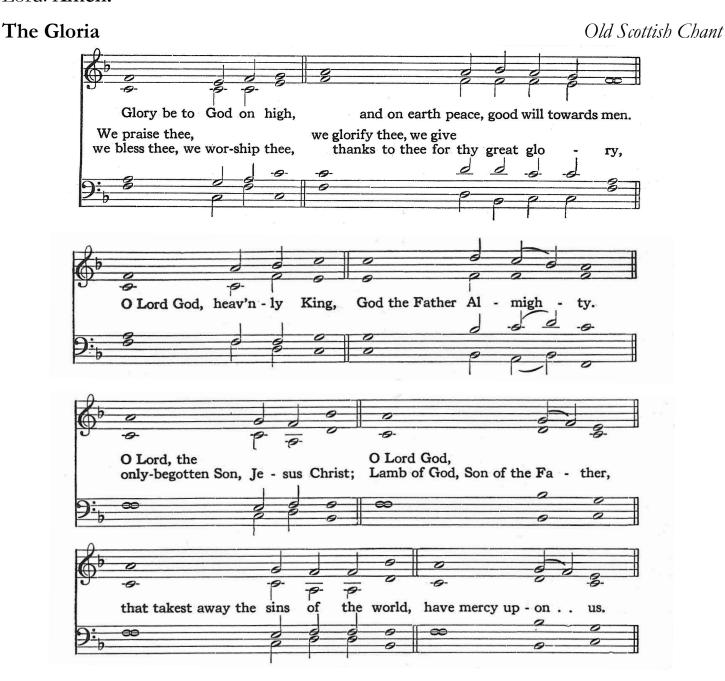
Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

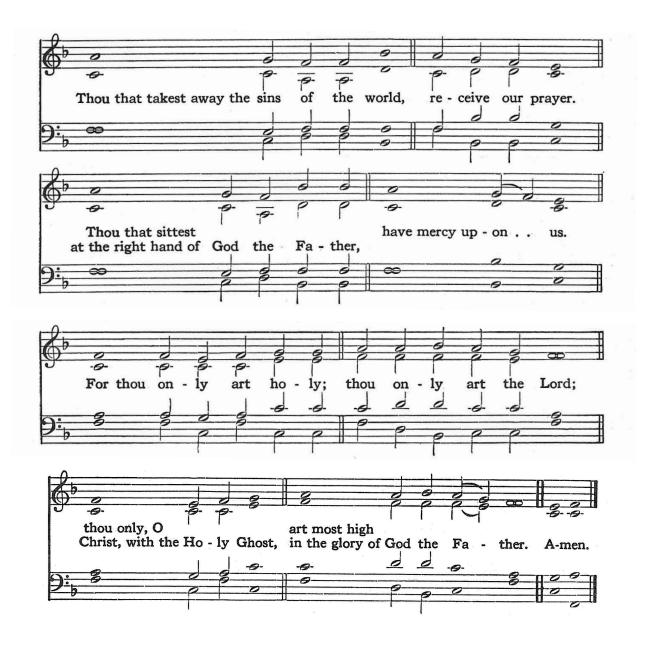
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**





The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading Isaiah 60:1-6

Reader: A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-15 Deus, judicium

William Boyce (1710-1779)

GIVE the King thy judgments, O God, * and thy righteousness unto the King's son.

- 2 Then shall he judge thy people according unto right, * and defend the poor.
- 3 The mountains also shall bring peace, *
- and the little hills righteousness unto the people.
- 4 He shall keep the simple folk by their right, *
- defend the children of the poor, and punish the wrong doer.
- 5 They shall fear thee, as long as the sun and moon endureth, * from one generation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like the rain into a fleece of wool, * even as the drops that water the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
- yea, and abundance of peace, so long as the moon endureth.
- 10 The kings of Tharsis and of the isles shall give presents; *
- the kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts.
- 11 All kings shall fall down before him; * all nations shall do him service.
- 12 For he shall deliver the poor when he crieth; * the needy also, and him that hath no helper.

13 He shall be favourable to the simple and needy, * and shall preserve the souls of the poor.

14 He shall deliver their souls from falsehood and wrong; * and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

15 He shall live, and unto him shall be given of the gold of Arabia; * prayer shall be made ever unto him, and daily shall he be praised. *Gloria Patri*.

The Epistle Ephesians 3:1-12

Reader: A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians.

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles-- for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn 128



The Gospel Matthew 2:1-12

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated

The Sermon The Rector

Please stand

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen. With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Andy, Allen, Mary, and Matthew our Bishops, for Richard our Rector and Edwin our Rector Emetitus, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Joseph our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this town and village, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Father Ed Cromey, William Clarke, Barbara Beauregard, Bill Steinmann, Webb Turner, John Burkhalter, James Patrick Cole, Timothy Francis Duffy, Genevieve Jones, John Kordel, Jolene Matthews, Theresa McDevitt, Rob McQuilkin, Barbara Miranda, Carmen Murphy, Joy Ochieng, Linette Opiyo, Brendan Pascarella, Patrick Pascarella, Ulie and Maryvan Pendl, Audrey Perry, Father Stephen Rozzelle, Clinton Stoneking, Nicholas Triantafillou, and Peter Van Zandt let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion St. Mary and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence.

Celebrant

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please be seated

Welcome & Announcements

The Rector

The Offertory

Kings in Glory

Martin Shaw (1875-1958)

Three kings in great glory of horses and men, in haste come a riding o'er mountain and fen; for their King is awaiting, and lo they would bring, the best of their treasure to give to their King, Poor shepherds lie huddled to-night on the plain, their silly sheep guarding from danger and pain, for the wolves howl around them, and bitter the air, that blows o'er the snowfield as frozen and bare. Come monarchs, and enter, your Monarch is here, doff crowns, on the bare sod fall down and revere, for the best of you can offer is little I trow, to the Lord God of Heav'n you're a-kneeling to now, Come, shepherds, and fear not, He will not despise, the gifts that you bring Him, tho' rude in

men's eyes; see, He's not arrayed here in purple and gold, God's Lamb lies as helpless as lamb of your fold. Then simple and gentle, and foolish and wise, come adore the great Lord of the earth and skies, Who deigns for us all on this night to be born, this night that is fairer than mid-summer morn.

Selwyn Image (1849-1930)

Please stand

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Holy Communion

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

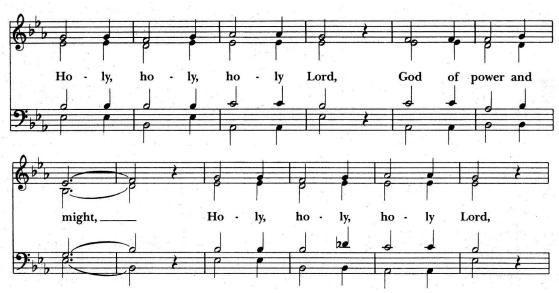
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

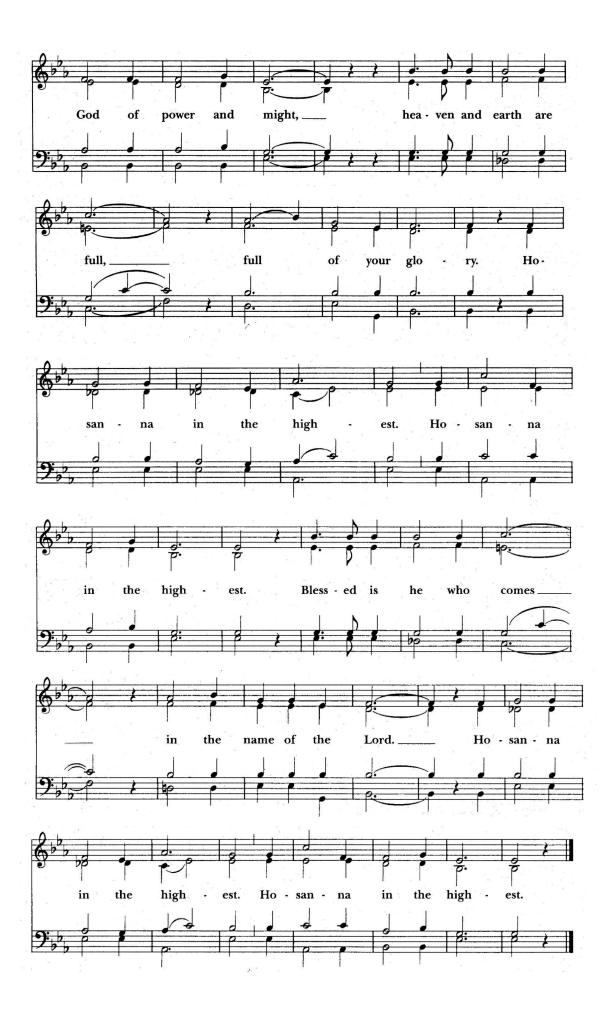
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Franz Schubert (1797-1828)





Please kneel; then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Celebrant and People

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast, alleluia.

Agnus Dei

Franz Schubert



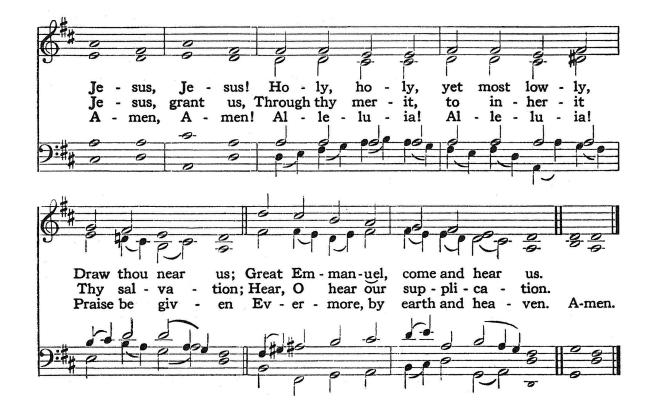
Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymn 329 (1940) How bright appears the Morning Star

Frankfort





The Post Communion Prayer

Please kneel
Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please stand

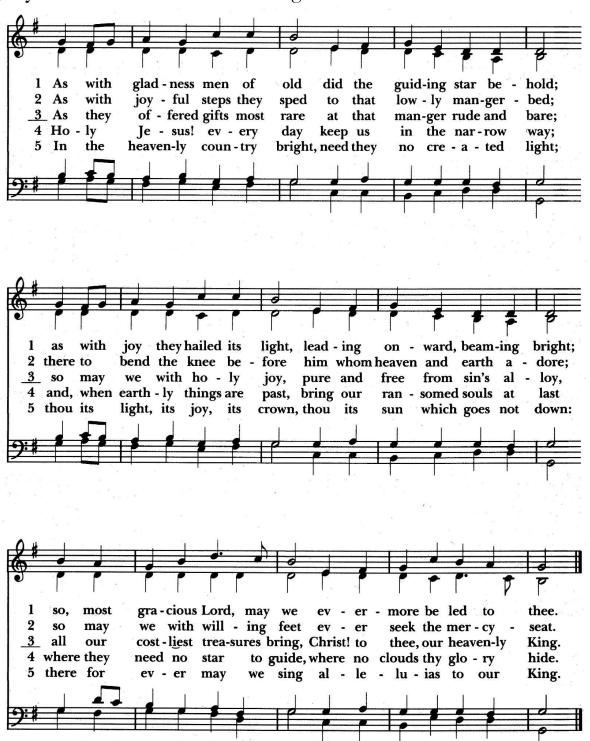
Blessing & Dismissal

Celebrant

May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord. **Amen.**

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



Postlude

How brightly shines the Morning Star Johann Christoph Bach (1642-1703)

Prayers of the Community

Parishioners we are praying for:

Fr. Ed Cromey, Rector Emeritus William Clarke Barbara Beauregard Bill Steinmann Webb Turner

Friends and family members we are praying for:

John Burkhalter, friend of Sheldon Eldridge James Patrick Cole, friend of Maureen Love Timothy Francis Duffy, friend of Brad Boles Genevieve Jones, former parishioner and resident of Tuxedo Park John Kordel, friend of Fr. Rick & Pete Datos-Robÿn Jolene Matthews, daughter of Gillian Ballard Theresa McDevitt, longtime Tuxedo resident Rob McQuilkin, longtime Tuxedo Park resident Barbara Miranda, cousin of the Bush family Carmen Murphy, close friend of Ann Ho-Powers Joy Ochieng, daughter of Elizabeth Ochieng Linette Opiyo, friend of Elizabeth Ochieng Brendan and Patrick Pascarella, relatives of Gillian Ballard Ulie and Maryvan Pendl, longtime Tuxedo Park residents Audrey Perry, friend of St. Mary's Father Stephen Rozzelle, Rector of Christ Church, Pompton Lakes, NJ Clinton Stoneking, son-in-law of Charlen Cathcart Nicholas Triantafillou, grandson of Bill Steinmann Peter Van Zandt, friend of St. Mary's

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