Native American Acknowledgment

As Rector of the Episcopal Church of St. Matthew, I speak on behalf of our community that we acknowledge the traditional peoples of the land on which we stand especially the Pascua Yaqui, Sobaipuri and Tohono O'odham nations. We pay our respect to them for their care of the land. - Fr. Rick

Note from the Rector

On Saturday, October 27, the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh was the scene of a horrific attack on a people of faith. Eleven people were killed by a gunman. Our Presiding-Bishop Michael Curry offered the following statement regarding this tragedy.
Dear Friends,

I'm here in Des Moines, Iowa at the convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa. It's Saturday, and several hours ago you learned, as did we all, that a gunman entered Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh. A number of people have been killed and wounded. Our Jewish neighbors, our brothers and sisters, are fearful and we must stand with them and provide comfort and support for them and for all. It is reported that the gunman not only ranted anti-Semitic sayings, he has also ranted and spoken against immigrants and refugees and other peoples.

We must pray, we must pray for him, we must pray for the spirit of our nation, that a spirit of love and compassion and goodness and decency would pervade, and that spirits of hatred and bigotry would be cast away. But, above all, at this time, pray for those who have died and for their families and their loved ones. Pray for those who are wounded. Pray for the first responders, pray for our brothers and sisters in the Jewish community. Pray for the Tree of Life synagogue. Pray for the City of Pittsburgh. Pray for America. Pray for us all.

And then, go out and do something. Do something that helps to end the long night and helps to bring in the daylight. Visit a neighbor. Remind our Jewish brothers and sisters that they do not stand alone. Care for someone. Love. Stand for what is right and good. Then pray. And then act.

And pray:

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.
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.

God love you. God bless you. And may God hold us all in those almighty hands of love.

The Most Rev. Michael Curry
Presiding Bishop and Primate
The Episcopal Church
Please keep the names of the victims in your prayers. They are: Rose Mallinger, Jerry Rabinowitz, Cecil and David Rosenthal (brothers), Daniel Stein, Richard Gottfried, Joyce Fienberg, Melvin Wax, Bernice and Sylvan Simon (married couple), and Irving Younger. Remember their families, friends, and the people of Tree of Life Synagogue at this time of loss. - Fr. Rick

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

Security Minister: Charles Sisson

Parishioner Charles Sisson has stepped up as our new Security Minister. Charles will be coordinating a program to help ensure the security of our campus. He will be soliciting other parishioners as monitors and looking into the possibility of video surveillance. The Diocese has been encouraging parishes to develop a safety protocol. Fred Shaylor held this position previously. With his background in security, Charles brings the benefit of his experience in a most anxious time.

Table of Remembrance
October 27 - November 25

Beginning Sunday, October 27, we will have a Table of Remembrance set up in front of the five-paneled Nativity Scene. The Table will remain for each of the Sundays in November.

The purpose of the Table is to place pictures of people we love who have died, having transitioned nearer to God, as a remembrance.

The Feast of All Saints is November 1 and the Feast of All Faithful Departed is November 2 (also known as All Saint's Day). We will be celebrating the Feast of All Saints on Sunday, November 4. It is an opportunity to remember them in this special way as we thank God for them as they are with God and still in our hearts and minds.
Call to Action: Taking Care of our Floor  
Saturday, November 3

Well our beautiful new floor in the sanctuary is one year old. To celebrate there will be the first annual waxing of the floor on Saturday Nov 3rd. Volunteers are needed to move everything off the floor to enable the cleaning and waxing. If I can get a couple of volunteers we can move the chairs on Friday at 6:00 pm, making Saturdays work much easier. We will begin at 8 am Saturday and will need to sweep once, damp mop twice, and wax once, then return everything once the floor is dry. If you can help Friday evening, call me at 571-233-8593. Otherwise, see you Saturday Nov 3rd at 8 am.

Carl Genthner  
Junior Warden

Feast of All Saints - In gathering Sunday  
November 4, 2018

Hopefully by now, you have received your Stewardship Pledge Packet. On Sunday, November 4, we will present our completed pledge forms on the altar during the offertory, a time we generally offer other gifts which represent us - the bread and the wine and our financial gifts. If you have not received your packet by Sunday, October 27, there are packets on the narthex table. Please take one at your convenience. Our mission remains to be a people and a place welcoming everyone and serving others to the best of our ability as we are encouraged by the example and spirit of Jesus.
Matty's Men Thanksgiving Drive

Matty's Men invites you to share your generosity with our neighbors at Gale Elementary by donating towards gift cards for Thanksgiving.

Matty's Men has for the past three years donated gift cards for the Thanksgiving holiday to the school to be given out to families that the school has identified as needing assistance.

This year we would like to increase the amount given so that the reach may be extended by matching your donations up to a total of $300. Please note your donations with "MM Thanksgiving" on the memo line of the check or on the envelope.

If you have questions or need more information, please speak to Bob DeLaney or Ed Cabrera.

Thank you for your consideration.
Ed Cabrera

MINISTRY NEEDS

Altar Guild Recruitment

The Altar Guild works behind the scenes to prepare our beautiful spaces for the various liturgies of our parish. Altar Guild members find great satisfaction and fulfillment in this vital service to our congregation.
The ministry commitment is usually one weekend per month, with other services as scheduled. Particularly needed are those who are 8:00 service attendees, but of course everyone is welcome!

If you would be interested in learning more about serving our parish in this way, please contact Caroline Wolstenholme at 520-548-2544 or nickandcarolinew@msn.com.

Money Counters

An opportunity has arisen, we are in need of Money Counters. This opportunity consists of counting all of the proceeds from collection from the Sunday Services. Counting takes place on Mondays in The morning. Anyone wishing to take advantage of this opportunity should contact:

Allan Jones
Telephone # 749-4368
or
E-mail adjones9966@yahoo.com

Sunshine Club

For the past year Matty’s Angels have been sending out around 60 Birthday Cards every month to women who are incarcerated in Arizona as part of the diocesan Prison Ministry "Sunshine Club". These women may not ever receive any mail from their families; this is one small way to share the love of Jesus and let these women know that are being remembered and lifted up in prayer.

Recently we received our first "thank you" from an inmate. It read in part "You ladies help to brighten my day. Hope this is something you do for lots of people. Everyone should feel special. Again, thank you and God bless you!"
**Monthly Celtic Liturgy**
**Saturday November 3, 2018**

The next monthly Celtic Liturgy will be Saturday November 3, 2018 5:30 PM. The service is a balance of chanting, praying and quiet contemplation.

**Java With the Jesuit**
**Sunday November 4, 2018**

What's on your mind? Civil, Serious, Sensitive Conversation in the library, Sunday November, at 9:15 AM. Join Fr. Frank Bergen for an hour and share your concerns about everything.

**Native Racial Reconciliation**

On behalf of Bishop Smith, The Rev. Debbie Royals, Canon for Native American Ministry and The Rev. Monica Whitaker, Racial Reconciliation/Anti-Racism Network Co-Coordinator for Province VIII of The Episcopal Church, you are invited to share information regarding this gathering with members of your congregation who may be interested in developing mutually beneficial relationships with Native American peoples through acts of remembrance, recognition, reconciliation, and relationship.
The Gathering will take place at:
Christ Church of the Ascension
4015 E. Lincoln Dr.
Paradise Valley, AZ
Saturday, November 17, 2018
10am - 2pm.
Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP by contacting The Rev. Canon Debbie Royals at revdebroyls@gmail.com or 520-907-0616 before November 10, 2018.

Book Study: God's Echo
November 11, 2018

Mother Ellen will be leading a discussion of the book, God's Echo by Rabbi Sandy Sasso. The book will discuss the Jewish tradition of Midrash or probing the depths of scripture to answer the questions that you didn't know you had. It is both a serious and humorous way to analyze the text and yourself. Rabbi Sasso was the first woman ordained in her branch of Judaism. She has written several children's books and this book for adults is written in the same charming but thought-provoking style. The group will meet in the library between services on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at 9:15 am. The book may be obtained on Amazon or any bookseller. Mother Ellen will be meeting on Sunday November 11.
Fall Men's Retreat "The Journey Within"
November 16-18 2018

On behalf of Bishop Smith, the men in the Diocese of Arizona are invited to attend this year's annual Fall Men's Retreat "The Journey Within", November 16-18, 2018 at Chapel Rock Camp & Conference Center.

For more information or help registering for this event, please contact Serrena at 602-254-0976 or serrena@azdiocese.org.

Thank you,
Roberta Hancock
Events Coordinator
Bishop's Office

COMMUNITY EVENTS INFORMATION

GET OUT AND VOTE

On Tuesday, November 6, congregants who have registered to vote but did not vote by mail will have a last chance to vote for candidates in the General Election who can address issues that are important for so many of us. Access to health care, the quality of public education, immigration and availability of training for jobs where employees earn a solid, living wage are among some of the most important concerns. The candidates are vying for state and federal offices, judges are also competing to be elected, and there are several ballot initiatives that affect us all. The Arizona Secretary of State website offers voters a chance to study the candidates' position and to examine the ballot initiatives: https://azsos.gov/elections.
Treat your family to Christmas in the Pines! To end our twelve days of Christmas, let's keep celebrating, and ring in Epiphany together in a beautiful place. We'll have stories, a campfire, carols, cocoa, crafts, and lots of holiday fun to finish the season. Give yourselves the gift of time together at Chapel Rock!

JANUARY 4-6, 2019 CHAPEL ROCK PRESCOTT, ARIZONA
CHECK-IN BEGINS FRIDAY AFTERNOON BEFORE DINNER ENDS AFTER CLOSING EUCHARIST ON SUNDAY MORNING.

FEES Prices include bunk lodging, meals, and activities:
- 2 person family: $175
- 3 person family: $225
- 4 person family: $300-$370* 5 person family: $340-$480* * variance depends on ages of children
- Additional adult (12 and older) = $100
- Additional child (4-11) = $20
- Linen room upgrade = add $40 per adult add $20 per child
Partial financial assistance is available, for more information contact: Jana Sundin, Canon for Children's Ministries 602.254.0976 or jana@azdiocese.org
SIGN-UP TODAY!
http://www.azdiocese.org/digital_faith/events
Help save lives.
Join Tucson Samaritans.

Every year nearly 200 people die in a disaster region near the Arizona-Mexico border. There have been over 2,000 known deaths in the last decade.

Every day, Tucson Samaritans travel to the desert carrying water, food, and medicine. We drive back roads and hike trails looking for people in distress.

Think you might like to join us on a desert trip? Come to a training session and find out. Led by experts from several fields, our monthly training includes a fascinating economic and political history of the borderlands, an overview of legal and medical issues, and descriptions of what to expect on a Samaritan trip.

Please bring a gallon of water and join us for one of the next sessions. We appreciate your RSVP: please leave your name and phone number in a voice or email message at 520-549-8903 or sam.southside@gmail.com.

Where: Southside Presbyterian Church
317 W. 23rd Street, Tucson
When:  Sunday, November 4
       Sunday, December 2
       Sunday, January 6, 2019
From 1:30-5:00 pm
Questions & RSVP: 520-549-8903
Website: www.tucsonsamaritans.org
M.A.C Info Sheet
Programs and Resources Available to Veterans

November 14, 15 Events
Operation Boots to Business information at DMAFB on November 14, 15 for B2B Training class. For more information contact Lydia DeYoung at 335-3929 or email address deyoungl@cochise.edu. Or Margaret Evangelesta, Dir. at 335-2923 email address evangelestam@cochise.edu.

E-Bulletin Announcement Procedures

Procedures for Submitting Announcements to the E-Bulletin and/or Sunday insert

- Submit to the office or via email to caroline98@centurylink.net, parish01stmatts@outlook.com and copy to saintmatthewsrector@live.com no later than Tuesday at 4 pm for the weekly e-bulletin and/or Sunday Bulletin.

- Identify yourself and the reason for this particular St. Matthew event or activity. Activities and Events other than St. Matthew's require the approval of the Rector. Include how long to run the announcement. The announcement will be printed as you submit so make sure everything you want to say and how it is to be said is in the announcement. Do not forget to place in your announcement the name of the contact and that person's contact information if a response is requested. The announcement may be edited for space requirements.