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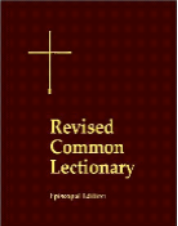
"My life, I realize suddenly, is July. Childhood is June, and old age is August, but here it is, July, and my life, this year, is July inside of July."

~Rick Bass

Sunday July 14th

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost (Rite II)

Subdeacon/Chalice	Marlene Presley
MC/2nd Chalice	Phyllis Guardino
Thurifer	Claire Newquist
Crucifer	Torry Guardino
Acolyte	David White
Acolyte	Rick Scott
OT Lector	David Brokaw
NT Lector	Mark Strunsky
Intercessor	Joseph Barrett
Ushers	Mark Strunsky Sue Scott Joseph Barrett Eileen Barrett
Use our audio mixer to listen to the 9:30 Sunday Mass live. Click Here	
To watch Sunday Mass on Facebook live. Click Here	
For the Sunday prayer bulletin. Click Here	



Website for Lectionary Readings

The webpage is in calendar form - just click on the date and you will see the readings for that day.

<https://www.lectionarypage.net/CalndrsIndexes/Calendar2024.html>

Upcoming Events

Saturday July 13th

Sunday July 14th

Wednesday July 17th

Sunday July 21st

Wednesday July 24th

Sunday July 28th

1:00 PM to 4:00 PM Children's Fun Day

9:30 AM Sunday Eucharist in-person and on-line (Rite II) A link to the prayer bulletin can be found on the first page of this newsletter.

10:00 AM Healing Mass

9:30 AM Sunday Eucharist in-person and on-line (Rite I)

10:00 AM Healing Mass

9:30 AM Sunday Eucharist in-person and on-line (Rite II)

The Photography Corner



Our photograph this week is from Dave Catizone and was taken in Beaufort SC. The flag in the distance is hanging off the Woods bridge for Independence Day. This is the bridge from Forest Gump, where he's running over the "Mississippi". Thank you David!

Thank you to everybody who has sent in photographs. I could use a few more if you'd like to send some. ~Joe

The Mystic Poets Society

This week's submission is sent to us from Eileen Bloomer. Thank you Eileen!
If you have a poem or reflection that you would consider sharing with your fellow parishioners, please send it to either Margarita or Joe.

Three pale pink flowers suddenly bloom
among green branches after the rain.
I see through a cloudy wet window
the blood-red center of one pale face,
half turned, simply blooming at dawn,
beckoning bees and butterflies
to come and see and gather
in the petal's embrace, empty now.

Yesterday after the rain I saw bright pink
buds
on a summer green tree daring to bloom
again
after their spring song, ready to dance again
in another season, creation calling out of
time,
out of time, as I walk in time.
I look out a window at twilight;

my eyes find a dreamy pale pink cloud
on the horizon, just above the green trees,
a soft glow in an evening sky, and I know
and
I am known by moments called good, very
good.
~Eileen Bloomer

It is with great sadness that we must inform you of the passing of Jeremy Bacon. We will always remember with fondness the time Jeremy spent with us here at Grace.

If you would like to send a note of condolence to Mother Ruth Anne here is her address:

830 S. Anderson St. Tacoma, Washington
98405. ~Joe



ShopRite Grocery Gift Cards are available for sale EVERY Sunday after each service. Grace Church receives 5% on the sale of the cards from ShopRite, while you purchase the cards at face value! ShopRite gift cards can make shopping for the family easy. Our ongoing fundraiser of ShopRite gift cards helps you prepare your holiday meals while helping Grace Church. Please keep us in mind when preparing your shopping lists!

We are happy and pleased to announce that we can accept credit card purchases for the ShopRite gift cards. So, if you use a rewards credit card you can now accumulate points while supporting Grace Church!

The Philadelphia 11

“The Philadelphia 11,” is the title of a documentary about the eleven women who were ordained priests in Philadelphia (at Church of the Advocate) on the feast of St. Mary and St. Martha, July 29, 1974. This Ordination forced the issue of gender equality to the forefront of the Episcopal Church’s debate and the authorization of the ordination of women by General Convention, two years later. The women ordained were Merrill Bittner, Alla Bozarth-Campbell, Alison Cheek, Emily Hewitt, Carter Heyward, Suzanne Hiatt, Marie Moorefield, Jeanette Piccard, Betty Schiess, Katrina Swanson, and Nancy Wittig.

To mark the 50th anniversary of this event, our diocese has been promoting the documentary and other special events. A wonderful opportunity for us to take part in the festivities and learn more about the struggle for gender equality in the Episcopal Church is coming our way in August.

Christ Church in Warwick will be hosting a screening of the film on August 15th (Thursday) at 6:00 PM, in their parish hall. The event is free and there will also be free snacks and drinks. Please do bring some cash to drop in their donation jar, to help offset the expense.

The Philadelphia 11
August 15, 6:00 PM
Christ Church
50 South St., Warwick, NY 10990

If you would like to arrange a ride, carpool, etc., please contact Fr. Victor at the church office.

 <p>A 70's Cabaret</p> <p>July 12th at 7pm</p> <p>General Admission \$20</p> <p>VFW #161 47-51 Owen St. Port Jervis, NY 12771</p>	 <p>SHAKESPEARE IN THE Park</p> <p>MACBETH</p> <p>July 27th 6pm July 28th 2pm</p> <p>100% profits of tickets to benefit PJ REC DEPT.</p> <p>\$10 preferred seating</p> <p>RIVERSIDE PARK 4th Street Port Jervis, NY</p>	 <p>Alice in Wonderland</p> <p>August 2nd at 7pm August 3rd at Noon August 3rd at 7pm August 4th at 2pm</p> <p>Adults \$20 Children \$15</p> <p>PJ Community Center 134 Pike St. Port Jervis,</p>
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This summer David White will be starring in several plays in Port Jervis. If you can, please come out and support David. You can purchase tickets at the following link: <https://theactgroupportjervis.com/> and click on “Shop.” ~Joe



Grace Episcopal Church invites you to

Children's Funday

Games - Ice Cream - Snacks

Saturday, July 13, 2024

1:00 - 4:00 pm

12 Depot Street, Middletown, NY 10940

Children MUST be accompanied by an adult.

No drop offs.



[Grace Calendar](#)

Vestry News

The next Vestry meeting will be held in the boardroom on Sunday August 18th starting at 11:15 AM. All are invited to attend!

[Click here to read the minutes of the May 16, 2024 Vestry meeting.](#)

[Click here to read the minutes of the April 18, 2024 Vestry meeting.](#)

"Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, who have not pledged themselves to falsehood, nor sworn by what is a fraud. They shall receive a blessing from the Lord and a just reward from the God of their salvation."



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Your Grace Church Vestry.

Wardens:

John Cusack

Claire Newquist

Clerk of the Vestry:

Treasurer:

Allison McLean

Vestry:

Lorraine Witkowski

Anne Caldwell

Barbara Chumard

Michelle Tubbs

William Gunn

Lenora Vaughan

Mark Strunsky

Eileen Bloomer

Torry Guardino