



Sunday, March 16, The Second Sunday in Lent

- 8:00 am – Said Eucharist Rite I (Church)
- 10:00 am – Choral Eucharist Rite II (Church)
- 11:30 am – DOK Meeting (Library)
- 5:00 pm – Said Eucharist (Church)

Monday, March 17, St. Patrick's Day

- 5:15 pm – Said Eucharist (Church)
- 8:30 pm – Evening Prayer (Zoom)

Tuesday, March 18

- 10:30 am – Morning Prayer (Zoom)

Wednesday, March 19, Saint Joseph's Day

- 5:15 pm – Said Eucharist (Church)
- 6:00 pm – Vestry Meeting (Library)

Thursday, March 20

- 8:00: am – Rector's Bible Study (Zoom)
- 10:00 am – Lectionary Bible Study (Library)
- 5:00 pm – Children's Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 5:30 pm – Confirmation Class (Library)

Sunday, March 23, The Third Sunday in Lent

Scout Sunday

- 8:00 am – Said Eucharist Rite I (Church)
- 10:00 am – Choral Eucharist Rite II (Church)
- 8:30am to 12:00pm Sausage & Pancake Breakfast provided by the Scouts (\$10)
- 5:00 pm – Said Eucharist (Church)

Outreach & Service at Christ Church

Outreach Appeal for Lent & Easter: Hearts & Homes For Refugees

Every year Christ Church raises grant money during Lent and Easter to assist one of our outreach ministry partners. This year's appeal and grant will support Hearts and Homes for Refugees (HHR). This year we hope to raise at least \$5,000 to support their work. We need your help and generosity. You can make your donation using this QR Code or by writing a check to "Christ Church" with the memo of "Outreach Appeal for Lent and Eastertide".



HHR's offices are located on the Christ Church property, and we have partnered with them in the past for refugee resettlement and in-kind donations. HHR provides assistance to hundreds of immigrants and refugees in Westchester County and neighboring counties. With your financial assistance, we can help HHR staff by addressing their clients' needs for housing support, employment, education, language tutoring, transportation needs, mental health, and financial planning assistance. Your donation will help underwrite the federal government's recent closures to areas of funding that help those already in this country who are striving for permanent legal residency and citizenship. It's what you do to help those in need that matters most. Our 2025 Outreach Appeal for Lent & Easter continues throughout Lent and Eastertide until Pentecost, June 8.

From the Law of Moses: "When an alien resides with you in your land, you shall not oppress the alien. The alien who resides with you shall be to you as the native-born among you; you shall love the alien as yourself, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God." (Leviticus 19:33, and many other similar passages)

Ongoing Outreach Request - Food Pantry

Parishioners are invited to donate any of the following items on or before the FIRST Sunday of each month: Healthy cereal (grocery store size, no Costco or BJ's boxes); Shelf-stable milk *; 14-16oz. cans of fruit, corn, peas, or beans; 6oz. cans of tuna; 1lb. packages of rice *; Pasta and 14-25oz. PLASTIC jars of spaghetti sauce; Reusable bags such as Fresh Direct Bags!!!; *PLEASE - NO odd, old, opened or expired food.*

Mother's Day Dessert Auction: Sunday, May 11, 11:00am

Mark your calendars for our next Outreach Dessert Auction. Proceeds will go towards our Outreach Appeal for Lent & Easter supporting Hearts & Homes For Refugees.

Parish Updates

Friends of Music Concert Season 2024-2025



Five concerts celebrating the 5th Anniversary of Christ Church's Juget-Sinclair organ. Four internationally acclaimed concert organists who are also leading New York City area Episcopalian organists. A wine and cheese reception will take place after the concerts. To purchase tickets please use this QR code.

Wednesday March 26th, 2025, 7:00 - 8:15 pm - Organ Concert by David Enlow, Organist & Choirmaster, Church of the Resurrection, New York City.

Wednesday May 7th, 2025, 7:00 - 8:15 pm - Organ Concert by Stephen Tharp; Artist-in-Residence (2015-2024); St. James Madison Avenue.

Stewardship & Pledging: Pledge Today!



We have 115 Pledges for \$504,285. Please make your pledge for 2025. **Our Goal is 150 Pledges and a balanced budget.** Thank you to everyone who has already made a pledge; your generosity and support are greatly appreciated!

Acolytes, Readers, and Live-streamers Needed: Volunteer today!

Taking part in the public worship of the church as an acolyte, reader, and/or live-streamer is a terrific opportunity to renew your experience of praying and participating. If you have served in any of these capacities in the past, thank you! If you are interested in trying either or both for the first time, welcome! Ours is a kind and welcoming parish, and everyone wants the best for each other. It's natural to be nervous in trying something new, but this is a great place to do so. If you have questions or concerns before signing up, do speak to Father Matt or Mary O'Shaughnessy.

We need Coffee Hour Hosts: Volunteer today!

Sign-up sheets are in the Library (for 8am) and Hoag Hall (for 10am). Hosts provide finger food and a bite to eat (snacks for adults and kids, milk, juices, etc.) Coffee Hour doesn't need to be a meal most Sunday, just something to snack on... and it is OK if the food runs out! You can sponsor an entire coffee hour on your own or join forces with others. Contact Marie Main if you want to donate a catered Coffee Hour. If you want to sign up to provide food, simply sign up on the sheet in the parish hall.

Hoag Hall Artist for March: Suzy Bradford

Suzy Bradford grew up sailing and when she graduated with a bachelors in coastal engineering. The different facets of sailing and the beauty and power of water influence much of her art. Suzy used art as an outlet throughout school and has continued to expand her skills in acrylic and

watercolor while working as a full-time engineer along Long Island Sound. Paintings may be purchased at Coffee Hour each week; Christ Church receives 20% of all proceeds.

Lent, Holy Week & Easter

Lenten Quiet Day: Reflections on the Passion in Matthew, Mark, Luke & John



Saturday, April 5 from 9am to 4pm. A Quiet Day is a day of silence and reflection. On this day Father Matt will offer four reflections, one on each of the Passion Narratives found in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. The cost of the Quiet Day is \$20 and covers the cost of breakfast and lunch.

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday is April 13

The Holy Eucharist with Blessing of Palms and the Passion According to Saint Luke will be celebrated at 8am and 10am. The 10am will include an outdoor procession. If you want to participate with a role in the Passion at 8am, please reach out to Fr. Matt or Mary O'Shaughnessy. Roles for the 10am Passion will be taken by our Confirmation Class, Youth Group, and Sunday School.

Maundy Thursday Mediterranean Feast: April 17, 5:30pm



Maundy Thursday Agape Mediterranean Feast (catered) will feature lamb and chicken kabobs, humus, stuffed grape leaves, Greek and lentil salads, and many other Middle Eastern dishes. The Choir is encouraged to come at 5:30 so they can eat before rehearsal. Maundy Thursday Mass begins at 7:30pm. \$25 per adult, children and teens eat free. Please RSVP with the QR Code.

Maundy Thursday Liturgy of the Lord's Supper: April 17, 7:30pm

Maundy Thursday is the first of the great liturgies of the Easter Triduum. On Maundy Thursday, a number of ancient rites are observed during the Celebration of the Lord's Supper, including the washing of feet. Bread and wine are consecrated for the ministration of Holy Communion, both for Maundy Thursday and for the Good Friday Liturgy. At the end of the service, the Eucharist is reposed at the Bolton Altar, the High Altar is washed with wine and water, the sanctuary is stripped of all ornament and furnishing, and the cross is veiled.

Good Friday Liturgy of the Lord's Passion: April 18, 12:00pm

On Good Friday, we celebrate the second of the great liturgies of the Easter Triduum, the Celebration of the Passion of the Lord. Following the Liturgy of the Word and the Passion Narrative from Saint John, the Church offers its prayers in a form used by the ancient Church, a form now used only on Good Friday. Then at the Showing of the Cross we are invited to kneel or sit for a period of reflection and prayer. Finally we receive Holy Communion from the Sacrament consecrated at the Celebration of the Lord's Supper.

Holy Saturday Office & Blessing of the Garden: April 19, 10:00am

Join us for the Holy Saturday Office which includes several prayers, the reading of Jesus' Burial in the Tomb, and the Blessing of the Garden of Resurrection. This service lasts about 15 minutes.

The Great Vigil of Easter Eve: April 19, 7:30pm

The Great Vigil of Easter, celebrated on Saturday night, is the final part of the Easter Triduum. In the dark we await the light that proclaims the resurrection. Then we share that light, hear the great prophecies about Christ, renew our Baptismal vows, and celebrate the resurrection of our Lord in word, song, and at our Lord's Table. Don't miss the Easter Vigil!

Breaking the Lenten Fast on Easter Eve! April 19, 9:00pm

After the Great Vigil of Easter has concluded we gather in the Library to break our Lenten Fasts with desserts and other refreshments! Everything is potluck!

Easter Sunday is April 20, 9:00am & 11:15am

The Children's Choir will sing at the 9am Eucharist; other than that each Easter Mass is identical and will include members of the Modus Operandi Orchestra.

The Great Easter Egg Hunt of 2025! April 20, 10:15am - 11:00am

The Easter Bunny has been booked to visit Christ Church in 2025 and he is bringing 2,500 Easter Eggs filled with Candy! You can help out by donating single serving, packaged candies and candy bars – please NO LOOSE CANDY OR TOYS – drop off candy or have it delivered to the Church office before Palm Sunday. Our Youth Group will be filling the eggs at a date to be determined

The Great Easter Day Potluck of 2025! April 20, 10:15am - 11:00am

Meanwhile... in the Parish Hall during the Easter Egg Hunt. Our annual Easter Sunday Potluck will be in full swing between Easter Day Masses. We will supply a Pigs-in-a-blanket Buffet Station, Mimosas & Orange Juice, and Coffee & Tea. We are asking everyone who is coming to Easter Sunday to consider bringing some finger-food potluck items (e.g. Tea sandwiches, Deviled eggs, Mini muffins, Munchkin donut holes, Chocolate covered strawberries, etc.).

Bishop Visitation & Confirmation: Sunday, May 18, 4:00pm

The Right Rev. Mary Glasspool, Bishop Assistant of the Diocese of New York will be with us on May 18 at 4pm to offer confirmation. All are encouraged to attend. Adults who want to be confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church, speak to Fr. Matt ASAP.

Father Matt's Steak House Night / Ascension Day: Thursday, May 29, 6pm / 7:30pm



Celebrate Ascension Day with our Father Matt's Steakhouse Night at 6pm. We will have more than 30 pounds of prime rib eye steak, cooked to order by Father Matt and as much steak as you can eat. We will also have a baked potato bar, caprese salad (tomatoes, mozzarella, basil), and a selection of cheeses, desserts, red and white wines, beer, and soda. \$25 per person, children and teens are free. Please RSVP with the QR Code. The Feast is followed by Mass with Hymns at 7:30pm.

Confirmation Class Meeting Dates

- Thursday, March 20, 5:30pm – 7:00pm
- Sunday, April 6, 5:00pm – 7:00pm
- Sunday, April 27, 5:00pm – 7:00pm
- Thursday, May 8, 5:30pm – 7:00pm
- Sunday, May 18, 4:00pm – Confirmation & Visitation with the Right Rev. Mary Glasspool, Bishop Assistant of the Diocese of New York – The entire congregation is encouraged to attend!

Children's Choir

Weekly Children's Choir (2nd to 5th grades) rehearses Thursdays from 5:00-5:30 pm. The coming Sunday and Holy Day singing schedule for the Children's Choir includes Easter Sunday at 9am, and at the 10am service on Sundays March 2, March 30, May 18, and June 8. The choir is growing, and we would love for your child to join us! Please talk to our Music Director Dr. Justin Bischof for more information.

Youth Group

Youth Group for Middle and High Schoolers next meets at a date to be determined. Contact Evan Felicetti for upcoming event info.