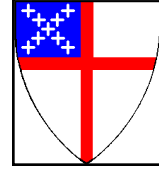




**St. Alban's Episcopal Church
Syracuse, New York
November Newsletter**



All Saints' Day
Holy Eucharist
Wednesday, November 1
5:30 p.m.

Sunday Morning Worship
9:30 a.m.
Coffee and Refreshments
10:30 a.m.

Thanksgiving Eve
Holy Eucharist
with Organ and Hymns
Nov. 22 at 5:30 p.m.

**All Saints' Sunday Holy Eucharist
November 5**

"Silent Saints" Announced
Special music from Austin Raabe and Clara Neville & Lindsey Pasioka
Prayers for those who have died in the past 12 months
(call or email the office with names)

Festive "Pie & Coffee" coffee hour after the service.

The Inquirer's Class invites you to join them after coffee hour to view the movie Elizabeth, starring Cate Blanchett. It portrays the beginning of her reign and the part she played in the English Reformation.

**Stewardship Sunday and Veterans Remembered
November 12**

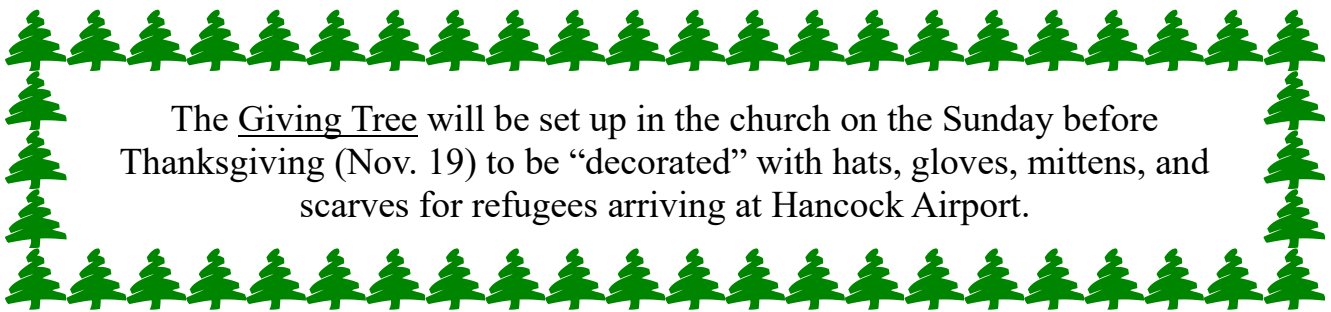
The Wardens' letter and pledge form will be mailed on October 31 to those who weren't able to pick up the letter on October 29. Pledges can be mailed to the church office prior to November 12, or brought in on Stewardship Sunday, when pledges will be blessed and offered to God. Thank you and God bless you.



Helping Our Neighbors

Crafts from Mayan Women in Guatemala sold on December 10

Members of Team Guatemala at Syracuse University will be at coffee hour to sell items made by impoverished Mayan women from villages in the heart of Guatemala. Items include jewelry, iPad cases, tote bags and laptop sleeves. 90% of the profits are used to provide scholarships to keep Mayan girls in school and break the cycle of poverty and illiteracy. High School tuition can reach \$250 a year and the average income for Mayan families is under \$3/day.



The Giving Tree will be set up in the church on the Sunday before Thanksgiving (Nov. 19) to be “decorated” with hats, gloves, mittens, and scarves for refugees arriving at Hancock Airport.



Center for New Americans Winter Coat Drive

When a new American/refugee family arrives during the fall and winter months, they are welcomed at the airport with warm winter coats. It's cold outside, and most refugees have never experienced winters like ours! Help them with your donation.

**New or Gently Used Heavy Winter Coats, Infant through Adult Sizes
No stains, no holes, no tears please!**

Valley Worship Center Food Pantry, 2929 Midland Avenue

Volunteers are needed on Thursday afternoons.

We continue our partnership with Valley Worship Center by providing volunteers to serve at their pantry. The first Thursday of the month is the biggest and busiest, as it is the monthly fresh foods supply. Tables are full of fruits and vegetables, as well as eggs and dairy products.

2nd-5th Thursdays are smaller and less strenuous.

First Thursdays the larger Fresh Foods pantry is from 2:00-5:00 p.m.

All other Thursdays volunteers are needed from 11:30-2:00 p.m.

Please sign up in the Fellowship Room.

From the Rector

It is with great joy that we welcome

Emera Bridger Wilson

as a confirmed member of The Episcopal Church. Emera was confirmed by The Rt. Rev. Dr. DeDe Duncan-Probe on October 29 during her visitation to St. Alban's. Emera is a member of the Vestry, co-webmaster with David Houston, altar server, and parish delegate to Diocesan Convention.

I have lots of other news to share with you this month.

- 1) On October 28 W. Louis Bashaw went to be with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. A celebration of his life (funeral) will be held on All Saints' Day, November 1 at 10:00 a.m. May his soul be this day in paradise.
- 2) Our three East Side Episcopalian parishes raised \$2000 for hurricane relief! \$1100 was sent to Episcopal Relief & Development and \$900 worth of gift cards from Walmart, Home Depot, and Lowes was sent to Trinity Episcopal Church in Baytown, Texas for distribution. Many thanks to all who contributed.
- 3) Sunday, November 19 we will celebrate David Gregg's decades of ministry as volunteer Financial Secretary and webmaster. We are so very indebted to David for all of the time and talent he has given to St. Alban's over the years. The Vestry and I look forward to the celebration of such a good and faithful soul.
- 4) Learning Communities: You may be aware that each priest, deacon, and Vestry in the diocese was asked to read Dwight Zscheile's book, The Agile Church. He will be the keynote speaker at Diocesan Convention on Saturday, November 11. Our Vestry discussed the book in the hour before our September and October meetings, and have decided to become a Learning Community and work with Dwight and his colleague from January-September of 2018. Parishes who have chosen to do this will form a Guiding Team of 4-6 people to lead the parish into agile and innovative ways of being Church to our neighbors. The only cost is \$40/person on the Guiding Team for each of the three Saturday workshops on February 24, June 2, and September 29. The Vestry will meet with Bishop DeDe after coffee hour on the day of her visitation to discuss this further. I have also volunteered for and will be trained as a diocesan coach for the program.
- 5) Our new high school music intern is Clara Neville, a sophomore at Nottingham High School. Singing with Clara and coaching her is new member Lindsey Pasieka. Welcome Clara & Lindsey!

May God Bless Us All,
Mother Julie+

Mark Your Calendar!

- 1 W. Louis Bashaw's Funeral, 10:00 a.m.
All Saints' Day Holy Eucharist, 5:30 p.m.
- 2 Fresh Foods Food Pantry, 2-5 p.m.
- 5 Movie "Elizabeth" after coffee hour
- 6-8 Mother Julie in Ohio
- 9 Food Pantry, 11:30-2:00 p.m.
- 10-11 Diocesan Convention
- 12 Stewardship Sunday
- 15 Vestry
- 16 Food Pantry, 11:30-2:00 p.m.
- 22 Thanksgiving Eve Eucharist, 5:30 p.m.
- 23-24 Thanksgiving: Office Closed
- 30 Food Pantry, 11:30-2:00 p.m.



God Bless Our Veterans

Amy Donahue
James Donahue
David Gregg
William Houck, Jr.
Jim Kowalczyk
Matthew Leader
David Norton
Eddie Nunn, Jr.
Denis (Skip) Visco
Peter Volmes
Dorothy White
Hamilton White
Andrew Wickenden

Remember to turn your
clocks back one hour before
you go to sleep on Saturday,
November 4.

November 10-11
Diocesan Convention

Holiday Inn Convention Center in Liverpool
All are welcome!
Information is available at cnyepiscopal.org

St. Alban's Delegates
Mary "Kiki" White
Emera Bridger Wilson

**St. Alban's
Leadership**

Rector: The Rev. Julie E.
Calhoun-Bryant

Wardens

Senior: Bobbi Lombardo
Junior: Kiki White
Emerita: Sue Grosso

Vestry Members

Gelene Lewis Dorr
David Houston
Grace Joseph
Margo Kowalczyk
Emera Bridger Wilson
Fred Wilson
Kate Bell, Vestry Clerk

Parish Secretary

Kim Privler

Organist

Della Holtzapple

Treasurer

Kathleen Eckermann

Financial Secretary

Fred Wilson

Property Liaison

Margo Kowalczyk

Ministry Team Leaders

Communications Team

David Houston

Community Service

Ministry Team

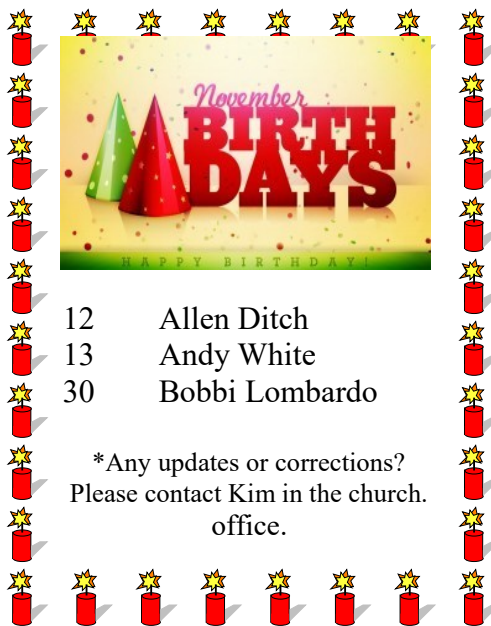
Bobbi Lombardo
Dottie White

Congregational Life Team

Kiki White

Spiritual Life Team

Mother Julie



Nov. 15

**5:45
Study**

**7 p.m.
Meeting**

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**Please don't leave urgent or time sensitive
messages on the church answering machine.**