



The Beacon

*In thy light shall we see light.
Psalm 36:9*

February 2018

Deep and Wide

by the Rev. Abigail Crozier Nestlehutt

When my husband and I were first married we lived in Chicago. We had no family nearby and in the beginning we did not know anyone. For newlyweds this meant that we had lots of time to enjoy each other and the city. On Fridays we went to the gym, had breakfast, and then spent the rest of the day exploring. One day in February we went to the Botanic Garden to see a Chihuly exhibit. We meandered through the greenhouses admiring the glass sculptures displayed artfully among the plants. Somewhere among the lush foliage in the tropical section of the gardens our conversation turned to the future. Without realizing the connection at first, we began to wonder about what the Episcopal Church was like in Hawaii. We thought about the people we knew there and we imagined ourselves moving to serve a parish on Maui or Kauai. By the time we finished our strolling and put our heavy winter coats back on, we had decided that it would be impractical to live so far away from family. Also, we had realized that our fantasies had more to do with yearning for relief from a Chicago winter than with feeling called to ministry in Hawaii. Still, it was fun to imagine because it reminded me that the world is so much bigger than my own little corner.

That is what I like about the Ash Wednesday liturgy and the services of Holy Week and Easter. They make me mindful of the many varieties of human experience and the vastness of creation. As we begin Lent the prayers focus on repentance with a long list of things we have done or left undone. Praying such a comprehensive litany could be discouraging, but it is not for me. Instead, I appreciate the opportunity it gives me to reflect on the depth of God's love for us, no matter our shortcomings. Similarly, the Solemn Collects of Good Friday and the recitation of God's movement throughout history at the Easter Vigil offer an expansive view of humanity and the breadth of God's care.

It is easy to allow my focus to narrow to the needs immediately in front of me. There are things that must get done and it feels as if I do not have the luxury to look up from whatever it is that I am doing. If I allow myself to believe that, I miss so many opportunities. This Lent I am going to look up and around. I am going to come to the end of each day with good answers to the kinds of questions posed by one of the prayers in John O'Donohue's book, *To Bless the Space Between Us*: "Where did my eyes linger today? Where was I blind? What new thoughts visited me? What differences did I notice in those closest to me? Whom did I neglect?"

Lent begins on February 14. You have a little time to set your intentions. Start by attending one of our services on Ash Wednesday, at 7 A.M. and 12 noon in our historic church. Also, I encourage you to participate in our Wednesday evening soup suppers, during which we will discuss Anglican Moral Ethics with the help of a variety of speakers (see pages 3-4). Or maybe you want to join the Presiding Bishop's "Good Book Club" (see page 5). You will find more information about these programs and about all that is happening at St. Peter's in this issue. Most of all, take a minute to look around and imagine the perspective from someone else's window.

Marking the Lenten Journey

by the Rev. Kyle J. Babin

Lent, a liturgical season deliberately set aside to focus on penance and remembering our baptismal vows, is nearly here. Far from being a morose season of interminable boredom, Lent is a joyful, if restrained, opportunity to delve more deeply into the mystery of repentance. In the Lenten journey, we can find that the point of penitence is to move us from perceived separation from God to an intimate identification with God in Christ by virtue of our baptism. Lent is something to celebrate because it goes to the heart of our adoption as daughters and sons of God in the waters of baptism. The liturgies of Lent, Holy Week, and Easter mark this great arc of our collective journey in faith.

To set apart the Lenten season, our Sunday Eucharists will contain some noticeable changes. A Penitential Order, beginning with a special Lenten opening acclamation and followed immediately by the confession of sin, will begin each Eucharist. This different opening rite highlights the need for repentance as part of our lives as baptized Christians. Following the confession, the recitation of the Ten Commandments (the Decalogue) emphasizes the role of God's law in ordering our lives as faithful people. Each service will end with a solemn prayer over the people and not a blessing. And, of course, in Lent there are no Alleluias, so their return at Easter is all the more joyful!

At 11:15, we will use the Rite I Eucharist with its "traditional" or pseudo-Elizabethan language. Our intention is not to equate such language with penitence, but rather to set aside liturgically a particular season as being different, in much the same way as the service music does. At 9, we will use Eucharistic Prayer A, because its tone focuses on Christ's death and sacrifice as a means of redemption for all people; it contains less incarnational language than the other Eucharistic prayers, accentuating Christ's passion and death more than his life lived on earth. Likewise, Eucharistic Prayer I at the 8 and 11:15 services has a focus similar to Eucharistic Prayer A, but uses traditional language. And we will add the Prayer of Humble Access before the reception of Communion at 8 and 11:15. The theology of this prayer implicitly emphasizes the sinful nature of humanity and the necessary reliance on God's grace in order to draw closer to God. Importantly, it emphasizes the infinite mercy of God, as well as the mystical union between Christ and the people of God that occurs in the Eucharist.

I invite you to see Lent as a gift rather than as a burden. It is an opportunity to encounter the joy of simplicity and introspection in a culture that frequently overemphasizes busy-ness and chatter. In Lent, we can learn to accept that with Christ there is always a second chance, always an ability to make an about face into his loving arms. Lent goes against the grain of our individualistic culture because, paradoxically, by acknowledging our individual need for repentance we are drawn closer to one another as the Body of Christ and to Jesus himself.



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Ash Wednesday
February 14
Liturgies at 7 A.M., 12 NOON, & 7 P.M.
in the historic church

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper – with a Twist



Everyone is invited to come to St. Peter's on **Tuesday, February 13**, for an evening of traditional Shrove Tuesday feasting and also of fun before Lent begins! From 5:30 to 7, the vestry and youth of the parish will serve up pancakes, bacon, sausages, and more in the parish hall.

"But wait, that's not all," as TV hawkers say – this year we are reviving a Shrove Tuesday custom that dates back to the Middle Ages, a pancake race! Legend has it that the tradition began when a 15th-century English housewife heard the church bells ringing for Shrove Tuesday confession as she was making pancakes and ran from her house forthwith, pancake skillet still in hand, to get to church on time. We're putting our own twist on this, of course, and invite the youngsters of the parish to try their hands at racing a short distance while flipping a pancake in a skillet as many times as they can!

So come enjoy a traditional Shrove Tuesday meal with fellow parishioners and join the fun, either as a spectator or as a racer! Bring your family, invite your children's friends and your own, and spread the word! Please help us plan adequately for the meal by using the sign-up sheets in the gathering spaces or by calling the office (610-644-2261) to let us know how many of you are coming.

LENTEN SOUP SUPPER PROGRAM *Wednesdays in Lent, 6 to 8 P.M.*

Contemporary Ethics and the Episcopal Tradition

by Melissa Shaner

At this year's Wednesday evening Lenten soup suppers, we will offer five sessions devoted to applying Anglican moral reasoning to challenging topics we encounter in our daily lives. Since the Anglican tradition typically does not tell people what decision to make when encountering an ethical dilemma, this series is designed to present a variety of ways of approaching moral quandaries as conscientious Christians; the focus of this series is on offering tools for ethical thinking, not answers. Guest leaders, assisted by our clergy, will give an overview of the history of the Church's engagement with the topic, and then lead the group in questioning and discussing how to frame and make decisions.



February 21: This introductory session will examine different kinds of ethics and the Episcopal tradition of using Scripture, tradition, reason, as well as individual experience, in moral decision-making. In short, it will explore the ethos of Anglican moral reasoning. The Rev. Bud Holland will lead this conversation. Since retiring as the Officer for Ministry Development for The Episcopal Church, Bud has served as an interim priest (including at St. Peter's), consultant, and Education for Ministry trainer.

February 28: The second session will focus on reproductive justice: contraception, abortion, genetic testing, and similar issues. How do we make sense of the gift of human sexuality in relation to moral dilemmas that arise in this sphere? Our leader will be Susannah Baruch, Interim Executive Director of Unite for Reproductive and Gender Equity, who has worked as a consultant to the Jacobs Institute for Women's Health at George Washington University, the National Human Genome Research Institute at NIH, Generations Ahead, and the National Asian-Pacific-American Women's Forum. A 2015 recipient of a CoreAlign Generative Fellowship, previously she was Law and Policy Director of the Genetics and Public Policy Center at Johns Hopkins University and also worked at the National Partnership for Women and Families.

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March 7: The third session will center on sexuality and gender issues, exploring the opportunities and challenges presented, for example, by the ordination of non-straight clergy, marriage equality, transgender experiences, and the incorporation of LGBT people into the church. April Fredericks of Integrity Bethlehem will lead us. Founded in 1974, Integrity now has some 60 chapters in the U.S., others in Canada, Australia, and Africa, and members throughout the worldwide Anglican Communion. Its goal is to share God’s inclusive love with the Episcopal Church and the LGBT community by sponsoring worship services, educational programs, social events, and outreach activities.

March 14: The fourth session will focus on end-of-life issues and the intersection of faith, ethics, and medical care in the context of health care in the 21st century. How does our identity as Christians inform decisions about such issues as invasive treatment, life support, and assisted suicide? What are the kinds of questions we might face in our own lifetime, and what are the steps involved in resolving dilemmas? Our leader will be Deacon Jeff Moretzsohn of Good Samaritan, Paoli, who is currently doing a Clinical Pastoral Education residency at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, providing pastoral care to patients, families, and staff in such highly “transitional” settings as the emergency, trauma, and medical intensive care units.

March 21: The fifth session, led by Abigail Nestlehutt and Kyle Babin, will be a wrap-up based on what comes out of the first four discussions, with a focus on how to apply Anglican moral reasoning to issues that may surface, for example, in our workplaces, neighborhoods, or social gatherings.

A simple meal in the parish hall opens each soup supper at 6 P.M.; the program begins at 6:30 and runs until 8. You need not r.s.v.p., but if you are willing to provide a pot of soup or bread on any evening, please let us know on the food sign-up sheets in either gathering space!

We invite you to join us for as many sessions as you can of this exciting opportunity to grow in understanding and knowledge of one another and of how we live out our faith in the world. Bring a friend or neighbor if you wish!

February Adult Formation: Looking Outward, Looking Within

by Melissa Shaner

Our first two Sunday morning adult Christian formation sessions in February center on two of our longstanding outreach ministries:

February 4: Good Works, led by parishioner Randy Klein

Good Works volunteers from St. Peter’s and the wider community gather once monthly to extend the love of Jesus Christ to low-income homeowners in the Phoenixville-Spring City corridor by making their homes warmer, safer and drier. Depending on the work that needs to be done, they may spend as many as twelve months in a home, allowing for meaningful relationships to develop among all involved.

February 11: St. James School, led by Headmaster David Kasievich

David will present his annual update on the excitement and challenges at this Episcopal middle school in the Allegheny West neighborhood of North Philadelphia that educates under-resourced 5th- to 8th-graders and supports them through high school and beyond.

Then, once Lent has begun, Abigail and Kyle will walk us through the structure, meaning, and traditions of Ash Wednesday and Holy Week services. This series, which will continue in March, prepares us to experience in a richer way all that Holy Week has to offer.

February 18 Exploring Lenten Services: Ash Wednesday – Abigail Nestlehutt

February 25 Exploring Lenten Services: Palm Sunday – Kyle Babin

Join us at 10:20 in the barn for coffee, and bring your curiosity, questions, and comments!



Presiding Bishop's Good Book Club

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry is extending an invitation to all Episcopalians to join the Good Book Club and read the Gospel of Luke and the Book of Acts throughout Lent and Eastertide 2018. Participants begin reading Luke on Sunday, February 11 and then read a section of Luke's Gospel every day throughout Lent. The entire Easter season will be devoted to daily readings from the Book of Acts.

Luke and Acts together provide a wonderful two-part narrative. Luke tells the story of Jesus' birth, ministry, teaching, death, and resurrection, while Acts, picking up where Luke leaves off, tells the story of the earliest disciples through the lens of Peter and Paul and the Holy Spirit. Forward Movement has created a schedule of daily readings, with fifty days of verses from Luke and from Acts. Readers of *Forward Day by Day* can easily follow along, with Luke and Acts guiding the reflections during Lent-Easter 2018. For more information please visit www.goodbookclub.org.

If you wish to participate, please let Abigail know, since she will convene the group once during Lent and once during Eastertide to discuss the readings.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

St. Peter's Church in the Great Valley April 15, 2018

According to our parish bylaws, "The annual meeting of the Corporation and the annual election of vestrypersons shall be held in the Church edifice or such adjacent building of the Corporation at the discretion of the Vestry within thirty days after Easter Sunday each year."

This year's annual meeting will take place in the barn on **Sunday morning, April 15, following the single 10 A.M. service that day**, when we will all worship together. During the annual meeting, elections will be held to fill four positions on the vestry. The parish by-laws define eligible voters as "all confirmed persons of the age of fourteen years or upwards who shall have been worshipers in this Church as their usual place of worship for at least one year." If you have a question about your eligibility to vote, please contact our parish administrator, Susan House. Please note that you must be present at the annual meeting to be eligible to vote unless you have requested an absentee ballot in advance of the meeting.

A nominating committee assists in the vestry election process. This committee consists of the four outgoing vestry members, Trudi Graves, Dan Houston, Steve Mark, and Terry Michael, as well as four at-large members of the congregation appointed by the vestry in consultation with the rector: Katharine Campbell, Kathryn Evans, Tom Helm, and Mary Kreek. Any member of the congregation who wishes to place a name in nomination must do so by submitting a petition signed by at least ten eligible voting members to the nominating committee no later than **March 20**.

Our parish leadership welcomes active participation in discerning God's call for mission and ministry, and motions from the congregation are part of this discernment process. Please note that according to the by-laws, "no formal motion may be made at the Annual Meeting involving new business unless such motion is delivered to the Secretary of the Vestry, Mrs. Susy Baum, 30 days before the annual meeting."

Please reserve April 15 on your calendar for this important event in our parish life, which will be followed by a celebratory meal. (Watch for more on this next month.) There is much good news to share and and celebrate, so please mark this date on your calendar now.

Vacation Bible School at St. Peter's!

St. Peter's is planning to offer a five-day Vacation Bible School for all rising kindergarteners through fifth-graders during the week of June 18 to 22, from 9 A.M. to noon. All children in this age group, whether parish members or not, are invited to participate.

We are also looking for youth and adult assistance during the week, as well as someone who will coordinate VBS. If you are interested in enrolling your child, know of a child who might like to attend, or would like to assist with VBS, please contact Kyle (kyle@stpetersgv.org).



Hospital Visits

Abigail and Kyle both appreciate knowing when a parishioner is hospitalized so that they can pray for and visit him or her. In the past, hospitals often notified clergy when patients were admitted and let visiting clergy members scan a patient list for familiar names, but current HIPAA privacy rules have eliminated these practices. Hospital staff members are no longer allowed to communicate with clergy without specific permission from a patient, and clergy no longer have access to admissions lists.

So what is the best way to bridge this communication gap? If you are able to do so, you yourself can call the church (610-644-2261) directly from the hospital; if no one is in the office to receive your call, leave a message for Abigail and Kyle with your request, being sure to include your name, the hospital name, and your room number. Alternatively, you can ask a family member to place the call for you. These are the most direct and most personal ways to reach Abigail and Kyle. You can also request a nurse providing your care to make the phone call on your behalf; the nurses are allowed to call for you at your request, with your express permission to do so and with information you provide to them.

The Comfort in Needlework

The needlework group lovingly creates prayer shawls, lap blankets and chemo caps as gifts from us to those who are ill or grieving. Feel free to take any of these items from the coat closet shelf in both the barn and historic church; all we ask is that you use the nearby log to record your gift.

Should you personally need extra warmth or comfort while in church, we invite you to use one of the shawls hanging in the coat closet and then replace it in the closet after the service.



The youth group is busily preparing for its mission trip during the last week of June. We have made plans to journey to southeast Texas to provide hurricane relief to some of the many people still affected by Hurricane Harvey. The youth group will stay at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Beaumont, Texas, and St. Stephen's will help us secure locations where we can provide hands-on relief work. The youth group is grateful to those who have generously supported this mission trip through the greeting card fundraiser and through Alternative Christmas donations. Another "Feast for the Future" fundraiser with Peter Gilmore is being planned and is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, May 5, so please mark the date on your calendar!

Meanwhile, the youth group continues to meet on Sunday morning, and also finds time to have fun in the midst of busy school schedules and church activities. On Presidents' Day weekend, five of our young people, accompanied by Sian Myshko and Kyle Babin, will travel to New York City, where they will visit the Cathedral of St. John the Divine and worship in a New York City parish on Sunday morning. On Saturday, February 24, our youth group will again join forces with members of the St. James School choir, this time for an afternoon of snow tubing at Bear Creek Mountain Resort. Keep an eye out for pictures and a report on our activities!

OUTREACH NEWS AND NOTES

Cheerful Gesundheit Bags

Yes, you read the title right! The flu season is in full swing, and the need for *Gesundheit* bags is great. Once again, we will provide those bags containing both relief *and* cheer to patients of The Clinic in Phoenixville. St. Peter's youngest members, including the Preschool children, have been busy decorating white bags with colorful flowers, sunshine, and a sheep or two.

Once they finish their artwork, though, they will need soothing items to put into the bags, and that's where everyone else comes into the picture! Your part is very simple. If your last name begins with

- A to C—please provide 4 bags of throat lozenges
- D to G—please provide 4 20-bag boxes of tea bags
- H to K—please provide 4 cans of chicken soup
- L to M—please provide 4 *small* boxes of tissues
- N to R—please provide 6 pocket-size hand sanitizers
- S to Z—please provide 4 lip balms.

Please place your items in one of the marked boxes (in either gathering space) by **Sunday, February 11**, so that the children can finish packing their cheery *Gesundheit* bags. We will then deliver them to The Clinic, where the staff and their ailing patients have counted on and appreciated these bags for quite a few years. If you have questions, please contact Linda Huggler (Lindahuggler@verizon.net or 610-247-4503).

The outreach commission thanks you for participating, and also thanks the children of St. Peter's for their work. *Gesundheit!* God bless you!

Thank You, Thank You for Your Support

Heartfelt thanks to the generous parishioners of St. Peter's whose participation in our Alternative Christmas market supported our six focus ministries (Chester Children's Chorus, Church Housing Corporation, The Clinic, Good Works, St. James School, and St. Peter's Food Ministry). We are indebted to those who helped organize and staff the market, especially Sarah Tellefsen, Gail Guthridge, and outreach commission members and volunteers. Truly a job well done!

Game Night Returns—Risk-free as Always

by Linda Holden

What Do You Meme, nothing fun ever happens in March? If you come to Game Night at St. Peter's on **Saturday, March 3** you'll discover what *Utter Nonsense* that notion is! This annual event is a wonderful way to brush away the winter blahs and *Connect* with friends.

For those of you who haven't a *Clue*, it's an evening of playing board games, eating a light supper, and usually answering *Loaded Questions*, sometimes uttering pure *Balderdash!* This is not your grandfather's *Monopoly*. So all of you, age thirteen and up, don't just sit at home like a *Bucket of Doom*—plan to join the *Epic Quest*.

The fun starts at 5 P.M., when we gamers fortify ourselves with a light meal. St. Peter's will provide sandwiches, soft drinks, and dessert, and guests are invited to bring a crockpot of soup if they wish, or beer and wine. Please use the sign-up sheets in either gathering space to let us know that you are planning to bring soup. If as many gamers as possible can stay on at the end of the fun to help rearrange the furniture for Sunday, clean-up will be a *Piece o'Cake*. Linda Holden (holdendubc@gmail.com) will be happy to answer questions about this fellowship event.



A Perfect Time to Join a Foyer Group!

We urge you to consider becoming one of the growing number of parishioners who are joining a Foyer dinner group this winter. Sitting down to a casual potluck meal with others is a wonderful way to get to know fellow parishioners.

There is nothing complicated about Foyers. Once you let Lynn Mander (lsmander@gmail.com or 610-613-5358) know of your interest, she will ask you a few questions designed to help set up dinner groups, like whether you have any pets in your home, whether your home is child-friendly and barrier-free, and whether you have any food or pet allergies or mobility issues to be accommodated.

Guided by your information, we create groups and then distribute email addresses to the members of each group. After that, each group decides when and where to meet, and whether to do dinner, lunch, or brunch. Typically, the host provides the entrée and the others bring salad, dessert, appetizer as well as a beverage of their choice. Give Foyer dinners a try – we think you'll enjoy them as much as we veterans do!

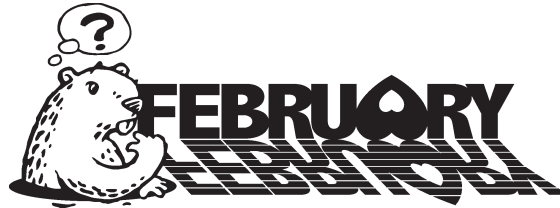
2018 Stewardship Pledges

Thank you to the many individuals and families who have again made a financial pledge to St. Peter's and also to new parishioners who have made the same commitments. To date we have received 142 pledges totaling \$443,824; these funds furnish most of the income required to support the vitality of all of St. Peter's programs and ministries. Again, thank you.

If you have not pledged, it is not too late, and we ask you to please give it prayerful consideration. You will find pledge cards in both gathering spaces; you can also obtain one from the church office, or pledge online (www.stpetersgv.org). Please contact treasurer Peter Kreek (PeterKreek@verizon.net) or Holly Hardester (hahardester@gmail.com) if you have questions.

- Joe Franz and Dave Tatum for rearranging the seating during Advent;
- The needlework ministry members who knitted scarves for our college freshmen;
- The outreach commission and flower guild members who foster the beauty of the earth;
- All who supported the youth fundraiser in the fall and their Alternative Christmas pop-up appeal, both to benefit this summer's mission trip;
- The choirs, instrumentalists, and Bruce Glenny for Choral Evensong and Lessons and Carols, and Jason Hacker and all who provided food and hospitality for both events;
- Suzanne Casey for leading the gingerbread house decorating activity;
- Dan Houston for filling in as vestry secretary in November.
- Sarah Tellefsen for organizing Alternative Christmas;
- Christmas pageant director Maryann Morgan and organizer Holly Hardester, and the children (and their parents) whose participation made it happen;
- Paige Infortuna, Bonnie and Terry Michael, and Abigail Nestlehutt, for arranging the breakfast to thank the many parishioners who serve as liturgical assistants;
- Brenda Grove who supervised the gifting tree and all who participated in the project;
- All the parishioners (*way* too many to name individually here) who helped make our Christmas worship services so beautiful and meaningful;
- Ali Michael for leading the vestry in an anti-racism discussion and for suggesting ways to continue the conversation;
- Kathryn Evans for her ongoing housing ministry in Phoenixville to low- and middle-income seniors;
- Kyle Babin for leading the January adult forum series on approaches to prayer;
- All who have helped clear our walkways of snow this winter, and especially "early birds" Mark Clark, Doug Jones, Larry Malcolm, Colin Shannon, Eric Stolz, and Dave Tatum who came at the crack of dawn the day of the first snowfall;
- The finance commission for their diligent work on the 2018 budget.





February 3
Needlework ministry
10 A.M.

February 10
Kairos Outside
9:30 A.M.

February 13
Shrove Tuesday
pancake supper & race
5:30 to 7 P.M.

February 14
Ash Wednesday
Holy Eucharist
& Imposition of Ashes
7 A.M., 12 NOON, & 7 P.M.

February 16 to 18
Youth group New York City trip

February 21
Lenten soup supper
6 to 8 P.M.

February 24
Youth snowtubing outing
with St. James School

February 28
Lenten soup supper
6 to 8 P.M.



COMING MARCH 3
Game Night
5 P.M.

December Financial Snapshot

	Dec. 2017	Year to Date December	Budget 2017
Parishioner Contributions	\$ 102,234	\$495,000	\$454,350
Total Income	121,622	687,777	642,932
Total Expense	65,500	649,276	642,932
Surplus/(Deficit)	56,122	38,501	0
<i>Mortgage Payment</i>	<i>\$ 1,488</i>		
<i>Interest</i>	<i>643</i>		
<i>Principal</i>	<i>846</i>		
<i>Mortgage Balance</i>	<i>204,798</i>		

*The finance commission has reviewed this summary.
Please direct any questions about it to Joe Herbst, chair, or any other member.*

Farewell and Godspeed

After Stacy Warkentine's three wonderful years with us as Director of St. Peter's Preschool, we now must bid her farewell. From the start, Stacy was admired for her willingness to jump right in to help with whatever needed to be done. She gracefully worked in partnership with teachers and parents, and the students adored her.



We will miss Stacy and hope that she comes back to visit us. And we wish her well in her new full-time position.



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 Gail Malcolm, Marketing and Event Manager
 Elizabeth Dwyer, Parish Secretary
 Liam Reid, Weekend Facilities Manager

*Our Mission:
 by the power of the Holy Spirit,
 to nurture people of all ages in the
 knowledge and love of God in Jesus Christ,
 and to make Him known
 in the wider community*

The deadline for the
 March Beacon
 is February 15.

Every Week at St. Peter's

Sunday

8 A.M. Holy Eucharist*
 9 A.M. Holy Eucharist**
 (Nursery care available**)
 10:10 A.M. Christian formation for all ages
 11:15 A.M. Holy Eucharist*

Wednesday

10 A.M. Morning Prayer & Bible Study*

Thursday

10:30 A.M. Intercessory Prayer Group ****

Friday

7 A.M. Gathering of Men***
 12 NOON Parish office closes

- * Church
- ** Barn
- *** Parish House
- **** Bellingham

**Silent Night, Holy Night
 Christmas Eve 2017**



Coming May 17, 18, and 19



**St. Peter's Players' production of
 Neil Simon's Plaza Suite**