

# The Messenger



May 2021

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## Weekly

### Sundays:

8:00 AM  
Holy Eucharist Rite: I

10:00AM  
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### Wednesdays:

12:00 PM  
Healing Service with  
Holy Eucharist

## A MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR

**To: Parishioners of St. John's Episcopal Church**  
**From: The Vestry for St. John's Episcopal Church**  
**Re: Special Parish Meeting to Discuss Concord Street Properties**

We hope everyone is well and safe during these still difficult times. Our hope is that we are very close to "the light at the end of the tunnel", and we look forward to seeing everyone in person in church very soon.

The Vestry has been working hard during the COVID shutdown, dealing with numerous issues related to St. John's. One of the items that came up earlier this year is the current condition of the two properties the Church owns at 209 and 211 Concord Street. These are the two townhouses directly adjacent to our parking lot on Concord Street. Back in February, the Vestry was made aware of issues/problems with the 211 unit. A visual inspection was performed, and we concluded that this unit was in very poor condition and in need of significant remedial work/repairs.

The Vestry discussed the issues related to 209 and 211 Concord Street at our February meeting. In March, that discussion was expanded to include the current state of these properties, possible options related to their sale or future use. This included an in-depth discussion of the pros and cons of each option.

These topics were discussed in more detail at our April Vestry meeting held on April 18<sup>th</sup>. We also worked with outside realtors and contractors to get a rough idea of the current market value of the two properties and the costs estimated to make repairs to get them up to "market condition". We decided that it made sense to discuss these options with those in the parish who want to be part of this discussion. We want everyone to know the facts and the options the Vestry is considering, and we want your input and insight before any decisions are made.

We will be holding an open meeting on Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:30 am in the Parish Hall for everyone who wants to attend. In addition, we will have a zoom link available for those unable to be physically present. The plan is to have a 30-minute presentation on the properties, and then 30 minutes for questions and discussion.

The hope is that after this meeting, and further discussion and discernment within the Vestry, we will decide as to the future use of these properties at our upcoming Vestry meetings.

We look forward to seeing you on May 23.

## MESSAGE FROM THE DEACON

### May Birthdays:

Barbara Graeter  
 Ken Burch  
 Julia Loose  
 John Lee  
 Deborah Linton  
 Michael Hreben  
 Michael Kilhefner  
 Graham Henry  
 Olive Gustafson  
 Ruth Knouse  
 Brad Zuke  
 John Forester  
 Greyson Gustafson  
 John Graeter  
 Rob Ashton  
 Sal Barbieri  
 Ryan Hogg  
 Eric Loose  
 Jennifer Hreben  
 Ruth McFarland  
 Theodore Bowser  
 Howard Kane  
 Eleanor Watts  
 John Houston  
 Jeffrey Gromis  
 Sonia Segarra  
 Graham Springer

### May Anniversaries:

Linda & Robert Hogg  
 Scott & Sherry Qualls  
 Robert & Margaret Lee  
 Ben and Anne Webber  
 Penn & Mary Glazier

### Continued prayers for our Homebound:

Margaret Crothers,  
 Ellen Keller,  
 Fritz Lawrence, Don Lovett,  
 Nancy Nemith, Peter Plaxa,  
 Ricky Smith, Rob Ashton,  
 Joanna Sweeney

**Military:** Brian Hobbins,  
 Laurel Hobbins, Alex Kelly,  
 Kirby Kinderwater,  
 Kyle Kinderwater,  
 Joshua Watkins,  
 Cameron Watts

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Granny “Pattycake” was one of my favorite people to spend time with when I worked at an assisted living community. She always wore a silk flower tucked behind her right ear and smelled of lavender. Her windowsill was lined with African violets. It was her garden and she loved it very much. But one morning a new and very well-meaning nurse wanting to be helpful, poured water on them. This angered Granny Pattycake and so she snapped at the nurse, “I’ve told you repeatedly, my violets don’t like that! They take their water from the soil!” Feeling badly, the young nurse offered to replace the African violets with some lovely Begonias she had at home. Granny Pattycake shook her head, “You don’t understand, African violets remind me of my mother.”

When I am struggling with a situation the temptation is strong to spend all my energy in trying to figure out a solution. So, I immediately reference my past experiences to help me fix, what appears, to be the problem. The reality is however that other people may not have faced the same challenges I have but certainly have their own difficulties to overcome. It is important for me to remember not to assume anything about another person’s situation.

Currently, I have a friend who is mentoring a young man who had a reputation for being immature and lazy. My friend described their first meeting as frustrating because he had to wait over thirty minutes due to the young man running late. To add insult to injury, he arrived to the meeting unshaven and half asleep. Yet as soon as my friend started listening to the young man’s story the pieces came together. This young man wasn’t unappreciative or not sincere about getting his life together, he just needed help after being aged out of the foster care system. No one had taught him how to tie a tie, how to shave or how to organize his time. No one had taken the time to listen and discern what he needed.

Pentecost can help us to remember how God brings us together. In Acts 2:1-21, we learn how the Holy Spirit united a group of diverse people with diverse situations. Suddenly people were able to hear and speak a language that was no longer dependent on preconceived assumptions. The same is true for us today. When we actively listen with Love, the language of our faith, a person ceases to be a problem to be solved. We become capable of, like God, to listen for, hear, care about, empathize with and respond to the hurts of the wounded. What empowers us to truly listen and connect with someone isn’t human curiosity or problem-solving thinking. It is Christ-like love and compassion.

Gratefully,  
 Deacon Stacey

*“Deep listening is the kind of listening that can help relieve the suffering of another person. You can call it compassionate listening. You listen with only one purpose: to help him or her to empty his heart.” Tich Nhat Hanh*



# Worship at St. John's

## IT TAKES A VILLAGE

Every Sunday, we gather to raise our voices and hearts in worship. Acolytes, lectors, vergers, altar servers, choir members, ushers, and altar guild members come together to create a holy and life-giving experience for the community. It is the combination of gifts shared that empower and elevate our worship services.

As we continue to grow as a community and re-gather during this pandemic, we invite you to consider joining our Village by offering up your own gifts in worship. We would love to include you!

Lectors/Litanists	Ushers	Altar Guild
 <p>The lectors proclaim the Good News every week. Lectors read the scripture passages on Sunday from the lectern at the front of the church. Litanists lead the Prayers of the People in worship.</p> <p>If you have a heart for communicating, praying, and engaging scripture for others to hear, this ministry is for you!</p>	 <p>Our ushers are the welcoming committee for worship! Ushers greet people as they arrive, help them navigate the campus, and answer any questions that may arise.</p> <p>Ushers also assist with communion, the offertory, and the dismissal. Ushers are known for their gifts of hospitality and their ability to make people feel comfortable in worship.</p>	 <p>The altar guild prepares our worship space every week. They set the altar, take care of the linens and hangings, and work behind the scenes to ensure everything is ready when the community gathers.</p> <p>Altar Guild members have servanthood hearts and often enjoy spending time in the quiet of the church preparing, praying, and supporting the clergy.</p>

Liturgy, the fancy word for our worship services, means "the work of the people!" Please consider whether your gifts might benefit our worship. We offer training, support, and plenty of gratitude! If you are interested in sharing your gifts in any of these areas (or others), please contact [Amanda@stjohns-lancaster.org](mailto:Amanda@stjohns-lancaster.org)

A heartfelt thank you to  
Wayne, Dave, James,  
Dan, Paul, Liz, Anne,  
Leslie, Sue, Rich,  
Charles, Webb,  
Gretchen, Julie, Sue  
Michael, John, Claire,  
Sophia, Charles, Kathy!

The campus looks  
great!



## VESTRY HIGHLIGHTS FROM APRIL

We ask that God grant us faith, hope, charity, humility, wisdom, and perception so that we may seek to know God's holy will. Annie Lattanzio-Hale opened our meeting with this Prayer of St. Francis.

What to do with our two rental properties on Concord Street was the center of our discussion at the April meeting. During the month we had learned that a number of parishioners had expressed serious interest in the outcome. Should we retain ownership? If so, what would we do with them? Should we sell? If so, what to do with the proceeds? Should we retain one and sell the other? How do we best carry on our mission at St. John's? In the end, we decided that we will have a Parish meeting on May 23 at 11:30 AM. At that meeting we will have pictures of the two properties and have an open discussion as to the present and future of these properties. The Vestry will then take a month to consider what we have heard and make some decisions beginning at its June meeting.

We have been blessed by a gift from The Rev. Paul Goddard Trust. He had served here at St. John's during the 1960's and is remembered fondly by some of our members who were in the Youth Group at that time. The Rev. Goddard gave us a gift of \$20,000 with no restrictions. The Vestry approved a motion to apply the gift to our Capital Campaign. Those who remember him felt that he would approve of this move.

A Resolution of Thanks to Bob Kilp for his years of service as Vestry Secretary was agreed to. It would be presented at the April 25, 2021 services.

We want to recognize Ben Webber who has taken leadership of the Property Committee. Ben is changing the approach of the committee to be more of a planning and preventive maintenance role rather than fixing what is broke.

A review of the church calendar showed that we have an active couple of months ahead of us. We have a cleanup effort, youth hike, End-of-Life presentation, men's gathering, women's gathering, graduation event, and a gratitude event over the next six weeks. If that is not enough Deacon Stacey is leading us into a new ministry in supporting returning citizens to society.

All this is possible in part due to your continued financial support. We finished the first quarter in a favorable position financially. Additionally, the Capital Campaign balance was reduced to \$107,000. during that time. Let's keep it up.

With faith, hope, charity, wisdom, and perception, we may seek to know God's will.

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### A PRAYER OF SELF-DEDICATION

**BCP 832**

*Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to you, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated unto you; and then use us, we pray you, as you will, and always to your glory and the welfare of your people; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.*

## SOLES4SOULS

Our shoe collection for this year is complete, and we're now ready to send these soles off into the world to help other souls in need.

A truck from our transportation partner, Phoenix Courier, will be here at 11:30 on Sunday, May 2.

Calling all youth and anyone else who can help carry some boxes from the downstairs hallway to the courtyard and lower parking lot! Many hands make light work, and it's fun to send off the shoes

And special note: if you park in the lower Mulberry Street lot and hope to leave right after the 10:00 service, you may want to do so promptly. Otherwise your car may be blocked in from 11:30 until about 12:00.

Thanks to all who donated shoes, and thanks in advance to all who will help send them on. Finally know that this is a "community project" helping the community of people all over the world. The donations came from St. John's members and many of their friends, St. Thomas, St. Edwards, James Street Mennonite, Warwick Schools, St. John's Methodist in Paradise and Phoenix Courier who has supported this project for many years. We are blessed to be working together to help others.



## SOLES4SOULS

Turning shoes and clothing into opportunity

and get this year's final count.

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## WOMEN'S GATHERING OPPORTUNITIES

**St. John's women's group will have 2 opportunities for fellowship in May.**



Tuesday May 4th we will have a zoom trivia night! Please sign up to attend using this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0A4EA8AB29A3FC1-stjohns1>

A link for the event will be sent out to everyone who signs up!

On Sunday May 23rd, we would like to meet in person at Longs Park (Weather permitting!) We will meet at the picnic tables across from the amphitheater at 1pm. Bring your chairs, blankets, or whatever you want for hanging out. Feel free to bring your lunch and picnic at the park. We hope to see many of you in person for some long needed catching up in person! For more information, please contact Karen DiPace.

## GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP CHALLENGE

### I AM, WE ARE...ONE WORLD: HERE, THERE, EVERYWHERE



““You don’t choose your family. They are God’s gift to you, as you are to them.”  
- Desmond Tutu

Our family connections were very different this year but celebrate the ways you did connect and focus on what you learned. As we begin to “come together” again give thanks.

#### May 2<sup>nd</sup>: Soles for Souls Send Off

“Love is our true destiny. We do not find the meaning of life by ourselves alone - we find it with another.”- Thomas Merton

Remember that it wasn’t just shoes that were sent, but also caring for those receiving the shoes

#### May 9<sup>th</sup>: Mother’s Day

Give thanks to your biological mother or someone in your life that cared for you in that manner. If you are a mother, celebrate the gift of life you gave and how it fills your heart.

#### May 16<sup>th</sup>: Armed Forces Day May 15<sup>th</sup>

Take a moment and thank those presently serving in our military for their giving and hold them and those who have passed on in your prayers.

#### May 23<sup>rd</sup>: Pentecost

50 days after Easter, honoring of this day is that “Apostles” were sent out to spread the message of God’s love. Being God’s children, we are ALL given the opportunity to spread His love in a caring manner to all our brothers and sisters. Find a way and go forth. The smallest attempt can be huge to any of your brothers and sisters.

#### May 30<sup>th</sup>: Memorial Day

“In the End, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends.”

- Martin Luther King

Remember we are one country, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for ALL.

## TOILETRIES DRIVE FOLLOW-UP



During Lent, our middle school Church School class conducted a toiletries drive for our Food Pantry, which has served 25-30 families each week. We are impressed and very pleased by all we received, and our neighbors have been very pleased to have help with these basic supplies.

Many thanks to the middle schoolers (who collected and repackaged some of them), to Sue Dodge, their teacher, and to parishioners who donated items!

If you missed this opportunity, please don’t despair! We can always use more of these items. (See the March Messenger for details.)



## February 2021 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

March operating income was below budget but met all March expenses. Lower pledge contributions were somewhat offset by online auction income of approximately \$4000 (included as Other Income in the table below). March spending, net of Jubilee expenses, was right on budget. Unlike last year, no investment draws have been taken so far this year due to ample cash account balances. Our year-to-date bottom line is better than 2020 on the same (no investment draw) basis.

**C. Wear**  
Treasurer

### St. John's Episcopal Church

#### Operating Income Statement

#### March 2021 Results

#### Cash Basis in \$000's

	March			Year to Date		
	2021A	2020A	2021B	2021A	2020A	2021B
<b>Income</b>						
Contributions	\$32.6	\$46.8	\$33.6	\$119.9	\$140.4	\$100.9
Draw from Investments	\$0.0	\$48.5	\$3.7	\$0.0	\$48.5	\$11.0
Designated Gifts	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$11.0	\$16.0	\$0.0
Other Income	\$6.7	\$2.1	\$5.8	\$12.9	\$4.6	\$17.5
Jubilee	\$1.7	\$1.9	\$4.9	\$5.3	\$12.5	\$14.7
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$41.0</b>	<b>\$99.3</b>	<b>\$48.1</b>	<b>\$149.1</b>	<b>\$222.1</b>	<b>\$144.2</b>
<b>Expense</b>						
Personnel	\$23.2	\$25.6	\$24.4	\$66.9	\$79.0	\$73.1
Property	\$8.8	\$5.5	\$7.0	\$23.3	\$25.2	\$21.1
Outreach	\$7.0	\$7.0	\$6.6	\$14.3	\$21.3	\$19.9
Other Ministries	\$1.8	\$3.8	\$3.1	\$10.1	\$9.0	\$9.4
Jubilee	\$0.2	\$3.3	\$5.0	\$1.3	\$11.4	\$15.1
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$41.0</b>	<b>\$45.4</b>	<b>\$46.2</b>	<b>\$115.9</b>	<b>\$145.9</b>	<b>\$138.6</b>
<b>Net Surplus/(Shortfall)</b>	<b>\$0.0</b>	<b>\$54.0</b>	<b>\$1.9</b>	<b>\$33.1</b>	<b>\$76.2</b>	<b>\$5.6</b>



# Pentecost Fire Sticks

**Pentecost** falls 50 days after Easter, when we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit to the gathered followers of Jesus. "Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven... they saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:2-4).

The symbols of Pentecost, based on the description from Acts, are wind and fire. Honoring Pentecost in your household helps focus on the gift and the work of the Holy Spirit, which fills us at all times and in all places (not just at church or churchy times).

The **Holy Spirit** is the real presence of Jesus, as he told his disciples: "And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever, the Spirit of Truth" (John 14:16-17).

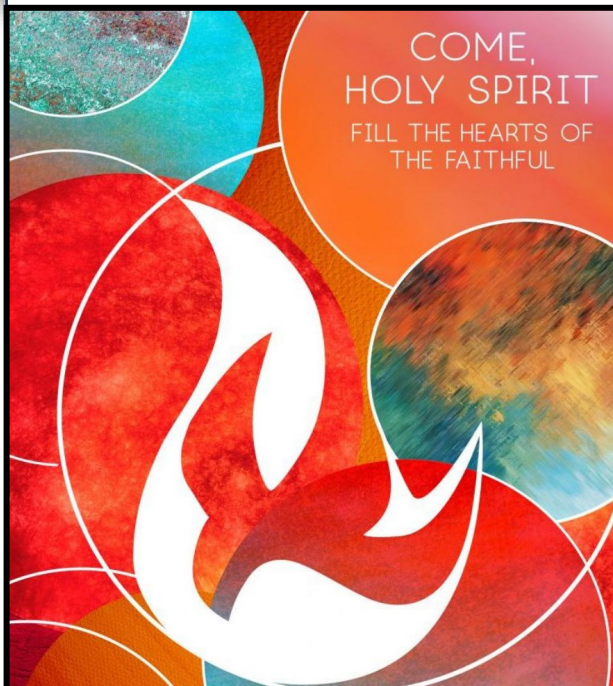
## Materials

- Sticks (wooden dowels, bamboo, or sticks from outside)
- Several long pieces of ribbon. Mostly red with a bit of gold and orange to look like flames
- A short piece of ribbon
- Craft glue, or hot-glue



## How To Do It at Home

1. Gather your household and read scripture. Try the passages from Acts 2 or John 14.
2. Make your fire sticks. Glue or fasten the long pieces of ribbon to one end of the stick. Then use the shorter piece of ribbon to wrap around the top of the stick – cover the glued ends so that it looks tidy.
3. Take your fire sticks outside. Watch the wind bring them to life. Remember that like wind, we cannot see the Holy Spirit, but we constantly experience its effects.
4. Enjoy! Leave your fire sticks out for the season after Pentecost, which lasts until Advent.

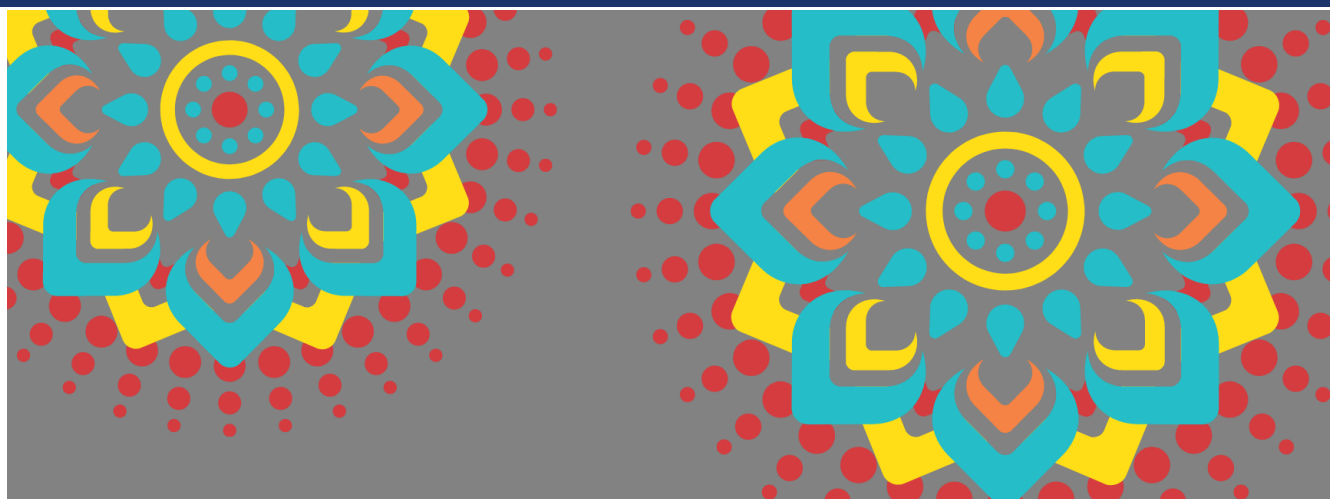


## Pentecost Celebration

SUNDAY, MAY 23

Join us for a festive celebration as we give thanks for our graduates, Sunday School teachers, and the gift of the Holy Spirit!

**Don't forget to wear RED!!!**



# GRATITUDE EVENT

HONORING ST. JOHN'S  
FOOD MINISTRIES

**HOSTED BY THE  
STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE**

**JUNE 5, 2021 4:00-6:00**

**ST. JOHN'S COURTYARD**

**FEATURING: WINE AND  
APPETIZERS**

**COST: BRING FOOD BANK  
DONATIONS**



**Do you feel God is calling you to prison ministry or are you curious?**

**Please join us for a Zoom Q&A Meeting - All Are Welcome!**

**WHEN:** June 6, 2021

**TIME:** 1 p.m.

**HOST:** The Rev. Stacey Catigano, Deacon, St. John’s Church, Lancaster County Prison Chaplain

**GUEST SPEAKER:** The Ven. Jane Miron, Archdeacon, St. Thomas Church, Volunteer Prison Minister

**NEEDED:** Worship Team/Music Ministry & Minister Visitors

**MEETING SIGN UP/ CONTACT:** Deacon Stacey (717) 799-9764 or [Scatigano@gmail.com](mailto:Scatigano@gmail.com)

*I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me,  
I was in prison and you came to visit me. - Matthew 25:36*

## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN NEWS

### Honoring the Past... Preparing for a Debt-Free Future

Goal to Retire Debt		
Gifts Needed	Total Needed for success	Pledges/Gifts Rec'd: 4/19/2021
1 @ \$12,000	\$12,000	\$46,753
2 @ \$7,500	\$15,000	\$10,000
3 @ \$5,000	\$15,000	\$5,000
12 @ \$2,500	\$30,000	\$5,000
20 @ \$1,000	\$20,000	\$10,500
40 @ \$500	\$20,000	\$4,398
24 @ \$250	\$6,000	\$850
Other	\$2,000	700
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$120,000</b>	<b>\$83,201</b>
<b>Additional Gifts Needed to Meet Goal: \$36,799</b>		

An important part of this process will take place in the very near future -- the final payment of our construction loan in October. A number of parishioners – both new donors and others who have chosen to exceed their original pledges – have continued to make contributions to bring us closer to our goal.

Last month, our parish family received a letter inviting all of us to contribute to this exciting debt free goal. Thank you to those who have already responded. Your generosity is making an important difference. If you are still considering how you can help, we invite you to complete the

pledge/gift card that was included in your mailing. Every contribution will help reduce the final \$36,799 balance to ensure a debt-free future for our beloved St. John’s.

The chart above indicates the progress we have made and what we need to retire the debt.

## ALERT NEWS

## Helping our Neighbors Make a Fresh Start!

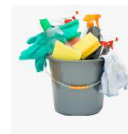


*An Opportunity for the Episcopal Churches of Lancaster County and ALERT help with Prison Ministry in our Area*

### Supporting Beth Shalom House of Peace in Lancaster

*What is Beth Shalom House of Peace?*

Beth Shalom's mission is to end prison recidivism by providing a comprehensive Christian interim housing program for single mothers leaving prison, where they can reunite with their children and be empowered with the skills and opportunities necessary for long-term self-sufficiency.



#### BLESSING BUCKETS

**Returning mothers are required to purchase cleaning supplies and clean apartments before occupying with their children. You can help by purchasing "Blessing Buckets" filled with cleaning supplies!**

1. Blessing Buckets will include a variety of items such as a mop, floor cleaner, rolls of paper towels, all-purpose cleaners, window cleaner, liquid dish soap, rags, sponges, dish towels and toilet brushes, etc. Parishes participating will collect the items and will be picked up for distribution. A lovely addition to each bucket would be a prayer card and notes of encouragement. Buckets will be blessed before distributing!

2. Can't get a Blessing Bucket together? You can make a donation directly to Beth Shalom: <https://www.tabornet.org/beth-shalom> (use the DONATE button)

**Is your parish interested in helping? If yes, please RSVP to Deacon Stacey (info below). Then collect the items (or make monetary donations) by Sunday, June 13, 2021.**

**To make arrangements for pick-up Blessing Buckets or other questions contact:**

Deacon Stacey Catigano: 717-799-9764 [scatigano@gmail.com](mailto:scatigano@gmail.com)

Br. David Rutledge: [drutledge1225@gmail.com](mailto:drutledge1225@gmail.com)

Robert Sims: [simsrob@yahoo.com](mailto:simsrob@yahoo.com)

Marian Martenes: [mjmartenas@gmail.com](mailto:mjmartenas@gmail.com)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 MESSENGER DUE 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I (In-person) 9:00 AM Sunday School (Zoom) 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (In-person & Online) 1:00 PM Youth Event: Hiking at Kelly's Run	26 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM NA (AP) 7:00 PM Stewardship Committee Meeting	27 9:00 AM Staff Meeting 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM Martha's Ministry (Court yard) 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM Food Pantry 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM VH Dance (Auditorium) 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM AA (AP)	28 12:00 PM Holy Eucharist with Healing Service (Sanctuary) 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM NA (AP)	29 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM Food Pantry 7:00 PM Handbell Practice (Auditorium) 7:00 PM Men's Gathering: Bonfire (Maskowicz Farm)	30 Rector's Day Off 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM NA (AP)	1 10:00 AM End of Life Planning Meeting 1:00 PM AIDS Memorial Garden Clean Up
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If you would like to join Matt+ and I please email me at [Amanda@stjohns-lancaster.org](mailto:Amanda@stjohns-lancaster.org). Once we have the link for the meeting, we will send it out!

A critical step is supporting fair funding is our presence. On May 11, Lancaster City Council will be meeting via zoom and we're invited! Join us as we Affirm the Council's resolution apprising Harrisburg legislators that Lancaster is behind her kids, and behind all the kids of PA. The City Council resolution is expected to pass unanimously! Mayor Sorace says people-momentum is crucial for this declaration to land optimum impact in Harrisburg.

With the Governor and increasing legislator support, there is a *chance* to get across the finish line to fairness. Now is *the* time for persons who live, work, or worship in Lancaster to weigh in for racial and educational justice.

Attention everyone who cares about our kids!  
Now is the time to raise our voices in support of 100% Fair Funding - enacting equitable distribution of monies for all of PA children's education.



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