

Announcements for Sunday, January 6

Please Pray For...

Parishioners... Michael, Richard, Tina, Lisa, Charles, Dottie, Bette, Howard, Dorothy, Barbara, Mike, Dick, Karla, Charles, Susan, Claudine, Barbara S., Lisa B., Amy, Alex, Tracy, Shannon, Sarah

Family and friends... Pepper, Cathy, Christine, Adam, Alec, Jack, Troy, Kathy

Requiescat in Pace ... all those killed in acts of terror and war around the world.

Those serving in Afghanistan, Iraq or Syria and all others at risk:

Christopher Corlett, Blair Sokol, Zach Heinrich and for healing for US troops wounded as casualties of war and their caregivers.

Others who are overseas serving the Church or our nation, or studying, including Lit and Mary Carol Tazewell, Andrew Boyd and Audra Kreger, Virginia Robinson, the Pattarini family, Evan and Kim Cannell, Karen and Eric Coulson, Melissa and Edi Jurkovic, with daughters Elena, Ana, Mia and Olivia.

Those in assisted living: Jorge, Joan, Clare, Tom, Fr. Jack, Rose, Kathleen, Audrey, Jim, Dabney, Dorothy, Margaret, Lew, Vi, Muriel, Mary, Alice, Neal, Betty, Jane

The Diocese of Virginia Prayer Cycle: Epiphany, Richmond; St. Michael's, Arlington; Varina, Richmond

The Anglican Prayer Cycle: The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia and **The Most Revd Philip Richardson**, Bishop of Taranaki and Primate, **The Most Revd Don Tamihere**, Pihopa o Aotearora and Primate, and **The Most Revd Fereimi Cama**, Bishop of Polynesia and Primate

Grace Episcopal Church Prayer Cycle: Kemp Williams, chair of the Lay Eucharistic Ministers, and the volunteers who serve at the altar.

Those with birthdays this week:

7 Breen Byrnes, Colby Gustafson, Karen Hoppe, Emily Smith
8 Wyman Howard, Sergio Yanez
10 Sara Waskowicz

Contact the Parish Office with your prayer requests or submit them on the website at: <https://www.gracealex.org/worship/personal-worship/>. Requests will be removed after 4 weeks unless renewed.

Today

The Flowers on the Altar

The flowers on the Altar today are given to the glory of God by the Altar Guild in thanksgiving for our interim clergy, The Rev. David Crosby and the Rev. Pedro Cuevas.

Feast of Epiphany

Today we are celebrating The Epiphany. A festive coffee hour will follow the 9:00 bilingual service. The 11:15 coffee hour will be held as usual in the Commons.

Youth Night Tonight

Youth Night is tonight from 5:30 to 8:00. All Youth are welcome.

Pledging and Pledge Envelopes

If you have not received your pledge envelopes, please contact the parish office so we can be sure that you receive temporary ones and are on the list for the next quarterly envelopes. If you would like to pledge but have not yet done so, it is never too late to pledge.

Greenery Takedown

Join us on Monday, January 7th as we take down the greenery. We will begin at 6:30 p.m. Please contact Eleanor Reed with questions.

Next Week January 13-19

Adult Forum – Sunday, January 13

Why are we so fascinated with fictional detectives? Join Mary Stewart for a lighthearted look at how popular PBS detective series reflect our changing ideas about good and evil, justice and morality, and societal mores. We'll pay particular attention to combo priest-detectives, from Father Brown to Grantchester.

STEM Extravaganza-Sunday, January 13 from 3-5 p.m.

Scientists, young and old, are invited to create, learn and innovate with us at our first ever STEM Extravaganza designed for children ages 3-13. This FREE family-friendly afternoon will feature hands-on activities selected by Grace Episcopal School's fourth and fifth graders. Build a lava lamp, investigate magnets, or even build a simple robot! Merrow Hall will be transformed into a Maker Space for children who love to tinker and invent. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Please visit www.graceschoolalex.org for more information and to RSVP.

Upcoming Events

Adult Forum – Sunday, January 20

The beginning of the year also means church budget time. Join Chris Rugaber in Merrow Hall Auditorium as he presents the 2019 budget. There will be time for questions following the presentation.

Candlemas and Annual Meeting – January 27

We will be holding a 10:00 service instead of a 9:00 and 11:15 service. It will be a celebration of Candlemas and we will follow it with our Annual Meeting. Make plans to attend this very important meeting in the life of the church. Childcare will be provided.

Chili Bowl

The annual Grace Church Chili Bowl is February 10 -- just six weeks away! The Rite 13 class will be defending their Best Chili Award. The competition will be fierce to unseat last year's winner! Contact Jenni at jenni.faires@gracealex.org if your ministry team is planning to defeat our reigning champions and begin thinking of your theme.

From the Food Ministries

Thank You for your Support

Thank You to ALL who supported the Grace Church Food Pantry in 2018! Your generous donations of food and non-food items, financial support and volunteer hours worked enabled the Pantry to distribute over 12 Tons of food to more than 1,450 Households (over 6,400 Individuals) in the past year. Our combined efforts helped those in need in the Alexandria community. Wishing everyone a Blessed and Happy New Year 2019!

From the Grace Episcopal School

We are seeking Extended Care Assistants for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year. The Extended Care Assistant is a part-time, hourly position. The applicant must have flexibility to work between 11:45 p.m. –6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, though the actual shift may be shorter. The Extended Care Assistant will work with other team members to supervise children from preschool through grade 5 in an active, exciting, after-school program while providing a safe and nurturing learning environment. Previous teaching experience is not a requirement, but experience working with young children is preferred. If interested, contact Alison Kindler at ecdirector@graceschool.org or call the school at (703) 549-5067.

Calendar for January 6-12

Sunday

7:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

10:15 a.m.

11:15 a.m.

5:00 p.m.

5:30 p.m.

Epiphany

Holy Eucharist

Bilingual Choral Eucharist

Fellowship Coffee Hour with the three Kings

Festival Eucharist

Holy Eucharist

Youth Night

Monday

1:00 p.m.

GES Classes Resume

Food Pantry (Open until 3:00)

Tuesday

1:00 p.m.

4:30 p.m.

5:30 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

Food Pantry (Open until 3:00)

Advanced Choristers

Beginner Choristers

Requiem Eucharist

Executive Committee

Wednesday

7:30 a.m.

5:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

8:00 p.m.

Julia Chester Emery

Holy Eucharist

Choristers

AA District 1 (St. Mark)

AA/Al Anon (Auditorium)

Thursday

12:15 p.m.

6:45 p.m.

7:30 p.m.

William Laud

Holy Eucharist

Handbell Choir

Adult Choir

Friday

9:00 a.m.

6:30 p.m.

8:30 p.m.

GES Chapel

Food Pantry Open

AA (Auditorium)

Saturday

9:00 a.m.

Altar Guild