

# Parish of the Good Shepherd

1671 Beacon Street  
Waban, Massachusetts 02481

## ANNUAL ADVENT POTLUCK

*Bring something delicious to eat or drink & join your Parish family  
for good food and good cheer!*



*with*

## ADVENT WREATH-MAKING PARTY

*& Blessing of Advent Wreaths*

*If you have your Advent wreath frame from previous years, bring it in to refresh  
for the new Advent season. If you do not have a frame, we will have them, plus  
greens and advent candles. Join us!*

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2013**

**6:00 PM**

*Parish Common Room*

*Kindly RSVP:*

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## Advent and Christmas at Good Shepherd

### **December 1 ~ First Sunday of Advent**

8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist

10:00 A.M. Sung Eucharist

### **December 8 ~ Second Sunday of Advent**

8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist

10:00 A.M. Sung Eucharist



### **December 15 ~ Third Sunday of Advent**

8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist

10:00 A.M. Sung Eucharist & Advent/Christmas  
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### **December 22 ~ Fourth Sunday of Advent**

8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist

10:00 A.M. Sung Eucharist

### **Christmas Eve**

**4:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist with Carols and Story for Children**

**10:00 P.M. Solemn High Mass**



### **Christmas Day**

10:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist

# PARISH NEWS —

## November 13 , 2013

### Candelabra missing

If you borrowed the large candelabra from the Common room this summer to use it or clean it please let us know and please return it.

### From the church office

With the year-end approaching we would like to remind everyone that all contributions should be sent directly to the church office to expedite processing or put into the offering plate on Sunday. All checks should be made out to the Parish of the Good Shepherd indicating what it is for in the memo area (ie, pledge, flowers, discretionary fund).

Also, due to IRS regulations please note any contributions you would like to be credited to the year 2013 must be dated and received by the church office no later than December 31, 2013. If you mail your contribution, as long as the postmarked date is 12/31/2013 it will be put toward your 2013 pledge. (Please note: the office will be closed Dec. 31).

### Pledge cards

Stewardship 2014 is underway and pledge cards have been mailed out. If you misplaced yours there are extras in the back of the church or downstairs on the tract table.

### Forum on November 17

The Holy Trinity, Part 3: "What difference does it make?" The enormous effects an appreciation of the Holy Trinity can make for our spiritual lives. It's the ultimate spiritual resource, so why not use it?

### From Regina Walton

Chris and I were so moved by the lovely reception all of you held for our family on October 29th. I am treasuring the kind words in the many cards. It was so hard for us to say goodbye to the parish that has been our spiritual home for the last six years, even though it was time to move on. I will never forget the warmth and caring you showed to me and my family, through two pregnancies and the births of Gregory and Cecily, and through the long dissertation-writing process! I shared with you that when I told Bishop Tom in 2007 that I would serve my curacy at Good Shepherd, he said that he couldn't think of a better place for me to begin my ordained ministry. He was right. I will always be grateful to all of you, and to Truman and Sarah Coakley, for showing me how to be a priest. I plan to use your generous gift to purchase some custom-made vestments that suit my petite frame, and as I wear them throughout my ministry, I will think of Good Shepherd with love. God bless you!

*In Christ,  
Regina*

### **FROM THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION & PROGRAMS**

*Nursery is available every Sunday*

### **NOVEMBER**

#### **17 - The Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

8:45 AM: Level I Atrium

9:45 AM: Level II Atrium

3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> gr to Loring Room

6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> gr to Youth Room

5:30 PM: Confirmands' Dinner/Discussion (*Boyd*)

#### **24 - Last Sunday after Pentecost**

8:45 AM: Level I Atrium

9:45 AM: Level II Atrium

3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> gr to Loring Room

6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> gr to Youth Room

*Pageant Forms due back to CE office*

### **DECEMBER**

#### **1 - First Sunday in Advent – Children's Procession**

8:45 AM: Level I Atrium

9:45 AM: Level II Atrium

3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> gr to Loring Room

6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> gr to Youth Room

*Pageant scripts and costumes distributed; short blocking rehearsal in church*

6:00 PM: Advent Potluck & Wreath-making Party

(see front page for details)

#### **8 - Advent 2**

8:45 AM: Level I Atrium

9:45 AM: Level II Atrium

3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> gr to Loring Room

6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> gr to Youth Room

*Pageant Rehearsal after church, in church*

#### **11 - 6:00 PM: Mid-week Pizza & Pageant rehearsal**

*Scripts memorized (6:00-6:30 pizza; 6:30-7:45 rehearsal)*

#### **15 - Advent 3 – Pageant Sunday**

8:45 AM: Pageant Dress Rehearsal

10:00 AM - Pageant offered during service— *No Church*

*School Classes*

5:30 Confirmands' Yankee Swap Party

**Something's Coming:** The Advent/Christmas season is rich with hope-filled prophecies and an infancy narrative so amazing and compelling that it is wonderful to explore and meditate upon its themes not only on Sundays in church but at home in between, too. For Godparents, grandparents, parents, and others who interact with children during this holy season, there is a wonderful and beautiful Advent/Christmas Calendar for sale on the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd website: <http://www.cgsusa.org/products/fling-wide-the-doors/> There are doors and windows for all the days from November 30 (the feast of the Apostle Andrew) through January 6 (the Twelfth Day of Christmas, the Epiphany of Our Lord), including special doors for the Sundays of the seasons. In addition, a booklet accompanies the calendar – with a way to pray alone or together (written with children in mind), and a day-by-day reading about the saints and customs of Advent and Christmas that can be adapted for your own use. I have one here in the office, if you would like to review it before making a purchase.

**Pageant Forms** are being mailed out this week. Please review, complete, and return to the CE office no later than Sunday, November 24. Thank you!

*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit ~ Romans 15:13*

*In faith, Mary Ann.*