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AN AFFECTIONATE GOD-BE-WITH-YOU

This won't take much time. What I've wanted to say to you I've had the opportunity to say over 23 years of teaching, preaching, conversation, and so there is really little left to say, except this. Thank You. Thank you for all your generosity, your forgiveness, your hospitality, your humor, your unfailing kindness.

You may have heard me say that coming to Good Shepherd was the greatest blessing of my life. I still feel that way. Even more so now that I'm leaving. And because you are what make up Good Shepherd, I want you to know that you've been the greatest blessing of my life. My gratitude to you and to the God who brought us together is profound.

One last thing I want to ask of you. Please continue to support the Parish of the Good Shepherd. Support it with your presence, your treasure, your loyalty, your prayers, and your love. This place has been for me the very Gate of Heaven. May it continue to be so for you and for many others for generations to come.

With love and gratitude,
Truman

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Visitation hours for **Bishop Shaw** will be held on Friday, Oct. 31, 4-9 p.m., including the Office of the Dead at 6 p.m., and Compline at 8:30 p.m., at the Monastery Chapel of the Society of St. John the Evangelist (980 Memorial Drive) in Cambridge.

A Celebration of the Life of the Rt. Rev. M. Thomas Shaw, SSJE, with Holy Eucharist, will be held on Saturday, Nov. 1 at 2 p.m. at Trinity Church, Copley Square, Boston, with reception to follow.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be directed to the Society of St. John the Evangelist, 980 Memorial Drive, Cambridge MA 02138 ([www.ssje.org/donate](http://www.ssje.org/donate)) or the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts, 138 Tremont Street, Boston MA 02111 ([www.diomass.org/campaign-and-giving](http://www.diomass.org/campaign-and-giving)).

# PARISH NEWS – October 22, 2014

## DETAILS FOR TRUMAN'S FAREWELL COFFEE HOUR RECEPTION

We are thrilled at the number of people who will be attending and who have volunteered to help at Truman's Farewell Coffee Hour Reception following the 10:00 service on Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Given the number of people attending, the reception will be held at The Windsor Club located right down the street from the church at 1601 Beacon Street. Parking is available there but it is also a very walkable distance from Good Shepherd. This will be a very special and memorable day and also quite bittersweet. There are many ways in which we are inviting parishioners, former parishioners, friends and family to participate in this event. The following will provide you with details on how you can contribute.

### Assisting with Refreshments

We invite everyone to contribute toward the refreshments if they would like to. We are expecting many people and will be serving a combination of brunch and lunch type foods. Everyone is invited to either make food or contribute money that will be used to purchase platters of sandwiches and other more lunch type foods. To date we have had a wonderful response and appreciate everything that everyone is offering to make. More is still needed and welcomed. To donate food or contribute money for food, please email Kim Nauen at [kimnauen@gmail.com](mailto:kimnauen@gmail.com) by Tuesday, October 28, 2014. On November 2<sup>nd</sup>, please drop off the food that you are contributing at the Windsor Club prior to the service. Kim Nauen will be at the Windsor Club beginning at 9:00am to receive the refreshments.

### Gifts, Cards and Kind Words

It is not too late to make a financial gift to Truman. Ted Ketterer and Peter Barber are currently responsible for collecting these financial gifts. Please contact Ted if you would like to make a financial contribution to Truman as an account has been set up for these gifts. Ted can be reached at 617-969-2144 or [Tketterer@comcast.net](mailto:Tketterer@comcast.net). There will be a wooden presentation box at the Windsor Club to collect your written notes and cards to thank Truman for his service and express your gratitude to him. You may wish to include anecdotes, memories, photos, poems, drawings, and any other remembrance for our rector to read and enjoy once he retreats to his new home in Maine. Please encourage your children to include a note or drawing. There will be extra paper and pens on hand next to the box. For those with sharp eyes and longer memories, the presentation box was originally a gift to Truman on September 12, 1999, on the occasion of his 25th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood and is being used again for his retirement. For questions regarding non financial gifts, cards or remembrances, please contact Ann Honeycutt (617-990-2396 or [annhoneycutt@verizon.net](mailto:annhoneycutt@verizon.net)).

Lastly, we encourage folks to come with quick toasts or a few kind or humorous words that you would like to share at the Windsor Club. A sound system will be available and these contributions will surely help to make Truman's final coffee hour a memorable one.

Thank you all!

## FROM THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION & PROGRAMS

*Nursery is available every Sunday at 9:45 AM for infants through Pre-K. Children age 3-6 are welcome to the Atrium after attending an orientation (scheduled separately). Please speak with Mary Ann Stewart with any questions about our Christian Education Program ([ce@goodshepherdnewton.org](mailto:ce@goodshepherdnewton.org))*

### OCTOBER

#### **26 - The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**

##### **Block II Begins**

9:45 AM: Level I Atrium

9:45 AM: Church School

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> gr (Lower Level Room 2)

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

6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> gr (Youth Room)

5:15 PM: *All Hallows' Eve Observance & Pizza Party*

### NOVEMBER

#### **2 - All Saints' Sunday – Children's Procession**

9:45 AM: Level I Atrium

9:45 AM: Church School

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> gr (Lower Level Room 2)

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

6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> gr (Youth Room)

#### **9 - The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost**

9:00 AM: Level I Atrium

9:45 AM: Church School

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> gr (Lower Level Room 2)

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

6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> gr (Youth Room)

5:30 PM: *Confirmands' Dinner & Discussion (Bertelli/ Dragat)*

#### **16 - The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost**

8:45 AM: Level I Atrium

9:45 AM: Church School

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> gr (Lower Level Room 2)

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

6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> gr (Youth Room)

*Christian Education Committee meets in Youth Room following the 10:00 AM service*

5:30 PM: *Last Confirmands' Dinner & Discussion (Klein)*

This is the first of two years of preparation for Confirmation expected in spring of 2016. Since the end of September, eight youth in 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade have been engaging in our confirmation program. Families have taken turns providing dinner for everyone – energy for our discussions! Discussions have included human nature (BCP p.845, Genesis 3:1-13), symbols of the Good Shepherd (on site in church and sacristy), and a conversation with Pia Bertelli, Good Shepherd's Outreach Chair, on being Jesus' hands and feet in the world (1 Corinthians 12:12-30, St. Teresa of Avila). Please keep our Confirmands in your prayers as they move through the discernment process: Alison Nauen, Bella Hamilton, Ben Awtrey, Carissa Dragat, Jack Bracher, Madeline Boyd, Martha Klein, and Zachary Rivers.

*In faith, Mary Ann.*