



Serving Today

Celebrant and Preacher – Father Michael Delaney*

Intercessor – The Reverend Joseph J. Occhiuto, FCC, Deacon

Crucifer – Br. Bill Paine, FCC

Building Opener & Acolyte – Paul Dinas

Second Chalice Bearer – Jean Tessier

Lector – Jane Kettlewell

Saint Luke's Choir

Ushers – Emily Taylor & Marilyn Matthes

Bellringer – Ann Espenschied

Oblation Bearers – Ann Espenschied & volunteer

Nursery Care – Susan Civita

Altar Guild – Ann Espenschied

Hospitality Hour – Sherri & Michael Papamihalis

Activities Today

11:30am: Fellowship Hour with Advent Series led by Canon Delaney. There will be a donation jar to benefit the 2023 Outreach Grant recipient, LIFE Camp, Inc. [parish hall]



Saint Luke's Church (Episcopal)

The First Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

December 3, 2023 10:30AM

***The Reverend Canon Michael F. Delaney** is the Chaplain to Bishop Provenzano and the Canon for Liturgical & Sacramental Life (Diocesan Canon Precentor) in the Diocese of Long Island. He helps prepare parishes for Episcopal Visitations, Diocesan Liturgies, and consulting around liturgy and music questions. One of his loves is guiding those preparing for membership in the Episcopal Church through Adult Baptism, Confirmation and Reception. Previously Michael served as the Vicar of the Cathedral of the Incarnation, Garden City, the Interim Dean of Trinity and St. Philip's Cathedral in Newark, New Jersey, Rector of the Church of Saint Andrew, Staten Island, NY, and Director of Pastoral Care at Christ Episcopal Hospital in Jersey City, NJ. When he's not hanging out on the Cathedral Close or traveling around our diverse diocese, Michael can be found cooking, playing piano, or just relaxing with good friends.

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 3rd, 2023

10:30AM

THE HOLY EUCHARIST and Lighting of Advent Wreath

Prelude Alexandre Guilmant
Elevation on the Noël "Or Nous Dites Marie"

The choir and clergy enter in silence.

The Entrance

Matin Responsory Adapted from Palestrina

Aspiciens a longe

I look from afar: and lo, I see the power of God coming, and a cloud covering the whole earth. Go ye out to meet him and say: Tell us, art thou he that should come to reign over thy people Israel? High and low, rich and poor, one with another, Go ye out to meet him and say: Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep, Tell us, art thou he that should come? Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come to reign over thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

Opening Hymn Puer Nobis

The women of the choir sing:
Come, thou Redeemer of the earth,
And manifest thy virgin birth:
Let ev'ry age adoring fall;
Such birth befits the God of all.

The full choir sing:
Begotten of no human will,
But of the Spirit, thou are still
The Word of God in flesh arrayed,
The promised fruit to man displayed.

The men of the congregation and choir sing:
Forth from his chamber goeth he,
That royal home of purity,
A giant in twofold substance one,
Rejoicing now his course to run.

The full choir and congregation sing forcefully:
From God the Father he proceeds,
To God the Father back he speeds;
His course he runs to death and hell,
Returning on God's throne to dwell.

The men of the congregation and choir sing:
O equal to thy Father, thou!
Gird on thy fleshly mantle now;
The weakness of our mortal state
With deathless might invigorate.

The women of the congregation and choir sing:
Thy cradle here shall glitter bright,
And darkness breathe a newer light,
Where endless faith shall shine serene,
And twilight never intervene.

The full choir and congregation sing vigorously with descant:
All laud, eternal Son, to thee
Whose advent sets thy people free,
Whom with the Father we adore,
And Holy Ghost forevermore.

The Liturgy of the Word

The Opening Acclamation
The Collect for Purity
The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

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**Rejoice, rejoice, Emmanuel
shall come to you, O Israel**

Gloria
The Collect of the Day

S280

Robert Powell

The Lesson		Isaiah 64:1-9
Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18		Chant: Jerome Webster Meachan
		Bulletin p.6
The Epistle		1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Sequence Hymn	66 vv 1-3	Stuttgart
The Holy Gospel		Mark 13:24-37
Sequence Hymn	66 vv 4	Stuttgart
The Nicene Creed		p. 358
The Prayers of the People		

Deacon In peace we pray to the Lord.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

The Peace

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem Solo		G.F. Handel
		“Comfort ye, my people/Every valley shall be exalted” (from The Messiah)
		Sung by Gerard J. Gallagher Jr, tenor
The Great Thanksgiving (B)		p. 367
<i>Sanctus</i>	S130	Franz Schubert
The Eucharistic Prayer		p. 368
The Lord’s Prayer		p. 364
<i>Agnus Dei</i>	S164	Franz Schubert
Music at Communion		Melinda Faylor
	Improvisations	
Communion Hymn	343	St. Agnes
Postcommunion Prayer		p. 366
The Blessing		
Dismissal Hymn	68	Llangloffan
The Dismissal		
Postlude		Johann Pachelbel
	Magnificat, Fugue No. 14	

Psalm 80

Jerome Webster Meachen
(b. 1930)



- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a **flock**; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the **cherubim**.
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and **Manasseh**, *
stir up your strength and come to **help us**.
- 3 Restore us, O God of **hosts**; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be **saved**.
- 4 O Lord God of **hosts**, *
how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your **people**?
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of **tears**; *
you have given them bowls of tears to **drink**.
- 6 You have made us the derision of our **neighbors**, *
and our enemies laugh us to **scorn**.
- 7 Restore us, O God of **hosts**; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be **saved**.
- 16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right **hand**, *
the son of man you have made so strong for your**self**.
- 17 And so will we never turn away from **you**; *
give us life, that we may call upon your **Name**.
- 18 Restore us, O Lord God of **hosts**; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be **saved**.

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Intercessions

Healing: Peter Amankonah, Shona Louise Anderson,
Pamela Angus, Mitiku Ayana, Amanda Banci,
Graham Bobby, Ali & Gary Carldon,
Barbara Clark, Bishop Michael Curry,
Danielle Dexter, Luke Dinan,
Donna Dornbush-Filanovsky, Joyce Egginton,
Peter Epps, Ann Fallon, Barbara Glick,
Cynthia Goodwin, Catherine Grillo,
Dolly Guinther, Jill Hollingsworth, Gert Hounsell,
Robert Humes, Dennis Ingenito, Oliver Lorentz,
Vicky Lowery, Chris Nyberg, Frank Nyberg,
Harry & Pansy Ogilvie, Loretta Orentas,
Mary & Robert Palma, Brian Percival, Mary Jo R.,
Kimberly Rimbald, Rachael Robinson,
Suzanne Rolle, Yahra Roman, Flo Rosenberg,
Suzanne Schick, LeRoy Shepherd,
Dora Kuvaroglu Soropoulos, Lamont Springfield,
Jessica Styers, Ken Sullivan,
Nona & Stephen Thompson, Jane Thornton,
Tony Uba, Shirley Vickers, Joyce Walkwitz,
Jen Welsh

Birthdays: Paris Singh

Church Calendar Week of December 3rd

Stewardship Update

Last week we had the "in-gathering" for the responses to the 2024 pledge and commitment request that was sent out a couple of weeks ago. Despite the short timeframe for your responses, we have received 2024 pledges for a total of \$91,000 (45% of our \$200,000 goal) for which we are very grateful. However, the "in-gathering" was not the end of the campaign as we know that some of you will need more time to reflect and pray about your response.

So, if you still need to respond please let us know over the next few weeks, **preferably before Christmas**, what your 2024 pledge and commitment might be. These are important so that the Vestry can plan how to use the Parish resources during the next year.
-Yours in thanks, Jonathan Wallin (Stewardship Chair)

Jesse Tree

Don't forget to take an ornament off the Jesse Tree to provide a Christmas present for one of the children and young adults served by the Queens Community. All wrapped presents (with gift tags) are due by December 17th!

Christmas Decorators Wanted!

Following the end of our Advent IV service on Sunday, December 24th, we are looking for volunteers to stay for a little while to help decorate the church for Christmas Eve.



Christmas at Saint Luke's – 2023

Sunday, December 24th

10:30am Holy Eucharist with Sermon, Organ & Choir
4:00pm A Gathering at the Creche for the Young at Heart
with Carols and the Telling of the Christmas Story
10:00pm Feast of the Nativity Festival Eucharist

Monday, December 25th

10:00am Holy Eucharist with Congregational Hymns

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85 Greenway South

Forest Hills, NY

ADVENT SERIES



Sundays, Dec. 3, 10, and 17 during coffee hour

“Why we do what we do in church”



Join Canon Delaney for an exploration of

The Book of Common Prayer

and especially the service of

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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Joy to the World! The Lord is come!

CHRISTMAS DAY

Monday, December 25 at 10:00am

Holy Communion, Organ, and Carols



in the building and on Zoom

Meeting ID: 897 4444 1960

passcode STLWORSHIP

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Christmas Decorations and Music

Your offerings supply the evergreens and poinsettias that beautify our church for worship as well as our festive music through the addition of Choristers for the closing Sundays of Advent and Christmas Eve. **So that your memorials and thanksgivings are included in the Christmas worship bulletin, please submit the completed form along with your check by Monday, December 18th, 2023.**

Greenery

Circle one: *"In memory of..."*
"In Thanksgiving for..."

Names:

Amount: _____



Music

Circle one: *"In memory of..."*
"In Thanksgiving for..."

Names:

Amount: _____

Your Name _____



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The Wardens and Vestry of Saint Luke's

Suzanne Schick, *Warden (2023)*
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2023

Jennifer Hudson-Phillips
Liz Reynolds
Jonathan Wallin
(vacancy)

2024

Louise Foisy
(vacancy)

2025

Paul Dinas
Jane Kettlewell
Christopher Nyberg

Parish Office Hours

Monday – Friday 9am – 2pm
718-268-6021 office@stlukesforesthills.org

Sunday Worship Hours:

10:30am [church/Zoom]
Meeting ID: 897 4444 1960 Passcode: STLWORSHIP

Church school: 10:15am on 2nd/3rd Sundays, Sept-June
Nursery care is available for children under 4

In Case of Pastoral Emergency:

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