

"Seek ye first the Kingdom of Heaven"

On Wednesday this week, we start a new season in our Christian calendar. Lent is ushered in by the observance of the Shrove Tuesday, known to us as our Pancake supper. This is a family meal that we share together as we dedicate ourselves to the spiritual growth and as we seek God's help, and guidance in our journey of faith and proclaim the kingdom of God, which is at hand.

Jim Marion, in his book, "Putting on the Mind of Christ, the Inner Work of Christian Spirituality," says that, "The realization of the kingdom of God should be the principal goal of every Christian's life...

The kingdom of God and of heaven that Jesus preached up and down the land of Israel, day in and day out, throughout his entire ministry, is a Kingdom that you and I can find and see only by going deeply within ourselves."

Marion emphasizes that there is no other way to get to the kingdom that Jesus preached about other than by going deeply within ourselves. The kingdom of Heaven will come into existence for all of us right here on this earth (Matthew 6:10). "Jesus told many parables about the Kingdom of Heaven and what it was like, a Kingdom that He himself saw, and lived in, everyday of his public ministry. And he promised that those of us who truly seek this Kingdom within ourselves, forsaking all else to do so, would surely realize the same vision that He experienced.

During this season of Lent, it is my hope that we focus much about the rewards we hope to gain, rewards that our Father in heaven has promised us, when we go deeply within ourselves. Together, we will seek this spiritual enlightenment as we prepare to receive Jesus' greatest sacrifice and gift to us all.

As we hope to begin this journey together, we hope also to journey with the saints who have gone before us. This years' pancake supper will be in memory of our brother Gene Clay who played a key role in the Brotherhood of St. Andrew and who are the lead team in preparing this meal for us. We will not charge any fee, but we will have 'free will or love offering' to continue the ministry of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

Please join us in this celebration.

Shalom

Fr. Nicholas Sichangi

Your Prayers are asked

Randy	Judy Fisher	Janice Potts
Maryalice Amoroso	Bill Gilbert	Christopher Porteus
Jacob Asroff	Joe Heimberger	Linda Rawlings
Mary Helen Atwood	Bill Jackson	Sarah Shick
Jane Ayers	Libby Keefer	Jane Sichangi
Dustin Bartow	Kathy Koslak	Carroll Smith
Hamid Basil	Elizabeth Lane	Tricia Smith
Mike Bolinski	Margaret Long	Betsy Spina
Will Bradshaw	Victoria Marsh	Susan Tull Wilson
Robert Burchett	George Miller	
Goldie Cook	Jean Mulford	
Jesse Cugini	Richard Palmer	
Donna Hurst Dellinger	Rose Perrone	

Be a "goody" provider!

If you can provide light refreshments at coffee hour after the 10 a.m. service just one Sunday a year, you valuable will be а of piece Trinity's ministry of hospitality. Please sign up in the Parish House to provide danish or doughnuts or whatever you like.

We need your help!



MANY THANKS TO THE WOMEN OF TRINITY who provided the delicious lunch for the annual meeting.

Thanks again!!

EPISCOPAL RELIEF & DEVELOPMENT SUNDAY 1st Sunday in Lent February 14

We will have a special collection taken to benefit the work of Episcopal Relief and Development.

Please place cash, or a check made out to ERD, in the ERD Sunday collection envelopes.

As ERD reminds us, help the impoverished -

Pray, Learn, Give, and Act.

Thanks in advance for your prayers & generous giving.



SHROVE TUESDAY GENE CLAY MEMORIAL PANCAKE SUPPER Tuesday, February 9, 2016 5:00-7:00 pm Trinity Episcopal Church

There is no charge for supper but a Free Will Offering will be accepted to continue the work of The Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

Ministry Schedule

8:00 AM

Date	CBR	P of P	Usher
2/7	Vickie Koslak	Mitzie Snyder	Susan Weed, Mitzie Snyder
2/14	Mary Helen Atwood		Gayle Mayo, Paul Arbour Jr.
2/21	Gordon Tozer	Mary Helen Atwood	Sam Smith, Susan Weed
2/28	Vickie Koslak	Gordon Tozer	Gayle Mayo, Mary Helen Atwood

10:00 AM

<u>Date</u>	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>CBR</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>P oP</u>	<u>Greeter</u>
2/7	Aaron Derby	Marina White	Heidi White	Rick & Susan Burkholder	Janice Potts	Jane Ayers
2/10 Ash Wed.	Marina White	Bill Gorak	Kathy Davidson		Judy Caffey	
2/14	Aaron Derby	Susan Burkholder	Kathy Davidson	Charlie Davidson Eugene Caffey	Mary K. Hitchcock	Libby Keefer
2/21	Jack Fossler	Ross Lee	Mary Morrison	Rick & Susan Burkholder	Debbie McKeown	Jane Ayers
2/28		Marina White	Debbie McKeown	Diane & Dwight Hair	Marina White	Libby Keefer

The Bishop will be visiting Trinity Church on Sunday,
April 10, 2016



Lent begins
Ash Wednesday,
February 10
Holy Eucharist with the
Imposition of Ashes

at 7:00 p.m.



Donation for Easter Flowers

If you would like to make a donation to the decoration of the altar and church nave for the Easter Sunday service, please complete this form and return it to the church office by March 20. Thank you!

Enclosed is a check/cash in the amount of \$ for Easter flowers.	
My donation is: (as it is to appear in the bulletin)	
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thank offering for	
Name:	
Phone:	