

# TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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**HOLY EUCHARIST WITH  
ANNUAL MEETING AND REPORTS  
FOR THE YEAR 2012**

*Sharing the Grace of God, the Light of Christ and the Power of the Holy Spirit,  
through worship, ministry and fellowship.*

*Adopted by Trinity Vestry – January 10, 2011*



# I. OPENING WORSHIP

## FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

### 9 AM SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2013

### HOLY EUCHARIST WITH ANNUAL MEETING

#### OPENING HYMN

#### God the Omnipotent!

*Russia*

1 God the Om - ni - po - tent! King, who or - dain - est  
 2 God the All - mer - ci - full earth hath for - sak - en  
 3 God the All - right - eous One! earth hath de - fied thee;  
 4 God the All - prov - i - dent! earth by thy chas - tening

thun - der thy clar - ion, the light - ning thy sword;  
 thy ways all ho - ly, and slight - ed thy word;  
 yet to e - ter - ni - ty stand - eth thy word,  
 yet shall to free - dom and truth be re - stored;

show forth thy pi - ty on high where thou reign - est:  
 bid not thy wrath in its ter - rors a - wak - en:  
 false - hood and wrong shall not tar - ry be - side thee:  
 through the thick dark - ness thy king - dom is haste - ning:

give to us peace in our time, O Lord.  
 give to us peace in our time, O Lord.  
 give to us peace in our time, O Lord.  
 thou wilt give peace in thy time, O Lord.

**THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

Grace and peace to you from God.

*God fill you with truth and joy.*

Almighty God,

*to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, so that we may truly love you and worthily praise your holy name; through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.*

**THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW**

Hear the teaching of Christ:

you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart

and with all your soul

and with all your mind

and with all your strength.

This is the first commandment.

And a second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

*Spirit of God, search our hearts.*

**SONG OF PRAISE**

**Songs of thankfulness and praise**

*Salzburg*

Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Jes - us, Lord, to thee we raise,  
 man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far;  
 branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem;  
 an - thems be to thee ad-dressed, God in man made man-i - fest.

Hear God's word to all who turn to Christ: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from every kind of wrong.

God has promised forgiveness to all who truly repent, turn to Christ in faith and are themselves forgiving. In silence we call to mind our sins.

*Silence*

Let us confess our sins.

***Merciful God, we have sinned in what we have thought and said, in the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done. We have sinned in ignorance: we have sinned in weakness: we have sinned through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you. Forgive us, for our Savior Christ's sake, and renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.***

Through the cross of Christ. God have mercy on you, pardon you and set you free. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal. ***Amen.***

The peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

***The word of Christ dwell in us richly.***

#### **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Together, let us pray

***Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.***

#### **THE PROCLAMATION**

**From the Hebrew Scriptures**

**Jeremiah 1:4-10**

A Reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah

The word of the LORD came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD."

Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

***Thanks be to God.***

#### **Psalm 71:1-6**

***In te, Domine, speravi***

- 1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; \* let me never be ashamed.
- 2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; \* incline your ear to me and save me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; \* you are my crag and my stronghold.
- 4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, \*  
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.
- 5 For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, \* my confidence since I was young.
- 6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;  
from my mother's womb you have been my strength; \*  
my praise shall be always of you.

**Second Reading**

**1 Corinthians 13:1-13**

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.


*Thanks be to God.*

**HYMN**


**God is love**

*Ubi caritas*

*Refrain*




God is love, and where true love is God him - self is there.



1 Here in Christ we gath - er, love of Christ our call - ing.




2 When we Chris - tians gath - er, mem - bers of one Bo - dy,



3 Grant us love's ful - fill - ment, joy with all the bless - ed,



Christ, our love, is with us, glad - ness be his greet - ing.  
let there be in us no dis - cord but one spi - rit.  
when we see your face, O Sa - vior, in its glo - ry.



Let us fear and love him, ho - ly God e - ter - nal.  
Ban - ished now be an - ger, strife and ev - ery quar - rel.  
Shine on us, O pur - est Light of all cre - a - tion,

*Repeat Refrain*



Lov - ing him, let each love Christ in one an - oth - er.  
Christ, our God, be al - ways pres - ent here a - mong us.  
be our bliss while end - less a - ges sing your prais - es.

**GOSPEL****Luke 4:21-30**

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*Praise and glory to God.*

In the synagogue at Nazareth, Jesus read from the book of the prophet Isaiah, and began to say, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to Christ, the Word.*

**ANNUAL MEETING REPORTS OF THE WARDENS AND THE RECTOR****THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – THE NICENE CREED**

*We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,*

*maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,*

*eternally begotten of the Father. God from God. Light from Light,*

*true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father;*

*through him all things were made.*

*For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,*

*was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became fully human.*

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.*

*On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;*

*he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.*

*He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*

*who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,*

*and has spoken through the prophets.*

*We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.*

*We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.*

*We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, giving thanks for God's goodness.

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear when we pray in the name of your Son.

Therefore in confidence and trust we pray for the Church:

*(Please offer your intercessions/thanksgivings, either silently or aloud)*

Father, enliven the Church for its mission

*that we may be salt of the earth and light to the world.*

Breathe fresh life into your people.

*Give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.*

We pray for the world:

*(Please offer your intercessions/thanksgivings, either silently or aloud)*

Creator of all, lead us and every people into ways of justice and peace.

***That we may respect one another in freedom and truth.***

Awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it.

***Teach us to care creatively for its resources.***

We pray for the community:

*(Please offer your intercessions/thanksgivings, either silently or aloud)*

God of truth, inspire with your wisdom those whose decisions affect the lives of others

***that all may act with integrity and courage.***

Give grace to all whose lives are linked with ours.

***May we serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us.***

We pray for those in need:

*(Please offer your intercessions/thanksgivings, either silently or aloud)*

God of hope, comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit.

***May they know the power of your healing love.***

Make us willing agents of your compassion.

***Strengthen us as we share in making people whole.***

We remember those who have died and those who mourn:

*(Please offer your intercessions/thanksgivings, either silently or aloud)*

We remember with thanksgiving those who have died in the faith of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone.

***Father, into your hands we commend them.***

Give comfort to those who mourn.

***Bring them peace in their time of loss.***

We praise you for all your saints who have entered your eternal glory.

***May their example inspire and encourage us.***

We pray for ourselves and our ministries:

*(Please offer your intercessions/thanksgivings, either silently or aloud)*

Lord, you have called us to serve you.

***Grant that we may walk in your presence:***

***your love in our hearts,***

***your truth in our minds,***

***your strength in our wills;***

***until, at the end of our journey,***

***we know the joy of our homecoming and the welcome of your embrace,***

***through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

#### **THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be always with you.

***And also with you.***

#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT**

#### **THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS**

***Choir Anthem***



**Doxology**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below,  
Praise God above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord is here.

*God's Spirit is with us.*

Lift up your hearts.

*We lift them to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to offer thanks and praise.*

It is right indeed, it is our joy and our salvation, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise through Christ your only Son.

You are the source of all life and goodness; through your eternal Word you have created all things from the beginning and formed us in your own image; male and female you created us. When we sinned and turned away you called us back to yourself and gave your Son to share our human nature. In him we see you, the eternal God, revealing your glory in our flesh, for he is the light of the nations who illuminates our darkness.

In him you have made us a holy people by sending upon us your holy and life-giving Spirit. Therefore with the faithful who rest in him, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and  
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

All glory and thanksgiving to you, holy Father; on the night before he died your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread; when he had given you thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup; when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them and said: Drink this. all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins; do this as often as you drink it, to remember me.

*Glory to you, Lord Christ; your death we show forth; your resurrection we proclaim;  
your coming we await; Amen! Come Lord Jesus.*

Therefore loving God, recalling your great goodness to us in Christ, his suffering and death, his resurrection and ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate our redemption with this bread of life and this cup of salvation. Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving which we offer through Christ our great high priest.

Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine which we receive may be to us the body and blood of Christ, and that we, filled with the Spirit's grace and power, may be renewed for the service of your kingdom.

United in Christ with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, O God, in songs of everlasting praise.

*Blessing, honor and glory be yours, here and everywhere, now and for ever. (Sung 3 fold) AMEN.*

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

As Christ teaches us we pray

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.*

*Give us this day our daily bread.*

*And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.*

*And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.*

*For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.*

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

*We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.*

**PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS**

*We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.*

**THE INVITATION**

*Draw near and receive the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ in remembrance that he died for us. Let us feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.*

*All are invited, without exception, to the Lord’s Table*

**Communion Hymn**

1 Blest are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God; the  
 2 The Lord, who left the heavens our life and peace to bring, to  
 3 he to the low - ly soul will still him - self im - part and  
 4 Lord, we thy pres - ence seek; may ours this bless - ing be; give

se - cret of the Lord is theirs, their soul is Christ’s a - bode.  
 dwell in low - li - ness with us, our pat - tern and our King;  
 for his dwell - ing and his throne will choose the pure in heart.  
 us a pure and low - ly heart, a tem - ple fit for thee.

**TAIZE CHANT**

Ubi Caritas

*Taize*

*Where true charity and love abide, God is there.*

**PRAYER FOR OUR LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR**

In the name of God and this Congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ’s Body and Blood.

*May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Holy Communion from the Lord’s table.*

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ’s Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.*

**POT LUCK BRUNCH**

**ANNUAL MEETING**

**Service Participants/Assisting in our Worship**

**9:00 am Service**

<b>Celebrant</b>	The Rev. William MacDonald Murray
<b>Organist</b>	Elizabeth Jennings Pekkala
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Cathy Ellis
<b>Vestry Person of the Day</b>	All Vestry Members
<b>Food Pantry Pick-Up Person</b>	Arlene Person
<b>Acolytes</b>	Rebecca and AJ Cook
<b>Lay Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Rick Davis and Justin Varteresian
<b>Lay Reader</b>	Ed Cormier
<b>Ushers</b>	Andrew & Caroline Yaroshefski
<b>Nursery Volunteers</b>	Ruth Doyle and Rachel Garay
<b>Pot Luck Brunch Hosts</b>	The Vestry

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### III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 2011 ANNUAL MEETING

#### Minutes of the 2011 Annual Meeting January 29, 2012

##### I. Call to Order and Opening Prayer

The annual meeting was incorporated into a joint 9am Eucharistic worship service held in the Parish Hall. Eighty-three persons were present. Following the Gospel, Father Mac highlighted each month of the year in his Rector's Report with activities of the parish that occurred in addition to 11 Baptisms, 1 Marriage, 4 Transfers In and 14 Burials. These highlights punctuate experiences that we do together as a community:

- January- Our beginning of a local Stephen Ministry has now spread to Sacred Heart in Hopedale. Father Mac described this is a "Listening Ministry."
- February- Youth trip to St. John the Devine in New York City for "Night Watch."
- March- Leadership workshops in Springfield; youth spaghetti dinner as a fund-raiser for their activities.
- April- the Ecumenical Stations of the Cross services expanded and included a noon to 3PM service at Trinity.
- May- UTO breakfast; completion of the church steeple renovation and celebration with all who worked on that massive project within the larger Milford community.
- June- Father Mac participated in a silent retreat
- July- Layperson led services during Mac's vacation; youth group white water rafting trip.
- August- the fall "Welcome Back" picnic included both the Methodist and Grace Exchange churches.
- September- the community meal is now hosted by Trinity on Wednesday.
- October- the popular "Chocolate Fest" fund raiser.
- November- the covenant service held with St. Mary's Catholic Church.
- December- the Christmas Faire fund raiser and services Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

At the conclusion of the worship service, a pot luck brunch was served as parishioners settled into the business portion of the Annual Meeting.

##### II. Approval of the Agenda

*A motion was made and seconded from the floor to accept the agenda for the January 2012 Annual Meeting (reports from the year 2011) as presented. It passed unanimously.*

##### III. Approval of the Minutes of the 2011 Annual Meeting

*A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the 2011 meeting. It passed unanimously.*

##### IV. Nominations and Elections

- Senior Warden ..... Gayle Ruscitti was elected to the position of Senior Warden with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.
- Junior Warden ..... Anne Marie Lockwood was elected to the position of Junior Warden with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.
- Clerk of the Vestry ..... Mille Williams was elected to the position of Clerk of the Vestry with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.
- Treasurer ..... Cheryl Eidinger-Taylor was elected to the position of Treasurer with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.
- Asst. Treasurer ..... Karen O'Neill was elected to the position of Asst. Treasurer with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.

- Three Year Vestry (2015) . Barbara Kalunian, Dwight Kee and Therese Cook were elected to the position of Vestry with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.
- Youth Vestry ..... Ani Sharoogian was elected to the position of Vestry - youth member with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.
- Steward of the Offering .... Penny Allen was elected to the position of Steward of the Offering with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.
- Assistant Steward  
of the Offering ..... Charlie Johnson was elected to the position of Asst. Steward of the Offering with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor
- Deanery/Diocesan  
Convention Delegates ..... Justin Varteresian, Mary Torian, Ani Sharoogian (Youth Delegate) and Ed Cormier were elected to the position of Deanery/Diocesan Convention Delegates with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.
- Alternate Delegate(s) ..... Carol Cormier, Beth Washburn, Gayle Ruscitti and Becca Cook (Youth Delegate) were elected to the position of Alternate Delegate to the Deanery/Diocesan Convention with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.

#### **V. Parish Committee Reports**

Parish Committee Reports were presented as amended. *A motion was made to accept the committee reports. It was seconded and passed unanimously.*

#### **VI. Report of the Election**

All elections were unanimous. No counting of paper ballots was necessary.

#### **VII. Report of the Treasurer**

A review of 2011 Budget vs. Actuals was presented along with the 2011 Year End Asset and Fund Balances (Balance Sheet). *A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to accept the treasurer's report.* A review was presented of the 2012 Budget. Following discussion from the floor to answer parishioner questions, *a motion was made and seconded to accept the 2012 Budget. The motion passed unanimously.*

#### **VIII. Report of the Wardens**

Father Mac covered everything. Both wardens offered thanks for the support received.

#### **IX. Report of the Rector**

Father Mac's report was included in the worship service.

#### **X. Other Business, Blessing and Dismissal**

There was no additional business. The meeting was closed with prayer and the hymn, "O for a thousand tongues to sing." *A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and passed at 11:20AM.*

Respectfully submitting,  
Camille (Mille) Williams, *Clerk of the Vestry*

## IV. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT – JANUARY 2013

#### THOSE COMPLETING VESTRY TERMS:

<i>Senior Warden:</i>	Gayle Ruscitti
<i>Junior Warden:</i>	Ann Marie Lockwood
<i>Clerk:</i>	Camille Williams
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Cheryl Eidinger Taylor
<i>Assistant Treasurer:</i>	Karen O’Neill
<i>Vestry (Class of 2013):</i>	Steve Masse, Tracey Morse, Brian O’Toole

#### THOSE COMPLETING OTHER ELECTED PARISH POSITIONS:

<i>Delegates to Deanery and Diocesan Convention:</i>	Ed Cormier, Mary Torian, Justin Varteresian and Ani Sharoogian (Youth Delegate)
<i>Alternate Delegates:</i>	Gayle Ruscitti, Beth Washburn, Rebecca Cook and Carol Cormier
<i>Steward of the Offering</i>	Penny Allen
<i>Assistant Steward of the Offering</i>	Charlie Johnson

#### CONTINUING VESTRY MEMBERS:

<i>One Year Remaining / Class of 2014:</i>	John Ellis, Fran Phaneuf, Justin Varteresian
<i>Two Years Remaining / Class of 2015:</i>	Barbara Kalunian, Dwight Kee , Terese Cook

#### NOMINEES FOR ELECTED POSITIONS - 2013:

<i>Vestry:</i>	
<i>Senior Warden</i>	Gayle Ruscitti
<i>Junior Warden</i>	Ann Marie Lockwood
<i>Clerk</i>	Mille Williams
<i>Treasurer</i>	Cheryl Eidinger Taylor
<i>Assistant Treasurer</i>	Karen O’Neill
<i>Vestry (Class of 2015)</i>	Beth Moeller, Cheryl Martin, Open
<i>Additional Member(1 year)</i>	Ani Sharoogian
<i>Youth Member (1 year)</i>	Ethan Moeller
<i>Youth Member (1 year)</i>	Rebecca Cook
<i>Steward of the Offering:</i>	Penny Allen
<i>Assistant Steward of the Offering:</i>	Charlie Johnson
<i>Deanery/</i>	
<i>Diocesan Convention Delegates:</i>	Justin Varteresian (vestry member), Mary Torian and Beth Washburn, Ethan Moeller – Youth Delegate (16-20 years old, 1 year term)
<i>(One must be a member of the vestry)</i>	
<i>Alternate Delegates:</i>	Gayle Ruscitti (vestry member), Rebecca Cook (youth), 2 Open
<i>(up to 4 with one being a youth member)</i>	



## V. PARISH COMMITTEE REPORTS

### EDUCATION AND SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

Terese Cook, Vestry Liaison

#### Children's Christian Spiritual Formation

The Trinity Children's Christian Education program has continued with a curriculum based upon the "Weaving God's Promises" curriculum that we started last year. The packaging of these lessons provides numerous activities that are great for our base of learners. Add in a little customization and a successful lesson plan appears! This year we have official registration of 43 boys and girls a 24% drop in census compared to last year. Our weekly average of participants is approximately 17.

So far this year our "kids" have explored the Book of Common Prayer, the visit of angels revealing the wondrous news of the Christ Child, and we ended the year bringing the story of the birth of our savior by having fun with several new advent crafts and activities. In the coming weeks we will learn of the Baptism of Jesus and Christ's Ability to Heal the Sick. We will address the Lenten season discussing mission work and review Jesus and his disciples journeying in to Jerusalem for the Passover. The program is a success because of the children who come each week, eager to learn and share their thoughts on how God's love is all around them. This audience along with the dedication of a handful of consistent volunteers is what makes the program a reality.

What could make the program a bigger success? A larger pool of volunteers; any volunteer will be greeted with open arms. The activities are planned out, the materials are available, and there are absolutely NO requirements for you to be a biblical scholar! We start each Sunday with a review of the Module theme and then break into age appropriate groups for the day's activities.

To you PARENTS – thank you for the privilege of allowing me to get to know your children – they are remarkable! To ALL – come and see what I've seen, the blessings and growth of our youth!

Respectfully submitted,

*Mary Beth Sweet, Children's Education Coordinator*

#### Confirmation Class

We were blessed with a wonderful group of young adults who explored their faith through a new Confirmation class curriculum called *Confirm not Conform*. The focus of the program is to prepare our young people to make their own decisions about their faith journey and their readiness to undertake the sacramental action of confirming their baptismal vows. Participants in our confirmation class included: Elaina Chambers, Robert Côté, Brittany Locklin, Jacqueline Masse, Cierra Meurant, Drake Meurant, Ethan Moeller and Matthew Nichols. Each of our class participants had an adult mentor assigned to walk with them in their faith journey. I was also blessed with the support of our Confirmation Class adult leader Pam Hennessy. These young people confirmed their baptismal vows when Bishop Scruton visited Trinity on Palm Sunday, April 1, 2012. Thank you for the prayer and support you gave to this class, our mentors and leaders.

Respectfully submitted,

*Fr. Mac.*

#### EfM – Education for Ministry

This fall, Trinity was not able to continue as part of the Education for Ministry program. Whether we will be able to reestablish a group next fall remains to be seen.

EfM is a worldwide program developed by the School of Theology of The University of the South. Through a committed small (minimum of six participants) group and with the help of trained mentors

and formal texts, it provides participants with a thought provoking education in church history and provides the church with the foundation of an empowered, active, and theologically articulate laity. Thousands of persons have completed this four-year program. Students enroll one year at a time for studies on the Old Testament, New Testament, Church History since New Testament Times, and Theological and Moral Choices.

EfM is a very personal experience....telling THE story and your story in many different ways. This past year I was very thankful for the participation of John Ellis, Mary Torian, Charles Johnson, Mary Johnson, Ed Cormier, Carol Cormier, and Beth Moeller.

Fr Mac co-mentored the group until his departure for Sabbatical. Ed Cormier was welcomed into the ranks of graduates, having completed his fourth year.

If you think you might be interested; please talk to any one listed above, Fr Mac, or myself.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Verna Kosiba, EfM Mentor*

### **Programs of Religious Activities with Youth (Pray)**

In 2011/12 the PRAY program awarded ten medals, four God and Me (1st to 3rd grade), six God and Family (4th and 5th grade), and one God and Me Adult Mentor Certificate.

This winter as part of the 2012/13 program there are three God and Me candidates, four God and Family candidates, and two God and Life Candidates (9th to 12th grade).

This brings the total students in PRAY to nine for 2012/13 program.

In 2013/14 we will continue to offer God and Me, God and Church, and God and Life in the fall and God and Family in the spring. I am hoping to make some Boy Scout and Girl Scout council contacts so that we can invite more students to participate in the program.

Respectfully submitted,

*Stephen Klisiewicz, PRAY Coordinator*

### **Youth Group**

Trinity Youth Group has an impressive core group of young adults regularly engaged, with many others taking part as their busy schedules allow. Most of 2012 involved similar activities as years previous, including participating in NightWatch at St. John the Divine in NYC, sleepovers and white water rafting. A new twist on the NYC trip included a day of service to the homeless and assisting with building raised gardening beds for a local church trying to augment the insufficient supply of affordable fresh fruits and vegetables available to their low income neighbors.

The summer brought the challenge of looking for new leadership as Beth Washburn decided to step down from the role she has had for many years. The teens, as well as all of us at Trinity, are grateful for her dedicated service on behalf of our young people. We received help and encouragement from diocesan youth minister, Jill Williams, listened to our teens, and came up with a new "team leadership" concept we are just getting on its feet. Terese Cook, Justin Varteresian, Beth Moeller, Matt McGuinness and Ann Marie Lockwood will work together to enable and support taking the group in the direction that seems most responsive to the needs expressed by our very capable young people. Several other parishioners are on board for driving and chaperoning as necessary.

We are planning for the "traditional" group activities mentioned above to occur again this year. Meetings on the 2nd and 4th Sunday have recently been very well attended. One new idea is a snow tubing event at Nashoba Valley, currently being planned for February 10th. The teens want very much to engage in some meaningful service projects in our community, and have mentioned doing painting work at the Church as well as perhaps yard work for older parishioners who many need help in the

Spring. They are also interested in making a meaningful contribution to Trinity's 150th Anniversary Celebration.

We are BLESSED with a terrific group of kids and we look forward to encouraging them in developing their community at Trinity to be what is most useful and meaningful to them during their young adult years in our midst. Please watch for their activities and offer your support of this ministry in any way that you can.

Respectfully,

*Terese Cook, Justin Varteresian, Beth Moeller, Matt McGuinness and Ann Marie Lockwood  
Trinity Youth Group Leadership Team*

### **Sabbatical Committee**

God calls each of us to such times and places where we can regain our balance and refresh our soul ... necessary times of recreation, prayer, reflection, and personal renewal. At Trinity, we can celebrate that in 2012 Fr Mac was able to enjoy the benefit and blessing of all of those things during his Sabbatical time away from us.

With Fr Mac away, under the pastoral guidance of Reverend Judith, the Trinity family experienced its own time of prayer, reflection, and renewal. Three "mini-retreats" on Intimacy with God, Gratitude, and Vocation were led by Br David Vryhof from the Society of Saint James the Evangelist. The retreats were well attended, especially considering they were all held on absolutely beautiful summer Saturdays. Reverend Judith very ably and cleverly worked the themes of sabbatical into her Sunday sermons and newsletter articles enabling us to see our parish through a different lens and to think of different possibilities.

A key component of sabbatical, however, is the phrase "in preparation for further service and ministry". It is that component that we look forward to for 2013. We have all learned from the experiences of the past 24 months. As a parish and as individuals we have learned new ways of doing old things. As a parish and as individuals we continue to listen for God's call in our future together. As a parish and as individuals we are looking forward with hope.

With grateful thanks to the Lily Foundation and Reverend Judith for making this adventure possible and successful. And thanks also to all the members of the Sabbatical Committee: Steve King, Ann Marie Lockwood, Martin Ploof, Gayle Ruscitti, Wayne Stochaj, and Beth Washburn for their help and support during this time.

Respectively submitted,

*Verna Kosiba, Chairperson*

### **Trinity Church GFS Scholarship Committee**

In 2012, the GFS Scholarship team awarded college scholarships to two worthy recipients. We thank Caty Scharnagle and Lindsey Sweet for their service to Trinity. Each individual received a scholarship in the amount of \$500.00. We wish them luck in the future endeavors.

Respectfully submitted,

*Barbara Kalunian*

## **WORSHIP**

**Brian O'Toole, Vestry Liaison**

### **Acolytes**

Currently we have twelve active acolytes helping at the 10 am service. We are very blessed to have both veteran and novice acolytes and who have been very willing to continue this ministry. Schedules are set every three months and we have been able to work around everyone's schedules and prior commitments.

I would like to thank Elaina Chambers for her service as an acolyte. She has gone on to pursue other interests.

Acolytes are not restricted to the younger members of our parish. We welcome any adults who would like to help out as the 8 am service does not have designated acolytes and it is often difficult to find acolytes to serve at the 11pm service on Christmas Eve. Adults filling in these two specific capacities would be a very welcome addition.

Current acolytes are Lyall Chambers, Valerie Chambers, AJ Cook, Rebecca Cook, Brandon Kee, Julia Klisiewicz, Rory and Liam Crisfield, Anthony Matondi, Abaigeal O'Neill, Jack O'Neill, and Shane O'Neill.

Thank you for another great year.

Respectively submitted,

*Pam Hennessy*

### **Altar Guild**

I am so thankful to have seven very dedicated women on the Altar Guild who set up for Sunday services of the Eucharist at 8am and 10am, the Wednesday Eucharist in the Lane Chapel, and other services of baptisms, weddings, funeral and all extra services. The brass is cleaned each week and the linens laundered. The women on the Altar Guild are Maryellen Yaroshefski, Lisa Ruggiero, Verna Kosiba, Penny Allen, Debbie Harrison, Cathy Ellis and Mary Torian.

We had quite a few baptisms during the year with several weddings and funerals. These services take special preparation. We feel honored to take part in getting things ready for the services.

We are a group of women who work well together. Someone is always available to help another Altar Guild Member when needed. Ash Wednesday was celebrated on February 22nd with three services of the imposition of ashes. The ashes are derived from the burning of the dry palms in the autumn. The hangings were changed from green to purple. All the crosses were draped in purple. There were no flowers on the Altar during Lent. They were replaced by dried branches placed in the vases.

Palm Sunday was a cheerful service with parishioners from the surrounding churches meeting at Draper Park for the Blessing of the Palms and a short service. Bishop Gordon Scruton led the Trinity parishioners to Draper Park

Bishop Scruton was present to perform Confirmation, Reception and the Renewal of Baptismal and Confirmation vows for those wishing it. This was the last time Bishop Scruton would be with us before his retirement in 2012. He will be very much missed.

During Holy Week and Easter we set up for extra services. There was the Maundy Thursday Eucharist at which time all the bread, wafers and wine consumed. Foot washing was done after the Eucharist in the Parish Hall. Afterwards parishioners went down to the church for the stripping of the Altar The Altar and all the crosses were draped in black. Some parishioners stayed throughout the night for the Night Watch. The Baptismal area was set up to resemble the Garden of Gethsemane with large and small plants.

On Good Friday from 12pm to 3pm clergy from the different churches gave a homily on one of the Seven Last Words of Christ. In the evening there was a service of the Stations of the Cross.

On Saturday morning, April 7th parishioners came to unveil the Altar and crosses. The Sanctuary and church were decorated with lilies. The daffodils were placed behind the Altar. Everything went very efficiently. Thank you to all who came to decorate. Without you it would have taken the Altar Guild a lot longer.

The Easter Vigil was well attended. As usual the church started out in darkness and then was laminated by the lighting of the first fire. The Paschal Candle was lit from the fire and the parishioners candles lit from the Paschal Candle. Easter morning was glorious with the choirs singing and the parishioners making a joyful noise.

The following week was the last Sunday Fr. Mac would be with us before going on Sabbatical. The service was celebrated by Fr. Mac and Reverend Judith Clark who would be the Interim while Fr. Mac was gone. The Altar Guild found her to be pleasant to work with. She "went with the flow" of how we do things. In August Fr. Mac returned from his Sabbatical which we all were extremely happy about.

December 2nd was the first Sunday of Advent. The Altar hangings were changed to purple. The Advent Candles and Christmas Candle were placed in the Advent Wreath. Each Sunday another candle was lit until Christmas when the Christmas Candle is lit.

On Thursday, December 20th a group got together to clean the brass and silver. They did an awesome job with the brass and silver shining. Thank you to all who gave their time to do the cleaning.

On Sunday, December 23rd a group of parishioners stayed after the service to help "Green the Church". A luncheon was served before we started the work. Everything went smoothly from putting the poinsettias behind the Altar, in the window wells and around the church. The men hung the wreaths around the church. The last figures were put in the crèche with Mary and Joseph. Jesus was placed in the manger.

At the 4 pm service the hurricane candles were lit in the window wells. The Children's Choir sang beautifully and the pageant was spectacular especially with the procession of the camels. The church was overflowing at the 4pm service. At all three services parishioners lit their candles while Silent Night was sung and the church was in darkness. Christmas morning was quiet and reflective.

Thank you to all who helped make this a beautiful Christmas.

Respectively submitted,

*Mary Torian-Altar Guild Directress*

### **Sunday Nursery**

The Nursery is available each Sunday at the 10AM service. All infants and children up to about Kindergarten age are welcome. There are many toys, games and books to play with.

There are two volunteers that are scheduled each week.

I have added several new volunteers in the past few months, which helps with the rotation.

I can always welcome new volunteers. If interested, please contact me.

Current volunteers include: Sheri Keeler-Phillips, Jim Phillips, Ruth Doyle, Jill and Rob Nelson, Elaina and Valerie Chambers, Jacqueline Masse, Molly Steen, Julia Klisiewicz, and Rachel Garay.

I thank them all for their support of this ministry.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Sheri Keeler-Phillips*

### Music Program

In retrospect, 2012 seems to have been a reasonably smooth year for choirs and for the music program. There were some sad times however, with the passing of Dick Person. Dick remained a strong leader for the bass section, and sung just about every Sunday for as long as I can remember. He will be missed by all of us. Connie Kluit died on Christmas day. Connie had been a faithful choir member for many years-we will miss her smiles and stories of the "old country" which she so loved to tell!

Thank you, adult choir, for your excellent attendance this past year-we are looking for alto, tenor, and bass voices – do consider joining us! We rehearse in the sanctuary on Tuesday evenings at 7:30, and again on Sunday mornings just prior to the 10:00 am service (9:30). The choir dinners were fun, and sure to be repeated this year! A huge thank you to Mary Frances, our choir mother, for arranging these vital social events!

Children's Choir sung throughout the year, again ably led by Jane Hanrahan who puts all of our selections on individual CDs for the children and for their families, so that they can learn the music prior to rehearsals. These are held generally after each 10:00 am service in the sanctuary. Rehearsals are reasonably short, but their attention spans are amazing, as is their collective talent, and their enthusiasm. They come in singing-and they leave singing! The group enjoyed pizza and bowling at Ficco's in the spring, and we look forward to our April 28th return! The children sung for the evening Covenant service in November, and we'll plan a return this fall. There have been a number of Baptisms, each hearing from the children's choir as "children welcoming children!" to our midst.

Valerie Chambers was the proud recipient of the Jeannie Tattrie Memorial award for her contributions to the program, particularly with bell choir. This scholarship is presented by the Tattrie family in memory of a long-standing choir member. The choir reviews the candidates' applications, and votes.

Thanks to so many – Alex, Stephanie, Jagan Nath, Randy, David, Robert from St Mary's who volunteered hours of rehearsal time in my month-long absence.....and to so many others, without whom the music program would be far less exciting!

Respectfully submitted,

*Liz Pekkala*

### Ushers

#### **8:00 am Service:**

The 8 am ushers enjoyed a busy year this year. Thank you as well to Christine McNulty, Mike Manoogian, Charlie Keegan, Charlie Johnson, Touie Jackson, Caroline Yaroshefski, Mary-Ellen Yaroshefski and Andrew Yaroshefski who served this year in this important mission. As always, anyone interested in ushering at 8 am is welcomed to join. It is also not too soon to volunteer for the Christmas Services, your choice: 4 pm, 7 pm and 10:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Andrew Yaroshefski, 8:00 a.m. Usher Coordinator*

#### **10:00 am Service:**

Ushering is an important piece of the worship service as we strive to make everyone feel comfortable and welcome in joining Trinitarians for worship.

This year we had 10 ushers at the 10 o'clock service. Many thanks to Rick and Carol Davis, Ani Sharoogian, Ed Rizoli, Steve and Elizabeth Klisiewicz, Paul Sweet, Pam Hennessy, and John Ellis.

If you feel you would like to join the ushering group, please call Carol Cormier at 508-234- 3084. It is a wonderful way to share your warmth with others

Respectfully submitted,

*Carol Cormier, 10:00 a.m. Usher Coordinator*

### **Lay Eucharistic Ministers and Lay Readers**

2012 was, again, a year in which many parishioners continued to serve in this area of ministry at Trinity. Thank you to all who were able to participate! We are blessed that you are willing to share in this area. We had one new Lay Reader join this past year – thank you to Mr. David Clinkman for his willingness to participate with us.

As you may know, Lay Eucharistic Ministers serve not only at the 8 and 10 am services but any additional services that may be held in addition to our regular worship. Lay Eucharistic ministers may read the lessons, lead the prayers, administer the chalice and lead services such as Morning or Evening Prayer. Our Lay Readers tend to read the lessons at our later service and are also able to lead services such as Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer. We have had a positive response to those who have been able to lead Morning Prayer for us should Fr. Mac be away. Thank you for your support.

Please know that if you have an interest in learning about this area of ministry or would like to join that all you need to do is speak with me or Fr. Mac. We are glad to train you at your comfort level and incorporate you into the schedule at your pace.

Respectfully submitted,

*Beth Washburn, Eucharistic Minister & Lay Reader Coordinator*

**PASTORAL CARE**

Fran Phaneuf, Vestry Liaison

**Birthday Card Ministry**

<b>Birthday Cards Sent in 2011 and 2012</b>			
<b>Month</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>Difference</b>
January	43	41	-2
February	43	44	+1
March	56	60	+4
April	60	67	+7
May	59	69	+10
June	68	78	+10
July	60	66	+6
August	63	68	+5
September	57	59	+2
October	53	59	+6
November	55	54	-1
December	48	43	-5
<b>Totals</b>	<b>665</b>	<b>708</b>	<b>+43</b>

We no longer send cards to people who had been visitors to Trinity.

If you have not received a birthday card, please call Magee in the office. She will see to it that your name is added to the monthly list of birthdays.

Respectfully submitted,

*Carol Brutsch*

**Lay Eucharistic Visitors**

This group of very special, dedicated people continues to bring communion to our home bound parishioners. At the close of the year we have eleven people that we see on a regular basis. We have six active visitors. They are Beth Washburn, Peach Warren, Mary Torian, Fran Phaneuf, Verna Kosiba and Mary Johnson. We have other licensed ministers who are able to do home communion visits but are not actively doing so at this time. We continue to make this ministry visible to the congregation by having Fr. Mac bless the home communion kit at each service and we ask the congregation to participate in this blessing.

Respectfully submitted,

*Mary E. Johnson RN, Parish Nurse*

**Parish Nurse**

The Healing Meals Ministry continues to be active. We had two cooking parties, one on May 6th and one on October 6th. We prepared several meals at each party. These meals were then packaged and frozen so they are ready to heat and eat after being delivered to someone in need. We ask any parishioner to bring a meal to anyone they think would benefit from a ready-made meal. Our hope is that not only do people benefit from a hot nutritious meal but they also feel the benefit of knowing people care about them. The Smitten with Knittin group continues to provide prayer shawls to be delivered to parishioners and blankets that we present to everyone who is baptized. As Parish Nurse I coordinate the delivery of flowers to the home bound twice a year. We bring lilies at Easter and poinsettias at Christmas time. I continue to organize the carolers to sing to home bound people in December. I continue to meet individually with people to answer questions they have related to their health or the



health of someone they care about. I am a referral source to some and a sounding board for others. I continue to offer Healing Prayer at the altar with Fr. Mac the first Sunday of each month.

Respectfully submitted,

*Mary E. Johnson RN, Parish Nurse*

### **Stephen Ministry**

We have seven Stephen Ministers who are active. We added Brian O'Toole, who trained in collaboration with Sacred Heart Church in Hopedale. He has integrated nicely with the Trinity group after training in Hopedale. Ann Marie Lockwood has decided to give up her role as an active Stephen Minister. We have Lorraine Howe, Verna Kosiba, Chris McNulty, Cathy Poch, Peach Warren and Beth Washburn. The leaders of this group are Audrey Kerxhalli, Mary Johnson and Fr. Mac. Audrey leads a supervision group two times per month to supervise the ministers. They follow a specific process to guide each other in the work they do and to enhance their skills. Each of the ministers meets with a care receiver on a regular basis to encourage and help them as they work through a specific situation. Our group from Trinity has met with other leaders from other churches of many denominations to learn about the ways we all run our individual programs, what may be working well and how we could do things better. We continue to look for care receivers who may benefit from having the support and encouragement from a Stephen Minister. Training for a new class of Stephen Ministers is scheduled to start in January of 2013 at Sacred Heart in Hopedale. At this point we do not have anyone scheduled to attend this class. Our leaders are scheduled to help lead this class.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Mary E. Johnson RN, Parish Nurse*

### **Praying Hands Ministry**

My sincerest thanks to the ladies of *Smitten with Knittin'* for their faithful dedication to the Ministry this year. We enjoyed many fun-filled hours of knitting and crocheting creating an amazing amount of items.

Our 2012 prayerful labor of love included:

- 7 prayer shawls knit and delivered
- 78 preemie and newborn hats to Milford Regional Hospital
- 17 Baptismal blankets to our newest members
- 35 items to the Milford Town Library's hat/mitten/scarf tree
- 99 items to Trinity Church's Christmas Faire
- 28 Chemo caps for Boston Children's Hospital
- 2 Afghans for Breast Cancer Fundraiser, in Newton
- 8 Afghans to Big Brother/Big Sister

These items represent over 2,100 hours of loving labor, and we've enjoyed every minute of it! Thank you everyone for your contributions of yarn to the Ministry, especially Mary-Ellen; they're greatly appreciated. We're all looking forward to another great year!

Respectfully submitted,

*June Jones, Smitten with Knittin' Group*

## OUTREACH

**Justin Varteresian, Vestry Liaison**

### **Mission Committee**

The Mission Committee met several times this year to discuss disbursements and also to discuss the various charities we support. The committee had no budget line item this year, instead relying upon past funds, from the Mission Envelopes and donations.

The Mission Committee voted to disburse the following this year:

- ✦ Daily Bread Food Pantry - \$1050
- ✦ Unitarian Community Supper program at the Unitarian Church - \$400
- ✦ Episcopal Relief and Development (Disaster Relief Fund) - \$300
- ✦ Armenian Children's Milk Fund - \$200
- ✦ Abby House - \$250
- ✦ Pathways For Change - \$400
- ✦ AGS - Allagille Syndrome Alliance – (Sophie's Walk) - \$250
- ✦ Church World Services – (Milford Area Crop Walk) - \$250
- ✦ Five Talents - \$250 – (for micro loans for women)
- ✦ Alternatives - \$350
- ✦ Diocese of Western Ma (for Mission Trip to the Dominican Republic) - \$500
- ✦ Wednesday Night Meal (held at Trinity) - \$750
- ✦ English Language Learner Program (Diocese) - \$100
- ✦ Salvation Army of Milford (Fuel Assistance Fund) - \$500

For a total Mission Outreach funding of \$5,550.

This year's Lenten Project collected funds for the Diocesan Mission Trip to the Dominican Republic. Thank you to everyone who filled a box or made a donation.

Trinity participated in the Milford Area CROP Walk again this year. It is the fourth year the walk has been held in Milford. Through Church World Service, twenty-five percent of the funds raised remain locally. The remainder helped Church World Service's many programs.

We sponsored Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child. This year with Parishioner's help we collected 24 boxes filled with items for children of different ages, as well as the \$7.00 needed for each box to cover shipping expenses. The shoeboxes were delivered to a drop off collection point at the First Baptist Church in Holliston. From there they were then transported to Boone, North Carolina and from which they were delivered to various parts of the world. Thank you to everyone who filled a box or donated to Samaritan's Purse for the shipping expenses. We hope next year to have the same number or more.

Thank you to everyone who donated food for the Thanksgiving Food Baskets. Special thanks to those who helped to assemble and deliver the baskets the eight baskets. Parishioners from Trinity, along with Parishioners of St. Mary's, helped deliver hot meals on Thanksgiving Day to those in the community who requested. Thank you to everyone who participated.

Another form of outreach is Trinity allowing other groups outside of Trinity to use our building (Al-Anon groups, Brownies/Girl Scouts).

This year's Jesse Tree contained slips for parishioners and also adults and children outside of the parish. Gifts were also collected for teenagers for the Daily Bread Food Pantry. The members of Trinity were very generous this year. Thank you to everyone who took a slip and fulfilled a request. Thank you to those who helped deliver the gifts.

Thank you to everyone who brought in his or her empty soda/beer cans & bottles and dropped them off in the box by the cellar. A special thank you to Jack and Penny Allen for overseeing the bottle & can program, and to the parishioners who help Jack and Penny count and redeem them. The funds brought in from the Bottle/Can returns program go to the Daily Bread Food Pantry.

Thank you to parishioners who bring in canned/boxed items for the Daily Bread Food Pantry each week. We continue to have the special monthly collections, but anyone can bring in any item, it doesn't necessarily have to be what we are concentrating on for a particular month. Thank you especially to those parishioners who deliver the donated items to the pantry each week.

We are still collecting the fronts of greeting cards and also labels of Campbell's Soup and their affiliated products for the St. Jude's Ranch for Children. Please see the box upstairs in the Library.

Thank you to Ruth Doyle, Mary Torian, Millie Williams, and Ann Marie Lockwood for their help this year with the Mission Committee. Also thank you to Pat Ward (Trinity's Representative to the Daily Bread Food Pantry), Jack Allen, Penny Allen, Magee Lambert, Cheryl Eidingger-Taylor, Charlie Johnson, Peach Warren, Gayle Ruscitti and Fr. Mac, all of whose help throughout the year was much appreciated.

Please remember that any parishioner who is interested may come to any of our meetings and join at any time. We generally meet one Sunday a month at either 9am or 11am in the Upper Parish hall.

Thank you to all Parishioners at Trinity, without your help the Mission Committee would not be able to do all the good work that was done this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

*Andrew and Mary-Ellen Yaroshefski, For the Mission Committee*

### **Trinity Discretionary Fund**

The purposes for which discretionary funds may be used are outlined in the National Canon, cited below; that is, for the poor and for other "charitable and pious purposes". Obviously gifts to the poor are its primary purpose. Within "other charitable and pious purposes" includes gifts to any recognized charitable organization (the same ones to which an ordinary individual could make a deductible gift), to the church itself and for certain items such as vestments, books, and other professional items which will remain the property of the church when the priest leaves.

The origin of discretionary funds lies in Title III, Canon 14(f) of the National Church, dating back to 1814, which states:

"The Alms and Contributions, not otherwise specifically designated, at the Administration of the Holy Communion on one Sunday in each calendar month, and other offerings for the poor, shall be deposited with the Member of Clergy in charge of the Congregation or such other Church officer as the Member of the Clergy in charge shall appoint to be applied to such pious and charitable uses as shall be thought fit by the Member of the Clergy. When a parish is without a Rector, the Vestry shall appoint a responsible person to serve as Almoner".

While it is now often customary to supplement the discretionary fund with gifts from individuals and also from the church's general operating funds, one item is of particular importance in the Canon. The words "alms", "contributions" and "offerings" are used, which clearly mean that these are funds given to the church and which therefore belong to the church.

Trinity's Discretionary Fund (TDF) is funded primarily from gifts from parishioners designated for the "TDF." In addition all gifts given associated with Baptisms, Marriages and Funerals are used to fund the TDF.

Balance on January 1, 2012	\$2,248.52
Donations	\$10,364.69
Disbursements	\$10,096.70
Balance on December 31, 2012	\$2,516.51

*As with all parish accounts, this account is reviewed and audited each year by our independent auditor*

### **Covenant Committee**

The Covenant Committee of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church and Trinity Episcopal celebrated their 40th year of covenant together in 2012. Festivities were held by hosting the fifth Senior Fall Social on October 20th at St. Mary's Parish Hall for all area senior citizens and their guests. A light luncheon of finger sandwiches, salads, punch, coffee and desserts was offered and musical entertainment was provided by the Greater Milford Community Chorus.

The following month the annual Thanksgiving Evensong was celebrated at Trinity on November 20th at 6pm followed by a potluck supper in the Parish Hall. Trinity's Children's Choir sang and Trinity's Adult choir was joined by St. Mary's Choir Director Robert Blake and several of his choir members. A joyful time was had by all.

Trinity's Committee members consist of Penny Allen, Mary Frances Best, Sharon Manoogian and Arlene Person. They met with Sister Theresa and several members of St. Mary's Committee a few times during 2012 to plan the aforementioned events. Members were also encouraged to remind their congregations about the Thanksgiving Dinner deliveries from Jean's Catering that is a joint project of the two churches.

Respectfully submitted,

*Mary Frances Best, for the Covenant Committee*

### **Community Dinners**

Trinity serves the community a hot meal the last Wednesday in each month. All food is donated for the dinner. Trinity is among a group of churches and organizations who prepare and serve a full course meal. Diners come for a vast number of reasons including hunger, loneliness, or just to meet a new friend. The last Wednesday is chosen because those on food stamps tend to be running low on food. We serve on average thirty dinners and twenty takeout meals. We have a wonderful group of parishioners who not only serve and prepare but also visit with the guests. We know many on a first name basis.

Respectfully submitted,

*Dave Scott*

### **United Thank Offering**

To my fellow parishioners of TRINITY CHURCH, thank you for making 2012, a good year for our United Thank Offering gift to the National Church.

As a reminder to those that are not familiar with the United Thank Offering. It is a National Church Organization that helps people in need all over the world. The monies that are collected by all the churches worldwide are sent wherever needed by the National Church. These funds are used to perhaps buy livestock, dig much needed wells for clean water, set up a clinic, bring doctors into an area or many other different needs at any particular time.

As chairperson of the United Thank Offering, thank you to the many wonderful people, who participated in helping me put on the U.T.O. breakfast. Thanks to Beth Washburn, Dwight Kee, Charlie Keegan, (who had just returned from a trip to Arizona's Grand Canyon earlier that same morning), Barbara Jackson, Dave Scott - thank you all. To error on the side of caution, I know I've not mentioned all the names that helped me that day, please forgive me, as I misplaced my list of names.

In June 2012, we sent to the Diocesan Office in Springfield a check for \$399.75. Now part of this \$399.75 was from 2011's collection. Additional funds came in after that, however, and because the fall convention had already been held, the remaining \$83.63 will be sent out in 2013 along with whatever donations come in before convention time.

So, in 2012, we collected \$377.20, and because we had sent an earlier check to Springfield in June, we have remaining of \$83.63 to towards our 2013 offering. Again I thank you all for your support, and I hope that the 2013 U.T.O. breakfast, will be an even greater success.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Toussaint (Touie) Jackson - UTO Chairperson - 2012*

## PARISH LIFE

### Tracey Morse, Vestry Liaison

#### The Trinitarian Newsletter

*The Trinitarian* is Trinity Church's newsletter. Issued on a monthly basis, it is one of the main communication tools of the parish. Regular columns include a message from Fr. Mac, a Senior Warden's Report, and updates from the Altar Guild, the Music Director, Youth Group, and Mission Committee. There are also regular columns from our Parish Nurse and the Editor, information on Christian symbols, as well as a monthly calendar. Additionally, announcements of upcoming events (Smitten with Knittin', Christmas Fair, ROMEO'S, Community Dinners, etc.) and status summaries (stewardship numbers, etc.) are given.

In addition to the large number of parishioners who have elected to receive *The Trinitarian* electronically, we are still mailing several hundred hard copies monthly. If you have an email address, you are strongly encouraged to receive your newsletter electronically. This will not only save a considerable amount of time and effort, but will greatly reduce the cost of postage, paper, etc. that we outlay annually.

*The Trinitarian* is YOUR newsletter. If you have some information you would like to have communicated to the parish, by all means do not hesitate to submit an article/information. All parishioners are welcome and encouraged to submit articles. The submission deadline is the 15th of each month, and articles can either be left in the "newsletter" bin on the office door, or sent directly to: [news@trinitychurchmilford.org](mailto:news@trinitychurchmilford.org). Also welcome at any time are suggestions and ideas.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Joanne Buerger, Editor*

#### The Trinity Parish Web Site

The Trinity web site is found online at <http://www.trinitychurchmilford.org>. The web site provides information about the parish to many people, both within and outside the Milford area. In today's world, a parish web site is important because the web, for many people, has become the first place they look for information. Our website averages about 15 visitors per day, split just about evenly between new and repeat visitors.

A parish web site serves four main audiences:

- ✦ *Visitors to the Milford area:* Visitors to the Milford area who are seeking an Episcopal church on Sunday will find us with a simple web search. For these people, the location of the Church and the times of the services are most important. In the week before Christmas, for example, our number of website visitors nearly doubled.
- ✦ *Newcomers to the area:* People moving into the Milford area may be searching for a Church. (In fact, several of our newer members found Trinity through the web site.) Newcomers are interested in service times and the location of the Church, of course, but they also want to get a feeling for the parish and they want to know how to contact the parish office or Father Mac.
- ✦ *Parish members:* Parish members are looking for something different. They probably know when and where to find us, but they may need a copy of *The Trinitarian*, or to see a list of who is on Vestry, or the schedule for ushers or lay readers on Sunday. They may also be interested in looking at pictures of parish activities, or reading more about parish groups or our history.
- ✦ *Casual online visitors:* Family members (grandparents, aunts, uncles and so on) who live outside the area may use the website to see pictures of the Christmas pageant or other activities.

Everyone in the parish can help the website. You can contact me by email at [webmaster@trinitychurchmilford.org](mailto:webmaster@trinitychurchmilford.org), or the parish office at [office@trinitychurchmilford.org](mailto:office@trinitychurchmilford.org).

Take pictures: We always want pictures of Parish activities. If you take pictures, please consider mailing them to me or to the office. If you have old pictures, even better – we'd love to add them to our history page. We'll be happy to scan them for you.

Read the web pages: Is the text that's currently on the web accurate? If you see anything that should be changed, or if something is unclear, please let us know.

Get involved: Since 2000, I've maintained the website by myself. If you know how to do simple picture manipulations with a program like Photoshop Elements, please consider helping.

Give us your ideas: What would make the Trinity web page more useful to you? If you have suggestions, we would like to hear them.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Steve Ketcham, Trinity Webmaster*

### **Welcoming and Newcomers**

This is the third year of the Welcoming and Newcomers to Trinity Church. If anyone enters the church who looks new a gift bag is presented to them. The bag contains a Welcome to Trinity brochure information about the church services, information about the Episcopal Church., activities at Trinity Church, clergy, vestry and staff. There are several prayer cards, book mark and votive candle and holder. We have had many new people who are now coming to Trinity. Parishioners were good about greeting and meeting new people.

On Saturday, February 11th we had our third Newcomers Dinner for all those who were new in 2011. Our parishioners brought pot luck dishes and the newcomers came as our guests. A good time was had by all.

New people were asked to make out the yellow card that is in the pew to be put in the collection plate or given to Fr. Mac for him to get in touch with them. They were invited to go upstairs to coffee hour and meet other parishioners.

We want to be known as a friendly and welcoming church.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Mary Torian, Welcoming Coordinator*

### **Coffee Hour / Hospitality**

#### **8:00 am Service:**

Our hostesses prepare, set-up, serve, and clean-up after the 8am Sunday service so that during coffee hour, the rest of us can relax and enjoy fellowship together. Our coffee hour is a special time for us to catch-up with old friends and to make new friends.

This year we have been fortunate to have a growing number of women who have volunteered for this ministry. We give thanks for and to Peggy Berube, Carol Brutsch, Lucille Clinkman, Ruth Doyle, Pat Keppler, Verna Kosiba, Chris McNulty, Aida Mitchell, Debi O'Toole, and Mary-Ellen Yaroshefski.

We also give our thanks to Ruth Doyle and Paul Del Molino who are so faithful in seeing that there is a fellowship time after the 9am Wednesday morning Eucharist.

Hospitality is a Trinity trademark. If you would like to join us, please contact Debi O'Toole at 508-634-3050.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Debi O'Toole, 8:00 a.m. Hostess Coordinator*

#### **10:00 am Service:**

Each week after the 10:00am service, this lovely group of women takes turns preparing for an hour of fellowship.

A buffet, of the hostess's choice, is presented along with coffee, tea or hot chocolate.

I enjoy this ministry very much. It is a wonderful opportunity to gather together, talk and catch up with one another before a new week begins.

Trinity is blessed to have 11 women, who work on a rotating weekly basis, to provide nourishment for the members of our congregation and to any family coming for a visit

Any questions or want further information please contact Tracy Gorham at 508-634-5373 or at gorhamfamily6@verizon.net.

Respectively submitted,

*Tracy Gorham, 10:00 a.m. Hostess Coordinator*

### **T.E.C.W.**

Dec. 2012 went out like a bang with our best bake sale. Thanks.

Many crochet, knitted and sewn items were made for the fair.

We have donated money to Haiti project that Ann Marie & Peach attended with others.

We have also donated to Fr. Mac for Thanksgiving and Christmas and also to our Hurricane victims and our homebound.

To a better New Year,

*Ruth P. Doyle, Secretary*

### **TECW Treasurer's Report 2012**

1-5-2012	Beginning Balance	\$657.16
	Interest earned in 2012	\$ 0.47
<b><u>Deposits</u></b>		
11-21-2012	Bake Sale	\$333.35
<b><u>Disbursements:</u></b>		
1-6-2012	Christmas presents for shut ins, Secretary and Janitor	\$55.99
1-6, 1-19, 12-20	Fr. Mac's Gifts [Christmas, Thanksgiving, Christmas]	\$75.00
3-16-2012	Donation for Haiti & Dominican Republic	\$225.00
11-21-2012	Episcopal Relief & Development (Hurricane)	\$100.00
12-30-2012	Memorial for Connie Kluit	\$ 25.00
12-31-2012	Closing Balance	\$509.99

Respectfully Submitted,

*Nancy A. Sharoogian, Treasurer of T.E.C.W.*

### **Retired 'Old' Men Eating Out (ROMEOS)**

The Trinity Romeo's (Retired Old Men Eating Out) is a group of men who eat out at the Willowbrook Restaurant in Mendon. We meet there the last Friday of each month. Any man retired or not is invited to attend. We average around 8-12 parishioners each month. Our sole purpose is fellowship.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Dave Scott*



**FUNDRAISING AND PARISH WIDE EVENTS**

**Dwight Kee, Vestry Liaison**

**Christmas Fair**

The Christmas Fair was a great success with a total income this year of \$13,299.54. It was a wonderful day. The crowds were steady and many comments were heard about our Fair being the best Fair around. That is a compliment to all who chaired tables, worked in the kitchen helped to set up, fill in when needed, to everyone who lent a helping hand. It's everything that you do to make our Fair what it is. It's what each and every one of you put into your tables, your crafts, using your talent and ideas to make our Fair like none other. Thank you all so very much!

Table	2012	2011
	Total	Total
<b>TECW</b>	\$556.75	\$447.50
<b>Candy</b>	\$619.00	\$656.75
<b>Sports</b>	\$224.00	-
<b>New Arrivals</b>	\$100.00	\$217.50
<b>Basket</b>	\$2,237.50	\$2,044.70
<b>Int'l Foods</b>	\$513.00	\$252.86
<b>Christmas Table</b>	\$541.50	\$553.00
<b>Hazel's Café</b>	\$1,176.26	\$1,062.85
<b>Treasure Trove</b>	\$526.48	\$700.26

Table	2012	2011
	Total	Total
<b>Literary Nonsense</b>	-	\$123.15
<b>Holiday Greens</b>	\$2,041.00	\$1,935.00
<b>St. Mary's Pies</b>	\$467.00	\$448.00
<b>Santa Photo</b>	\$295.00	\$230.00
<b>Lottery</b>	-	\$470.00
<b>Children's Room</b>	\$348.30	\$230.90
<b>Traveling Bazaar</b>	\$2,806.50	\$2,333.75
<b>Initial Bank (Change)</b>	\$847.25	-
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$13,299.54</b>	<b>\$11,706.22</b>

These totals are great and I for one am very impressed by all of you. Oh and don't forget our 2013 Christmas Fair is only 11 months away.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Gayle Ruscitti, Christmas Fair Chair*

**St. Paddy's Day Dinner**

Several years ago we started a St. Paddy's Day Dinner, which has evolved into a dinner and dance with Ken Drew as our DJ. We serve the traditional St. Paddy's Day meal, with corned beef, cabbage, and several root vegetables. Beverages and a wonderful dessert are also provided. Most of the materials for this event are donated by parishioners. The real "hit" of our event is the wonderful Irish Step-Dancing performed by the O'Neill family.

We served about 100 people last year and the event has turned into a wonderful, entertaining evening which raises lots of money for Trinity. A 50/50 raffle also adds to the proceeds.

I would like to thank all the wonder people, too many to name, for a multitude of tasks which make the evening enjoyable and successful.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Dave Scott*

This year's CHOCOLATEFEST was a great success attracting not only chocolate lovers from the congregation, but community members as well. We raised over \$1300 through chocolate goodies and raffle sales. Once again, our parishioners responded with many baked goods. The Hennessys and Sweets provided chocolate fountains, and this year Tracey Morse put in a full day as our chocolate Kiss greeter! We thank Barbara Kalunian for her organization and decorating skills, Steve Howe for garnering raffle prizes, those who sold raffle tickets, all our servers and other helpers who worked so hard, and especially Trinity parishioners for their donated chocolate creations and participation.

Respectfully submitted,

*Steve Howe & Barbara Kalunian*

### **Harvest Supper**

The Harvest Supper is a fun time had by all. It is a great time of year, the fall. All our wonderful gardens are putting forth so much abundant vegetables, pumpkins, and sunflowers.

Although the food is wonderful it is not just a time to showcase our wonderful dishes. It is a time to come together and share in much more. It is a time to come to Trinity and touch base with those you have missed over the summer. It's a time to take stock of all that we have and all God has given us. It's a time to be blessed and to be thankful. It's a time to recommit to our church and our church family. Strengthen the bonds that we have made and forge new ones. It's a time to sit, talk and relax and feel comfortable.

We had our usual Penny sale this year. The kids had a great time as always. We collected over \$100.00 that went to the Children's choir.

We had a great time and were all very full and happy when we left. Please join us in 2013.

Respectfully,

*Gayle Ruscitti, Sr. Warden*

### **Welcome Back BBQ**

The Welcome Back BBQ was attended by about 100 people. Dave Scott organized the event with lots of help from many people. The Methodist church also attended the event. We used parishioner's grills this year instead of renting them. The menu included chicken, hamburgers and hotdogs on the grill. A variety of salads were also served along with watermelon for desert. The Methodist church also brought several dishes and supplied drinks. The event was special this year because it also marked the return of Father Mac from his much deserved sabbatical.

Respectfully submitted,

*Dave Scott*

### **Trinity Parish Wide Events**

Trinity Church offers many parish wide events during each year. Various committees and individuals work tirelessly to put together events such as our Annual Meeting Pot Luck Brunch, the St. Patrick's Day dinner, Harvest Supper, the Welcome Back Barbeque, Chocolatefest, and Community Dinners. We welcome not only our parish, but also families and friends of our members and the Greater Milford Community, to join us for time together. We always have a good time whenever we gather for events like these!

Respectfully submitted,

*Dwight Kee*

## CONGREGATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Steve Masse, Vestry Liaison

### Mutual Ministry Review

Trinity conducts a Mutual Ministry Review (MMR) every other year. In such a review, the ministry of the clergy, vestry, other lay persons, and that of the total congregation, all of whom are deeply involved in the quality of the total ministry of the parish is reviewed. The objective of the MMR is to establish a relationship between clergy and the members of the congregation which creates an environment of mutual trust and confidence for a stronger joint ministry. This year our MMR will include a post Sabbatical review. Fr. Mac will be sharing the results of the work he did during his Sabbatical, working with social service organizations in the area, assessing needs and concerns and looking at new directions in which Trinity can minister to the neighbors around us.

Trinity was blessed for the past two MMRs to have The Venerable William H. Coyne, Archdeacon for the Diocese of Western Massachusetts, as the facilitator for our Mutual Ministry Review. The last MMR, held on May 22, 2010 resulted in four areas of action for our congregation: Calling Ministry, Church Development/Membership, Newcomers and Mission Statement.

- ✦ **Calling Ministry** - The calling committee, Fran Phaneuf, Tracey Morse and Brian O'Toole, makes an effort to reach out to every family group in the parish. The goal is to inform about upcoming events and to inquire about needs (or prayer requests) for which the Church (specifically Fr. Mac) could be of help. The committee achieved its goal. It is an ongoing ministry and the committee continues with phone calls twice a year, in the Spring and the Fall. If you are interested in this ministry please talk to any of the above committee members. They would greatly appreciate the help.
- ✦ **Church Development/Membership** - Church Development/Membership is working to find new ways to introduce Trinity Church to people in the area. The committee consists of Cheryl Taylor, Steve and Jorja Ketcham and Justin Varteresian. The Church Development/Membership Committee planned the Steeple Rededication and Open House, They sends letters introducing Trinity to new homeowners in Milford, Hopedale, Upton, Uxbridge and Mendon. Please contact Cheryl if you are interested in growing our church.
- ✦ **Newcomers** - The Welcoming and Newcomers Committee has hosted a Newcomers Dinner the last two years that have been extremely successful. These are a fun and comfortable way to get to know our newest members. The Newcomers Dinner this year will be held April 27, 2013. Welcome bags are given to first time attendees to Trinity. They contain information about the church, a bookmark with all our activities and a small gift. If you are interested in this ministry please contact Mary Torian.
- ✦ **Mission Statement** - Completed in 2010: *"Sharing the Grace of God, the Light of Christ and the Power of the Holy Spirit, through worship, ministry and fellowship."*

As you can see our MMRs are very vital and healthy to our church. They help to steer us closer to fulfilling our visions and living our mission statement. It will be exciting to hear what Fr. Mac has learned about the needs in our community and how Trinity can bring the Grace of God to those in need.

This year we are blessed to have Ed Farrell, Transition Ministry Officer from the Diocese of Western Massachusetts to lead and facilitate our Mutual Ministry Review. Our MMR will be held on Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, starting with a catered dinner at 6:00 p.m. and the review to follow. This is a wonderful and exciting event. I hope to see many of you there.

Respectfully submitted,

*Gayle Ruscitti, Senior Warden*

## **150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY PLANNING**

**Barbara Kalunian, Vestry Liaison**

### **150th Anniversary Celebration**

With the ringing in of 2013, we have begun planning in earnest for the 150th Anniversary of Trinity in 2013. Steve Ketcham has been tirelessly gathering countless items and facts of historical interest as related not only to Trinity, but to Milford and the country as well. We will be utilizing Steve's sleuthing for integration into several 150th events which will be marked an inaugural event.

The start of the 150th Anniversary year will commemorate the first Episcopal service in Milford held on May 17, 1863. To help us celebrate, Bishop Doug Fisher will be in attendance on Sunday, May 19th.

Other ideas for what will amount to a three year celebration coinciding with many other Trinity firsts are in the planning stages. One exciting idea includes remembrances and reflections from all of interested Trinity's parishioners, including long-standing parishioners as well as newcomers.

All are invited to participate with program ideas and plans. To serve on the 150th Anniversary Committee or to volunteer to tell your "Trinity Story", Contact Barbara Kalunian for more information.

**MANAGEMENT OF PARISH RESOURCES****John Ellis, Vestry Liaison****Landscape Committee**

The non-budget committee pooled together their creative talents and energy with pleasing and thoughtful thanks from the congregation and those walking by.

Fr Mac, our finance committee and senior choir members were our outreach resource along with garden members going the extra mile.

From March of 2012 to January 2013 we have kept in mind our neighbors as plants and trimming of bushes has taken place. We have spread mulch, stone, raked leaves, pulled weeds, picked up trash, watered and taken truckloads of refuse to the dump.

Besides seeing our results come into bloom, the surprise of children helping us, along with their parents, was a bonus.

Thank you for your inner joy and love around Trinity. Keep renewed in Christ while the gardens dream.

With gratitude,  
*Catherine Poch*

**Property Committee**

Chairperson: Paul Sweet

Members: John Ellis, Ron Gorham, Dick Kosiba

New Members for 2013: I'd like to welcome Rick Nelson, Rob Nelson and Steve Masse officially to the Property Committee, and look forward to working with you!

Property related issues for 2012 weren't as exciting as our steeple renovation last year, but as we discover, there's always something to fix or replace. The following items were completed in 2012:

- The oil burning forced hot air furnace that supplied heat to the church failed in October, and was replaced with new twin natural gas-fired units in December.
- The existing oil-fired burner supplying heat to the parish hall and offices was also converted to natural gas. The cost savings converting from oil to natural gas is expected to be a few thousand dollars per year!
- Dick Kosiba and Father Mac built a deck (which was designed by Ron Gorham) on the back side of the rectory.
- Dick Kosiba installed new drainage piping for the sump pump in the church basement.
- The rectory bathroom had some leaking around the tub which was repaired.
- Wall switches for the chairlift at the church were replaced by John Ellis.
- Efforts were coordinated with the Landscaping Committee to extensively trim and cut rhododendrons and other shrubbery on the church property. Gravel was also placed under the fire escape to prevent weeds from growing out of control.
- John Ellis re-wired the electrically lighted sign in front of the church after the underground wiring was damaged from removing a rhododendron.
- The church was power washed to remove algae growth, especially on wall areas where shrubbery was trimmed back.
- Dick Kosiba rebuilt the roof over the fire escape as the previous roof structure was rotted.

I'd like to thank Father Mac for always being available to schedule and meet with contractors for various projects, Dick Kosiba for all the "handy" work he does throughout the year, and John Cook, who continues to donate his landscaping services to keep our grass mowed, shrubs trimmed, mulch spread, etc. Many thanks to Cathy Poch, Mille Williams, Beth Stochaj and the Landscaping Committee for involving us with their efforts to beautify the grounds of Trinity Church. I'd like to also acknowledge Rick Nelson, Steve

Masse, Wayne Stochaj and other kind parishioners who have donated their time throughout the year to assist with various projects.

Thanks to all of you!

Respectfully Submitted,

*Paul Sweet, Property Committee Chairperson*

## Stewardship

How do you measure stewardship?

First of all, I must begin by thanking Beth Washburn! Beth does the lion's share of the work throughout the year by writing the very thoughtful articles in the monthly newsletter. You could say I take care of the "learning"... and Beth takes care of the "doing"...

If we were to measure actions or activities, I believe we at Trinity Church give of ourselves – our time, talent and treasure – impressively, as evidenced by this Annual Report! I encourage you to take the time to read every committee report. Our mission and ministry is our "practice" of stewardship... our "stewardship in action".

Rather than mention the things that we do quite well year after year, I would like to point out a few unique examples of stewardship that we experienced in 2012...

- ✦ ***Parishioners Leading Worship*** - We had no funding for replacement clergy in our budget. Except for sabbatical and a couple weeks in Advent, when Fr. Mac was away, it was our very own parishioners that led services on Sunday or Wednesday. It is really wonderful and joyful to witness our own brothers or sisters leading us in worship! This year we enjoyed worship services led by Mary Frances Best, James Jones, Steve Ketcham, Verna Kosiba, Doug Lloyd, Ann Marie Lockwood, Gayle Ruscitti, Beth Washburn and Peach Warren.
- ✦ ***Fr. Mac's Sabbatical*** – What can be more important than taking care of our spiritual leader! There are a few things that really left an impression on me during this very special time...
  - Fr. Mac is Trinity's first priest to enjoy a sabbatical in over 20 years! That means he is the first priest to serve 5 years or more at Trinity in as many years! Our diocesan policy requires a sabbatical every five years for clergy and parish wellness.
  - While Rev. Judith took care of our pastoral needs, many people stepped in to take care of things that Fr. Mac would normally do. Special Thanks must be extended to our Sabbatical Committee (Verna Kosiba, Ann Marie Lockwood, Beth Washburn, Steve King, Marty Ploof and Wayne Stochaj), and our wardens Gayle Ruscitti and Anne Marie Lockwood, who really took on extra duty!
- ✦ ***The loss of our loved ones*** – Unfortunately we lost a number of faithful members while Fr. Mac was away. Personally, I was awestruck by the overwhelming love and support that enveloped the families of those who died. As a fairly new member at Trinity, it was so inspiring to hear and witness all that their Trinity friends and family did to help them through this difficult time.
- ✦ ***Family Needs Our Help*** – In December a family walked through our doors that had recently lost everything to a fire. We sent an email requesting donations of clothes, bedding, kitchen items, small appliances, etc. The response was fast and overwhelming! In less than two weeks, we had supplied everything the family needed along with some cash and gift cards so they could have a decent Christmas. And to top it off, they were invited to spend Christmas Eve and Christmas Day with Trinity families so they didn't need to be alone!

***So back to the question...*** How do you measure stewardship? With all that we do, is it enough? In the big picture, are we (Trinity) doing our fair share? Could we do more? Could we engage more parishioners so that we do more? For this committee, those are the questions we'd still like to explore.

***And one last question...*** How many of us truly understand stewardship? Many people still think it is about the Annual Pledge Campaign. And many people are still uncomfortable talking about stewardship. It is hardly just about the Pledge Campaign, or just about money. They are just a small piece in the bigger picture.

What is important is to understand why we do what we do... and why we are called to do it. We invite you to join us as we continue to explore the true meaning of stewardship!

Thanks and God Bless to All!

*John Ellis & Beth Washburn*

**Annual Pledge Campaign**

Our Annual Pledge Campaign for 2013 was held from October 14th, 2012 through November 11th, 2012. If by chance you missed it, don't worry... we will accept your pledge card anytime! ☺

As in previous years, for the five consecutive Sundays, at both the 8 & 10am services, various parishioners were invited to share their thoughts on Stewardship & Giving and/or cover a specific topic regarding the Pledge Campaign...

- ✦ On Week #1, we enjoyed an entertaining video showing the varied responses of many people when asked the question "What does stewardship mean to you?"
- ✦ On Week #2, Cheryl Taylor and Anne Marie Lockwood answered many of the "Frequently Asked Questions" and "Questions we might be afraid to ask".
- ✦ On Week #3, Beth Moeller shared her amazing "Journey in Stewardship" story, recounting her experiences with her former church's homeless shelter & soup kitchen, a transitional living house for abused women & children and multiple trips to Long Beach, Mississippi to help rebuild homes for Hurricane Katrina victims.
- ✦ On Week #4, Mary Ellen Yaroshefski enlightened us regarding the work of our very own Mission Committee. In addition to telling us where our money goes, she very movingly shared how deeply it helps those who need it, whether "in our sight" or "out of our sight".
- ✦ On Week #5, Beth Washburn concluded our campaign with a very wonderful and timely sermon recalling the day's lessons of the two widows who gave freely, from their obvious scarcity (vs. abundance).

Thank you to all of these individuals for agreeing to prepare and share these very special stories with us! And Thank you to those that have shared in previous years!

Because of its impact on the budget-planning process, non-financial goals for this campaign were simply to encourage all parish families to submit a pledge card, even if it were for \$0, and as early as possible.

**Annual Pledge Drive Statistics**

	2013	2012	2011	2010
<b>Pledged \$'s:</b>	\$172,680	\$166,595	\$160,109	\$159,431
<b>Total Pledges:</b>	127	123	133	134
<b>Average Pledge:</b>	\$1,360	\$1,354	\$1,204	\$1,190
<b>Pledge Amounts</b>				
<b>\$0:</b>	6	4	8	8
<b>\$1-\$999:</b>	59	55	64	65
<b>\$1,000-\$1,999:</b>	37	39	37	37
<b>\$2,000-\$2,999:</b>	10	12	11	10
<b>\$3,000-\$3,999:</b>	7	4	6	7
<b>\$4,000-\$4,999:</b>	1	3	4	5
<b>\$5,000+:</b>	7	6	3	2

	2013	2012	2011	2010
<b>Increase:</b>	51	41	37	42
<b>Same:</b>	43	57	73	49
<b>Decrease:</b>	13	9	11	28
<b>New:</b>	20	16	12	15

### Parish Records

My work with our parish records continued through this past year. It has been a large undertaking but one that I am very grateful to be able to work on. I first began with the data base in our computer. Then I moved the parish register books to make sure that all entries are correctly indexed. These are entries that we are required by our church law to maintain. One important and interesting aspect of our record keeping that happened in 2012 was to learn that our federal government accepts church records as proof of identity for a person.

One major issue that arose was that I needed to rebuild the indexes for our first three books - A, B, C. I learned that Book A was never indexed - items were entered in the various events but never added to the index. Book B was a little bit better but much was not indexed. Again, Book C was in better shape but not all things were indexed. By rebuilding these indexes, I have been able to track our earliest members and also see how families grew. As of this writing, I am nearing the end Book E. I have been able to make connections in previous books that were not seen previously.

There will always be something to track and improve as I move forward. As mentioned earlier, I am grateful to be doing this work. I do find it very interesting and know that I am appreciating more and more about those involved at Trinity from the start through now. We are and continue to be a dynamic force in Milford and greater Milford area.

Respectfully,

*Beth Washburn, Steward of the Books*



## **ELECTED DIOCESAN DELEGATES TO CONVENTION AND DEANERY**

### **Ani Sharoogian, Vestry Liaison**

This past year delegates and alternates have been busy with walkabouts for finding our new bishop, voting for our new Bishop, The Reverend Dr. Douglas John Fisher, and taking part in Diocesan convention in Springfield.

This coming year our delegates will be attending our annual convention that will be held on Saturday, October 26 at Chez Joseph in Agawam

We were very blessed to have Mary Torian, Justin Varteresian, Ani Sharoogian, and Ed Cormier this past year as delegates. We were also blessed to have Gayle Ruscitti, Beth Washburn, Rebecca Cook, and Carol Cormier as alternate delegates. Thank you all so much for your time and energy.

Respectively Submitted,

*Ani Sharoogian*

# VI. REPORT OF THE ELECTION

## *Vestry Officers:*

*Senior Warden* .....

*Junior Warden* .....

*Clerk*.....

*Treasurer*.....

*Assistant Treasurer* .....

*Vestry (3 year term)* .....

*Vestry (3 year term)* .....

*Vestry (3 year term)* .....

*Youth (1 year term)*.....

*Additional Vestry Member (1 year term)* .....

*Additional Vestry Member (1 year term)* .....

## **OTHER ELECTED PARISH POSITIONS:**

*Steward of the Offering:*.....

*Assistant Steward of the Offering:* .....

*Treasurer:*.....

*Assistant Treasurer:*.....

## ***Deanery/Diocesan Convention Delegates:***

*Delegate* .....

*Delegate* .....

*Delegate (Must be a member of the vestry)* .....

*Youth Delegate*.....

## **Alternate Delegates:**

*Alternate Delegate* .....

*Alternate Delegate* .....

*Alternate Delegate* .....

*Alternate Youth Delegate*.....

## VII. REPORT OF THE TREASURER

### a) REVIEW OF THE 2012 BUDGET VS. ACTUALS

**NOTE:** \* Diocesan Holdings reflects balance as of 9/30/2012

Trinity Episcopal Church - Milford MA  
Treasurer's Report as of December 2012 for Operations (Treasurer's Report)

Wednesday, January 16, 2013

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Account #	Account Name	Annual Budget	Period Activity	Monthly Budget	Budget YTD	YTD Balance	Over/Under YTD+(-)
<i>Income</i>							
4101	Pledges - Current Year	156,600.00	14,222.98	13,050.00	156,600.00	147,145.07	(9,454.93)
4102	Pledges - Previous Year	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00	1,479.00	(1,521.00)
4103	Pledges Upcoming Year	10,000.00	6,240.00	2,000.00	10,000.00	18,115.61*	8,115.61
4150	Plate Offering	3,000.00	650.75	250.00	3,000.00	3,922.54*	922.54
4160	Special Day Offerings	4,000.00	2,044.00	334.00	4,000.00	4,298.00*	298.00
4170	Church School Offering	150.00	0.00	7.00	150.00	0.00	(150.00)
4180	Hall Use Donations	1,500.00	315.00	125.00	1,500.00	1,925.00*	425.00
4195	In Kind Donations		0.00			0.00	
4201	Christmas Fair	12,000.00	13,249.54	12,000.00	12,000.00	13,299.54*	1,299.54
4202	Chocofest	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,376.00	(124.00)
4203	Fund Raising Events	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,275.00	1,275.00
4301	Diocesan Holdings Dividends	7,000.00	0.00	584.00	7,000.00	7,752.07*	752.07 * See Note Above
4305	Stock Dividends		0.00			0.00	
4400	Interest on Operating Acct	7.00	0.84	1.00	7.00	6.07	(0.93)
4401	Interest on MMarket	100.00	4.85	12.00	100.00	251.88*	151.88
4498	Deficit Funding		0.00			0.00	
4499	Faith Funding	16,000.00	2,173.78	1,337.00	16,000.00	12,191.04	(3,808.96)
4590	Flower & Candle Donations	3,000.00	1,010.00	250.00	3,000.00	3,116.00*	116.00
	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$217,857.00</b>	<b>\$39,911.74</b>	<b>\$29,950.00</b>	<b>\$217,857.00</b>	<b>\$216,152.82</b>	<b>(\$1,704.18)</b>

Account #	Account Name	Annual Budget	Period Activity	Monthly Budget	Budget YTD	YTD Balance	Over/Under YTD+(-)
<i>Expense</i>							
5001	Assessment for Common Ministry	21,678.00	1,806.50	1,801.00	21,678.00	21,678.00	0.00
5002	Missions Budget Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5003	TDF Budget Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5101	Altar Supplies	700.00	0.00	59.00	700.00	508.12	(191.88)
5110	Music	450.00	0.00	37.00	450.00	480.79*	30.79
5111	Choir Robe Cleaning	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5112	Junior Choir Expenses	100.00	0.00	9.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
5113	Supply Organist or Soloists	0.00	(150.00)	0.00	0.00	550.00	550.00
5114	Organ Maintenance	800.00	0.00	0.00	800.00	409.40	(390.60)
5115	Organist Salary	12,190.00	1,015.83	1,014.00	12,190.00	12,189.96	(0.04)
5116	Social Security - Organist	933.00	77.71	78.00	933.00	932.52	(0.48)
5201	Christian Education	1,500.00	0.00	125.00	1,500.00	299.13	(1,200.87)
5202	Christian Ed Director Salary	4,449.00	370.72	368.00	4,449.00	4,448.64	(0.36)
5203	Christian Ed Director Social S	349.00	28.36	30.00	349.00	340.32	(8.68)
5205	Stewardship Educ & Supplies	800.00	0.00	66.00	800.00	1,272.28*	472.28
5206	Adult Christian Formation	300.00	0.00	25.00	300.00	233.50	(66.50)
5211	Parish Nurse - Salary	3,722.00	310.18	312.00	3,722.00	3,722.16*	0.16
5212	Soc.Sec: Parish Nurse	292.00	23.74	28.00	292.00	284.88	(7.12)
5220	Pastoral Care	1,200.00	45.00	100.00	1,200.00	1,123.76	(76.24)
5225	Pastoral Staff Subscription		0.00			0.00	
5230	Annual Convention&Safe Church	360.00	0.00	5.00	360.00	756.85*	396.85
5231	Church Development Costs	675.00	0.00	56.00	675.00	990.16*	315.16
5235	Required background checks	100.00	0.00	9.00	100.00	0.00	(100.00)
5240	Fundraiser expenses	750.00	0.00	62.00	750.00	1,443.49*	693.49
5300	Office Supplies	2,000.00	220.97	166.00	2,000.00	1,708.37	(291.63)
5301	Equipment Contracts	2,200.00	316.67	187.00	2,200.00	2,069.95	(130.05)
5303	Bulletins & Printing	360.00	0.00	30.00	360.00	598.80*	238.80
5304	Office Postage	1,300.00	135.00	109.00	1,300.00	1,039.63	(260.37)
5305	Documents & Forms	75.00	0.00	6.00	75.00	35.95	(39.05)
5306	Telephone - Church	2,000.00	139.47	163.00	2,000.00	1,630.47	(369.53)
5310	Rector's Salary	50,000.00	4,166.67	4,166.00	50,000.00	50,000.04*	0.04
5311	Social Security - Rector	11,678.00	973.12	972.00	11,678.00	11,677.44	(0.56)
5312	Pension - Rector	16,802.00	1,400.11	1,399.00	16,802.00	16,801.32	(0.68)
5313	Medical-Dental: Rector	17,748.00	1,479.00	1,479.00	17,748.00	17,748.00	0.00
5314	Rector Equity Fund	3,000.00	250.00	250.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
5315	Rector's Expense Allowance	1,820.00	767.30	151.00	1,820.00	2,919.44*	1,099.44

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February 3, 2013

Account #	Account Name	Annual Budget	Period Activity	Monthly Budget	Budget YTD	YTD Balance	Over/Under YTD+(-)
5316	Rector's Continuing Education	1,500.00	500.00	125.00	1,500.00	1,537.01*	37.01
5317	Rector's Sabatical Budget Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5320	Supply Clergy	0.00	421.00	0.00	0.00	421.00	421.00
5330	Secretary's Salary	14,144.00	1,178.66	1,175.00	14,144.00	14,143.92	(0.08)
5331	Social Security - Secretary	1,110.00	90.18	87.00	1,110.00	1,082.16	(27.84)
5332	Secretary Pension		0.00			0.00	
5333	Secretary - Life Insurance		0.00			0.00	
5350	Worker's Comp Insurance	459.00	38.23	41.00	459.00	458.76	(0.24)
5360	Web Hosting/Website	75.00	0.00	9.00	75.00	59.88	(15.12)
5361	Software Upgrades & Purchases	500.00	0.00	38.00	500.00	370.00	(130.00)
5362	Professional Fees	400.00	0.00	0.00	400.00	430.00*	30.00
5363	Hardware Purchases		0.00			725.00	
5400	Utilities - Fuel Oil - Church	7,000.00	15.55	800.00	7,000.00	3,395.89	(3,604.11)
5401	Utilites - Electric - Church	2,500.00	205.92	212.00	2,500.00	2,002.31	(497.69)
5402	Utilites-Water/Sewer - Church	400.00	0.00	37.00	400.00	467.24*	67.24
5403	Trash removal - Church	1,200.00	0.00	100.00	1,200.00	1,114.65	(85.35)
5404	Snow Removal - Church	500.00	20.00	100.00	500.00	140.00	(360.00)
5405	Floor Cleang Contact - Church	350.00	0.00	0.00	350.00	375.00*	25.00
5406	Bldg.Main.& Rpr - Church	2,000.00	19.76	163.00	2,000.00	2,094.25*	94.25
5407	Grounds Maintenance - Church	900.00	0.00	75.00	900.00	736.00	(164.00)
5410	Sexton Salary	5,486.00	457.17	459.00	5,486.00	5,486.04*	0.04
5411	Social Security - Sexton	431.00	34.97	35.00	431.00	419.64	(11.36)
5420	Sexton Supplies	600.00	0.00	50.00	600.00	281.33	(318.67)
5430	Utilites - Fuel Oil - Rectory	3,500.00	377.99	500.00	3,500.00	3,336.87	(163.13)
5431	Utilities - Electric - Rectory	1,600.00	124.54	137.00	1,600.00	1,363.04	(236.96)
5432	Utilities-Water/Sewer- Rectory	600.00	0.00	50.00	600.00	592.96	(7.04)
5433	Utilities: Telephone - Rectory	800.00	145.26	63.00	800.00	951.03*	151.03
5434	Snow Removal & Grounds Maint - Rectory	250.00	0.00	50.00	250.00	685.00*	435.00
5435	Bldg.Main& Rpr - Rectory	1,000.00	(489.00)	87.00	1,000.00	1,057.54*	57.54
5440	Blanket Insurance	5,821.00	485.07	486.00	5,821.00	5,820.84	(0.16)
5450	Capital Impr Budget Expense	2,000.00	166.67	163.00	2,000.00	2,158.34*	158.34
5600	In Kind General		0.00			0.00	
5926	Flower & Candle Expense	2,400.00	135.00	200.00	2,400.00	2,383.45	(16.55)
	<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$217,857.00</b>	<b>\$17,303.32</b>	<b>\$18,504.00</b>	<b>\$217,857.00</b>	<b>\$215,082.52</b>	<b>(\$2,774.48)</b>
	<b>Difference</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$22,608.42</b>	<b>\$11,446.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$1,070.30</b>	

\* = Income/Expense exceeds amount budgeted to date

**b) 2012 YEAR END ASSET AND FUND BALANCES**

**Trinity Episcopal Church - Milford MA**  
**Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2012**

Monday, January 14, 2013

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Account #	Account Name	Beginning Balance	YTD Balance
<b>Assets</b>			
1001	Operating Acct - Milford Nat'l	12,468.51	8,355.54
1055	MM Savings Acct	86,003.57	53,755.45
1501	Merrill Lynch Investments	1.15	1.15
1505	GFS - Original Gift (Diocese)	14,885.96	14,885.96
1506	GMLane-Original Gift (Diocese)	32,644.80	32,644.80
1507	ICleveland-OriginalGift(Dioc)	21,276.67	21,276.67
1508	Trinity Endowment (Diocese)	17,629.88	17,629.88
1515	GFS Appreciation (Diocese)	51,174.70	51,174.70
1516	Lane Appreciation (Diocese)	27,811.71	27,811.71
1517	Cleveland Appreciation(Dioces)	10,219.18	10,219.18
1518	Trinity Appreciation (Diocese)	7,887.40	7,887.40
1800	Church & Parish Hall	1,634,819.00	1,634,819.00
1802	Contents: Church & Parish Hall	163,481.00	163,481.00
1810	Rectory	197,036.00	197,036.00
1812	Contents: Rectory	19,703.00	19,703.00
	<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$2,297,042.53</b>	<b>\$2,260,681.44</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
2000	Accounts Payable/Vendors	3,015.71	3,265.78
2125	Steeple Loan	27,013.56	13,721.46
	<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$30,029.27</b>	<b>\$16,987.24</b>
<b>Fund Balance</b>			
3101	Fund Balance - Operations	(56,282.37)	(55,542.07)
3222	GFS Scholarship Fund	6,345.16	5,845.16
3223	GFS Savings Fund	1,941.78	591.78
3224	GFS Dividends Fund	15,809.27	15,809.27
3225	Mission Fund Balance	8,166.72	5,908.38
3228	P&I Capitol Imp Reserve Fund	44,822.02	53,779.28
3229	Air Conditioning Fund Balance	529.00	529.00
3230	Vestry Sunshine Fund Balance	138.72	138.72
3232	Rector's Sabbatical Balance	5,000.04	5,000.04
3260	Memorial Fund Balance	5,146.02	8,126.02
3261	Tattrie Memorial Music Scholarship Fund Balance	0.00	1,000.00
3270	Property & Contents Fund	2,015,039.00	2,015,039.00
3280	Sabbatical Fund Balance	36,827.60	3,939.32
3301	Fund Balance - Restricted	183,530.30	183,530.30
	<b>Total Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$2,267,013.26</b>	<b>\$2,243,694.20</b>
	<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$2,297,042.53</b>	<b>\$2,260,681.44</b>

### c) REVIEW OF THE 2013 BUDGET

Income			2013	2012	
Account number	Account name	Budget Category (see key below)	Approved Budget 1/14/2103	Budget	Actuals as of 12/31/12
4101	Pledges - Current Year	P	\$ 177,000.00	\$ 156,600.00	\$ 147,145.07
4102	Pledges - Previous Year	P	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,479.00
4103	Pledges Upcoming Year	P	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 18,115.61
4150	Plate Offering	P	\$ 3,250.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,922.54
4160	Special Day Offerings	O	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,298.00
4170	Church School Offering	O	\$ 100.00	\$ 150.00	\$ -
4180	Hall Use Donations	O	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,925.00
4201	Christmas Fair	E	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 13,299.54
4202	Chocofest	E	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,376.00
4203	Fund Raising Events	E	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,275.00
4301	Diocesan Holdings Dividends	I	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,752.07
4400	Interest on Operating Acct	I	\$ 10.00	\$ 7.00	\$ 6.07
4401	Interest on MMarket	I	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 251.88
4499	Faith Funding	G	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 12,191.04
4590	Flower & Candle Donations	O	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,116.00
	<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$ 232,560.00</b>	<b>\$ 217,857.00</b>	<b>\$ 216,152.82</b>

Key to Budget Categories	
Expense Category	Income Categories
W - Worship	P - Pledge/Plate
S - Spiritual Development	E - Events/Fund Raisers
PC - Pastoral Care	I - Investment Income
O - Outreach	G - Growth & new- givers
PL - Parish Life	O - Other
H - Holy Space	

Expenses			2013	2012	
Account Number	Account Name	Budget Category (see key below)	Approved Budget 1/14/2103	Budget	Actuals as of 12/31/12
5001	Assessment for Common Ministry	O	\$ 21,504.00	\$ 21,678	\$ 21,678.00
5002	Missions Budget Expense	O	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
5003	TDF Budget Expense	O	\$ 700.00	\$ -	\$ -
5101	Altar Supplies	W	\$ 700.00	\$ 700	\$ 508.12
5110	Music	W	\$ 450.00	\$ 450	\$ 480.79
5111	Choir Robe Cleaning	W	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5112	Junior Choir Expenses	W	\$ 500.00	\$ 100	\$ 100.00
5113	Supply Organist or Soloists	W	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 550.00
5114	Organ/Piano Maintenance	W	\$ 800.00	\$ 800	\$ 409.40
5115	Organist Salary	W	\$ 12,190.00	\$ 12,190	\$ 12,189.96
5116	Social Security - Organist	W	\$ 933.00	\$ 933	\$ 932.52
5201	Christian Education	S	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,500	\$ 299.13
5202	Christian Ed Director Salary	S	\$ 6,900.00	\$ 4,449	\$ 4,448.64
5203	Christian Ed Director Social S	S	\$ 541.65	\$ 349	\$ 340.32
5205	Stewardship Educ & Supplies	PL	\$ 800.00	\$ 800	\$ 1,272.28
5206	Adult Christian Formation	S	\$ 300.00	\$ 300	\$ 233.50

Expenses			2013	2012	
Account Number	Account Name	Budget Category (see key below)	Approved Budget 1/14/2103	Budget	Actuals as of 12/31/12
5211	Parish Nurse - Salary	PC	\$ 6,203.60	\$ 3,722	\$ 3,722.16
5212	Soc.Sec: Parish Nurse	PC	\$ 486.98	\$ 292	\$ 284.88
5220	Pastoral Care	PC	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,123.76
5230	Annual Convention&Safe Church	PL	\$ 360.00	\$ 360	\$ 756.85
5231	Church Development Costs	PL	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 675	\$ 990.16
5235	Required background checks	PL	\$ 100.00	\$ 100	\$ -
5240	Fundraiser expenses	PL	\$ 750.00	\$ 750	\$ 1,443.49
5300	Office Supplies	.5* W, PL	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,708.37
5301	Equipment Contracts	.5* W, PL	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,200	\$ 2,069.95
5303	Bulletins & Printing	W	\$ 360.00	\$ 360	\$ 598.80
5304	Office Postage	PL	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,300	\$ 1,039.63
5305	Documents & Forms	PL	\$ 75.00	\$ 75	\$ 35.95
5306	Telephone - Church	PL	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,630.47
5310	Rector's Salary	.2*W,S,PC,O,P L	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000.04
5311	Social Security - Rector	.2*W,S,PC,O,P L	\$ 11,678.00	\$ 11,678	\$ 11,677.44
5312	Pension - Rector	.2*W,S,PC,O,P L	\$ 16,802.00	\$ 16,802	\$ 16,801.32
5313	Medical-Dental: Rector	.2*W,S,PC,O,P L	\$ 18,600.00	\$ 17,748	\$ 17,748.00
5314	Rector Equity Fund	.2*W,S,PC,O,P L	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000.00
5315	Rector's Expense Allowance	.2*W,S,PC,O,P L	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 1,820	\$ 2,919.44
5316	Rector's Continuing Education	.2*W,S,PC,O,P L	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,537.01
5317	Rector's Sabbatical Reserve	.2*W,S,PC,O,P L	\$ 4,500.00	\$ -	\$ -
5320	Supply Clergy	W	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 421.00
5330	Secretary's Salary	PL	\$ 14,144.00	\$ 14,144	\$ 14,143.92
5331	Social Security - Secretary	PL	\$ 1,110.30	\$ 1,110	\$ 1,082.16
5350	Worker's Comp Insurance	PL	\$ 574.00	\$ 459	\$ 458.76
5360	Web Hosting/Website	O	\$ 75.00	\$ 75	\$ 59.88
5361	Software Upgrades & Purchases	PL	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 500	\$ 370.00
5362	Professional Fees	PL	\$ 400.00	\$ 400	\$ 430.00
5363	Hardware Purchases	H		\$ -	\$ 725.00
5400	Utilities - Fuel Oil - Church	H	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 7,000	\$ 3,395.89
5401	Utilites - Electric - Church	H	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,002.31
5402	Utilites-Water/Sewer - Church	H	\$ 600.00	\$ 400	\$ 467.24
5403	Trash removal - Church	H	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,114.65
5404	Snow Removal - Church	H	\$ 500.00	\$ 500	\$ 140.00
5405	Floor Cleang Contact - Church	H	\$ 400.00	\$ 350	\$ 375.00
5406	Bldg.Main.& Rpr - Church	H	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,094.25
5407	Grounds Maintenance - Church	H	\$ 900.00	\$ 900	\$ 736.00



Expenses			2013	2012	
Account Number	Account Name	Budget Category (see key below)	Approved Budget 1/14/2103	Budget	Actuals as of 12/31/12
5410	Sexton Salary	H	\$ 5,486.00	\$ 5,486	\$ 5,486.04
5411	Social Security - Sexton	H	\$ 430.65	\$ 431	\$ 419.64
5420	Sexton Supplies	H	\$ 500.00	\$ 600	\$ 281.33
5430	Utilites - Fuel Oil - Rectory	H	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,336.87
5431	Utilities - Electric - Rectory	H	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600	\$ 1,363.04
5432	Utilities-Water/Sewer- Rectory	H	\$ 600.00	\$ 600	\$ 592.96
5433	Utilities: Telephone - Rectory	H	\$ 800.00	\$ 800	\$ 951.03
5434	Grounds Maint (Snow Removal &	H	\$ 750.00	\$ 250	\$ 685.00
5435	Bldg.Main& Rpr - Rectory	H	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,057.54
5440	Blanket Insurance	H	\$ 3,780.00	\$ 5,821	\$ 5,820.84
5450	Capital Impr Budget Expense	H	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,158.34
5926	Flower & Candle Expense	W	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400	\$ 2,383.45
<b>Total Expense</b>			<b>\$ 232,284.19</b>	<b>\$ 217,857</b>	<b>\$ 215,082.52</b>
<b>Surplus / Deficit*</b>			<b>\$ 275.81</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,070.30</b>

## VIII. REPORT OF THE WARDENS

Happy New Year to all as we are well into 2013. Twenty twelve was a year of newness and coming together to make visions a reality at Trinity.

Our vision to send Fr. Mac on a Sabbatical came true. He left us on April 15th to start his three month Sabbatical. His first month was full of quiet time, prayer and silence. The second month was doing outreach and finding where the true needs are in our community. The last month was spent reconnecting with his family.

He returned to us on August 5th eager to share his experience with us.

While he was away we were very lucky to have Judith Freeman Clark as our Sabbatical supply priest. She was amazing. She connected with us and helped many of us through difficult times. She was a source of strength, guidance and friendship for the Wardens. With her help, and the teamwork between the leadership staff, everything went very smoothly while Fr. Mac was away.

This past June a second trip to the Dominican Republic to teach a Vacation Bible School was taken. We heard rewarding stories and saw many pictures and were moved with the caring, love and happiness that shown in the faces of the children at having our Mission team there.

Our Bishop of fifteen years, Gordon Scruton, who many of us got to know so well, officially retired this year. There was a search committee formed and walk-a-bouts with candidates to elect a new bishop. We had parishioners who took part in these, and the voting process. On December 1st 2012 the Diocese consecrated the new Bishop of Western Massachusetts; the Bishop Doug Fisher. Fr. Mac and two parishioners attended. All Churches were asked to make a banner to carry into the Cathedral representing their church. Our beautiful banner was handmade by Beth Washburn and carried by Mary Torian. You can see it hanging in our own church now.

This past year we were able to complete some long term building and property commitments. Accomplished were some overdue areas at the rectory including a new deck and repairing the leaky roof. We replaced the old furnace in the church and switched over to gas heat.

What can we look forward to in 2013?

In May 2013 we will be celebrating Trinity's 150th Anniversary. We have a committee working on plans and ideas for celebrating. Our celebration will start on the weekend of May 17th and Bishop Doug Fisher will be visiting us on Sunday May 19th. We are planning something special to kick off our 150th Anniversary that weekend so keep reading the bulletins and Newsletters.

The trip to the Dominican Republic to teach Vacation Bible School to the wonderful children there has now become a true mission. Another trip is being planned for June 28 - July 8, 2013. If you are interested and feel called to this mission please contact Ann Marie Lockwood.

On Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, we will be holding a Mutual Ministry Review open to all parishioners. This is a time when we can reassess the visions and direction of Trinity. We will reflection on our learning's during Fr. Mac's Sabbatical and chart a course for our mutual ministry for 2013 and beyond.

We continue to do wonderful things here, reaching out, comforting, supporting, and spreading the Grace of God to our community and our wider world to each other and our neighbors. May God richly bless you in 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

*Gayle Ruscitti, Sr. Warden*

*Ann Marie Lockwood, Jr. Warden*

## IX. REPORT OF THE RECTOR

### RECTOR'S REPORT

From the Parish Register for 2012, we have been blessed by the following additions and events in our Trinity Parish Family:

#### **Baptisms (17)**

Aneyssa Zenette Desinor  
 Angela Marie Prunier  
 Robert Gordon Kidder  
 Gage Rizen Lange  
 Frankie Lue Lange  
 Thana Robert Reed  
 Wilhelmena Somying Reed  
 Wynn Carolyn Reed  
 Jaydin Faye Lobisser  
 Jenessa Faith Jackson Lobisser  
 Maia Louse Cerrito-Stingo  
 Nicholas Robert Gallerane  
 Harrison James Smith  
 Collin Paul Cameron  
 Bryan Emerson Dow  
 Judah Devon Garay  
 Teagan Mikayla Richards

#### **Marriages (2)**

Robert Jeffrey Person/Melissa Ann Scano  
 Michael John Morais/Emily Jenette Audette

#### **Transfers Out (2)**

Sheryl Anderson  
 Erik Lee Anderson

#### **Receptions (3)**

Carol Anne Brutsch  
 Terese Ann Cook  
 Richard Henry Kosiba

#### **Reaffirmations (0)**

#### **Confirmations (12)**

Peggy-Ann Bates Berube  
 Eliana Dorothy Chambers  
 Robert Thomas Cote  
 Sarajane Richter  
 Brittany Violet Locklin  
 Jacqueline Ann Masse  
 Cierra Lynn Meurant  
 Drake Michael Meurant  
 Ethan Francis Moeller  
 Matthew Williams Nichols  
 Angela Marie Prunier  
 Wayne Ronald Stochaj

#### **Transfers In (3)**

Christine Lois (Prisk) McNulty  
 Kristin Laurel (Toupin) Anderson  
 Elizabeth (Pope Breed) Jennings Pekkala

This has also been a year in which we have felt great loss. We mourn the passing of:

#### **Burials (15)**

Toussaint Liverpool \*  
 \* died in 2011, recorded in 2012  
 Richard Cutler Goddard  
 Alfred Auty  
 Marilyn S. (Cameron) Gonsalves  
 Paul Markakis  
 Rudolph "Rudy" Wentworth Kalns  
 Charles Germagian

Sara L. Hensel  
 Martha Louise (Landmesser) Roberts  
 Gretchen L. (Flippin) Jackson  
 Richard Julius Person  
 Solomon Dowe Garay  
 Susan Karakeian  
 Janet Stephenson Morgan  
 Constance Arina Kluit

Every year as I read through our Annual Report I am reminded of what an incredible and active congregation we are. We are making a difference here in Milford and around the world, living into our mission statement: *Sharing the Grace of God, the Light of Christ and the Power of the Holy Spirit, through worship, ministry and fellowship.*

I encourage you to review this report and find the ministry areas you feel called to.

Respectfully submitted,

*William MacDonald Murray, Rector, Trinity Church Milford*

**X. OTHER BUSINESS****XI. BLESSING AND SENDING OUT****BLESSING**

The Wisdom of God, the Love of God and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. *Amen.*

**Hymn**

O for a thousand tongues to sing

*Azmon*

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,  
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim  
 3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;  
 4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,  
 5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;

1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!  
 2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.  
 3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.  
 4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.  
 5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

6 Glory to God and praise and love  
 be now and ever given  
 by saints below and saints above,  
 the Church in earth and heayen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!  
*Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!*

**The Ministers of Trinity Episcopal Church are  
THE PEOPLE OF THIS PARISH**

supported by

The Reverend Mac Murray, Rector

Elizabeth Jennings Pekkala, Minister of Music

MaryBeth Sweet, Christian Education

Mary Johnson, Parish Nurse

Magee Lambert, Church Secretary; Paul Del Molino, Sexton

Gayle Ruscitti, Senior Warden; Ann Marie Lockwood, Junior Warden

and the Treasurers, Clerk and Vestry of Trinity Episcopal Church.

We serve our Lord as a part of the Diocese of Western Massachusetts

led by

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Douglas John Fisher, Bishop of Western Massachusetts