

ANNUAL PARISH

Meeting



St. Paul's Episcopal Church McHenry, IL

Weekly ePistle ~ January 26, 2020

New and Notable

Plan to join us **this Sunday** for our Annual Parish Meeting following the service. We'll enjoy a covered dish luncheon as we discuss the upcoming year at St. Paul's. And please remember to add to our grocery cart. "Feed others, feed ourselves!"

Words from Wardens

I hope everyone has this Sunday, 1/26 on their calendars! We will be joined by Fr. Estime Frader to celebrate the Eucharist followed by our 2020 Annual Meeting & Potluck lunch. Without even knowing what will be served for lunch, I can guarantee that it will be delicious, as we have some of the best cooks at St. Paul's!

This year's meeting will give us a chance to look back and reflect on 2019 and all of our accomplishments and to share exciting news about moving forward as God walks with us in 2020. Please join us!

Beth Lukas Jr Warden



Have you met our supply priest, the Rev. Estime Frader? He will be serving St. Paul's on the 1st and 4th Sundays of every month.

Peace and love from Jesus Christ with all of us.

I am delighted and grateful for this opportunity to share a little bit about me. I was born and raised in Saint Louis du Nord, nice little corner of the North Western coast of Haiti. My parents Samuel Frader and Elira Saint-Ange had ten of us and I am the second born. The baby of the family is Anne-Cherley and she is 19 years old studying Spanish in the Dominican Republic thinking about being a medical doctor.

My education was within the Roman Catholic Church with the Brothers of the Christian Schools for primary and secondary (high school) studies in Haiti and the Order of St. Augustine as a discerner in Santo Domingo and a professed friar in the USA for a 10 year discernment process that lead me to marry my wonderful wife Marie Claudie Frader Joseph, the blessing of my life.

I worked as a teacher at various levels and as a radio operator with the United Nations for 3 years in Haiti. My other professions are farming and construction in general. I earned my BA in Philosophy and a diploma in Cultural Studies from Villanova University (2012) and an MA in Intercultural Studies and Ministry from Catholic Theological Union (2016). Right now I am coursing a Diploma in Anglican Studies at Bexley Seabury Seminary as part of my ongoing formation as an Episcopalian.

I was received in The Episcopal Church at All Saints Episcopal Church of Chicago. At the end of 2017 I was invited to Chile to cooperate in establishing a new ministry in favor of Haitian migrants. I was ordained there and served as an associate priest at a Roman Catholic parish (Parroquia La Anunciación del Señor) in the Southern city of Temuco. Best ecumenical experience ever.

Now, I am back in Chicago to complete my studies at Bexley Seabury Seminary. It is with honor and great humility that I receive the invitation to serve at St. Paul's as a supply clergy.

Fun fact about me: playing and/or watching soccer is my biggest passion. God bless you.

Food for Thought Donations

January and February are typically low months for donations to this ministry. Please consider extra donations to our grocery cart for the next couple of months! Lists of preferred items are on the table in the narthex.

In case you missed it

Volunteer Opportunity

Are you interested in helping seniors in your community? Catholic Charities partners with Meals on Wheels America to provide hot noontime meals for those who are homebound or unable to prepare their own food due to physical or mental difficulties. Many of our Meals-on-Wheels clients see but one live face per day—that of our volunteers. This is a great role for a group or individual who has a few hours once a week or once a month. Substitute and seasonal volunteers are needed as well! For more information, contact Sue Fowler, sfowler@catholiccharities.net or call (847)782-4126.



Labyrinth Walks

Once again, St. Paul's will host labyrinth walks in the parish hall during Lent. A special walk will be held for parishioners after the service on **March 1st**. Walks will be held every Wednesday starting March 4th going through April 1st from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. All are welcome to experience this wonderful opportunity for reflection, meditation, and renewal. Questions? Please call the church office or contact Jim Lukas: jimlukas2016@gmail.com. Volunteers are needed to help out with this wonderful ministry.

The usual fare

<u>On the Calendar</u>

Annual Parish Meeting - January 26 Men's Breakfast - February 1, 8:00 am February 2 Celebrant - The Rev. Estime Frader February 9 Celebrant - The Rev. Eileen Shanley-Roberts Ash Wednesday - February 26 Services at noon and 7:00 pm Labyrinth Walks - Wednesdays, March 4-April 1, 5:30pm-7:30pm

Servants for January 26th

Jim and Beth Lukas - Ushers Jim Lukas - Lector Judy Robel - Intercessor Al Robel - Eucharistic Minister Kathy Biggerstaff- Vestry Person of the Day

Lessons and Hymns for January 26, 2020

(3rd Sunday after Epiphany, Year A) The Conversion of St. Paul Celebrant - The Rev. Estime Frader

THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

The First Lesson: Acts 26:9-21 The Gradual: Psalm 67 The Second Lesson: Galatians 1:11-24 The Gospel: Matthew 10:16-22

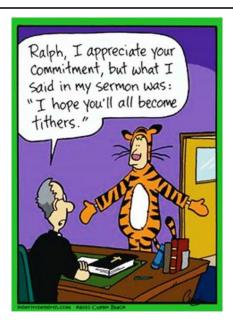
THE HYMNS:

Processional Hymn: No. 372. "Praise to the living God!"
Sequence Hymn: No. 404. "We will extol you"
Presentation Hymn: No. 304. "I come with joy"
Communion Hymn: "Take, O take me as I am"
Recessional Hymn: No. 550. "Jesus calls us"

Questions or concerns?

Please contact our Wardens - Jeffrey Zabor (Senior Warden) or Beth Lukas (Junior Warden).

In need of pastoral care? Please contact Deborah Lang, our Deacon.



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