

# The Weekly Word

## November 20, 2024

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Please join us on Sunday for Holy Eucharist

The Last Sunday after Pentecost  
Christ the King  
November 24, 2024  
Services at 8 am & 10 am\*

Celebrants: The Reverend Victoria Pretti and  
The Deacon Reverend Chris Miller - Marcin

If you are unable to worship in person, please join us on YouTube  
\*To view the livestream service please click the link below.



### This week at

St. Martha's



#### Wednesday, November 20th

- Seashell ringers practice at 1 pm.
- Choir practice at 7 pm.

#### Thursday, November 21st

- Becoming Beloved Community meeting at 1 pm in the parish hall.
- Outreach Committee meeting at 2 pm in the parish hall.

#### Friday, November 22nd & Saturday, November 23rd

- Diocesan Convention in Rehoboth Beach

### **Sunday, November 24th**

- Sunday Book Study resumes in between services in the Narthex. The book they are discussing is *Holy Rascals*, by Rabbi Rami Shapiro.
- **NO CHURCH SCHOOL**

### **Monday, November 25th**

- Yoga at 9:30 am. \$10 drop in. Bring your own mat, blanket, block and/or strap. Some will be available.
- Bowling at 4 pm at Millsboro Lanes. If you would like to play contact John Grannis before 9 am (jhgrannis@gmail.com) This is not a league, so no weekly commitment.

### **Tuesday, November 26th**

- **OFFICE CLOSED**
- Qigong at 9:30 am in the parish hall. Qigong is a mindful movement practice that helps us to calm our minds, balance our emotions, and feel more energized. Done seated or standing and is accessible to everyone. Bring a yoga mat if you have one, and some water. Suggested donation: \$10.
- Bible study at 1pm in the parish hall.
- Seashell Ringers practice at 1 pm.

### **Wednesday, November 27th**

- **OFFICE CLOSED**
- Men's Discipleship Group will meet from 8 - 9 am in the conference room.

### **Thursday, November 28th**

- **OFFICE CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING**

**Upcoming Events**



# *Christmas Luncheon*

Tuesday, December 10th at 11:30 am  
Cripple Creek Golf & Country Club

*Lunch is served at 12:30 pm*

\$28/person, \$23/Bell Choir Members

*Let's celebrate this festive season with food, fellowship,  
and a special performance by the Seashell Ringers!*

Please pick up a form from the parish hall to complete with your meal  
selection and return with payment by Wednesday, December 4.



Attention bakers, dust off your aprons and bring your baking supplies out of storage, it's time to get to work and create delicious Christmas cookies and treats! We need LOTS of bakers as well as volunteers to help set up for the book sale and work the day of the sale. Sign up sheets are in the parish hall. Please consider lending your time and/or talents to help make this event a huge success!

*Do your heart and soul need a softer,  
quieter celebration of Christmas this year?*

Please join us for "Blue Christmas" on  
Wednesday, December 18th at 4pm.

We will celebrate the birth of Jesus with scripture, music, sacrament,  
candlelight and a gentle prayer ritual. All are welcome to find a little  
extra peace and hope this holiday season.



## **Christmas Eve Service at 5 pm**

The Rehoboth Concert Band Brass Quartet  
will begin performing at 4:40 pm.

*There will be no services on Christmas Day*

# Outreach



"Thank You" to all the Parishioners who purchased Thanksgiving food and gift cards for our needy families at the local schools. If you were unable to sign up for Thanksgiving, you can sign-up for the Angel Tree Gifts. We will begin decorating our Angel tree this week with the 10 students from Showell Elementary, Clayton, and SMS. Stop by the parish hall and check it out!

**Camp Arrowhead** begins on-line registrations for summer camp weeks on December 1. **Don't miss out getting the week your camper wants!**

**Collection of Pop-tabs for Ronald McDonald House ends the end of November. Remember to bring in your tabs to St. Martha's.**

# Stewardship

## Pledge Update as of November 20, 2024

Number	Amount Pledged	
29	\$94,010	<i>Increase</i>
33	\$67,750	<i>Same</i>
10	\$17,450	<i>Decrease</i>
13	\$27,220	<i>New</i>
85	<b>\$206,430</b>	<b>Total</b>

**The year is quickly coming to an end! If you haven't already submitted your pledge card for 2025, please do so soon. Cards are available on the table outside of the office and on the welcome table when you enter Church.**

# Announcements

## Maggie's 8th Annual Coat Drive

### Locations:

#### Selbyville Public Library

11 S Main St. Selbyville, DE 19975

#### Frankford Town Hall

9 Main St. Frankford, DE 19945

#### Coldwell Banker

89 Atlantic Ave. Ocean View, DE 19970

1131 S Salisbury Blvd. Salisbury, MD 21801

12207 Coastal Hwy. Ocean City, MD 21842

6405 Coastal Hwy. Ocean City, MD 21842

#### Next Step Learning Center

2 Church St. Selbyville, DE 19975

#### Millsboro Bowling Lanes

213 Mitchell St. Millsboro, DE 19966

**We can pick up if you aren't able  
to drop them off!**

**Text us at 3025421464**

CELEBRATE AND HELP  
THE COMMUNITY THIS  
WINTER SEASON

ENDS: DECEMBER 31, 2024  
FACEBOOK: MAGGIE'S COAT DRIVE

If you are interested in becoming  
a drop off location contact me at  
mlbare9@icloud.com

*Maggie Bare*

**Maggie Bare is Mimi Dupont's grand-daughter. Donations can be left in the bin in front of the office and Mimi will transport them to Maggie.**

## Upcoming Fundraising Events for Camp Arrowhead

Supporting these events helps raise funds to maintain and improve camp facilities, ensuring that future generations of campers can experience the joy of Camp Arrowhead.

- **Breakfast with Santa - December 7th & 8th**
- **Tea Luncheon with Santa - December 11th**

