

# *For All The Saints*

*Looking Back,  
Looking Forward!*

*Worship*

*8 and 10 AM  
Sunday*

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# *All Saints Church in Pontiac*

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On the Sunday before Father George and I began to serve All Saints Church, Canon Linda Grenz celebrated Mass and in her thoughtful sermon, talked about *change*. She noted that priests are not all the same and that it was likely that Father George and I might bring new ideas and different ways of doing things with us. And indeed, there have been changes, let me review some of them.

One of the first things which comes to my mind is the new parish newsletter, "For All The Saints," the publishing costs of which are generously underwritten by Ed. Murphy of the Urquart-Murphy Funeral Home. Under the creative leadership of Annette Cox as Editor, the newsletter has not only become an effective vehicle for communication within the parish, but has attracted considerable attention and admiration from many beyond our borders. Another significant step forward was the establishment of a parish website ([allsaintschurchri.com](http://allsaintschurchri.com)) and a Facebook page which are spreading the word about who we are. A Prayer Shawl Ministry began to function under the leadership of Pauline Nunes with shawls going to people both within and beyond the parish, bringing comfort and the knowledge that the recipients are both cared for and prayed for. Last Spring, Anna Caruolo offered to lead a group for women interested in exploring relationships with God and other aspects of spirituality. After beginning in September, the group now meets every other Sunday in the chapel after Mass.

There have been several physical changes in the church, the first being the enlargement of the Altar. Did you know that all fees from funerals, weddings, and some personal donations go not to our clergy but into the Father Granville Henthorne Fund? That Fund, named in honor of a former rector of our parish, enabled the purchase of new white, green and red altar frontals and, after a long search, I found an antique purple frontal on EBay! Barbara Bruner provided the alterations needed for it to fit our altar in time for it to be used during Advent. Tom Miga installed new racks in the smaller sacristy for hanging the frontals when not in use. Another change was the moving of the font to the front of the church in time for all to fully appreciate and experience the baptism of Kristin Miga's son Jackson.

The space where the font had been then became available to house the new Shrine of the Holy Family where the flickering lights of votive candles are a reminder of the quiet prayers offered there week after week. A new set of Stations of the Cross was given in memory of the late Father John Hall who served as rector of the parish from 1990 to 1998 and it was a special joy to welcome Fr. John's widow, "Mary B," as the Stations were blessed.

The Christmas Eve service began with an ancient chant, the words coming from the service of Vespers for Christmas Day, and were sung in Latin as they have been for over a thousand years: "Hodie Christus natus est. Hodie Salvator apparuit. Hodie in terra canunt Angeli, laetantur Archangeli. Hodie exsultant justi, dicentes: Gloria in excelsis Deo! Alleluia!" Which in English is "Today Christ is born. Today the Savior has appeared. Today the Angels sing, the Archangels rejoice. Today the righteous rejoice, saying Glory to God in the highest! Alleluia!" The traditional music is also over a thousand years old and it was a joy to share in chanting it with our own Hansi MacNeil. Although it took less than a minute, in its serene simplicity, the "Hodie" summarized why we gather and then gave way to the exuberant singing of "O Come, All Ye Faithful." It was a wonderful way to celebrate the birth of our Savior!

2018 was a year in which we connected with other churches as well. During Lent, with St. Barnabas Church we had weekly Stations of the Cross as well as a wonderful Passover Seder led by Rabbi Joe Murray. We also welcomed the Pastor and Congregation of nearby St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church to All Saints for a Thanksgiving week service with Pastor Mike Lembke preaching and concelebrating the Mass.

For most of the year, we had the privilege of having Father George Warren with us as our Vicar, but as his physical health declined, he found it increasingly difficult to perform his duties. His decision to ask for a medical leave was not only painful for him but also for all the rest of us in the parish. We keep him in our prayers and look forward to a restoration of health for him and his return to us with his beaming smile. Just as we were losing Fr. George, God sent us another cleric, a retired Deacon. After serving in the Marines, he gained an MBA

and then had long experience in the secular world. With the approval of our bishop, Deacon Skip began to assist and took on the duties of Parish Administrator, much to my relief!

Yes, there have been changes but there have also been important areas of continuity. We are blessed by our lay leaders: Wardens Fred Liddle and Hoot Smith and Treasurer Meredith MarcAurele, as well as Clerk Richard Young (who is retiring from that post at this meeting) and by our Vestry members: MaryAnn Cummings, Deb. MarcAurele, Arlene Orcutt, Donna Pacheco and Tracy Robbins. I'd also like to add a note of appreciation to the Eucharistic Visitors: Annette Cox, Barbara Bruner, Pauline Nunes and Donna Pacheco who bring the Blessed Sacrament to those in nursing homes and to shut-ins; to Tracy Robbins and Pauline Nunes who so faithfully perform the hidden work of the Altar Guild so that everything is always ready and properly set up for services, to our Organist Lynn Tzitzouris and the choir: Hansi MacNeil, Fred Liddle, Pauline Nunes, Joe Gonzalves and Candy Gauvin who help lead the music which is such an important part of our worship at the 10:00 Mass. Sharon Bouchard continues to provide wise and steady administration of All Saints Cemetery and Bruce MacNeil makes sure there is always "coffee and" following the 10:00 service. So many people have been part of why the past year has been one of new energy. May the coming year see us continue to become more and more an active and stronger community of faith! *Fr. Al*

# *The Gift*

(Past/Present/Future)

Thinking back I realize more and more the many teachers who have been such a profound influence. Such individual for me was, along with myriads more, Mr. Thompson, my 9<sup>th</sup> grade English teacher. Doing all I could to avoid being assigned to him I am now eternally grateful. Mr. Thompson required his classes to read ten books during the school year. Not only that difficult assignment but also a weekly progress report. And, not only that, but randomly picked from a hat, weekly oral reports to the class. I was terrified until later realizing after giving three oral reports that year, that one of my worst fears was overcome. And, not only did I gain exponentially by the authors of those books, but many other fears were lessened for me. A bigger and greater world was opened.

After Jesus was born to become our teacher as those first apostles called him Rabbi, they fully realized at the end of their journey the meaning and purpose of it all. They didn't get it all at first, neither did they fully understand during a long process, the full "light" came to them after their teacher had died. They spoke and wrote to us after the resurrection because they finally realized that it did happen and why.

There is an ancient Greek word referred to throughout the Old and New Testaments. The term is Light, Photon, ΦΩΤΩΝ. There is no adequate term in the modern languages that can adequately compare. It is an "experience" beyond words. One must be given this experience. The experience in the Bible is called an epiphany. As we journey through life epiphanies do happen! Where do they come from? The authors of the Bible called Jesus "the light." Jesus said of himself: "I am the light of the world."

As each of us, with the help and guidance of all our teachers, experience these epiphanies, we too enter into the fullness of the "light."

In the church calendar Lent represents the journey through this life towards that light. The journey is the extent of life itself. As we experience the up and down, the good and the evil, it is the gift of Jesus to guide us into the light. It is at our Pentecost that we finally come to

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## *Sr. Warden*

**Continuity.** To me that word signifies the connection between generations past, present, and future.

Our beautiful Church, dedicated in 1888, was built “as a memorial” for future generations. That tells me that those men and women, now long gone, who founded All Saints Church, were thinking about us.

They bestowed upon us this wonderful place of worship which we, the present generation, now enjoy and endeavor to preserve.

And, so with gratitude to past parishioners, we, too, look to the future in our fervent hope that generations to come will worship at All Saints Church in Pontiac. **That is continuity.**

Fred

## *Jr. Warden*

Things are going along very well and no major problems anticipated. We did have a new thermostat installed in the main church area. Our new copier is up and running. The landline telephone at the church has been disconnected and this will result in a yearly saving of around a thousand dollars. We are in a hold pattern regarding the fire alarm system, waiting to hear from the electrician relative to installing emergency lights at all egress points.

Hoot



Our new thermostat,  
Comforters and Joy!



Good job, Marie,  
thanks for installing  
the our new copier!  
Meredith thinks this  
is great.

Hoot, just couldn't resist.  
As we all know you are  
kept busy keeping things  
running smoothly at All  
Saints. Many thanks!

## *Message from the Treasurer*

As we say goodbye to 2018 and welcome 2019, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our parishioners for their generous support and continued faith in All Saints. Each year is a challenge and 2018 was no exception. We made significant improvements to the church and rectory which exceeded our expense budget. On the bright side, our parishioners met or exceeded their pledges for the year helping us on the income side. Their generosity never ceases to amaze me. All in all, 2018 was a great year with many accomplishments—a quarterly newsletter, new website and an occupied rectory to name a few. I am eager to see what 2019 holds for all of us. Happy New Year!

Meredith

## *The Deacon's Bench*

“Life is what happens when we are making other plans.” This quote has often entered my thinking when I have responsibilities to attend to. This article is a perfect example. I have known it has been due for many weeks. I used my 'Round toit' to put it off to another time. An e-mail has reminded me, a gentle verbal reminder at coffee hour, and then a call on my voice mail as a reminder. I've always said I work best on the last hour of a deadline. And so, Saturday came around, the day before my deadline. I developed a cold, our 11-week old puppy has demanded way more attention than I thought possible. Instead of laying low and getting rest I went ahead and participated in a last day of Christmas party with family. Exhausted, I went to bed and postponed this article Saturday night. Sunday morning I was so tired from the puppy's cries for her missing litter mates, and my cold being worse, I did what I've never done before—I did not attend mass on the Epiphany! My apologies to Annette. This is not only a poor article but a poor example of an adult behaving like a teenager on exam day.

Skip Almon

## *Did You Know?*

*Some terms beginning  
With the letter "F."*

**Fair Linen** — A long linen cloth which covers the top of the altar (the “mensa”) and hangs down at each end.

**Fanons** — The two small narrow strips of cloth which hang from the back of a bishop’s mitre.

**Father** — (1) One of the ancient writers of the Church, such as the “Ante-Nicene Fathers.”(2) A title of respect given to male priests.

**Feast Day** — (from the Latin for “joyful”) meaning a holy day set apart to honor an event in the life of Christ, or honoring a particular saint. See “A Table of Feasts” in the Book of Common Prayer.

**Feria** — An “ordinary” day having no special observant such as a saint’s day.

**Ferriola** — A short elbow-length cape worn over a cassock denoting ecclesiastical jurisdiction.

**Font** — (1) The place where water is placed for baptisms. (2) A container for holy water found at the doors of a church. Also called a Stoup.

**Frankincense** — A resin which gives a sweet smell when burned. In ancient days, it was considered a gift fit only for kings and was one of the gifts traditionally brought to the infant Jesus by the Magi.

**Frontal** — A rich hanging for the front of the altar, also called an antependium. The color of the frontal usually denotes the season or holy day being observed.

**Frontlet** — Another name for the “superfrontal” which hangs down eight or ten inches from the altar top covering the upper portion of a full frontal.

**Funeral** — The solemn liturgy connected with the burial of the dead.



*"Can I do something for you?"*

## *The Gift* (Cont'd from page 6)

realize how important that Lent had been. It is indeed through the gifts of the Holy Spirit that we become the teachers.

Yes, thank you Mr. Thompson for the seemingly difficult assignment. It has literally saved my life and that of those students who had Rabbis like you. The  $\Phi\Omega\Gamma\Omega\Nu$  is the ultimate reality, the ultimate gift without which there would be no life.

A favorite saying reads:

*"If you think education is difficult try ignorance!"*

Yet, even in our times of ignorance we are brought to the light "but by the grace of God." FROM THE LIGHT TO FREEDOM

*(The Rev.) George H. Warren+*

## *Men's Group*

***Would you be interested in a men's group offering affirmation and support?***

Leaders: Fr. Al and Deacon Skip

Beginning in March: Meeting Alternate Sundays After Mass For An Hour

No Cost: Open Also To Men In The Wider Community

Speak to Fr. Al or Deacon Skip

## *Women's Group*

Looking Back...

In September of 2018, in response to an invitation in the All Saints Newsletter, seven women gathered for the first meeting of the Women's Group. We agreed to meet every other Sunday 8-10 times for about an hour and a half. As leader, I presented ideas, readings, observations, and personal experiences for members to respond to. We shared stories, memories, and beliefs, opening and closing with prayers composed by members.

And now looking forward...

The group has decided to continue, meeting every other week after Mass on Sunday. The group will continue to evolve in the process of getting to know one another, sharing spiritual experiences and beliefs, supporting one another's humanity, and being grateful for God's love. This is not a closed group; we welcome any woman who might be interested in joining us. We are looking forward to times shared in 2019.

Anna M. Caruolo, M.S.W

# Birthdays

Or is it "Match" days?

## "Belated" Wishes

December 4, Anne Smith  
December 19, Tracy Robbins  
December 22, Chris Pacheco  
December 28, Aaron Bouchard  
January 7, Tom Miga  
January 15, Ellenor Lyford  
January 17, Jason Moran  
January 19, Gail Croke  
January 19, Karen Smith

## "On Time" Wishes

January 28, Lois Darling

January 30, Jennifer Liddle  
February 1, Shirley Henlin  
February 3, Hoot Smith  
February 4, Paul MarcAurele  
February 8, Jackson Panaikas  
February 11, Arlene Orcutt  
February 22, Cynthia Miga  
February 24, Manual Pacheco  
March 4, Donna Pacheco  
March 20, Richard Young  
March 21, Louise Liddle  
March 22, Marie Birch

March 23, Patrick Moran—March 31, Deborah MarcAurele

*An apology...in last issue of newsletter Michael Lavallee's name was spelled wrong.*



On December 4th we celebrated Anne Smith's 90th birthday! We wished her much happiness and good health in the coming year. And, of course, there was the Birthday Match with a wish. We hope your wish comes true!

## Kudos

To Hansi MacNeil for the pretty wreaths announcing Advent.

To all who helped decorate the church for Christmas Eve making it so beautiful.

To Adrianna Pacheco for receiving high honors in her 12th grade courses!!

To Fred, Hansi, Donna and Meredith for the photos throughout.

## Richard Young

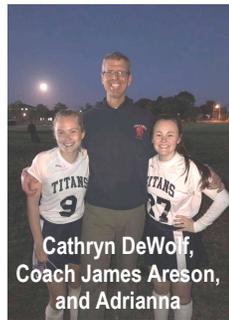


“Do you know his name? “Richard, I think.” “He seems nice.” “Yes; quiet, but nice.” Such were the murmurings among parishioners who noticed the quiet man who sat each Sunday in the rearmost pew of the Church.

But that was then. Who could have imagined that this quiet man would become the official All Saints bell ringer, and serve as lay reader, counter of the money, and Clerk of the Vestry?

And now, after years of faithful service, and a multitude of magnificent minutes, King Richard is stepping down as Clerk. He has served our parish well and remains an integral member of the All Saints family. That’s quite an accomplishment. Not bad for the quiet man in the back of the Church. Not bad at all.

## Adrianna Pacheco



Cathryn DeWolf,  
Coach James Areson,  
and Adrianna

Adrianna Pacheco, daughter of Christopher and Kerri Pacheco and lifelong parishioner of All Saints Church, is a member on the Lady Titans Tollgate Field Hockey Varsity team. The Lady Titans took the regular season title and top seed in D-3 Field Hockey playoffs as they headed into post season.

On October 23, 2018, a Senior Night was held in which all outgoing seniors were honored. The coach gives a little speech about each departing senior.

When the coach talked about Adrianna he related the following story. “On one of our away games we stopped at a fast food place to get a bite to eat before traveling back home. I was standing behind Adrianna waiting in line, when the young lady in front of Adrianna was having trouble with her debit card, that is when Adrianna stepped toward her teammate and whispered, “Don’t worry, I will take care of it.” This is the type of person this young lady is.”

In parting Adrianna had the following to say. “So now, my field hockey career comes to an end. We lost in OT to Tiverton 3-2. This sport has given me friendships and happy memories to last a lifetime. I’m so glad I did this sport and wish I could play one more game with these girls.



*In Loving Memory of  
Beverly R. Herzog Midgley*

January 01, 1930 - December 01, 2018

Beverly R. (Herzog) Midgley, who passed away peacefully surrounded by family on Saturday, December 1st, is dearly missed as the centerpiece of her loving family. Four generations will carry her generosity and wry spirit with them as a loving legacy to the world she has departed. As a testament to her pragmatic and moderate nature we print below the obituary she has written in her own hand.

Beverly was born in Providence, RI on January 1, 1930. She was the daughter of the late Annis S. (Harrison) Herzog Sacs and the late Earl Ernest Herzog and the step daughter of the late James Goodwin Sacs. She was the sister of the late Earl E. Herzog, Jr. and step sister of Robert G. Sacs. She was the wife of the late H. Kenneth Midgley and the mother of Stephen K. Midgley of Lincoln, Joanne M. Bilotta (John) of Charlestown, Lori A. Charron (Bruce) of Warwick, Patricia L. Nazareth (Stephen) of Warwick. She was grandmother of Kara Bilotta Amana (Bidiak), Corey J. Williams (Keshia), Jennifer Midgley Gouin (Corey), Joseph Midgley, Christopher Nazareth (Jamie), Nicholas J. Bilotta (Anamika), Adam Charron (Lisa), Amy Charron Sylvia (Roger), Peter Charron (Mikala), Arielle Nazareth Barber (Matt), and Matthew Nazareth. She was great grandmother to Roland & Theodore Barber and Ruby Sylvia, and longtime companion of the late Arthur Caldarone.

A 1947 graduate of Mt. Pleasant High School, she completed two years at Rhode Island State College (now URI) and was a member of the Alpha Zeta Sorority of the College.

Bev lived in Warwick for 38 years before moving to North Providence, then back to Warwick and eventually to East Greenwich.

She was a member and communicant of All Saints Episcopal Church in Warwick. Over the years she served as a Sunday School teacher, Vestry member, Lay Minister, Altar Guild member and Worship Committee member. She was the directress of the Altar Guild for ten years.

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## *In Loving Memory* (Cont'd from Page 14)

She was a member of Greenwood School PTA and was a Brownie and Girl Scout leader for several years in Warwick, a member of the Suburbanites Bowling League, and a member and contributor to many animal welfare organizations and other charities.

Her life was celebrated at calling hours on Tuesday, December 4 from 4:00—7:00 PM at Carpenter-Jencks Funeral Home & Crematory, 59 East Greenwich Avenue, West Warwick. A funeral service was held on Wednesday, December 5 at 12:00 PM at All Saints Episcopal Church, 111 Greenwich Avenue, Warwick. Burial was in Quidnessett Memorial Cemetery, North Kingstown.

Donations in her memory may be made to All Saints Episcopal Church, 111 Greenwich Avenue, Warwick, RI 02886 or to Friends of the Warwick Animal Shelter, 101 Arthur W. Devine Boulevard, Warwick, RI 02886.

## *Prayer Shawl Ministry*

Deacon Almon talked to our congregation about the Prayer Shawl Ministry and what it meant to those who knitted or crocheted a shawl and what it meant to those who received a shawl. We talked about this ministry in our Lay Eucharist Visitors group and decided to see if All Saints could have a ministry like this. One of our members was very interested in this ministry and agreed to oversee this work.

Over the centuries shawls have come to symbolize shelter, peace, and spiritual sustenance. Today knitters and crotchetters of all faiths are creating handmade shawls for people in need, as gifts of comfort, hope and peace. What started as a grass roots movement has quickly grown into an international cause, with countless number of shawls being given to grateful recipients around the globe.

If you would be interested in this ministry let us know by contacting Pauline Nunes, 773-7214. We have given five shawls to our shut-ins. They have been well received often with tears of gratitude.

We plan to continue this ministry in the future.

Annette Cox

## *Lay Eucharistic Visitors*

Who are we and what do we do? We have been trained to assist the clergy in bringing Christ's presence in the Eucharist to parishioners who are shut-ins and unable to attend church.

To be a Lay Eucharistic Visitor one must complete the Safe Church on-line training offered by the Diocese. There are five modules and after the completion of each module a certificate is given. After this a staff person from the Diocese came to our parish for a two-hour training session that included teaching us how to administer the Blessed Sacrament. In the absence of a priest our Sr. Warden signed an application that was sent to the Bishop stating all training had been completed. Four parishioners completed this training and were licensed by the Bishop for a three year term to serve as a Lay Eucharistic Visitor. We go out by twos for the visits. By July, 2018, we had made seventy-five visitations and administered the Blessed Sacrament.

One does not have to take this training to be able to go on visitations with a Lay Eucharistic Visitor. A person can go as the second person going in to see someone, but they would not be able to administer the Blessed Sacrament.

After each visit we enter the visit in a register at the parish office saying who we saw. If during the visit we saw what we thought would be a reason for a priest to visit we would share this with our Sr. Warden. After Fr. Al, Fr. George and Deacon Skip came to be with us we would share this information with them.

One of the most gratifying times was when the person we saw bowed their head and said, "Thank you for bringing Christ to me."

Our group meets once a month to share our experiences and to schedule our next month's visitations. Sometimes we are not aware of a person who has been hospitalized and recovering at home or who has been admitted to a health care facility. We ask if you know of a parishioner who you think would like a visit to please let us know.

We currently have five parishioners that we see on a rotation basis. Our visitations are made on Tuesday of each week.

If you would be interested in this ministry please talk to Fr. Al or Deacon Skip.

The members of our team are Barbara Bruner (when she is not in Florida), Pauline Nunes, Donna Pacheco and Annette Cox. Our plan for the future is to continue this ministry.

Annette Cox