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The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

# The Annual Meeting is Just A Few Weeks Away!



It's almost time for the Annual Meeting, where the parish comes together to recap the past year and look ahead to the new one. New vestry members will be appointed, as well as new Senior and Junior Wardens.

After the meeting, a parish-wide coffee hour will occur, and we invite everyone to bring sweet and savory items to share. Thank you!

A Final Note on the Christmas Tree Sale Steve Morocco, Treasurer



This is to inform you that we sold 181 trees this year and made just under \$4,000 for our efforts.

While below my personal expectations for sales, we did not lose money, the parish grounds were a beacon of light, fire, camaraderie and sometimes, music during the weeks leading up to Christmas. (Next year, more music).

The weather we experienced for four consecutive weekends did nothing to assist with the event. Four Sundays in a row it was cold, windy and wet.

Yet, a number of intrepid parishioners bundled up and braved the elements to help sell Christmas trees. In fairness to all who participated, I cannot mention names as I'm sure I will miss one or more.

However, as the instigator of the sale, I want to mention the terrific job Nick Downes did in coordinating set-up, sales, and break-down of the event. A real trooper.

I also want anyone who knows someone who helped with the sale in any way, shape or form to PLEASE take a minute to thank them for their work on behalf of the parish.

Again, a heartfelt "thank you" to all Christmas Tree Sale participants. Congratulations.

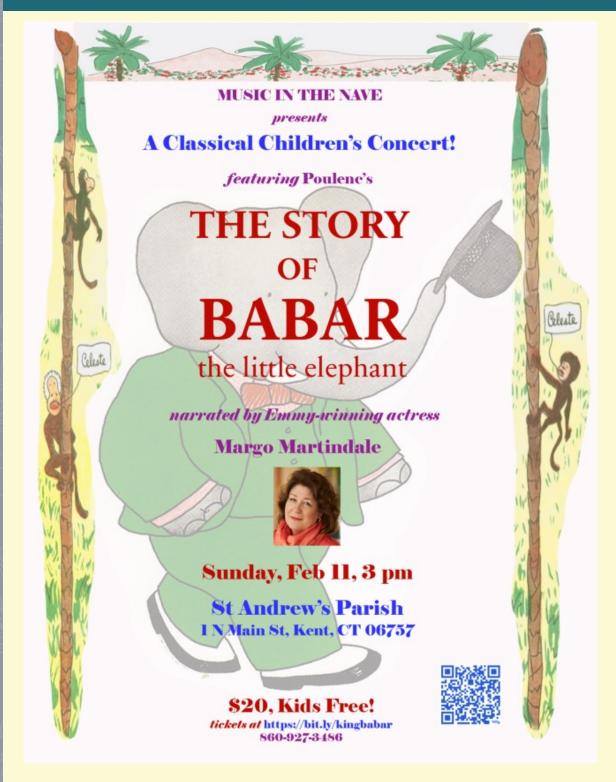
# A New Parish Directory is Now Available!



A newly updated Parish Directory is now available! With new parishioners and many changes since the last directory was published, it's a fresh format in a smaller sized booklet.

A few directories will be available to take home after Sunday's services. If you would like a copy, please stop by the parish office or contact KC (**office.sa.kent@gmail.com**) if you would like a directory mailed to you.

### Music in the Nave Presents: The Story of Babar



2024 Episcopal Calendars are available in the Narthex and in the Parish Office.

Please feel free to take one home.

# Clothing Donations for the Cathedral Soup Kitchen



On the fourth Sunday of each month, **Steve Klots** takes a group of South Kent School students to Church Street Eats, the Sunday soup kitchen at Christ Church Cathedral in Hartford. As part of that, he and his crew distribute clothing, and he reports that, with winter approaching, there is a desperate need for men's coats (but not dress coats), blankets, gloves, sweatshirts, sweatpants, and pants. (Some women's clothing is welcome, but about 90% of the guests at Church Street Eats are men.) He would greatly appreciate the support of the parish in this. He will leave a collection box in the narthex of the church, and he will stop by at least every couple of weeks to collect any donations. Feel free to contact him at **klotss@southkentschool.org** if you have any questions.

#### Mark Your Calendars

**Sunday, 04 February** *Parish-wide Annual Meeting* 

#### This Week at St Andrew's

Sunday, 21 January :: 8:30 am

Holy Eucharist: The Third Sunday after the Epiphany (spoken)

Sunday, 21 January:: 10:30 am

#### Holy Eucharist: The Third Sunday after the Epiphany (with

music) (in-person and live-streamed)

Sunday, 21 January:: 10:30 am

Church school

Sunday, 21 January :: 12:00

**Vestry Meeting** 

Monday, 22 January:: 8:00 pm

LGBTQ+ A.A. meeting

Wednesday, 24 January :: 6:00 pm

**Midweek Holy Eucharist** 

Wednesday, 24 January :: 7:00 pm

Kent Singers Rehearsal

Thursday, 25 January: 7:00 pm

A.A. meeting

Thursday, 25 January: 7:00 pm

Al-Anon meeting

### Help Support the Kent Food Bank



Please help our parish family continue to support of the Kent Food Bank by sending a check in any amount to:

Kent Community Fund P O Box 262 Kent, CT 06757 memo: Food Bank These funds will be used to purchase vouchers for local families in need, under the direction of Kent's Social Services Director, Samantha Hasenflue. In addition, it is useful for the Director to have IGA gift cards to give to families who are in need. Please consider purchasing a card, for \$25 or \$50, and taking it to Samantha's office in Town Hall, or placing it in the offering plate, marked for the food bank.

The Kent Food Bank also accepts food donations. They are especially in need of staples such as **beans**, **rice**, **tea**, **coffee**, **sugar**, **nuts**, **hot** & **cold breakfast cereals**, **peanut butter**, **jellies**, **jams and tuna**. Make certain that the 'Best by ...' dates are not past! Please remember that the Food Bank accepts pet foods as well!

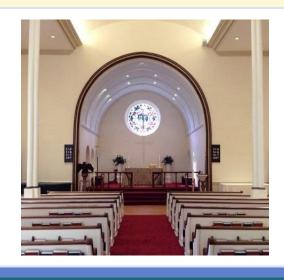
You may drop off food items on Fridays from 10:00 am - 12:00 noon in the back of the Community House on Main Street.

#### Lections for this Week

# The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

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Jonah 3:1-5,10 Psalm 62:6-14 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Mark 1:14-20



### Worship Services

-Sunday-Holy Eucharist 8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.

In person (10.30 a.m. available live stream on YouTube)

> -Wednesday-Holy Eucharist 6.00 p.m.







## 12 Step Meetings

Mondays LGBTQ+ A.A. (Parish House)

Thursdays
Al-Anon. at 7.00 p.m.
(Old Vestry Room)
A.A. at 7:00 pm
(Parish House)



#### Parish Staff

**Susan Guse** Organist & Director of Choirs

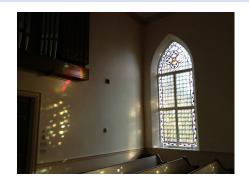
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