

All are welcome to receive the sacrament of Holy Eucharist at The Church of the Holy Spirit. If you wish to receive a blessing in lieu of the bread and wine please come forward during the distribution; cross your arms over your chest to signal your intention to our servers.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 25, 2024

*The parishioners listed in the items below have contact information available in our parish directory. You may also reach them via a message through our church office ([office@chsorleans.org](mailto:office@chsorleans.org)).*

**IMAGING THE LENTEN GOSPEL:** For coming Lenten Sundays (March 3, 10, 17) we're taking a different approach to coffee hour. While the "entrance end" of the parish hall will offer coffee, tea and conversation as usual, the far end of the hall will be set with tables and chairs facing the screen showing images submitted by parishioners in response to each Sunday's gospel lesson. All are invited to spend time in quiet contemplation. All are also invited to submit images for projection by Thursday each week to Patrick via email. The gospels appointed for the coming Sundays are John 2:13-22 (March 3), John 3:14-21 (March 10) and John 12:20-33 (March 17).

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BUILD DAY MARCH 9:** Join us to shingle exterior walls on Saturday, March 9 (a morning half day with lunch to follow is planned). We must hear from you **today in order to submit team names to Habitat this coming Tuesday.** Contact Tom Dewing or Doug Fromm to learn more! Both are available at coffee hour.

**LENTEN QUIET MORNING:** Saturday, March 16, "Walking the Labyrinth." Join us for coffee at 9:00 am and then in church for a short presentation (9:30 am) on this ancient and beloved form of active meditation. The labyrinth will be available in the parish hall that day until 3:00 pm, and also during Holy Week. Co-sponsored with Christ Church, Harwich Port. Contact Patrick for more details.

**LETHAL TEXTS IN HOLY WEEK: An Unfinished Reckoning with Antisemitism.** Sunday, March 24 (Palm Sunday) at 3:00 pm, Parish Hall. Join us at the beginning of Holy Week for a talk by James Carroll, columnist, historian

and author of many books including *Constantine's Sword*, *An American Requiem*, *Christ Actually* and *The Truth at the Heart of the Lie*. Focusing on Christianity's often violent efforts to convert, marginalize or demonize Jewish people, he will examine with us in particular the texts at the heart of Holy Week and Easter liturgies.

**THURSDAY HOLY EUCHARIST** with prayers for healing - **Thursdays at 11 am** in the church (East Transept).

**EPISCOPAL PATH TO CREATION JUSTICE Meeting March 14:** CHS is one of 12 parishes in the diocese invited to help pilot a new program based on prayer, study, action and advocacy for creation. If you are concerned about climate change, would like to learn more about "EPCJ" and possibly join a parish team, contact Patrick Ward. We have our first meeting scheduled for Thursday March 14 at 12:15 pm (Fireplace Room). Zoom access available. Contact Patrick to learn more.

**LADIES LUNCHEON:** March 7th is our next Ladies Luncheon. Please mark it on your calendar and plan to come join us and bring a friend! We bring our own sandwich/salad and we have potato chips, coffee, tea and dessert provided. We meet a bit before 12:00 for conversation and setup in the Parish Hall. There is no agenda and conversation is lively as we meet and catch-up with each other. Volunteers for March are: Dessert: Kate Paradise; Chips: Joanie Barnes; Table Decorations: Gail Binney Sterne; and Paper Goods: Andi Stubbendick. Thanks to all of you who help with setup and cleanup. It is a great help and a great blessing. Fay Cole, Convener

**TAX-AIDE:** The AARP Foundation Tax-Aide will get your tax returns filled out and filed electronically within the same day. The program, aimed at taxpayers 50 and older, is free and doesn't require AARP membership. To get help with preparing your tax return from an IRS-certified volunteer, book an appointment at your town's Senior Center, Council on Aging, or Community Center. Diana Crighton and Donna Bailey are Tax-Aide volunteers; Diana is at

Orleans COA, and Donna is at Eastham Senior Center and Chatham Community Center. Please contact your local senior center to make your no cost tax preparation appointment. Many sites fill all their available appointments quickly as this is a very popular service providing quality result.

### **SUNDAY'S GLIMPSE OF THE GOSPEL:**

The Gospel speaks to us today personally and as a community. Join us Sundays at 8:45 am to delve into the Gospel and pray for one another. We meet in the Fireplace Room and via Zoom. Interested? Please contact Tom Dewing.

**CHS GALLERY:** Held over for one more month! The featured artist in February is John Sterne. Over the past two years, John has also been busy constructing beautiful models of interesting ships. *"This hobby requires patience, good eyesight (with glasses), and a steady hand with accurate hand/eye coordination!"* Please come and enjoy this extraordinary exhibit. Questions? Please call or email the church office and we will contact Sharyn Laughton or Gail Binney-Sterne.

**FREE SHOP: The Free Shop has begun its 51<sup>st</sup> year in 2024!** We welcome your **Winter** clothing donations. We are in the Gathering Room on the lower level of the Parish Hall. The shop is open every Monday and Wednesday – 10 to 1. Brown paper bags **with handles** can be dropped off in bins by the elevator, lower level/first floor of the Parish Hall when the Parish Hall is open. Connect with Sharyn Laughton or Suzy Gray to learn more.

**BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP:** We are discussing *We Survived the End of the World* by Stephen Charleston. We will continue to meet in the Fireplace Room on Sundays after the 10 am service when there is no other parish activity happening during coffee hour. Everyone is welcome. Please join us! **If you cannot be there in person**, please email Brooke Eaton-Skea, and she will send you the Zoom link. Hope to see you Sunday!

**PASTORAL CARE:** Did you know our pastoral care ministry will coordinate an occasional meal delivery to those in need to make life a little easier. If you would like to volunteer to provide a

meal for 1 or 2 people on occasion, or to learn about this ministry, contact Patrick or Priscilla Isner.

**CHS WEB SITE:** To live stream or watch recorded services later, please go to our website [holyspiritforleans.org](http://holyspiritforleans.org) and click on **"VIEW ONLINE"**. To download the Sunday Service Bulletin, click on the "Sunday Service Bulletin" highlighted link.

## CHS Schedule February 25 – March 3

### **Sunday: February 25**

8:45 Glimpse of the Gospel – Fireplace Room and Zoom  
9:30 Church School and Child Care  
10:00 Holy Eucharist – Church and YouTube, followed by Coffee Hour

### **Monday: February 26**

10:00 Free Shop – Gathering Room  
10:00 Kimball House Hammerers

### **Tuesday: February 27**

10:00 Lectio Divina Service – Zoom

### **Wednesday: February 28**

10:00 Free Shop – Gathering Room  
5:30 A Faith for the Future – Parish Hall  
7:00 Choir Rehearsal - Church

### **Thursday: February 29**

11:00 Holy Eucharist and Prayers for Healing – Church  
3:00 Centering Prayer – Reception Room/Memorial Garden

### **Friday: March 1**

11:00 Belladonnas Rehearsal – Church

### **Sunday: March 3**

8:45 Glimpse of the Gospel – Fireplace Room and Zoom  
9:30 Church School and Child Care  
10:00 Holy Eucharist – Church and YouTube, followed by Coffee Hour

**If you are interested in using the CHS Wi-Fi when you are on campus, the network is: Church\_Guest and the password is: CHSOrleans. This is a case sensitive password.**