

# The Chronicle

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Lincoln, RI

Lent  
2009

## I invite you...

For many people, Lent is a season of the church year to be dreaded. For years, we've been told to "give something up" for Lent. This notion is often part of an unfortunate manifestation of the Christian faith – the idea that it is somehow good to suffer.

Nothing could be further from the truth. God's will for us is to enjoy an abundant life. We are meant to be filled with deep joy. Here "abundance" does not mean a pile of earthly things. God's abundance is nothing short of eternal life and resurrection joy. It is a love that knows no limits. It is the idea that we always have "more than enough."

So should you give something up for Lent? Yes. But not to punish yourself. Don't give up chocolate because it's your favorite food. Give up television to spend more time with your family in conversation. Fast from restaurants and use your time and money to feed the hungry. Turn off the computer and open up a Bible. This kind of "giving up" is about abundance – about remembering our nature as people created in God's image, as people transformed by life in Christ.

At Christ Church, we'll spend the entire season of Lent focused on prayer. We'll have a prayer booklet for you to take home, so you'll have a daily scripture passage and a new prayer to say each day of Lent. We'll have a preaching series on the Lord's Prayer. And we're offering a terrific program on Wednesday evenings, a kind of "prayer smorgasbord" so you can try out some new ways of praying.

Melody reminds us in her column (page 4) that we are foremost a community of prayer. Lent is a great time for us to focus on this aspect of our life together. I invite you to a holy, prayerful, and abundant Lent. *Scott ✠*

One Sunday, we invited all present to pose for a "family photo." Even first-time guests joined us with their smiling faces!

*Photo: Matt Bowen*



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## Weekly Calendar

### Sundays

- 8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist (no music)
- 9:15 a.m. - Christian Formation for all ages
- 10:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist (with music)
- 4:45 p.m. - Youth Group
- 6:00 p.m. - Holy Eucharist (with music)

### Wednesdays

- 6:15 p.m. - Holy Eucharist
- 7:00 p.m. - Al-Anon & Alateen
- 7:00 p.m. - Vestry (second Wednesday)

### Thursdays

- 11:00 a.m. - Thrift Shop
- 6:30 p.m. - Companions in Christ
- 6:30 p.m. - Handbell Choir

### Saturdays

- 9:00 a.m. - Thrift Shop

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## Ministry Leaders

Cindy Flaxington, *Acolytes*  
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Doreen Gardner & Cindy Mulvey, *Bazaar*  
Brian Allard, *Bowling League*  
Cindy Flaxington & Briscoe Lang, *Buildings*  
Jen Banos, *Church School*  
Kimberly Allard, *Counters*  
Jane Worton, *Episcopal Charities*  
Elaine DaRosa, *Episcopal Church Women*  
Scott Gunn, *Eucharistic Ministers*  
Melody Shobe, *Eucharistic Visitors*  
Jill Gaines, *Grounds*  
Kimberly Allard, *Handbell Choir*  
Matt Bowen, *Hymns & Hers*  
Robert Lincourt, *Information Systems*  
Beth Richmond, *Junior Choir*  
Mary-Jane Jenson, *Lectors*  
Elaine DaRosa, *Memorial Garden*  
Linda Mendonça, *New Member Ministry*  
Linda Gorman, *Office Volunteers*  
Denyce Johnson, *Renaissance Campaign*  
Judy Foltz, *Prayer Support Group*  
Laura Brion, *Senior Choir*  
Virginia Holt & Pat Cooper, *Share and Care*  
Judy Foltz, *Thrift Shop*  
Carolyn Rancourt, *Web Minister*  
Michael and Beth Silvia, *Youth Group*

**Would you like to learn more about one of these ministries or volunteer to serve? Speak with any of these leaders. The Parish Office will be happy to give you contact information for any of these leaders.**

## STAFF

The Rev'd Scott A. Gunn, *Priest-in-Charge*  
The Rev'd Melody Wilson Shobe, *Associate*  
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Gary Rounds, *Sexton*

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Cindy Flaxington, Carlene Hervieux, Lloyd Richmond (2010)  
Brian Allard, Anne Kilkenny, Grace Lang (2011)  
Jill Gaines, Jim Giammarino, Susan LaFreniere (2012)

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To contact any of our staff or lay leaders,  
use your parish directory or contact the office for current information.

## From the Associate

*Melody Shobe*

In one of his recent sermons, the Archbishop of Canterbury talked about churches today, and how often our bulletin boards are filled with activities. The archbishop pointed out that, while church activities are fine and good, they are not what the church is truly meant to be doing. He said, “So when we look at a building like this where Christians meet, what should we think? We should think this is a place where Jesus prays. And if we had a notice board outside the church, perhaps it ought to read, ‘Monday to Monday, Activities: Jesus praying.’ And on that foundation, every other activity takes place.” The Archbishop went on to say that when Christians pray Jesus is made alive in us and prays through us. We, the body of Christ, carry on the prayer of Jesus.

Sometimes, in the midst of the push and pull of everyday life, it is easy to forget what we, as a church are meant to really be about. When we are struggling with our church budget and worried about the economic climate, it is easy to think that the church is mainly about keeping the doors open and the lights on and the building heated. When our lives are a whirlwind of activity and we don't have much time to give to God, it is easy to think that the church is mainly about coming together on Sundays to worship. When we have been coming to one church for a long time, and our friends and families are here in this place, it is easy to think that they church is mainly about being a community or social club, a place to spend time with the people we care about. When we look at the world around us and we see that there is much suffering and much need, it is easy to

think that the church is mainly a service organization for making meals for the hungry and building houses for the homeless.

The reality is, all of those things are good and important parts of church life. Giving generously to support the work of the church, gathering to celebrate the day of Christ's resurrection on Sundays, spending time in community with fellow Christians, and serving those in need are all aspects of the Christian faith and life. But none of those activities is the true center of our faith, none of them is what we, as a church, are really meant to be about. The center and heart of our faith, the thing that we as a church are really meant to be about, is prayer.

We see the importance of prayer throughout the Hebrew Bible, as the patriarchs and matriarchs of our faith turn to God again and again in their prayers; the Psalms is an entire book of the Bible made up of prayers. We see the focus on prayer in the life and letters of Paul, who talks about prayer more than nearly any other subject in his writings to churches (Philippians 4:6-7, Ephesians 6:18-20). We are also pointed toward prayer in the life and ministry of Jesus. Before and after his miracles, he often went off by himself to spend time in prayer (Matthew 14:23). He prayed on the night before he died (Matthew 26:36-46), and he prayed as he hung from the cross (Luke 23:46). Jesus lived a life formed and framed by prayer.

That is also our call as Christians: to be a people of prayer. We are called to be, not just people who pray from time to time, but people whose whole lives are formed around the practice of prayer. It is from prayer that all of the other parts

of the Christian life are grounded and formed. If we pray, then the spirit of generosity will arise in us. As we pray, we are enabled to come together as a community to worship God with all our hearts and minds. When we pray, we learn how to be in relationship with God and in community with one another. As we pray, we are called and strengthened to go out and serve the poor and the oppressed. The other parts of the Christian life all flow from a heart that prays.

Yet prayer is not always an easy thing to make time for. Oftentimes we aren't quite sure how to get started or how, exactly, we are supposed to pray. This year, during Lent, we at Christ Church are entering a Season of Prayer; we are going to commit ourselves to being a people of prayer. We will have opportunities on Wednesday nights from 7-8 to learn about different ways to pray and to practice a variety of kinds of prayer. We will have a sermon series on Sunday mornings, when different preachers will help us explore more fully the words of the Lord's Prayer that we pray each week. We will offer prayer booklets to every member of Christ Church, so that you can have daily prayers and scriptures to use in your home. If you have never prayed, this is a good chance to give it a try. If you are already in the habit of praying, we hope this will expand and enrich your current prayer life. I hope that you will join us for as many of these opportunities as you can. I hope you will commit yourself, if only for the 40 days of Lent, to being a person of prayer. May we all have the courage to practice the discipline of prayer so that someday we will be able to follow the call of our faith to "pray without ceasing." (1 Thessalonians 5:17)

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

During Lent, we will use this modern version of the Lord's Prayer in our celebrations of Holy Eucharist. As we seek to be mindful of our call to be people of prayer, we want to encourage the deliberate, thoughtful use of this prayer. The traditional version can become so familiar that its use is merely a rote recitation, rather than a heartfelt prayer.

There will be several liturgical changes in the holy season of Lent, all geared toward drawing us into a life of constant prayer. If you have thoughts or questions, speak with Scott or Melody.

# From the Wardens

*Joel Gardner & Bob Kay*

**A**t the time of this writing, we are putting the finishing touches on our annual stewardship campaign. Thanks to the hard work of many people, particularly Dennis and Sue LaFreniere, we are pleased to be able to report that the renewed pledges and new pledges received to date have a combined increase of twenty-four percent over last year. While there are still some pledges outstanding, this is a truly inspiring effort on the part of our parish which has allowed your vestry to approve a budget that will continue to fund the programs and ministries that are a vital part of our parish life. A copy of the budget is posted in the Great Hall.

The really exciting part of the stewardship program for this year is that we have begun to look at stewardship in a different way. In fact, the program did not emphasize the costs of operating our parish, but rather focused on what it means to be good stewards of the treasures that God has given us as individuals, and the importance of generously giving back some of these treasures to support God's work. This powerful message was spread by personal testimony, and by letters and personal contacts. The results were inspiring, with many people increasing their pledges by 20% or more, and others maintaining their pledges in the face of financial hardships that are all too common today's economy. While we still need to improve our stewardship at Christ Church, we know that with God's help, we will continue to grow

a healthy stewardship culture. We are confident that someday soon, finances will no longer be an issue when planning programs and preparing our budget.

Your new vestry met for the first time on February 11th. It was a pleasure to welcome new members Jill Gaines and Jim Giammarino, and to welcome back Sue LaFreniere for a second term. We had a great meeting, and sketched out plans for the coming year. We also wish to extend our appreciation to "retiring" vestry members Mary-Jane Jensen and Jane Worton.

Be sure to watch for news as we prepare to celebrate the 175th anniversary of our parish. Many thanks to our resident "historians" who pointed out this historic milestone. If you would like to be part of the planning, please contact one of your wardens.

We are grateful to all of you for your support and prayers, please continue to pray for our vestry and our parish, and to give thanks for this wonderful community of faithful servants.

## **Did you know?**

Our church has a Senior Warden and a Junior Warden. These two people are the principal lay leaders of the church. The Senior Warden has care of the parish whenever the Priest-in-Charge is away. The Junior Warden has primary responsibility for our buildings and temporal goods. The current office-holders are Joel Gardner and Bob Kay.

# Church School news

*Jen Banos*

Lent is upon us and it seems a most fitting time to consider some resolutions that help to promote our church culture to the children at Christ Church.

Respect sacred times. When families worship together, we learn from each other.

We hope to see children sitting with adults, ready to be prompted to recognize those more “important” times during worship. The rule of thumb can be “if it is a time for adults to stand, children should stand” and be encouraged to rest their crayons for a few minutes and be attentive. Gospel readings and preparing for Thanksgiving are such times.

Respect sacred places. Scott has asked for traffic through the sacristy to be minimal as this is a place for preparing for worship in God’s house. Use your best judgement, and use the front doors to enter/exit church unless it is necessary to enter the sacristy.

As adults, we are in a position to model behavior that we hope to see in the children. We recognize their critical role in carrying out our legacy and hope that they will go on to live as Christians, whether it be here at Christ Church or to the parishes that lie ahead in their future paths.

Here is a suggestions of how to enrich the relationship between God and our students. To create a metaphor...consider that Sunday School is like an ice cream sundae (for the healthier eaters, you may envision a cheese and cracker plate!)

The foundation: A large scoop of Church School regularly. Volunteers work hard to create and present lessons to engage these young learners in thoughtful conversation. Students have lots to say, and often steer the direction of how the discussion goes.

The fixings: Rich conversation during those captive audience times (layered in the car, sprinkled in line at the store, drizzled over the dinner table).

The cherry on top: Attending any one of the three services as a family on a weekly basis. No “sundae” is complete without one!



On February 15, Scott blessed several items from a new set of Communion vessels that we will use during Lent. During Lent, we avoid the use of “shiny things,” so we do not use our normal metal chalices and patens.

# the sunday forum

Join us every Sunday at 9:15  
in the Parish House  
for lively conversation  
on matters of faith and spirituality.

Starting March 8, we begin a series on the Psalms.

Led by the Rev'd Scott Gunn & the Rev'd Melody Shobe.

## Lenten Prayer Series

Wednesdays 7-8 p.m.

March 4 - April 8

**Want to enrich your prayer  
life? Need some new ways to  
talk with God?**

*Try Contemplative Prayer*

*Praying with Scripture*

*Walking the labyrinth*

*Praying with Icons*

*and more...*

*Speak with Melody to learn more*

## emmaus



Candles  
Shadows  
Joyful  
Casual  
Thoughtful  
Holy  
Restful  
Multimedia  
Communion  
Ancient worship  
Modern thinking

**Sundays at 6 p.m.  
in the Parish House**

## HOLY WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

### **Palm Sunday, April 5**

Holy Eucharist with the Blessing of Palms, 9 a.m.

Procession, Holy Eucharist with the Blessing of Palms, 10:30 a.m.

Emmaus, 6 p.m.

*Begin Holy Week in quiet contemplation and meditation, with Blessing of Palms*

### **Holy Wednesday, April 8**

The Office of Tenebrae, 7 p.m.

*Prayers, psalms, and readings – with shadows and light*

### **Maundy Thursday, April 9**

Holy Eucharist, 7 p.m.

*The Washing of Feet, the Stripping of the Altar, and the Reservation of the Sacrament*

### **Good Friday, April 10**

Solemn Liturgy of the Day, 7 p.m.

*Reading of the Passion, Devotions at the Cross, Mass of the Pre-sanctified*

### **Holy Saturday, April 11**

Liturgy of the Day, 9 a.m.

### **Easter Eve, April 11**

The Great Vigil of Easter, 8 p.m.

*Kindling of the New Fire, Salvation Stories, Holy Baptism, and Holy Eucharist*

### **The Sunday of the Resurrection, April 12**

Procession and Holy Eucharist, 8 & 10:30 a.m.

*Joyous Easter music at both services. Linger for festive Coffee Hour*

Emmaus, 6 p.m.

*A joyous meditation on the mysteries of Easter.*

**Except for Emmaus, all services are in the Church**

# Parish news round-up

## Feed Your Neighbor: Eagle Scout Service Project

On Saturday, March 14, Christ Church will be the site of a “Soup & Salad Dinner” to benefit the St. George’s food pantry. This is an Eagle Scout Leadership/Community Service project by Andrew Rancourt, a member of Troop 12, Berkeley-Ashton, who is a 2008 Confirmand and also a teacher’s assistant in the church school J2A program.

Volunteers are needed to help by baking cupcakes, helping with food preparation and serving/cleanup. Monetary donations to help defray the cost of supplies will also be gratefully accepted. Please contact Andrew at (401) 722-6615 to volunteer your services or donate.

## Coffee Hour

*Jen Banos*

The opportunity to break bread (or sweets and crackers) with friends and family is available just about every Sunday in the calendar year. We want to thank all who have taken turns to contribute to this most important ministry.

With Lent about to begin, this is the perfect time to sign up to host Coffee Hour as a “Lenten discipline”: “I will sign up for one Sunday to host fellowship after the 10:30 service in 2009.” This simply means to bake/buy a snack and keep an eye on the coffee fixings. Clean up is minimal. Partner up with a friend or two, sign up with representatives of a ministry you participate on...or even pick a week that offers you the chance to meet a new friend!

Is there a date special to you because of a birthday or anniversary? Is someone graduating or making their Confirmation? Are you overwhelmed with gratitude because something extraordinary happened in your life? Did you have a tough month and somehow saw it through with some sanity remaining? By the grace of God, you have the opportunity to give back to your church family.....available dates are posted in the Great Hall.

Hurry! Dates will fill quickly, with only 52 Sundays and over 200 parishioners!!

## Photo Directory

Thanks to the 50+ families who had their pictures taken in early February. There was some confusion with Olan Mills, and so some of you received multiple reminder calls, while others did not receive any phone calls. We’re sorry about the confusion. We hope to have 150+ families in our directory, and so we’ve arranged for Olan Mills to return in May to take more pictures. The photo sessions cost you nothing, and you get an 8 x 10 photo and a free directory. If you want, you can purchase family photos for your friends and relatives. Most important, we want to see your smiling faces in our new parish directory! Contact Denyce Johnson (401-723-9969) to learn more.

## **Altar Guild**

*Jane Gawwin*

The first meeting of 2009 of the Altar Guild will be held in the Parish House on Tuesday, February 24 at 7 p.m. In charge of refreshments for the meeting are Dot Bannon and Linda Mendonça.

The Altar Guild March meeting will be held in the church on Tuesday, March 24 for cleaning and polishing in preparation for Easter. All members are urged to attend. Refreshments will be served by Sue LaFreniere and Lorry Boss.

Thank you to everyone who helped in any way to make our church festive during the Christmas season – especially the folks who gave wreaths, plants, and flowers as memorials or in thanksgiving to decorate the church.

Many thanks to all the Guild members and to the men who hung the greens and set up and took down our plant stands and greens. Without all your help, none of this would be possible. New Members are always welcome.

## **New Member Ministry**

*Linda Mendonca*

Almost every week a new person walks through the doors of Christ Church to attend a service on Sunday morning or evening. The new member ministry is on going as we are always attempting to provide a welcoming atmosphere for guests and potential members. The other part of making new members welcome is helping them integrate into parish life here at Christ Church. This sometimes is not as easy to accomplish as people come from many diverse

backgrounds. The definition of diverse is “distinct in kind; disparate; unlike.”

I was invited to attend a Kristallnacht Concert this past November 9 at the VMA in Providence by a colleague of mine who was singing in the choir. This concert relived one thousand years of Jewish history and how it came to a shattering end one night seventy years ago on November 9, 1938. It was a wonderful concert and I learned a lot of history as it was narrated by Leonard Nimoy.

The most impressionable memory of the concert was the ending in a special setting of Psalm 133: “How good and pleasant it is for brothers and sisters to dwell together in harmony.” Diversity is something we all need to embrace and consider when trying to make guests and newcomers feel welcome in God’s house.

## **Free TV**

If you need a television, you can get one for free. It’s a bargain, and it will help save the planet by reducing consumption. You can get your new 25” Zenith color TV from Pat. Leave a message at (401) 724-1922.

# Youth Group news

*Beth & Mike Silvia*

## CAN YOU BELIEVE THIS?!

Did we get your attention? Well then, you might as well keep reading. Your children are growing up quickly right before your eyes! Here they are entering the teen years ...where does the time go? Parents today face so many challenges in raising teenagers. There are so many more influences out there that we did not have growing up. Music, media and technology are constantly available and are a big presence in the lives of young people today.

Well, we wish to be another source of influence. Mike and I take our calling to ministry very seriously and are always planning loads of fantastic activities that are not only an absolute blast for the young people but more importantly will help to lay the foundation for a life centered in Christ. We are here, every Sunday evening. What we ask from you as parents is to get your kids here. Believe me, when I say, with seven children of our own, we know how difficult it is to manage schedules, but we promise this is an investment of your time as a parent that will bless your child's life immensely!

Here are just a few ways belonging to a youth group is important to your teen:

We help give them the tools they need to make good decisions when faced with the pressures of today's society.

They will develop deep and lasting friendships, compassion for others, peer accountability, and spirituality ...all while having such a good time that it doesn't even feel like growth

and learning!

SO... arrange car pools, ask grandparents to help with driving, talk it up to your kids and make youth group as much of a priority for your teen as jobs, sports and hanging out with friends.

Remember, we can help you get through those crazy teenage years and raise children that are firmly planted in the foundation of Christianity that will stay with them for the rest of their lives.

We meet each Sunday evening at 4:45pm and welcome youth in 7th through 12th grade.

Questions? Want to receive our email updates? Write to us at [silviamusic@cox.net](mailto:silviamusic@cox.net).

*Fisherman's Follies present*

## Fish Eyes

A humorous and poignant look at the lives of Jesus' disciples.

Making an encore appearance at  
Christ Church

Sunday, March 1

4 p.m.

Great Hall

*Suggested donation of \$5*

# Parish Calendar

Tuesday, FEBRUARY 24. Get yourself ready for Lent by loading up on pancakes. Come to the Parish House at 6 p.m. for **yummy pancakes, a Mardi Gras parade, and the burning of palms.** (We use the ashes the next day for Ash Wednesday.) Suggested price is \$6 for adults and \$4 for children. If you have palms from last year's Palm Sunday, bring them along for the fire!

Wednesday, FEBRUARY 25. **Today is the start of Lent, Ash Wednesday.** We'll offer services at noon and 7 p.m. in the Church. Both services include Holy Eucharist and the Imposition of Ashes.

Sunday, MARCH 1. Our 10:30 service begins today **begins with the Great Litany as we usher in a season of prayer.** Our Lenten preaching series begins today, as we spend five weeks focused on the Lord's Prayer. Come back in the afternoon for Fish Eyes (see opposite page).

Wednesday, MARCH 4. After you attend our midweek Holy Eucharist at 6:15 p.m., **come over to the Parish House for our Lenten Series.** We'll spend the remaining Wednesdays in Lent considering several kinds of prayer: contemplative prayer, Taize chant, praying with icons, walking a labyrinth, and more. Each night's program begins at 7 p.m. and ends at 8 p.m. We'll talk about each form of prayer and then give it a try. Speak with Melody to learn more.

Friday, MARCH 6 and Saturday, MARCH 7. **Diocesan Convocation** offers a chance to gather for social time and Christian formation to our whole diocese. Keynote speaker Mother Carol Anderson will inspire us all with her spirit-filled talks about the transformation her parish has experienced. She is rector of All Saints', Beverly Hills, CA. Visit the diocesan website to learn more about Convocation. All are welcome to attend.

Saturday, APRIL 4. **What is the day before Palm Sunday? Palm Saturday, of course!** Families are invited to join us for a unique experience this day, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Today it's also OK to drop off the kids, if parents need some time to run errands.)

We'll make palm crosses, decorate Easter eggs, bake bread, create Easter cards for shut-ins, and more! Lunch is included. The centerpiece of the day is a retelling and dramatic presentation of the liturgies of Holy Week geared for children. Speak with Scott to learn more.

Sunday, APRIL 5 through Sunday, APRIL 12. **It's Holy Week. See page nine for details.**

Saturday, MAY 9. **Confirmation will be held at the Cathedral of St. John in Providence at 10 a.m.** If you are an adult interested in confirmation, reception into the Episcopal Church, or the reaffirmation of faith, speak with Scott or Melody.

## ***In memoriam***

*Jane Gauvin*

*January 2009*

Candles are given to the glory of God and in memory of David Hastings and Richard and Elizabeth Oram.

Flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory or thanksgiving for the life of...

January 4 – Vincent Nicastro, Joshua Verdoia and John and Lillian Valentine

January 11 – Janice Richmond, Milton L. Kaye and Thomas C. Almond

January 18 – Beatrice Butler, Ruth Brown, Bernard and Violet MacManus, August J. Dube, Scott A. Robertson, Alfred and Elsie DiPetrillo

January 23 – In thanksgiving for the marriage of Lindsay Giammarino and Kery Ogletree; in memory of Shirley Smith, Joseph Cox, and Jennie Giammarino

January 30 – Charles Gauvin, William Moore, Janice Harris and John and Ethel Graham

*February 2009*

Candles are given to the glory of God and in memory of Frank L. Miller Sr., Ethel Miller, Frank L. Miller Jr., and Robert A. Butler.

Flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of...

February 1 – George Stansfield, Althea McAllister, and Robert C. Long

February 8 – Todd C. Moore Sr., Marion Rhodes, and Raymond Simskie

February 15 – Samuel Holgate, Annie and

Robert McKenna, and Catherine Aldrich

February 22 – Manuel J. and Bernice S. Duarte, John and Ethel Goften, and Joseph and Louise North, Leonard R. Jenson

*March 2009*

Candles are given to the glory of God and in memory of Harry and Mary Elizabeth Lancaster. Herbert Lancaster and Harold Atcheson and Judy Atcheson Branigan.

Flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory for the life of...

March 1 – Henry Beck, William Rhodes Sr., Irene Gill, and William L. Parkinson

March 8 – Elizabeth McCausland, Ethel MacPherson

March 15 – Harry S. Lewis and Jay Scott Moore

March 22 – Alfred and Susannah Hough, Peter and Edna Harbeck, and Raymond Harbeck

March 29 – Louise B. North, Ethel MacPherson, Jean D. Bardsley and James A. Patterson



## Easter Memorial Plants

If you would like to have an Easter plant given in memory of a loved one, or in thanksgiving for something special in your life, use the form below and **return it before March 18** to

Jane Gauvin  
57 Amherst Street  
Cumberland, RI 02864

Enclosed is my contribution for \_\_\_ Plants @ \$14.00 per plant. Please make checks payable to Christ Church Altar Guild.

In Memory of:

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or in Thanksgiving for:

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Given by:

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Plants will be taken out to the sick and shut-ins by the Altar Guild members following the Easter services.

Names will not be printed in the Chronicle, but those who wish additional copies of the Easter leaflet to send to family or friends, please call me at (401) 726-0211, or pick them up in the back of the church.

Thank you for responding promptly.  
*Jane Gauvin*  
*Altar Guild Directress*

## The Parish Register

### Baptism

The next baptisms are scheduled for April 11 and May 31. If you are interested in Holy Baptism for yourself or you child, please speak with Melody or Scott.

### Baptized on December 5, 2008

Samuel James Richmond  
*Son of Jason and Stephanie Richmond, grandson of Deborah Clayton, and great-grandson of Shirley Kaye*

### Married on November 15, 2008

Shane Harrold and Christina Melia

### Married on January 23, 2009

Lindsay Giammarino and Kery Ogletree

### Burials

Barbara Neil Schwenk  
Leslie Hope Breault Brennan  
Kenneth Duffell  
Norman Large  
Edith White

### Prayer Requests

If you have someone you would like prayed for during the Prayers of the People on Sunday, please call the Parish Office by Wednesday. All requests for prayers will be kept for one month. If prayers are still needed we ask that you call again.

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**Yummy pancakes! Mardi Gras parade! Burning palms!** This is a sure-fire recipe for fun. Join us Tuesday, February 24, at 6 p.m. for a festive pre-Lent pancake supper.

Get your Lent off to the right start. **Come to one of our Ash Wednesday services** on February. Join us at noon or 7 p.m. for the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion.