

Grace Notes

One New Episcopal Church From Two Historic Parishes

Volume 3 Number 9

October 2023

Hi everyone,

Grace has hit the ground running in September and we are off to a GREAT start! As you recall, we had our “Backpack, Grandparent, and BBQ Blessings” Sunday service on September 10th to jump start the program year with a vestry retreat also in September. We also celebrated a wedding for a couple outside of Grace who were married last Saturday at our St. Paul’s campus.

In October, we are keeping the momentum going! We just did two pet blessing services, for instance, last Sunday at both our Trinity and St. Paul’s campuses.



Also, last Tuesday, Bishop Shin held the first of what will be quarterly meetings for all the churches in the diocese who are merging and collaborating, and he asked us to be the host for that diocesan meeting. We gratefully accepted and hosted a terrific meeting. As I said to you when I applied to Grace, the diocese and I see Grace as a leader in a merger trend that many

others in the diocese will be following, and it is heartening that the diocese views us as leaders in that regard.

This Sunday, Bishop Shin returns to not only worship with us but also to celebrate Deacon Dorothee’s many transitions: into her employment retirement, into a new home with her husband, and into a new phase of her diaconal life. Come join us live or on livestream this Sunday at 10:30 AM at our St. Paul’s campus as we thank her and celebrate her for her years of bountiful and faithful ministry to many people and churches within greater Ossining.

October marks the start of our stewardship campaign and you will get information soon about how you can support Grace with your prayers, involvement, and financial support.

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, October 29th. That will be our next “Fifth Sunday” to be held at our St. Paul’s campus and the focus is a “Grace Parish 6-Month Update.” The vestry has decided to continuously report to the parish on the financial and missional state of the parish every six months – once a year at the annual meeting and then six months later on the October 5th Sunday. Come learn more, ask questions, and make suggestions about how we can move Grace forward into its next level of integration. That meeting will be held in the Parish Hall after our 10:30 AM worship.

Finally, also mark your calendars for Sunday, November 12th. That will be our new Pledge Sunday service at St. Paul's. On that day, we also shall celebrate Grace's 2nd anniversary, which corresponds with the time Grace was officially announced and recognized by the Diocese of New York.

There are lots more great things to celebrate at Grace -- and you can learn about them in the rest of this monthly newsletter. In the meantime, keep up your prayers, participation, and support for Grace. You make a difference, and, together, we make a difference for many in Ossining.

Gratefully,

Fr. Hal+

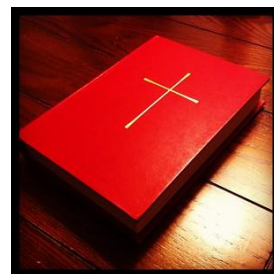
EVENING GRACE



Evening Grace is a new bi-weekly lay-led spiritual service based on quiet meditation and alternate forms of worship including movement, chanting, walking meditation, etc. We meet the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month.

Our next gathering will be October 5th, 7:00–8:00 PM at our St Paul's campus—with a drumming circle! We hope you can join us! Questions? Contact us at eveninggrace@graceossining.org.

The diocese has started weekday an online morning prayer service at 8:00 AM via Zoom. The 30-minute service will offer an opportunity for us to join together daily in shared prayer—the foundation of our Anglican tradition and our lives as Christians. The service will use the 1979 Book of Common Prayer, Rite II Morning Prayer liturgy and will include different leaders as officiants and feature diverse voices to offer brief daily reflections.



[Click here](#) for the zoom link. You'll be invited to register when you join.

Everyone's invited! Bishop Matthew Heyd hopes Morning Prayer will widely engage voices from across our diocese and will be intercultural in its expression. He'll support the service along with postulants and candidates preparing for ordination in our Diocese and thanks Canon Victor Conrado for helping imagine this new service and Alito Orsini for coordinating.



OUR UPCOMING SERVICES

October 1	10:30 AM	Holy Eucharist (Trinity Campus)	St. Francis Day
	1:00 PM	Blessing of the Animals (St. Paul's Campus)	
October 4	7:00 PM	Evening Grace (St. Paul's Campus)	
October 8	10:30 AM	Holy Eucharist (St. Paul's Campus)	Proper 18
		Bishop Shin's Visit & Deacon Dorothee's Retirement Reception	
October 15	10:30 AM	Holy Eucharist (Trinity Campus)	Proper 19
October 18	7:00 PM	Evening Grace (Trinity Campus)	
October 22	10:30 AM	Holy Eucharist (St. Paul's Campus)	Proper 20
October 22	10:30 AM	Holy Eucharist (St. Paul's Campus)	Proper 21
		Fifth Sunday Review of Grace's Past Six Months	

All Sunday services are live streamed to our YouTube channel. And you can also find them there and on our Facebook page after the service is over. The links are:

YouTube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCP1qGAuJlIxWU8Z_ucCKEGA

Grace's Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/graceossining/>



DEACON BEACON

Transitions...

Stardate September 24, 2023: I'm sitting by my daughter-in-law Sarah's birthing bed and waiting for my new granddaughter's transition into this world. This has me thinking about the transitions about to take place in my own life.

I've lived in Westchester my whole life, apart from a brief period as a teenager in St. Thomas that never actually stuck. I'm about to transition from a lifetime of working to a life in retirement, 3 hours from Westchester in a county called Herkimer. Transitions!

Grace Church has experienced many transitions in my 5 years with you this last go-around together. You're on your 4th priest and you've got a new deacon who will remain with you when I depart. And that's just your clergy transitions. In these 5 years you've transitioned from individual Sister Parishes to Grace. Gone are the two vestries, the multiple Worship Committees and Buildings and Grounds Committees, etc. etc. etc.!

And there are more transitions to come. But this is the way of life, right? Just like Sarah has to labor to bring my granddaughter into the world—and she would tell you right now how not fun this is (!)—so does Grace have to labor to move into where God is calling you. It may not always be easy, but as I transition out, I am comforted in knowing that you have a stable clergy team in Hal and Jean Marie, and God is already in the future where you are being called. I'd say you are in great hands.

Now I'm going back to Sarah and the privilege I have of being a labor coach!

See you in church, at least for a short while more.

Deacon Dorothée

PS. Stardate September 25, 2023: Mabel Faye Caulfield, 7 lb. 3 oz., was born at 8:07 AM! Thanks be to God everyone is doing great.

Deacon Dorothée



VESTRY REPORT

Simmer into Fall and check out what is brewing at Grace

- Update on Potter Hall: the gutters, leaders, and underground plumbing have been cleaned and the recent rains bubbled up one potential underground pipe clog that will be remediated once things dry out. Next steps will be to complete permanent pilings to complete the floor.
- Trinity campus organ awaits the electrician to complete the work.
- Our Vestry Retreat on September 9th discussed Grace's future with respect to Mission and Resources. This is an ongoing discussion, and the vestry welcomes comments and questions as we prepare for 2024 and beyond.
- Bishop Shin is visiting October 8th and... we celebrate Deacon Dorothee too...boo-hoo that she's retiring, though...
- Pledging and Stewardship kicks off in October, look for further details in the weekly emails.
- November 12th is Pledging Sunday, mark your calendar and plan on attending.
- Thank you to Alison Ford for volunteering to be Grace's liaison to Loaves & Fish, stepping in for Jo McGrath. Thanks, Jo, for your service. Grace's kitchen angels will be serving our guests December 9th at our Trinity campus.

Blessings,

Wardens: Darryl Moy (2024) darryl.moy@gmail.com
Cecilia Quintero (2025) cquintero1506@gmail.com

Vestry Members:
Sarah Davis (2025) songbird0606@outlook.com
Kellie Ishmael (2024) kellieishmael@gmail.com
Milton Kerr (2024) mkdj46@yahoo.com
Maribeth Osgood (2025) mosgood@optonline.net
Jo Ann McGrath (2026), mcgrathinator@gmail.com
Kate Pendzuk (2026) treasurergraceossining@gmail.com

WELCOME BACK SUNDAY BBQ



WE ARE TOGETHER!!



Even in the rain, John is there!!



What Could They Be Waiting For?



The Desserts?



The Food!



LOAVES AND FISH

DINNER SERVED BY GRACE WITH GRACE!

Grace Ossining's Loaves and Fish Team served a hearty home-cooked meal of rice and beans, roasted loin of pork, and a vegetable medley, with brownies and cookies for dessert to our neighbors in Potter Hall on Saturday, September 9, at 5:00. Many thanks to Darryl and Mark for cooking the loin roasts, to Sue Monroe for setting up the hall for the guests, and to Ed Shultz for doing the pick-up for donated baked goods at ShopRite in Croton. Grace provides this meal as a member team in the Loaves and Fish ministry for anyone arriving at the door. As the days grow shorter and the temperatures drop it's even more important that we provide a warm and friendly atmosphere to eat and socialize. Donations to support this ministry are gratefully appreciated!

Thank you to all our team members (Linnet Baker, Jean Bonito, Alison Ford, Jo McGrath, Mark and Sue Monroe, Cha and Darryl Moy, Elfreda Okyne, Joe Orfino, Ed Shultz, and Bev Vaillancourt) for their hard work and commitment to this worthy ministry. The team has served five sit-down meals over the past year. If you are interested in joining or contributing either through working with us or contributing financially to the ministry, please contact the church office. Please join us as we build relationships within our congregation and into our community while doing God's work.

Welcome Alison Ford, who will be our new leader for this important ministry! Thank you, Alison, for stepping forward to serve! Though I will continue as an active member of the team I am handing the reins to Alison. If you would like to contact her, her email is alisonford@msn.com

Signing off for now.....

Jo

Christmas Wreath Order Form

Grace Episcopal Church
P.O. Box 108, Ossining, New York, 10562
914-941-6627
tina@graceossining.org



Order your un-decorated double-faced balsam wreaths and White Pine Roping today!
Wreath measurement is the Outer Edge-to-Edge Dimension, estimated.

Item	Cost	Quantity	Total Payment
22 inch wreath	\$20.00		
26 inch wreath	\$25.00		
30 inch wreath	\$30.00		
36 inch wreath	\$50.00		
Roping – 25 yards	\$55.00		
TOTAL			

Please enter quantities and total payment due, and submit completed form to the church office,
tina@graceossining.org by **Sunday, October 15, 2023**.
Payment (cash or check) is appreciated when ordering. Check made out to Grace Episcopal Church.

All orders **DUE Sunday, October 21, 2023**. Order pickup TBD. Questions: please call the church office at 914-941-6627 or email: tina@graceossining.org

Thank you and make it a blessed holiday.

Please **Print** Legibly

Name: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Total Payment Due: \$ _____ Paid: \$ _____

Make Checks payable to Grace Episcopal Church. Thank you in advance.

☐ **Check** the box if you would like to be added to our friends email distribution list to receive our monthly Grace Notes newsletter and future event notices. Thank you for your support.



The Episcopal Diocese of New York

All Episcopalians in the Diocese of New York are warmly invited and encouraged to attend the

First 2023 Diocesan Convention Online Roll-out Meeting

[View/Download the
Proposed Budget](#)

[View/Download the
Canonical Resolutions](#)

Each rollout meeting will provide essential information as we prepare for the November 11th Diocesan Convention, and will include time for questions and answers.

[Zoom Link for All Meetings: dioceseny.org/rollouts23](https://dioceseny.org/rollouts23)

All meetings will be:

Accessible

Every meeting will have Spanish interpretation available and will be close captioned and signed in ASL.

Respectful of your time

Every effort will be made to begin and end each meeting on time.

Recorded for later viewing

The meetings will be recorded and posted online after they take place, along with meeting notes.

[Read the letter from Bishop Glasspool introducing this year's convention and rollout meetings.](#)



OCTOBER EVENTS

- 1 St. Francis' Day and Blessing of the Animals
(10:30 AM, Trinity Campus; 4:00 PM, St. Paul's Campus)
- 1 The Book Club discusses *Trust* via Zoom
- 3 Collaborative Ministry Group (Noon, St. Paul's Campus)
- 5 Evening Grace (7:00 PM, St. Paul's Campus)
- 8 Bishop Shin's Visitation/Deacon Dorothee's Farewell (10:30 AM, St. Paul's Campus)
- 9 Stewardship Kickoff Announced
- 14 Grace in Grief (10:00 AM, St. Paul's Campus)
- 19 Evening Grace (7:00 PM, Trinity Campus)
- 25 Vestry Meeting (7:00 PM, location TBD)
- 28 Grace in Grief (10:00 AM, St. Paul's Campus)

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Jackie Shaw	1	Joanne Holsten Prince	23
Elizabeth Triano	4	Lindsey Pasioka	23
Kathy Plank	5	Jean-Charles DeOliveira Scappaticci	23
Miriam Duddie	8	Victoria Jusu-Davies	23
Carl Gonsalves	8	Danny Black	25
Jean Marie Angelo	9	Cora Bomwell	25
Christine Pendzuk	9	Ann Gulian	26
The Rev. Canon Charles P. Pridemore	9	Sam Bethea	28
Heather Marie Dias	14	Philip Rosenbloom	29
Robert Gormley	14	Joseph Flihan	30
Bea Gormley	15	Mark Monroe	30
Kerri Cranston	18	Grant Pollack	31
Jasun Moy	21		

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Bob and Carol Torpie	1	Raymond and Tina Farrell	18
Cooper Conway and Peter Madison	5	Linnet and Charles Baker	22
Salvatore John and Elizabeth Triano	16		



CLERGY

The Rev. Hal Roark, Priest-in-Charge
The Rev. Dorothée R. Caulfield, Deacon
The Rev. Jean Marie Angelo, Deacon

VESTRY

Darryl Moy, Warden	Cecilia Quintero, Warden
Jo Ann McGrath, Clerk	
Kate Pendzuk, Treasurer	
Sarah Davis	Milton Kerr
Kellie Ishmael	Maribeth Osgood

STAFF

Tina Farrell and Tamsen Hernández, Parish Administrators
Suji Jung, Music Director
Katherine Pendzuk, Verger
Anthony Sena, Sexton, St. Paul's Campus
Pablo Montoya, Sexton, Trinity Campus

MISSION STATEMENT

To love God is a call to action. Strengthened by prayer, worship, and study,
Grace Church embraces and serves all people, the earth, and every living thing.