

Grace Notes

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SPRING HAS SPRUNG... OR HAS IT?

Here we are in an extended period of waiting. Most days and nights are still chilly, but the grass is starting to look like the green is returning, the trees are just beginning to bud, the days are beginning to warm, and the sun has that heat to it that brings the promise of new growth. And ... we're waiting for news from our search committee.

We know the search stayed open for an extra 2 weeks in hopes that all the right candidates could apply. And now we wait for the warmth of spring to bring us the news of who God has prepared to be Grace's next priest.

I'm thinking of the bulbs underground—planted with hope in the fall—that are just preparing to send forth first their shoots, then their buds, and then the glorious bloom of color.

What have we planted that is preparing to bloom? How have we tilled the soil to prepare for our next season? We must remember that God is calling Grace Episcopal into new life with or without our new priest, just as we are. We cannot wait for that person. We must get ready to bloom right where we're planted!

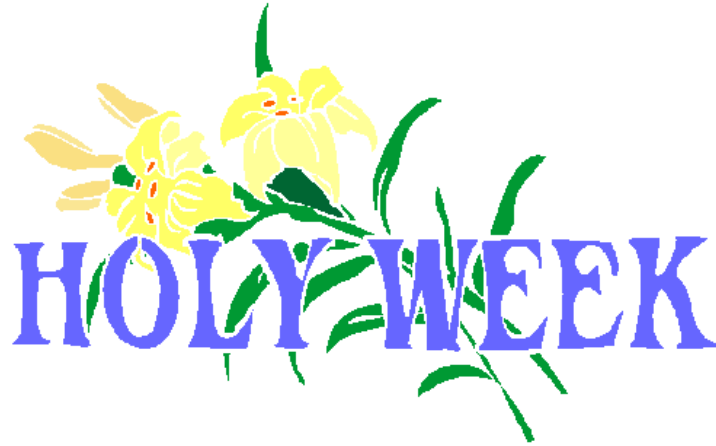
I can share news from the communications team that the website is almost ready to go live! And it is fresh and fabulous! You will be pleased with it, I'm sure. Next will be signage and then there's even more work to do!

The Ossining Fair team is building. Remember that? The sweet taste of strawberries among the community of friends?

How will you get involved in the "Goings on" at Grace? How will you help to tend the new growth that is springing forth? Speak to any vestry member about ways to be involved. There's a place for everyone. Or call me! I'm available to chat as well.

Faithfully,

Deacon Dorothee



OUR UPCOMING SERVICES

NOTE: Palm Sunday begins Holy Week. We will have special services each day.

April 3	10:30 AM	Morning Prayer (Trinity Campus)	Lent 5
April 10	10:30 AM	Holy Eucharist (Trinity Campus)	Palm Sunday
April 11	7:00 PM	Compline (Facebook and YouTube)	Monday
April 12	7:00 PM	Compline (Facebook and YouTube)	Tuesday
April 13	7:00 PM	Evening Prayers (Zoom)	Wednesday
April 14	6:00 PM	Community Supper (St. Paul's Campus)	Maundy Thursday
	7:00 PM	Homily and Stripping of the Altar	
	9:00 PM	Overnight Vigil (Trinity Campus)	
April 15	Noon	Good Friday Liturgy (Trinity Campus)	Good Friday
April 16	7:00 PM	Easter Vigil (All Saints' Briarcliff)	Holy Saturday
April 17	10:30 AM	Holy Eucharist (St. Paul's Campus)	Easter Day
April 24	10:30 AM	Morning Prayer (Trinity Campus)	Easter 2

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

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

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

On Monday, Friday, and Saturday, we pray the service of Compline on our Grace Ossining Facebook page and our YouTube channel. Our leaders are Lainie Murrell, Carolyn Black, and Graham Gulian. Thank you all! On Wednesdays, Deacon Dorothee leads a Zoom service of Evening Prayers at 7:00 PM. The Zoom link is sent at 5:00 PM that day

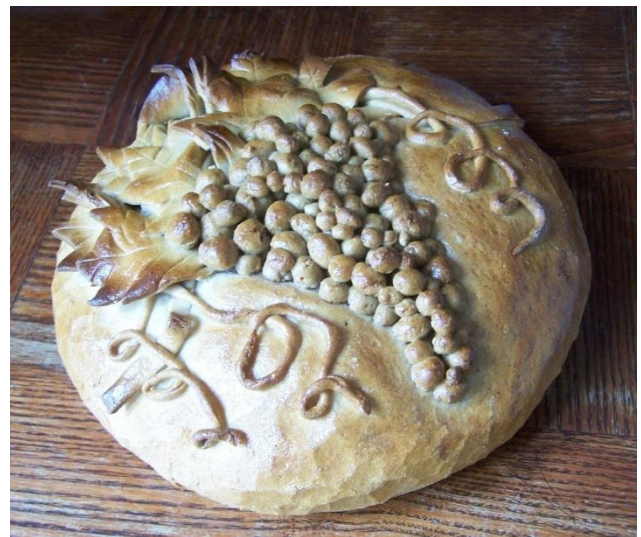


The Rev. Stephen Trever will be officiating at our Palm Sunday Eucharist. Ordained in the Diocese of Massachusetts, Fr. Trever moved to New York City in 2018 from the California Bay Area, where he served as Rector of St. Anne's in Fremont and previously Assistant Rector at St. Mark's in Berkeley. In addition to spending time with his wife Lisa, daughter Maddie, and dog Flora, he enjoys vegetarian cooking and playing bass.

MAUNDY THURSDAY PARISH DINNER AND SERVICE

Please join us for a simple parish supper in the parish hall at the St. Paul's campus at 6:00 PM before our Maundy Thursday service led by Deacon Dorothee at approximately 7:15 PM. All are welcome.

The dinner will be catered by Villarina's Market on Main Street, Ossining and served family style. There is no charge for the dinner, although if you would like to help with the cost, a suggested amount of \$10.00 can be deposited in a plate at the door. Any money collected beyond the cost of the dinner will be donated to local organizations helping families with food insecurity.



The service will include liturgy and a homily and conclude with the traditional stripping of the altar. An altar of repose will be held at the Trinity Campus, beginning at 9:00 PM and ending at 9:00 AM on Good Friday. A sign-up sheet is available in case you would like to be one of those watching during the night. Please contact Kate Pendzuk at vergerkate@yahoo.com if you would like to take one hour.

Contact: Jo McGrath 914-409-8544 (call or text); mcgrathinator@gmail.com with questions and/or comments concerning the supper.



VESTRY UPDATE

The Vestry met twice in March, on March 2nd and March 23rd. Our first meeting set the stage for the work we will do together and our first order of business was designating our Clerk, Mark Monroe, and Treasurer, Kate Pendzuk. We thank them both for stepping forward in their respective roles. We spent time getting to know each other, presenting short biographies of ourselves. We are fortunate to have an accomplished group with many varied gifts to share and serve Grace. Topics discussed involved our monthly financial summary, the role of a vestry person, the importance for transparency and decision making, our committee organizations, and on-going projects at both campuses.

Our second meeting introduced two specific items, a Buildings & Grounds Punch List for both campuses and a Vestry Update, which captures and tracks the many items, requests, and projects that come to the warden's attention weekly. Some of the vestry updates with respect to the Diocese include our Parochial Report, an opportunity to provide input on the next Bishop (yes, there's a Diocesan Search going on, too!), applying for a Diocesan Grant for repairs/restoration, and providing the Diocese with input into our energy use/carbon reduction as part of the Diocesan Green Initiative. Other business included applying for a Westchester County grant, COVID protocols going forward, and updates from the Search Committee and our Supply Priest.

Please share your comments, thoughts, and prayers with either of the wardens or any vestry member. We welcome your input.

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TAKING CARE OF THE EARTH



As we begin April, we enter a period of rebirth and renewed hope with the arriving Spring. Earth Day is a large part of that. Essentially the beginning of modern environmentalism, it was started in 1970 as a response to the 1969 Santa Barbara oil spill that created an oil slick in the Pacific covering hundreds of square miles. This heightened awareness kicked off a period of substantial action including the creation of the Environment Protection Agency, passage of the

Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, Endangered Species Act, Marine Mammal Protection Act, and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act as well as the creation and designation of Superfund sites requiring intensive cleaning and repair.

This April 22nd marks the 52nd anniversary of Earth Day. In recent years there has been an emphasis on thinking and acting locally and there are many things you can do both on Earth Day or throughout the year that can make a difference in both the Town and Village of Ossining. Stash the Trash Ossining is an organization started in 2020 by local resident Aaron Spring that conducts weekly trash cleanups of places around the village of Ossining. A once-weekly cleanup lasting approximately 45-50 minutes can end up removing tons of litter from our streets and land every year. Please check out our Facebook Page or email eshultz5@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering or have any questions.

Riverkeeper is an Ossining-based non-profit that conducts cleanups of rivers and streams throughout New York State. Their 11th Annual day of Service for the Hudson River, the Riverkeeper Sweep, is scheduled for Saturday, May 7, 2022. Last year they coordinated over 100 projects throughout the region to clear nearly 30 tons of garbage from the water and banks of the Hudson River, its tributaries, and other waterways. To explore volunteering possibilities, visit this link:

<https://www.riverkeeper.org/get-involved/volunteer/>

Teatown Lake Reservation is a 1,000 acre nature preserve that contains nearly 15 miles of hiking trails. In addition, they host a summer nature camp and educational seminars, as well as well-known events like EagleFest. In addition to their staff, they rely on donors and volunteers in order to maintain operations. Volunteer opportunities include may trail maintenance, flower planting, and acting as a nature guide. To complete a volunteer application.

<https://www.teatown.org/get-involved/volunteer/volunteer-application/>



SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

Applications for the Priest-in-Charge position for Grace Church Ossining have arrived in our search committee mailbox and all applicant information was sent to committee members on April 1st. The full search committee will meet in person on Tuesday, April 5th to review and discuss the strengths of the candidates. During the meeting, we will set times for candidate Zoom interviews. We are determined to conduct them in as timely a fashion as we can, being mindful of both the schedules of the candidates and the need for an efficient process going forward. A second round of interviews is likely as we carefully and prayerfully narrow our selection process. Our goal is to provide the vestry with our recommendations as quickly as possible, making sure to take the time necessary to find the right priest for Grace Church.

We are aware of the importance of having a priest for Grace as we continue our new journey. We ask for your prayers for wisdom and that God will bring us the candidate that we need. As always, please contact any of us with any questions, suggestions, and/or concerns you might have about our process and progress.

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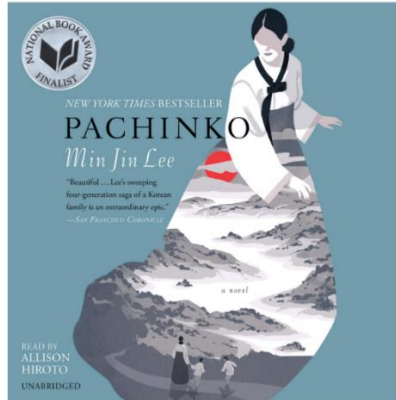
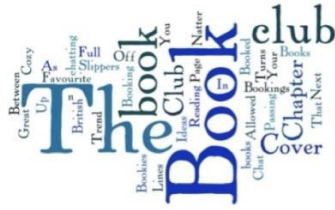
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Pachinko by Min Jin Lee

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/34051011>

After much consideration, I thought this 2017 National Book Award finalist would be a perfect choice given the current headlines and our TBC tradition of discussing books which highlight periods which we likely did not learn about in history class. For those who wish to turn to the 2022 version of *Monarch Notes*, they can also watch the new mini-series which is currently streaming on Apple TV.

https://m.youtube.com/watch?utm_campaign=wp_book_club&utm_medium=email&utm_source=newsletter&wpscsrc=nl_books&v=O1r5XXJOYNA&feature=youtu.be

Have you ever heard of Korea Town in California? This community of immigrants thrived for a while in Southern California and almost completely disappeared. The NBC news story is below:

https://www.nbcnews.com/news/asian-america/first-koreatown-us-was-buried-history-rcna2984?fbclid=IwAR0mFcMdbF93_VDubN_PQ0w_u3M3kETtmg935uPOray7SCne4UUyEgSank

TBC members are asked to save **Sunday, June 26th** for an in-person reunion!

*Don't ask what the world needs.
Ask what makes you come alive and go do it.
Because what the world needs is people who have come alive.*

—Howard Thurman

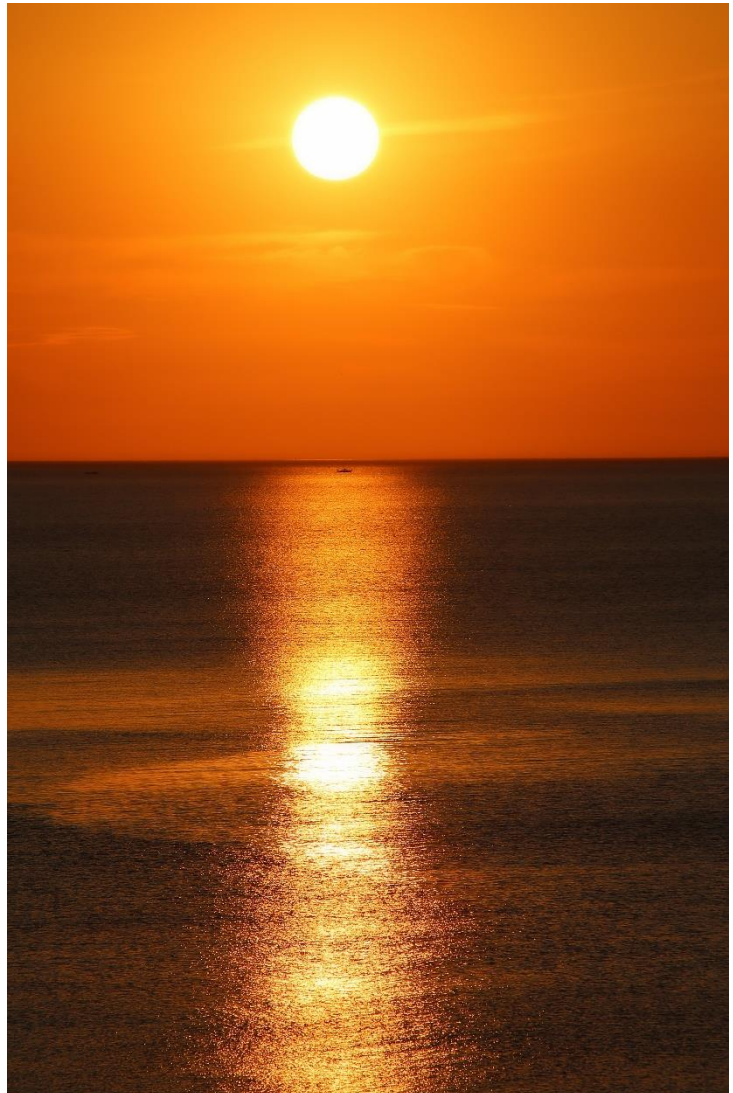


What are you doing the weekend of June 11th this year? Why are we asking? The Ossining Village Fair. Trinity is known for our Strawberry Festival and with our new church (and our new priest 🙏🙏?), a new presence is needed. This is a great opportunity to showcase our Grace mission and ministry to the Ossining community and we need you, our Grace community. Yes, we need a Chair, a committee, and volunteers. Thanks in advance for stepping up and letting us know how you can participate.

A PRAYER FOR THE WORLD

- Rabbi Harold S. Kushner

Let the rain come and wash away
the ancient grudges, the bitter hatreds
held and nurtured over generations.
Let the rain wash away the memory
of the hurt, the neglect.
Then let the sun come out and
fill the sky with rainbows.
Let the warmth of the sun heal us
wherever we are broken.
Let it burn away the fog so that
we can see each other clearly.
So that we can see beyond labels,
beyond accents, gender or skin color.
Let the warmth and brightness
of the sun melt our selfishness.
So that we can share the joys and
feel the sorrows of our neighbors.
And let the light of the sun
be so strong that we will see all
people as our neighbors.
Let the earth, nourished by rain,
bring forth flowers
to surround us with beauty.
And let the mountains teach our hearts
to reach upward to heaven.
Amen.





APRIL EVENTS

- 10 Palm Sunday
- 14 Maundy Thursday Dinner and Stripping of the Altar
Altar of Repose Vigil
- 15 Good Friday
- 16 Easter Vigil (All Saints Briarcliff)
- 17 Easter Sunday
- 20 REPAIR meets
- 22 Staff Meeting
- 27 Vestry Meeting

HOW TO FEEL GOOD EVERYDAY

 <p>Move your body</p>	 <p>Get some sunshine</p>	 <p>Make sleep a priority</p>
 <p>Eat foods that nourish you</p>	 <p>Get out of your comfort zone</p>	 <p>Do something nice for someone else</p>
 <p>Speak kindly to yourself</p>	 <p>Spend time with positive people</p>	 <p>Write down 3 things you're grateful for</p>
 <p>Smile and laugh</p>	 <p>Meditate</p>	 <p>Don't hold grudges</p>



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Katrina DiLoreto	3	Frank Schneckner	17
Ellie Houghtaling	3	Marta "Marti" Bowen	18
Michael Pasieka	3	Warren Dyckman	18
Graham Gulian	7	Kara Pauline	19
Robert Pauline	7	Arlene Lazaro	20
Roger Rowe	7	Lisa Rosenbloom	20
Dorothee Caulfield	8	Domenic Valentine Triano	22
Randall Moeller	8	Charlie Gulian	23
Karen Otten	8	Hannah Ok Beaudreault	24
Sheryl Muth	9	Scott Hunt	24
April Lynn Dias	11	Maureen Washburn	25
Kayla Skylar Nixon	13	Elma Dixon	26
Ann Visconti	13	Synara Okyne-Aryee	26
Jonathan Blair	15	Frances King	26
Liam Houghtaling	16	Bill Plank	29

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Donna and Neville Harvey	12
Kate and Steve Pendzuk	24



CLERGY

The Rev. Dr. Carole Johannsen, Supply Priest
The Rev. Dorothee R. Caulfield, Deacon
Lainie Murrell, Deacon-in-Formation

ST. PAUL CAMPUS OFFICE

Tina Farrell, Administrator
Carolyn R. Black, Music Director Emeritus
Anthony Sena, Sexton

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Katherine Pendzuk, Treasurer and Verger
Pablo Montoya, Sexton

VESTRY

Tam Hernández, Warden Darryl Moy, Warden
Mark Monroe, Clerk
Kate Pendzuk, Treasurer

Kellie Ishmael
Milton Kerr

Maribeth Osgood
Ed Shultz



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.

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