

Grace Notes

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Ah, May. There's so much to celebrate in May. The earth continues its trip around the sun and brings warm weather, sunshine, and flowers. The promise of fresh vegetables is not far off. I remember as a child picking violets and dandelions for May baskets. The day always made me look forward to the much-anticipated summer vacation. Toward days when I was not scheduled to the hilt with school and activities.

So, this month my questions for you are: what are you anticipating? What unscheduled time can you set aside for yourself? And what might you do with unscheduled time?

How will you make space for unscheduled time in your life? Even just a little time without plans can be a great stress reliever. Can you take a 'day-off' from the hustle and bustle of daily life and do something refreshing for your soul? Perhaps you could make a trip to the Botanical Gardens? Storm King? A play, a concert, or a movie? Or even just set aside some quiet time to curl up with a good book.

And, while the days are getting warmer, Grace Church is anticipating news from our search committee that will be warm as well. I wonder who God has prepared to be our next priest. I wonder what they will be like. I know the search committee has listened to your wants and needs and that God has already done the work... and still we wait.

Just like a garden bed needs to be prepared for the new season's planting, we need to prepare ourselves for the new priest. How will you help your soul prepare?

My prayer for all of us as we get ready for the next priest would be for some time to be still and know that God has marvelous plans for Grace Church, and all we have to do is accept the love God sends our way.

See you in church...

Deacon Dorothee



OUR UPCOMING SERVICES

May 1	10:30 AM	Morning Prayer (St. Paul's Campus)	Easter 3
May 8	10:30 AM	Holy Eucharist (Trinity Campus)	Easter 4
May 15	10:30 AM	Holy Eucharist (St. Paul's Campus)	Easter 5
May 22	10:30 AM	Morning Prayer (Trinity Campus)	Easter 6
May 29	10:30 AM	Morning Prayer (St. Paul's Campus)	Sunday after the Ascension

All Sunday services are live streamed to our Grace Facebook page and 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.

DEAR LORD,

I thank you that no matter
what I may face today,
with your help I will be able
to endure, overcome and
prevail.

I thank you in advance
for your strength and energy
that will sustain me,
your wisdom that will guide
me and your peace that will
fill me. May I honor you today
in all I think, say and do.

In Jesus' name I pray.

Amen



VESTRY UPDATE

April has come and gone and Grace celebrated Holy Week and experienced a very nice turn out for Easter Sunday. Alleluia!

Your vestry met on April 27th and our work for you, Grace, and the diocese continues. Here are the key items accomplished to date:

- Our Parochial Report was finalized, approved, and submitted;
- A Choir Director Search Committee was formed. We thank Carolyn Black Hightower, Kellie Ishmael, Mark Monroe, and Dennis Parker for stepping up.
- Notable and continuing: our Grace website is almost ready to go live;
- Our Loaves and Fish cooking team will be serving Saturday, July 2nd at the Trinity campus. Please contact Jo McGrath if you would like to join the team as "many hands make light work";
- The rectory renovations are almost completed.

Call To Action: All Hands-on-Deck! The Ossining Village Fair is Saturday, June 11th, and a chair/co-chairs are needed, along with volunteers to set up, take-down, share an hour or two in our booth, and potentially stage the Strawberry Festival or other community engaging activity.

On May 3rd, the Vestry met with Jo McGrath and Richard Shaw, our Search Committee Co-chairs, and plans are in the works to meet with a candidate later in May. Please continue to pray for the right candidate to lead Grace into the future.

Reminder: Checks need to be made out to Grace Episcopal Church as our Trinity and St. Paul's accounts need to be closed.

As always, please feel free to share your comments, thoughts, and prayers with either of the wardens or any vestry member. We welcome and need your input to ensure that we are meeting your expectations.

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SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

Cecilia Quintero recently came across the invitation which was prepared in 2016 for our first official service as Sister Parishes Trinity and St. Paul's on the Hill: *Pentecost, New Beginnings - The Celebration Continues!* We have dealt with many changes and challenges and forged new friendships and traditions; undoubtedly, these realities have truly helped prepare us for this new chapter in our work together in 2022.

We are grateful for the varied applicants who reviewed and responded to our Profile and are happy to report that we all unanimously agreed on our first choice. Now we will coordinate with the Office of Transition Ministry on our next steps before our next round of meetings. We expect to present our selected candidates to the Vestry in May. We are hopeful that our next update will be our final one, as the Vestry will be actively managing the next phase of our search. Until then please join us in this prayer to find the right Priest in Charge for Grace Church:

Heavenly Father, guide and support the members of this committee as we navigate the process of finding a priest for our newly formed Grace Episcopal Church. Open our hearts and minds to all possibilities in our work together seeking a spiritual leader whose values, ideals and energy match our 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." In Jesus' name, Amen.

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AILEEN (GWENDOLYN) HUNT

Long-time resident of Ossining, (Gwendolyn) Aileen Hunt, aged 96, died in Briarcliff Manor on Tuesday, March 22, of natural causes. Aileen is survived by her devoted husband, William Hunt. She was deeply loved by her children, Barbara, Thomas (deceased), and Scott Hunt, as well as her four grandchildren and a great grandchild.

Aileen was the Senior Purchasing Agent for the Ossining School District until retiring in 1988. Subsequently, she volunteered to help create the Ossining Food Pantry, where she continued to volunteer until 2018. For that work, Aileen was inducted into the Westchester County Senior Citizens Hall of Fame in 2007. Aileen was also involved in other charitable works in the community, many of which were accomplished through her altar guild responsibilities at St. Paul's on the Hill Church.

A memorial service was held at the St. Paul's campus on April 30th at 11:00 AM.

The family requested that donations in Aileen's name can be made to the Ossining Food Pantry, P.O. Box 459, Ossining, NY 10562



EUGENE R. MAHLAU

JULY 17, 1932 – APRIL 23, 2022

Eugene R. Mahlau of Ossining, passed away on April 23, 2022. He was born in the Bronx on July 17, 1932 and was the son of the late Reynold and Edna (Olsen) Mahlau. He was 89. Eugene was a graduate of Saunders High School. He married Barbara Banker on November 8, 1964. He served in the Navy on destroyers.

Eugene worked for the City of New York as a Housing Inspector. In retirement, Eugene and Barbara enjoyed volunteering at the SPCA in their Golden Outreach program, taking shelter dogs to local nursing homes.

Eugene is survived by his wife Barbara, daughters Dawn Ellen Mahlau and Alison (Noel) Echevarria, and grandsons, Dylan, Ryan, and Alexander. He was predeceased by his brothers, Reynold and the Reverend Franklin Mahlau.

Visiting and service were at the Dorsey Funeral Home on Wednesday, April 27, 2022. The interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memorial Giving, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or a charity of your choice.



JOHN KEVIN PHILIPS

MAY 28, 1955 – JANUARY 21, 2022

John Kevin Philips of Monterey died Friday, January 21. His life was one of devotion, kindness, and gentleness. He loved his God, his Church, his family, his friends, and indeed all creatures great and small. Kevin was also an adventurer in that he embraced the world of life with deep love and respect for its beauty and richness. In mid-life he took up scuba diving and it suited him so well.

Kevin was born in Kingsville, Texas, on May 28, 1955, although thereafter and forever he adopted Virginia as his home state. He was a 1973 graduate of Blue Ridge School in St. George, Virginia, and in 1977 graduated from The University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee. Kevin attended Nashotah House Theological Seminary in Wisconsin, was ordained as deacon in the Episcopal Church in 1982, and served as rector at Trinity Episcopal Church in Ossining, New York.

In 1989 Kevin moved to the Monterey Peninsula. For many years he provided spiritual care for the residents of the Canterbury Woods retirement community in Pacific Grove. He was also involved in many pastoral and charitable activities, including work early on with the Monterey County AIDS Project.

Kevin was preceded in death by his parents, Marian Rhoades Philips and Ronald William Philips, and sister Robin Wilkens. He is survived by spouse Jim Lauderdale and brother Matthew Philips.



The Diocese of New York's Search Committee (Bishop Dietsche is retiring) has posted their profile as their own search for a Bishop Coadjutor has officially begun. Here's the link for your convenience:

<https://bishopsearch.dioceseny.org/>

Check out the details on page 5 of the 15-page profile. The breakdown of the statistics regarding the 182 churches in our Diocese is definitely worth reading. The number of churches who now share a priest or need to rely on supply priests during the year is truly a sign of the times.



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 (or Co-Chairs), a committee, and volunteers. Thanks in advance for stepping up and letting us know how you can participate.



MAY EVENTS

- 18 REPAIR meets
- 22 Staff Meeting
- 25 Vestry Meeting



MAY BIRTHDAYS

Raymond Farrell	1	Oliver Gulian	14
Jessica Kamp	2	Michael Roman	15
Shelley Gilbert	2	Charles Korr	18
Nicola Kenny	3	Jayson Aryee	19
Robert Shea	3	Fernanda Landim	19
Melanie Rowe	5	Gloudys Cole	23
Carolyn Black	6	Steven DiLoreto	23
Ken Shepard	6	Sophia Sadowska	23
Carolyn Jones	7	Hank Teller	27
Alexis Cullen	11	Patricia Pappalardo Cavaliere	28
Cecilia Quintero	12	William Davis	29
Christine Holsten Schuler	12	Gregory Howard	31
Susan Brocchi	13		

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Patricia and Carl Gonsalves	2
Dorothee and Rick Caulfield	5
George and Joan Holsten	9
Doug and JoAnn McGrath	17
John and Ann Farrell	18
Joe Scappaticci and Jean-Charles DeOliveira	21
Michael and Karen Pasioka	23
Jim and Marta Bowen	23
Luis and Susan Madera	29
Joe Orfino and Kerry Cranston	31



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

TRINITY CAMPUS OFFICE

Tam Hernández, Administrator
Katherine Pendzuk, Treasurer and Verger
Pablo Montoya, Sexton

VESTRY

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

Kellie Ishmael
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Ed Shultz



MISSION STATEMENT

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