



Parish Notes

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Sunday 9:00 Bible Study • Sunday 10:30 Eucharist
Sunday 5:30 Contemplative Prayer
Tuesday noon Eucharist

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Annual Stewardship Campaign Kick-off Next Sunday

The annual stewardship campaign for Christ Church Cathedral begins next Sunday. Each year we ask those who are a part of the Cathedral community to prayerfully consider making a pledge in support of the church's operating budget. Your gifts enable us to do the ministry to which we are called by God.

The theme for this year's campaign is "Here for Good". This year many of you already made a pledge in support of the Cathedral's capital campaign, making sure that our church is here for good - building upon our legacy of over 200 years of faithful ministry. We want our theme to serve as an expression of gratitude for all you have done and given in support of that effort.

We also hope our theme reminds us all of the good which is being done through our Cathedral parish, both for those who are members of the congregation and for the community around us. God has placed this Cathedral here for the good works Christ has given and continues to give us to do. Your gift to our annual stewardship campaign will ensure we have the resources we need to answer God's call in the year to come.

Look for our annual giving report and pledge packet next week. And thank you in advance for your support.

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Louisville Rests: A Concert For Contemplation

Join us for a relaxing and uplifting hour of music **next Sunday, October 4 at 7:00 PM** to quiet the mind, relax the body, awaken the heart and soothe the soul featuring Harry Pickens on piano.

Throughout human history, within every spiritual and wisdom tradition, music has been understood to function as a direct portal to personal experience of the Divine presence.

Our evening will begin with a moment of prayerful, meditative reflection whereby we open our hearts and minds to the still, silent presence of God's ever-renewing grace. Next, Harry attunes to the room, the people and the Presence and brings forth music from deep wells of inspiration -- music unique to this time and this place, offered in service to all.

This is an opportunity to rest, renew and restore body, mind and spirit through the power of sound.

Dick Sisto trio to perform original music from documentary about Thomas Merton

Noted Louisville jazz musician Dick Sisto (piano & vibes) will be joined by Jeremy Allen, bass and Mike Hyman, drums for a performance of Sisto's music from the documentary film *Soul Searching: The Journey of Thomas Merton*. The film has aired on PBS several times and filmmaker Morgan Atkinson will be in attendance. The concert will take place at **Christ Church Episcopal Cathedral, 421 South Second Street, Louisville, KY 40202 on Sunday, October 18 at 5:00 p.m.** The performance is free and open to the public thanks to the generous sponsorship of Owsley Brown III.

Merton was an American Trappist Monk, writer, and social activist with close ties to Louisville, living as a member of the Abbey of Our Lady of Gethsemani, near Bardstown, from 1941 until his death in 1968. Merton's Louisville connections and historical significance are further underscored by the historical marker commemorating him and his "revelation" at the corner of South Fourth Street and West Muhammed Ali Boulevard.

Dick Sisto is a well-known jazz musician who has toured the United States and Great Britain, led clinics and masterclasses throughout the United States, and authored The Jazz Vibraphone Book published by Meredith Music Publications. Additionally, Sisto and Merton forged a relationship in the 1960s with Merton writing in a journal "there is a nice young Zen guy in Louisville. I'm glad to have someone like that come out. He plays in a jazz band; he's got a little combo... He's got a little Zen Temple going in his apartment in Louisville, a little Zen group there. He's a lot of fun. I like him." Sisto and his wife Penny, an internationally acclaimed fabric artist, call Louisville home.

This is a unique opportunity to highlight the work and impacts of two individuals with Louisville ties and share them with our wider community.

Save the Date: David Sibley to be Ordained Bishop of Diocese of Lexington January 23

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, January 23, 2027**, when David Sibley will be ordained as Bishop of the Diocese of Lexington. We will be coordinating car pools for those interested in attending. The Diocese of Lexington will share more details about the service and related events in the weeks ahead at this link: <https://www.diolex.org/ordination>

Dean Matt out of office this week

Dean Matt will be out of office this week to spend time with his kids during the JCPS fall break. He will then travel to South Carolina October 2-4 to assist at a funeral. He will return on Monday, October 5. If you need to reach him during that time, please contact him by voice or text on his mobile phone.

Missioner on the Move

Thank you for who came out and supported our Jubilee Dinner Church this past Thursday Evening. Our next Jubilee Dinner Church is on the 4th Thursday of October 22, 2026. If you want to contribute to our potluck dinner, be on the look out for the sign up sheet or email Fr Charles+:

charles@ccclou.org

Next Sunday, October 4, the Good Missioner will be preaching and celebrating a joint service of St George's and Our Merciful Saviour at Our Merciful Saviour at 11am.

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Ministry Fair TODAY!

Have you ever wondered how you can get involved in the life of the Cathedral? Or are you interested in exploring a new way to deepen your relationship with God and our church community? Then come to the ministry fair after worship in Deans' Hall. Ministry team members have tables set up with information about some of the Cathedral's over 30 ministries. Meet new friends, discover something new, and find joy in living out your discipleship with others.

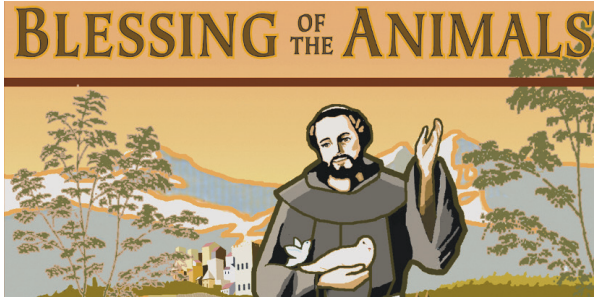
Godly Play Starts This Week

This week at 10:15 AM marks the exciting start of our new Children's Ministry program here at the Cathedral in Deans Hall. Based on Godly Play, this internationally renowned Christian Formation program uses storytelling, props, and play to inspire children to grow in their wonder of God's presence. Each week, after a storytelling "lesson," students create art, to make a personal, tactile reply to the week's lesson. Finally, all share a modest "feast" of snacks, as they celebrate together as a community of peers. Afterwards, all return to the main service.

This week's lesson is, "Circle of the Church Year" an annual, foundational lesson, teaching students about the cyclical journey through time that we all undertake every year. Through the rhythms of great feasts and ordinary wonder marked by the church calendar, we grow in knowledge of our mysterious, elusive, and loving God.

Participation is so important to the program's success, so we welcome all families with young children to learn about and participate in Godly Play! Also, as you know, children's ministries are the spirit and light of the church, refreshing our collective experience of the Divine. Would you help us? We welcome back all who volunteered to help, and all who are interested. Please contact Rev. Whit Stodghill at 502-419-8156.

Next week's lesson: The Holy Bible: Where the Church's Story Comes From.



The Cathedral's annual blessing of the animals will be held next **Sunday, October 4** as a part of our 10:30 AM worship service. Held in honor of St. Francis of Assisi, patron Saint of animals, during the blessing of the animals our animal friends are invited to join the procession into worship, receive a prayer of blessing from the Cathedral clergy, and to stay for worship and coffee hour. If your animal companion isn't able to attend, you are welcome to bring a photo of them in the procession. There will also be space in the narthex to remember animal companions who have died.

Church of the Advent Choral Evensong with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Today, Sunday, September 27, Church of the Advent is hosting a Choral Evensong with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 5pm. Contemplative Evening Prayer will be cancelled to allow those who want to support Advent and attend.

Midweek Noon Eucharist at the Cathedral

Join us for noon (12:00–12:30) services of Holy Eucharist each week at Christ Church Cathedral.

✦ Tuesday, Sept.29: St Michael's and All Angels
Chapel Leader: Michael Allemang
Celebrant: Rev. Richard Kautz

reminders

CLCM Food Drive

The Association of Community Ministries is launching a city-wide food drive Sept 14-30. Right now the ACM pantries desperately need food - especially shelf stable items like canned meats and proteins, hearty soups, rice and beans. When you shop this week, please pick up a few extra items if you can and bring them to Church over the next two Sundays.

Coffee Hour Hosts Needed

Our coffee hours after church are happy, sociable times when we have a chance to talk with each other and meet new people and greet guests. We could really use a few more hosts! The coffee hour host provides food (and we try to keep it simple!!!), sets it out and cleans up afterwards. The coffee will already have been set up and the pots turned on. There is usually ice tea and lemonade available but the host might need to provide some of that, too. Randy Peters sets up a schedule at the beginning of each year and each host gets a copy. Randy sends out a reminder the week before an assigned Sunday. She will also provide an orientation to the kitchen and duties at the beginning of the year. Right now, each host is responsible for about four Sundays in the year.

If you would be interested in hosting, please contact Randy Peters in person or at rpeters421@yahoo.com. THANK YOU!!

Weekly Bible Study

Our weekly Bible Study is held every Sunday (except the first Sunday of the month) at 9 A.M. in the Chapter Room on the second floor of the Diocesan House. If you want to attend online you can also join via Zoom. Just click on the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/69vbtu8m>

We Pray . . .

Prayer is at the heart of Christian community. We use this space to bring before God and the community the needs of those we love. Please submit prayer requests for yourself and others to the church office: info@christchurchlouky.org. We will include those names here so that the community may join you in prayer..

. . . in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, the Anglican Church of South America
 . . . in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, St. Francis in the Fields Church, Harrod's Creek

. . . **for Cathedral members in need of healing**

Murphey Coy, Rich Curry, Judy Donahue, Kate Dooley, Kitten Lawless, George Hubbard, Carlos LaGantta, Ginger Shackleton, Jim Watkins, Dean Weller, Ruth Wukasch

. . . **for Cathedral members in our abiding prayers**

Carol Brown, Dorothy Converse, Charles Cooksey, Michael L. Foster, Maurice Gordon, Terry Laun & Art Embrey, Ashley Pasteka, Hollis Real, Len Sjogren, Joy Stultz, Tim Tice, Betty Lynn Williams

. . . **for family and friends of Cathedral members**

requested by

Larry Maxwell, Cindi Mills	Michael Allemang
Clara Eskridge, Bill Smith	Matt Bradley
Marge Brown	Carol Brown
David Davies, Pam Williams	Jerry Brown
Debbie, Ellis, Jessica, Jody, Larry, Marilyn, Packy	Jim & Becky Collings
Aidon, Kelly Brown, Marsha Camenisch, Tom Everhart, Matthew	Dorothy Converse
Nelson, Anne Steele, Gail & Alex Ocana	
Tom & Andy Rochester	Page Curry
Jay Biedenharn	Michael Ellis
Katrina West	Cynthia Fanning
John Clark, Elizabeth Foster, Michael Foster	Mike Foster
Ron Adams, Kathy Bischoff, Diane Flechler, Beth Fritton, Charlie Grubbs, Judy Horton	Bobbie Fritton
Phillip Koloff, Mike Livesay, Byron & Leilani Sprankle, Lindsay Tompkins, Neisja Yenawin	
Forrest Cook, Mike Freund, Paul Fussenegger, Sr., David Hammer, Herb Hay, Julie Jones	Vance Fritton
Melissa Masterson, Jenny, Lee & Walter Morris. Gibbs Reese, Alex Rohleder	
Justin Gallahar	Lea Ann Garbrough
Rorie Guillen	Rob Guillen
Ric Hovda	Diane Kyle
Art, Nick & Sally, Judi, Gregg & Mary, Whitney, Elvin, Charles Raith	Terry Laun
Paula Hamilton, Peggy Kalinowski Leisa, Kailey Caroline Potter,	Kitten Lawless
Kevin, Shay, Molly, Sammy, Noah, Sarah & Eric Zoerb	
Foster care children in the Commonwealth of Kentucky	
Philip Mitchell	Hunter Lumbatis
Touran, Elham, Ali	Jan Margerum
David Ellis, Yihong Liu	Jerry Marsh
Ellie Barrowman	Blossom Marshall
Alice, Amelia, Mary Dade, Penny	Randy Peters
Stephen Peters	Tom Peters
Mahalia Smith	Brenda Runner
Ally, Jim	Susan Shockey
Paul Tapp	Charlie Tapp
Michael, James, Joey	Tom Thill
Amy M., Khem Tice	Tim Tice
Keith & Lisa, Corbin Harris	Carolyn Van Zant
Marshall Bowen, Heather Rubsamen	Ann Vellom
Carolyn White	Terry White
Jared Stivers	Kay Shields Wilkinson
Tom & Karen Doyle	Mike Wright

. . . **for those celebrating birthdays**

Dean Weller, Judy Bradley

Additions or deletions to the Prayer

Lists must be sent to Tom Thill

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