



the E-Newsletter of St. Paul's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church 410-289-3453

THIS WEEK ON: STPAULSBYTHESEA.ORG

- Tues. 12/17** Shepherd's Crook 10am-Noon
102 Worcester St. in OC
- Wed. 12/18** GED class CANCELLED
- Thurs. 12/19** Shepherd's Crook 10am-Noon
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Book Club-Postponed to January
- Fri. 12/20**
- Sat. 12/21** Shepherd's Crook 10am-Noon
102 Worcester St. in OC
- Sun. 12/22** Holy Eucharist Rite II - 9am with Fr.
Mark Cyr as Presider
- Mon. 12/23** GED Class CANCELLED thru 1/5

PARISH EVENTS

- Book Club-Postponed to January 2014.
- There will be Poinsettias for the Christmas Eve Rt II 5pm service
- The Nativity scene will be up in the church front yard this week
- Church office will be closed-Dec. 23rd through January 1st.
- Choir practice- immediately following the 12/22-9am service in DeWees hall.
- Vestry meeting-January 6th at 7pm in Dewees hall
- The Red Doors Community Center- begins their Winter season January 6th in DeWees hall. See more details below.



Please view our church website at: <http://stpaulsbythesea.org/>

St. Paul's by-the Sea Episcopal Church Update

The next Connection will be published the week of January 6th

Everyone Please be Safe and Enjoy the Holidays

Services:

- December 22nd: Fr. Mark Cyr will preside at the 9am Rt II service in Dewees hall.
- December 24th Christmas Eve: Fr. Mark Cyr will preside at the 5pm Rt II service in Dewees hall.
- December 29th: Rev. Penny Morrow will preside at the 5th Sunday service at 9am in DeWees hall with Lessons and Carols and a Children's Christmas pageant.

Events:

- Book Group meetings are postponed until January.
- The 2013 Candle & Flower Dedication announcement will be posted in DeWees hall beginning Monday Dec. 23rd. Please stop in and fill out your dedication(s) while dates are still available.
- GED classes are cancelled until further notice.
- The Shepherds Crook is open from 10am to Noon every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at Connors restaurant located at 207 Atlantic Ave. in Ocean City through February.
- NOEL Christmas Day carry out luncheon is 11am at City Hall in Ocean City on 3rd St.
- The Rectory office is closed December 23rd thru January 1st
- The Red Doors Community Center new Winter sessions are available. For dates and times or to register for events, please visit www.reddoors.org or www.facebook.com/thereddoors or contact Fawn Mete at 410-289-5576.
- The Men's Breakfast is cancelled for January and will resume on February 3rd at the Quality Inn on 33rd St. in Ocean City at 8:30am

NOEL 16th Annual Christmas Day Dinner- For the past 15 years, the Noel Community has served a free turkey and ham dinner with all the trimmings at St. Paul's by-the-Sea. This event has become an important part of our Christmas celebration for many including the homeless, unemployed, underemployed, shut-in, and those who are alone. Due to the damage from the fire, we are unable to host our traditional dinner this year but we are planning a Christmas celebration! Prepackaged/precooked food and gifts will be distributed at City Hall in Ocean City on Christmas Day from 11:00 to 2:00. Our guests will enjoy live Christmas music and visits with Santa Claus inside City Hall. The Noel Community appreciates the generosity from St. Paul's by-the-Sea. Thanks to your support, Father David's ministry will be honored on Christmas Day.