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ANNUAL MEETING and REPORTS for the YEAR 2010

In God's name and led by the Holy Spirit; We support and equip one another to implement Jesus' mission in baptism for all people, in all places, and at all times.

# I. CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING PRAYER

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Be present with those who take counsel in this Annual Meeting for the renewal and mission of your Church. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Teach us in all things to seek first your honor and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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# III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 2009 ANNUAL MEETING

## Minutes of the Annual Meeting January 25, 2009

### I Call to Order and Opening Prayer

This meeting was called to order at 10:45 AM with opening prayer and 65 attending. Parishioners who signed in to vote for the first time were: Justin Varteresian and Barbara Chambers.

#### II Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was accepted as presented.

#### III Approval of the Minutes of the 2008 Meeting

The minutes of the January 2008 meeting were accepted as presented with great appreciation to Acting Clerk, Beth Washburn

#### IV Nominations and Elections

Beth Washburn, Sr. Warden led the process for Nominations and Elections at this meeting. Beth thanked those completing their Vestry terms as well as thanking those continuing their terms.

Vestry	
Sr. Warden	Beth Washburn was elected with one vote cast by the Clerk following a
	call for nominations from the floor three times.
Jr. Warden	Gayle Ruscitti was elected with one vote cast by the Clerk following a cal
	for nominations from the floor three times.
Clerk	Matthew McGuinness was elected with one vote cast by the Clerk
	following a call for nominations from the floor three times.
Treasurer	Cheryl Eidinger-Taylor was elected with one vote cast by the Clerk
	following a call for nominations from the floor three times.
Asst. Treasurer	Linda Scott was elected with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call
	for nominations from the floor three times.
Three Vestry/3 year terms	Kristen Anderson, Tracy Gorham and Mary Frances Best were elected
	with one vote case for each by the Clerk following a call for nominations
	from the floor three times.
One Vestry/2 year term	Fran Phaneuf was elected with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call
	for nominations from the floor three times.
One Vestry/1 year term	Paula Kollman and Tracey Morse were both nominees for this position.
	There were no other nominations from the floor so an election was held
	(by ballot vote).
Other Elected Positions	

Youth Member/1 year term	Justin Varteresian was nominated from the floor. The Clerk was asked to
	cast one vote following a call for nominations from the floor three times.
Steward of the Offering	Beverley Bell was elected with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call
	for nominations from the floor three times.
Asst. Steward/Offering	Penny Allen was nominated from the floor. The Clerk was asked to cast
	one vote following a call for nominations from the floor three times.

Deanery/Diocesan Convention Delegates:

One Year Term:	Mary Torian and Verna Kosiba were elected with one vote cast for each
	by the Clerk following a call for nominations from the floor three times.
	Note: Both Mary Torian and Verna Kosiba were each running for the 2nd
	year of their 2-year terms but must be elected annually).
Vestry Member term for De	anery/Diocesan Convention – No names were brought forth at the meeting
	therefore the position was left open. The Vestry will need to decide who
	on the Vestry will become the third delegate for Deanery/Diocesan
	Convention.

Youth Delegate One Year Term: No names were brought forth at the meeting therefore this position was left open. Beth Washburn apologized for not checking ahead of time with the youth group to see if anyone was interested. This position will be left open for the year; the Vestry can appoint someone during the year.

#### **Alternate Deanery/Diocesan Convention**

One Year Term: Carol Cormier and Ed Cormier were elected with one vote cast for each by the Clerk following a call for nominations from the floor three times. Note: Both Carol Cormier and Ed Cormier were each running for the 2nd year of their 2-year terms but must be elected annually).

Fr. Mac thanked Paula Kollman and Tracey Morse for both running for election to the one year Vestry term. Fr. Mac noted that sometimes Vestry members cannot finish their full terms and therefore the Vestry may contact nominees not elected about filling the vacancies.

#### V. Parish Committee Reports

Parishioners were encouraged to read the Parish Committee Reports prior to attending today's meeting. Two corrections to the Parish Reports were as noted:

- Lay Eucharistic Ministers and Lay Readers Report: The name of Paula Kollman should be included as a Lay Reader for the 10:00am service.
- Mission Committee Report: The report should read that the committee voted to disburse \$6045, not \$6295, this year.

A motion was made and seconded to accept all the Parish Committee Reports as amended.

Fr. Mac thanked everyone for their work on the Committee reports.

#### VI. Report of the Election

Following the outcome of the ballot counting (counters were: Kevin Keppler, Steve Ketcham, Mary Torian and Walter Piasecki), Tracey Morse was elected to the one year Vestry term.

#### VII. Report of the Treasurer

Cheryl Eidinger-Taylor noted that we were right on target for income and expenses. The deficit amount is \$36,831.37 and we had to dip into our savings. Cheryl noted that we cannot keep dipping into our saving much longer. Cheryl presented the 2009 Budget, noting the Finance Committee reduced where they could (cutting \$10,000) without taking out programs and ministries. The 2009 Budget is projected to be short \$39,928.42.

Cheryl explained Faith Funding versus deficit. Faith Funding is the amount we know that will come in; it's comprised of the amount given by new members (those who become members during the year), and the amount given by those who come regularly and give but do not pledge. The Deficit is the amount we don't know where the money will come from. Cheryl noted that the Rector's Report (page 32) highlights the significant on-going issue that Trinity has: our continuing deficit funding and our reliance on our reserve funds to cover our expenses.

Discussion was held, among mention:

- Beth Washburn noted having worked in various positions, a lot goes on behind the scenes and it's taxing paid staff.
- The budget is bare bones for us; it will take all of us to keep it going.
- Many people consider themselves to be members of Trinity but they do not/or are unable to pledge.
- Fr. Mac noted there are 160 families who have not returned a pledge card. If those families pledged \$25 a month it would balance the budget.
- Gayle Ruscitti noted we want to get a Fund Raising Committee group together to go over the larger needs we have (Steeple, Organ) in the future.
- We need to do a Capital Campaign for the large needs, the problem with doing it for the Deficit is that you would need to do it every year.
- Dave Scott volunteered to chair the Fund Raising Committee; Kristen Anderson volunteered to help on the committee.
- We've always said at Trinity that Tithing is three things: Time, Talent and Treasure.
- There was a recommendation to send out a letter to the whole parish noting that we need \$6.55 a week to reduce the deficit.
- We hope we don't have to take any more money out of our savings.

#### A motion was made and seconded to accept the report of the Treasurer. This motion passed.

#### VIII. Report of the Wardens (included in 2008 Annual Report)

At the meeting Beth Washburn spoke about the transition to Senior Warden being eye-opening and puts a light on things. Beth noted it was an honor to be here and to be re-elected.

Gayle Ruscitti noted at the meeting she was very honored to be re-elected as Junior Warden and noted that she and Beth are available anytime, as well as all our Vestry members if anyone wants/needs to speak with them.

A motion was made to accept the Report of the Wardens. This motion passed.

#### IX. Rector's Report

Fr. Mac highlighted the following:

- There is a good attendance at the Wednesday morning Eucharist
- Number of new things starting up
- In the next newsletter will be the Lent schedule
- The Tuesday night Bible Study will join with St. Mary's.
- We will be rotating the Stations of the Cross between St. Mary's, Sacred Heart and Trinity.
- Mary Johnson, Audrey Kerxhalli and Fr. Mac went to Florida to train as Stephen Ministers. A Stephen Minister helps those in crisis, a crisis can be becoming empty nesters, a stay at home parent having a preschooler go to school for the first time, becoming unemployed, etc.
- There are lots of opportunities for other things coming up.

#### X. Other Business

- Ash Wednesday is February 25th, the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper will be held the day before on Tuesday, February 24th.
- Ann Marie Lockwood thanked everyone who brought something to eat for today's meeting.
- Leadership day will be March 7th; it's not just for the Wardens and Vestry. Anyone who has an interest in the Parish can attend.

Fr. Mac gave the closing Blessing. A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. This motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 11:51am.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary-Ellen Yaroshefski, Clerk of the Vestry

## IV. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT – JANUARY 2010

This year we were more intentional about having a short-tenured committee that would identify candidates for our elected leadership. We are thankful to Verna Kosiba, Steve Ketcham, Sharon Manoogian, and Carol Cormier for their willingness to serve in this capacity. We did some of our work with email and two meetings. We also held an evening of inquiry for those who might consider putting themselves in for an elected position.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Washburn and Gayle Ruscitti

#### **THOSE COMPLETING VESTRY TERMS:**

Senior Warden: Beth Washburn Junior Warden: Gayle Ruscitti Clerk: Matthew McGuinness Treasurer: Cheryl Eidinger Taylor Assistant Treasurer: Linda Scott

Vestry (Class of 2010): Jack Allen, Pete Dixon, Mille Williams, Barbara Kalunian, Tracey Morse and

Justin Varteresian

#### THOSE COMPLETING OTHER ELECTED PARISH POSITIONS:

**Delegates to Deanery and Diocesan Convention:** 

<mark>Verna Kosiba</mark> Mary Torian Gayle Ruscitti

Justin Varteresian (Youth Delegate)

### Alternate Delegates:

Ed Cormier Carol Cormier

Steward of the Offering Beverley Bell Ass't Steward of the Offering Penny Allen

#### **CONTINUING VESTRY MEMBERS:**

One Year Remaining/Class of 2011: Ann Marie Lockwood and Fran Phaneuf

Two Years Remaining/Class of 2012: Kristin Anderson, Mary Frances Best and Tracy Gorham

#### **NOMINEES FOR ELECTED POSITIONS - 2010:**

Vestry:

Senior Warden Beth Washburn
Junior Warden Gayle Ruscitti

ClerkMatthew McGuinnessTreasurerCheryl Eidinger Taylor

Ass't Treasurer Linda Scott

Vestry (Class of 2013) Tracey Morse
Steve Masse

Brian O'Toole

Vestry (Class of 2011) Barbara Kalunian (to replace vacancy left open in 2009)

Vestry One YearSteve KetchamYouthJustin Varteresian

#### OTHER ELECTED PARISH POSITIONS:

Steward of the Offering: Beverley Bell Ass't Steward of the Offering: Penny Allen

### **Deanery/Diocesan Convention Delegates:**

<mark>Verna Kosiba</mark> Mary Torian

Gayle Ruscitti Must be a member of the vestry (traditionally the Jr. Warden)

Justin Varteresian Youth Delegate (16-20 years old, 1 year term)

**Alternate Delegates: (2 Needed)** 

<mark>Open</mark> Open

# V. PARISH COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### ACOLYTE REPORT

Currently we have twelve active acolytes helping at the 10 am service. We are very blessed to have veteran acolytes who have been very willing to continue this ministry. Schedules are set every three months and we have been able to work around everyone's schedules and prior commitments.

I would like to thank Ani Sharoogian for her many years of service as an acolyte. Ani has recently moved on to other ministries within our parish.

Acolytes are not restricted to the younger members of our parish. We welcome any adults who would like to help out as the 8 am service does not have designated acolytes and it is often difficult to find acolytes to serve at the 11pm service on Christmas Eve. Adults filling in these two specific capacities would be a very welcome addition.

Current acolytes are Elaina Chambers, Lyall Chambers, Valerie Chambers, AJ Cook, Rebecca Cook, Sarah Hennessy, Shannon Hennessy, Julia Klisiewicz, Anthony Matondi, Abaigeal O'Neill, Jack O'Neill, and Shane O'Neill,

Thank you for another great year.

Respectively submitted,

Pam Hennessy

#### ALTAR GUILD REPORT

The Altar Guild has been busy seeing that the Eucharist is set up on the Altar each Sunday, special services during the week and in the chapel on Wednesday mornings. Part of our duties is to see that the brass is polished and the linens laundered and ironed each week.

The Frontals on the Altar where difficult to put on unless there were two people to place it on the Altar. It would slip out of place easily if only one person did it. John Ellis solved out problem by getting a long piece of metal bar to be put in the back hem of the Frontal. It has done a wonderful job of making it easy to put the Frontal on the Altar by one person and has helped it stay in place. Thank you John.

The Easter Vigil and Easter Services were well attended. The lilies looked beautiful and smelled wonderful (unless you are allergic to scents). Saturday, Easter Eve morning there were a number of parishioners who did a great job of decorating the church. Thank you all.

We have two new members on the Altar Guild who are in training at this time. Thank you Cathy Ellis and Debbie Harrison for joining our guild.

We set up for a number of baptisms (a happy occasion) and funerals for some of our old and loved parishioners. There haven't been as many weddings though.

At the beginning of Advent the Advent Wreath was lit and the Crèche in place. Each week a candle on the wreath was lit and a Sunday School child placed an animal or figure in the Crèche.

On Thursday December 23rd we assembled to "Green the Church". Poinsettias and hurricane candle lamps were placed in the window sills. Poinsettias were banked behind the Altar and around the church. We had some men who climbed ladders to put the wreaths, garland and hanging angel up.

Thanks to Arlene Person, Penny Allen and Beth Washburn for helping me polish brass and silver. This is done twice a year or when something becomes dull. I want to thank Ruth Doyle, Penny Allen, Arlene Person, Verna Kosiba, Sharon Manoogian and Maryellen Yaroshefski for helping to decorate the church. Beth Washburn was our official photographer. Cathy Ellis, Lisa Ruggiero and Penny Allen set up the Eucharist for the three services Christmas Eve. The men who were a great help were Dick Kosiba, John Ellis, Scott Washburn, Charlie Ketcham, Steve Ketcham, Fr. Mac and Paul Del Molino. Thank you all so much for giving of your time and talent.

Christmas Eve was exceptionally beautiful with all the poinsettias and wreaths and candles lit in the window wells. When the parishioners candles and Rose Window was lit during the singing of "Silent Night" it was an awesome and reverent feeling.

The Children's Pageant was delightful when the children and adults processed down the aisle in costume to the Altar Rail and Sanctuary. Those who had singing and speaking parts were excellent. Everyone enjoyed seeing their children perform.

The Altar Guild is always looking for new people to join the Altar Guild. If you feel you would like to serve Trinity in some capacity and think this would be a fit for you please speak to me or one of the other members.

Respectively submitted,

Mary Torian-Altar Guild Directress

#### BIRTHDAY CARD MINISTRY REPORT

	Birthday Cards Sent in 2009 and 2010					
Month	2009	2010	Difference			
January	45	47	+2			
February	43	45	+2			
March	61	68	+7			
April	62	63	+1			
May	57	57	0			
June	70	68	-2			
July	64	59	-5			
August	63	57	-6			
September	52	53	+1			
October	55	52	-3			
November	60	59	-1			
December	50	48	-2			
Totals	682	676	-6			

In May of this year we no longer sent cards to people who had been visitors to Trinity.

The decrease in cards sent starting in May reflect this change.

The number of birthday cards sent to members of the parish has continued to grow.

If you have not received a birthday card, please call Magee in the office. She will see to it that your name is added to the monthly list of birthdays.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee F. Kalns

## Christian Education – Programs of Religious Activities with Youth (PRAY)

In the spring of 2010 the PRAY program was started with two Girl Scouts attending the God and Me program for first through third grade. Additionally two additional counselors were certified for God and Me: Beth Stochaj and Cathy Ellis.

This fall we have increased the offerings and currently have God and Me with seven students; six Girl Scouts and 1 Boy Scout, being taught by Beth Stochaj and Tracy Gorham (Under Instruction). God and Church is also being taught for the sixth through eight graders to three students; two Boy Scouts and one Girl Scout, with Stephen Klisiewicz as the counselor and Brenda Mantondi (Under Instruction)

This brings the total students in PRAY to 12 for 2010.

In 2011 we will offer God and Family for forth and fifth grades and God and Life for High School level student in the spring and God and Me and God and Church again in the fall.

Submitted.

Stephen Klisiewicz, PRAY Coordinator

#### CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN SPIRITUAL FORMATION REPORT

#### "WoRM...(formerly known as Sunday School)"

#### Christian Education – Sunday School (aka WOrkshop Rotation Model – WORM)

The Trinity Children's Christian Education program – affectionately known as WORM continues to be a "slither" with loads of activity. The 2010 total registration of 45 boys and girls leads us to a strong census averaging about 21 participants each week.

So far this year our "kids" have studied the Beatitude by counting blessings in our "We Are Blessed" rotation and learned about the story of the Nativity in our "Stations of the Crèche" rotation. Activities range from creating and playing theme specific games, creative crafts, and artwork exploring our topics, to movies and music that tell us more about the stories we are studying. We also talked a great deal about "giving back" and had loads of fun crafting and frosting creations that were made available for sale at the parish fair.

Our next rotations, which are in the throws of being detailed out, will be themed to the Book of Common Prayer, Learning "How to" Pray, Easter and Understanding the Millennium Development Goals (yep goals – when WE figure out what they are – we will let YOU know what they are  $\square$ ) It is MY personal goal to have the kids teaching the congregation a bit with each of these sessions.

The program is a success because of the children who come each week, eager to learn and share their thoughts on how God's love is all around them. This audience along with the dedication of a handful of consistent volunteers is what makes the program a reality.

What could make the program a bigger success? A larger pool of volunteers - A minimum of two caring adults per class, three classes per week is what is needed. A sign up schedule is located on the wall downstairs outside of the chapel room. Any volunteer will be greeted with open arms. The activities are planned out, the materials are available, and there are absolutely NO requirements for you to be a biblical scholar! We start each Sunday with a review of the Module theme and then break into age appropriate groups for the day's activities.

To you PARENTS – thank you for the privilege of allowing me to get to know your children – they are remarkable! To ALL – come and see what I've seen, the blessings and growth of our youth!

## Respectfully submitted,

Mary Beth Sweet, Children's Education Coordinator

#### **CHRISTMAS FAIR REPORT**

The Christmas Fair was a great success with a total of \$11,145.85. It was a wonderful day. The crowds were steady and many comments were heard about our fair being the best Fair around. That is a compliment to all who chaired tables, worked in the kitchen helped to set up, fill in when needed, to everyone who lent a helping hand. It's everything that you do to make our Fair what it is. It's what each and every one of you put into your tables, your crafts, using your talent and ideas to make our Fair like none other. Thank you all so very much! These totals are great and I for one am very impressed by all of you. Oh and don't forget our 2010 Christmas Fair is only 11 months away.

2009 Receipts

TECW \$615.50 Candy \$480.50

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New Arrivals	\$177.00	Holiday Greens	\$1,203.00	
Basket	\$1,732.50	St. Mary's	\$373.00	
International Foods	\$433.00	Santa Photos	\$185.00	
Christmas Table	\$586.50	Lottery	\$436.00	
Candy Cane Café	\$1,132.50	Rockwell Table	\$120.00	
Treasure Trove	\$515.25	Children's Room	\$234.50	
Literary Nonsense	\$334.85	Traveling Bazaar	\$2,455.75	
Thumb Prints	\$131.00			
		TOTAL	\$11,145.85	

#### Respectfully,

Gayle Ruscitti, Christmas Fair Chair

#### COFFEE HOUR / HOSPITALITY REPORT

#### 8:00 AM SERVICE:

Trinity's long standing post-service coffee hour is a great opportunity to share in giving and receiving Trinity's own brand of radical hospitality. While each coffee hour has its own personality and general details, there is one commonality in that all coffee hour donations, less expenses for supplies, go directly to Trinity's mission effort.

We thankfully recognize Ruth Doyle, Verna Kosiba, Chris McNulty, Aida Mitchell, and MaryEllen Yaroshefski for their service for the 8am coffee hour in 2009 and welcome Pat Keppler to our hostess list for 2010.

Respectively submitted,

Verna Kosiba, 8:00 a.m. Hostess Coordinator

#### 10:00 AM SERVICE:

The 10 o'clock coffee hour hostesses continued to provide a warm and delicious opportunity for socializing after the service each Sunday. Many thanks to all who supported this important fellowship activity during the past year: Barbara Chambers, Tracy Gorham, Audrey Kerxhalli, Lauren Lukas, Ann Masse, Suzanne McMillan, Julie Piasecki, and Michelle Scharnagle. Since all donation money that is gathered at the coffee hour is passed on to fund our mission work, these ladies have made contributions both of time and treasure in serving as hostesses. Special thanks to Tracy Gorham, who has now assumed responsibility for coordinating the coffee hour. It has been a pleasure to be connected with this delightful ministry over the past few years.

Respectively submitted,

Pat Keppler, 10:00 a.m. Hostess Coordinator

#### CONFIRMATION CLASS REPORT

We were blessed to have a wonderful group of young adults who are exploring their faith and preparing to confirm their baptismal vows (the sacrament of Confirmation) on May 16th, 2010. As always it will be the choice of the participant to decide if they are ready to undertake this sacramental action. Participants in our confirmation class include: Tyler Anderson, Reid Aucoin, Valerie Chambers, Becca Cook, Kassidy Flavin, Kelsea Flynn, Michelle Gagnon, Mileena McCarthy, Ani Sharoogian, Caty Scharnagle, Christy Scharnagle, Lindsay Sweet. I am also blessed with the support of our Confirmation Class adult leader Pam Hennessy. Topics included in our discussions included Church History (with an Anglican focus); the Bible, Holy Baptism; The Book of Common Prayer, the Catechism just to list a few. Thank you for the prayer and support you give to this class and leaders.

Respectfully on behalf our the Confirmation Class,

Fr. Mac.

#### TRINITY/ST. MARY'S COVENANT COORDINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The covenant relationship between Trinity and St. Mary's, continues to be the world's oldest continuing covenant relationship between an Episcopal and a Roman Catholic parish. The two parishes continue to pray for each other at their principal weekly services, which was a major component of our covenant commitment.

In 2009 the Covenant Committee consisted of representatives from St. Mary's and Penny Allen, Mary Frances Best, Allan Hopkinson, Ann Marie Lockwood, Sharon Manoogian, and Arlene Person. The committee meets from time to time to discuss things that arise and to serve as a coordinating body for events involving both parishes as well as to identify possible future joint activities.

The existence of the Covenant was highlighted during the 2009 Lenten season by participation of parishioners from both churches in weekly Bible Study classes alternately held at both churches and with special Lenten services open to the parishioners of both churches.

On October 17th the joint committee sponsored a Senior Fall Festival Luncheon which was held at the St. Mary's Parish Hall and open to seniors from both parishes and other senior citizens from throughout the greater Milford Community. The Festival featured a luncheon and also included musical entertainment provided by the Milford community Chorus. This festival was the second of what has become an annual event open to Milford area seniors.

Representatives from St. Mary's and Trinity met to plan details for a joint service on Saturday, November 21st. This service was held at Trinity where a service of Evening Prayer was followed by a most successful potluck supper, which, as in previous years, provided an opportunity for growth of the fellowship that has enhanced covenant related events.

In December St. Mary continued its support of our annual Christmas fair through the operation of their successful pie table.

Respectfully submitted,

Allan G. Hopkinson, For the Covenant Committee

#### GFS SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

The GFS Scholarship Committee under the direction of Sandy Foran, Christine McNulty, and Marjorie Clinton, presented 1 award in 2009 in the amount of \$500.00. The award recipient was:

Justin Varteresian, Northbridge High School

Congratulations to Justin. Good luck as you continue your education.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Foran

#### LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS and LAY READERS REPORT

Throughout 2009, groups of Eucharistic Ministers and Lay Readers served Trinity at both the 8:00 and 10:00 AM Sunday services.

The Eucharistic Ministers serving at the 8:00 AM Service are Richard Davis, Allan Hopkinson, Steve Howe, Steve Ketcham, and Beth Washburn. Those serving at the 10:00 AM service are Terese Cook, Carol Cormier, Paul Del Molino, Pete Dixon, James Jones, Kevin Keppler, Doug Lloyd, Karen O'Neill, Walter Piasecki and Peach Warren.

Lay Readers serving at the 10:00 AM service are Jack Allen, Mary Frances Best, Elizabeth Klisiewicz, Richard Person, Gayle Ruscitti, and Mary Torian, and Ed Cormier served the 8:00 service as a Lay Reader. Eucharistic Ministers and Lay Readers rotate their dates of service at the 8:00 AM or at the 10:00 AM Sunday services.

The Lay Readers are responsible for reading the Old Testament lessons, leading the Psalms, and reading the Epistle lessons. They also lead the Prayers of the People. The Eucharistic Ministers assist with the Eucharist by distributing the chalice and unless a Lay Reader is scheduled for the particular service, they are also responsible for reading the Old Testament and Epistle lessons, and leading the Psalms and the Prayers of the People. Eucharistic Ministers and Lay Readers are also available to assist the Rector in conducting special services when needs arise.

*YOU* are invited to serve as a Eucharistic Minister or Lay Reader in the coming year. Just let me or Fr. Mac know of your interest.

Respectfully submitted,

Allan G. Hopkinson, Lay Eucharistic Minister & Lay Reader Coordinator

#### **LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS**

Cathy Poch stepped down as the organizer of the Lay Eucharistic Visitors this year and I stepped into this role. We have 19 people on our list of people who receive communion at home. Our goal is to bring communion to home bound people once a month. Lay Eucharistic visitors are licensed through the diocese. We have some people who are licensed but are not actively visiting people. We have others who are extremely generous with their time and visit several people each month. I am extremely grateful for this. It is a wonderful ministry and truly appreciated by the people who receive home communion. We have not met our goal of everyone on the list getting a visit at least once a month. As we move forward we would like to increase the number of visitors and visits. The Diocese continues to offer classes so that more people can become licensed to be a LEV. Fr. Mac and I hope to bring more attention to this ministry in 2010 and encourage others to join us. People have shared with me that they feel that they are not "holy" enough to serve communion. I understand that as I felt that way in the beginning, however once you start bringing communion to people who are homebound you realize how much they appreciate the visit and how they enjoy being connected to the church community. It becomes more about them and less about you so you sort of forget to worry about feeling inadequate. I think that the interesting part is that when you put others' needs before yours and when you reach out to the greater community, you actually become more "holy". In addition to LEV visits we also reach out to the homebound with our annual caroling. This year a group of about 15 people visited four homebound people and sang Christmas Carols. This was followed by lunch back at the church. This is always a fun event enjoyed by both the singers and the listeners.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Johnson RN, Parish Nurse

#### MISSION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Mission Committee met several times this year to discuss disbursements and also to discuss the various charities we send disbursements to. During Lent, we sponsored the 'Goat Milk? Got Eggs? Got Honey?' project to raise money to purchase goats, bees and baby chicks through Church World Service to help people gain independence by selling the extra milk, eggs and honey their family does not consume.

Parishioners filled their Lenten boxes with coins and returned them on Easter Sunday (and on following Sundays). A total of \$720 was collected from the Lenten Collection. The Mission Committee added \$180 to this to be able to purchase 8 Goats, 8 hives of Bees and 500 baby chicks.

We had a budget of \$5000 this year, as well as income from the Mission Envelopes and donations and from the Bottle/Can returns. We voted to disburse the following this year:

- Daily Bread Food Pantry \$1000
- ♦ Salvation Army (Milford) \$1000 (for their fuel assistance program)
- Episcopal Relief and Development \$250

- ◆ Armenian Children's Milk Fund \$200
- ♦ Abby House \$250
- **♦** Rape Crisis Center \$250
- **†** AGS (Allagille Syndrome Alliance) \$250
- Project Bread Walk for Hunger \$250
- **♦** Trinity Discretionary Fund \$500
- **†** Five Talents- \$250
- Providence Foundation Center \$250
- ♦ Alternatives \$250
- ♦ New Hope Shelter \$250
- ♦ Church World Service \$180

Members of Trinity participated in the CROP Walk held on October 17, 2009. The walk (through Church World Service) was to benefit hunger, with some of the proceeds going locally to the Daily Bread Food Pantry in Milford. Everyone participating in the walk met at the Congregational Church in Milford and then proceeded down Exchange St. to Main St and entered the Upper Charles Trail bike path by Dunkin' Donuts. Walkers then walked the path, crossing Dilla Street and continuing to right before the path reached Rt. 495 on Cedar Street. Walkers then turned around and walked back to the Congregational Church. Some parishioners did the alternate walk which went from the Congregational Church to St. Mary's. It is hoped that the CROP walk will become an annual event in Milford.

We sponsored Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child. This year with Parishioner's help we collected 28 boxes filled with items for children of different ages, as well as the \$7.00 needed for each box to cover shipping expenses. The shoeboxes were delivered to a drop off collection point at the First Baptist Church in Holliston. From there they were then transported to Boone, North Carolina and from which they were delivered to various parts of the world. Thank you to everyone who filled a box or donated to Samaritan's Purse for the shipping expenses.

Thank you to everyone who donated food for the Thanksgiving Food Baskets. Special thanks to those who helped to assemble and deliver the baskets. Parishioners from Trinity, along with Parishioners of St. Mary's, helped deliver hot meals on Thanksgiving Day to those in the community who requested. Thank you to everyone who participated.

We collected socks during a sock drive we held for the Worcester County Fellowship which helps the homeless in Worcester. We are currently holding a glove drive to collect gloves for them.

On November 8th we held the 'Taste of Trinity' soup event which was well received. We had seventeen different soups made by parishioners, and bread and pastries given to us by Hannaford Supermarket. For \$5 per person, max of \$10 per family, everyone could try as many soups that they wanted. We raised over \$200 which the Mission Committee will disburse to charities.

Another form of outreach is Trinity allowing other groups outside of Trinity to use our building (Al-Anon groups, Brownies/Girl Scouts).

We collected coats for the Salvation Army this fall. The coats we collected were brought to the Salvation Army where they were given to those in need. We had some coats that came in afterwards; these were dropped off at the Milford National Bank as they were holding a coat drive.

This year's Jesse Tree contained slips for parishioners and also adults and children outside of the parish. We also helped the Salvation Army fill requests they had for items for children. The members of Trinity were very generous this year as all the slips were taken and returned.

Thank you to everyone who took a slip and fulfilled a request.

Thank you to everyone who brought in his or her empty soda/beer cans and bottles and dropped them off in the box by the cellar. A special thank you to Jack and Penny Allen for overseeing the bottle & can program, and to the parishioners who help Jack and Penny count and redeem them.

Thank you to the parishioners who bring in canned/boxed items for the Daily Bread Food Pantry each week. We continue to have the special monthly collections, but anyone can bring in any item, it doesn't necessarily have to be what we are concentrating on for a particular month. Thank you especially to those parishioners who deliver the donated items to the pantry each week.

We are collecting the labels of Campbell's Soup and their affiliated products for the St. Jude's Ranch for Children.

Thank you to the parishioners who donated books in October & November to support the Blackstone Valley Technical School's Community Service SkillsUSA Team "Together We Can" (Cancer Awareness Network). Several hundred books were collected for assembly into care packages for local area adult cancer patients and pediatric cancer patients through Dana Farber in Boston.

Thank you to Sandy Foran, Ruth Doyle, Millie Williams, Mary Torian and Ann Marie Lockwood for their help this year with the Mission Committee. Also thank you to Pat Ward (Trinity's Representative to the Daily Bread Food Pantry), Jack Allen, Penny Allen, Verna Kosiba, Magee Lambert, Beverly Bell, Cheryl Taylor, Linda Scott, Peach Warren, Cathy Poch, Beth Washburn, Gayle Ruscitti and Fr. Mac, all of whose help throughout the year was much appreciated.

Please remember that any parishioner who is interested may come to any of our meetings and join at anytime. We generally meet one Sunday a month at 9am in the Upper Parish hall.

Thank you to all Parishioners at Trinity; without your help the Mission Committee would not be able to do all the good work that was done this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew and Mary-Ellen Yaroshefski, For the Mission Committee

#### **MUSIC PROGRAM REPORT (MUSIC NOTES)**

This has been a great year! Not only have we added new adult choir members, we have added new Children's choir members as well! Thanks to all of you for your commitment of time and for your lovely sounds-

Adult Choir now numbers 16-this is a super number! AGO (American Guild of Organists, THE largest musical organization in the world today!) tells chapter members that if the number of choristers is 10% of the average number of congregants in the "primary service," we are doing a great job! This group devotes Tuesday evenings, and Sundays mornings close to 10 months out of every year to enhance our worship experience; further, they welcome new members with open arms at any time, and for any length of time. Over the year, we have sung close to 40 different anthems, sung psalms, and supported one another. We even have spirited choir dinners, and occasion birthday cakes!

Children's Choir numbers about 10. They have sung on several occasions this year, for Baptisms, for Easter and Christmas and of course the Pageant, and other times just because they love to sing and have asked to! Jane has supplied them, and their parents, with CD's of all of the music, including the Processional hymns for their coming down the aisle! Beth and Mille and other parent helpers, I cannot thank you enough for your support of this wonderful group of youngsters. I am hoping they will join the adult choir in a combined anthem in the coming weeks!

The Bell Choir has 6 members, with 2-3 subs, and Peach provides the bells in good shape! A wonderful addition to Easter and Christmas!

Special thanks to Alex Côtè for his talented violin and piano accompaniments, to Jagan Nath Singh Khalsa for his violin playing, to Stephanie Kanniard for amazing flute, and several others among the youth group!

Alex was the recipient this year of the annual Jeannie Tattrie Memorial Music Scholarship-congratulations, Alex! This scholarship was made available 2 years ago as a memorial to a cherished choir member, and is open to anyone of high school age whose musical participation has enriched our services. See me for details if you are interested in applying this year.

Other activities within the program include the annual Covenant Service with St. Mary's Church on the Saturday evening prior to Thanksgiving-this past year, ably directed by their minister of music, Robert Blake. St. Mary's hosted the Ecumenical Service of carols on December 12. Caroling to people unable to come to church was held just before Christmas, and once again, our young people came through with enthusiasm and great voices!

I hope I have not left anything out.....I really love Trinity and all of you, and I remain grateful for your support!

Respectfully Submitted,

Liz Pekkala

#### PARISH NURSE REPORT

The Healing Meals Ministry continues to be active. We had two cooking parties this year and prepared approximately 35 meals at each party. Parishioners then delivered these meals to people who could benefit from a nutritious, delicious meal ready to heat and eat. Other people also prepared meals and stocked the Healing Meal freezer separate from the cooking parties. These meals can be brought to anyone by any parishioner and we encourage people to grab a meal and a prayer to go along as a blessing with the meal (these are kept on the freezer door) and bring the meal to neighbors, friends, coworkers and fellow parishioners.

I held two nutrition classes this year that were open to all. We learned about portion control, looking for hidden sources of sodium, measuring the fat in fast food and other tips for healthy eating.

We had a Walk to Wherever Whenever program this year that started in April and ran for 12 weeks. We had 13 walkers register and we kept track of the accumulated miles walked individually. Our miles followed the path of Fr. Mac's journey through the biblical wilderness of the Middle East.

We continue to offer Healing Prayers to individuals who request them after each of the services on the first Sunday of each month. People are prayed for extemporaneously and blessed with holy oil.

I continue to meet with people on a one to one basis to answer health related questions and give them printed information or referral information related to their questions. I include health related information in articles that I submit to be printed in most of the news letters.

I continue to help organize the giving of Smitten with Knittin baby blankets to all of our babies who have been baptized. I would like to remind people we have larger blankets available for adults or older people are baptized.

#### Lav Eucharistic Visitors

We had a party in May of 2010 to celebrate the work that our Lay Eucharistic Visitors do. We looked at ways to make this program more visible. One of the changes we have made is to have a home communion box blessed at the altar during services and have the box received by one of the Eucharistic ministers. We try to make sure each of our home bound parishioners have a visit once a month. Trinity also started offering gluten free bread for the Eucharist for people who have gluten allergies.

#### Stephen Ministry

We graduated a class of eight ministers in 2009. Seven of these people have been visiting with care receivers and putting into good use what they learned during their Stephen Ministry training. These people continue with education and support and continue to get guidance as they meet with care receivers on a weekly basis. The Stephen Leaders recognize that there are more people who could benefit from being a care receiver and having a Stephen Minister. We had planned on starting another

class in the fall of 2010, however there were not enough people available for a fall session. We are planning a spring session and will hold some informational meetings in 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Johnson RN, Parish Nurse

#### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY REPORT

Thank you to the five active members of "Smitten with Knittin" for their dedication and wonderful knitting/crocheting. The amount of items created was incredible – thank you ladies! for 2010:

8 prayer shawls knit and delivered

107 preemie hats to Milford Regional Hospital

Baptismal afghans presented to our newest members

49 items to Milford Town Library hat/mitten/scarf tree

105 items to the TECW table at Trinity's Christmas Fair

62 6x9 rectangles to Walter Reed Hospital for afghans for soldiers

32 hats for veterans

This represents over 1,681 hours of loving labor! We've enjoyed every minute of it!

Since all yarn is donated by members of "Smitten with Knittin", all contributions of yarn to the ministry are greatly appreciated. Thanks.

Respectfully Submitted,

June Jones, Smitten with Knittin' Group

#### PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT

#### Church:

- PSteeple The steeple remains in desperate need of reconditioning, ad continues to slowly deteriorate. This is considered a high priority to remedy. The cedar shingles, which are original and 100+ years old, are literally crumbling off the roof, and several have simply blown off during recent windstorms. Molding repairs are also needed. The good news is that the internal structure is sound. Renovations quotes have been obtained but will need to be updated for consideration of work being performed in 2010. The job is estimated to be in excess of \$60,000.
- Organ The church organ is in need of repair due to deterioration of the manual windchests. The windchests have split and developed cracks that allow air to escape allowing some pipes to squeak, even though no keys are being played. Some work (crack repairs) was done in 1981, but no replacement was performed of the windchest tables. To minimize the cracks and splits, "bleed" holes were drilled to relieve some escaped air, but the cracks are so bad now that nothing can be done to correct the problem. Prioritization of this work will be discussed in 2010.

#### Rectory:

- † The oil burner at the rectory is in need of replacement, due to age and inefficiency. Quotes will need to be obtained for presentation to the vestry.
- Quotes need to be obtained to construct a deck outside the kitchen door along the backside of the house. In addition to providing a location for recreation, the deck is also necessary to provide structural support for the back corner of the roof, which is sagging excessively and currently lacking support. A corner post of a proposed deck will also serve to support the roof corner. Quotes will need to be obtained for presentation to the vestry.

Many thanks to parishioners who helped with various projects in and around the church and rectory over the course of the year. We'll need your continued and appreciated help for 2010.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Sweet, Property Committee Chairperson

#### RETIRED 'OLD' MEN EATING OUT (ROMEO's) REPORT

The Romeos met monthly during the year thanks to Len Baird who coordinated the winter months while I was in Florida. Lunch meetings were held at Lowell's, Valley Tech 3 Seasons, Hopedale C.C. and, fortunately at Milford Geriatric and Atria Draper Place to accommodate our less mobile members. Membership, open to all, increased to 14 attendees and a separate group of transportation ladies. The popularity and enjoyable fellowship prompted continued attendance.

Attaboys and thanks to Fr Mac for his support, particularly transportation to shut-ins and yeoman duty at \$ collection/payment time. Lastly, thanks to Dave Scott for volunteering his expertise to chair 2010 meetings.

Continued success in the New Year,

John Fleming

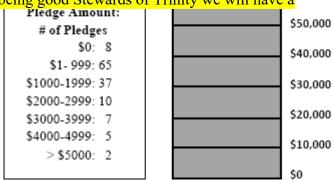
#### STEPHEN'S MINISTRY REPORT

We had our first year of Stephen's Ministry this year	. We graduated a class	s of eight ministers. W	<mark>e now</mark>
have four people from out congregation who are rece	iving care from their	ministers on a one to o	<mark>ne</mark>
basis. We continue to have ongoing continuing educa	ation for the ministers	and are still looking for	<mark>or</mark>
people who would benefit from having a Stephen Mi	nister. Fr. Mac, Audre	ey Kerxhalli and Mary	
Johnson are coordinating the program. We are so imp	pressed with the qualit	ty of people who volun	<mark>iteered</mark>
for the training and the commitment that they have m	ade to serve the churc	ch in this way. This is a	a
wonderful ministry and it is in its infancy here at Trip	nity. We look forward	to the growth of this p	rogran
and the lives that it will touch in such a positive way	CHURCH		\$180,000
Respectfully Submitted,			\$170,000
Mary E. Johnson RN, Parish Nurse	2010 Stewardship		\$170,000
	Campaign Status		\$160,000
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Stewardship in Christianity refers to the responsibility that Christians have for the gifts that God has 0,000 bestowed. We at Trinity have many wonderful gifts. We have a lovely church, a wonderful Rector in Fr. Mac., many new and growing ministries. We also have a wonderful congregation that pulls together in time of need and is supportive to others like a family. Our biggest part of being good Stewards of 0,000 Trinity is our responsibility worshipfully and financially to support our church. This includes our Rector, staff, buildings and grounds, mission and ministries. We do this by signing a pledge form and at time and talent form. We make a contract so to speak with Trinity to designate time to a specific area and for financial support to support the church's budget much like our own budgets at home that pay for our houses, bills, expenses.

Over the past two to three years we have had a budget deficit - one that is not getting smaller but getting larger. Last year we started the year with a \$40.000 deficit. We put a call out that we needed help to protect our savings and keep Trinity alive in the future. We sent letters and more letters. We came up with a one figure one time donation to help offset the deficit. Many responded to the call and I am very happy to say we put a big dent in the deficit for 2009. We have a deficit for 2010 but not quite as large due to the fact that this year parishioners have been more abundant with their pledging and diligent getting their pledges in earlier. Our hope is that by being good Stewards of Trinity we will have a 160,000

balanced budget next year for 2011.



The following are statistics for last year and the year to come:

	2009	2010
# of Pledges	136	134
Pledge Total	\$135,931	\$159,431
Average Pledge	\$1,040	\$1,190
# of New Pledges	26	15

Times are still difficult economically for many and we thank you for your financial support. Stewardship also consists of lending time and talent to an area of interest. We have many ministries and programs that are growing and many that need to grow and could use help with a little time and new talent put into them. Please also think about and area where you can help. Thank you to all who contribute to make our mission and ministry all that it is. Every year we are faced with new challenges here at Trinity so there are questions we must ask ourselves. How can I pull together to help my parish to continue in a healthy way? What are my special gifts that I can share with my parish community? How do I help to make my parish a financial success?

#### Respectfully,

Gayle Ruscitti, Beth Washburn & Fr. Mac – Stewardship Committee

#### SUNDAY NURSERY REPORT

The Sunday Nursery for the 10AM service has been going well this past year. Many Thanks to all of the volunteers in this area! Our "Little Lambs" appreciate it, as do their parents and caregivers.

Volunteers in the Nursery oversee any infants or toddlers that are brought in, and they stay until the end of the service. There are two volunteers per week, and they are scheduled on a rotating basis, taking into consideration the volunteer's schedule, and Church schedule. The Nursery is available year-round, with maybe an exception or two during the year for special services. Each volunteer is scheduled about every 4-5 weeks.

The Volunteers as of this writing are as follows: Sheri Keeler-Phillips, Jim Phillips, Donna Shilale, Mary Johnson, Jen Fumia, Sarah and Shannon Hennessy, Lindsay Sweet, Jill, Nelson, Rob Nelson, Ruth Doyle, Michelle and Caty Scharnagle.

The Nursery is a place where the youngest children can have some fun while their Parent/Caregiver enjoys the Sunday Service!

I would Love to hear from you if you are interested in Volunteering for this special ministry! Respectfully Submitted,

Sheri Keeler-Phillips

#### T.E.C.W. REPORT

Meetings of our small groups are held from March to June and September to December.

Members busy making items for Christmas Fair.

We held bake sale Palm Sunday and rummage sale in November.

Donations made to Episcopal Relief for Haiti, Steeple Fund, Fr. Mac discretionary fund.

Memorial for Emily Lutfy

Christmas gifts given to Ellen Fettig, Jeannette Shaheen and Serphony Kalunian.

Sophie Martin, one of our members, at request of several members of congregation, held baking session to teach how to make crescents.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth P. Doyle, Secretary

	TECW Treasurer's Report 2009				
1-15-2009	Beginning Balance	\$486.69			
	Interest paid out for 2009	\$ .6 <mark>4</mark>			
4-6-2009	Deposits - Bake Sale	\$385.00			
<b>Disbursemen</b>	<mark>ts:</mark>				
4-15-2009	Trinity Episcopal Steeple Fund	\$100.00			
4-15-2009	Trinity Episcopal Deficit Fund	\$ 50.00			
9-16-2009	Alagille Syndrome Alliance	\$ 25.00			
10-15-2009	CWS Crop Walk - Milford	\$ 25.00			
11-20-2009	Ellen Collins Memorial	\$ 25.00			
12-6-2009	Ruth Doyle – Christmas Fair Fruit Basket	\$ 23.06			
12-6-2009	Nancy Sharoogian – Christmas Fair Fruit Basket	\$ 13.19			
12-15-2009	Former Member Homebound Christmas Gifts	\$ 14.6 <del>4</del>			
	(Emily Lutfy, Jeannette Shaheen, Ellen Fettig)				
12-15-2009	Monetary Gifts for Fr. Mac	\$ 75.00			
	(Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas)				
12-31-2009	Closing Balance of 2009	\$521.44			

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy A. Sharoogian, Treasurer of T.E.C.W.

#### THE TRINITARIAN NEWSLETTER

The Trinitarian is Trinity Church's newsletter. Issued on a monthly basis, it is one of the main communication tools of the parish. Regular columns include a message from Fr. Mac, a Senior Warden's Report, and updates from the Altar Guild, the Music Director, Youth Group, and Mission Committee. There are also regular columns from our Parish Nurse and the Editor, information on Christian symbols, as well as a monthly calendar. Additionally, announcements of upcoming events (Smitten with Knittin', Christmas Fair, ROMEO'S, Dinner and a Movie, etc.) and status summaries (stewardship numbers, etc.) are given.

In addition to the large number of parishioners who have elected to receive The Trinitarian electronically, we are still mailing approximately 300 hard copies monthly. If you have an email address, you are strongly encouraged to receive your newsletter electronically. This will not only save a considerable amount of time and effort, but will greatly reduce the cost of postage, paper, etc. that we outlay annually.

The Trinitarian is YOUR newsletter. If you have some information you would like to have communicated to the parish, by all means do no hesitate to submit an article/information. All parishioners are welcomed and encouraged to submit articles. The submission deadline is the 15th of each month, and articles can either be left in the "newsletter" bin on the office door, or sent directly to: news@trinitychurchmilford.org. Also welcome at any time are suggestions and ideas.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Buerger

#### THE TRINITY PARISH WEB SITE

The Trinity web site, found online at http://www.trinitychurchmilford.org, will be ten years old in March. In this time, the web site has provided information about the parish to many people, both within and outside the Milford area. In today's world, a parish web site is important because the web, for many people, has become the first place they look for information

A parish web site serves four main audiences:

Visitors to the Milford area: Visitors to the Milford area who are seeking an Episcopal church on Sunday will find us with a simple web search. For these people, the location of the Church and the times of the services are most important.

Newcomers to the area: People moving into the Milford area may be searching for a Church. (In fact, several of our newer members found Trinity through the web site.) Newcomers are interested in service times and the location of the Church, of course, but they also want to get a feeling for the parish and they want to know how to contact the Parish Office or Father Mac.

Parish Members: Parish members are looking for something different. They probably know when and where to find us, but they may need a copy of The Trinitarian, or to see a list of who is on Vestry, or the schedule for ushers or lay readers on Sunday. They may also be interested in looking at pictures of parish activities, or reading more about parish groups or our history.

Casual online visitors: Family members (grandparents, aunts, uncles and so on) who live outside the area may use the website to see pictures of the Christmas pageant or other activities. In addition, a surprising number of searchers use Google or similar tools to find us. In a recent week, for example, 40% of our visitors were searching for "communion bread recipe" or "communion bread recipes".

Everyone in the Parish can help the website. You can contact me by email at webmaster@trinitychurchmilford.org, or the Parish office at office@trinitychurchmilford.org.

Take pictures: We always want pictures of Parish activities. If you take pictures, please consider mailing them to me or to the office. If you have old pictures, even better – we'd love to add them to our history page. We'll be happy to scan them for you.

Read the web pages: Is the text that's currently on the web accurate? If you see anything that should be changed, or if something is unclear, please let us know.

Give us your ideas: What would make the Trinity web page more useful to you? If you have suggestions, we would like to hear them.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Ketcham, Trinity Webmaster

#### TRINITY PARISH WIDE EVENTS

Trinity Church offers many parish wide events during each year. Various committees and individuals work tirelessly to put together events such as the St. Patrick's Day dinner, Newcomers dinner, UTO Breakfast, Spring Fling, Harvest Supper, Ministry Fairs and the Welcome Back Barbeque. We welcome not only our parish, but also families and friends of our members, to join us for time together. We always have a good time whenever we share a meal at events like these!

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Gorham

#### **Annual Meeting Pot Luck Brunch:**

We all enjoyed a pot luck brunch and then started the Annual Meeting. Respectfully submitted, Gayle E. Ruscitti, Jr. Warden

#### **Welcome Back BBQ:**

To everyone who helped make this year's Bar-B-Q such a success, Kevin Keppler, Andrew Yaroshefski and I extend our thanks. Without your efforts even the best of plans would not work.

James Jones once again provided his culinary talent to our effort behind the grill.

The shopping and organizing team accompanied by Fr Mac stopped at one of our favorite spots, Krakow Deli in Woonsocket, for lunch. They do have several tables and we are always looking for additional volunteers to expand the picnic.

In 2010 we'd like to have someone to help organize activities for the children as well as someone to keep count of how many parishioners partake. Our goal is to build a team that can work through the year to hopefully find an off site venue as was done in years past.

There were many helping hands so listing them all would be difficult but we do appreciate your efforts in getting the grill to and from the church, setting up tables, chairs, coolers, cooking, and putting out all of the very yummy food. If there are suggestions for menu changes please let Kevin, Andy, or me know and we will look into it.

The food that everyone brought to share was great. Taking time to create these dishes is extra work so thank you to everyone who brought a dish to share.

So, once again,

Thank you

Stephen Klisiewicz, Kevin Keppler, Andrew Yaroshefski

#### **Harvest Supper**

The Harvest Supper is a fun time had by all. It is a great time of year, the fall, all our wonderful gardens are putting forth so much abundant vegetables, pumpkins, and sunflowers. This year we held the supper on Saturday October 18th in the parish hall. A wonderful pot luck dinner with the aromas circling the air of the hall tantalizing our taste buds.

Although the food is wonderful it is a not just a time to showcase our wonderful dishes. It is a time to come together and share in much more. It is a time to come to Trinity and touch base with those you have missed over the summer. It's a time to take stock of all that we have and all God has given us. It's a time to be blessed and to be thankful. It's a time to recommit to our church and our church family. Strengthen the bonds that we have made and forge new ones. It's a time to sit, talk relax and feel comfortable, and laugh.

We had our usual Penny Sale this year. The kids had a great time with that as always. It brought in \$87.00 donated to the Steeple Fund.

The number in attendance was lower than other years but those who did attend were full and happy when they left. Please join us in 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

Gayle E. Ruscitti, Jr. Warden

#### Superbowl Subs

Superbowl subs have become a tradition at Trinity. Dave Scott prepares and funds these sandwiches. Many other folks, including youth, contribute their time assembling the subs. The income for 2009 was about \$400. Proceeds benefit Trinity's General Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Scott

#### St. Patrick's Day Dinner

The St. Paddy's Day dinner will hopefully become an annual event at Trinity. Many people contributed to the success of this event in 2009. A highlight was Irish step-dancing performed by the O'Neill family. A 50-50 raffle will again be held. We hope to net \$1,000.00 this year. Proceeds benefit Trinity's General Fund. The price will be \$7.50 per adult, with a \$22.00 family maximum. We hope this year's event will be as successful as the 2009 dinner. Please invite your friends and neighbors on Saturday, March 13.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Scott

#### **Community Dinners**

Trinity hosts Community Dinners at the Milford Unitarian Church on Pine Street on the last Wednesday of each month. These dinners are open to all at no cost, no questions asked. There are people who need help at the end of each month when their food stamp allocation is depleted. We have had a wonderful turnout of volunteers, including youth, to help prepare and serve this Wednesday meal. There have been between eleven and sixteen folks who have come to eat. Most of these people take home an extra meal. December's meal brought several new clients. One man told us he was sitting in the library discussing with his stepdaughter where their next meal was coming from. On their way out of the library, they saw our sign for the Wednesday meal and came and ate, and also took three meals home. The Community Suppers are also served each Sunday by a rotation of other churches and organizations.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Scott

#### **USHER'S REPORTS**

#### 8:00 AM SERVICE:

The 8 am ushers enjoyed a busy year this year. Thank you as well to Christine McNulty, Sandy Foran, Mike Manoogian, Charlie Keegan, Touie Jackson, Caroline Yaroshefski, Mary-Ellen Yaroshefski and Andrew Yaroshefski who served this year in this important mission. Thank you also to Charlie Johnson for joining our group. As always, anyone interested in ushering at 8 am is welcomed to join.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Yaroshefski, 8:00 a.m. Usher Coordinator

#### 10:00 AM SERVICE:

The 10:00AM usher staff remained the same for 2009. My sincere thanks to all who gave of their time to help with each service: to Steve and Elizabeth Klisiewicz, Rick and Carol Davis, Paul Sweet and Paul Delmolino, Carol Cormier and Nancy Sharoogian, Ed Rizoli and Ani Sharoogian, and to my daughter Julie. Several staff members had to balance ushering with other church responsibilities. With all of us having busy lives and schedules, I want to thank all who filled in when they weren't scheduled and for volunteering on busy Sundays and on special days.

Ushers play an important role each service such as greeting people. Often, the first person a visitor may see when they walk into Trinity is an usher and having such dedicated staff, who are interested in making sure no one feels like a stranger when they walk into Trinity, makes their visit more comfortable. They also hand out bulletins, find seats on days when the service is crowded, collections, offering of the gifts, and ensuring a smooth flow during communion. If you are interested in serving the

Lord in this capacity, we would love for you to join us. Please contact one of our ushers and let us know of your interest. We'd be happy to have you!

Respectfully submitted,

Walter M. Piasecki, 10:00 a.m. Usher Coordinator

#### **YOUTH GROUP**

Youth Group had a wonderful year and it is a great group! We have a small but dedicated group of our youth who like to get together and have fun. We continued to enjoy each other's company through various activities. We participated in two important walks this year. The first was when several of us took part in Sophie's Walk for AGS. It was a beautiful day to walk in support of all who deal with AGS along the Cape Cod Canal. Would you believe that several of our youth walked the entire length and back?!? We also took part in the first Milford Area C.R.O.P. Walk to help ease and erase hunger locally and throughout the world - an important walk to help support all who hunger. I am very proud of what they want to accomplish and did accomplish. We also had some fun with sleepovers at the church and a night at the Mendon Drive In. Fall saw a bit of a change to our regular meeting schedule but one that I believe is for the better. We have been gathering on the first and third Sundays at 9:45 to have time to be with each other and have some much needed down time. (If we think our schedules are harried then talk to one of our young adult members and you will appreciate all that they have on their calendars!)

If you have not been receiving our emails about upcoming events as a parent or youth member then please contact me or Fr. Mac via email: youth@trinitychurchmilford.org and we will gladly make sure you are included.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Washburn

Vestry Officers:

# VI. REPORT OF THE ELECTION

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# Trinity Episcopal Church 2010 Annu VII. REPORT OF THE TREASURER

# A) REVIEW OF THE 2009 BUDGET VS. ACTUALS

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Account #	Account Name	Period Activity	Monthly Budget	Budget YTD	YTD Balance	Over/Under YTD+(-)
Income						
4101	Pledges - Current Year	12,590.80	11,663.00	140,000.00	\$146,976.96*	6,976.96
4102	Pledges - Previous Year	0.00	0.00	1.000.00	\$3.519.00*	2.519.00
4103	Pledges Upcoming Year	7.160.33	0.00	0.00	\$9,460.33*	9.460.33
4150	Plate Offering	426.00	250.00	3.000.00	\$2,756.82	(243.18)
4160	Special Day Offerings	3.686.00	291.00	3,500.00	\$6,717.00*	3.217.00
4170	Church School Offering	0.00	34.00	400.00	\$1.00	(399.00)
4180	Hall Use Donations	40.00	146.00	1.750.00	\$1,054.00	(696.00)
4195	In Kind Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	0.00
4201	Christmas Fair	11,488.40	10,000.00	10,000.00	\$11,538.40*	1,538.40
4202	Chocofest	0.00	0.00	2.000.00	\$1,306.80	(693.20)
4203	Fund Raising Events	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$1,087.00*	1,087.00
4301	Diocesan Holdings Dividends	0.00	834.00	10,000.00	\$9,467.05	(532.95)
4305	Stock Dividends	4.96	25.00	300.00	\$339.71*	39.71
4400	Interest on Operating Acct	0.77	1.00	20.00	\$7.47	(12.53)
4401	Interest on MMarket	35.38	84.00	1.000.00	\$425.22	(574.78)
4498	Deficit Funding	0.00	3.328.00	39,928.00	\$6,080,88	(33,847.12)
4499	Faith Funding	3,553.00	834.00	10,000.00	\$10,877.77*	877.77
4590	Flower & Candle Donations	1.025.00	200.00	2.400.00	\$3,356.00*	956.00
	Т	otal Income \$40,010.64	\$27,690.00	\$225,298.00	\$214,971.41	(\$10,326.59)
Expense						
5001	Assessment for Common Ministry	1,402.00	1,400.00	16,822.00	\$16,824.20*	2.20
5002	Missions Budget Expense	416.67	413.00	5,000.00	\$5,000.04*	0.04
5003	TDF Budget Expense	167.61	100.00	1,200.00	\$1,267.61*	67.61
5101	Altar Supplies	(25.48)	57.00	750.00	\$810.32*	60.32
5110	Music	0.00	32.00	450.00	\$494.73*	44.73
5111	Choir Robe Cleaning	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	0.00
5112	Junior Choir Expenses	100.00	12.00	100.00	\$100.00	0.00
5113	Supply Organist or Soloists	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	0.00
5114	Organ Maintenance	(182.90)	63.00	800.00	\$455.00	(345.00)
5115	Organist Salary	958.33	962.00	11,500.00	\$11,499.96	(0.04)
5116	Social Security - Organist	73.32	77.00	880.00	\$879.83	(0.17)
5201	Christian Education	93.24	125.00	1,500.00	\$864.53	(635.47)
5202	Christian Ed Director Salary	732.92	732.00	8,795.00	\$8,795.04*	0.04
5203	Christian Ed Director Social S	56.06	57.00	673.00	\$672.72	(0.28)

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Account #	Account Name	Period Activity	Monthly Budget	Budget YTD	YTD Balance	Over/Under YTD+(-)
5205	Stewardship Educ & Supplies	0.00	113.00	1,400.00	\$990.12	(409.88)
5206	Adult Christian Formation	0.00	50.00	600.00	\$284.36	(315.64)
5211	Parish Nurse - Salary	457.50	452.00	5,490.00	\$5,490.00	0.00
5212	Soc.Sec: Parish Nurse	35.00	35.00	420.00	\$420.00	0.00
5220	Pastoral Care	0.00	50.00	600.00	\$951.68*	351.68
5225	Pastoral Staff Subscription	0.00	18.00	260.00	\$0.00	(260.00)
5230	Annual Convention&Safe Church	130.72	25.00	300.00	\$420.72*	120.72
5231	Church Development Costs	173.95	38.00	500.00	\$285.62	(214.38)
5235	Required background checks	0.00	7.00	150.00	\$0.00	(150.00)
5240	Fundraiser expenses	840.90	106.00	1,250.00	\$1,379.40*	129.40
5300	Office Supplies	123.60	231.00	2,750.00	\$2,256.26	(493.74)
5301	Equipment Contracts	314.14	163.00	2,000.00	\$2,132.31*	132.31
5303	Bulletins & Printing	21.20	32.00	450.00	\$331.00	(119.00)
5304	Office Postage	336.80	163.00	2,000.00	\$1,042.80	(957.20)
5305	Documents & Forms	0.00	12.00	100.00	\$0.00	(100.00)
5306	Telephone - Church	184.31	163.00	2,000.00	\$2,287.06*	287.06
5310	Rector's Salary	4,285.67	4,024.00	48,332.00	\$48,590.04*	258.04
5311	Social Security - Rector	1,032.18	1,092.00	13,159.00	\$11,353.98	(1,805.02)
5312	Pension - Rector	1,379.45	1,296.00	15,530.00	\$18,074.83*	2,544.83
5313	Medical-Dental: Rector	1,042.10	1,250.00	15,000.00	\$12,505.20	(2,494.80)
5314	Rector Equity Fund	241.67	238.00	2,900.00	\$2,410.79	(489.21)
5315	Rector's Expense Allowance	676.35	216.00	2,600.00	\$1,922.88	(677.12)
5316	Rector's Continuing Education	0.00	125.00	1,500.00	\$923.92	(576.08)
5320	Supply Clergy	0.00	0.00	250.00	\$0.00	(250.00)
5330	Secretary's Salary	1,261.42	1,266.00	15,137.00	\$15,137.04*	0.04
5331	Social Security - Secretary	83.76	91.00	1,158.00	\$1,004.84	(153.16)
5332	Secretary Pension	113.52	108.00	1,362.00	\$1,362.24*	0.24
5333	Secretary - Life Insurance	5.00	12.00	144.00	\$60.00	(84.00)
5350	Worker's Comp Insurance	36.41	37.00	400.00	\$436.92*	36.92
5360	Web Hosting/Website	17.98	12.00	100.00	\$65.86	(34.14)
5361	Software Upgrades & Purchases	0.00	37.00	400.00	\$464.00*	64.00
5362	Professional Fees	10.00	32.00	450.00	\$440.00	(10.00)
5400	Utilities - Fuel Oil - Church	1,200.92	750.00	9,000.00	\$4,449.45	(4,550.55)
5401	Utilites - Electric - Church	159.51	212.00	2,500.00	\$2,209.76	(290.24)
5402	Utilites-Water/Sewer - Church	0.00	25.00	300.00	\$345.59*	45.59

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Account #	Account Name		Period Activity	Monthly Budget	Budget YTD	YTD Balance	Over/Under
							YTD+(-)
5403	Trash removal - Church		110.53	113.00	1,400.00	\$1,171.96	(228.04)
5404	Snow Removal - Church		50.00	0.00	0.00	\$50.00*	50.00
5405	Floor Cleang Contact - Church		0.00	25.00	300.00	\$350.00*	50.00
5406	Bldg.Main.& Rpr - Church		(1,086.49)	163.00	2,000.00	\$1,595.61	(404.39)
5407	Grounds Maintenance - Church		50.00	87.00	1,000.00	\$652.50	(347.50)
5410	Sexton Salary		488.17	490.00	5,858.00	\$5,858.04*	0.04
5411	Social Security - Sexton		37.35	41.00	448.00	\$448.19*	0.19
5420	Sexton Supplies		20.00	37.00	400.00	\$532.17*	132.17
5430	Utilites - Fuel Oil - Rectory		422.06	212.00	2,500.00	\$2,084.96	(415.04)
5431	Utilities - Electric - Rectory		134.68	163.00	2,000.00	\$1,573.93	(426.07)
5432	Utilities-Water/Sewer- Rectory		0.00	31.00	350.00	\$522.26*	172.26
5433	Utilities: Telephone - Rectory		311.85	87.00	1,000.00	\$1,185.36*	185.36
5434	Snow Removal - Rectory		50.00	13.00	200.00	\$50.00	(150.00)
5435	Bldg.Main& Rpr - Rectory		0.00	0.00	0.00	\$191.90*	191.90
5440	Blanket Insurance		425.94	441.00	5,281.00	\$5,111.28	(169.72)
5450	Capital Impr Budget Expense		100.00	100.00	1,200.00	\$1,200.00	0.00
5600	In Kind General		0.00	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	0.00
5926	Flower & Candle Expense		(681.80)	200.00	2,400.00	\$1,059.60	(1,340.40)
		Total Expense	\$18,388.12	\$18,714.00	\$225,299.00	\$211,330.41	(\$13,968.59)
D	Difference		\$21,622.52	\$8,976.00	(\$1.00)	\$3,641.00	

<sup>\* =</sup> Income/Expense exceeds amount budgeted to date

# B) 2009 YEAR END ASSET AND FUND BALANCES

Account #	Account Name	Previous Year Balance	YTD Balance		
Assets					
1001	Operating Acct - Milford Nat'l	17,618.06	15,114.86		
1055	MM Savings Acct	40,406.02	65,990.57		
1501	Merrill Lynch Investments	1.15	1.15		
1505	GFS - Original Gift (Diocese)	14,885.96	14,885.96		
1506	GMLane-Original Gift (Diocese)	32,644.80	32,644.80		
1507	ICleveland-OriginalGift(Diocs)	21,276.67	21,276.67		
1508	Trinity Endowment (Diocese)	17,629.88	17,629.88		
1515	GFS Appreciation (Diocese)	54,085.08	42,838.65		
1516	Lane Appreciation (Diocese)	30,475.20	20,182.82		
1517	Cleveland Appreciation(Dioces)	11,606.70	6,244.75		
1518	Trinity Appreciation (Diocese)	5,800.14	3,109.33		
1800	Church & Parish Hall	1,634,819.00	1,634,819.00		
1801	Church Improvements	0.00	0.00		
1802	Contents: Church & Parish Hall	163,481.00	163,481.00		
1803	Rectory Improvements	0.00	0.00		
1810	Rectory	197,036.00	197,036.00		
1812	Contents: Rectory	19,703.00	19,703.00		
1851	Religious Items Inventory	0.00	0.00		
1853	Non-Religious Inventory	0.00	0.00		
1855	Equipment	0.00	0.00		
1899	Accumulated Depreciation	0.00	0.00		
	Total As		\$2,254,958.44		
Liabilities					
	Total Liabili	ities \$0.00	\$70.05		
Fund Balanc					
3101	Fund Balance - Operations	(37,924.75)	(34,283.75)		
3201	Fund Balance - Temp Restricted	990.00	990.00		
3221	TDF Fund Balance	0.00	0.00		
3222	GFS Scholarship Fund	12,215.16	11,515.16		
3223	GFS Savings Fund	4,031.36	2,951.78		
3224	GFS Dividends Fund	15,809.27	15,809.27		
3225	Mission Fund Balance	12,136.04	13,856.01		
3226	Flower & Candle Fund Balance	1,184.00	0.00		
3227	P&I Fund	121.48	121.48		
3228	P&I Capitol Imp Reserve Fund	36,813.52	62,123.38		
3229	Air Conditioning Fund Balance	529.00	529.00		
3230	Vestry Sunshine Fund Balance	106.57	106.57		
3231	General Savings Fund Balance	2,357.22	2,357.22		
3251	Helen Draper Ayer Fund Fund	0.00	0.00		
3252	Armenian Martyr's Fund Fund	164.20	164.20		
3260	Memorial Fund Balance	9,492.16	4,796.21		
3270	Property & Contents Fund	2,015,039.00	2,015,039.00		
3301	Fund Balance - Restricted	188,404.43	158,812.86		
	Total Fund Bala	,,	\$2,254,888.39		
	Total Liabilities and Fund Bala	nce \$2,261,468.66	\$2,254,958.44		

# C)REVIEW OF THE 2010 BUDGET

Income		2010	20	09	
Account number	Account name	Approved Budget	Approved Budget	Actuals	
4101	Pledges - Current Year	\$ 165,000.00	\$ 140,000.00	\$ 146,976.96	
4102	Pledges - Previous Year	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 3,519.00	
4103	Pledges Upcoming Year	\$ 8,000.00	\$ -	\$ 9,460.33	
4150	Plate Offering	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,756.82	
4160	Special Day Offerings	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 6,717.00	
4170	Church School Offering	\$ 150.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 1.00	
4180	Hall Use Donations	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 1,054.00	
4201	Christmas Fair	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 11,538.40	
4202	Chocofest	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,306.80	
4203	Fund Raising Events	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,087.00	
4301	Diocesan Holdings Dividends	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 9,467.05	
4305	Stock Dividends	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 339.71	
4400	Interest on Operating Acct	\$ 10.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 7.47	
	Interest on MMarket	\$ 400.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 425.22	
4498	Income designated to reduce the deficit			\$ 6,080.88	
4499	Faith Funding	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,877.77	
4590	Flower & Candle Donations	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 3,356.00	
	Total Income	\$ 220,160.00	\$ 185,370.00	\$ 214,971.41	

Expenses			2010	2009			
Account Number	Account Name	-	Approved Budget		Budget	Actuals	
	Assessment for Common Ministry	\$	18,380.00	\$	16,822.00	\$	16,824.20
	Missions Budget Expense	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000.04
	TDF Budget Expense	\$	1,200.00	\$	1,200.00	\$	1,267.61
	Altar Supplies	\$	1,000.00	\$	750.00	\$	810.32
	Music	\$	500.00	\$	450.00	\$	494.73
5111	Choir Robe Cleaning	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
5112	Junior Choir Expenses	\$	100.00	\$	100.00	\$	100.00
	Supply Organist or Soloists	\$	1,500.00	\$	-	\$	-
	Organ/Piano Maintenance	\$	1,000.00	\$	800.00	\$	455.00
5115	Organist Salary	\$	12,190.00	\$	11,500.00	\$	11,499.96
5116	Social Security - Organist	\$	932.54	\$	880.00	\$	879.83
	Christian Education	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00	\$	864.53
5202	Christian Ed Director Salary	\$	9,059.00	\$	8,795.00	\$	8,795.04
5203	Christian Ed Director Social S	\$	693.01	\$	673.00	\$	672.72
5205	Stewardship Educ & Supplies	\$	1,400.00	\$	1,400.00	\$	990.12
	Adult Christian Formation	\$	600.00	\$	600.00	\$	284.36
5211	Parish Nurse - Salary	\$	5,874.00	\$	5,490.00	\$	5,490.00
	Soc.Sec: Parish Nurse	\$	449.36	\$	420.00	\$	420.00
5220	Pastoral Care	\$	750.00	\$	600.00	\$	951.68
5230	Annual Convention&Safe Church	\$	400.00	\$	300.00	\$	420.72
5231	Church Development Costs	\$	500.00	\$	500.00	\$	285.62
5235	Required background checks	\$	150.00	\$	150.00	\$	-
	Fundraiser expenses	\$	1,250.00	\$	1,250.00	\$	1,379.40
	Office Supplies	\$	2,500.00	\$	2,750.00	\$	2,256.26
5301	Equipment Contracts	\$	2,000.00	\$	2,000.00	\$	2,132.31
	Bulletins & Printing	\$	600.00	\$	450.00	\$	331.00
5304	Office Postage	\$	1,500.00	\$	2,000.00	\$	1,042.80
5305	Documents & Forms	\$	100.00	\$	100.00	\$	-
5306	Telephone - Church	\$	2,250.00	\$	2,000.00	\$	2,287.06
5310	Rector's Salary	\$	50,000.00	\$	48,332.00	\$	48,590.04
5311	Social Security - Rector	\$	11,678.00	\$	13,159.00	\$	11,353.98
5312	Pension - Rector	\$	16,802.00	\$	15,530.00	\$	18,074.83
5313	Medical-Dental: Rector	\$	13,362.00	\$	15,000.00	\$	12,505.20
5314	Rector Equity Fund	\$	3,000.00	\$	2,900.00	\$	2,410.79
	Rector's Expense Allowance	\$	2,600.00	\$	2,600.00	\$	1,922.88
5316	Rector's Continuing Education	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00	\$	923.92
5317	Rector's Sabatical Reserve	\$	5,000.00		-		

Expenses		2010		20		009		
Account	Account Name		Approved		Budget		Actuals	
Number		L	Budget				Actuals	
	Supply Clergy	\$	1,500.00		250.00	\$	-	
	Secretary's Salary	\$	16,276.00	\$	15,137.00	\$	15,137.04	
	Social Security - Secretary	\$	1,245.11	\$	1,158.00	69	1,004.84	
5332	Secretary Pension	\$	1,464.84	\$	1,362.00	\$	1,362.24	
5333	Secretary - Life Insurance	\$	144.00	\$	144.00	\$	60.00	
	Worker's Comp Insurance	\$	453.00	\$	400.00	\$	436.92	
5360	Web Hosting/Website	\$	100.00	\$	100.00	\$	65.86	
	Software Upgrades & Purchases	\$	500.00	\$	400.00	\$	464.00	
5362	Professional Fees	\$	450.00	\$	450.00	\$	440.00	
5400	Utilities - Fuel Oil - Church	\$	6,000.00	\$	9,000.00	\$	4,449.45	
5401	Utilites - Electric - Church	\$	2,500.00	\$	2,500.00	\$	2,209.76	
5402	Utilites-Water/Sewer - Church	\$	400.00	\$	300.00	\$	345.59	
5403	Trash removal - Church	\$	1,400.00	\$	1,400.00	\$	1,171.96	
5404	Snow Removal - Church	\$	500.00	\$	-	\$	50.00	
	Floor Cleang Contact - Church	\$	700.00	\$	300.00	\$	350.00	
5406	Bldg.Main.& Rpr - Church	\$	2,000.00	\$	2,000.00	\$	1,595.61	
5407	Grounds Maintenance - Church	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00	\$	652.50	
5410	Sexton Salary	\$	6,500.00	\$	5,858.00	\$	5,858.04	
5411	Social Security - Sexton	\$	497.25	\$	448.00	\$	448.19	
5420	Sexton Supplies	\$	500.00	\$	400.00	\$	532.17	
	Utilites - Fuel Oil - Rectory	\$	2,000.00	\$	2,500.00	\$	2,084.96	
5431	Utilities - Electric - Rectory	\$	2,000.00	\$	2,000.00	\$	1,573.93	
5432	Utilities-Water/Sewer- Rectory	\$	500.00	\$	350.00	\$	522.26	
5433	Utilities: Telephone - Rectory	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,185.36	
	Snow Removal - Rectory	\$	200.00	\$	200.00	\$	50.00	
5435	Bldg.Main& Rpr - Rectory	\$	1,000.00	\$	-	\$	191.90	
5440	Blanket Insurance	\$	5,237.00	\$	5,281.00	\$	5,111.28	
5450	Capital Impr Budget Expense	\$	2,000.00	\$	1,200.00	\$	1,200.00	
5926	Flower & Candle Expense	\$	2,400.00	\$	2,400.00	\$	1,059.60	
	Total Expense	\$ 237,787.11		\$ 225,299.00		\$ 211,330.41		
	Surplus / Deficit*	\$	(17,627.11)	\$	(39,929.00)	\$	3,641.00	

# VIII REPORT OF THE WARDENS

It has been a year since our last gathering as a parish community at our Annual Meeting. It has been a full year of listening, learning, and trying to better discern who we are and what we are to be doing as a branch of Christ's Church. We knew then that we had many blessings to be thankful for and we continued to learn that we have been given many more.

We entered the year with a budget shortfall of \$40,000.00. The budget approved by the Vestry was cutting into the bone not just being stripped down to the bone. As we gathered at our annual meeting in the end of January we seemed to be in shock and wondered what could be done to have this situation reduced. Fr. Mac shared that if we took the deficit and divided it by the number of families already pledging that it would take an additional \$364 per household or \$7 per week to help erase the deficit. We sent out a letter to all on our mailing list and we were able to reduce the deficit by \$20,000! When presented in a simple format like this we met a great deal of the challenge. This was a true blessing to us!

With a few major capital issues facing us (the steeple repair, organ air chest rebuilding, etc.), it was felt that we should consider having a fundraising committee. A few folks were willing to look at this possibility and by February we had some planning in place and thoughts for other events to hold. With the guidance of our Finance Committee, members of this new committee were given guidelines to work with in this new area of parish life and learn how to proceed with ideas that might come forward. We continue to move along with people thinking outside our normal ways and infusing excitement through planned events. This is another blessing to be thankful for in 2009!

Our dedicated and committed staff was wonderful to us this year! Fr. Mac continued providing with his steady, and seemingly tireless, pastoral care of all who call this parish their home and also to many in our community. Magee Lambert completed her third year in the position of parish secretary and continued her ministry of administration and care for us as she greeted all who walked in the door; needed information; tirelessly typed bulletins and information needed; and gave us a nudge as needed! Paul DelMolino worked quietly much of the time through the early hours of the week to make sure our space is clean and ready for use. He vacuums, sweeps, swiffers, empties and cleans the parish buildings and keeps us clean! Andrea McGuinness kept our young ones grounded in their faith development as our lead WoRM coordinator. She digs tirelessly through the internet to plan lessons and activities for our youngest members. Mary Johnson worked quietly and passionately in the background as our Parish Nurse. She is not only ready, willing, and able to receive questions and concerns that we might have regarding our health and spiritual issues but she is ready to work with each of us who might need that extra bit of guidance. And, last but most certainly not least we cannot forget about our talented and dedicated Music Director, Liz Pekkala. She plans, plays and directs our choir members – young and older – for our worship together. We are blessed to have such dedication in our staff! Thanks to so many volunteers we were able to complete a great deal of work at the parish with special work days and individual work efforts. We were able to keep our grounds and buildings looking renewed. We have fresh new coats of color to the Lane Chapel and side entry way; added a new floor to

work days and individual work efforts. We were able to keep our grounds and buildings looking renewed. We have fresh new coats of color to the Lane Chapel and side entry way; added a new floor to the entry area; refreshed two radiators with a radiant coating of metallic paint; had new heating cables installed on the roof by the back and side entrances to help reduce the possibility of ice dams; have new window panes installed in the Quiet Room and Nursery. There will always be much more to accomplish and continue to be blessed with so much behind-the-scenes help!

One new area for the Wardens was to host a dinner gathering for our neighboring wardens. We were thrilled that many wardens not only wanted to attend but did attend. It allowed us to share, learn and value how much we have in common serving in our parishes. We are blessed that we can gather and build new relationships with our neighbors!

One of our biggest events that happens each December is our annual Christmas Fair. We have such dedicated people who offer their time and talents to make sure that this community event happens. We

had a very successful time this year and it was wonderful to have more parishioners involved with the set up, working, cleaning and sharing their talents with handmade food and gifts. We are blessed with dedication and talent at Trinity!

We have now come to 2010 and will continue to face challenges but we know and experience God's presence with us as we move forward together. We will have new opportunities and new possibilities that will motivate and challenge us. We will continue to listen, learn and discern what God might have in mind for us as we continue on this journey of leadership. We are blessed with such a wonderful congregation that supports us in our ministry at this time!

<mark>In Peace,</mark>

Beth Washburn, Sr. Warden

Gayle Ruscitti, Jr. Warden

## IX. REPORT OF THE RECTOR

#### RECTOR'S REPORT

From the Parish Register for 2009, we have been blessed by the following additions and events in our Trinity Parish Family:

**Baptisms** 

Jeremy Redden

<mark>Parker Douglas Waugh</mark> Phoebe Tyler Burke Juliana Graziela Miranda

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Andrew Joseph Cahill

<mark>Samuel F. Kennedy</mark> Gavin D. McGuinness

Summer P. Baisley

Aiden Carleton

Peyton Hathaway

Cody Jack Fletcher

Isabella Kristina Miranda

Ryan Warren McCallum

Sofia Merianna Manoogian Figueroa

Mackenzie Genevive Viens

**Marriages** 

Paul Johnson and Hilda Roda

Angus Jennings and Kristen Diedering Anthony Cifizzari and Michelle Lu

Mathew Friis and Laura Carey

**Transfers In (4)** 

Jane Hanrahan

Peter, Monica and Samuel Waugh

**Transfers Out (4)** 

Rodney and Eric Colby Ford

Raymond and Brianne (Lutfy) Henry

This has also been a year in which we have felt great loss. We mourn the passing of:

#### **Deaths**

John Edward Mullen Frances M. Auty Gary John Balian Ruby May Wyllie

Josephine Harriat Richards

Gemma Del Molino Betsy Washburn Nancy Jean Hensel Ellen Collins

E. Sylvia McDonough Robert Yaroshefski

Anne Shields

James David Scott Evelyn King

Edward David King

Jane Trotter

Hagop "Champ" Karakehian

Bill Brutsch
Hilda McGowan
Robert Taylor
June McLellan
Audrey Uphold
Mary Ruggerio

We are well into the fourth year of my ministry here at Trinity Church, the 147<sup>th</sup> year of Trinity's ministry to the greater Milford community.

Reading through this report I am reminded of how blessed we are. Together we have accomplished so much this year. I particularly want to express my gratitude to each of our ministry area leaders for their willingness to shepherd us as we go about the business of knowing Christ and making Christ known in our world. I invite you to spend an a few minutes looking over this annual report and think about one area you might like to get involved with.

Last year I shared details of our financial situation, highlighting the budget deficit. The suggestions made and implemented at our annual meeting, your response to our "Erase the Deficit" campaign in February, the lower cost of fuel oil (with thanks to our own "Oil Lady" Kristin Anderson), the work of our fundraising committee and all the wonderful events planned and held throughout the year, together

with prudent spending practices and the generosity of our membership, allowed us to close out 2009 with a budget surplus of \$3,641. That is a \$43,569 swing!

We initiated a new ministry at Trinity in 2009 as we become a *Stephen Ministry* Parish. As Bishop Moule said "There is no situation so chaotic that God cannot, from that situation, create something that is surprisingly good. He did it at creation. He did it at the cross. He is doing it today." *Handley C.G. Moule* (1841-1920), Anglican bishop and author Our Stephen Ministers are trained to provide confidential Christian caregiving – being present when the chaos of our lives might seem overwhelming. When life's chaos gets to you, give one of our Stephen Leaders (Mary Johnson, Audrey Kerxhalli or Fr. Mac) a call!

We have been blessed with our first class of Stephen Ministers and I look forward, together with our Stephen Leaders, to recruiting and training our next group of Stephen Ministers.

In organizing our mission and ministry we (your vestry and I) focus on eight areas: Education and Spiritual Development; Worship; Pastoral Care; Outreach; Parish Life; Parish Wide Events; Congregational Development; and Management of Parish Resources. Vestry members are responsible for overseeing these mission and ministry areas and recruiting volunteer leadership and support. Talk to your vestry members and find an area you might engage your interests.

We will grow together over these coming months and years, continuing to live into the summary of the law as Jesus gave it to us (Mark 12:29-31):

Hear, O Israel, the Lord is our God, the Lord is one

Deuteronomy 6:4

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all our might

Deuteronomy 6:5

Love your neighbor as yourself

Leviticus 19:18b

I offer thanksgiving to God for all the gifts God bestows upon us and I pray that we continue to grow together in God's Grace.

Thanks be to God.

Respectfully Submitted,

William MacDonald Murray, Rector, Trinity Church Milford

# X. OTHER BUSINESS

# XI. BLESSING AND DISMISSAL