



News for January 12, 2022

[Join us on Zoom at 7 pm tonight](#) for Cindi's *Music, Movement, and Meditation!*

Rector's Message

Dearly beloved,

Welcome to the *Season after the Epiphany!* A number of changes are in store for us as 2022 unfolds:

- **Gathering:** Zoom only again while the Omicron variant circulates.
- **Formation:** Genesis study this Sunday for Adults; Children next week.
- **Newsletter:** This new format trial (shorter & weekly, no monthly).
- **Stewardship:** Pledges drive continues leading up to annual meeting.
- **Wednesdays:** Contemplative Evening Prayer resumes on Zoom

For more information, please read on. Your feedback is welcome as we continue to make sure we get you the news you need to stay connected!

In communion,

Father John

A Reflection on Finding Your Way:
What To Do in the Darkness

*Go slowly
Consent to it
But don't wallow in it
Know it as a place of germination
And growth
Remember the light
Take an outstretched hand if you find one
Exercise unused senses
Find the path by walking in it
Practice trust
Watch for dawn*

— Marilyn Chandler McEntyre (*Daily Prayer for All Seasons*)

News at Trinity

2022 Stewardship Pledge Drive

Please return your mailed pledge card or go online to pledge your support **before January 30, 2022** so that the Vestry can complete our budget by the Annual Meeting on February 6th. Thank you!

Make your 2022 pledge online: trinitychurchmilford.org/2022-pledge

Formation Groups restart on Zoom



Our formation gatherings will be online for this Season, following the Sunday morning services. Stay on Zoom and we'll begin discussion at 10:15 am. Adults will begin a **6-week series on the "Primordial History" in Scripture** (Genesis chapters 1-11) this coming Sunday the 16th. The Children's program will resume on January 23rd.

Wednesdays: Contemplative Evening Prayer

During this online-only season, our Wednesday evening gatherings will take the form of a contemplative Evening Prayer with discussion. [Join us at 7:00 pm on Zoom](#). *Music, Movement, and Meditation* continues online one Wednesday per month (including tonight!).

Omicron Pandemic Schedule

As the newest variant spreads rapidly, [with rising hospitalizations and deaths](#), we will remain **Zoom-only for the rest of January** as we keep evaluating the situation. An update will be provided by the end of the month.

Please wear N95 masks (see graphic), get your boosters, and be careful out there. Many parishioners have been getting sick.

Time it takes to transmit an infectious dose of Covid-19

		PERSON NOT INFECTED IS WEARING			
		Nothing	Cloth mask	Surgical mask	N95
PERSON INFECTED IS WEARING	Nothing	15 min.	20 min.	30 min.	2.5 hours
	Cloth mask	20 min.	27 min.	40 min.	3.3 hours
	Surgical mask	30 min.	40 min.	1 hour	5 hours
	N95	2.5 hours	3.3 hours	5 hours	25 hours

It will take 25 hours for an infectious dose of Covid-19 to transmit between people wearing non-fit-tested N95 respirators. **If they're using tightly sealed N95s—where only 1% of particles enter the facepiece—they will have 2,500 hours of protection.**

Poinsettias Available!

Come pick up a flowering plant from the church (leave the clear base behind).

Annual Meeting: February 6

Our Parish Annual Meeting is scheduled for February 6th this year.

Ongoing reminders

- Donate eyeglasses for recycling by the Lion's Club; collected in the parish hall.
- Donate food for distribution by Daily Bread; collected in the side narthex.
- [Download our recent survey results from Trinity's website: www.trinitychurchmilford.org](http://www.trinitychurchmilford.org)

Calendar at Trinity

Upcoming Events

- **Tonight:** Cindi's *Music, Movement, and Meditation* at 7:00 pm [on Zoom](#)
- **January 16:**
 - *The 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany* at 9:00 am [on Zoom](#)
 - Adult Formation series on Genesis starts at 10:15 am [on Zoom](#)
- **January 17:** Vestry Meeting at 7:00 pm [on Zoom](#) (all welcome)
- **January 23:**
 - *The 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany* at 9:00 am [on Zoom](#)
 - Children's Formation restarts at 10:15 am [on Zoom](#)
- **February 6:** Annual Meeting following 9:00 am Holy Eucharist
- **March 2:** Ash Wednesday (details to come)

Regular Weekly Parish Schedule (OMICRON)

- **SUNDAY**
 - **9:00 am Holy Eucharist** [on Zoom](#)
 - **10:15 am Spiritual Formation** (all ages) [on Zoom](#)
- **Mondays**
 - *Parish office open 10:00 am to 2:00 pm*
- **Tuesdays**
 - *Parish office open 10:00 am to 2:00 pm*
 - Tai Chi practice at 6:00 pm in Lane Chapel
- **Wednesdays**
 - *Parish office open 10:00 am to 2:00 pm*
 - **Contemplative Evening Prayer** at 7:00 pm [on Zoom](#)
(*Movement and Meditation* on the first Wednesday of the month)
- **Thursdays**
 - *Parish office open 10:00 am to 2:00 pm*
 - Volunteers gather to prepare meals at 12:00 or 2:00 pm
 - Community Suppers distributed outdoors at 4:00 pm
- **Fridays**
 - *Father John's sabbath day; office closed*
 - Painting Class in Murray Hall at 10:00 am

THE MINISTERS OF TRINITY
ARE
THE PEOPLE OF THIS PARISH

led by

The Right Reverend Doug Fisher, *Bishop*

The Reverend John Elliott Lein, *Priest*

Rachel Carpenter, *Sunday School Coordinator*

Magee Lambert, *Secretary*, Paul Del Molino, *Sexton*

Beth Moeller, *Sr. Warden*, Lisa Ruggiero, *Jr. Warden*

and the Treasurer, Clerk, and Vestry.

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of the Diocese of Western Massachusetts,
part of The Episcopal Church (USA),
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