

# TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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**HOLY EUCHARIST WITH  
ANNUAL MEETING AND REPORTS  
FOR THE YEAR 2011**

*Sharing the Grace of God, the Light of Christ and the Power of the Holy Spirit,  
through worship, ministry and fellowship.*

*Adopted by Trinity Vestry – January 10, 2011*



# I. OPENING WORSHIP

## FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

### 9 AM SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 2012

### HOLY EUCHARIST WITH ANNUAL MEETING

#### OPENING HYMN

God the Omnipotent!

*Russia*

1 God the Om - ni - po - tent! King, who or - dain - est  
 2 God the All - mer - ci - full! earth hath for - sak - en  
 3 God the All - right - eous One! earth hath de - fied thee;  
 4 God the All - prov - i - dent! earth by thy chas - tening

thun - der thy clar - ion, the light - ning thy sword;  
 thy ways all ho - ly, and slight - ed thy word;  
 yet to e - ter - ni - ty stand - eth thy word,  
 yet shall to free - dom and truth be re - stored;

show forth thy pi - ty on high where thou reign - est:  
 bid not thy wrath in its ter - rors a - wak - en:  
 false - hood and wrong shall not tar - ry be - side thee:  
 through the thick dark - ness thy king - dom is haste - ning:

give to us peace in our time, O Lord.  
 give to us peace in our time, O Lord.  
 give to us peace in our time, O Lord.  
 thou wilt give peace in thy time, O Lord.

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.  
*Glory to God for ever and ever.*

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### SONG OF PRAISE

Songs of thankfulness and praise

Salzburg

Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Jes - us, Lord, to thee we raise,  
 man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far;  
 branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem;  
 an - thems be to thee ad-dressed, God in man made man-i - fest.

The Lord be with you.  
*And also with you.*  
 Let us pray.

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

*Almighty and everliving God, source of all wisdom and understanding, be present with those who take counsel in this Annual Meeting of Trinity for the renewal and mission of your Church. 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.*

## LESSONS

### First Reading

**Deuteronomy 18:15-20**

A Reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Moses said, The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the LORD my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the LORD replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak-- that prophet shall die."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*Thanks be to God.*

### Psalm 111

*Confitebor tibi*

- 1 Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, \*  
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.
- 2 Great are the deeds of the LORD! \*they are studied by all who delight in them.
- 3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, \*and his righteousness endures for ever.
- 4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; \*the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.
- 5 He gives food to those who fear him; \*he is ever mindful of his covenant.
- 6 He has shown his people the power of his works \*in giving them the lands of the nations.
- 7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; \*all his commandments are sure.
- 8 They stand fast for ever and ever, \*because they are done in truth and equity.
- 9 He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; \*  
holy and awesome is his Name.
- 10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; \*  
those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures for ever.

### Second Reading

**1 Corinthians 8:1-13**

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "no idol in the world really exists," and that "there is no God but one." Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth-- as in fact there are many gods and many lords-- yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being

weak, is defiled. "Food will not bring us close to God." We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*Thanks be to God.*

**HYMN**

Lord, make us servants of your peace

*Dickinson College*

1 Lord, make us ser - vants of your peace: where there is  
 2 Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is  
 3 Je - sus, our Lord, may we not seek to be con -  
 4 May we not look for love's re - turn, but seek to  
 5 Dy - ing, we live, and are re - born through death's dark

1 hate, may we sow love; where there is hurt, may we for -  
 2 gloom, may we sow hope; where all is night, may we sow  
 3 soled, but to con - sole, nor look to un - der - stand - ing  
 4 love un - self - ish - ly, for in our giv - ing we re -  
 5 night to end - less day: Lord, make us ser - vants of your

1 give; where there is strife, may we make one.  
 2 light; where all is tears, may we sow joy.  
 3 hearts, but look for hearts to un - der - stand.  
 4 ceive, and in for - giv - ing are for - given.  
 5 peace, to wake at last in hea - ven's light.

**GOSPEL****Mark 1:21-28**

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching-- with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**ANNUAL MEETING RECTOR'S REPORT AND WARDENS' REPORT****THE NICENE CREED**

*We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.*

*We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.*

*We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.*

*We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

We pray for Rowan Williams, Archbishop of Canterbury; Katharine Jefferts Schori, our presiding Bishop; Gordon Scruton, our Bishop; Mac Murray, our Priest; for our Stephen Ministry Program; for our congregation and the congregation of our covenant parish, St. Mary's; and for our partner dioceses of Liberia and Kumasi in Ghana. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Remembering our overseas Diocesan missionaries: Jane Torrey in South Korea; the Culver Family in China; Peter Prewandowski in Tanzania, the Baker Family in Afghanistan, Peter Glover in Kenya and

Alex White in the Ukraine; those serving in the military: Michael Sangenario; John Campanalle; Michael Leonard Desena; Brett Osborne; Kelly Sullivan Renehan; Nick Aicardi; Joel Joudrey; Justin Woessner; Timothy F. Carey; Matthew Moriarty; Chris Ketcham; Shawn Durgson, and their families. Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week: Jim McDermott, Robin McCarthy, Steven Shawlis, Deborah VanMarter, Jack Cuddy, Robert Healey Jr., Hugh O'Neill, Sarah Gorham, Leah Gorham, Cody Winchell, Sean Cooney, Julia Klisiewicz and Charlie Keegan; we pray for Social Justice, for Church Publishing, for our lay leaders and for the legacy of the Girls Friendly Society. Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; *(see announcement insert for names of those we are praying for)* give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

We commend to your mercy all who have died, *(see announcement insert for names of those we are praying for)*, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

Loving God, we thank you for the gift of your Church. Empowered by your Holy Spirit, guide us as we seek the bishop of your choosing who will guide and equip our diocese in its mission. Shepherd us as we seek to worship you and preach your Holy Gospel. Walk with us as we strive to be your hands and heart in the world.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Please offer your prayers of thanksgiving and intercession either silently or aloud.*

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

**CONFESSION OF SIN**

Let us confess our sins to God.

*Silence may be kept.*

*God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the sin that enslaves us, the sin we have done, and the sin done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.*

**ABSOLUTION**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life **Amen.**

**THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be always with you.

*And also with you.*

**OFFERTORY**

**Offertory Anthem**

We Will Be a Shelter for Each Other

*Tom Long/Allen Pote*

**Doxology**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below.*

*Praise God above the Heavenly Host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

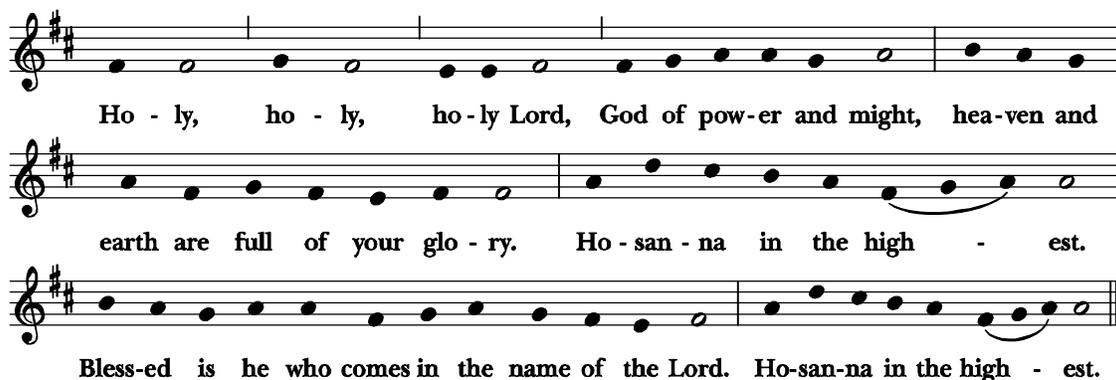
Lift up your hearts.

*We lift them to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

**SANCTUS**


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and  
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *AMEN.*

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.*

### **FRACTION ANTHEM**

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

*We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.*

### **INVITATION**

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### **COMMUNION**

COMMUNION HYMN

God is love

*Ubi Caritas*

*Refrain*

God is love, and where true love is God him - self is there.

1 Here in Christ we gath - er, love of Christ our call - ing.  
 2 When we Chris - tians gath - er, mem - bers of one Bo - dy,  
 3 Grant us love's ful - fill - ment, joy with all the bless - ed,

Christ, our love, is with us, glad - ness be his greet - ing.  
 let there be in us no dis - cord but one spi - rit.  
 when we see your face, O Sa - vior, in its glo - ry.

Let us fear and love him, ho - ly God e - ter - nal.  
 Ban - ished now be an - ger, strife and ev - ery quar - rel.  
 Shine on us, O pur - est Light of all cre - a - tion,

*Repeat Refrain*

Lov - ing him, let each love Christ in one an - oth - er.  
 Christ, our God, be al - ways pres - ent here a - mong us.  
 be our bliss while end - less a - ges sing your prais - es.

**TAIZE CHANT**

Ubi Caritas

*Taize*

U - bi car - i - tas et a - mor

U - bi car - i - tas De - us i - bi - est.

*Where true charity and love abide, God is there.*

**PRAYER FOR OUR LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR**

In the name of God and this Congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ’s Body and Blood.

*May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Holy Communion from the Lord’s table.*

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ’s Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.*

**POT LUCK BRUNCH**

**ANNUAL MEETING**

**Service Participants/Assisting in our Worship**

**9:00 am Service**

<b>Celebrant</b>	The Rev. William MacDonald Murray
<b>Organist</b>	Elizabeth Jennings Pekkala
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Cathy Ellis
<b>Vestry Person of the Day</b>	Steve Masse
<b>Food Pantry Pick-Up Person</b>	Patti Kelly
<b>Acolytes</b>	Rebecca and AJ Cook
<b>Lay Eucharistic Minister</b>	Beth Washburn
<b>Ushers</b>	Paul Sweet and Pam Hennessy
<b>Nursery Volunteers</b>	Julia Klisiewicz and Lily Kerxhalli-Kleinfield
<b>Pot Luck Brunch Hosts</b>	Vestry

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### III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 2010 ANNUAL MEETING

#### Minutes of the 2010 Annual Meeting January 30, 2011

##### I. Call to Order and Opening Prayer

The meeting was called to order at 10:37 am on January 30th, 2011 at the conclusion of Sunday worship services and a lovely brunch.

##### II. Approval of the Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda (as amended by Steve Ketcham) was made and seconded from the floor. It passed unanimously.

##### III. Approval of the Minutes of the 2010 Annual Meeting

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the 2009 meeting. It passed unanimously.

##### IV. Nominations and Elections

- Senior Warden ..... Gayle Ruscitti was elected to the position of Senior Warden with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.
- Junior Warden ..... Anne Marie Lockwood was elected to the position of Junior Warden with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.
- Clerk of the Vestry ..... Mille Williams was elected to the position of Clerk of the Vestry with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.
- Treasurer ..... Cheryl Eidinger-Taylor was elected to the position of Treasurer with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.
- Asst. Treasurer ..... Karen O'Neill was elected to the position of Asst. Treasurer with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.
- Three Year Vestry (2014) ..... Justin Varteresian, Fran Phaneuf, John Ellis were elected to the position of Vestry with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.
- One Year Vestry (2012) ..... Barbara Kalunian was elected to the position of Vestry with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.
- Youth Vestry ..... Ani Sharoogian was elected to the position of Vestry - youth member with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.
- Steward of the Offering ..... Penny Allen was elected to the position of Steward of the Offering with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.
- Asst. Steward of the Offering ..... Charlie Johnson was elected to the position of Asst. Steward of the Offering with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.
- Deanery/Diocesan Convention Delegates ..... Justin Varteresian, Mary Torian, Kristin Anderson, and Ani Sharoogian (youth member) were elected to the position of Deanery/Diocesan Convention Delegates with one vote cast

by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.

Alternate Delegate(s) ..... Ed & Carol Cormier were elected to the position of Alternate Delegate to the Deanery/Diocesan Convention with one vote cast by the Clerk following a call (3x) for nominations from the floor.

#### **V. Parish Committee Reports**

Parishioners were encouraged to read the several Parish committee Reports prior to attending to attending today's annual meeting. A Motion was made from the floor and seconded to pass all committee reports as amended. It passed unanimously.

#### **VI. Report of the Election**

All elections were unanimous. No counting of paper ballots was necessary.

#### **VII. Report of the Treasurer**

##### *a) Review of the 2009 Budget vs. Actuals*

Our 2010 budget came in at (\$17,486.00). The Vestry is committed to doing what it can to operate on a balanced budget for the year ahead.

##### *b) 2009 Year End Asset and Fund Balances (Balance Sheet)*

##### *c) Review of the 2010 Budget*

A bare bones balanced budget was organized by our Treasurer and finance committee (technically a \$85.05 surplus). Much discussion ensued about the serious cuts made to salaried positions (Secretary, Parish Nurse, Christian Education Director) that were required to achieve this number. In addition, the Vestry was troubled over the 5% cut in the Diocesan's Assessment for Common Ministry. There was consensus

A motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. It passed unanimously.

#### **VIII. Report of the Wardens**

Senior Warden Beth Washburn gave her report during the Worship Service. She thanked the many people that have made her time as Senior Warden such a positive experience. Trinity's congregation thanks her very much for her dedicated service to our community. Both Senior and Junior Wardens report that our Mutual Ministry Review resulted in helping us to see our mission more clearly as a parish and also resulted in Trinity's new Mission Statement:

*"Sharing the Grace of God, the Light of Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit,  
through worship, ministry and fellowship."*

A motion was made and seconded to accept the Report of the Wardens as presented. It passed unanimously.

#### **IX. Report of the Rector**

Father Mac gave the Report of the Rector during the worship service. He began by reflecting on the five years that he has been our rector. In it, he thanked the many people who have given of their time, talent, and treasure over that time. In doing so, they have made Trinity Episcopal Church the vibrant community of faith that it is.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the Rectors report as presented. It passed unanimously.

#### **X. Other Business, Blessing and Dismissal**

There being no other business to conduct, the Annual Meeting concluded with the blessing, final hymn "Lord, you give the great commission" and dismissal.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Matthew McGuinness, Clerk of the Vestry*

## IV. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT – JANUARY 2012

#### THOSE COMPLETING VESTRY TERMS:

*Senior Warden:* Gayle Ruscitti

*Junior Warden:* Ann Marie Lockwood

*Clerk:* Camille Williams

*Treasurer:* Cheryl Eiding Taylor

*Assistant Treasurer:* Karen O'Neill

*Vestry (Class of 2012):* Mary Frances Best, Barbara Kalunian, Kristin Anderson (resigned)

#### THOSE COMPLETING OTHER ELECTED PARISH POSITIONS:

##### *Delegates to Deanery and Diocesan Convention:*

Kristin Anderson, Mary Torian, Justin Varteresian and Ani Sharoogian (Youth Delegate)

*Alternate Delegates:* Ed Cormier and Carol Cormier

*Steward of the Offering:* Penny Allen

*Assistant Steward of the Offering:* Charlie Johnson

#### CONTINUING VESTRY MEMBERS:

*One Year Remaining/Class of 2013:* Steve Masse, Tracey Morse, Brian O'Toole

*Two Years Remaining/Class of 2014:* John Ellis, Fran Phaneuf, Justin Varteresian

#### NOMINEES FOR ELECTED POSITIONS - 2012:

##### *Vestry:*

<i>Senior Warden</i>	Gayle Ruscitti
<i>Junior Warden</i>	Ann Marie Lockwood
<i>Clerk</i>	Mille Williams
<i>Treasurer</i>	Cheryl Eiding Taylor
<i>Assistant Treasurer</i>	Karen O'Neill
<i>Vestry (Class of 2015)</i>	Barbara Kalunian, Dwight Kee, Open
<i>Youth Vestry Member</i>	Ani Sharoogian

*Steward of the Offering:* Penny Allen

*Assistant Steward of the Offering:* Charlie Johnson

*Deanery/Diocesan Convention Delegates:* (One must be a member of the vestry)

Justin Varteresian, Mary Torian and Ed Cormier

Ani Sharoogian – Youth Delegate (16-20 years old, 1 year term)

*Alternate Delegates:* (up to 4 with one being a youth member)

Carol Cormier

## V. PARISH COMMITTEE REPORTS

### EDUCATION AND SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

Justin Varteresian, Vestry Liaison

#### Children's Christian Spiritual Formation

The Trinity Children's Christian Education program has taken a slightly new direction this year using a new curriculum called "Weaving God's Promises." The packaging of these lessons provides numerous

activities that are great for our base of learners without a lot of “tweaking” from the teaching team (and a big yay from the weary leader!). The 2011 total registration of 57 boys and girls leads us to a stronger census than last year averaging about 22 participants each week.

So far this year our “kids” have reviewed the 7 “days” of Creation, discussed right and wrong in the Garden of Eden and the trials of early sibling rivalry by learning of Cain and Abel. We learned about how much we (as Americans) have and have to share, by discussing the journey taken by the Dominican Republic mission team. We ended the year bringing the story of the birth of our savior into to terminology of 2011 and shared this version with the congregation. I think we all learned something new!

Our next lessons will have us learn of the Tower of Babel and Abraham and His Adventures with God – these are sure to be adventures for all of us as I personally will be learning it just a step ahead of the children (shhhh!)

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; 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*

### **Confirmation Class**

We are blessed to have a wonderful group of young adults who are exploring their faith through a new Confirmation class curriculum called *Confirm not Conform*. Our focus is on preparing your young people to make their own decisions about their faith journey and their readiness to undertake this sacramental action (confirmation of their baptismal vows). Participants in our confirmation class include: Elaina Chambers, Robert Côté, Brittany Locklin, Jacqueline Masse, Cierra Meurant, Drake Meurant, Ethan Moeller and Matthew Nichols. Each of our class participants have an adult mentor assigned to walk with them in their faith journey. I am also blessed with the support of our Confirmation Class adult leader Pam Hennessy. These young people will have the opportunity to confirm their baptismal vows when Bishop Scruton visits Trinity on Palm Sunday, April 1, 2012. Thank you for the prayer and support you give to this class, our mentors and leaders.

Respectfully submitted,

*Fr. Mac.*

### **EfM – Education for Ministry**

This fall, Trinity has been able to grant Fr. Mac’s long held wish of offering the Education for Ministry Program.

EfM is a worldwide program developed by the School of Theology of The University of the South. Through committed small groups and with the help of trained mentors and formal texts, it provides participants with a thought provoking education in church history and provides the church with the foundation of an empowered, active, and theologically articulate laity.

Thousands of persons have completed this four-year program. Students enroll one year at a time for studies on the Old Testament, New Testament, Church History since New Testament Times, and Theological and Moral Choices.

EfM is a very personal experience....telling the story and your story in many different ways. This year Trinity is very thankful for the participation of John Ellis, Mary Torian, Charles Johnson, Mary Johnson, Ed Cormier, and Beth Washburn with Fr Mac and Verna Kosiba as Co-Mentors.

The next class year will start in September. If you think you might be interested; please talk to any one listed above.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Verna Kosiba, EfM Mentor*

### **Programs of Religious Activities with Youth (Pray)**

In 2010/11 the PRAY program awarded ten medals, seven God and Me (1st to 3rd grade), one God and Family (4th and 5th grade), and two God and Church (6th to 8th grade).

This winter as part of the 2011/12 program Tracy Gorham and Sarah Prevelige will be teaching the God and Family class to seven fourth and fifth graders. I will be teaching God and Me to two first to third grade students.

This brings the total students in PRAY to 9 for 2011/12 program.

In 2012/13 we will continue to offer God and Me and God and Church in the fall and God and Family and God and Life for High School level student in the spring. I am hoping to make some Boy Scout and Girl Scout council contacts so that we can invite more students to participate in the program.

Respectfully submitted,

*Stephen Klisiewicz, PRAY Coordinator*

### **Vacation Bible School**

Did you know that the origins of Vacation Bible School (VBS) can be traced back to Hopedale, Illinois in 1894? Trinity also has a nice history of offering VBS to our youth. Although low enrollment has prevented VBS from occurring over the past few summers, many were hopeful that this was the year for change.

In the spring of 2011, a committee of Beth Stochaj, Tracy Gorham, and Sarah Prevelige worked together to develop our theme and organize materials in preparation of Sign-up Sunday in mid-June.

Unfortunately due to low numbers during sign-ups, VBS was cancelled for August 2011 (we needed 15+ and only had 10). Instead, the planning committee decided to put together a "mini VBS" during a Sunday School block in September. The purpose was to introduce our youth to the idea of VBS in hopes of generating more interest for Summer 2012. More than 25 of Trinity's Sunday School children got to explore the Gospel of Jonah and the Big Fish through games, activities, stories, and crafts.

The VBS committee is planning another "mini VBS" this spring to continue to generate excitement for a reasonably priced, week long program this coming summer. If there is enough interest, VBS 2012 will be riddled with water fun, exciting games, songs, drama, and yummy snacks. We are anxious to start planning ... stay tuned!

### **Youth Group**

Our Youth at Trinity are so wonderful! They are filled with good energy, enthusiasm, and a real genuine love for God, one another and our community. 2011 has been another incredible year with our Youth. It is such a joy and honor seeing them grow into wonderful young adults.

We have done some familiar routines with our regular meetings on the second and fourth Sundays; sleepovers; travel to the Nightwatch at St. John the Divine in New York City and participated in walks that help increase awareness and support for hunger and medical issues.

A new adventure was to hold a spaghetti dinner to help raise funding for our white water trip in Maine. The outpouring of support, help and those eating was amazing! We cannot thank you all enough. (Our trip to Maine was a great adventure!) We also ventured out on a cold night to experience the lights at La Salette Shrine in Attleboro followed by an evening of pizza and a movie.

We continued to be blessed through this past year with the support of the not only parents and family members but with the support of you, our parish family. As I have mentioned, our youth are wonderful and a great blessing to our community. We look forward to a year of growth and excitement in 2012!

Respectfully submitted,

*Beth Washburn*

### **Sabbatical Committee**

Every human being needs a sabbath. Leisure renews the spirit, refreshes the mind, invigorates the body, restores perspective, and gives us much needed opportunities for time with family and friends. It is an important lesson when we finally realize that “uninterrupted busyness does not always build a life”.

God calls each of us to such places and times where we can regain our balance and refresh our soul ... necessary times of recreation, prayer, reflection, and personal renewal. We at Trinity celebrate that Fr Mac will shortly enjoy and benefit from that blessing of Sabbatical.

Sabbatical is “a rest in preparation for further service and ministry.” For Fr Mac’s upcoming Sabbatical it is important that we remember that it applies to both priest and parishioner. While Fr Mac is away, we also will be working on discerning the “next step of our ministry together.”

The Sabbatical Committee has been meeting since February to birth a shared vision of what Fr Mac’s sabbatical will be for us all. We were fortunate to be able to explain that vision clearly enough for the Lily Foundation to grant \$40,000 to fund it. We are intent on keeping the planning and communicating process open for all parishioners. We hope and pray that all parishioners will participate in and benefit from it.

If you would like to know more, feel free to speak to Fr. Mac, Gayle Ruscitti, or any of the committee members listed: Verna Kosiba, Chairperson; Ann Marie Lockwood, Jr. Warden; Steve King; Martin Ploof; Wayne Stochaj and Beth Washburn.

Respectively submitted,

*Verna Kosiba, Chairperson*

### **Trinity Church GFS Scholarship Committee**

In 2011, the GFS Scholarship team awarded scholarships to four worthy recipients. We thank Charles Ketcham, Sarah Hennessy, Shannon Hennessy and Shannon Hynes for their service to Trinity. Each individual received a scholarship in the amount of \$500. We wish them luck in the future endeavors.

Respectfully submitted,

*Barbara Kalunian*

## WORSHIP

### **Brian O'Toole, Vestry Liaison**

#### **Acolytes**

Currently we have thirteen active acolytes helping at the 10 am service. We are very blessed to have both veteran and novice acolytes and 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 Sarah and Shannon Hennessy for their many years of service as acolytes. Sarah and Shannon have recently left for college.

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, Brandon Kee, Julia Klisiewicz, Rory and Liam Martin, Anthony Matondi, Abaigeal O'Neill, Jack O'Neill, and Shane O'Neill,

Thank you for another great year.

Respectively submitted,

*Pam Hennessy*

#### **Altar Guild**

At the present time we have 7 members on the Altar Guild: Verna Kosiba, Maryellen Yaroshefski, Penny Allen, Lisa Ruggiero, Cathy Ellis, Debbie Harrison and Mary Torian. Debbie is new this year. She has been trained by Penny and works with Penny on the weekends they have Altar Guild duty. We had a good but busy year especially setting up for Baptisms. It's a joy to set up for that. We set up for the Eucharist on Sundays for the 8am and 10am services plus for the 9am Eucharist on Wednesdays and weddings and funerals. Our other duties are to polish the brass and silver, change the Altar Hangings and launder the linens. We are a very dedicated group of women who are always ready to cover for each other in emergencies and vacations.

During the Lenten Season there were extra services. The hangings were in purple and the crosses were veiled in purple. During Holy Week we set up for the Maundy Thursday service with the Eucharist, the washing of feet and then the stripping of the Altar for the Watch Night service. Good Friday the crosses were veiled in black. We had the 3 hour service with the 7 Last Words of Christ. Area clergy gave a homily on each word. In the evening was the Stations of the Cross Service.

We gathered on Easter Eve morning to decorate the church with the lilies and jonquils that go behind the cross. There were many volunteers so the work got done quickly.

The Easter Vigil was well attended. The church started out in darkness and then was lit by the first fire and the lighting of the Paschal Candle. Parishioners candles were then lit from the Paschal Candle. It brought the light of Christ into the church. We had some Baptisms during the service. Easter morning was glorious with the beauty of the lilies with their aromatic scent. The choir sang with gusto and joy to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

In Advent the Altar and crosses were veiled in purple in anticipation for the birth of the Christ Child. We gathered to Green the Church on Friday December 23rd. We had lots of help to put the poinsettias in the windows and around the church. The wreaths were hung between the windows and in the higher places. I want to thank all those who helped before Christmas. Penny Allen, Beth Washburn and Angela Prunier

did a wonderful job of cleaning the brass and silver on Monday, December 19th. It was gleaming. Thank you to Sharon Manoogian, Penny Allen, Tracey Nelson, Fran Phaneuf, Verna Kosiba, Beth Washburn, Barbara Chambers, Arlene Person and especially to the youth, Elaina and Lyall Chambers, Jacqueline and Lauren Masse. They did a great job of putting the poinsettias in the windows. Thank you to Dick Kosiba, Allen Hopkinson, John Ellis, Ed Chambers and Fr. Mac for hanging the garlands and wreaths. Maryellen Yaroshefski and her dad got all the greens to put in the Crèche and the windows plus helping to set up the crèche with me. Dick Person took a picture of the group after we finished decorating the church.

It was a joyous Christmas with Children's Choir singing and the children performing in the Pageant. They all did such a great job. There were many proud parents and grandparents in attendance at the 4pm service. As usual the parishioners lit their candles while the lights were dimmed and the window behind the Altar was lit during the singing of Silent Night. The services at the 7pm and 11pm services were sung by the choir and selections played by the Bell Choir. Fr. Mac gave his enlightening sermon. The 9am Christmas morning service was well attended. Christmas is always a joyous time at Trinity.

Respectively submitted,

*Mary Torian-Altar Guild Directress*

### **Sunday Nursery**

The Nursery each Sunday at the 10AM service continues to be a nice option for our littlest members. Two volunteers per week watch over the children while caregivers attend the church service. The children have fun in the room and it is a nice environment for them. This year several of our dedicated volunteers concluded their service and we give thanks for their support. We also added one new volunteer. Volunteers currently serve one Sunday per month. Adding another six volunteers would allow for an every other month rotation. Please consider this wonderful ministry.

Current volunteers include: Sheri Keeler-Phillips, Jim Phillips, Ruth Doyle, Lindsay Sweet, Lily Kerxhali, Jill Nelson, Rob Nelson and Julia Klisiewicz. Many Thanks to all of them for their time.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Sheri Keeler-Phillips*

### **Music Program**

On a personal note, I truly believe this was a very successful year in many ways! The Adult Choir now numbers 16 (!) and possibly growing in numbers! Speaking of numbers, this group devotes approximately 300 hours a year to Trinity, with rehearsals, preparation, special services, every Sunday service September through most of June, and other choir-related events. If any of you have any desire to sing at all in the front of the church, do let one of us know. You will be provided with a robe, varietal music, and the camaraderie of welcoming people-a good space to be! We rehearse on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 and generally finish by 9 or a little before. If weekly doesn't work for you, join us on the major feast days!

The Children's Choir, "children welcoming children" at Baptisms, "ministers of music for the Pageant service on December 24", and tremendously enthusiastic young ones of any age-continue to amaze me with their ability to pick up melody and lyrics almost instantaneously! Jane Hanrahan, our Children's Choir Director, provides CD's to each of them and to their parents, so that by the time they come for rehearsal after many of the Sunday morning 10 am services, they arrive singing! Generally there are 10-16 at each rehearsal. Our music is selected throughout the year in the fall, and they have opportunities to choose their favorites as well. Last spring we held a bowling/pizza party at Ficco's, attended by 25 children and their families. Another is planned for March 25, 2012. The Children's Choir sings for each Baptism, they sung for the Steeple Dedication this year, and they joined with St. Mary's Children's Choir

at the Covenant Service to a pretty full church! That would be a great tradition to continue this November! Nancy Ahrens is their leader, and together with all the children, provided a truly heart-warming experience for that evening service.

Ani Sharoogian was the proud recipient of the annual Jeannie Tattrie Memorial Scholarship award. Jeannie was a member of Trinity and of Trinity's choir for many years. Congratulations, Ani!

Other talented individuals played throughout the year-Alex Côté on violin and piano, Stephanie Kanniard on flute, Jagan Nath Khalsa on violin, Randy LaRosa on viola and brass, Jeff Lukas on piano, our 5 wonderful ringers of hand bells at Easter and Christmas eve, among others!

I cannot thank you all enough for your dedication to the music program-could not do it without you!

Respectfully submitted,

*Liz Pekkala*

### Ushers

#### **8:00 am Service:**

The 8 am ushers enjoyed a busy year this year. Thank you to Christine McNulty, Mike Manoogian, Charlie Keegan, Charlie Johnson, Touie Jackson, Caroline Yaroshefski, Mary-Ellen Yaroshefski and Andrew Yaroshefski who served this year in this important mission. As always, anyone interested in ushering at 8 am is welcomed to join. It is also not too soon to volunteer for the Christmas Services, your choice: 4 pm, 7 pm and 10:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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

#### **10:00 am Service:**

Ushering is a wonderful way to make friends at Trinity. For some people, it is difficult to go up to strangers and start a conversation. But for ushers, it is a very easy thing to do because your goal is to make others feel comfortable and welcome in joining Trinitarians for worship. What better way to start a worship service than with receiving a friendly greeting at the door.

This year we had 12 ushers at the 10 o'clock service. Many thanks to Julie Piasecki, Nancy Sharoogian, Rick and Carol Davis, Ani Sharoogian, Ed Rizoli, Steve and Elizabeth Klisiewicz, Paul Sweet, Pam Hennessy, and John Ellis.

If you feel you would like to become a part of the ushering group, please call Carol Cormier at 508-234-3084.

Respectfully submitted,

*Carol Cormier, 10:00 a.m. Usher Coordinator*

### Lay Eucharistic Ministers and Lay Readers

*Praise God from Whom All Blessings flow. Praise Him All Creatures here below.*

*Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost*

We gather each week to give God praise and thanks for all that God gives to us so freely. As a part of our praise to God and our mutual ministry, our teams of Lay Readers and Lay Eucharistic Ministers continued to help lead our regular worship and any additional services that were held through 2011. In addition we lead Sunday and Wednesday Morning Prayer if Fr. Mac is not able to be with us. We are further blessed that we have teens to seniors serving in these capacities.

Responsibilities of the Lay Readers include the reading of first and second lesson and the Psalm. They are members of the congregation who come forward to share the lessons. The Lay Eucharistic Ministers vest in albs and assist in sharing the lessons, leading the Prayers of the People and the administration of Holy

Eucharist with Fr. Mac. With special occasions like Christmas and Easter we have multiple Eucharistic Ministers to help with the flow of these services.

As is our encouraging way at Trinity, know that if you have an interest in learning more about this area of service then you are more than welcome to talk to Fr. Mac or any member of our Lay Reader and Lay Eucharistic Minister teams. Inquiring does not mean that you have to serve. We are all glad to share our experience within this area of mutual ministry. If you feel that you would like to serve but are not just sure how to go about it then feel free to speak to Fr. Mac or myself and we will get you trained and into our rotation.

Respectfully submitted,

*Beth Washburn, Eucharistic Minister & Lay Reader Coordinator*

## PASTORAL CARE

**Fran Phaneuf, Vestry Liaison**

### **Birthday Card Ministry**

<b>Birthday Cards Sent in 2010 and 2011</b>			
<b>Month</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>Difference</b>
January	47	43	-4
February	45	43	-2
March	68	56	-12
April	63	60	-3
May	57	59	+2
June	68	68	-0-
July	59	60	+1
August	57	63	+6
September	53	57	+4
October	52	53	+1
November	59	55	-4
December	48	48	-0-
<b>Totals</b>	<b>676</b>	<b>665</b>	<b>-11</b>

We no longer send cards to people who had been visitors to Trinity.

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,

*Carol Brutsch*

### **Lay Eucharistic Visitors**

This group of dedicated individuals quietly do their ministry of bringing communion to home bound parishioners. We have 16 people who received communion either at their homes or in nursing homes. We try to make sure they are offered communion once a month. We now have the home communion kit on the altar and each week a Lay Eucharistic visitor stands at the altar as Fr. Mac blesses the home communion box and the individual and the congregation prays for their support. We have five active ministers. They are Peach Warren, Mary Torian, Fran Phaneuf, Verna Kosiba and Mary Johnson. We have many other licensed ministers who are able to do home communion visits, but are not actively doing so at this time.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Mary E. Johnson RN, Parish Nurse*

### **Parish Nurse**

The Healing Meals Ministry continues to be active. We have two cooking parties each year, one in the spring and one in the fall. We prepare many meals and then fill the freezer at church. Parishioners then deliver these meals to individual who benefit from a delicious, nutritious meal ready to heat and eat as well as the benefit of knowing people are concerned about them and want to share this ministry with them. All members of Trinity are welcome to grab a meal and bring it to anyone who they think would enjoy it. They do not have to be a member of Trinity. Often people will prepare meals at home and bring them to the freezer at church so that the Healing Meal freezer never gets empty.

As Parish Nurse I help to coordinate the delivery of flowers to the homebound twice a year. At Easter we deliver lilies and at Christmas we bring poinsettias. I also help to organize the Christmas carolers who visit some of our homebound parishioners and sing to carols to them.

I continue to meet individually with people, often during coffee hour to answer questions they have related to their health or the health of someone they care about. I am a referral source to some and a sounding board for others. I continue to provide Healing Prayer with Fr. Mac the first Sunday of each month.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Mary E. Johnson RN, Parish Nurse*

### **Stephen Ministry**

We have seven Stephen Ministers who are active. They each meet with a Care Receiver on an ongoing basis to encourage and help the Care Receivers through a specific situation that the person may be struggling with. The Stephen Ministers are Lorraine Howe, Verna Kosiba, Ann Marie Lockwood, Chris McNulty, Cathy Poch, Peach Warren and Beth Washburn. The Care Receivers remain anonymous. The Leaders of this Ministry are Mary Johnson, Audrey Kerxhalli and Fr. Mac. Audrey leads a meeting two times a month to supervise the Ministers, offer continuing education and follow a process designed to guide the Ministers and enhance the skills they have developed. The leaders attended a regional meeting of Stephen Ministry leadership in September in Holliston and in December we hosted a meeting of this group at Trinity. We are collaborating with Sacred Heart Church in Hopedale to train a new group of Stephen Ministers. Brian O'Toole from Trinity will be attending this group and then will integrate with our group at Trinity for supervision and continuing education. The Stephen Ministers attended two outstanding dinners as a group to celebrate this ministry. One was at the home of Paul and Beth Washburn. All the ministers and their spouses were treated to an amazing dinner of French food prepared by Paul Washburn. In December Peach Warren and Ann Marie Lockwood hosted a wonderful turkey dinner. This is a warm and loving group who enjoy each other's company as much as they enjoy the work they do.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Mary E. Johnson RN, Parish Nurse*

### **Praying Hands Ministry**

My sincerest thanks to the members of *Smitten with Knittin'* for their faithful dedication and amazing knitting/crocheting. The amount of items created was incredible - thank you so much ladies!

Our 2011 prayerful labor of love included:

- 5 prayer shawls knit and delivered

109 preemie and newborn hats to Milford Regional Hospital  
 10 Baptismal blankets to our newest members  
 72 items to the Milford Town Library's hat/mitten/scarf tree  
 40 items to Trinity Church's Christmas Faire  
 52 Chemo caps for Boston Children's Hospital  
 84 6x9" rectangles to Walter Reed Hospital for Afghans for Soldiers  
 3 shawls for Trinity Church (cold weather)

This represents over 1,370 hours of loving labor! We've enjoyed every minute of it! Thanks to all for their contributions of yarn to the Ministry; they're greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

*June Jones, Smitten with Knittin' Group*

## OUTREACH

**Mary Frances Best, Vestry Liaison**

### **Mission Committee**

The Mission Committee met several times this year to discuss disbursements and also to discuss the various charities we support. The committee had no budget line item this year, instead relying upon past funds from the Mission Envelopes and donations.

The Mission Committee voted to disburse the following this year:

- W** Daily Bread Food Pantry - \$1250
- W** Unitarian Community Supper program at the Unitarian Church - \$500
- W** Episcopal Relief and Development - \$160 (for the purchase of two goats)
- W** Armenian Children's Milk Fund - \$200
- W** Abby House - \$250
- W** Pathways For Change (previously known as The Rape Crisis Center) - \$400
- W** AGS - Allagille Syndrome Alliance – (Sophie's Walk) - \$250
- W** Church World Services – (Crop Walk) - \$250
- W** Five Talents - \$200 – (for micro loans for women)
- W** Alternatives - \$100
- W** Diocese of Western MA (Tornado Relief) - \$1000
- W** Diocese of Western Ma (for Mission Trip to Haiti) - \$1000
- W** Wednesday Night Meal (held at Trinity) - \$500

For a total Mission Outreach funding of \$6,060.

This year's Lenten Project collected funds for the Diocesan Mission Trip to Haiti. Thank you to everyone who filled a box or made a donation.

We sponsored Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child. This year with Parishioner's help we collected 41 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. Trinity has not collected this number of boxes in a few years; we hope next year to have the same number or more.

Thank you to everyone who donated food for the Thanksgiving Food Baskets. Special thanks to those who helped to assemble and deliver the baskets the eight 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.

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

This year's Jesse Tree contained slips for parishioners and also adults and children outside of the parish. 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 those who helped deliver the gifts.

Thank you to everyone who brought in his or her empty soda/beer cans & 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. The funds brought in from the Bottle/Can returns program went to the Daily Bread Food Pantry. This year's amount was \$223.30.

Thank you to 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 fronts of greeting cards and also labels of Campbell's Soup and their affiliated products for the St. Jude's Ranch for Children.

Thank you to Ruth Doyle, Mary Torian, Millie Williams, 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, Magee Lambert, Cheryl Taylor, 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 any time. We generally meet one Sunday a month at either 9am or 11am 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*

### **Trinity Discretionary Fund**

The purposes for which discretionary funds may be used are outlined in the National Canon, cited below; that is, for the poor and for other "charitable and pious purposes". Obviously gifts to the poor are its primary purpose. Within "other charitable and pious purposes" includes gifts to any recognized charitable organization (the same ones to which an ordinary individual could make a deductible gift), to the church itself and for certain items such as vestments, books, and other professional items which will remain the property of the church when the priest leaves.

The origin of discretionary funds lies in Title III, Canon 14(f) of the National Church, dating back to 1814, which states:

"The Alms and Contributions, not otherwise specifically designated, at the Administration of the Holy Communion on one Sunday in each calendar month, and other offerings for the poor, shall be deposited with the Member of Clergy in charge of the Congregation or such other Church officer as the Member of the Clergy in charge shall appoint to be applied to such pious and

charitable uses as shall be thought fit by the Member of the Clergy. When a parish is without a Rector, the Vestry shall appoint a responsible person to serve as Almoner”.

While it is now often customary to supplement the discretionary fund with gifts from individuals and also from the church’s general operating funds, one item is of particular importance in the Canon. The words “alms”, “contributions” and “offerings” are used, which clearly mean that these are funds given to the church and which therefore belong to the church.

Trinity’s Discretionary Fund (TDF) is funded primarily from gifts from parishioners designated for the “TDF.” In addition all gifts given associated with Baptisms, Marriages and Funerals are used to fund the TDF.

Balance on January 1, 2011	\$5,248.37
Donations	\$6,744.62
Disbursements	\$9,744.47
Balance on December 31, 2011	\$2,248.52

*As with all parish accounts, this account is reviewed and audited each year by our independent auditor*

### **Covenant Committee**

The Covenant Committee consists of Penny Allen, Mary Frances Best, Alan Hopkinson, Sharon Manoogian and Arlene Person from Trinity and Sister Theresa and various others from St. Mary’s.

The Covenant between these two parishes, established in 1972, was in its 39th year in 2011. The Committee met several times to plan the events that take place every year.

In October the Committee hosted the fourth annual Senior Fall Social at St. Mary’s Parish Hall. The Social is a free luncheon open to all seniors in the community and includes musical entertainment by members of the Greater Milford Community Chorus. Committee members provide the lunch of finger sandwiches, salads, punch, coffee, and desserts. Everyone had a wonderful time.

In November, the annual Covenant Celebration of Evensong was held at Trinity with Father Ray Goodwin as celebrant (Father Mac being away). We had the largest attendance ever for this lovely service of vespers and following pot luck supper. The combined Children’s Choirs of Trinity and St. Mary’s performed beautifully. Father Ray was very impressed by our community spirit.

Respectfully submitted,

*Mary Frances Best, for the Covenant Committee*

### **Community Dinners**

Trinity hosts Community Dinners on the last Wednesday of each month. This mission has grown since its inception. We have moved the meal to Trinity from the Unitarian church. This has seemed to add to the numbers of people coming to the meal. Most of these people take home an extra meal. These dinners are open to all at no cost, no questions asked. We have had a wonderful turnout of volunteers, including youth, to help prepare and serve this Wednesday meal. We recently accepted three people thru Holy Baptism from the group. We would like to expand our meals to support the needs of the community. The reason we do the last Wednesday in each month is because folks are running out of food stamps and other assistance. Our sister parish St. Mary’s is attending our next meal with the intention of creating a meal at their church.

Respectfully submitted,

*Dave Scott*

### United Thank Offering

To the all the parishioners of TRINITY CHURCH. I was asked to be chairperson of the UTO for the year 2011. For those that are new to Trinity Church, the UTO - United Thank Offering is a National Church Organization that donates funds all over the country and the world to help those in need. Each church normally has an ingathering once a year. This gathering can be held anytime. Ours in usually done sometime in May. That being said, my report is as follows as to how Trinity Church did for the year 2011.

At our in gathering breakfast in May, we had about 45 members attend. This was also the same day as our Steeple Rededication Ceremony. Lots going on that day. The breakfast was a great success, and the UTO donation from Trinity Church collected for 2011 was \$317.57.

All the funds that were collected for 2011, and donations that were leftover from 2010, were turned in at convention, the last weekend in October. The total amount that was turned in was \$423.75.

Again I'd like to thank all those that helped put on the breakfast, and then cleanup and get ready for the Steeple dedication later that morning. My thanks go out to my Wife, Barbara Jackson, Charlie Keegan, Sharon Manoogian, Ann Marie Lockwood, Dave Scott, Penny Allen, John Ellis, and many others, for all their help.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Touie Jackson - UTO Chairperson - 2011*

### PARISH LIFE

**Tracey Morse, Vestry Liaison**

#### **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, Community Dinners, 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 several hundred 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 not hesitate to submit an article/information. All parishioners are welcome 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, Editor*

#### **The Trinity Parish Web Site**

The Trinity web site is found online at <http://www.trinitychurchmilford.org>. The web site provides 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. Our website averages about 15 visitors per day, split just about evenly between new and repeat visitors.

A parish web site serves four main audiences:

- W** *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. In the week before Christmas, for example, our number of website visitors nearly doubled.
- W** *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.
- W** *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.
- W** *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.

Everyone in the parish can help the website. You can contact me by email at [webmaster@trinitychurchmilford.org](mailto:webmaster@trinitychurchmilford.org), or the parish office at [office@trinitychurchmilford.org](mailto: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.

Get involved: Since 2000, I've maintained the website by myself. If you know how to do simple picture manipulations with a program like Photoshop Elements, please consider helping.

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*

### **Coffee Hour / Hospitality**

#### **8:00 am Service:**

Our hostesses prepare, set-up, serve, and clean-up after the 8am Sunday service so that during coffee hour, the rest of us can relax and enjoy fellowship together. Our coffee hour is a special time for us to catch-up with old friends and to make new friends.

This year we have been fortunate to have a growing number of women who have volunteered for this ministry. We give thanks for and to Ruth Doyle, MaryEllen Yaroshefski, Chris McNulty, Pat Keppler, Aida Mitchell, and Verna Kosiba. We are excited that Debbie O'Toole will be joining the ranks in the new year.

We also give our thanks to Ruth Doyle and Paul DelMolino who are so faithful in seeing that there is a fellowship time after the 9am Wednesday morning Eucharist.

Hospitality is a Trinity trademark. If you would like to join us, please contact Verna Kosiba at 508-529-3081.

Respectively submitted,

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

**10:00 am Service:**

Each week after the 10:00am service, this lovely group of women takes turns preparing for an hour of fellowship.

A buffet, of the hostess's choice, is presented along with coffee, tea or hot chocolate.

I enjoy this ministry very much. It is a wonderful opportunity to gather together, talk and catch up with one another before a new week begins.

Trinity is blessed to have 11 women, who work on a rotating weekly basis, to provide nourishment for the members of our congregation and to any family coming for a visit.

Any questions or want further information please contact Tracy Gorham at 508-634-5373 or at gorhamfamily6@verizon.net.

Respectfully submitted,

*Tracy Gorham, 10:00 a.m. Hostess Coordinator*

**T.E.C.W.**

Our small group of 5, sometimes 6, women meet from March to June and September to December.

Our ambitious knitters and crocheters make afghans, aprons, hats and scarves for our fair in December.

We held a bake sale and rummage sale, which was not very profitable this year.

We also give Christmas gifts to shut-ins who have been members of T. E. C. W.

Respectfully submitted,

*Ruth P. Doyle, Secretary*

**TECW Treasurer's Report 2011**

1-25-2011	Beginning Balance	\$625.27
	Interest paid out for 2011	\$ 0.69

**Deposits**

4-18-2011	Cake Sale	\$327.25
4-28-2011	Donation Cake Sale	\$ 10.00
4-28-2011	Deposit	\$ 0.25
10-12-2011	Rummage Sale	\$127.85

**Disbursements:**

2-15-2011	(Christ Church Cathedral) for Haiti & Dom. Rep.	\$200.00
	Fr. Mac's Gifts [Easter & Thanksgiving]	\$ 50.00
9-3-2011	Bags for Rummage Sale	\$ 6.11
10-17-2011	(Trinity Church) for tornado victims	\$150.00
12-1-2011	Fruit Basket for Fair	\$ 28.04
12-31-2011	Ending Balance of 2011	\$657.16

Respectfully Submitted,

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

**Retired ‘Old’ Men Eating Out (ROMEOS)**

The ROMEOS is a group of men who gather the last Friday in each month for lunch. Romeo stands for Retired Old Men Eating Out. We invite all men regardless of age. We have recently had our meal at Willowbrook in Mendon. This group has been active for many years at Trinity.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Dave Scott*

**FUNDRAISING AND PARISH WIDE EVENTS**

**Gayle Ruscitti, Vestry Liaison**

**Christmas Fair**

The Christmas Fair was a great success with a total income this year of \$11,706.22. 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!

Table	2011	2010
	Total	Total
TECW	\$447.50	\$741.70
Candy	\$656.75	\$549.50
New Arrivals	\$217.50	\$182.50
Basket	\$2,044.70	\$1,852.60
Int’l Foods	\$252.86	\$434.75
Christmas Table	\$553.00	\$611.50
Hazel’s Café	\$1,062.85	\$1,053.90
Treasure Trove	\$700.26	\$608.20

Table	2011	2010
	Total	Total
Literary Nonsense	\$123.15	\$273.05
Reindeer	\$0.00	\$76.00
Holiday Greens	\$1,935.00	\$1,544.00
St. Mary’s Pies	\$448.00	\$403.00
Santa Photo	\$230.00	\$255.00
Lottery	\$470.00	\$548.00
Children’s Room	\$230.90	\$214.50
Traveling Bazaar	\$2,333.75	\$2,670.75
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$11,706.22</b>	<b>\$12,018.95</b>

These totals are great and I for one am very impressed by all of you. Oh and don’t forget our 2012 Christmas Fair is only 11 months away.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Gayle Ruscitti, Christmas Fair Chair*

**ChocolateFest**

This year’s Chocolatefest was held on October 1st. Thanks to Ann Marie Lockwood’s idea to pass out Hershey kisses and return incentives to early morning Crop Walkers, our festival attracted a goodly number. The pumpkin painting for children, organized by Tracey Morse was a huge success. Also, thanks to generous donations of cakes, help serving and attendance by Parishioners, fountain treats (Sweet’s and Hennessy’s), as well as donations to our raffle by local restaurants and merchants, our day was successful. There was fun for all and a total of \$1809 in profit, a \$400 dollar increase over previous years. Thanks to everyone who participated.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Steve Howe*

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.

Although the food is wonderful it is 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 and relax and feel comfortable.

We had our usual penny sale this year. The kids had a great time as always. We collected over \$100.00 that went to the Rector's Discretionary Fund.

We had a great time and were all very full and happy when we left. Please join us in 2012.

Respectfully,

*Gayle Ruscitti, Sr. Warden*

### Welcome Back BBQ

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

James Jones, Kevin Keppler and the United Methodist committee provided their combined culinary talent to our effort behind the grill to feed approximately 120 parishioners.

The shopping and organizing team 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.

Caroline Yaroshefski organized activities for the children in the Mary Moore room. In 2012, the team would appreciate help in the following areas: someone to keep count of how many parishioners partake, an additional person to work on games for the children, and a newcomer greeter or two. One of our goals is to build a team that can work through the year to hopefully find an offsite 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 you have suggestions for changes in the menu please let Kevin, Andy, or David Scott know.

This was my last year as the coordinator for the picnic. I am looking forward to spending time meeting our Christian education students and their families during enrollment. Dave Scott has graciously stepped forward to manage the picnic details. I know he will receive the same level support I have enjoyed over these wonderful eight years.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Stephen Klisiewicz, Kevin Keppler, Andrew Yaroshefski*

### 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 our Annual Meeting Pot Luck Brunch, the St. Patrick's Day dinner, Harvest Supper, the Welcome Back Barbeque, Chocolatefest, and Community Dinners. We welcome not

only our parish, but also families and friends of our members and the Greater Milford Community, to join us for time together. We always have a good time whenever we gather for events like these!

Respectfully submitted,

*Barbara Kalunian and Tracey Morse*

## **CONGREGATIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**Steve Masse, Vestry Liaison**

### **Mutual Ministry Review**

Trinity conducts a Mutual Ministry Review (MMR) every other year. In such a review, the ministry of the clergy, vestry, other lay persons, and that of the total congregation, all of whom are deeply involved in the quality of the total ministry of the parish, is reviewed. The objective of the MMR is to establish a relationship between clergy and the members of the congregation which creates an environment of mutual trust and confidence for a stronger joint ministry.

Trinity has been blessed for our past two MMRs to have The Venerable William H. Coyne, Archdeacon for the Diocese of Western Massachusetts and a member of the Bishop's staff since 1998, as the facilitator for our Mutual Ministry Review. Bill's primary area of responsibility is congregational development - assisting our congregation in being healthy and mission-focused. Our most recent MMR, held on May 22, 2010 resulted in four areas of action for our congregation: Calling Ministry, Church Development / Membership, Newcomers and Mission Statement.

**Calling Ministry** – The calling committee, Fran Phaneuf, Tracey Morse, & Brian O'Toole, this Fall, made an effort to reach out to every family group in the parish. The goal was to inform about upcoming events and to inquire about needs (or prayer requests) for which the Church (specifically Fr. Mac) could be of help. The committee achieved its goal.

In the future the plan is to continue with the calls at least twice per year, probably in the Spring and Fall. This is not just a 2012 goal, but also for future years as well.

**Church Development / Membership** – Church Development/Membership is working to find new ways to introduce Trinity Church to people in the area. The committee consists of Cheryl Taylor, Steve and Jorja Ketcham and John Ellis, with the help of Barbara Kalunian, Sharon Manoogian and Beth Washburn. The Church Development/Membership Committee planned the Steeple Rededication and Open House, and has sent letters introducing Trinity to new homeowners in Milford, Hopedale, Upton, Uxbridge and Mendon.

**Newcomers** - The Welcoming and Newcomers Committee helped put on our first Newcomers Dinner on February 12th 2011. It was a great success and we look forward to having our second dinner on Saturday, February 11th at 6pm. We hope to have many of the Newcomers come as possible.

There have been quite a few new people who have either visited Trinity Church, had babies baptized or have started coming to church regularly. We are so glad to have them be part of our Trinity Family. They have been an asset to our church. We have met some wonderful and interesting people.

Welcoming Bags were given to those who attended Trinity for the first time. It has information about our church, a prayer, a bookmark with the activities at Trinity and a scented candle in a votive candle holder. Unfortunately not all got a bag. If you did not get one please let someone know so we can give you one.

We are looking forward to any new people coming through the doors of Trinity Church.

Respectfully submitted,

*Mary Torian, Welcoming and Newcomers Committee*

**Mission Statement** – Completed in 2010: *Sharing the Grace of God, the Light of Christ and the Power of the Holy Spirit, through worship, ministry and fellowship.*

## **150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY PLANNING AND STEEPLE COMPLETION OPEN HOUSE**

**Barbara Kalunian, Vestry Liaison**

### **150th Anniversary Celebration**

While we have just rung in 2012, we have already begun planning for the 150th Anniversary of Trinity in 2013. The start of the 150th Anniversary year will commemorate the first Episcopal service in Milford held on May 17, 1863.

One exciting aspect of the year+ long celebration will include remembrances and reflections from all of interested Trinity's parishioners, including long-standing parishioners as well as newcomers. All are invited to participate. To serve on the 150th Anniversary Committee or to volunteer to tell your "Trinity Story," contact Barbara Kalunian or Steve Ketchum, for more information.

### **Steeple Completion Open House**

After much anticipation, repairs to the steeple were finally completed. Many generous parishioners donated funds including by signing and dedicating the shingles in memoriam to love ones and in Thanksgiving for family and friends. Those shingles were then used on the steeple, serving as a permanent honor for those remembered.

Sunday, May 15th was a great day for our beloved church, as we celebrated the completion of the renovation of the new steeple with an Open House. We were blessed with the presence of local dignitaries including Rep. John V. Fernandes and State Senator Richard Moore who joined parishioners and special guests at a reception which followed immediately. Plaques were presented to those integral to the success of the endeavor including Tim O'Connor, President of Restco and others integral to the success of the renovation.

Paul Sweet presented plaques to Fr. Mac, Ron Gorham, John Ellis, and Tim O'Connor. Fr. Mac presented Paul Sweet with a plaque.

Now, our beautiful the steeple once again serves as a beacon for the community.

## **MANAGEMENT OF PARISH RESOURCES**

**John Ellis, Vestry Liaison**

### **Landscape Committee**

Often we've had the silent pleasure of working outside the Trinity walls while the Saturday Prayer Group is gathered inside. Hopefully, these moments combine and reflect new life in Christ to all who pass by or enter in.

We've been blessed for many decades with Clinton Clark's offerings and seek to continue to beautify our church grounds.

This ministry came into being during the winter of 2011. We engaged in a dialog, under the guidance of Ron Gorham, as to what hopes and dreams this church on the corner can become and offer to the community of Milford.

With assistance from the building and property committee; a tree, lawn and flower planters were in place as we celebrated our new steeple. Eight volunteers offered their time and skills during the Fall clean up day.

The extra greens from the fair were added to the church planters and sanctuary for Christmas.

Spring planting will begin just before Palm Sunday, April 1st as we honor our Bishop and confirmands.

Thanks and praise for the good workers around Trinity who come bearing gardening tools.

Committee members: Gayle Ruscitti, Sharon Manoogian, Mary Frances Best, Beth Stochaj, Mille Williams, John Ellis (vestry liaison), and Cathy Poch.

With gratitude for the various committees and individuals who have responded to this new project while continuing to enrich other ministries as well.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Cathy Poch*

### **Property Committee**

Chairperson: Paul Sweet

Members: John Ellis, Ron Gorham, Dick Kosiba, Dick Person

2011 will be considered an historic year for Trinity Church. After several years of discussion, evaluation, obtaining quotes and raising funds, we now have a newly renovated steeple! A dedication ceremony was proudly held in May, commemorating the occasion, with representation from the town and state, along with the contractors responsible for the work. We also recognized the hard work from John Ellis, Ron Gorham and Father Mac, as well as the generosity of you, our parishioners, whose support, donations and fundraisers made the project possible.

Other property related items being addressed or on the list to take care of, big and small, include roof repairs at the rectory (repairs completed as of this writing) along with several smaller projects at the rectory, and some significant projects for the church, such as organ restoration, stained glass maintenance, etc.

A special thank you goes to Dick Kosiba; whose middle name I think is "Handyman." Dick continues to tackle many projects at the church, such as replacing the roof over the fire escape stairs, maintaining the heat wire that prevents dangerous ice build-up along the roof edges, light fixture replacement, door repairs and window insulation. The time he spends on these projects and other preventive maintenance issues saves Trinity hundreds, if not thousands, of dollars over the long term. Thank you, Dick!

I also offer thanks to John Cook, who donates his landscaping services to keep our grass mowed, to Dick Person, whose wealth of knowledge and history of the church helps us connect the dots as we move forward, to Cheryl Taylor, who always seems to know someone who can work on this or that and to the Landscaping Committee for beautifying the grounds surrounding our church.

Thanks to all of you!

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Paul Sweet, Property Committee Chairperson*

### **Stewardship**

Growth and change are good things! This past year we have had more growth in the area of our overall stewardship. We have grown in our understanding of the concept of stewardship and participation with many more members of our parish participating in a variety of ways.

Earlier in the year Fr. Mac, John Ellis and Beth Washburn attended a two day conference on stewardship. The general theme of caring for all that is entrusted to us from God was dominant. The importance of understanding that all we have in our lives together and individually are gifts from God. Learning how to share this good news and how to incorporate this "attitude of gratitude" was another dominant theme. We also learned that we should be more intentional about being available to talk with one another about stewardship in our own lives and at Trinity. We held meetings on the last Monday of each month from April through the end of 2011. We learned that this series of meetings was not to be; but we will be glad when anyone might like to gather to talk about stewardship. Another area that we have been more intentional in is including a regular report in our monthly newsletter.

We have continued to grow in the ways that we care for each other: Our Stephen Ministry team continues to care for those who are navigating difficult situations in their lives and we are blessed that a new round of Stephen Ministers will complete their training. We also continue with our Smitten Team who gather to pray and knit (or crochet) prayer shawls, newborn hats, and baptismal blankets. Healing Meals continue to be made and sent out for anyone who needs the extra help with meals to someone who just might like a homemade

meal. Our monthly (last Wednesdays of the month) Community Meal moved its site from the Milford Unitarian/Universalist Church to Trinity and the number of people participating and eating grew. This is stewardship and we should all take pride in our growth!

As we move into this New Year, one new and exciting area of Stewardship at Trinity is that with five years of dedicated service to Trinity, Fr. Mac will be taking a sabbatical. This is an important area of stewardship of our Rector, his faith, his family and the parish family. Fr. Mac will step back for a short period of time in April to allow himself not only a needed break from his ministry with us but to listen for ways that God is speaking to him. We – the parish members – will step up to care for our community and also listen for ways that help us to grow and listen to God and one another. (Please read the Sabbatical Committee Report enclosed in this document.)

Our finances are an important area of our life together. Thank you to all who have committed to making a pledge in 2012. As is always reinforced, it takes all of us support the ongoing and life giving mission (God's call to us all here) and ministry (God's gift of how we live out His call to us) of Trinity. As of this writing we have received 122 household pledges that have committed \$ 165,594.59

In Thanksgiving,

*Beth Washburn*

### **Parish Records**

Did you know that we keep important records at Trinity on baptisms, confirmations, marriages, deaths; who is active and inactive, and all who have moved in or out of the parish and all the services we hold? This is in addition to our regular database for all members and visitors that hold the basic information with names, addresses, phone numbers, etc. I have had the honor of working on these records for the past year. At times they can seem daunting but overall they are really fascinating! There are times that we are able to learn a good deal about a family and how far back they can track their ties to Trinity and the surrounding area.

At the end of 2011, we have started to do a major update on our traditional book records and computer records. A form was sent out in the January newsletter to help us get all the important church statistics for our parish members. This project has been named "Are You in the Book" and with your help we will be able to maintain accurate records of individuals and families as required by canon law (church regulations). The hope is to have this most recent revision completed by April 1 when Bishop Scruton has his final visit with us.

I hope that you will help in this undertaking by completing the necessary information. All information is kept confidential and safe. Please know that I am glad to help guide you through this process. All you have to do is give me a call or send me an email to get the process moving.

Respectfully,

*Beth Washburn, Steward of the Books*

## **ELECTED DIOCESAN DELEGATES TO CONVENTION AND DEANERY**

### **Ani Sharoogian, Vestry Liaison**

This past year delegates and alternates have been busy from pre-convention meetings, to our annual convention.

This coming year our delegates will be attending two conventions - one to elect a new Bishop and our regular annual convention. It's a very important year this year with the election of our new Bishop. Delegates will be representing Trinity and will have the task of voting for who will be our new Bishop. We were very lucky to have Kristin Anderson, Mary Torian, Justin Varteresian, Ani Sharoogian this past year as delegates, we were also lucky to have Ed and Carol Cormier as Alternate delegates. Thank you for your time and energy.

Respectively Submitted,

*Ani Sharoogian*

# VI. REPORT OF THE ELECTION

## *Vestry Officers:*

*Senior Warden* ..... \_\_\_\_\_

*Junior Warden*..... \_\_\_\_\_

*Clerk*..... \_\_\_\_\_

*Treasurer*..... \_\_\_\_\_

*Assistant Treasurer*..... \_\_\_\_\_

*Vestry (3 year term)*..... \_\_\_\_\_

*Vestry (3 year term)*..... \_\_\_\_\_

*Vestry (3 year term)*..... \_\_\_\_\_

*Youth (1 year term)*..... \_\_\_\_\_

## **OTHER ELECTED PARISH POSITIONS:**

*Steward of the Offering:* ..... \_\_\_\_\_

*Assistant Steward of the Offering:*..... \_\_\_\_\_

*Treasurer:* ..... \_\_\_\_\_

*Assistant Treasurer:*..... \_\_\_\_\_

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

*Delegate* ..... \_\_\_\_\_

*Delegate* ..... \_\_\_\_\_

*Must be a member of the vestry*..... \_\_\_\_\_

*Youth Delegate* ..... \_\_\_\_\_

## **Alternate Delegates:**

*Alternate Delegate*..... \_\_\_\_\_

*Alternate Delegate*..... \_\_\_\_\_

## VII. REPORT OF THE TREASURER

### a) REVIEW OF THE 2011 BUDGET VS. ACTUALS

**NOTE:** \* Diocesan Holdings reflects balance as of 9/30/2011

Trinity Episcopal Church - Milford MA

Treasurer's Report as of December 2011 for Operations (Treasurer's Report)

Wednesday, January 18, 2012

Account #	Account Name	Annual Budget	Period Activity	Monthly Budget	Budget YTD	YTD Balance	Over/Under YTD+(-)
<b>Income</b>							
4101	Pledges - Current Year	147,659.00	12,018.50	12,304.00	147,659.00	139,309.38	(8,349.62)
4102	Pledges - Previous Year	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,996.10	996.10
4103	Pledges Upcoming Year	10,000.00	150.00	2,000.00	10,000.00	7,656.28	(2,343.72)
4150	Plate Offering	3,000.00	356.00	250.00	3,000.00	3,235.07	235.07
4160	Special Day Offerings	4,000.00	2,306.00	334.00	4,000.00	4,834.00	834.00
4170	Church School Offering	150.00	0.00	7.00	150.00	0.89	(149.11)
4180	Hall Use Donations	1,500.00	120.00	125.00	1,500.00	1,630.00	130.00
4195	In Kind Donations		0.00			0.00	
4201	Christmas Fair	12,000.00	12,640.72	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,655.22	655.22
4202	Chocofest	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,809.00	309.00
4203	Fund Raising Events	3,000.00	0.00	250.00	3,000.00	167.50	(2,832.50)
4301	Diocesan Holdings Dividends	8,000.00	0.00	0.00	8,000.00	7,600.37	(399.63) * <i>See Note Above</i>
4305	Stock Dividends		0.00			544.65	
4400	Interest on Operating Acct	5.00	0.92	0.00	5.00	9.09	4.09
4401	Interest on MMarket	200.00	10.25	16.00	200.00	101.29	(98.71)
4498	Deficit Funding		0.00			0.00	
4499	Faith Funding	10,000.00	1,538.00	834.00	10,000.00	14,284.97	4,284.97
4590	Flower & Candle Donations	3,000.00	865.00	250.00	3,000.00	3,023.00	23.00
	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$205,014.00</b>	<b>\$30,005.39</b>	<b>\$28,370.00</b>	<b>\$205,014.00</b>	<b>\$198,856.81</b>	<b>(\$6,157.19)</b>

Account #	Account Name	Annual Budget	Period Activity	Monthly Budget	Budget YTD	YTD Balance	Over/Under YTD+(-)
<i>Expense</i>							
5001	Assessment for Common Ministry	20,364.00	1,697.00	1,697.00	20,364.00	20,364.00	0.00
5002	Missions Budget Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5003	TDF Budget Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5101	Altar Supplies	900.00	32.74	75.00	900.00	532.21	(367.79)
5110	Music	450.00	100.00	37.00	450.00	440.35	(9.65)
5111	Choir Robe Cleaning		0.00			0.00	
5112	Junior Choir Expenses	100.00	0.00	9.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
5113	Supply Organist or Soloists	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5114	Organ Maintenance	1,000.00	318.00	84.00	1,000.00	665.00	(335.00)
5115	Organist Salary	12,190.00	1,015.83	1,016.00	12,190.00	12,189.96	(0.04)
5116	Social Security - Organist	933.00	77.71	78.00	933.00	932.52	(0.48)
5201	Christian Education	1,500.00	2.28	125.00	1,500.00	652.77	(847.23)
5202	Christian Ed Director Salary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5203	Christian Ed Director Social S	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5205	Stewardship Educ & Supplies	900.00	28.27	75.00	900.00	730.27	(169.73)
5206	Adult Christian Formation	360.00	0.00	30.00	360.00	49.47	(310.53)
5211	Parish Nurse - Salary	1,175.00	97.90	97.00	1,175.00	1,370.60	195.60
5212	Soc.Sec: Parish Nurse	94.00	7.48	6.00	94.00	104.72	10.72
5220	Pastoral Care	1,500.00	0.00	125.00	1,500.00	1,059.56	(440.44)
5225	Pastoral Staff Subscription		0.00			0.00	
5230	Annual Convention&Safe Church	360.00	0.00	30.00	360.00	247.00	(113.00)
5231	Church Development Costs	675.00	134.89	56.00	675.00	805.98	130.98
5235	Required background checks	101.00	0.00	8.00	101.00	0.00	(101.00)
5240	Fundraiser expenses	750.00	1,175.82	62.00	750.00	1,503.82	753.82
5300	Office Supplies	2,000.00	311.60	166.00	2,000.00	2,241.55	241.55
5301	Equipment Contracts	2,200.00	243.56	187.00	2,200.00	2,071.93	(128.07)
5303	Bulletins & Printing	360.00	0.00	30.00	360.00	394.45	34.45
5304	Office Postage	1,500.00	0.00	125.00	1,500.00	1,374.00	(126.00)
5305	Documents & Forms	75.00	0.00	6.00	75.00	0.00	(75.00)
5306	Telephone - Church	2,500.00	138.11	212.00	2,500.00	1,757.33	(742.67)
5310	Rector's Salary	50,000.00	4,166.67	4,166.00	50,000.00	50,000.04	0.04
5311	Social Security - Rector	11,678.00	973.12	972.00	11,678.00	11,677.44	(0.56)
5312	Pension - Rector	16,802.00	1,400.11	1,399.00	16,802.00	16,801.32	(0.68)
5313	Medical-Dental: Rector	14,280.00	1,190.00	1,190.00	14,280.00	14,280.00	0.00
5314	Rector Equity Fund	3,000.00	250.00	250.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00

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Account #	Account Name	Annual Budget	Period Activity	Monthly Budget	Budget YTD	YTD Balance	Over/Under YTD+(-)
5315	Rector's Expense Allowance	2,600.00	251.51	216.00	2,600.00	3,031.87	431.87
5316	Rector's Continuing Education	1,500.00	0.00	125.00	1,500.00	1,463.58	(36.42)
5317	Rector's Sabatical Budget Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5320	Supply Clergy	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5330	Secretary's Salary	13,021.00	1,085.06	1,086.00	13,021.00	13,156.36	135.36
5331	Social Security - Secretary	1,042.00	83.02	85.00	1,042.00	1,006.61	(35.39)
5332	Secretary Pension	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	61.04	61.04
5333	Secretary - Life Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5350	Worker's Comp Insurance	409.00	34.05	35.00	409.00	408.55	(0.45)
5360	Web Hosting/Website	75.00	0.00	9.00	75.00	73.86	(1.14)
5361	Software Upgrades & Purchases	500.00	0.00	38.00	500.00	433.99	(66.01)
5362	Professional Fees	405.00	0.00	0.00	405.00	390.00	(15.00)
5400	Utilities - Fuel Oil - Church	6,600.00	584.68	550.00	6,600.00	6,218.13	(381.87)
5401	Utilites - Electric - Church	2,500.00	240.86	212.00	2,500.00	2,285.83	(214.17)
5402	Utilites-Water/Sewer - Church	400.00	0.00	37.00	400.00	418.64	18.64
5403	Trash removal - Church	1,350.00	0.00	107.00	1,350.00	1,633.21	283.21
5404	Snow Removal - Church	500.00	0.00	38.00	500.00	1,250.00	750.00
5405	Floor Cleang Contact - Church	700.00	0.00	62.00	700.00	350.00	(350.00)
5406	Bldg.Main.& Rpr - Church	2,000.00	247.31	163.00	2,000.00	3,406.97	1,406.97
5407	Grounds Maintenance - Church	900.00	0.00	75.00	900.00	590.00	(310.00)
5410	Sexton Salary	4,400.00	366.43	363.00	4,400.00	4,484.79	84.79
5411	Social Security - Sexton	352.00	28.03	33.00	352.00	343.06	(8.94)
5420	Sexton Supplies	675.00	0.00	59.00	675.00	331.36	(343.64)
5430	Utilites - Fuel Oil - Rectory	3,000.00	333.78	250.00	3,000.00	3,426.39	426.39
5431	Utilities - Electric - Rectory	1,600.00	110.92	137.00	1,600.00	1,421.10	(178.90)
5432	Utilities-Water/Sewer- Rectory	600.00	0.00	50.00	600.00	466.93	(133.07)
5433	Utilities: Telephone - Rectory	1,000.00	69.55	87.00	1,000.00	862.51	(137.49)
5434	Snow Removal - Rectory	200.00	0.00	13.00	200.00	236.09	36.09
5435	Bldg.Main& Rpr - Rectory	1,000.00	(47.48)	87.00	1,000.00	2,139.61	1,139.61
5440	Blanket Insurance	5,454.00	454.48	449.00	5,454.00	5,453.76	(0.24)
5450	Capital Impr Budget Expense	2,000.00	166.67	163.00	2,000.00	2,000.04	0.04
5600	In Kind General		0.00			0.00	
5926	Flower & Candle Expense	2,400.00	108.00	200.00	2,400.00	2,313.30	(86.70)
	<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$204,930.00</b>	<b>\$17,477.96</b>	<b>\$17,042.00</b>	<b>\$204,930.00</b>	<b>\$205,003.87</b>	<b>\$73.87</b>
	<b>Difference</b>	<b>\$84.00</b>	<b>\$12,527.43</b>	<b>\$11,328.00</b>	<b>\$84.00</b>	<b>(\$6,147.06)</b>	

\* = Income/Expense exceeds amount budgeted to date

## b) 2011 YEAR END ASSET AND FUND BALANCES

### Trinity Episcopal Church - Milford MA Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2011

Wednesday, January 18, 2012

Account #	Account Name	Beginning Balance	YTD Balance
<b>Assets</b>			
1001	Operating Acct - Milford Nat'l	16,899.80	12,468.51
1055	MM Savings Acct	45,905.28	86,003.57
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)	51,174.70	46,500.57
1516	Lane Appreciation (Diocese)	27,811.71	23,534.10
1517	Cleveland Appreciation(Dioces)	10,219.18	7,990.67
1518	Trinity Appreciation (Diocese)	7,887.40	7,199.35
1800	Church & Parish Hall	1,634,819.00	1,495,787.00
1802	Contents: Church & Parish Hall	163,481.00	163,481.00
1810	Rectory	197,036.00	210,010.00
1812	Contents: Rectory	19,703.00	19,703.00
	<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$2,261,375.53</b>	<b>\$2,159,116.23</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
2000	Accounts Payable/Vendors	1,614.55	1,183.77
2125	Steeple Loan	0.00	27,013.56
	<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$1,614.55</b>	<b>\$28,197.33</b>
<b>Fund Balance</b>			
3101	Fund Balance - Operations	(48,303.37)	(54,450.43)
3221	TDF Fund Balance	1,900.00	0.00
3222	GFS Scholarship Fund	7,845.16	6,345.16
3223	GFS Savings Fund	2,951.78	1,941.78
3224	GFS Dividends Fund	15,809.27	15,809.27
3225	Mission Fund Balance	15,340.14	8,166.72
3227	P&I Fund	121.48	0.00
3228	P&I Capitol Imp Reserve Fund	54,418.99	44,822.02
3229	Air Conditioning Fund Balance	529.00	529.00
3230	Vestry Sunshine Fund Balance	106.57	138.72
3232	Rector's Sabbatical Balance	5,000.04	5,000.04
3260	Memorial Fund Balance	5,472.62	5,146.02
3270	Property & Contents Fund	2,015,039.00	1,888,981.00
3280	Sabbatical Fund Balance	0.00	36,827.60
3301	Fund Balance - Restricted	183,530.30	171,662.00
	<b>Total Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$2,259,760.98</b>	<b>\$2,130,918.90</b>
	<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$2,261,375.53</b>	<b>\$2,159,116.23</b>

### c) REVIEW OF THE 2012 BUDGET

Income			2012		2012	2011	
Account number	Account name	Comments	Finance Committee Recommendations 1/5/12	Budget Category (see key below)	Proposed Budget	Approved Budget	Actuals as of end of year
4101	Pledges - Current Year	Current Pledges as of 1/18/12 - \$165,595	Need to call remaining outstanding pledgers	P	\$ 162,600.00	\$147,659.00	\$139,309.38
4102	Pledges - Previous Year			P	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,996.10
4103	Pledges Upcoming Year			P	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 7,656.28
4150	Plate Offering			P	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,235.07
4160	Special Day Offerings			O	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,834.00
4170	Church School Offering			O	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 0.89
4180	Hall Use Donations			O	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,630.00
4201	Christmas Fair			E	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,655.22
4202	Chocofest			E	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,809.00
4203	Fund Raising Events			E	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 167.50
4301	Diocesan Holdings Dividends			I	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 7,600.37
4305	Stock Dividends						\$ 544.65
4400	Interest on Operating Acct			I	\$ 7.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 9.09
4401	Interest on MMarket			I	\$ 100.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 101.29
4499	Faith Funding			G	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 14,284.97
4590	Flower & Candle Donations			O	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,023.00
	<b>Total Income</b>				\$ 217,857.00	<b>\$205,014.00</b>	<b>\$198,856.81</b>
	<b>Lilly Clergy Renewal Grant</b>	Restricted for use per grant application		*	\$ 40,497.00		
					\$ 258,354.00		
		<b>Key to Budget Categories</b>					
		<b>Expense Category</b>	<b>Income Categories</b>				
		W - Worship	P - Pledge/Plate				
		S - Spiritual Development	E - Events/Fund Raisers				
		PC - Pastoral Care	I - Investment Income				
		O - Outreach	G - Growth & new- givers				
		PL - Parish Life	O - Other				
		H - Holy Space					

Expenses			2012		2012	2011	
Account Number	Account Name	Comments	Finance Committee Recommendations 12/7/11	Budget Category (see key below)	Proposed Budget	Approved Budget	Actuals as of end of year
5001	Assessment for Common Ministry	5% Reduction from \$22,818	Will pay full assessment if we have surplus beyond 2011 deficit	O	\$ 21,678.00	\$ 20,364.00	\$ 20,364.00
5002	Missions Budget Expense	Mission Fund Balance ~ \$11,000	Needs to be restored in 2013	O	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5003	TDF Budget Expense	TDF Fund Balance \$2,360	Needs to be restored in 2013	O	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5101	Altar Supplies			W	\$ 700.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 532.21
5110	Music			W	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 440.35
5111	Choir Robe Cleaning			W	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5112	Junior Choir Expenses			W	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
5113	Supply Organist or Soloists		Needs to be restored in 2013	W	\$ -		\$ -
5114	Organ/Piano Maintenance			W	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 665.00
5115	Organist Salary			W	\$ 12,190.00	\$ 12,190.00	\$ 12,189.96
5116	Social Security - Organist			W	\$ 933.00	\$ 933.00	\$ 652.77
5201	Christian Education			S	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	
5202	Christian Ed Director Salary	Salary for 5 hrs/wk	Needs to be restored to 10 hours in 2013	S	\$ 4,448.60	\$ -	\$ -
5203	Christian Ed Director Social S			S	\$ 349.22	\$ -	\$ -
5205	Stewardship Educ & Supplies			PL	\$ 800.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 730.27
5206	Adult Christian Formation			S	\$ 300.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 49.47
5211	Parish Nurse - Salary	Increased Hours - 1 to 3	Needs to be restored to 5 hours in 2013	PC	\$ 3,722.16	\$ 1,175.00	\$ 1,370.60
5212	Soc.Sec: Parish Nurse			PC	\$ 292.19	\$ 94.00	\$ 104.72
5220	Pastoral Care			PC	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,059.56
5230	Annual Convention&Safe Church			PL	\$ 360.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 247.00
5231	Church Development Costs			PL	\$ 675.00	\$ 675.00	\$ 805.98
5235	Required background checks			PL	\$ 100.00	\$ 101.00	\$ -
5240	Fundraiser expenses			PL	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 1,503.82
5300	Office Supplies			.5* W, PL	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,241.55
5301	Equipment Contracts			.5* W, PL	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,071.93
5303	Bulletins & Printing			W	\$ 360.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 394.45
5304	Office Postage			PL	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,374.00
5305	Documents & Forms			PL	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ -
5306	Telephone - Church			PL	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,757.33

Expenses			2012		2012	2011	
Account Number	Account Name	Comments	Finance Committee Recommendations 12/7/11	Budget Category (see key below)	Proposed Budget	Approved Budget	Actuals as of end of year
5310	Rector's Salary			.2*W,S,PC,O,P L	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.04
5311	Social Security - Rector			.2*W,S,PC,O,P L	\$ 11,678.00	\$ 11,678.00	\$ 11,677.44
5312	Pension - Rector			.2*W,S,PC,O,P L	\$ 16,802.00	\$ 16,802.00	\$ 16,801.32
5313	Medical-Dental: Rector	Medical 1,379.00; Dental \$100 @ 100%		.2*W,S,PC,O,P L	\$ 17,748.00	\$ 14,280.00	\$ 14,280.00
5314	Rector Equity Fund			.2*W,S,PC,O,P L	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
5315	Rector's Expense Allowance	Reduced 30% - from \$2600 - Sabbatical	Needs to be restored in 2013	.2*W,S,PC,O,P L	\$ 1,820.00	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 3,031.87
5316	Rector's Continuing Education			.2*W,S,PC,O,P L	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,463.58
5317	Rector's Sabatical Reserve	Zeroed out for 2012 - Lilly Grant - must be reinstated in 20013	Needs to be restored in 2013	.2*W,S,PC,O,P L		\$ -	\$ -
5320	Supply Clergy		Needs to be restored in 2013	W	\$ -		\$ -
5330	Secretary's Salary	Salary Increase - Hours the same		PL	\$ 14,144.00	\$ 13,021.00	\$ 13,156.36
5331	Social Security - Secretary			PL	\$ 1,110.30	\$ 1,042.00	\$ 1,006.61
5332	Secretary Pension			PL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 61.04
5333	Secretary - Life Insurance			PL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5350	Worker's Comp Insurance	Actual per S Abdow		PL	\$ 459.00	\$ 409.00	\$ 408.55
5360	Web Hosting/Website			O	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 73.86
5361	Software Upgrades & Purchases			PL	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 433.99
5362	Professional Fees			PL	\$ 400.00	\$ 405.00	\$ 390.00

Expenses			2012		2012	2011	
Account Number	Account Name	Comments	Finance Committee Recommendations 12/7/11	Budget Category (see key below)	Proposed Budget	Approved Budget	Actuals as of end of year
5400	Utilities - Fuel Oil - Church			H	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 6,600.00	\$ 6,218.13
5401	Utilites - Electric - Church			H	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,285.83
5402	Utilites-Water/Sewer - Church			H	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 418.64
5403	Trash removal - Church	Challenge to C E-T		H	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 1,633.21
5404	Snow Removal - Church			H	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,250.00
5405	Floor Cleang Contact - Church	1 time per year		H	\$ 350.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 350.00
5406	Bldg.Main.& Rpr - Church			H	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,406.97
5407	Grounds Maintenance - Church			H	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 590.00
5410	Sexton Salary	Increased hours from 8 to 10		H	\$ 5,486.00	\$ 4,400.00	\$ 4,484.79
5411	Social Security - Sexton			H	\$ 430.65	\$ 352.00	\$ 343.06
5420	Sexton Supplies			H	\$ 600.00	\$ 675.00	\$ 331.36
5430	Utilites - Fuel Oil - Rectory			H	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,426.39
5431	Utilities - Electric - Rectory			H	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,421.10
5432	Utilities-Water/Sewer- Rectory			H	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 466.93
5433	Utilities: Telephone - Rectory			H	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 862.51
5434	Snow Removal - Rectory			H	\$ 250.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 236.09
5435	Bldg.Main& Rpr - Rectory			H	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,139.61
5440	Blanket Insurance	Actual per S Abdow		H	\$ 5,821.00	\$ 5,454.00	\$ 5,453.76
5450	Capital Impr Budget Expense			H	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.04
5926	Flower & Candle Expense			W	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,313.30
	<b>Total Expense</b>				\$ 217,857.12	\$204,930.00	\$ 205,003.87
	<b>Rector's Sabatical Expenses</b>				\$ 25,497.00		
	<b>Trinity's Sabatical Expenses</b>				\$ 15,000.00		
	<b>Total Expense including Sabatical</b>				\$ 258,354.12		
	<b>Surplus / Deficit*</b>				\$ (0.12)	\$ 84.00	\$ (6,147.06)
	* Deficit is funded out of Investment Funds						

## VIII. REPORT OF THE WARDENS

We hope everyone had a happy and healthy New Year and blessings to everyone as we already find ourselves at the end January 2012.

Two thousand and eleven was a great year for accomplishment here at Trinity. We have had many positives.

We kept our word and balanced our budget for the first time in several years. We did have to make some hard decisions and cut the budget in very personal areas like wages, hours and supply clergy. The Vestry has made a commitment to restoring those areas in the future when possible.

We adopted a new Mission statement, one that we feel better reflects who we are and want to be.

*Sharing the Grace of God, the Light of Christ and the Power of the Holy Spirit,  
through worship, ministry and fellowship.*

I think we are living this everyday through our worship services, bible studies, Lenten programs, mission, Stephen ministry, visits to the shut-ins and sick by Fr. Mac and many parishioners, our food pantry ministry and our Community meals, our dinners and community fundraisers like the Chocolate Fest and Christmas Fair.

On May 15, 2011 we celebrated the completion of our Steeple with a steeple rededication followed by a lovely reception in the parish hall. This was a wonderful accomplishment shared by all who bought shingles and donated to the construction.

On April 30, 2011 we were thrilled to have two parishioners be part of a Mission trip that left for Haiti and the Dominican Republic to teach a Vacation Bible School. Although they were the only two who were going they made us feel so much a part of the experience by keeping us informed and sponsoring a Dominican dinner and events to raise money for the trip and supplies needed for VBS. We were shown many rewarding pictures and stories upon their return it inspired us all and another trip is planned for this year.

Fr. Mac is going on sabbatical in the spring. A sabbatical committee was formed to ensure a smooth transition for both Fr. Mac and Trinity. They applied for a Lilly grant to fund the sabbatical and we were very lucky to receive a \$40,000.00 grant to pay for Fr. Mac's expenses and for Sabbatical supply clergy.

Twenty twelve will have its challenges especially with Fr. Mac away. We know that as a parish we will all come together as a family of faith to meet those challenges and to continue to support our ministries, our community and one another.

Respectfully submitted,

*Gayle Ruscitti, Sr. Warden*

*Ann Marie Lockwood, Jr. Warden*

## IX. REPORT OF THE RECTOR

### RECTOR'S REPORT

From the Parish Register for 2011, we have been blessed by the following additions and events in our Trinity Parish Family:

#### **Baptisms (11)**

William Robert Nelson  
 Damien Maximus Black  
 Aislyn Virginia Murphy  
 Margaret Sarah Steen  
 Benjamin Walter Fletcher  
 Brady Everett Waugh  
 Samantha Tyler Jewett  
 Leah Rose Prevelige  
 Abigail Marie Price  
 Sydney Donna Redden  
 Charlotte Marie Valillancourt  
 William Robert Nelson

#### **Receptions (0)**

#### **Reaffirmations (0)**

#### **Confirmations (0)**

#### **Marriages (1)**

Jon-Paul Emerson Dow and Michele Lynn  
 McCarthy

#### **Transfers In (4)**

Margaret Elizabeth Moeller  
 Heidi Elizabeth Moeller  
 Shane Moeller  
 Ethan Moeller

#### **Transfers Out (0)**

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

#### **Burials (15)**

Beatrice E. Little  
 Charles A. Kalunian  
 Tina Oneschuk  
 Elizabeth Lutfy  
 Matthew W. Deitz  
 Helen E. Tingley  
 Toussaint Liverpool, Sr.

Pauline I. Mullen  
 Christopher R. Hawley, Sr.  
 Robert F. Kearsley  
 Brian M. Fuller  
 Deborah R. Caulkins  
 Water E. Cameron  
 Jeanette Pitchette  
 Mildred E. Boover

“Come and see.” That is what Jesus told those who were curious about him, “Come and see.”

Read through this annual report and see the breadth and depth of the mission and ministry of *our* Trinity church. We are blessed with gifted and talented parishioners who are willing to share their time, talent and treasure to spread the gospel, the good news, of Jesus Christ.

God tells us, through the prophet Jeremiah (29<sup>th</sup> chapter) to live fully where we are and that “I know what I’m doing. I have it all planned out – plans to take care of you, not abandon you, plans to give you the future you hope for.” We are living fully in the place where God has planted us.

The Year 2011 in Review:

- January 2011 - We started our third year as a Stephen Ministry Parish
- Jan 2009 Leader Training
  - June 2009 Start of First Class
  - September 20, 2009 Commissioned first class of Stephen Ministers
  - September and December 2011 – Regional Stephen Leaders Meetings
  - New Stephen Minister Training with Sacred Heart Hopedale – One Trainee
- February 2011 – Second Annual Nightwatch Trip for our Youth group / Confirmation Class

- 2012 – expanded to two nights with a service project in NYC on Saturday
- March 2011 – Largest participation in the Warden’s Vestry and Leadership Day in the Diocese  
Plus Youth Group Spaghetti Dinner
- April 2011 – Rotating Friday Stations of the Cross and Community Good Friday Service
- May 2011 – UTO Breakfast, Steeple Celebration, Community Open House
- June 2011 – Fr. Mac on Silent retreat at Vajrapani Institute
- July 2011 – Morning Prayer services while Rector on vacation – Successful Lay Led Worship!  
Youth Group White Water Rafting Trip
- August 2011 – Parish Fall Picnic – neighboring churches participating –  
8<sup>th</sup> year under Steve Klisiewicz, with Kevin Keppler and Andy Yaroshefski
- September 2011 – Last Wednesday Community Meal relocated to Trinity with increased attendance
- October 2011 – Most Successful Chocolate Fest
- November 2011 – Covenant Service celebrated with combined Children’s Choirs and record attendance
- December 2011 – Christmas Fair and Record Christmas Service Attendance  
Third Year for 7pm Service

#### Summary of *Register of Church Services* for 2011

94 Sunday Celebrations of the Eucharist

13 Morning Prayer Services on Sunday mornings

81 Weekday Eucharists at Trinity, Whitcomb House and Countryside

76 Morning and Noonday Prayer services

100 Other services (private communion, marriage, burial and other prayer services)

This year we will be planning for the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first Episcopal service here in Milford and the subsequent planting and blossoming of Trinity. We will celebrate our life together starting on the Feast of Pentecost 2013 (May 19, 2013 – 150 years after the first service) with a full year of activities and events, culminating on Trinity Sunday 2014 (June 15, 2014 – 150 years after the incorporation of Trinity Church).

Let’s use this year as a time to experience how God has called us and how God continues to call us – every day.

“Come and see” where God is calling you.

Respectfully submitted,

*William MacDonald Murray, Rector, Trinity Church Milford*

## **X. OTHER BUSINESS**

## **XI. BLESSING AND SENDING OUT**

### **BLESSING**

The Wisdom of God, the Love of God and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ’s hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity *Amen*.

## Hymn

O for a thousand tongues to sing

Azmon

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,  
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim  
 3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;  
 4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,  
 5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;

1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!  
 2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.  
 3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.  
 4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.  
 5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

6 Glory to God and praise and love  
 be now and ever given  
 by saints below and saints above,  
 the Church in earth and heayen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

*Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!*

## The Ministers of Trinity Episcopal Church are **THE PEOPLE OF THIS PARISH**

supported by

The Reverend Mac Murray, Rector  
 Elizabeth Jennings Pekkala, Minister of Music  
 MaryBeth Sweet, Christian Education  
 Mary Johnson, Parish Nurse

Magee Lambert, Church Secretary; Paul Del Molino, Sexton  
 Gayle Ruscitti, Senior Warden; Ann Marie Lockwood, Junior Warden  
 and the Treasurers, Clerk and Vestry of Trinity Episcopal Church.

We serve our Lord as a part of the Diocese of Western Massachusetts

led by

The Rt. Rev. Gordon Paul Scruton, Bishop of Western Massachusetts