



# The Signpost Weekly

March 17, 2019

Second Sunday in Lent

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## Calendar

### Sunday, March 17

- 8 a.m. Worship
- 9:15 Adult Formation – Entering the Passion of Jesus
- 10:15 a.m. Worship
- 10 a.m. Sunday School

### Monday, March 18

9 a.m. Yoga

### Tuesday, March 19

- 9 a.m., Morning Prayer
- 9:30 a.m., Exodus Bible Study

### Thursday, March 20 Third



Lenten Dinner

@5:30

- 5:54 p.m. The spring/- vernal equinox, the astronomical first day of spring

### Friday, March 21,

- 5:30 p.m., Stations of the Cross, Sanctuary

In the wake of Friday's attack on mosques in New Zealand, may we remember that 'they are us' in the words of New Zealand's prime minister, Jacinda Ardern, and may we continue to strive for God's loving reign to be more fully known in our world.

## For the Human Family:

*O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

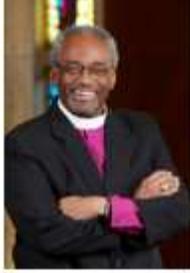
## Friday Nights- Stations of the Cross continue

Fridays at 5:30 PM in the sanctuary, and will be lay led. This can be an important way to deepen our Lenten journey by taking time to reflect on the Way of the Cross and our own Christian journey.



## Presiding Bishop's Jamboree

**with Youth in Boston-** High Schoolers and Middle Schoolers from across New England are gathering for a youth jamboree with Michael Curry Saturday, April 27. We just received invitations for youth of the Diocese of New Hampshire and are letting you know as soon as we heard about it. Exact times for our youth group trip there are still a little subject to change, but we can plan for departing the church at around 11AM and returning between 5 & 6PM. Let us know if your teen can make it! Contact Fr. Zac Harmon to register: [vicar-stchristophers@gmail.com](mailto:vicar-stchristophers@gmail.com)

**\* Presiding Bishop's Jamboree with Youth**

**Saturday, April 27, 1:30-3 p.m.,**  
Cathedral Church of St. Paul, 138 Tremont Street, Boston

**A special conversation program with middle and high school youth and their mentors, with the PB.**

## Lenten Highlights

**Thursday Night Dinners, then Worship & Bible Study-** We've had great Manhattan Clam Chowder and Spaghetti so far from Bob Leonard, Joyce Ryan and members of the Parish Life committee for dinner. If you're looking for a place of community, these dinners are it. \$5 a plate or \$20 per family. It's great community. Here's the link to sign up

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e4aabab2ba7fc1-thursday1>

**Lenten Quiet Day with Bishop Rob-** Bishop Rob will be leading a Lenten Quiet Day on the Way of Love at St. Thomas in Dover on Saturday, March 23.

This will be a deep and contemplative day for lay people, crafted thoughtfully and led entirely by our Bishop. We had about 75 participants at last year's Lent Quiet Day in the central part of the diocese and they were deeply moved by their experience. In order to arrange lunch for everyone (which is offered free of charge), sign up by Wednesday, March 20. <http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07eg4b21vqc9107809&llr=zdgko7cab>

**Lent Madness-** You might remember Lent Madness from last year. The saintly version of March Madness where your vote determines which saint advances to the next round. Already, there had been a tense competition between Mary and Martha of Bethany- in case you're curious, Martha won to advance to the next round. While whimsical, the competition is a great way to nurture your faith and particularly the faith of kids by learning the stories of saints. You can sign up on the website here: <https://www.lentmadness.org/category/lent-madness-2019/>

**Black Heritage Trail of New Hampshire Lenten Program 2019-** The Episcopal Church of New Hampshire is honored to partner with the Black Heritage Trail of NH to offer a collection of short readings on little known historic figures from NH's African American community for our 2019 Lenten Program. <https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07eg5ake4aeeda05d8&oseq=&c=&ch=>

**Easter Flowers** – Some members of the parish like to remembering or honor someone with Easter Flowers for the altar. If you would like to make a donation, complete and return a "Flower" envelope in the foyer and put it in the plate (or mail to St. Christopher's) by Palm Sunday, March 29th. Please put "Easter Flowers" on the memo line. Names of those so honored as well as the donors are published in the Sunday Bulletin.

**Revival: Reimagined- Finding Meaning, Purpose & Community May 4th-**

To Register, follow [this link](#):

This is going to be an incredible  event you don't want to miss. It will be held at Windham Middle School, and it comes in two parts. The afternoon portion from 1-5 will be focused on us Episcopalians, and getting us

to think about good evangelism as well as engaging the skeptical and time deficit world we live in. Free dinner will be from 5-6. And then, at 6 p.m. we'll start a celebration Eucharist with lively worship and dynamic speaking, sharing and engagement. Rev. Dr. Tricia Lyons will be our featured speaker from the Washington DC area, but she has lived in New England for a number of years, so she knows the area and culture. She currently works with Presiding Bishop Michael Curry developing the 'Way of Love' approach to faith and has many faith and gifts when it comes to connecting faith and pop culture. ***This event will nourish your faith and inspire your imagination.*** Hope you can be part of it.

**Choir-** Have you ever thought you would like to sing in the choir or be a part of our lively & melodic choral group at church? The St. Christopher's Choir would be delighted to have a few more members. If singing is something you've always loved to do or if you're looking for a way to get involved, just let our choir director, Nicholas Pothier, know you could be interested: [Nicholas.pothier@gmail.com](mailto:Nicholas.pothier@gmail.com)

**Prayers of the people**

**Doug & Maggi Heyer** just lost a very dear friend to ALS. Please keep **Lawrie Taylor** and his family in your prayers. Condolences to Scott Webster, and prayers for the repose of his mother, **Harriette**. Prayers for Pam Vazquez niece's husband, **Ryan Turner**, who is having open heart surgery Monday, March 18; for Ginette's grandson, **Chase**, and his parents in the face of long-term medical disabilities; for **Peggy Baker**. Pray for **Angie McCurdy** and her family; please pray for **Lincoln**, Christine Collins' cousin's young son who is ill; and for **Aaron, Alex & family** in their time of grief. Prayers for **Zach**, a relative of a parishioner; **Ellie McCabe**; prayers for **Bob Gleason, Lucille Gigeure**. for **Deb**; for **Roy Jeffrey; Ann Donovan; Kate; Brayden; Matty; Ian**; prayers for **Howie**; for **Cheryl**; for **Ryan**; for **Jacqueline**; for Natalie's brother **Lorin**; for Mark and Ingrid's son **Eric**, and their daughter, **Lisa**. Pray for the repose of **Anita Pauley**, and prayers for her son **Brian Shankey**. **Serving in the Military:** For Pam Vazquez's son Army Ranger 2nd Lt. Nicholas J. Vazquez, for Del's cousins, Daniel, Matthew and Sandra.

**Parish Cycle of Prayer:** Leslie Steinhoff; Ryan and Jessica Steinhoff; Denise Stevenson and Matt Rioux; John Svitak and Madeleine Dionne-Svitak.

**Attendance**

Ash Wednesday, 7 a.m., 8; 4 p.m., 15; 7 p.m., 22  
Sunday, 3/10, 8 a.m., 17; 10:15 a.m., 31

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*"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment. The second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."*



# Come and gather with Presiding Bishop Michael B. Curry

## SATURDAY, APRIL 27

**"PB & J": YOUTH JAMBOREE WITH THE PB**  
1:30-3 p.m., Cathedral Church of St. Paul, 138 Tremont Street, Boston

Pizza and special conversation program with middle and high school youth and their adult mentors.  
YOUTH GROUPS: Register in advance at  
[www.diomassyouth.org](http://www.diomassyouth.org)

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### MINISTRY FAIR

3-4:30 p.m.: The Cathedral Church of St. Paul will host community gathering space and a Ministry Fair showcasing ministry programs across the diocese.

## "WAY OF LOVE" RALLY

5-6 p.m., Boston Common

Gather and be inspired, challenged and blessed as Bishop Curry proclaims the transforming power of walking the "Way of Love" with Jesus.  
Everyone is welcome for this public witness.

Come prepared for whatever weather the day brings.  
Chairs will be available for those who need them.

## SUNDAY, APRIL 28

**"OUR EPISCOPAL 'BIG TENT': HOW BIG IS IT?"**

3-4 p.m., Grace Church, 133 School Street, New Bedford

Panel Conversation with Bishop Curry, Bishop Barbara C. Harris and  
House of Deputies Vice President Byron Rushing

How well does the Episcopal Church measure up to its "big tent" ideal? Come for a provocative panel conversation with three distinguished Episcopal Church leaders sharing their unique perspectives.

Reception follows. Seating will be first come, first served.



*Details and updates at: [www.diomass.org/pb-visit](http://www.diomass.org/pb-visit)*  
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