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## St Andrew's Church

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## Service Schedule

### -Sunday-

Holy Eucharist  
8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.  
Rite I at 8.30, First Sundays;  
Healing Service at 8.30,  
Third Sundays

### -Wednesday-

Holy Eucharist  
6.00 p.m.

### -Friday-

Prayer & Meditation  
5.30 p.m.

*Holy Days as announced.*

## Calendar

Friday, 6 December  
*Handel's Messiah*  
(Nave)

## This Week & Weekend at St Andrew's

### Thursday, 5 December

A.A. at 7.30 a.m. (Parish House)  
Parish Office Open 10.00 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Al. Anon. at 7.00 p.m. (Vestry Room)

### Friday, 6 December

Prayer & Meditation at 5.30 p.m.  
*Handel's Messiah at 7.30 p.m. (Nave)*

### Saturday, 7 December

*Pancakes with Santa (Parish House) at 8.30-10.30 a.m.*  
Choir Rehearsal at 9.30 a.m. (Choir Room)

### Sunday, 8 December

#### Second Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist at 8.30 a.m. with Sister Mary Lanning  
Choir Rehearsal at 9.30 a.m.  
Holy Eucharist at 10.30 a.m. with Sister Mary Lanning  
Coffee & Sr Mary's Birthday Celebration at 11.30 a.m.

### Tuesday, 10 December

Parish Office Open 10.00 - 2 p.m.

### Wednesday, 11 December

Holy Eucharist at 6.00 p.m.  
A.A. for Women at 7.00 p.m.  
Kent Singer's Rehearsal at 7.00 p.m. (Nave)

## From the Treasurer

Here's an update on the progress of the Annual Canvass inviting members to pledge their financial support to the Parish in 2020. In the past 10 days we have received just 4 pledges which have brought the total received to date to 65, about a fifth less than the average number for this time in the past five years. The total amount of the pledges is \$167,000, compared with a goal of \$210,000. Given the rate of pledges received in the past month, it now appears that the Vestry may be contemplating a 2020 budget

7:30 p.m.

showing a very substantial deficit.

The prospective drop in pledge income next year is likely attributable to our leadership transition. This is not surprising and we also need to notice that many of our most substantial supporters have stepped forward with very generous pledges. In addition, the Parish has a strong financial position and can weather a difficult year if necessary.

Won't you make one if you haven't already, to affirm your support of St. Andrew's? To repeat from a couple of weeks ago, no pledge is too small to be heartily welcomed; please allow us to "count you in"! People totals are even more important than dollar totals to Canvass success and every member is vital to Parish health. A pledge is simply a statement of intention and can be changed at any time.

Blank pledge cards are available in the Narthex of the church or at the Parish office. You can mail a pledge to the Parish office (P.O. Box 309), email the dollar amount for the year to me at [james@vickco.com](mailto:james@vickco.com) or simply put it in the offering plate at church.

**Saturday, 7 December**  
**Pancakes with Santa!**  
(Parish House)  
8.30 - 10.30 a.m.

**Sunday, 8 December**  
**Sister Mary Lanning**  
preaching  
**Yes! Solutions**

**Sunday, 15 December**  
**The Kent Singers**  
*"Among Angels"*  
**Holiday Concert**  
(Nave)  
3.00 p.m.

**Tuesday, 24 December**  
**Christmas Eve Service**  
at 10.00 p.m.  
**Kent School Chapel**  
**Service**  
at 4 p.m.

**Christmas Day**  
**25 December**  
**No service**

### Twelve Step Groups

**Wednesdays**  
7:00 p.m.  
A.A. for Women

**Thursdays**  
A.A. at 7.30 a.m.  
(Great Room)  
Al-Anon. at 7.00 p.m.  
(Vestry Room)

### Parish Staff

**Thomas W. Holcombe,**  
*Organist & Director of*  
*Choirs*

**Margie O'Brien,**  
*Director of the Children's*  
*Choir*

**Heather Scofield,**  
*Parish Administrator*

**Joan I. Cassel**  
*Financial Secretary*

**Bill McLaren,**  
*Sexton*

**Randy Osolin,**  
*Verger*

### Photos

Photos from this year's Christmas Bazaar...

George Potts would like to again create a slideshow of photos from this year's Bazaar for our [www.standrewskentct.org](http://www.standrewskentct.org) website. Please forward any and all photos to him ASAP at [gpotts@snet.net](mailto:gpotts@snet.net) so he can include them!

### Advent II

Sr MARY LANNING, O.P.  
will be our preacher  
at both liturgies on  
Advent II, 8 December

The loose offering will be given to her for the remarkable ministry of Yes! Solutions among the homeless and the poor throughout New York City.

Mary will also happily receive donations of warm and gently-used hats, gloves, and scarves.

If bulky coats, leggings, etc., come in, we shall do our best to get these down to her in the Bronx, and hope that the donors will understand if we need to donate

them to the Quality Thrift Shop here in Kent.

*Please bring in your donations on Sunday to the Parish House. If you would like to bring them in beforehand, you may come on Friday, 6 December from 7.30 a.m to 1.00 p.m. and leave them on the bench to the left in the Parish House.*

### **Sister Mary Lanning's Birthday**

We would like to celebrate Sr Mary Lanning's Birthday at Coffee Hour after the 10.30 a.m. service on 8 December.

*To help celebrate, please bring a savory dish to share before her birthday cake!*

### **Christmas Eve Service**

*There will only be one service at 10.00 pm on Christmas Eve this year.*

*If you are interested in attending an earlier service on Christmas Eve, Kent School has invited parishioners to attend the 4 pm service in St Joseph's Chapel.*

*There will be no Christmas Day service this year.*

*If you need a ride to the Christmas Eve service, please contact the Church Office at 860.927.3486 and we will find transportation for you.*

### **Refreshments after the 10.30 a.m. Liturgy**

There is a sign-up sheet on the pass-through into the kitchen for volunteers to be responsible for both brewing the coffee and bringing light refreshments.

Included with the sign-up sheet are Instructions on "How to do Coffee Hour" with where to find supplies and instructions for coffee brewing...makes it really easy!!

During the time of transition between rectors, Coffee Hour is an especially important time for members of the parish to be together: please help by bringing in some coffee cakes, cookies, &..., to make the social time more enjoyable!

## Christmas Trees

Christmas Tree Sales are up for sale!

Fridays 4-6 p.m.

Saturdays 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Sundays Noon-5 p.m.



Helpers needed: please call Christopher Rehkow  
(917-544-1763)

## Pancakes with Santa

KECNS is hosting

**Pancakes with Santa!**

Saturday, 7 December

8.30-10.30 a.m.

St Andrew's Parish House

to benefit the

**Kent Education Center and Nursery School**

\$5 for adults & children

\$20 family maximum

Free for children under one years old.

**Craft table, door prizes, Santa's Mailbox & SANTA!**  
more info: email [Kecns1@gmail.com](mailto:Kecns1@gmail.com) or call 860.927.1294

## The Prayer List During the Time of Transition

*During the transition time, Heather Scofield, our Administrator, will be maintaining the parish Prayer List. Please call her and ask her to add names to the list, remembering to tell her at which service --8.30 or 10.30-- you would like the prayers offered. If possible, please indicate for how she should keep the name(s) on the List. And please remember to let her know when she may*

*remove the name(s).*

***You may also write to Heather at  
st.andrew.kent@snet.net  
Please be sure to provide her with a telephone number so that she  
may be able to ask if she has any questions.***

***We remember the faithful departed during the week after their  
deaths, and on those Sundays when you ask for their names to be  
included.***

## **EVENTS in the NW REGION of the EPISCOPAL CHURCH in CONNECTICUT**

St Andrew's Parish in Kent is one of the 28 congregations of Episcopalians worshipping in the NW corner of Connecticut. Our new Missioner, Dylan Mello, has begun to publish a bulletin that advertises events of interest, open to all, in these places, and we will notify you of at least some of them.

## **A Request from *FISH* 'Friends in Service Here'**

FISH provides rides for those needing to keep local medical appointments, and

***VOLUNTEERS  
ARE VERY MUCH NEEDED,  
IN PARTICULAR DRIVERS!  
FISH is very short-handed ....***

***Please call Edith Altvater  
(new number: 860.539.9957)  
if you can help!***

## **A Prayer for Change**

This prayer has been used several times since this summer at Eucharist and several of you have asked that we reprint it again. It was developed by The Women's Prayer Circle of St John's Church in North Guilford, as a reflection on the state of the world and how to bring God's love. Their hope is, as more people and churches use and share it, the prayer will create an energy that will be a force for loving change.

### **A Prayer for Change**

*Loving God,  
You have made the whole of human life in your image;  
each one of us shaped in love.  
Your goodness is ever-present within us all.*

*But, there is so much evil and pain in our world,  
it comes at us from every direction.  
Teach us how to rediscover Your love within us,  
to use that love as a force for good.  
help us to turn our hearts toward the world in hope,  
Praying for each other, regarding each other as treasure.  
Join us all together in prayer, that we might be the light which darkness can never  
overcome;  
through Jesus Christ we pray.  
Amen.*

## Homily

*Please click on the link below in order  
to hear or read  
Reverend Stephen Klots Homily  
[Homily for 1 December](#)*

## The Lections this Week

### **The Second Sunday of Advent**

**8 December**

*Advent 11, Year A*

**Isaiah 11.1-10**

**Psalm 72.1-7, 18-19;**

**Romans 15.4-13;**

**Matthew 3.1-12**

## Music in the Nave

St. Andrew's "Music in the Nave" Concert Series

9<sup>th</sup> Annual Sing-In

Handel's  
**MESSIAH**

With the Sherman Chamber Ensemble

**DECEMBER 6**

**7:30 PM**

Part 1 The Annunciation and The Hallelujah Chorus

**St. Andrew's Church**

Corner Of Routes 7 & 341 Kent, CT

Admission \$20/Students Free

<https://MITNKentCT.eventbrite.com>

Reception Following The Performance

860-927-3486

[www.standrewskentct.org/mitn.html](http://www.standrewskentct.org/mitn.html)



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*(Cancelled-Rescheduling TBD)*

**Sherman Chamber Ensemble**

***Jazzing Up the Classics***

**Sunday, 1 December**

**St Andrew's, Kent, CT**

**4.00 p.m.**

"Eclectic selections from traditional jazz repertoire and classical music with a jazzy twist."



THE KENT SINGERS  
JAMES KNOX SUTTERFIELD  
MUSIC DIRECTOR

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S *Angelic carols from around the world*

Britten's A Ceremony of Carols  
Will Todd's Among Angels  
Huron Carol, arranged by our own, Tom Holcombe  
with harps and soprano soloists

Sunday, December 15, 3 PM  
St. Andrew's Church | Kent, CT

**\$ 20 tickets available at the door**

**Pawling Music Series**

**ATLANTIC BRASS QUINTET**

This holiday program fuses familiar tunes in arrangements both pleasing and sophisticated.



Friday,  
20 December  
7.00 p.m.  
All Saints' Chapel

Trinity-Pawling School  
700 Route 22 in Pawling, New York

[www.pawlingconcertseries.org](http://www.pawlingconcertseries.org)

## Announcements

**A request from those who count the collection monies:**

The counters ask us to help them by tagging our cheques so that they are certain as to how to receive them: as Pledge, as donations to the Capital Fund, donations to the Discretionary or Mission & Outreach Funds, etc.

**Please remember that the loose offering on the first Sundays of the month**

... is given to the Parish Discretionary Fund for those in any kind of need.

**The Quality Thrift Shop**

... at The First Congregational Church is very much an effort of the whole of our community to provide affordable clothing and household necessities to those who need them. Members of St Andrew's Parish and of Sacred Heart Church help out there, and more help is urgently needed! Whatever hours you can give will be appreciated, and so please call 860.927.3287 if you are able to assist!

KENT MEMORIAL LIBRARY

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Heather Scofield's

# THIRD EYE

Exhibit On Display in the Gallery  
NOVEMBER 4, 2019 - JANUARY 10, 2020

*Join Us!*

**OPENING  
RECEPTION**

Friday,  
November 29  
4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Please call the Library  
to register 860-927-3761

For more information  
[kentmemoriallibrary.com](http://kentmemoriallibrary.com)



*Read. Learn. Imagine.*

*above: Sunlit Field*

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# Kent School Guild of Change Ringers



The ten bells of St. Joseph's Chapel at Kent School are hung for **change ringing**, a form of bell ringing first popularized in England during the 17<sup>th</sup> century. Ringers memorize striking patterns and practice putting them together into compositions.

- Guild practices are held the second and fourth Sundays of the month,<sup>1</sup> from 3-5 pm.
- Guild members also regularly travel to towers throughout the Northeast,<sup>2</sup> and occasionally overseas.<sup>3</sup>
- All levels of experience and ability are welcome! New ringers can join any regular practice.
- Contact Matthew Austin, Tower Captain, with any questions: [austinm@kent-school.edu](mailto:austinm@kent-school.edu).



<sup>1</sup> Thanksgiving and Christmas occasionally intervene.

<sup>2</sup> There are ~48 towers in North America, 14 on the Northeast corridor.

<sup>3</sup> There are ~5000 towers in England: in recent years guild members have rung towers in Amersham, Birmingham, Exeter, London, Oxford, Radley, Shiplake, and Worcester, among other locations.

## Needed by The Kent Food Bank

This month, The Kent Food Bank is especially in need of  
**coffee, tea, sugar, nuts,**  
**hot & cold breakfast cereals, canned soups,**  
**canned or bottled fruit juices.**  
**Please remember that the Food Bank accepts**  
**pet foods as well!**

**Also: the Bank is interested its selections for personal care including supplies for adult incontinence, soaps, toothpastes, feminine products, etc.**

*Donations may be dropped off in the basket in the narthex, to the left of the*

*doors. And please: do try to make certain that the 'Best by ...' dates are not past!*

## **The Annual Reports for 2018**

**The Reports presented at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, 21 January, are available in hardcopy form in the narthex or in the Parish Office, and may be view online by clicking on [Annual Report 2018](#)**

**At nearby Camp Washington**  
190 Kenyon Road, Lakeside    [campwashington.org](http://campwashington.org)  
860.567.9623

## **SECOND SUNDAYS at Camp Washington at 4.30 p.m.**

*Guest clergy will offer a short program, followed by worship and then a simple meal, at Camp Washington on the second Sunday of the month. Those interested are asked to make reservations at 860.567.9623. and a \$10 donation for the meal is welcomed.*

*Further information is available at [campwashington.org](http://campwashington.org)*