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Joseph recognized by his brothers (Genesis 45)  
*(Léon Pierre Urbain Bourgeois, 1863)*

## From Randy DiPentima, Senior Warden

The Annual Meeting went well from all accounts, and I am excited to start this year with an excellent vestry, with a growing parish family and a remarkable priest in charge. With that in mind, I urge all parishioners to consider joining one of our commissions or church activities. More details about these commissions to follow our vestry meeting which is being held next week.

In the meantime, we are looking for greeters/ushers for each Sunday service. Once a month welcoming churchgoers, assisting at the offertory and eucharist, not to mention ringing the bell, is a rewarding and enjoyable service. Please feel free to email me ([obd446@gmail.com](mailto:obd446@gmail.com)) or our parish administrator KC Compton ([office.sa.kent@gmail.com](mailto:office.sa.kent@gmail.com)) if you are interested in lending a hand in this way.

I am looking forward to getting to know all who worship at St. Andrew's, better or for the first time. And please stay for coffee hour if you attend the 10:30 service for an informal gathering of light refreshment.

## This Week at St Andrew's

Saturday, 12 February	Choir Rehearsal	9:30 am
Sunday, 13 February	Holy Eucharist: <i>Epiphany 6</i> <i>(in person only)</i>	8:30 am
Sunday, 13 February	Holy Eucharist: <i>Epiphany 6</i> <i>(in person and live-streamed)</i>	10:30 am
Wednesday, 16 February	Mid-week Eucharist <i>(in person and live-streamed)</i>	6:00 pm
Wednesday, 16 February	A.A. for Women <i>(Zoom meeting; email us for info)</i>	7:00 pm
Thursday, 17 February	A.A. Meeting <i>(Parish House)</i>	7:30 am
Thursday, 17 February	Vestry Meeting	5:00 pm
Thursday, 17 February	NO AI-Anon Meeting <i>(Suspended until March)</i>	7:00 pm

## Mark Your Calendars for These Events...

Details about each of these events can be found later in this issue of the *Epistle*

Sunday, 27 February	Tom Holcombe's Final Service & Farewell	10:30 am
Tuesday, 01 March	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper	6:00 pm
Wednesday, 02 March	Ash Wednesday: <i>Imposition of Ashes</i>	7:30-8:30 am and 12:00-1:00 pm
Wednesday, 02 March	Ash Wednesday: <i>Liturgy of the Day (Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion)</i>	6:30 pm
Saturday, 19 March	Music in the Nave: Manhattan String Quartet	4:00 pm

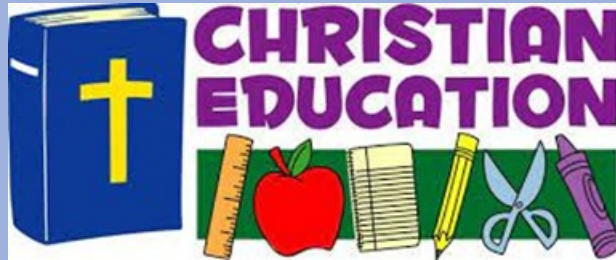
## St Andrew's Current COVID Status

### THE PARISH IS OPEN.

- Pursuant to CDC guidelines, we are asking ***everyone to wear a mask, regardless of vaccination status***, because the level of community transmission in Litchfield County is **High**
- There is **congregational singing**, at the 10:30 service only

We will continue to livestream our 10:30 liturgy on Sundays and our mid-week services, as there are parishioners who are choosing not to be in group settings at this time—a decision the parish fully honors and supports.

## St Andrew's is Now Hiring: Christian Educator



As you may recall, hiring someone to re-establish our Christian education program was one of the three key recommendations the Visioning Team made to the Vestry in the fall and that the Vestry heartily endorsed. We are delighted to report that we have finalized the job description for our new **Christian Educator position**.

We are now looking for someone who will work ten hours per week. Her or his main responsibilities will be a Sunday morning education program for children and a once-a-week after-school children's activity time. We know there are already parents in our parish family who want their children to have 'Sunday school,' and we're also mindful that other families might wish to 'try on' St Andrew's in other ways and at other times than on Sunday morning. Our new Christian Educator will take up both of these opportunities.

The complete job description, including application information, is available [here](#). If you know anyone who may be interested, please let them know and encourage them to apply!

## Congratulations! Announcing Our New Vestry Members and Officers



We're very happy to announce the results of the election at last Sunday's Annual Meeting:

- *Senior Warden (two-year term):* Randy DiPentima
- *Junior Warden (two-year term):* Katherine Almquist
- *Vestry Class of 2025 (three-year terms):* Patricia Nordskog, Judy Perkins and Michael Ward
- *Vestry Class of 2024 (to fill the unexpired terms of Katherine Almquist and Janet Rivkin, who has stepped down):* Anne Everett and Ned Reade
- *Delegates to ECCT Annual Convention:* Christopher Rehkow and Randy DiPentima
- *Alternate Delegates to Convention:* Ron Marasco and Eric Roper
- *Nominating Committee Chair:* Charmian Place

We heartily thank all those whose terms are ending, and we are blessed to welcome another strong, faithful group of parishioners to succeed them. Thank you, one and all!

## Refugee Resettlement: The House is All Ready





*Sid Head and Andie Sehl, co-leads of St Andrew's Refugee Resettlement Team, recently sent this update to all the members of the Team:*

Well, as you know our work setting up the house is coming to a close. We now have all the furnishings we need and **cannot accept any more donations.**

Thanks to you all for your help and support thus far. A very special thanks to Judith Warrick for the many hours and lengthy coordination efforts to make the house a warm and welcoming home. Also, big thanks to John Michael Murphy, the designer who used the donated furnishings to create a beautiful and comfortable space.

Next for the Housing Team will be to show the house to the family, go over safety concerns and explain how things there work. We will help them understand the lease and how to work with the landlord. More to come on this.

Thanks for all you have done and contributed.

Sincerely,  
Sid and Andie

## Mark your Calendars: The Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper Returns!



After a brief hiatus, St Andrew's traditional final pre-Lenten hurrah returns on Tuesday, 01 March, at 6:00 pm in the Parish House! Please plan to join us for an evening of fellowship and good times, as well as the full Mardi Gras menu: pancakes, sausages, REAL maple syrup and butter, apple sauce, plus coffee, tea and milk. (Do we really have to wait a *whole month* for this feast?!?) A free-will offering will be accepted.

**Bob McDowell** will be assuming the role of pancake-flipper-in-chief, and he is looking for volunteers to pitch in on the work. He is also looking for three or four flat-top electric griddles to use that night. If you can volunteer either your time and/or a griddle, please be in touch with Bob (860-488-1635 or <mailto:rmcd30@yahoo.com>).

## From the Town of Kent: Seeking a New Director of Social Services



*We've received the following from the Town of Kent and pass it along to you:*

The Town of Kent is looking to hire a **Social Services Director**. The job is full-time, 32 hours a week, at \$30 per hour. Benefits package provided. Applications and a full job description are on the Town of Kent website: [townofkentct.org](http://townofkentct.org). They are also available from the First Selectman's Office, Kent Town Hall, 41 Kent Green Boulevard, Kent, or by calling 860-927-4627.

Submit a cover letter, resume and application no later than 18 February 2022 (the *new* deadline) to [adminassist@townofkentct.org](mailto:adminassist@townofkentct.org) or Town of Kent, Attention Administrative Assistant, P.O. Box 678, Kent, Connecticut 06757.

## Help Support the Kent Food Bank



Please help our parish family continue to support of the Kent Food Bank by sending a check in any amount to:

Kent Community Fund  
P O Box 262  
Kent, CT 06757  
*memo:* Food Bank

These funds will be used to purchase vouchers for local families in need, under the direction of Kent's Social Services Director. In addition, it is useful for the Director to have IGA gift cards to give to families who are in need. Please consider purchasing a card, for \$25 or \$50, and taking it to Town Hall or dropping it in the donations basket in the Narthex. (You can also place it in the offering plate, marked for the Food Bank.)

The Kent Food Bank also accepts food donations. They are especially in need of staples such as **beans, rice, tea, coffee, sugar, nuts, hot & cold breakfast cereals, peanut butter, jellies, jams and tuna**. Make certain that the 'Best by ...' dates are not past! Please remember that the Food Bank accepts pet foods as well!

You may drop off food items on Fridays from 10:00 am - 12:00 noon in the back of the Community House on Main Street. You may also place donations in the basket in the church Narthex or in the bin in the breezeway at the rear of the Rectory.

# Lections for this Week

## The Sixth Sunday After the Epiphany

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Jeremiah 17:5-10

Psalm 1

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Luke 6:17-26



## Past Services and Homilies

Please click on the link below in order to view past services on YouTube and to read homilies from previous Sundays located on our website.

[Homilies and Past Services](#)

## Worship Services

**-Sunday-**

**Holy Eucharist**

8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.

Rite I at 8.30, First Sundays;

Healing Service at 8.30,

Third Sunday

In person

8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.

(10.30 a.m. available live stream on YouTube)



**-Wednesday-**

**Holy Eucharist**

6.00 p.m.

**-Friday-**

**Prayer & Meditation**

5.30 p.m.



-Holy Days-  
**Holy Eucharist**  
6.00 p.m.



## 12 Step Meetings

**Wednesdays**  
A.A. for Women 7:00 p.m.  
*Zoom meeting*  
*email us for info.*

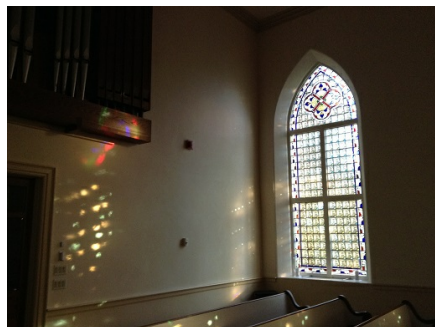
**Thursdays**  
A.A. at 7.30 a.m.  
(Parish House)  
*resumed*  
Al-Anon. at 7.00 p.m.  
(Old Vestry Room)  
*Suspended until March*

**Fridays**  
A.A. at 8 p.m.  
(Great Room)  
*temporarily until First Church opens*  
*resumed*



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