

## **NEWSLETTER APRIL 21 – APRIL 27, 2024**

"While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them "Have you anything here to eat?"....Thus it is written that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of signs is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations...You are witnesses of these things." Luke 24



Our Easter celebration continued last Sunday, the Third Sunday in Easter. We enjoyed a spirit-invoking and thought-provoking sermon on Luke's Gospel. Hear it again on Facebook or YouTube. See page 4 to view more photos from Lift Ev'ry Gift.

Upcoming noteworthy dates include: April 21: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter, April 28<sup>th</sup>: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter, May 5<sup>th</sup>: 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Easter (Rogation Sunday) and Viewing of the film "The Philadelphia 11" (*see page 2 for details*), May 12<sup>th</sup>: 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Easter/Sunday After Ascension Day/Mother's Day, May 1<sup>st</sup>: Neponset River Deanery; May 7<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>: (fairly) local Meet & Greet Bishop Candidates; May 19<sup>th</sup>: The Day of Pentecost (Whitsunday). *See pages 2-3 for more details about the Bishop Candidates and the Meet & Greet sessions*.

We look forward to seeing you Sunday at 10 AM. HAPPY EASTER SEASON!



#### YOU ARE INVITED TO SHARE LEARNING & PIZZA SUNDAY MAY 5th

The congregations of St. Michael's and Church of Our Saviour (COS) invite you to a private screening of the *Philadelphia 11* film. The Philadelphia 11 was the first group of women ordained in the Episcopal Church.

A COS parishioner, Ann Hunt, acclaimed the film's importance, "It is not an irrelevant 50 year old piece of Episcopal history, but is as relevant today as then, due to the prevailing controversies of sexism, racism, classism."

We will watch the movie (about 1 hour 30 mins) at 1 PM on May 5, 2024 at Church of Our Saviour then have dinner and discussion after. Snacks for the movie will be provided, and we plan to order pizza. If you have any dietary, accessibility, or transportation needs, please email office@cos-milton.org so that we may accommodate you.

A link to the movie trailer may be found <u>here</u>. Please RSVP <u>here</u> Church of Our Savior is located at 453 Adams St, Milton, MA 02186

This event is not only a great time to relive and reflect on the experiences of these trailblazers; it is also a good opportunity to deepen our collaborative relationships with our Deanery friends.

# **ELECTING OUR NEXT BISHOP - MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**



Among the many wonderful reasons to celebrate being a member of the Episcopal Church is our democratic governance by both clergy and laity. Ed and Frank Fleming are Emmanuel's elected Diocesan Delegates who will be representing us in voting for our 17<sup>th</sup> Bishop at the Special Diocesan Convention Saturday May 18, 2024. While actual votes are cast only by the delegates, each of us is invited (and encouraged) to become involved and to learn more. *Then, let either Frank, Ed, Fr. Jon or your wardens know what you think.* 

May 7- May 11 - Meet & Greet the Candidates: 5/7 7-8:30 PM All Saints Ashmont Dorchester; 5/8 10-11:30 AM St. Mary's Barnstable; 5/9 2-3:30 PM Christ Church Needham; 5/10 7-8:30 PM Christ Church, Andover; and 5/11 10:30 AM-noon ZOOM for youth, young adults and others. Information about zoom access and other details will be provided at <a href="https://www.diomass.org/bishop-search/meet-greets">www.diomass.org/bishop-search/meet-greets</a> as they become available. The Transition Committee will select previously submitted questions to be posed to each candidate at the Meet & Greet sessions. The schedule is below or can be found by scanning the QR code:



**Preliminary candidates include**: The Rev. Dr. Brendan J Barnicle; The Rev. Canon Jean Baptiste Ntagengwa, ThD; The Very Reverend Gideon L. K. Pollach; and The Reverend Julia K. Whitworth. You can read each of their letters of introduction, resumes and responses to the following 5 questions at: <a href="https://www.diomass.org/bishop-search/bishop-nominees">www.diomass.org/bishop-search/bishop-nominees</a>

1) Who is Jesus to you?

- 2) What calls you to discern being a Bishop? Why now? Why with the Diocese of Massachusetts?
- 3) When was a time you faced a challenge or opportunity that called forth your gifts as a strategic leader? Tell us this story.
- 4) The Diocese of Massachusetts works against sexism, racism, and homophobia, and toward diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging. Can you describe an experience articulating the social, economic, and political dimensions of the Gospel? In that experience, how did you engage with people with differing views?
- 5) Please share an experience serving in a multicultural and/or multilingual context. What do you think is important to you and to Emmanuel for our next Bishop? Some interesting informal conversations around the fellowship tables are sure to come!

  Let us pray for the Election of a Bishop. Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look

graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a bishop for this Diocese, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (BCP p 818)

### Watch Emmanuel via Facebook/YouTube

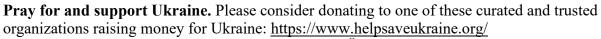
Can't make it to church? No problem. You can catch the live service or later on Facebook or YouTube.



We pray for peace and reconciliation throughout the Ukraine and the Middle East and everywhere in the world. It may be spring, 2024 but the suffering of innocent people continues. Our prayers truly help, as they keep us mindful of God's love for us and his miracles.

We pray for those in sorrow, anguish, despair and for those who are homebound or ill, especially Michelle, Ken, Emerson, Barbara, Kenneth, Lynnette, Christina, Carol, Julie, Stanley, Peter, Felix, Mary, Catherine, Michael, Parker, Sergio, Martha, Anne, Patricia, Barbara, Maureen, Rachael, Louise, Scott, Kathleen, Paul, Eddy, and Christopher.

Please email us the names of those who need special prayers <u>info@emmanuelwr.org</u>. Only first names will be used.



## СЛАВА УКРАЇНІ!

Additional photos of Emmanuel's parishioners who treated us to their many talents at "Lift Ev'ry Gift' on Easter Sunday.





See last week's newsletter for more photos of this joy-filled event.