



**NEWSLETTER – Winter 2025 Volume 1
HAPPY NEW YEAR!**



Also please worship with us any/every Sunday at 10 AM and join us for hospitality and refreshment after the service.

Watch Emmanuel via Facebook/YouTube

Did you miss it? Would you like to hear it again? No problem. You can catch the live service or later on [Facebook](#) or [YouTube](#). Want to donate to our continuing ministry? Donate online [HERE](#) or visit our [website donate page](#).

Upcoming Events - Mark Your Calendar!

- Sunday, January 5th 10 AM - Second Sunday after Christmas - Service of Holy Eucharist
- Monday, January 6th 7 PM - The Feast of the Epiphany Service & Party (see flyer on page 3)
- Sunday, January 12th 10 AM– The Baptism of our Lord - Service of Holy Eucharist with renewal of Baptismal Vows

Save the Date: Sunday, February 9th – Annual Meeting after 10 AM Service (approx. 11:30)

Annual Meeting is an important gathering of all parish members to elect officers and members of the Vestry, Delegates to Diocesan Convention and to the Neponset River Deanery, as well as to review and approve parish financial reports and budgets and to discuss and decision other proposals for the good of the parish.

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OTHER NEWS & OFFERINGS

- **THANK YOU** to ALL who did the hard work to prepare the church for our wonderful Christmas season! Thank you to all who read or served during the services. We also supported Boy Scouts in our community by purchasing our wreaths from a local troop.



Emmanuel's Altar & Chancel are ready for Christmastide services



We are blessed with our dedicated gift bearers



Our traditional singing Silent Night softly, by candlelight, is always moving.

- Rose's Bounty sent us a Thank You note for our recent donation of \$895.00. Thank you again to all who generously donated to support the food pantry run by our neighbors at the Stratford Street United Church. That also offer many volunteer opportunities for their programs serving West Roxbury, Roslindale, Jamaica Plain, Hyde Park and Mattapan. In addition to in-person pick up, volunteers also deliver to homebound residents and veterans and provide a pop-up pantry for Chittick School families.
- Inauguration Eve Vigil at the Cathedral Sunday January 19th at 5 PM. Everyone is welcome to join Bishop Julia E. Whitworth and other diocesan and Episcopal Peace Fellowship leaders in person or online. *(More details on page 4)*
- Our Diocese is offering a Day of Discernment on Saturday, February 1st, with registration closing January 29th. Historically this event was focused on those discerning a call to ordained ministry, but in 2025 all who wish to discern their call to either lay or ordained ministry are invited. For more information, please visit and/or to register, visit [here](#). *(More details on page 5)*
- Registration for 2025 summer camp at the Barbara C Harris Camp and Conference Center is open! The 2025 summer schedule includes Family Camp, June 27-30—an extended weekend of shared play, worship, community and rejuvenation that welcomes all family configurations—as well as four one-week youth camp sessions between July 6 and Aug. 1 that are open to campers completing 2nd through 11th grades.
- You can view more Diocesan news online at: [Newsletters | Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts \(diomass.org\)](#)

Celebrate The Day of Epiphany with us



PLEASE JOIN US FOR A SERVICE & EPIPHANY PARTY

**MONDAY, JANUARY 6TH AT 7 PM
WITH KINGS' CAKE & BURNING OF THE CHRISTMAS GREENS**

EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts



**Love Casts
Out Fear:
An Inauguration
Eve Vigil**

**Sunday, Jan. 19
5 p.m.**

**Cathedral Church of St. Paul
138 Tremont Street, Boston**






Please join us! Details and register at:
www.diomass.org/love-casts-out-fear

The Diocese of Massachusetts and Episcopal Peace Fellowship invite all to join for "Love Casts Out Fear: An Inauguration Eve Vigil" on Sunday, Jan. 19 at 5 p.m. at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul in Boston.

Everyone is welcome to join Bishop Julia E. Whitworth and other diocesan and Episcopal Peace Fellowship leaders--in person or via livestream at the cathedral's [YouTube channel](#)--for this prayer service, to hold sacred space for leaning into the Christian teaching that love casts out fear, the church stands with the marginalized, and love in practice looks like justice and peace.

Please register in advance so the Cathedral Church of St. Paul can plan well.

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Childcare will be available on site, if registration is received by Jan. 14.

How is God calling me?

*A Day of Resources for
Vocations of All Kinds*

SATURDAY, FEB. 1

9 A.M.-3 P.M.

CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PAUL, BOSTON

**ALL who are interested in discerning calls
to ministry in the church and in the world,
both lay and ordained, are warmly invited!**

Details and registration at:

www.diomass.org/ministry-discernment-2025



Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts

Registration is open through Jan. 29. For details and to register, click [here](#).



We pray for peace and reconciliation at home, throughout the Ukraine- and the Middle East and everywhere in the world. We pray for those impacted by recent hurricanes, fires and acts of violence.

We pray for those in sorrow, anguish, despair and for those who are sick, especially for those named in this week's Order of Service. We also pray for all who travel, that their journeys may be safe, rejuvenating and filled with the knowledge of God's presence.

Our prayers truly help, as they keep us mindful of God's love for us and his miracles.

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please be in touch with The Rev. Jonathan Eden, Priest-In-Charge (therev.jonteden@gmail.com 617.798.0770)

Pray for and support Ukraine/ Please consider donating to one of these curated and trusted organizations raising money for Ukraine: <https://www.helpsaveukraine.org/>



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