

**St. Stephen's  
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**January 5th, 2020 Volume 18 Issue 1  
The Second Sunday after Christmas Day**

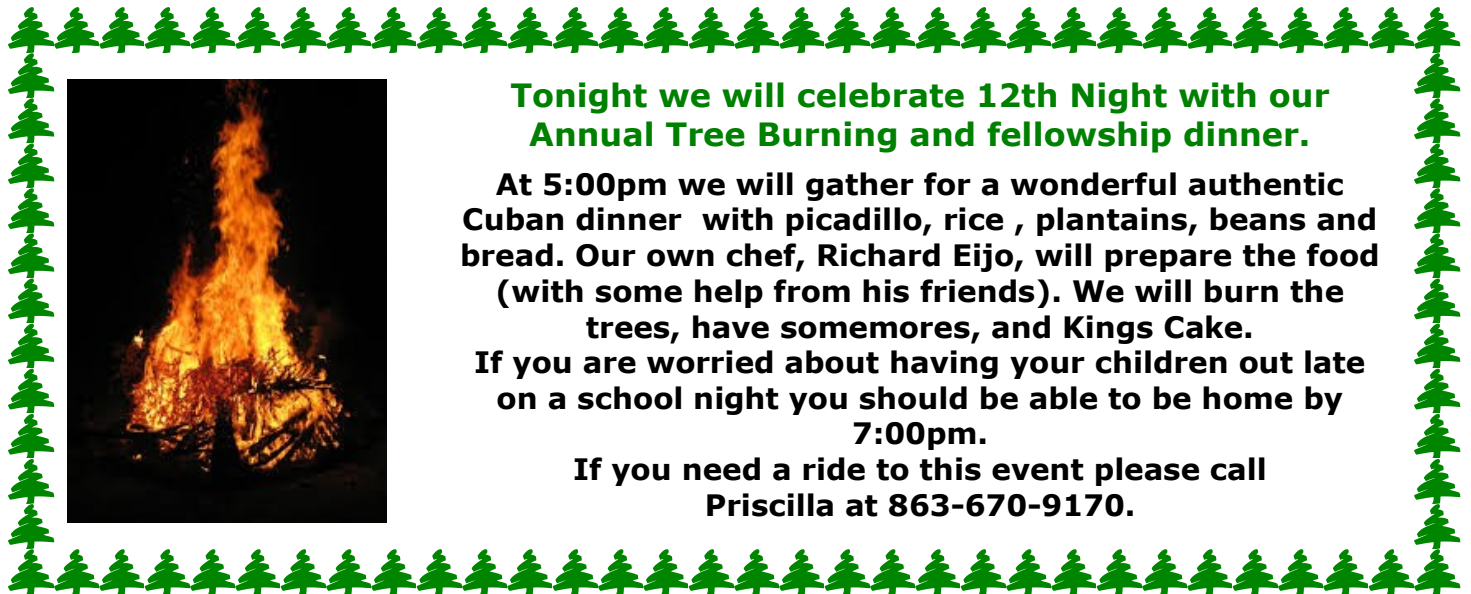


**Today is the 12th Day of Christmas.**

**We usher out the Christmas Season and tomorrow welcome Epiphany.**

The Season of Epiphany can last for 4 to 9 weeks, this year it will last for 7 Sundays. The Feast of the Epiphany in 2020 begins on January 6th and will last through the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday, February 25th. The length of this season varies according to the date of Easter. The gospel stories of Epiphany will describe various events that manifest the divinity of Jesus. The coming of the Magi is celebrated on the Epiphany. The Baptism of our Lord is observed on the Sunday after Epiphany. The gospels for the other Sundays of the Epiphany season describe the wedding at Cana, the calling of the disciples, and various miracles and teachings of Jesus.

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany is always devoted to the Transfiguration, Jesus' identity as the Son of God is dramatically revealed in the Transfiguration gospel.



**Tonight we will celebrate 12th Night with our  
Annual Tree Burning and fellowship dinner.**

At 5:00pm we will gather for a wonderful authentic Cuban dinner with picadillo, rice, plantains, beans and bread. Our own chef, Richard Eijo, will prepare the food (with some help from his friends). We will burn the trees, have somemores, and Kings Cake.

If you are worried about having your children out late on a school night you should be able to be home by 7:00pm.

If you need a ride to this event please call Priscilla at 863-670-9170.

**STAFF MEETING  
MONDAY @10:30**



Tuesday Night, January 7th, is VBS Spaghetti Dinner Night. Dinner is from 5:30-7:00pm, eat in or take out and the cost is \$6.00. All proceeds go to the 2020 VBS in June.

**St. Stephen's ...  
To Love and Serve  
God and Neighbor**



## **OUR VESTRY**

2019-Richard Eijo, Karen Beasley, Marcia Heath  
2020-Mike Whitt, Bill Baggett, Ben Cochran  
2021- David Dresser, Liz Barham, Debbie Powell  
Treasurer: Bruce Goers  
Book keeper: Cathy Zielinski



**Fr. Rob will be training Lectors and Eucharist Ministers beginning next Sunday**

The Lector training will be on January 12th after the 9:00 service and will be held in the Sanctuary.

The Eucharist Minister training will be held on January 26th after the 9:00 service in the Sanctuary.

These training sessions are important and we ask that everyone involved in these ministries attend. Fr. Rod and Deacon Doug will be explaining some new directions for both of these ministries.



**Verse of the Week Psalm 124:8**

**Our help is in The Name of the Lord,  
the maker of heaven and earth**



Long time Parish member, Virginia Blume died on January 2nd. Virginia had been ill for the past few months. Her service will be hereon Friday, January 10th at 3:00pm. We will provide a reception following the service.

*Rest eternal grant to her , O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her.*



*Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."*

**December 29th, 2019**

**Attendance: 126**

**Income: \$3984.00**

**Bucks for Our Buildings: \$58.85**

## Bible Study



On January 8th@7:00pm the Wednesday Night Study will resume. Fr. Rob will be leading a study on the book of John. We will study the first 12 chapters until February 19th.

Bring your Bible and join us for this study.



The Tuesday Afternoon Adult Fellowship Group will meet again on January 7th @ 1:00pm

## Upcoming Events

December 29th: DOK Meeting @10:15

January 5th: Epiphany Tree Burning and Cuban Dinner@5:00pm

January 7th: Adult Fellowship@1:00pm  
VBS Spaghetti Dinner

January 8th: 9am HE & Bible Study  
Noon HE  
7:00pm Bible Study

January 12: Lector Training@10:00am

January 14:Adult Fellowship @1:00pm  
Talbot House@5:00pm

January 15th:9am HE & Bible Study  
Noon HE& Book Study  
7:00pm Bible Study



**Church Office Hours** are Monday—Thursday, 10:00am-3:00pm.  
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Please do not hesitate to communicate with the us.



The Christmas decorations have been given  
by the members of St. Stephen's  
To celebrate the birth of Christ.



**January Birthdays**

- 2 Sandy Gibson
- 3 Erin Wenham
- 8 Ernest Palmer, Betty Pratt  
Philip Thomas
- 10 Annette Chilton
- 11 Judy Elam
- 12 Savannah Dillon, Carol Reynolds
- 15 Brittany Sale, Gabby Tobgui
- 17 Landon Binnion
- 18 Bonnie Rowbotham
- 20 Saint Jones
- 21 Annie Delling, Robert Dillon
- 25 Steve Meyer, Yolanda Howes
- 28 Katherine Leahy



**January Anniversaries**

- 1 Roy & Carol Reynolds
- 7 Jim & Penny Schmidt
- 10 Charles & Debbie Bradford  
Tom & Marion Stewart
- 13 Brouck & Joanie Boyd
- 29 Steven & Missy Sabine
- 31 Michael & Kathy Platt

**St. Stephen's Prayer List**

(Parish Members are in Bold)

**Prayer Needs:** Evie McCormick, Stephen Calhoun, Laurie Dresser, stroke, (David Dresser's sister) Jackie Monts de Oca (Knee Surgery), Richard Welch, (Marge Stockwell's brother, lung cancer, Patricia Williams, (Robin Adam's Mother, Lung Cancer & Hospice Care), Evalyn Duncan (various health issues), Bill Warneke, Richard and Bonnie Morrison (cancer), Michael & Stacy Englert's Aunt & Uncle, (Lung Cancer) Jessica Sherotski, breast cancer, Shannon Black, Scott Barham, Bryan Stockwell, chronic lymphatic leukemia, (Marge Stockwell's son), Karen Stockwell, stroke, Peggy Taylor, cancer (Fr. Jim Taylor's mother), Rick Roach, stroke, Regina Victoria, Ernie Palmer, prostate cancer, David Dresser, severe back issues, Pat Martin, multiple health issues. Scott Johnson, (Judy Horne's brother, bone marrow transplant for Myelofibrosis), Rick Rahn (prostate cancer) Janell Repsher, Trudi Lithgow, Roy Reynolds, heart problems, Pat Dupont, back problems, Ken Horne, Michele Giberson, autoimmune disorder, Bethany and Stetson Glass, prayers for successful adoption (Marge Stockwell's grand daughter), Carol Kahlenberg, mental illness (Evie McCormick's friend), Sandy Gibson, Salena and her family (Janet Casini's family), Kevin Jackimowicz, back and hip (Kim's husband), Isabel Clayton, RA (Evie McCormick's friend), Gene Dumaresq, bladder cancer, Lindsay Zielinski, autoimmune disorder, JC and Heather Presley, multiple health issues, Mavis Walker, multiple health issues, Dailia Walker, multiple health issues, Humphrey Walker, stroke, Whitney Hand, multiple illnesses, Ali Smith, Mr. Havlett, Cindy and Family, George and Alice, Mike Bower, Michael Pierce, lung cancer, Tony Munar, lung cancer, Nancy Misiazek, Christy O'Steen, breast cancer

**Pregnant:** Pedro & Janelle Enriquez, Amanda and Joseph Nolette (Ed & Diane Knox's grand daughter), Matt and Autumn Gulley (Tom & Marion Stewart's granddaughter)

**Homebound or Skilled Nursing Facility:** Dawn Flynn, Tom Haney, Carmen Kight, Susan Cardman, Tom Crawford,

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>5</b> 9:00am Holy Eucharist 10:15am Sunday School 11:00am Holy Eucharist 11:00am Children's Church  <b>5:00pm EPIPHANY PARTY</b>	<b>6</b>  <b>Staff Meeting 10:30</b>	<b>7</b>  <b>Adult Fellowship 1:00pm</b>  <b>VBS Spaghetti Dinner 5:30-7:00</b>	<b>8</b> <b>HE &amp; Bible Study 9am</b> <b>Noon HE</b>  <b>Bible Study@ 7pm</b>  Choir Rehearsal 6pm	<b>9</b>  <b>Choir Rehearsal 7pm</b>	<b>10</b>  <b>Funeral Service for Virginia Blume @3:00pm</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> 9:00am Holy Eucharist 10:15am Sunday School 11:00am Holy Eucharist 11:00am Children's Church  <b>Youth Group@6:30</b>	<b>13</b>  <b>Staff Meeting 10:30</b>	<b>14</b>  <b>Adult Fellowship 1:00pm</b>	<b>15</b> <b>HE &amp; Bible Study 9am</b> <b>Noon HE &amp; Book Study</b>  <b>Bible Study@ 7pm</b>  Choir Rehearsal 6pm	<b>16</b>  <b>Choir Rehearsal 7pm</b>	<b>17</b>  <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>18</b>