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# ❖ News and Views From St. Paul's ❖

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## Upcoming Events

**February 1**, Thursday, Brigid of Kildare  
6 PM Irish Dinner. See article this page

**February 2 & 3**, Vestry In-House Retreat

**February 4**, Sunday, V Epiphany  
8 & 10:30 AM, Worship  
9:15 AM, Education & Formation

**February 7**, Wednesday, 5:30 PM, Worship  
7 PM, Choir Rehearsal

**February 11**, Sunday, VI Epiphany  
8 & 10:30 AM, Worship  
9:15 AM, Church School and J2A (No Adult Forum)

**February 14**, Wednesday, Cyril and Methodius  
5:30 PM, Worship  
7 PM, Choir Rehearsal

**February 18**, Sunday, Last Epiphany  
8 & 10:30 AM Worship  
9:15 AM, Church School and J2A (No Adult Forum)

**February 20**, Shrove Tuesday 5 PM, Pancake Supper See article on page 3

**February 21**, Ash Wednesday  
8 AM, Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes at St. Paul's  
5:30 PM, Ecumenical Service with Imposition of Ashes Montrose at UMC\*

**February 25**, Sunday, I Lent  
8 & 10:30 AM, Worship  
9:15 AM, Education & Formation  
11:45 PM, Vestry Meeting

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## Third Annual Irish Dinner to take place February 1

St. Brigid's Day Irish Dinner is planned for February 1 by the Daughters of the King. Everyone is invited. This is the third annual Irish Dinner that the Daughters have hosted. The other two were happy times with lots of music and laughter. We hope you will come and help this dinner be even more fun.

When you come, please bring an Irish dish. If you need to find a recipe for an Irish dish it can be found at [www.allrecipes.com](http://www.allrecipes.com). Use the search box to ask for Irish recipes. There are quite a few good and easy recipes there. If you still can't find what you are looking for, just make your favorite dessert and add green food coloring.

The eating begins at 6:00 PM, the Daughters will be setting up for at least an hour before that. If you want to join us then for good company and a few laughs, you are welcome.

This year we will have a barber-shop quartet providing the entertainment at the dinner. Come! Come prepared to be entertained and filled with Irish food and happiness.



If you feel so inclined after all the good time, you can give a free will offering to the Women's Resource Center. There will be a container provided.

*Submitted by Jane Chandler*

**MONTROSE CHURCHES SPONSOR ECUMENICAL LENTEN SERIES.** See page 6 and dates listed in the upcoming events this page and on page 4.

February 2007



My dear Friends:

COME AND GROW.

A year ago we chose these words to be our spiritual pathway. We trusted that if we placed ourselves in the presence and hands of God we would grow in understanding, in gratitude, in service, and in peace. We opened our selves to the partnership of others by inviting them to join us. We flung out the banner and declared to all: come and grow.

What has happened? Are we experiencing spiritual growth? Are we demonstrating the twin gifts of gratitude and service? Are we finding peace in our lives, and are we responding to the call to be peacemakers?

We have enriched our personal and corporate worship. We added a regular weekday service, and have a monthly healing service. We have organized our Sunday worship schedule to be inclusive of worship and personal growth through education and formation. We have opened ourselves to new forms of worship. We expanded our summer worship to include Saturday services at St. Matthew's. And, in the weeks ahead we will join as one worshipping community with our sisters and brothers in Montrose in observing Lent, preparing for Easter. Come and grow.

As with worship, our education and formation brings us into the presence of God. We hear God's word, and we thank and praise God for the abundant witness of His faithfulness, care, and guidance. Our Church School, J2A youth program, and the Adult Forum are significant steps in our understanding of God's presence and action in our lives and in our world. Come and grow.

Out of our worship and understanding have flowered the amazing and rewarding twin gifts of gratitude and service. Our outreach and service have blossomed because we have come to know the rich spiritual gifts bestowed on *us*. Undie Sunday, UTO, Adopt-A-Family, Easter Food Baskets were a huge success not only because we are caring people, but because we have come to see that they are a way to share the abundance that we feel in our hearts. Even our Church School Scholars, with their Heifer Project, and J2A, with their Lamb Project, are demonstrating growth in gratitude and service. Our outreach has become sacramental – it is the outward and visible sign of inward and spiritual grace. Come and grow.

Adoring God and welcoming His grace to enrich and direct our lives, allowing the abundance of God's faithfulness and forgiveness to overflow and touch the lives of those around us, we come to feel the peace of God, which passes all understanding. We come to understand the full dimensions of Love as taught by St. Paul. We come into the Peace of God when we experience a form of life that does not insist on its own way, is not egocentric but self-giving. This is the way of Christ, the expected norm of Christian behavior. Come and grow.

The Catechism in our Prayer Book poses the question: *How do we recognize the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives?* And, it posits this answer: *We recognize the presence of the Holy Spirit when we confess Jesus Christ as Lord and are brought into love and harmony with God, with ourselves, with our neighbors, and all creation.* [PB, pg. 852]

St. Paul's – Come and Grow!

Charles Cesaretti



## Welcome Mother Bader-Sayre

Father Charles will be on vacation for two weeks in February and in his absence services will be conducted by the Reverend Demery Bader-Sayre. Mother Bader-Sayre will conduct both the Sunday and Wednesday services at St. Paul's, beginning February 7.

The Rev. Demery Bader-Sayre has served as Missioner for Youth in the diocese for the past two and a half years. She was first ordained as a UCC pastor in 1997 after earning a Masters of Divinity from Duke Divinity School in North Carolina. She served as the sole pastor of Trinity Congregational Church in Scranton for three years before taking a job as Associate Pastor for Youth at Church of the Epiphany, Episcopal, in Clarks Summit. The beautiful liturgy and strong sense of connection among the people of the diocese drew her to seek ordination in the Episcopal Church. After attending Bishop's School, she was ordained deacon (April 2004) and priest (Oct. 2004) by Bishop Paul. Demery and her husband Scott, a professor of theology at the University of Scranton, have been married for ten years. They have three little boys, Nolan (7), Eli (5) and Luke (21 months).

Please extend to Demery a warm welcome and gracious hospitality.

## Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Hi Folks! It's that time of the year again. On Tuesday, February 20, 2007, we are going to have either our fifth or sixth annual Pancake Supper at St. Paul's in Montrose. Please invite friends and family and other church people from the Montrose and surrounding areas. We want to keep with the tradition of keeping this an ecumenical affair to usher in the mystical season of Lent.

As always, the men of St. Paul's will do the cooking and the women will do the desserts.

Serving will start at 5:00 P.M. until all are served (or food runs out). We look forward to seeing you there and bring your friends!

*Submitted by Bernie Zalewski, Pancake Supper  
Chairman*

## Dear Friends of St. Paul's,

*O God, by whom the meek are guided in judgment, and the light riseth up in darkness for the godly: Grant us, in all our doubts and uncertainties, the grace to ask what thou would have us to do, that the spirit of wisdom may save us from false choices, and that in thy light, we may see light, and in thy straight path may not stumble; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. [BCP p. 832]*

On January 27<sup>th</sup>, Bruce Reiner, Comptroller for the Diocese, will help representatives from five area Episcopal Churches as we work through our Parochial Reports for the 2006 fiscal year. This report summarizes the membership, stewardship and financial accounting for a parish during from January through December. Accurate reporting is essential for budgeting and for the calculation of the year Assessment.

On February 2-3<sup>rd</sup>, the vestry will meet for its annual retreat. The Search Committee will provide an update. We will continue our study of stewardship and growth, identifying areas that need attention as we progress forward. But much of what we will do is listen to each other, reflecting in prayer and silence, as we embark on the second year of this transition process. I'd like to share a few thoughts on that:

Together, we have so much. We have an incredibly talented and educated Interim Rector in our midst, willing to work tirelessly for God, our church and our community. We have a beautiful church, a historic gem in our midst. From our seniors to our children, we have examples of God's light all around us.

Together, we have shared our vision of the here and now and the future. We know that we want a vibrant congregation, one that is involved, active and generous. We know that we want children to feel respected, honored and involved. We know that we want to be partners with other churches, both in Montrose and in Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Now, I ask you; take a moment to think of simple ways that you can make this vision a reality: Would you be willing to make a casserole for a member of this congregation? Could you share an hour or so each month to serve on a committee? Would you be a chaperone, or a substitute for a church school or a J2A teacher? For in giving, the heart is opened to receive the gift of thanksgiving, the gift of joy, and the gift of love. **Rachel**

## Pastoral Committee established

### at St. Paul's

A Pastoral Committee has been formed at St Paul's. For quite a while it had been obvious that there was a need for such a committee. The Pastoral Committee will enable us to help each other and the rector.

Specifically the Pastoral Committee will coordinate the filling of the following needs: rides to church, rides to special events, meals during times of trial, visits to the sick, care for those needing it, conveying people to the hospital for scheduled visits, helping with doctor's appointments by driving or going along to listen for facts and options. The Pastoral Committee will also be the entity which will produce lay Eucharistic Ministers.

Anyone who is interested in participating in any of these ministries and who has not been contacted by the steering committee, please call one of the following: Jennie Bowen 278 1203, Jane Chandler 278 8402, Rita Leigh 278 0205, Mary Jane Syle 278 1367. This is an exciting ministry because it is the essence of *Christianity*.

*Submitted by Jane Chandler*

*Almighty God, giver of every good gift; look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

### PARDON OUR DUST

Three cheers for John Finlon – the new restroom is under construction. Over the next several weeks, John will be installing a new restroom off the kitchen, upgrading the present one, and refitting the one on the second floor. When all's done, we will have three handicap accessible restrooms, which will also be equipped with child and toddler changing stations.

## J2A Needs You!!

The Journey to Adulthood students, in conjunction with the elementary school nurses for the Montrose Area School District, are launching "Project Lamb." We are raising money to make care packages for children in the district who are being removed from their homes to enter foster care. Very often, these children are allowed to take nothing with them other than the clothes they are wearing.

The money we raise will be used to buy the children what comfort we can in the form of fleecy blankets, pillows and material to make pillowcases, toothbrushes, small games, paper and crayons.

The nurses will be providing bedtime stories for the children.

If you have lightly used Beanie Babies, teddy bears or other small stuffed animals, we are sure they will be greatly appreciated and loved dearly by these children.

We will be very grateful for your help and support in getting "Project Lamb" off the ground. Please make your donations out to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, and put "Project Lamb" in the memo section.

*Submitted by: Sophie, Matt, Molly, and Ryan*

### Upcoming Events continued from page 1

**February 28**, Wednesday, Ember Day\*

5:30 PM, Lenten Ecumenical Service at  
Montrose United Methodist Church  
7 PM, Choir Rehearsal

\*This community-wide ecumenical service every Wednesday evening during Lent, 5:30 PM will supplant the regular Wednesday worship service at St. Paul's. See page 6. Dates in March are the 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th

**April 1** Palm Sunday

**April 7** Easter Eve a special time for Baptism .  
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**April 8** Easter Sunday

# Youth Page

## Church School Update

We have traced descendants of Adam and Eve through Noah, Abraham and Sarah, Issac and Rebekka, and finally to Jacob and his twelve sons, founders of the twelve tribes of Israel. Joseph, son of Jacob and Rachel, will be the focus of our studies in January. We will read about the trials of Joseph, beloved son, hated brother. Through hardship and success, Joseph remained firm in his worship and prayer. He earned tremendous respect from the King of Egypt, becoming the governor of this land. He was reunited with his brothers and his father in Egypt as they fled Canaan from the famine. At the end of Genesis, the children of Jacob (also named Israel) are in Egypt.

We will continue our study in February with the books/stories of Exodus. This book is told principally through the stories of Moses as the Israelites flee from slavery in Egypt and eventually find their way back to Canaan.

Under the direction of Dawn Washo, the children are preparing music for Palm Sunday and Easter. Our Heifer International study continues with education about water buffalo and llamas. Soon, the children will bring home a water buffalo "Heifer" bank!

*Almighty God, Heavenly Father, you have blessed us with the joy and care of children: Give us calm strength and patient wisdom as we bring them up, that we may teach them to love whatever is just and true and good, following the example of our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen. [BCP, p. 829]*

Submitted by Rachel Bartron

## The Mother's Group

Friday mornings, 9:30 am, upstairs in the nursery, you will find children from ages 2-5 learning to play, share, and snack together. Anyone is encouraged to come; please bring a drink and a snack for the child. Questions? Call Rachel at 278-1482.



## Diocesan Youth Mission Trip

July 27 to August 4 in New Orleans, to assist in the continuing efforts of Hurricane Katrina Relief. For 9th to 12th graders, including rising 9th and graduating seniors. Nicole Keklack of St. Mark's will be going.

## Children's Movie Night in Montrose

The United Methodist Church hosts a kids movie night on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month in the Fellowship Hall. The next showing will be Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 6:30 pm. The usual showing includes a VeggieTales movie, popcorn and relaxation! Children can come comfortably dressed (that's right, PJ's!) and with a blanket or pillow.

## Church School Hosts Easter Egg Hunt



The church school scholars will host an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, in the beautiful Memorial Garden. We are extending the invitation to other Sunday school scholars and the community. May this open door open others! Please see Rachel Bartron with questions, offers of assistance, or suggestions.

## J2A TAKE TO SNOW TUBES WITH THE BISHOP.

The Young Adults of St. Paul's joined youth from around the diocese for a Day in the Snow with Bishop Paul at Camel Back Ski Area on Saturday, January 27. The members of our J2A, Journey to Adulthood, will spend the afternoon enjoying the many snowing events at Camel Back, and then join at a festive worship service at Christ Church, Stroudsburg. Yeah, Youth!

All the J2A'ers are going, and two are bringing friends! Sounds like a great day!

## **MONTROSE CHURCHES SPONSOR ECUMENICAL LENTEN SERIES**

Beginning Ash Wednesday, February 21, a special six-week series of Lenten Services will be sponsored by the Montrose Ministerium at the Montrose Methodist Church each Wednesday of Lent at 5:30 PM. Each week the Lenten Service will focus on one of Jesus' Beatitudes from the fifth chapter of the Gospel of Matthew.

Participating in the weekly services will be Dee Butler and the Rev. Gerard Saffko of Holy Name of Mary RC Church; the Rev. Charles Cesaretti of St. Paul's Episcopal Church; the Rev. Chase Page; the Rev. Chuck Link of First Presbyterian Church; and the Rev. Deborah Rose of the Montrose United Methodist Church. Lectors, musicians, and young adults from the participating congregations will join the clergy for the forty-five minute service.

Each week the Bible readings, hymns, and prayers will focus on one of the Beatitudes, and the clergy will deliver a homily on the appointed verse, such as "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God." (Matthew 5:9)

The Beatitudes mark the opening of the Sermon on the Mount, the very first of Our Lord's sermons. The title "beatitude" comes from the Latin word "blessing" (*beatiutdines*). The Gospel of Matthew gives the Beatitudes a prominent place, as they outline the life and teachings of Jesus, but also give an overview of the holy life.

The series begins on Ash Wednesday and will include the imposition of ashes.

St. Paul's will suspend its regular Wednesday evening service so that all might participate in the community-wide worship and observance of Lent. However, on Ash Wednesday, February 21, as has been the custom, there will be a service of Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes in the church at St. Paul's at 8 AM.

## **ADULT RELATIONSHIPS**

As we mature we come to have new understandings of what constitutes our relationships with others, especially what we call "love". Consider these thoughts of Laurence Freeman OSB, from his book "Jesus, the Teacher Within":

"The Kingdom refers to the life of God perceived through relationship with oneself and others. At the heart of Jesus' teaching, therefore, is his insight into relationship, expressed most intimately in his abba-consciousness. For Jesus the meaning of the Kingdom is inextricably involved in relationship and interdependence. His gospel cannot therefore be reduced to a system of ideas or commands. It is a life."

THE POSTING CONTINUES:

"The communication of his teaching is a living relationship with whoever receives it in the 'Word of Life' which Jesus himself embodies. This word is a full self-communication of complete truth. Because it transcends even the greatest concepts it cannot be understood by the intellect alone. It demands imagination and feeling. Above all it needs that form of spiritual intelligence we call love whose symbolic organ is the heart. By calling forth a concerted human response from the whole person, therefore, the human expression of the Word of God in Jesus unveils the mystery we are within the mystery that God is."

~Laurence Freeman OSB, *Jesus, the Teacher Within* ~  
p. 131-132(c) 2002,

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*Submitted by David Plank*

## February 2007 Lay Ministry Schedule

### Altar Guild

4: Betty Smith  
 11: Helen Viteritto  
 18: Esther Welden  
 25: Alice Wood

### Ushers

4: 8:00 Jerry Sock  
 10:30 Vickie Calby  
 11: 8:00 Ed Ochse  
 10:30 Scott Quigg  
 18: 8:00 John Finlon  
 10:30 Al Leigh  
 25: 8:00 Volunteer  
 10:30 Ed Stark

### Lectors

4: 8:00 Fraser Moffat  
 10:30 Mary Jane Syle  
 11: 8:00 Scott Finlon  
 10:30 Ed Stark  
 18: 8:00 Margie Baker  
 10:30 Volunteer  
 25: 8:00 Jerry Sock  
 10:30 Bernie Zalewski

### Eucharist Ministers

4: 8:00 Robert Arnold  
 10:30 David Calby  
 11: 8:00 Alma Shingler  
 10:30 Bernie Zalewski  
 18: 8:00 Margie Baker  
 10:30 Esther Welden  
 25: 8:00 Jennie Bowen  
 10:30 Jane Chandler

### Coffee Hour

4: Esther Welden  
 11: Rachel Bartron  
 18: Gwen Zimmerman  
 25: Kathy Warriner

### Camera

4: Ed Ochse  
 11: Volunteer  
 18: Ron Chandler  
 25: Ed. Stark

### Closing

4: Joe Welden  
 11: Al Leigh  
 18: Ron Chandler  
 25: Ed Stark

### Counters

4: Sarah Warriner  
 Vickie Calby  
 11: Jane Chandler  
 Bernie Zalewski  
 18: Ed Ochse  
 Warren Morgan  
 25: Ed Stark  
 David Calby

### Greeters

4: 8:00 Alice Wood  
 10:30 James Cain  
 11: 8:00 Ellie McKeage  
 10:30 Else Brunner  
 18: 8:00 Jennie Bowen  
 10:30 Mary Jane Syle  
 25: 8:00 Maggie Sock  
 10:30 Margaret Burgh



## ***BUDGET BUFFET***

On January 14<sup>th</sup> the Adult Forum began with a discussion of the nature of Prayer, as defined in the Book of Common Prayer. The catechism tells us that Prayer is "... responding to God, by thought and by *deeds*, with or without words".

After the usual fabulous buffet, our Senior Warden, Rachel Bartron and Father Charles reviewed parish finances. Over the past few years St. Paul's has experienced shortfalls between expenses – the money spent on worship, maintenance and outreach – and income from various sources. This year, the budget is very close to being balanced, largely because of increased pledging. Unfortunately there is a good chance that in the following year, 2008 expenses will again exceed income due in part to the increased expense associated with a new, full-time rector.

St. Paul's is fortunate in having a significant income from member pledges and from investments. Over the years pledges have increased, and gifts to the parish have been invested, helping to provide a steady, and steadily increasing income. For the past several years investments have been administered by the Diocesan Investment Trust, made up of some of the nation's most capable financial experts.

When Mrs. Anabelle Post left stock to St. Paul's, investment income increased dramatically, accounting in some years for more than 60% of parish income. In 1972, prior to her bequest, investments accounted for about 15% of the parish's annual income.

On some occasions the parish has been able to meet its obligations (its "deeds") through special offerings and fund-raisers. On other occasions, the budget has had to be balanced by taking money from the investment principal, even though this has reduced investment income for subsequent years.

St. Paul's responses to God, over the past hundred and seventy-five years have paralleled increases in income, and have resulted in increasingly significant benefits to the people of the parish, the surrounding community and, in fact, the world outside our immediate area. We pray that these benefits will continue to increase over the years.

In 2008 we expect to have a new full-time rector; this will add about \$40,000 to parish expenses. Thus, Vestry anticipates the possibility of another shortfall between income and expenses unless some changes are made.

There are three primary ways to eliminate a shortfall

in the budget:

- Increase the amount of pledge income through increased numbers and/or sizes of pledges, and increase non-pledge income;

- Reduce expenses associated with the parish mission;

- Take money again, from the Diocesan Investment Trust.

The first two alternatives are difficult, but the third is disastrous. When investment principal is reduced in one year, investment income is almost automatically reduced in each of the following years.

Very shortly Vestry will begin a comprehensive program of prayer, discussion, planning and action to continue and to expand the deeds making up St. Paul's unique and valuable response to God. Your help is fervently solicited in supporting this effort.

*Submitted by Ed Stark*

## **Stewardship Corner**

As of this writing, our stewardship campaign is about at the half-way point. Out of 100 pledge packets that we sent out, we have approximately 50 in.

We're halfway there folks!!! Take a moment now and let's look at some of the key points of my November sermon.

1. Have faith and trust in Him.
2. Giving in gratitude will bring many rewards to your life.
3. The more you give, the more you will receive in health, humor, and happiness.

If you've lost your pledge slip, just write your pledge on a piece of paper and drop it in the collection plate or see to it that Brenda gets it at the office. That's all there is to it. See you next month.

*Submitted by Bernie Zalewski, Stewardship Chairman*

## *Cornelius*

**Cornelius the Centurion** was a Gentile; that is to say, he was not a Jew. Cornelius was an officer in the Roman army occupying Israel. He is commemorated on February 4<sup>th</sup> in the Church calendar because he and his family were the first Gentiles to become Christians.

The Jews had known for many generations that they had been chosen by God as His special people. People who were not Jews were Gentiles, or, in effect, 'other' nations. Since Jesus was a Jew and had preached mostly to Jews it was easy for the early Christians to assume that only Jews could become Christians.

However Isaiah, almost eight hundred years before the birth of Christ had said that God would send a servant who would "extend His hand to all the nations", including the Gentiles. Finally Cornelius, both a Gentile and a Roman soldier - who was described as a God-fearing man - had a vision while he was praying: An angel told him to send a message to Peter asking him to come to preach to him and his family. Coincidentally Peter also had a vision, telling him to honor Cornelius' request.

James Kiefer writing for the Internet notes that roughly ten percent of the population of the Roman Empire were monotheistic, God-fearing people who rejected the Roman polytheistic religion. Many of the Roman gods were characterized as highly unethical and immoral, making them unacceptable as objects of worship by thoughtful and moral people. These people preferred to worship a single creator, the author and upholder of the moral law and many, while not converts to Judaism, regularly attended synagogue services in order to worship and to learn about the God of the Hebrews.

Responding to his vision, Peter and some of his followers traveled from Joppa to Cornelius' home in Caesarea. As Peter was preaching

the Gospel to Cornelius and his family, the Holy Spirit descended on all those who were listening, and it became obvious, even to the Jews who were present that the Gospel was meant for everyone, Jews and

### **To the parishioners of St. Paul's, Montrose**

I enjoy your newsletter, and love the positive approach to all you do.

Your giving of the tithe of the Christmas Offering to the community is a wonderful way to teach the tithe. I'm sure you will be blessed in a significant way for your generosity. How it will come and in what form will be exciting to discover.

Keep on keeping on and may God continue to bless you in the New Year.

Dan Charney, Stewardship Missioner

## **Roland Digital Piano**

The residents of Meadow View Senior Living Center enjoy singing and listening to music and many folks volunteer their time and talent to share in these delightful afternoons. The piano in the facility has been used for more years than anyone can remember and due to its very poor condition, it is time now to replace this instrument. A decision was made by several interested individuals to purchase a Roland Digital Piano. Since this is an electronic instrument, it will not have to be tuned and it can be easily moved to accommodate the needs of those at the Center.

If you would like to make a donation to this fund, please make a check payable to Meadow View Sr. Living Center and on the memo line: Residents of Meadow View Piano Fund, and mail your contribution to People's National Bank, 97 Grow Ave., Montrose, PA 18801.

*Submitted by Joyce Printz*

Are you warm in this weather? Do you have enough to eat?

Well, there are people in our community who struggle to keep warm and must decide to turn on the heat or buy food to eat.



Remember to bring in can goods, paper items, the first Sunday of each month to go to the Community food bank. You can help make a difference!

## DATE FOR BAPTISMS

April 7

Father Charles has announced that the next date for baptisms will be on Saturday, April 7, The Eve of Easter. The Book of Common Prayer, page 312, reminds us that "Holy Baptism is especially appropriate at the Easter Vigil...."

If you know someone who is seeking baptism, (child or adult) please contact the Parish Office immediately so that the proper preparations can be observed.

**Come and Grow with us at St. Paul's.**

**All are welcome .**

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