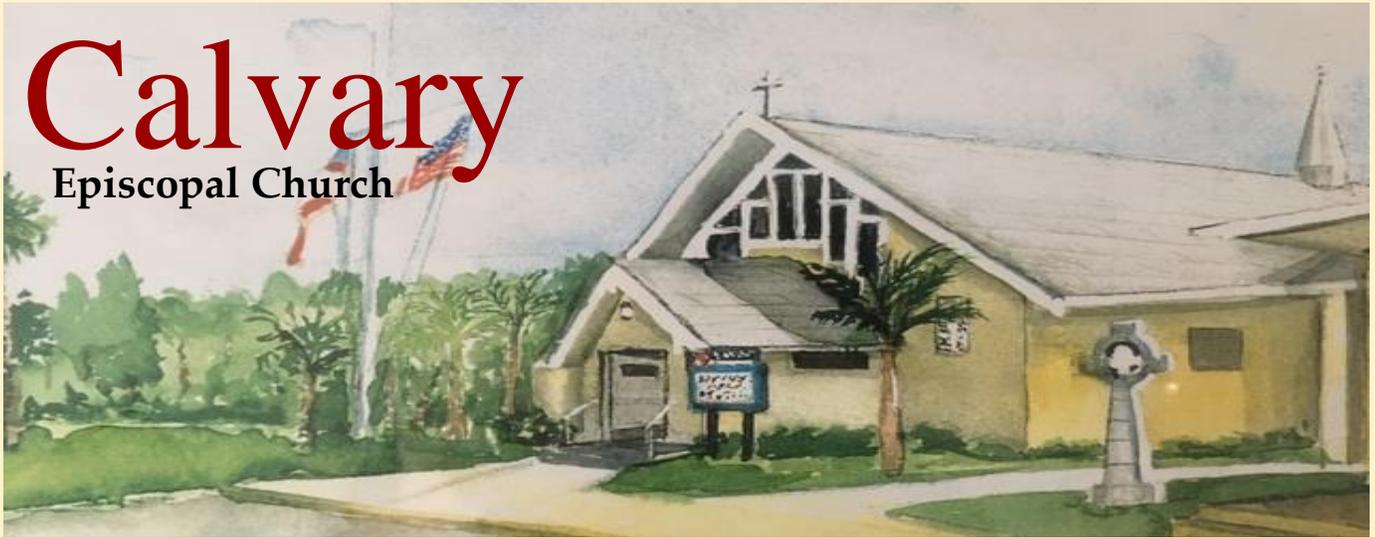


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The Crier

January-February 2020

Periodic Newsletter

"TO KNOW CHRIST, ...
AND TO MAKE HIM KNOWN."

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O God, by the preaching of your apostle Paul you have caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world: Grant, we pray, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may show ourselves thankful to you by following his holy teaching; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
(Collect for The Conversion of St. Paul)

Moving forward

When God created the world, everything was moving forward. In the Book of Genesis (9:7) and the Gospel of Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew (28:19-20), they both are saying the same thing. When God announced, "Go forth, be fruitful and multiply" to Adam & Eve, Jesus does the same by saying to his disciples, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations." God is calling us to move forward, but sometimes it's not as easy as it sounds.

Have you ever lost a dear friend, a member of your family, or maybe a spouse, wondering how you will ever get through it? What about suffering an injury, questioning if it will ever be the same? Have you been in a situation where all of what you have worked so hard at is gone? Whether it is death, injury or loss how would you be able to move forward? God, when speaking to the first ancestors of the human race or the students of the Messiah, knew we would have a hard road to travel. God knew it wouldn't be easy.

Sometimes we have to experience that as well in the life cycle of our church. Calvary has a great road ahead. We have new families who have joined. We have a great new lineup for Vestry. We show great promise in enthusiasm around our programs. Yet, we also lost some dear friends and

family. We had several who became quite sick or suffered injury. We, at times wondered where the next volunteer or show of support would come from. Through it all, God was there and reminded us that we must move forward. In this present age God is speaking to the world through the church. It is the place where we have it all. We have the very best that life has to offer with an abundance of hope, joy and faith. It is like a modern day Garden of Eden and God wants us to manage and care for it. We are the modern day disciples who Jesus wants to go forth and share the good news of salvation to others, but we have to move forward.

When we begin to think no one can do what the person before, who is no longer living, God calls us to take their place. Move forward. When we begin to think that there is no way we can overcome that which causes us to be sick, weak and frail, God calls us to persevere. Our courage gives strength to others. Move forward. If we believe we must succumb to doubt and fear, holding back due to a lack of reserve, God calls us to take prayerful risks and be full of faith. Move forward. As we enter this year with the iconic "20/20", a sign of perfect vision, it is living by faith, not by sight, in which God calls us to follow Jesus and to move forward.

I hope that when you read this newsletter, you will see it as a response to God's calling, as inheritors of this special Church and to be disciples, to go forth, to be fruitful and to multiply. Will you join this effort, will you join me, our Vestry, and through Jesus Christ, move forward?

Yours, faithfully in Christ Jesus our Lord,

Father Jon




Winterfest
 February 15
 Our Church BIG
 Fundraiser

Snowie says, "Volunteer Today. Let's move forward!"

If you count the number of "SNOWIES" correctly on this entire edition of the Crier, you will get (1) free raffle ticket.

Send your answer to jroberts@calvaryirb.org



"Light & Creation"

February 29

An illustrated study
 Of the Biblical stories

As painted by
 Rembrandt Von Rijn

And told by
 The Rev. Jon Roberts

"The Sacrifice of Isaac"
 "Christ in the Storm"
 "David and Goliath"
 "Moses"
 "The Holy Family"
 ...and more

9AM-12PM
 The Church of the Nativity
 5900 N. Lockwood Ridge Rd.
 Sarasota, FL

Leadership

We three kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar, field and fountain, moor and mountain; following yonder star.....

I have always wondered what the three kings knew and when they knew it. We know they were profits that followed a star to see a king and brought presents to honor him.

Did they know he was not just a king but The King? They knew he was the King of the Jews. Did their understanding of the prophecy encompass all that his life on earth had in store? No matter how much they knew they follow. At this time of the year we are reminded of the gifts the three kings brought the new born king of gold frankincense and myrrh and we share gifts with those we love.

The best gift to ever be given; Christ, born into this world in meager beginnings with the sole purpose to restore our soul. His life brings us the gift to be known, accepted and loved, without reservation, without judgment. No strings attached. This gift is freely given. We don't have to do anything. We don't have to be a certain way. we don't have to belong to any group there is no special initiation process or rite. We are loved accepted and known all because of what he did for us not because of anything we did.

Jesus is a gift who has been freely given to us and all we need to do is accept him. It seems like it should be an easy thing. We long for the gift God has given us in His Son. We follow like the wise men who sought the King. As we traverse this secular life we face hardship, anxiety, fear, pain and loss on a journey to meet the baby in a manger. Jesus promises he restore us with God.

The Kings knew and followed; the shepherds were told and followed. To receive our gift fully, to truly understand and to follow, we need to allow it to replace the hardship, anxiety, fear, pain and loss. For most of us this takes time.

In our path to restoration we choose the rich liturgy of the Episcopal Church where every week we can leave the secular life we traverse, at the foot of the cross. When we receive Christ into our hearts with the sacrament of communion, our heart is filled with Christ allowing us to turn to others to share that love. Being Christ-like calls us each to accept one another, love one another, know one another, without reservation without judgment no strings attached.

I pray the gift of the New Born King live in our hearts all year through.

Submitted by Margaret Richcreek, Leadership Chair



Annual Meeting Quiche-A-Thon

On Sunday, January 26, come to church at 9am for the Annual Meeting and bring a Quiche! This is now a wonderful tradition where we enjoy a good time of fellowship while listening to all of the wonderful blessings we received in the previous year at our Annual Parish Meeting. Please come as a "quota" is needed for this official gathering of the church.



Vestry Fall Retreat

The members of the Vestry went to The Dayspring Conference Center of the Diocese of Southwest Florida October 25-26, 2019. The theme was, "Walk in Love" and directed by Margaret Richcreek. She led us through a fellowship of spiritual intimacy and growth in our relationship with Christ. Beginning with an evening labyrinth walk, we focused on learning more about each other and how we view our relationship with God. Father Roberts, Sandra Rogers and Margaret presented talks challenging how we view Him and how that affects our work as leaders of Calvary. How can our actions reflect the loving God we wish everyone to know? We participated in prayers and singing, always following the general theme. Our belief that we are each His beloved child whom He created was acknowledged. We were given time to walk the beautiful grounds of Dayspring, in private communion with God. The weekend ended with an understanding that our goal is to be in a closer relationship with God and each other as we serve as Calvary's Vestry. Submitted by Karen W. Hillegas, Clerk of the Vestry

The next Vestry Retreat at Dayspring is scheduled: Friday-Sunday, May 1-3 (2 nights stay-over)

New Vestry Candidates

The Annual Parish Meeting on January 26th, will be a wonderful occasion for seeing new church leadership. These are individuals who have discerned this very important commitment to serve on our Vestry. The leadership of our Vestry is vital to the life of our church, and a representation of those biblical, twelve disciples who long ago had the courage to plant the early church with their efforts and teachings. Each year we look for faithful members who feel called to serve in this same manner.



The Vestry is made up of Father Jon and twelve members who serve on a three-year rotation. To serve on the Vestry in the Episcopal Church, one must meet all the following requirements:

- Be a confirmed member of the Episcopal Church, enrolled as a member of the parish, and 18 years of age or older.
- Be a "giver of record" financially;
- Participate in the Eucharist and church activities on routine basis.
- Able to attend monthly Vestry meetings & any committee participation you are elected

We would like to thank the outgoing Vestry members for their faithful service as well, as they hand over the succession of duties to a new generation of leaders. Those members are Renee Lee, Elyssa Coker, and Jim Widell.

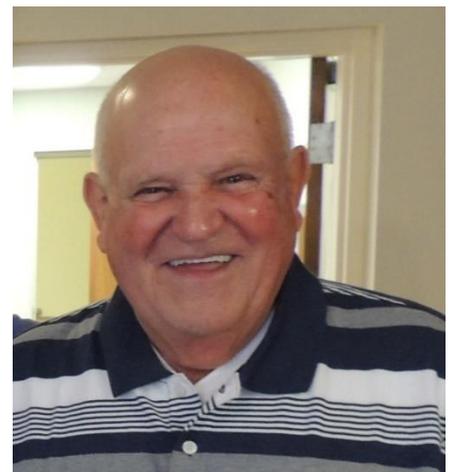
Here are the new candidates for 2020:

Rich Deary

I have been a member of Calvary episcopal church for well over 20 years and have served in many areas of the church. I have sung in the choir, served on the Altar as a LEM, been an usher and also a reader. In my spare time I volunteer at the VAMC hospital at Bay Pines doing a number of jobs, including visiting some of our veteran members of Calvary who may be admitted.

I have two daughters Tara & Kathy and one grand-daughter Miranda.

Being retired from the corporate world has given me much knowledge that I can offer as a member of the Vestry.



Karen Hillegas

I am a retired office manager/bookkeeper and have been a member of Calvary for 15 years, with my husband David. In that time, I have been a Food Pantry volunteer and have served on the Hospitality, Celebration of Life and Winterfest committees. I am an active member of Calvary's Altar Guild and currently hold the position of Clerk of the Vestry, serving also on the Worship Commission. You will see me preparing for Sunday services, the Altar of our Lord, as well as the many other liturgical moments in the Christian season. My goal is to love and serve the Lord by serving Calvary.

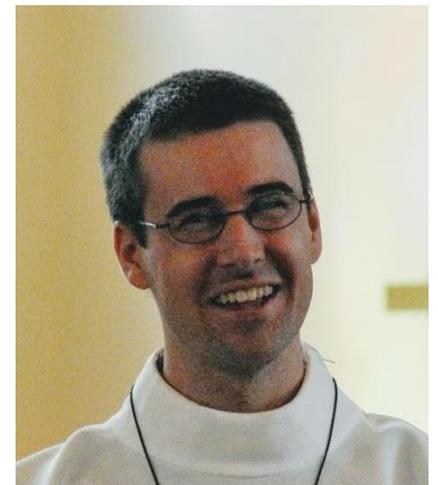


Chad Olson

My name is Chad (Charles) Olson. I was born in Hinsdale, IL, just outside of Chicago. I moved to FL in 2001 and lived with my Grandma, Marjee Hunt, until I found an apartment. I have been a Veterinarian Assistant for 18 years at Banfield Hospital.

I began attending Calvary Episcopal Church with my Grandma in 2001. Not long after that I started serving at the 8 am service. I became a LEM, and a Crucifer. During the early years in 2000, I felt the desire to further my Christian education and took two years of EFM (Education For Ministry) under the direction of ArchDeacon Dennis McManis. He left to help with Hurricane Katrina relief and I have been searching to find another class. In September of 2020, I plan to continue the last two years of EFM.

Along my spiritual journey, I have always known that I wanted to expand my horizons serving Christ. In following my journey, I have volunteered in different capacities. One that I am doing now is volunteering at Suncoast Hospice. At this time, after prayerful consideration and guidance from Fr. Jon, I am hoping to be on the vestry and be a part of the "Mission" service to our community.



Ben Jedrey

Fellow parishioners, I was born and raised in Lowell Massachusetts and attended the Lowell School system, Plus School of Business, Middlesex Community College and Northeastern University. I was employed at Digital Equipment Corporation, Bank Boston and retired from Fidelity Investments in the area of Information Systems.

Upon marriage to Helen (Taylor) Jedrey, we resided in Dracut, Massachusetts for forty-one years. Helen and I have been blessed with two daughters and two grandchildren that we regularly visit in New Hampshire. Helen and I retired in 2007 and started Snow-Birding to Largo FL, after five years we became eager to become Sun-Birds moving to Pinellas Park full time in 2015.

We have been members of Calvary Episcopal Church since 2007, Helen and I lend our time in support of Calvary where needed. I believe that with my employment background and life experiences that I am positioned to provide our vestry with value added service in reaching the future goals of Calvary.



Ryan Laun

Ryan Laun, a Seminole native, has worked for Progressive Insurance as a senior adjuster since 2017. Prior to his current job with Progressive, Ryan committed ten years to bank management. As a University of Tampa grad, class of 2005, he earned his Bachelor's degree in Communication. In 2015, Ryan met his wife, Courtney. They have since had two children, Mackenzie (2) and Cooper (newborn).

Calvary has become more than just a church for Ryan and his family, now attending for the past three years. It now plays a large role in their lifestyle and family for the years to come. Ryan feels that by becoming a member of the vestry, it will further his knowledge and understanding of the church and his callings to it. Ryan Laun currently resides with his family in Seminole, Florida.



Mary Schock

I am employed at St Petersburg College Workforce Institute part-time working with students in the grants through Career Source.

Rick and I have been happily married for past 40+ years and counting. We were married at St Peters Cathedral in St Petersburg, Florida. Rick and I have 2 married children Frederick Schock and Mage McManus (NYC) and Catherine Suzanne Schock-Gill and Jeremiah Gill (Sicily). We returned "home" to Florida in 2010, following 15 years in Denver, Colorado raising our kids. We quickly settled in Belleair Beach and fell in love with Calvary Episcopal Church and congregation. My passion is hospitality and greeting visitors and parishioners. I grew up in the hotel hospitality business working front desk/night audit.



Over the past 6 months and having completed my Cursillo pilgrimage in October, I have been praying for God's guidance and feel He is leading me serve at Calvary on the Vestry. Calvary is growing and blossoming through the wonderful leadership and parishioners. I look forward to serving at Calvary.

While in Denver our family was active at Christ Episcopal Church. We were a "family" of Acolytes. I also worked with the youth and hospitality. Prior to Colorado I helped develop and oversaw the youth Logos program at St Mary of the Angels Church in Orlando for 3 years.

Christian Education



"The Bible Project"

The Bible Project group that meets on Wednesday mornings at 10am has been so meaningful to all who attend. We have enjoyed deep, theological discussions in our Gospel series, as we have recently reviewed all the Evangelists. We are scheduled to continue into the Pauline letters to the Romans, Corinthians, and so on.



This study will continue under lay leadership rather than by the clergy. Fr. Jon has done an excellent job, leading us through the series throughout 2019 and now we are ready to move forward on this

exciting new journey. Please welcome Bill Athanson as our new facilitator and let him know you are planning to attend the study.

To catch up on this video-based study, it's easy. Simply go to thebibleproject.com and begin watching the "Series" related to "How to Read the Bible", "Themes in the Bible" and more. We have enjoyed the interesting and imaginative videos that paint the Bible in a dynamic manner. Good for all ages! Plan accordingly to attend and participate.

If you would like to lead an evening bible study, home-based or church-based, see Fr. Jon for details.

We would also like to thank Bob Lima, who was so inspired by the course, he enlarged the free graphics provided by the Bible Project, for the four Evangelists. These are now on display in our hallway leading to the Parish Hall. Take the time to stop and study.

Youth & Missions (YAM)

Hi Parents and Youth,

Please mark your calendar for the upcoming events. Your attendance every Sunday and at these events will fund your mission trip. We will also have a breakfast fundraiser soon. Details to follow. Please let me know if you can attend these events asap. Sincerely, Lynne Roberts, Youth Director

Sun. **January 26** Annual Parish Meeting- YAM Youth help serve and clean

Sun. **February 2** (5th annual) Lavabo Bowl - 12:30pm

Sat. **February 15** Winterfest -Youth help with the sailboat building and float

Sun. **March 8**-YAM 11:30am

Sun. **April 19**-YAM 11:30am

Sun. **May 17**-Youth Sunday -spoon hanging and breakfast



A True Fit

Mike Alford officially “matriculated” at the Nashotah House Theological Seminary on Thursday, January 16th in Nashotah, Wisconsin. He is an official Postulant in Holy Orders, in the Diocese of Southwest Florida, and “homegrown” out of Calvary. He gives us two thumbs up, showing he is a true fit with his new Cassock, provided by Calvary as a gift of our love and support. Continue to keep Mike in your prayers as he continues the hybrid-distance course, allowing him to remain in his career as he also studies hard, attending online to receive his theological education. The program is designed this way in order to allow more candidates to follow God's calling into the field of parish life or academia. Twice a year, a week at a time, Mike is required to travel to Wisconsin to be immersed in the seminary culture. We are very happy for him, Rebecca, Zach, Grace and Jacob. His family is very much an important part of our Calvary family, so please keep them in your prayers.

Nashotah House is also the seminary in which Fr. Jon attended, 2004-2007 as a Postulant of our Diocese. He was sent by the Church of the Redeemer in Sarasota where he was previously a full time Youth Minister.



The Fifth Annual Lavabo Bowl

On Sunday, February 2 at 12:30PM, at Bonner Park in Largo, the Protestants vs. the Catholics meet again. It is a fun-filled afternoon, pre-Super Bowl and all of Calvary is invited to come and play or watch. Cheer on your athletes. See Lynne Roberts for more details. Fr. Jon is the Catholic coach, and we are still looking for a coach for the Protestant team.



Baptism Instruction

We enjoyed several baptisms in November. Cooper Luan, Liam Landry-Yokely, Mark and Alex Anderson, seen here in these pictures. On a sermon Fr. Jon gave January 12, he noted that at the moment of Holy Baptism we are trained by God to hear His voice. It is to be one upon several moments where we listen to God's voice and follow Christ.

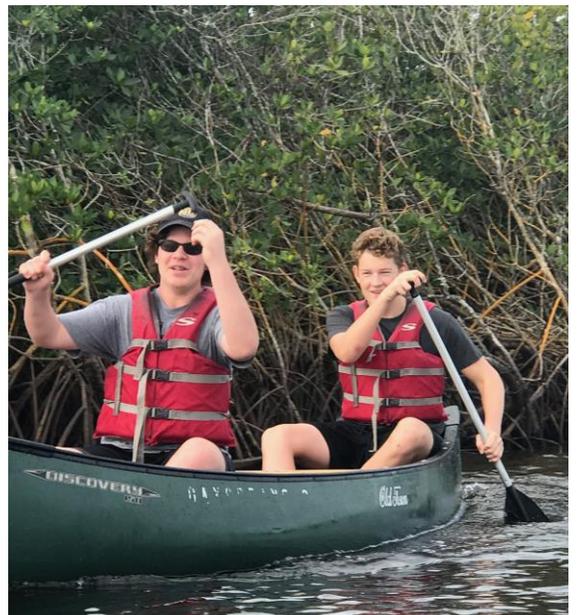
If you have not been baptized, please be encouraged to have a conversation with Fr. Jon.



Youth Retreat

On December 6-8 our youth had a remarkable experience at the St. Matthew cabin at Dayspring Conference Center which was dedicated in memory of "Danny Laitinen", son of Cynthia Laitinen. It was dedicated for future generations to grow spiritually and our very own Calvary youth would be inspired in this way.

There was midnight "Capture the Cross", campfire with smores, singing "My Lighthouse", canoing, eating meals together and sharing our faith with one another. Mason, one of the invited youth who came said, "I don't ever want to miss another time like this. Can I come back to your Church? When do you meet next?" This young man was speaking from his heart after the joy he felt from the love of Christ. Please continue to support our youth and our Dayspring occurrences.



Worship

Worship Report January 2020

"I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God." Romans 12:1

As a member of Vestry representing the Worship Commission, I am asking you to consider sharing your considerable Talents and a small amount of your Time (two of the contributions to Stewardship) to Calvary.

Fr. Roberts and Deacon Melissa Sands are supported by Lay Eucharist Ministers and Lectors during services. Lay Eucharist Visitors carry the communion service to our members who cannot attend services. After a training and certification period with Deacon, your time consists of committing to serving at a Sunday service (on your availability) or visiting a home. Time needed: one to two hours on your scheduled day.

The Guild consists of men and women working together to prepare Sunday service's communion. They also "dress" the sanctuary for Easter, Christmas, weddings and funerals. Time needed: one to two hours on your scheduled week.

It is said that to sing as a choir is to pray twice! Matt Burke, our music director, welcomes those wanting to join him and the choir on a regular basis or only during a certain time of the year. Time needed: one night a week for practice and a Sunday 10 am service.

Stewardship is a continual practice. "It takes a village" is true in every sense of the word.

Our truest act of worship is the presentation of our deepest, fullest selves to God.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Hillegas, Worship Commission Chair

Join the Altar Guild

The season of Lent will soon be upon us, then Holy Week after. These are prime liturgical seasons that offer great learning to anyone who wants to know the inner workings of preparation for our common worship services. We are hoping to recruit 1-2 more volunteers before Ash Wednesday. Please contact Cathy Athanson for any questions you might have. We are hoping that several of you will step forward and volunteer.



Hymnal Seminar

"A Comparison Of Music For Congregational Singing" offered by Matthew Burke is being rescheduled for a later date. Stay tuned for more details.



Apollo XIII CDs

Exclusive availability from the Concert
by Matthew Burke
\$10 Each
Proceeds go to the Music Program

Cursillo

The funeral held for Judy Marx raised \$1100 and will be directed to a Cursillo Fund to support future "Pilgrims" wishing to attend but may be restricted due to the cost. This living memorial honors our sister in Christ for all of her love and passion expressed towards this wonderful spiritual retreat for Episcopalians. Cursillo is offered two times per year in English and one time in Spanish. If you are interested and would like to go, please see any "Cursillista" in our church. Chances are, you have been feeling called to go.



The Beginning of Lent

Every year we begin Lent on Ash Wednesday which is February 26 this year. Three services are provided: 8am, 12pm, 6pm. Every Christian has a "Holy obligation" to receive their outward and visible sign of the cross as part of their annual pilgrimage. A church that offers this time of extreme penitence such as we do at Calvary, is in accord with the ancient and orthodox practice going back to the 2nd century.



Shrove Tuesday

The Altar Guild will host our annual Shrove Tuesday pancake supper on February 25, at 6pm. Everyone is invited to enjoy the "Best Pancakes on the Beach" and a sing-a-long with Sandy & Rebecca Rogers.

Stations of the Cross

In the middle of the night, our first annual Youth Retreat at Dayspring, held a "flashlight" liturgy, following the dark trail around to find the stations of the Cross. Each of the 14 stations had a prayer and a reading, led by the youth. Seen here is Grace Alford and Sammy Kingston.



Youth Worship at Dayspring

Our leaders for the youth retreat and following the Sunday Holy Eucharist at the Chapel of St. Thomas are, Lisa Kingston, Fr. Jon & Lynne Roberts.

Fellowship

Calvary Fall IRB Yard Sale

Last year's Yard Sale on Saturday, November 23, was a huge success. Earning over \$1,200 it drew in visitors from all around. We would like to personally thank Harvey & Susan Brillat and all of their many volunteers who joined to help. Events such as this are not only necessary for our Church operation, they are also necessary for enriching our friendships and joy to be together. The annual Yard Sale dates may vary, but are usually the Saturday before Thanksgiving. Start looking for those items you can part with, and be ready when we announce the dates we are ready to receive items.



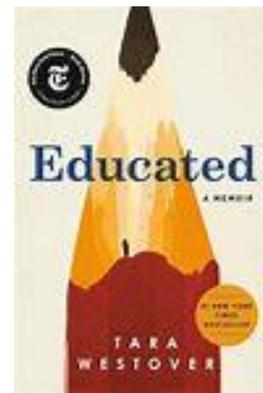
The Bookies of Calvary

We are hoping you will join the "Bookies" at 6:00 PM in the conference room on the following dates for discussion, reflection, and great fellowship

Our future book selections are:

January 20	<i>Educated A Memoir</i> by Tara Westover
February 17	<i>The Marriage of Opposites</i> by Alice Hoffman
March 16	<i>The Silent Patient</i> by Alex Michaelides

If you have questions, contact Cathy Athanson, durbinwv41@gmail.com.



Technology Class

Ever get overwhelmed by technology? Computers, tablets, phones, watches... you name it, it is all related to techie stuff. Come meet with Sandy Rogers in Barge Hall on March 7, from 10am-12pm and let's go over safe and best practices for email, web-browsing, social media and (of course) any questions you might have!!

If you have a laptop, a mobile device or a tablet, please feel to bring them. We will provide wifi access and all materials.

Who wants to join a Fellowship Team?

Feeling left out on Sundays? Wishing you could help by serving coffee and putting out treats that brings smiles to everyone's face? You're in luck. See Denise Hughes-Conlon and she will connect you.



Winterfest on the Rocks Festival

Saturday, February 15, 2020
10 am – 4 pm



Winterfest is a family friendly
festival celebrating
the neighborhood, our pets and the
IRB beach community lifestyle!



Winterfest On The Rocks" includes a Patriotic Pet Parade, Arts and Crafts Festival, interactive Kids' Activities, elaborate Silent Auction, Fan Favorite – Home Cooked Bake Sale, Music - including Bagpipes, Food Trucks, Food – Refreshments - Beer & Wine.. and more!

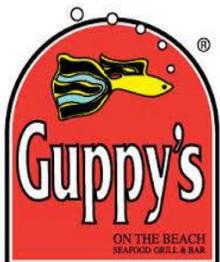
We seek to gather those in our community for a day of family-centered fun. Monies raised will assist us in our overall mission, "To know Christ and to make Him known." This festival also raises awareness to one of our main efforts of compassion and outreach to the poor and impoverished through the ongoing efforts of our Youth Programs and The Food Pantry. We serve the neediest in our neighborhood and beyond with the investment in our youth, teaching community service.

We look forward to having you join us in helping to grow this local, family and community-centered festival. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact the Calvary office at 727-595-2374 or email admin@calvaryirb.org.

Meet our 2020 Platinum Sponsors

The success of Winterfest begins long before the event occurs. It takes many people to make personal contact with local businesses, asking them if they would like to become a sponsor or a vendor. Sponsors are typically businesses that wish for their name to be advertised as a financial supporter and may or may not be actually present at the event. Vendors are actively seen and participate at the day of the event, hosting a tent or "booth" promoting and exchanging products. It is not too late to become either a Sponsor or a Vendor.

We would like to personally thank Fr. Jon, Chuck Pond, Liz Robb, Renee Lee, Bob Cannistraro, Amy & James Doyle, for making multiple contacts for the WF Committee. We would like to thank all members of Calvary for passing along the application forms to the local businesses in which they have connections. To get copies of the applications, please visit our Calvary website.



Missions

Food Pantry Volunteers

What a busy November for our volunteers. We served the most clients the week before Thanksgiving since the pantry opened in 2004, giving away 240 complete turkey and chicken dinners.

Christmas turkeys were given our regular clients and a chicken to any newer clients (with us less than 6 months) and we offered a small gift shop so clients can choose gifts for children in their households (items up to \$5). Thank you to Connie Curran and family, Arlene McNeil, Lucy Berg, Jim Vacherlon, George Doering and family, Bill Coll and family and Seminole Isle homeowners that donated gifts to make this possible!

Thank you for all you did to make this happen and thank you to our many donors, including Action 2000, Crabby Bills, Slyce Pizza, Beggins Century 21, Plumlee Realty, the Silly Sinatras and our own Gina Burchenal and family. There were also food donations from so many locals dropping off hams, turkeys, and all the fixings. What a great time of year to be part of the Beach Community Food Pantry.

Our next USDA food delivery will be Thursday, January 9 and February 13. Please join us at Calvary Episcopal Church 10 am to noon to unload, sort and pack a grocery bag for our clients.

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving and enjoyed your Christmas season. Thank you to each of you for the part you play in our neighborhood pantry! Please text or email me if you will be part of our assembly line. 727-518-4865
Marycoll@aol.com

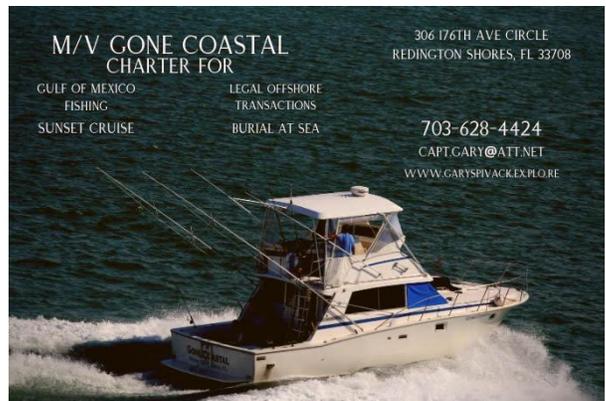
Volunteers consist of Calvary members and non-members. We could always use a few more hands to help out. See Mary Grace.



"I can 1 can" food program

We Need: **Canned fruit, vegetables, soup, rice, pasta, pasta sauce, cereal, potatoes & sweet potatoes**

Here is a picture of a typical drop off of food from a donor who drove up and delivered. If people want to deliver, they have to wait until our office is open. That means, Fridays and Saturdays are typically unobtainable for public donations. Plans are in the works for a new roadside drop box, reinforced to withstand the pressures of weather and tampering. It will be placed in front of the Food Pantry for public convenience when making food donations.



Win Sunset Cruise at Winterfest

February 15
Our Church BIG Fundraiser
Silent Auction big item
With Capt. Gary Spyvack

Taste of IRB

On November 9, the BCFP participated once again, at this annual event, selling water and sodas to raise money and public awareness of our mission. If you are interested in "serving under the tent," talking to people about what we do, please join us.



Connie Curran honored

Director of the BCFP recognized Nov. 2, 2019 at the *Ladies Tea*, at Church of the Isles, IRB for her love to serve the poor and needy. She was also recognized for her strength and courage.

Action 2000 Gift

This local organization has been making environmental and welfare seeking enhancements all along IRB. Here they present \$890 to BCFP, received by David Kline and Lisa Kingston

Holiday Meals

Pictured here (above, right) is David Kline and Marygrace Call with a typical boxed Holiday Meal. Over 50 of these boxes are purchased by funds raised by Rotary and the BCFP, then boxed by Publix located on Indian Rocks Road. The boxes are prayed over by Fr. Jon, then loaded into the multiple Pinellas County Sheriff's cars and SUVs for neighborhood deliveries. The Sheriff's department is best suited to hand deliver these meals into some of our most challenged Pinellas neighborhoods. If you would like to afford a full-course meal for a family for Christmas, Easter or Thanksgiving, cost is ~\$35/box. A time honored moment is when Fr. Jon is asked to extend a Prayer for those who provide, those who prepare, those who deliver and those who receive.





BCFP Volunteers who helped unload and package the USDA Food delivery

Christmas Bags for Children

A group from Calvary Indian Rocks Beach brought a van-load of Christmas gifts to some of the Latino congregations of the diocese on Dec. 10. They have been bringing the packages every Christmas, for distribution by the Rev. Mario Castro, who distributes at needy parishes, including Arcadia.

The effort has been streamlined each year in order to be accomplished by the island parish; this year the gifts were sorted by age, and all foodstuffs separated. Last year, they organized by bag, rather than shoe boxes, in order to make the process easier. Right, Diocesan Finance Committee accepting gifts on behalf of the diocese. Below, Bishop Smith with volunteer Nigel Thomas and organizer Marilyn Clark.

Article written by Garland Pollard in the *Southern Cross*, diocesan newsletter

These gift bags were afforded by many members of Calvary and once packaged, they were delivered to the Diocese, blessed by the Bishop and given to the Latino families by Fr. Castro.



Here, you will see the smiling faces of some of the children who received them. The distribution took place on the first Sunday of Christmas at The Church of the Redeemer in Sarasota where there is a substantial Hispanic congregation that worships their routinely on Sunday afternoons.

Permission was granted to publish these photos of the children receiving the gifts expressing their appreciation. If you would like to help plan and prepare for Christmas 2020, please see Marilyn Clark (pictured holding Teddy Bear).



Happy New Year from BCFP

Since 2004, we have continued to service those in our community who are challenged with food insecurity. During the 2019 year, we provided a variety of food products, including Thanksgiving and Christmas turkeys and Easter hams, for an average of 800 family members per month. The community has shown a record amount of support for our mission throughout the year. BCFP is a mission of Calvary Episcopal Church and operates solely through the gracious donations of food, time and

money from our wonderful community. We wish to thank the amazing number of individuals who provide cash donations throughout the year. You made 2019 a record year. Although much of our food is donated, there are many items that we must purchase in large quantities. Every dollar makes a difference!

Greetings submitted by Marygrace Call, beloved volunteer leader of BCFP
Want to volunteer? Please send me your interest marygcoll@aol.com

Get in the Driver's Seat

This van of ours does a lot of work, bringing food from all over the place back to the Food Pantry. It has been a gift that keeps on giving. How would you like to join the driving team behind it? Don't get left out of the action, be a driver and get the greatest satisfaction.

A monthly rotation is available and if you would like to be a driver, please see David Kline at your earliest convenience.

Proper background driver's record will be required, and a current authorized driver's license and proof of insurance is also required. Food Pantry Van is covered by the Church Insurance of Vermont, a rider on Calvary's property insurance annual policy.



Calvary Volunteers in the BCFP

Since the Food Pantry inception in 2004, we have seen more volunteers who work the day to day operations, stocking inventory, working directly with the patrons (clients), or driving around, picking up food, come from outside our Church. These volunteers are awesome but they also have questions such as, "Why don't more of our church members work in the Pantry?" Good question.

We have always maintained the Pantry will be directed by a member in good standing in Calvary. This is so they can keep the thread intact between our mission, founded on God's generosity, and the community at large, founded on Man's generosity. From Deacon McManis, Carol Beauchamp, Harvey Brillat, Chuck Pond, Connie Curran and David Kline, the succession is strong and good. Check. Those who assist "at the top" include a member of the Vestry and our Rector. Our Parish Secretary, Receptionist (Debbie Thayer), Sexton, Bookkeeper and all members of the Vestry and Finance Committee invest their time and energy to the Pantry's success. Maybe these are not seen by the outside world, but they are very real.



There are of course Calvary volunteers, not in those listed above, that help. A rough estimate is 10%. Let's aim for 25% in 2020. We are hoping to receive 4-5 more Calvary volunteers willing to invest in working in the Food Pantry this year. Keeping the Church connected to the Community, through this mission ministry is vital for mutual success. Please consider reaching out to Connie Curran if you feel called.

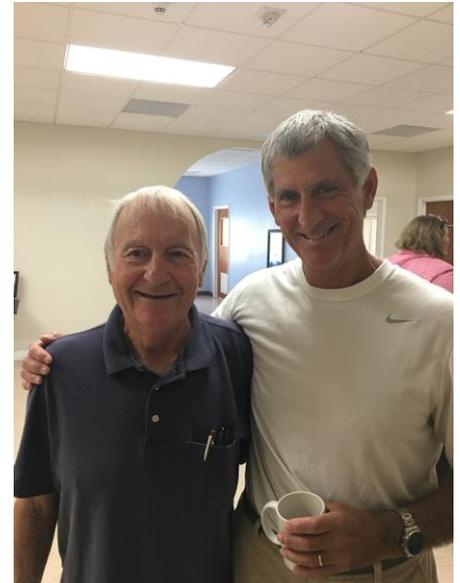
Outreach

Wear your Nametags

This is the main season for us with visitors and returning seasonal members. If you do not have a nametag, let us know and we will be happy to make one for you. If you lost your nametag, let us know and we will be happy to make one for you. If you do not wear your nametag, you do not need to let us know, but we will let you know. Nametags for our Canadian members are also provided. When the snow gets really bad up north, and the snowbirds return, they will be set to go! Nametags help in so many wonderful ways to identify with each other. Keep them at the church or keep them in your care, but please keep them on you when you come to church. Your participation helps us love one another by sharing our names.

Brotherly Love

Chuck Pond and Rich Schock are inviting the men of Calvary to think about the importance of brotherly love. Men have their outlets, to share and bond with other men in various activities. Church is one of the fundamental places for such support and friendship because we outwardly advocate things like prayer, study, holy work, and faith. Perhaps you too, would like to have a small group of male friends you can meet with and discuss the things that men deal with. Whether it relates to your family, your work, your health or your faith, please ask Chuck or Rick more about the possibility of forming a small group, 4-5 men, who would like to get this going.



Youth Retreat Group photo
December 6-8, 2019



Calvary Episcopal Church Youth

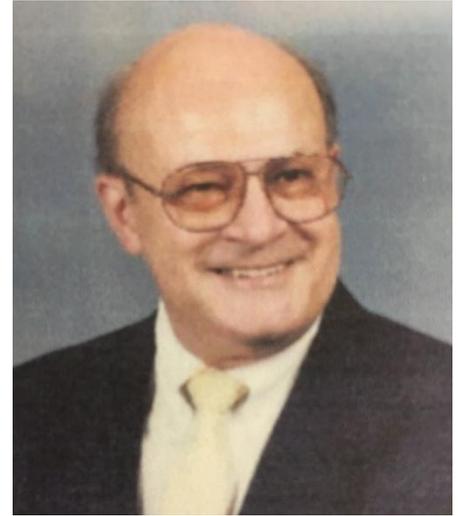
Pastoral Care

Necrology

Stewart Waller

18 February 1931 ✕ 10 December 2019

Born 1931 in Chicago, IL, son of Mercer A. Waller and Fern (McKinzie) Waller. Brother, James H. Waller (Nancy) and nieces and nephew Susan, Lynn, Beth, Sharon and Jim. Longtime companion and friend of 52 years, Donald Mahoney. Graduate of Cornell College and Union Theological Seminary with a Masters degree in Sacred Music. Served as Minister of Music in churches of different denominations in New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Chicago, and Florida. During his time in the US Army, Stewart served as Assistant to the Chaplain at the Army War College in Carlisle, PA and was awarded the Commendation Medal for meritorious service upon discharge. Stewart retired and relocated to the Tampa Bay area in 1993.



Pat Plumlee

28 October 1939 ✕ 10 December 2019

Pat was a daughter, sister, mother, grandmother, broker, wife, partner, philanthropist, leader, manager and friend. She has been described as an elegant lady and a powerful woman. Born in Brooklyn, NY, to Jack and Doris Collins, Pat grew up a "city girl" and received an introduction into the business world at Ebbets Field in her father's office where he worked as the business manager for the Brooklyn Dodgers. When she was 13, the family moved south to Clearwater, where they built the Sands Pointe Motel, this was the first taste of the real estate and vacation rental business for Pat. Over her life, Pat built quite a presence in the beach communities. After college, Pat worked for the family real estate business with her parents. Soon she ventured off with her new husband, Ernest "Ernie" Plumlee (d.1994) and created a new industry in the publishing world. She continued her real estate license and obtained her broker's license in 1984. Not long after Pat and Ernie sold their publishing company they started Plumlee Gulf Beach Realty in 1990. Pat was proud of her 40+ years of real estate excellence and earning the Realtor Emeritus Designation by the Pinellas Realtors Organization. Dedicated to her community, she received the Commitment to Excellence in Leadership Award from the Suncoast Firemen's Association and was a proud member of the Clearwater Community Women's Club, holding every office besides President over her 40 year membership; the Indian Shores Women's Club; the Belleair Women's Republican Club; La Sertoma, in which she served as the President for four years; the Gulf Beach Chamber, in which she served as President; and various condominium boards throughout the years. She is preceded in death by husband of 32 years, Ernest Plumlee; survived by her Love and partner Michael A. Petruccelli of 23 years; her brother John Collins (Gaye); her daughter Sandy Risberg (Rob) along with grandsons James and John; and her son Todd Plumlee (Cris) along with grandson Tyson.



Judy Marx

7 June 1937 ✕ 19 December 2019

MARX, Judith Ann 82, of Seminole, passed away on Thursday, December 19, 2019. She was born on June 7, 1937 in Albion, MI to the late Harris and Elizabeth Mowery. Judy is survived by children, John (Nancy) Barker of Granville OH, Robert (Lorilee) Barker of Champaign, IL and step-daughter, Gail Hughes of Webster, NY; sister, Joan (Sam) Barnett of Sarasota FL; eight granddaughters; four great-grandchildren and nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, Judy was preceded in death by her husband, Don; one brother and a granddaughter. The church was a very important part of Judy's life, she was a member of Calvary Episcopal Church. She loved to play bridge and golf. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, January 11 at Calvary Episcopal Church, Indian Rocks Beach at 10 am. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Calvary Episcopal Church Cursillo Fund in memory of Judy Marx.



Bob Fischer

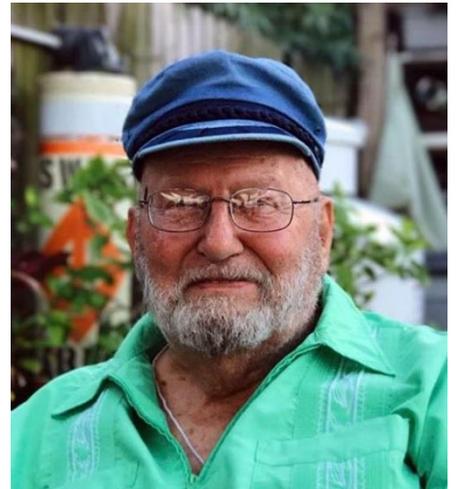
8 April 1931 ✕ 9 January 2020

"Bob" was loved by many. He has gone to meet our Lord in heaven, with his dearest wife, Virginia or "Ginny", and son, "Bobster."

Survived by the following: Scott & Jamie Fischer, Susan & Jeff Hojnacki, Laura & Larry Cowart; and dear "adopted daughter", Renee Lee.

Grandchildren: Melissa, Tiffany, Austin, Chelsea, Ziyad, Morgan, Sierra, Brandon, Damien; Great Grandchildren: Ryder, Bradley, Jason, Emerson, Sloane, Elise, Henry & Avery.

We will remember Bob for his fresh-baked breads he always brought to church, his courage, his support of our youth programs and of course his faith in Jesus.



Paul Martin

6 March 1933 ✕ 14 January 2020

Paul Lawrence Martin, Jr. 86, of Seminole, FL passed away January 14, 2020. He was born in Oklahoma to Paul and Catherine (Nichols) Martin. Paul graduated from West Point class of 1955. Paul is survived by his loving wife of 65 years Marlene Martin, two grandchildren, and one great grandson. A Funeral service will be held at Calvary Episcopal Church, Monday, January 20th at 10AM in Indian Rocks Beach.

We will remember Paul by his service on the Endowment Committee, his faithful attendance in Church and his dedication to see Calvary grow.



Property

Project Volunteers Needed

There are several projects around the church that need your help. Landscaping, light carpentry, painting, cleaning, repairing, you name it, we have projects galore. The only problem is that we need volunteers to get them done. Our beloved church stands by the grace of God and the devotion of its members who are willing to keep it standing. Some of you may prefer to write a check to outsource it, and that is good too. For the amount of projects we need to do, however, you may need to add a few more "zeros" to the end of that check unless we can get volunteers to help. The value of volunteer hours to do such work is something we simply cannot calculate. You may think you have little or nothing to offer, but that is simply not true. Please consider taking on a project, joining perhaps with others, or working by yourself. If you feel called to help keep Calvary maintained and reclaimed, please see Bob Lima, our Jr. Warden, Joe Hatin our Sexton, or Fr. Jon.



Big Projects for 2020...and beyond

Create a front paver entrance, and wooden benches (ground and construction) by Food Pantry.

Use our commercial carpet cleaner, to clean all hallways and office carpet.

Help Kenneth Fisher with his Eagle Scout project: backyard "Harbor Walk" and outdoor chapel.

Place down 2000 square feet of Durablock pavers on south parking lot.

Shingle front roof over choir room down to Food Pantry.

Fencing in various places.

Relocate a few Northern Pines.

Landscape, decorate north lot hedgerow with walking path for visitors through gate.

Remove and replace all kitchen cabinets.

Create a paver, pathway from south side of Parish Hall around to the back deck.

What is missing in this picture?

This is a line of people waiting for their turkeys, given out prior to Thanksgiving at the Food Pantry. We had a huge turnout.

Imagine if we had a built-in, wrap around wooden bench where they could sit, here under the canopy of our Oaks, waiting for their turn. We just need volunteers to make it happen.

Some were elderly and needed a place to sit.



Stewardship

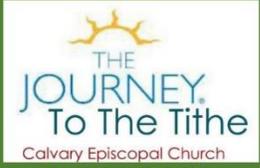
2020 Pledge Goal Results

We fell short of the \$200,000 goal for 2020 but it may be a matter of us not receiving your pledge this year. The amount pledged in 2020 was \$160,000, short of what we pledged last year of \$184,000. Another interesting observance is that we exceeded our pledge in 2019, with a total of \$191,000. With no apparent drop in membership losses due to death, compared to new membership we suspect the reason is two-fold.

The first is the change in the IRS deduction being raised to \$12,000 per year, vs. the \$5,400 per year prior for a family in the US. Many of us may be taxed less due to the IRS rates, allowing us to retain more funds, but this could cause us to hold back on making any commitments to a non-profit, such as Calvary. Please consider your personal income as God's allowance to you, and in abundance please do not hold back from supporting the church.

The second reason, may be the result of a surge of new membership. With only 7 deaths, we had 28 new members in 2019. It may be that new members are hesitant to make such a pledged commitment due to learning the ropes with us for the first time. If you are a new member, know that we welcome, honor and enjoy the fact you are investing in "your" church in this way. If you have questions on why stewardship is important, please pick up one of our brochures at several of our entrances, titled, "The Importance of Stewardship." There, you will discover all the benefits of making a pledge.

We have prayerfully compensated for these observances, and in "faith" will present this year's budget with a total of \$182,000 anticipated for Pledged Giving. We are hoping to see \$25,000 in pledges from our members between now and the end of the year. Help us this year, reach our goal. Pledge cards are available online, at all church entrances and may be mailed to you upon request.

<p>HONOR THE LORD WITH YOUR POSSESSIONS AND WITH THE FIRST PRODUCE OF YOUR ENTIRE HARVEST. PROVERBS 3:9</p> <p>We believe we honor God through giving our time, talent & treasure towards His Church. Please consider how much God has loved you and pledge to give accordingly.</p>	<p>CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH 2020 PLEDGE CARD</p> <p>NAMES OF ALL YOUR FAMILY Making this pledge together: _____</p> <p>ADDRESS: _____ _____</p> <p>I/WE PLEDGE TO GIVE FOR 2020: Total \$ _____ per year</p> <p>We appreciate all forms of financial giving. Please consider giving online. Ask about REALM</p> <p>Signed: _____</p> 	<p>TEAR THIS PORTION AND KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS</p>  <p>Calvary Episcopal Church PLEDGE TO GIVE</p> <p>\$ _____ 2020 PLEDGE</p>
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The Calvary Endowment Fund

In December 2018 the Fund's balance was reported as \$660,021. Contributions to principal have occurred in 2019 by Vestry approval and as of December 30, our balance is \$756,590.

We need to see our Fund principal grow. To this end, the Endowment Fund Committee would like to invite everyone of all ages, to participate in a simple, brief fundraiser entitled "Pennies for Prosperity". Beginning now, bring in all those pesky pennies (and any other change you are inclined to have lying around), put them in the offering plate or the "Stewardship" chest at the reception desk and then watch our Fund balance grow. Tax receipts will be issued for wrapped coins. The best part is that everyone can participate!!

The Endowment Fund "interest earned" is, and will continue to be, a significant contributing fund for the operation of the church and the legacy of Calvary's future. Thank you for your support.

The Giving Update

Closing out our 2019 Year-to-date (YTD) giving, Pledges surged ahead by \$4,116, our Non-Pledges fell behind by \$3,249 and our Plate was behind by \$1,606. The level of "Charitable Fund" giving was significant, providing the buffer to compensate for differences and exceeded its budget by \$15,000. The year ended with a net negative of only \$3,851 with no necessary withdrawals from any of our investments or interest earned. Praise be to God!!

The emphasis on Pledged Giving was applied by members who spoke before Sunday services in Advent. We would like to especially thank JoAnn Martindale, Bob Lima, Jo Simpson, Greg Donham and all others who advocated making a financial commitment to God through supporting Calvary.

Everyone will receive their End-of-year, fourth quarter statements at the Annual Parish Meeting, and those who are unable to attend will receive in the mail. If you did not make a pledge for 2020, you will receive a card with your report. Please consider pledged giving as it provides consistency in our operation and helps us reach our goals.

Realm for Online Giving

More and more of our members are enjoying the convenience and ease of using Realm to make their donations to the Church. This button is located on the bottom of our website and almost all correspondences we email or mail to you. This is encouraged as it keeps our operation afloat on a much more consistent basis. You may set up routine donations and best of all, it bypasses all people internally in the office and goes straight to your account. You may also create your own user ID and password to access your records any day of the week and any hour of the day. It is truly a wonderful tool. Please ask us how to get set up.



Stewardship Chair appointed

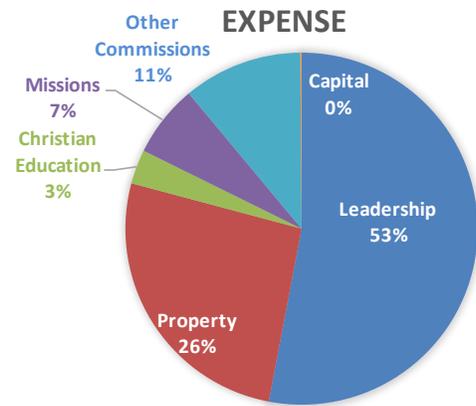
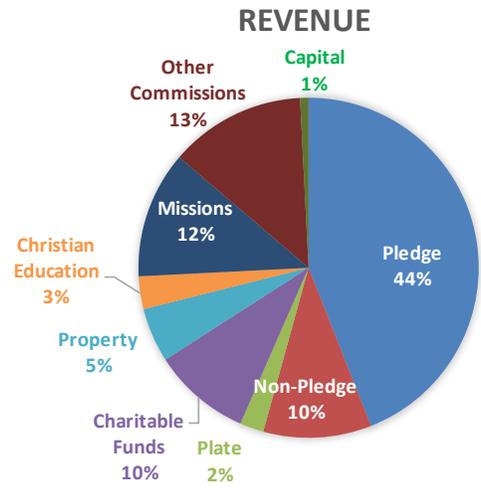
We always say Stewardship is something we do all year long, but by default it gets main attention in the month of December when financials are reporting the end of year results and when budgets are being prepared. Leading into Christmas, we feel prompted like the Magi to bring our gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. In order to create a more dependable and consistent approach to the art of stewardship, giving not only our "treasure," but of our "time" and "talent," Calvary has appointed Mrs. Rebecca Rogers as the Chair of Stewardship. If you would like to be on her committee, please contact her at bekcabo@gmail.com.



**Win this Bike at
Winterfest**
February 15
Our Church **BIG** Fundraiser
Buy your raffle Tickets

Summary of Financial Activity
(YTD Jan-Dec. 2019)

	Actual	Budget	Difference (+/-)
Revenue			
Pledge	\$191,616	\$187,500	\$4,116
Non-Pledge	\$44,751	\$48,000	(\$3,249)
Plate	\$9,894	\$11,500	(\$1,606)
Charitable Funds	\$40,700	\$25,000	\$15,700
Property	\$22,482	\$45,500	(\$23,018)
Christian Education	\$13,591	\$9,750	\$3,841
Missions	\$52,507	\$35,100	\$17,407
Other Commissions	\$56,344	\$42,255	\$14,089
Capital	\$3,470	\$6,000	(\$2,530)
Investments (Interest only)	\$25,103	\$20,000	\$5,103
Total Revenue	\$460,458	\$430,605	\$24,750
Expenses			
Leadership	\$242,675	\$256,587	(\$13,912)
Property	\$119,841	\$93,150	\$26,691
Christian Education	\$14,409	\$8,400	\$6,009
Missions	\$30,450	\$34,200	(\$3,750)
Other Commissions	\$50,090	\$35,260	\$14,830
Capital	\$516	\$20,000	(\$19,484)
Investments (Fees)*	\$6,328	\$6,300	\$28
Total Expenses	\$464,309	\$453,897	\$29,868
Difference	(\$3,851)	(\$23,292)	(\$5,118)



Please fulfill your 2020 pledge and prayerfully consider your commitment to help Calvary fulfill its mission.

Revenue is designated and non-designated for operation of the Church. Expenses listed are general categories of donation and expense. Missions is primarily the Food Pantry and Christian Education is primarily our Youth programs.* Investment Revenue & Expense vary on the Market with realized gains/losses and are currently managed by Merrill Lynch. Interest, not directed for operational use, has been reinvested in the Church Unrestricted and/or Endowment Fund only upon FC recommendation and Vestry approval, recorded in the minutes of each meeting. Minutes are available to online, at calvaryirb.org.

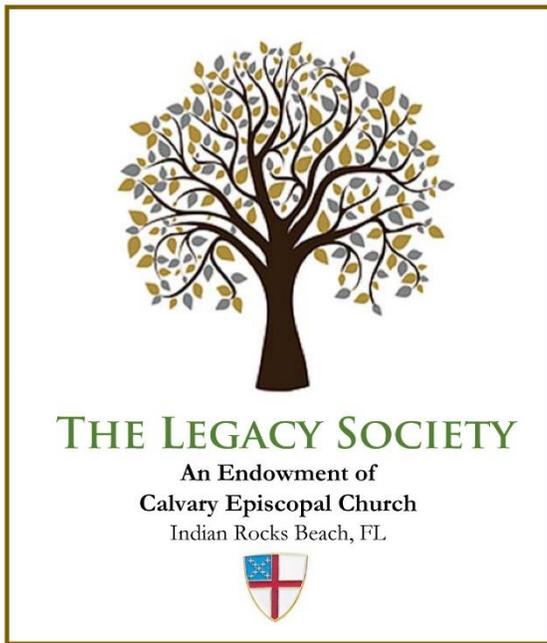
*The 2019 Budget allotted \$20,000 of Revenue to be withdrawn from a Church unrestricted investment fund to stabilize expenses for the year, to which was not necessary. Thanks to the "Charitable Funds" category we were able to stabilize our operation. Please note that our main expense related to three (3) Air Conditioners that needed to be replaced. Pledged income remains most helpful to create a budget and sustain our Church operation. Please fulfill your pledge by end of December. Please consider increasing your pledge for 2020.

The "Leadership" category maintains a 53% of total budget. This not only includes administrative "Staff" expenses but also our 10% required apportionment to the Diocese of Southwest Florida. A difference of (\$13,912) is due to moving the contracted bookkeeping expense to "Stewardship" and half a year's salary towards the Youth Director. Most churches average between 50-60% of expenses towards such administrative costs related to its stipended leadership.

Property Volunteers
Any day of the week
Volunteer to help
bobfpillima@tampabay.rr.com

Hospitality
On Sundays
Volunteer to
helpdhconlon27@gmail.com

Winterfest
February 15
Our Church BIG Fundraiser
Volunteer and start planning today!



The Legacy Society

Overall, Calvary's Endowment continues to grow. We entered 2019 with an Endowment Balance of \$660,021. Following the creation and adoption of a policy, the committee re-balanced its account with Merrill Lynch. The purpose of this re-balancing was to ensure our investment portfolio reflected our Christian values. Randall Marcum, our adviser, worked diligently with us to achieve this and meets with us regularly to review and advise. As of 31 Dec 2019, our investment is valued at \$794,964 This is due to a very strong US economy and the performance of the stock market.

Remember to bring in your 'Pennies for Posterity', and all coinage and we will add it directly to the Endowment Fund. Interest generated from this fund will provide us with the necessary revenue when there are capital repairs and improvements, or any other approved operational expense that cannot be afforded by our member pledge/non-

pledge/plate giving, along with Charitable Fund, Scholarships, fundraising and grants.

Estate Planning

A woman came into the CPA office hysterical. In tears she explained, for the past 40 years she cared for her invalid father. Her father always said she was to inherit everything. Now the State of Florida was going to give half of his estate to her sister. The sister who lives in California and who never even sent a Christmas card. Is it fair? Is it the fault of the State of Florida? No, the fault is her father. He never took the time to make a will. If you do not have a will the state can only assume you want all you relatives to share in your estate. Every state has law on how to distribute the deceased property where there is no will.

In this case the father only had a house and a checking account. The first choice and the best choice is to use an attorney especially one familiar with elder care. The checking account could be put in joint name. The house could have been transferred into an estate for life. An estate for life means that the home is her father's as long as he lives. The daughter cannot sell it. At the father's death the house would be transferred automatically to the daughter.

Let's say, instead the father had the home in Florida, a checking account, Certificates of Deposits and a vacation summer home in Wisconsin. This amounts of assets now requires an attorney. Each state has unique estate laws. Some states start taxing estates at \$60,000 and the tax rate depends on the relationship of the beneficiary to the deceased.

Every estate is unique. You have worked very hard over your lifetime. It should be your choice as to where and to whom those assets are distributed. Consulting an attorney especially one knowledgeable in elder care is a wise move. He can help you plan the distribution of your assets.

Planning is the secret to having your assets distributed as you wish.

Submitted by Bill Athanson, CPA & former Treasurer of Calvary

The Episcopal Church sees stewardship as more than simply contributing money to the church; it's also about contributing time and talents, and volunteering for ministry and mission. It's about reaching out to build relationships from a perspective of abundance instead of scarcity. ("What we Do" <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/stewardship>)

Connections

NEW NAMETAGS are Here. Submit a request to get yours today.
Please encourage Visitors wear on Sundays.
Good for Year-round residents and Seasonal residents at no charge!

The Church "By the Numbers" 2019

Supplied by Steve Hein (Data as of December 22nd)

This information may not include some new members received recently but will be in the next edition.

Our Church "Vitals"			12/22/2019		
167	52 %	Resident	23	7 %	Inactive
39	12 %	Seasonal	42	13 %	Related / Family
6	2 %	Elderly / Shut-in	0	0 %	Transferred out
28	9 %	New Members	7	2 %	Deceased
			8	2 %	Moved away
240 Total Active Members			80 Total Inactive Members		
Total Active and Inactive Members			320		
135	42 %	Seniors / 65+	142	44 %	Single
139	43 %	Midlife / 20 - 65	178	56 %	Married
46	14 %	Youth			
320 Total Age Demographic			320 Total Married / Single		

Calvary Member Directory

Calvary has a member directory that can be provided upon request but we need your help. At the Annual Parish Meeting, there will be a desk that has a draft of the directory, but you need to double check for accuracy. We also need your help to update newer photos. You may send your photo to admin@calvaryirb.org, or you may have Mr. Watson Roberts take your picture in our "Photo Booth" starting the end of February, TBA. Having updated photos is a great way to get to know one another so be ready to sign up for your picture when the time comes. Please tell Watson when you see him in church you can't wait for him to take your picture.



Connect spiritually and socially. "Like Us" on your social feeds in order to help us connect to more people and share the great things that are going on at Calvary.

Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries

If we missed your date or if there is need of correction, we apologize. Please notify the office. admin@calvaryirb.org



January Birthdays

1	Debbie Nowlan Phil Sims
2	Jim English
5	Danny Widell Patty Olsen
7	Debbie Thayer
9	Kacey Call
11	Jerry Call Susan Wenrick
12	Anne Roche
13	Julie Day
14	Keith Goodrich
14	Lorena Grizzle
17	Megan Oeste
18	Marilyn Clark
19	JD Call Madison Coker Scott Brown
24	Rich Deary Susan Brillat
25	Stuart Gordon
27	Billy Coker

February Birthdays

1	Saylor Clark
3	Lia King Bruce Westall
4	Judy Marshall
5	Polly Leibe
6	Ed Curran Fr. Mike Day Terry England Ann Matter Keith Oeste
8	Leslie Long Faith Cox
12	Lawrence Hite
13	Juliette Clark
21	Jay Snyder
22	Kim Heinicka Dylan Coker
23	Brenda Knickerbocker Terra Kingston
24	Kathy Cummings
26	Anne Brown
28	Leighton Spicer

March Birthdays

1	Valerie Lima
5	JoAnn Martindale
6	Mary Schock Watson Roberts
7	Jan Chabot
9	Kirby Nowlan
14	Karen Hillegas Elizabeth Krupitza
19	Sandra Bhagwandin
21	Melissa Willbee
31	Michael Porter

Anniversaries

January

- 2 Natalia & Gordon Ross
- 8 Rebecca & Sandy Rogers
- 13 Jane & Steve Small

February

- 5 Rebecca & Mike Alford
- 12 Leslie Long & Manuel Sosa
- 16 Susan & Bernd Koester

March

- 26 Judy & Derek Marshall



Tuesday, January 21, 9am-1pm join us for the Word Out conference at DaySpring and rev up your church's marketing and communications. For 2020, our theme will be "Telling Your Parish Story." We will have four speakers on hand (see bios and sessions below) to talk to us about the latest practical methods in sharing the news of your church.

Public Relations and the Parish
Content Marketing and Social Media
Your Church Brand and Its Brand Persona
Building a Parish Communications Roadmap

Church staffs and volunteers are all welcome to attend. Lunch is included. It is free. We have four great speakers, as well as some short sessions, also with practical advice.



Newly Married

We would like to announce the marriage of Mike & Cecily Benga (above). They were married by a minister on the beach, December 6th and held their reception at Calvary in the Parish Hall. Cecily is the daughter of Chuck and Peggy Pond.



We would also like to announce the marriage of Scharf and Georgia Turner (above right). Fr. Jon conducted a private wedding for the two of them, in our Chapel of the Holy Cross, on January 7th. Scharf and Georgia will enjoy residing in western Carolina and northern Florida, and of course, here at Calvary whenever they return. Scharf has been a member of Calvary for nearly ten years, and he and his wife, Kacy are fondly remembered. We now welcome Georgia into our church family, Please welcome the newly wedded and extend your congratulations.

Bake Sale

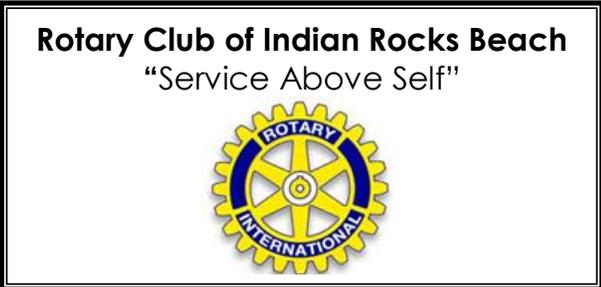
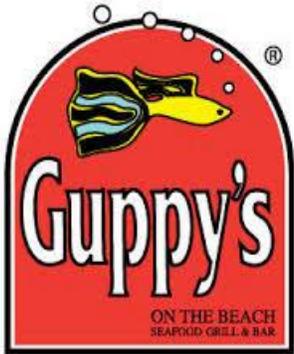
This is a reminder that our bake sale is around the corner. To date, we have been advertising for bakers to sign up via the e-blast weekly message. Please encourage parishioners to sign up as we do not have very many contributions listed on the reception desk signup sheet. If you have not signed up please do so. We will do all the preparations for the bake sale on Friday, the 14 at 1:00. If you can help with this that would be great. We assess all the baked items that folks have turned in and arrange them for display. We move our sales tables to the hallway and set up the coffee pot, cream, and sweeteners. Those baking items should price them but this does not always happen so we do this also.

Winterfest begins at 10:00 on Feb. 15

Let me know what hours you can work by emailing all your name and the time slot you are volunteering for. If you respond to all, then if we have too many in one slot others who have not signed up can pick a different time. If you cannot stay for a two-hour slot whatever time you contribute will be valued.

Please note we quit selling when we run out of items if this happens before the events designated ending time.

Community Partners



**Deadline for the March-April Crier:
February 15, 2020
Please send all pictures and articles to us by then.
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Not getting the Crier each month?

We strive to send out our information in a timely and efficient manner. If you have changed your email address, PLEASE let Lia King be aware, admin@calvaryirb.org

Meeting with the Rector

When making an appointment to see Father Jon, please do so in advance by either calling him (941/806-7232) or emailing him (jroberts@calvaryirb.org) making request for that meeting and including the purpose. He is available at almost all church events in the evenings and weekends and is usually on the Church campus during Office hours during the days/times listed here below.

Sundays
8am & 10am (Holy Eucharist)
10am-Afternoon (Church activities)
Monday – Thursday 9am – 2pm (Office hours)

