



# St. Mary's Parish



## Our Mission:

*"To know Christ and to make Him known."*

### Mass Schedule:

Monday through Saturday  
9:00 AM

Saturday Vigils  
5:00 PM  
7:30 PM

Sunday  
7:30 AM  
9:30 AM Family Mass  
(C.L.O.W. Sept. – May)  
11:30 AM Sung Mass

Holy Days: Announced

### Adoration Schedule:

First Fridays from  
9:30-10:30 AM

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**Dear Visitors:** Welcome! We are delighted that you chose to worship with us this day. Please introduce yourself to the priest, and if you are interested in becoming a member of the parish then please call the rectory to register. Please also be aware that for generations it has been the custom at St. Mary's to kneel together for a silent Hail Mary at the end of Mass. Please join in!

**Confession:** Saturdays from Noon – 12:45 PM in the church or anytime by appointment.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Any time by appointment. Please call as soon as you are aware of a serious illness or upcoming surgery.

**Baptism:** The 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month. To register for Baptism Preparation call 429-4427.

**Marriage:** Please call at least 6 months in advance of your desired wedding date.



# CHRISTMAS THANKS!

The heartfelt gratitude of our parish goes out to all those who made our St. Mary's Christmas 2017 celebrations so very beautiful!

The St. Mary's Adult, Youth, Children, and Contemporary Choirs under the direction of Juan Mesa and Leo Racine respectively, offered glorious music to herald the Savior's birth. Deacons Marty, John, and all the Altar Servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Ushers brought great reverence and faith to our Christmas Masses. At the Hall Mass, Debra Frey led our children in a beautiful and meaningful Nativity Pageant. Outdoors, the efforts of the St. Mary's Knights of Columbus, and Stumpy's Tree Service provided a grand light display, with the Knights also setting up the lower lights, Manger and Nativity scene.

Inside, the Paltrineri's handmade ribbons adorned our wreaths, Marilyn Lourandos, Bea Hait, Cindy Pratt, Katie Smith, and Tristan Torres oversaw the decoration of the church Christmas tree (also put up by the Knights), while Ann Connoni set up the Nativity scene before our altar. Bob Connoni, Mark and Will Harrington put up all the wreaths in the Church.

Eileen Kampersal and Meghan Robshaw assisted by Mary Theresa Whalen, Jenna and Nicholas Calabrese decorated the family tree in the Parish Center Lobby using all the lovely ornaments created several years ago by members of the Spirited Hands Craft Group. A wonderful team of many volunteers (too numerous to name) helped Najat Whalen, Linda Truitt, Marjorie Graham and Bea Hait arrange the poinsettias on the Altar and in Father Haley Hall.

The old adage that "many hands make light work" was certainly true this year as we were able to quickly change the church from the solemnity of Advent to the celebration of Christmas. A sincere thank you to everyone who helped out.

**On behalf of the retired priests of our Archdiocese, we thank everyone who contributed to the 2017 Christmas collection which came to \$20,577. While very grateful, it must be noted that this was a \$7,237 drop from last Christmas' 2016 collection which was \$27,814. This is a drop of 26% in a single year. (2015 was \$27,909). Given that we know our people value our retired priests, we surmise that this drop was caused by the bad weather Christmas Eve and Day.**

**Due to this being St. Mary's smallest Christmas Collection in 11 years, and the importance of this collection in the lives of our retired priests, we encourage anyone who may have been away from St. Mary's this Christmas, to please make their Christmas offering now. This may be done by mailing it to 8 Church Street, or placing it in any Mass collection. In either case, it must be in a separate envelope clearly labeled "Christmas Collection" in order to differentiate it from the parish offertory.**

**Anyone who did make a Christmas offering, but would like to do a little more in light of the shortfall, may do so in the same manner. Thank you for being there for our retired priests, who gave their lives in faithful service to God's people.**

We thank anyone we may have forgotten to mention here, and most especially we thank all of you who made our Christmas celebrations meaningful by your prayers and presence. May our celebration of Christ's birth bring us all a renewed faith and increase our longing for His return.





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January 7, 2018  
Feast of the Epiphany

Dear Members of the St. Mary's Parish Family,

On this Feast of Epiphany, we recall the Wise Men who arrived in Bethlehem following a long journey. Just so, every single one of us is on a journey home to God. Yesterday we celebrated the Funeral of Pat Zack, and Monday we will celebrate the Funeral of Bill Hosmer, both devout members of our Parish Family who have now completed their earthly journey. Just as the Wise Men *"entered the house and saw the child with Mary his mother,"* we pray that Pat and Bill will now see Jesus and Mary face to face. Just as the Wise Men were "overjoyed" at what they found in Bethlehem, so may Pat and Bill now experience that perfect joy and peace which we can only know when at last we go home to God.

Scripture tells us that the Wise Men brought gifts for the newborn Christ – Gold, to show that He was a King; Frankincense, used in worship, to show that He was God; and Myrrh, a funerary ointment, to show that Jesus was mortal, and that one day He would die to save us from our sins. The truest gifts are always sacrificial, requiring us to give of that which is most precious to us. We remember therefore on this Feast of Epiphany that Jesus was God's great gift to the world, His only and beloved Son.

The gift of Jesus is one that we are all called to share, particularly by our willingness to forgive others even as He has forgiven us by the shedding of His blood. Over and over again, the scriptures call on those who are "cherishing" anger and resentment in their hearts to turn these things over to God. Job 36:13 *"The godless in heart cherish anger; they do not cry for help."* Psalm 66:18 *"If I had cherished vengeance in my heart, the Lord would not have listened."* If on this Epiphany Sunday we are cherishing some grudge or enmity, holding it tight to us like a treasure, then that is the very gift that Jesus most desires us to lay down at His manger this year.

May the Lord of Our Journey continue to bless you and yours.

Under His Mercy,

Rev. Mark J. Coiro  
Pastor



P.S. Again this year St. Mary's is pleased to provide you with blessed Epiphany Chalk. This custom is a beautiful way to invite Jesus anew into your home and family. The procedure for blessing your home with Epiphany chalk is provided on the next page of the bulletin. Just wipe away the old year's chalk with soap and water to prepare.

## MASS OF THANKSGIVING

Next Sunday, January 14, our good friend Fr. Americo Santos will be celebrating a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Mary's at 11:30 AM. We have been trying to arrange this since Americo was ordained last May, and are glad a date was finally workable. Cake and coffee will follow in Father Haley Hall. As you know, Americo ministered as a transitional deacon here for one year. He is now serving as a Parochial Vicar in Most Holy Redeemer Parish in East Boston. Welcome back Padre Americo!



# EPIPHANY BLESSING OF THE HOME WITH CHALK

In the Middle Ages, it was customary for Catholics to bless their homes for the New Year on the Feast of the Epiphany. The family would walk in procession from room to room, the father carrying a plate with burning incense, the oldest son carrying holy water to sprinkle each room, the youngest child carrying a piece of chalk that had been blessed at Epiphany Mass that morning.

The chalk was used to inscribe the doorway to the family home with the New Year, three crosses, and the letters **C M B**. These letters are the initials of the three Wise Men that came bearing gifts to the Christ child on the first Epiphany – Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. In Latin, the letters also represent a prayer – “Christus Mansionem Benedicat”, “May Christ bless this house”.

The tradition of blessing the doorway with Epiphany chalk symbolizes the family’s commitment to welcome Christ into their home throughout the New Year. It is a beautiful reminder that every Catholic home should be a “little church” – a house of prayer where the presence of Christ is made visible, and from which His love shines forth into the neighborhood. Just as the three Wise Men welcomed Jesus at His birth, so too must we seek always to welcome Him into our homes and lives.

Again this year, St. Mary’s is pleased to provide blessed chalk at all Epiphany Masses. Each parish family is invited to take home a piece of chalk to inscribe the outside lintel or top of the door most frequently used to enter their house. The whole family should be assembled for the blessing.

## BLESSING OF THE HOME WITH CHALK

# 20 + C + M + B + 18

On the lintel of the door the leader writes:

Leader: **20** + In this New Year of Our Lord and God  
All: We honor Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Leader: **C** + May all who come to our house this year  
All: Find Christ living among us.

Leader: **M** + May our home be a place of faith  
All: A dwelling of goodness, love and peace.

Leader: **B** + Bless this house and all who inhabit it  
All: Fill us with a concern for others that we may reflect your love.

Leader: **18** In this year of Our Lord and God  
All: Bless all the members of this household and surround them with your protection.

Leader: Lord, God of heaven and earth, You revealed Your Only-Begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Grant that those who live in this house will be a light of truth and goodness. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

## PARISH STAFF:

Rev. Mark J. Coiro, Pastor  
 Rev. Jim Flynn, Weekend Assistance  
 The Xaverian Fathers, Weekend Assistance  
 Deacon John D. Barry, Permanent Deacon  
 Deacon Martin Breinlinger, Senior Deacon  
 Mrs. Fran Crespi, D.R.E., Grades K-7  
 Mr. Matthew Chick, D.R.E., Grades 8-12  
 Mr. Juan Mesa, Director of Music  
 Mr. Leo Racine, Director of Contemporary Music  
 Mrs. Mary Beth Harris, Parish Secretary  
 Mrs. Kim Lisbon, Religious Education Secretary  
 Ms. Mary Sanning, Business Manager  
 Mrs. Najat Whalen, Sacristan  
 Mr. James Koval, Parish Facilities  
 R & R Landscaping, Cemetery Care



**American  
Red Cross**

**K OF C BLOOD DRIVE:** The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Red Cross Blood Drive sponsored by the Knights of Columbus will be held on Saturday, January 20 from 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM in Fr. Haley Hall. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are encouraged. To schedule an appointment, contact 1-800-REDCROSS or [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and search by zip code (01746) in the "Search for Blood Drive" field. For more information, contact Rodman Burgett at 508-653-6130.

MUSIC	5:00 PM	9:30 AM	11:30 AM
Entrance	TM #20	TM #85	TM #85
Offertory	TM #28	#90	#90
Communion	#395	#89	#89
Recessional	TM #30	#91	#91

## LAST SUNDAY'S PARISH OFFERTORY:

Mass Collections: \$ 9,502.00  
 Automatic Giving: \$ 1,461.50  
 Total Offertory: \$ 10,963.00

**Offertory Shortfall Last Weekend: \$937.00**

Thank you for your faithful support of your parish each week. May God bless you!

**WISDOM FROM THE SAINTS:** *"What are you doing, O Magi? Do you adore a little Babe, in a wretched hovel, wrapped in miserable rags? Can this Child be truly God? ... Are you become foolish, O Wise Men ... Yes, these Wise Men have become fools that they may be wise."*

- Saint Bernard of Clairvaux

## PRAYERS AND MASS INTENTIONS:

**Saturday January 6**  
 9:00 Holy Souls  
 5:00 Dianne Gootman, 6<sup>th</sup> Anv.  
 7:30 Kathi McCumber  
**Sunday January 7**  
 7:30 People of St. Mary's  
 9:30 Lucia Gargano  
 11:30 Robert Turcotte, 10<sup>th</sup> Anv. & Marilyn Cleary, 5<sup>th</sup> Anv.  
**Monday January 8**  
 9:00 Cosme Perez  
 11:00 Funeral ~ Bill Hosmer  
**Tuesday January 9**  
 9:00 Paul Meany  
**Wednesday January 10**  
 9:00 Corey Tran  
**Thursday January 11**  
 9:00 Timothy Chapin  
**Friday January 12**  
 9:00 Daniel Wholey  
**Saturday January 13**  
 9:00 Msgr. Joseph T. Alves  
 5:00 Richard Burrows, 9<sup>th</sup> Anv.  
 7:30 Margaret Reddy  
**Sunday January 14**  
 7:30 People of St. Mary's  
 9:30 Gerald Roy  
 11:30 Mass of Thanksgiving



**THE ROSE FOR LIFE:** Is sponsored this week by the Murphy Family. Please join them in prayer for an unborn child.



**DONUTS, JUICE AND COFFEE:** The Welcoming Committee invites all parishioners and their families to stop into Father Haley Hall after the 9:30 AM Mass TODAY, January 7, for donuts, juice and coffee. Members of the Parish Council will be available if you want to share any thoughts or ideas regarding the Parish.

**2018 CORI RENEWAL ALERT:** All active volunteers (17 years and older) must complete a 2018 CORI. Forms are being sent out to all volunteers via Constant Contact as an attachment. If you have access to a printer, you may fill them in at home and come to the Religious Education Office for verification and signature. You will need to show a photo ID and place your driver's license number on the form. Bring your completed CORI form to the RE office or to a Staff member. CORI forms are available on the table outside the Religious Education Office.



**WINGS (*Women in God's Spirit*):** Please join us this Wednesday, January 10 when Saint Mary's Director of Religious Education, Mrs. Fran Crespi, kicks off the Winter Season. Fran reminds us that "as we read Scripture it is important to invite the Holy Spirit to guide us to understand the knowledge God wants to impart to us. Each person may have their own revelation of truth as God speaks to them. This is the amazing miracle of Sacred Scripture". Please join us for our winter season, whether you can attend each week or just some weeks. WINGS meets on Wednesday mornings from 9:30 – 11:15 AM in Father Haley Hall. Nurturing childcare is available. For information on WINGS call Linda at 508-893-7919.



**ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITY:** "We know that God wants his children to be happy in this world too, even though they are called to fulfillment in eternity for he has created all things for our enjoyment..." (#182). These are words of Pope Francis in his 2013 apostolic exhortation *The Joy of the Gospel*. Join a reading and discussion group about this work and you will learn more about God's call. The group will meet on six consecutive Thursday evenings, beginning on January 4. Leo Racine (429-7476) will be the group facilitator; call him for more information or to register.



**ST. MARY'S HAS A NEW WEBSITE FOR THE NEW YEAR:** Happy New Year from St. Mary's! May 2018 be for you and your loved ones a year blessed by peace, health, and many beautiful graces from Our Lord. Last weekend St. Mary's launched her brand-new website. We loved our old one designed nine years ago, but it was largely incompatible with the hand-held devices that so many people now use. Check out St. Mary's New Website at: <http://www.stmarysholliston.com/> If you notice any new website "hiccups" please alert us. Happy New Year!

**MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP:** Our next Meeting is Sunday, January 28 from 6:30 – 8:30 PM, a half hour longer because of the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Battle of the Sexes. There will be faith, friendship, fun, and signups for the February Vacation week trips to SkyZone and Boda Borg! All 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Graders are welcome! Please pick up your containers from the Cookie Walk in the Lower Church.

**EPIC HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY:** Our next EPIC nights are Wednesday, January 17 and Sunday, January 21 in Fr. Haley Hall from 7:30 to 8:45 PM. The next EPIC event is My Brother's Table on Sunday, January 28. Details to follow in email! Please join us for faith, fun and fellowship in 2018. Open to students in grade 9 to 12. Please contact Matthew Chick at [stmarysym1870@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysym1870@gmail.com) with questions.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION:** The Transformed in Love Marriage Preparation Program will be offered at St. Mary's Parish in Holliston on Saturday, February 10 and Saturday, February 17, from 9 AM - 5 PM. Learn the latest in researched practical skills for great communication, gain a deeper understanding of marriage as a Sacrament and vocation, learn fertility awareness and its application in family planning, consider how differences in personality can be used as a source of strength in your relationship, and more! Register at: [www.bostoncatholic.org/marriageministries](http://www.bostoncatholic.org/marriageministries).

**TAX STATEMENTS:** Tax statements for fiscal year 2017 are currently being prepared and will be mailed out in the coming weeks. If you have any questions regarding your statement please call the rectory at 429-4427. St. Mary's is grateful to both those who faithfully use Our Sunday Visitor envelopes and those who use direct banking. If using envelopes, please remember to write the enclosed amount on the outside. If this is done, the money counters only have to verify the contents. If it is not done, then they also have to write the amount for you, which adds substantially to the time needed to count the collection for deposit. Thank you for helping our volunteers!



**HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE:** A Holy Hour for Life will be held on Thursday, January 18 at 7:30 PM in the Church. The Holy Hour is part of the Archdiocesan observance of the National Day of Prayer and Penance marking the anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision legalizing abortion on demand. This Holy Hour will be held at parishes throughout the Archdiocese to pray for safe travel and a successful pilgrimage to Washington DC for all those attending the annual March for Life.

Our Holy Hour, led by Deacon John, will include Adoration, praise and worship. We will pray together for those who have been wounded by abortion, for respect for the dignity of human life from conception to natural death, and that those who govern us may be guided by justice, truth, and a love for the gift of life. The Holy Hour for Life, held in parishes throughout the greater Boston area, is organized by Boston Deacons for Life in collaboration with the Pro Life Office of the Archdiocese of Boston. Please join us, all are welcome.

**POPE FRANCIS ON THE EPIPHANY:** “Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we have observed his star in the East, and have come to worship him” (Mt 2:2). With these words, the Magi, come from afar, tell us the reason for their long journey: they came to worship the newborn King. To see and to worship. These two actions stand out in the Gospel account. We saw a star and we want to worship.

These men saw a star that made them set out. The discovery of something unusual in the heavens sparked a whole series of events. The star did not shine just for them, nor did they have special DNA to be able to see it. As one of the Church Fathers rightly noted, the Magi did not set out because they had seen the star, but they saw the star because they had already set out (cf. Saint John Chrysostom). Their hearts were open to the horizon and they could see what the heavens were showing them, for they were guided by an inner restlessness. They were open to something new.



The Magi thus personify all those who believe, those who long for God, who yearn for their home, their heavenly homeland. They reflect the image of all those who in their lives have not let their hearts become anesthetized. A holy longing for God wells up in the heart of believers because they know that the Gospel is not an event of the past but of the present. A holy longing for God helps us keep alert in the face of every attempt to reduce and impoverish our life. A holy longing for God is the memory of faith, which rebels before all prophets of doom. That longing keeps hope alive in the community of believers, which from week to week continues to plead: “Come, Lord Jesus”.

This same longing led the elderly Simeon to go up each day to the Temple, certain that his life would not end before he had held the Saviour in his arms. This longing led the Prodigal Son to abandon his self-destructive lifestyle and to seek his father's embrace. This was the longing felt by the shepherd who left the ninety-nine sheep in order to seek out the one that was lost. Mary Magdalen experienced the same longing on that Sunday morning when she ran to the tomb and met her risen Master.

Longing for God draws us out of our iron-clad isolation, which makes us think that nothing can change. Longing for God shatters our dreary routines and impels us to make the changes we want and need. Longing for God has its roots in the past yet does not remain there: it reaches out to the future. Believers who feel this longing are led by faith to seek God, as the Magi did, in the most distant corners of history, for they know that there the Lord awaits them. They go to the peripheries, to the frontiers, to places not yet evangelized, to encounter their Lord. Nor do they do this out of a sense of superiority, but rather as beggars who cannot ignore the eyes of those who for whom the Good News is still uncharted territory ...

**Read the complete homily at:**

[http://en.radiovaticana.va/news/2017/01/06/the\\_popes\\_homily\\_on\\_the\\_feast\\_of\\_the\\_epiphany/1283919](http://en.radiovaticana.va/news/2017/01/06/the_popes_homily_on_the_feast_of_the_epiphany/1283919)

**CLOW- CHILDREN K-6:** Today, Sunday, January 7, the children will remain in the church with Fr. Mark and learn what Jesus teaches us in the Gospel reading.

#### WEEK'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

DAY	GRADE	GRADE
Sun., Jan. 07	GR-2 at 8:10 AM	GR-3 at 7:55 AM
	GR-2 at 10:45 AM	GR-3 at 10:45 AM
	GR-6 at 2:00 PM	GR-7 at 5:30 PM
Mon., Jan. 08	GR-3 at 3:00 PM Mrs. Butler's Class	GR-4 at 3:00 PM
	GR-8 at 6:00 PM	
Tues., Jan 09	GR-3 at 4:00 PM Mrs. Browne's Class	GR-5 at 4:00 PM
	GR-10 at 6:30 PM	
Wed., Jan. 10	GR-2 at 4:15 PM	GR-8 at 6:00 PM
	GR-9 at 4:45 PM	
Thu., Jan 11	GR-10 at 6:30 PM	
Sun., Jan. 14	NO CLASSES	
Mon., Jan. 15	NO CLASSES	

**GRADE 6 SAFETY SESSION:** Our Grade 6 Safety Session will be held today, Sunday, January 7 from 2 – 3 PM in Fr. Haley Hall. All Grade 6 students on Sun., January 7, Monday, January 8, Tuesday, January 9 and Wednesday, January 10 will attend this session presented by Mrs. Catherine Mitchell. There will be only one opportunity to have this presentation. Parents are always welcome to attend.

**GRADE 7 CHASTITY PROGRAM:** Tonight, Sunday, January 7, Linda Thayer, our guest speaker, will address the importance of chastity in the Christian view of human sexuality with the Grade 7 students. All Sunday and Wednesday students are required to attend. Parents are welcome to attend. Presentation is in Fr. Haley Hall.

**GRADES 3– 6 COORDINATOR /TEACHER MTG:** On Monday, January 29 at 7:15 PM there will be a Coordinator meeting in RM 3-4 to discuss the events and class activities for the second half of the year. This is an important meeting.

**DATE CHANGE -GRADE 3 PARENT ROSARY MAKING PROJECT:** The new date is Saturday, February 10 from 10 – 11 AM in RM 3 – 4 of the center. Parents and teachers are asked to help make Rosary kits for the Grade 3 children. This is a hands on activity requiring lots of patience and good conversation. We will need your help in preparing the kits for the Grade 3 general session scheduled for Monday, April 9.

**PERSONAL CARE ATTENDANT (PCA) NEEDED:** Call Cathy Disciullo at 508-429-4990 if you can assist her three days a week.

**GRADE 9 RETREAT – WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2018:** Student selection Retreat Cards are to be sent to Matt Chick. This Wednesday, January 10, students attending the Grade 9 retreat are to report to Fr. Haley Hall by 4:45 PM. The retreat ends at 9:00 PM. Please contact Matt Chick with any questions regarding the retreat at [stmarysym1870@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysym1870@gmail.com) or by calling 508-429-6076.

**CONFIRMATION I AND II:** Grade 10 meets on Tuesday, January 9 and Thursday, January 11 at 6:30 PM in Fr. Haley Hall.

#### 2018 CORI RENEWAL ALERT FOR ALL

**VOLUNTEER MINISTRIES:** Ministry Leaders are to make sure that **all** their active volunteers (18 years and older) renew and complete a 2018 CORI. These forms must be completed each year. Forms are being sent out to all known volunteers via Constant Contact as an attachment. If you have access to a printer, you can print out the CORI form, complete both sides, sign it, scan it in along with a copy of your license and send it back via Email it to: [st.marysre1870@gmail.com](mailto:st.marysre1870@gmail.com). The other option is to stop by the R.E. office and complete the form and present a photo ID such as your license or passport. Your driver's license number needs to be on the completed form.

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION:** The second part of the *EPIC* twenty session series on Church History will resume on Tuesday, January 9 at 10:00 AM in Room 3 – 4.



#### R.E. CLASS SNOW CANCELLATIONS:

When Holliston public schools are closed due to inclement weather, religious education classes will not be held. Weather cancellations will be aired on Channel 5 and Channel 7 during the week day and on Channel 4 on Saturday & Sunday only. You can also call the R.E. Office at 508-429-6076 and press ext. 28 for cancellation notices.

#### GRADE 5 CHRISTIAN SEXUALITY WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS:

There will be three dates available for parents to view the Grade 5 Sexuality program that has been offered at St. Mary's for over 25-years. Parents can review the material and decide if their child is ready to participate in the student workshop offered on Saturday, March 17. The parent workshop dates are: Sunday, Jan. 21 from 3 – 4 PM, Saturday, Jan. 27 from 10 – 11 AM, and Thursday, Feb. 1 from 7 – 8 PM. All workshops will be held in Room 3 – 4 in the Religious Education Center.

**COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS:** Tuesday, January 16, at 7:45 PM in the Library.