

**Church of Our Father  
Weekly Announcements  
December 22, 2017**



**Sunday, December 24**

8:30 am- Morning Prayer, 9 am –Advent Study, 10 am Holy Eucharist Rite II ~ **4th Sunday of Advent**  
4 pm - **Christmas Eve Eucharist**

*This Sunday a.m. and we collect for the Priest in charge Discretionary Fund to support needs in our Parish and community. Please send in your end of quarter pledges! If you have pledged for 2018, we thank you! Every amount you give helps us to plan for God's work and ministry at our church in 2018*

**!!!! This Sunday, after the 10 am service at COOF any volunteers able to stay to help decorate for the 4 pm service would be appreciated!!!!**

**Monday, December 25, 2017**

10 am Holy Eucharist Rite II – **Christmas Day**

**Beginning January 7, 2018 every Sunday we will offer Holy Eucharist Rite I at 8 am and Holy Eucharist Rite II at 10 am services**

✦ **The Rev. John Allison; The Rev. Mary Carol-Griffin, Deacon; Tony Sousa~ Pianist**  
**Eucharistic Visitors: 24<sup>th</sup> - Dick & Nancy Salisbury/ 25<sup>th</sup> - Mike Bullard**  
**Altar Guild - 10 am: Sue Olson & Joanne Sousa**

	<b>10 am Greeters/ Ushers</b>	<b>Hospitality</b>	<b>10 am Acolytes</b>	<b>Tellers</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	<b>Lectors</b>
<b>December 24 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent 10 am</b>	David & Audrey Mills	Coffee Only Snacks Welcome	<b>Crucifer/ Server</b> Mike Bullard <b>Gospel</b> Liz Libby	Barbara Linscott Sue Olson	Sue Olson Dick Salisbury	<b>2 Samuel 7:1-11,16:</b> Wendy Copson-Higgins <b>Romans 16:25-27:</b> Liam Higgins <b>POP IV:</b> Marilyn Kitler
<b>December 24 Christmas Eve 4 pm</b>	Barbara Craighead Gina Farnsworth	Home for Dinner	<b>Crucifer/ Server</b> Carol Johnston <b>Gospel</b> Mike Bullard	Dick Salisbury Sue Olson	Gail Leland Mike Bullard	<b>Isaiah 9: 2-7:</b> tbc <b>Titus 2:11-14:</b> tbc
<b>December 25 Christmas Day 10 am</b>	Dick & Nancy Salisbury	No Coffee Hour Happy Birthday, Jesus	<b>Crucifer/ Server</b> Mike Bullard <b>Gospel</b> Carol Johnston	Mike Bullard Sue Olson	Mike Bullard	<b>Isaiah 52:7-10:</b> tbc <b>Hebrews 1:1-4:</b> tbc

**Christmas Eve 4 pm Readings:**

*Isaiah 9: 2-7; Psalm 96; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-14, [15-20]*

**Christmas Day Readings:**

*Isaiah 52:7-10; Psalm 98; Hebrews 1:1-4; John 1:1-14*

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Christmas Day Readings:**

*Isaiah 61:10-62:3; Psalm 147; Galatians 3:23-25;4:4-7; John 1:1-18*

**Services at the Partnership Parishes:**

**St. Andrew & St. John**

*The Rev. Kathleen Killian (718) 775-6069 Southwest Harbor, Church Office (244-3229)*

[www.saintsmdi.org](http://www.saintsmdi.org) The church office is open from Monday- Thursday

**Sundays**—9:00 a.m. Eucharist at St. John the Divine

**Tuesdays** — 4:00 pm—Meditation

**Thursdays**—12:00 noon—Saint of the day & Healing Prayer Eucharist

**Fridays** - 1 pm Mahjong

**St Dunstan**

*The Rev. Johanna-Karen Johannson, Priest; The Rev. Joan Preble, Deacon Ellsworth,*

*207-667-5495 [www.St.DunstansEllsworth.org](http://www.St.DunstansEllsworth.org)*

**Sundays** - 8 and 10 am Eucharist (with Sunday School)

**Wednesdays** - 6 pm Eucharist

**St Mary & St Jude**

*\*St. Mary's Chapel 5 Kimball Rd. Northeast Harbor • Closed for renovation*

*The Rev. Jane Cornman P.O. Box 105, 20 South Shore Dr. Northeast Harbor Maine 04662*

*Tel: 207-276-5588 Fax: 207-276-3220 E-mail: [ssmaryjudemdi@gmail.com](mailto:ssmaryjudemdi@gmail.com)*

**Sundays** - Worship - 9 am

**Thursdays** - 10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry: All are welcome!

**St. Saviour**

*The Rev. Tim Fleck. St. Saviour's, Bar Harbor 207-288-4215 [www.stsaviours.me](http://www.stsaviours.me)*

**Sundays**—7:30 and 10:00 a.m. Eucharist

**Tuesdays and Thursdays**, 8:30am—Morning Prayer

**Wednesdays**, 12:00 noon—Saint of the day & Healing Prayer Eucharist

**This Week's Birthday**

12/25 Carol Johnston

**Fr. John's Office Hours are:**

✦ Tuesday, 11am-2pm

✦ Wednesday, 9 am—Noon

✦ Thursday, Noon-2 pm

*Out of the office every third Thursday for Ministry meetings)*

✦ Friday, Noon-2 pm

Additional hours by appointment

Call **207-669-2033**

E-mail: [fr.jallison@gmail.com](mailto:fr.jallison@gmail.com)

You may reach **Lena** via e-mail

**ShalomCOOF@gmail.com**

You may text or call her at:

**207-469-8872**

**Reminder – This month the MDI Joint Partnership Worship meets as unified parishes  
Held at St. John in SWH December 31, 2017 at 10 am**

**Advent & Christmas at St. Saviour's**

**The Holy Eucharist**  
**Sundays at 7:30 (spoken) & at 10:00 am (sung)**  
**Wednesdays at 12 noon**

**Morning Prayer**  
**Tuesdays & Thursdays at 8:30 am**

**ADVENT IV**  
**Sunday, December 24 at 10 am**  
**Rite 1 Eucharist**

**Christmas Eve**  
**Sunday, December 24**  
**Family Eucharist at 4:00 pm**  
**Festal Eucharist at 10:00 pm**

**Christmas Day**  
**Monday, December 25 at 10:00 am**  
**Rite II Eucharist**

**41 Mt. Desert Street, Bar Harbor**  
**[www.StSaviours.me](http://www.StSaviours.me)**  
**St. Saviour's is handicap accessible**

**At St Saviours for Christmas Day Dinner**

You are invited to our annual Christmas day dinner. This dinner is especially for parishioners, couples or singles, who might otherwise be alone on Christmas day because their families are dispersed or unavailable. Don't spend Christmas alone. Join us at 1 pm Christmas day for good food and fellowship in the Rectory Common dining room. Ham, turkey and potatoes are provided, while attendees provide side dishes, appetizers or desserts. It's also BYOB. If you are interested, please contact me, Linda Foster. I can be reached at home at 288 2720, email at [linda@foster.net](mailto:linda@foster.net) or by text at 207 412 9700. Hope you will join us for this event.

**COOF Annual Meeting will be Sunday January 21, 2018**  
**Please Submit Annual Report items via e mail by Jan 2, 2018**

*Please send us your e-mail address  
if you would like to receive Father John's Publication of a  
"Weekly Update" Via e-mail-[shalomcoof@gmail.com](mailto:shalomcoof@gmail.com)*

Available to view online at [www.churchofourfather.org](http://www.churchofourfather.org)  
or on our [Facebook](#) Page

We invite you to listen to our **YouTube** Channel  
And sermons by The Rev. John Allison  
Which will be posted weekly on our church  
web site and Facebook pages  
Follow this link to listen  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZXD7IPUtBoY&t=10s>

Please pick up your printed copy of  
the Updated Church Member Directory.

Ask for a PDF copy via e-mail

*(for purposes such as,  
To reference in case you misplace  
the printed copy)*

**Ministry Coordinators,  
please e-mail Lena the  
January Laborers Positions  
and Newsletter insertions  
as soon as possible,  
as the New Year is upon us!**

**COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS**

**Friday, December 22, 2017**

- **Holiday High Tea**, 3 p.m., Woodlawn. \$22 Woodlawn members; \$25 nonmembers. Admission includes cost of museum visit. Reservations/info: 667-8671 or [www.woodlawnmuseum.com](http://www.woodlawnmuseum.com)
- **Live Nativity**, 5:30-7 p.m., First Baptist Church of Blue Hill. Carol singing plus hot chocolate and cookies for visitors

**Saturday, December 23, 2017**

- **Contra Dance**, 6:30 p.m., Jesup Memorial Library. The Big Moose Band will perform. \$8 requested donation for adults; \$25 for families  
Info: 288-4245.

**Sunday, December 24, 2017**

- **Weekly Popover Service** 9 a.m. – noon Common Good Café, 19 Clark Point Road, Southwest Harbor. Live music will be provided. For info Call 266-2733
- **5 pm Connection Church Welcomes all to a Candlelight Christmas Eve Service** at Christian Ridge Church Christian Ridge Rd Ellsworth,
- **Christmas Eve Service, 5 p.m.**, St. Francis by the Sea Episcopal Church. Potluck to follow.
- **Community Candlelight Christmas Eve Service**, 7 p.m., Union Congregational Church. All are welcome. Info: 422-3100.

**Monday, December 25, 2017 – Merry Christmas!**

- **Free Community Meal, "Everybody Eats"** 3 p.m., St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church, 134 State Street, Ellsworth 3 p.m. All are welcome. Info: 667-5495.
- **Alanon Noon**, in the Rectory Library at St Saviour's Bar Harbor
- **AA 7 pm** in the Parish Hall at St Saviour's Bar Harbor

**Tuesday, December 26, 2017**

- **12 Step at Noon** in the Rectory Library, at St Saviour's Bar Harbor
- **Vacation Matinee, "The Boss Baby,"** 1 p.m., The Grand. \$1. Info: 667-9500 or visit [www.grandonline.org](http://www.grandonline.org)
- **Film, "Goodbye Christopher Robin,"** 6 p.m., The Grand. All tickets \$5. Info: 667-9500 or [www.grandonline.org](http://www.grandonline.org)
- **Jazz Concert, 7 p.m.**, Bagaduce Music Lending Library Performance Hall. Featuring Joseph Boulet (drums), Yvonne Rogers (piano) and Ross Gallagher (bass). \$15 adults; \$5 students. Info: 374-5454.

**Wednesday, December 27, 2017**

- **AA Noon** in the Parish Hall at St Saviour's Bar Harbor
- **Smoking Cessation Talk, "Making a Quit Plan,"** 4:30 p.m., Cadillac Medical Building, Mount Desert Island Hospital. Speaker is MDI Hospital Community Health Educator Kathy Mulligan. Info/registration: 801-5034 or [KMulligan@mdihospital.org](mailto:KMulligan@mdihospital.org).
- **The Welcome Table Free Community Meal** 3-6 p.m., First Congregational Church of Ellsworth, 2 Church St, All are welcome. Info: 479-7294.
- **Southwest Harbor Drama Club Meeting**, 5 p.m., Southwest Harbor Public Library. Group will read "Scotland Road" by Jeffrey Hatcher. Info: Joe Marshall, 735-7322 or [joe@jmarshallarts.com](mailto:joe@jmarshallarts.com).

**Thursday, December 28, 2017- Thanksgiving Day**

- **Community Lunch**, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Common Good Cafe. Admission by donation. Info: 244-9897.
- **Film, "Despicable Me 3,"** 7 p.m., The Grand. All tickets \$5. Info: 667-9500 or [www.grandonline.org](http://www.grandonline.org).

**Next Week...Friday, December 29, 2017**

- **Second Chance Wine Tasting, 4-7 p.m.**, House Wine. Info: 288-1200
- **Film, "Despicable Me 3,"** 7 p.m., The Grand. All tickets \$5. Info: 667-9500 or [www.grandonline.org](http://www.grandonline.org).



Many Thanks for all who made contributions and helped decorate for the Holy-Days !!!!

The poinsettias and greens  
in the nave and chancel  
have been given to the Glory of God



**In thanksgiving for:**

"Family & friends"	Barbara Craighead
"The gift of our family"	Carol & Gail Leland
"God's many blessings"	Nancy Lombardi

**In loving memory of:**

"Margaret Delehanty"	Jane Adams
"My mother, Bobbie"	Jen Caeti
"Owen Craighead"	Barbara Craighead
"Joe & Hana Libitzki", "Dorothy M. Graves", "William & Shirley Krenecki", "Malcom & Mary Graves"	The Krenicki & Libitzki Families
"The Life of Gary Stanley"	Carol & Gail Leland
"Steen Meryweather, A. Rudolph & Rachel W. Nordgren"	Janet Meryweather

**Community Meals**

**Everybody Eats for Free**

Location: St. Dunstan's Church (enter around back), 134 State Street, Ellsworth  
Days and Hours: Mondays (3-6pm)  
Services: Free meal, eat-in or take-out  
Donations: Drop off Mondays (11am-3pm)  
Contact: Marion or David Wells, Ron King, Valerie Kenney ~ 664-3568 or [valeriekenney19@yahoo.com](mailto:valeriekenney19@yahoo.com)

**The Welcome Table**

Location: First Congregational Church, 2 Church Street, Ellsworth  
Days and Hours: Wednesdays (3-6pm)  
Services: Free meal, eat-in or take-out  
Donations: Wednesdays (11am-3pm; can meet earlier in the day if necessary). If doesn't need refrigeration, can drop off at church office on Tuesdays.  
Contact: Kara Ibarguen ~ 565-3674 or [krowholla@gmail.com](mailto:krowholla@gmail.com)

**Common Good Soup Kitchen**

Location: 566 Seawall Rd, Southwest Harbor  
Days and Hours: Winter, 1 meal a week; Thursdays (12-2pm) and Saturday (6-9pm);  
Summer every day (7:30-11:30am) breakfasts, donation only  
Services: Soup and Salad, distribute soups, live music  
Donations: Wednesday and Thursday mornings are best, but pickups can be arranged at other times  
Contact: Larry Stettner ~ 266-2733; Arnold Weisenberg ~ 244-0632; Soup Kitchen ~ 244-3007 or [commongoodsoup@gmail.com](mailto:commongoodsoup@gmail.com)



**COFFEE'S ON !  
Senior Coffee House**

**Beginning Tuesday November 7th, 2017  
9:30-11:30**


**\*\*New Location\*\*  
YWCA MDI  
36 Mount Desert Street, Bar Harbor**

Bring a friend and enjoy coffee, tea, snacks, and simply catching up with friends while making some new ones.

**If you need transportation, please call Doreen Willett with Island Connections at 288-4457**

**Host Organizations:**  
November 7th - Island Connections  
November 21st - Bar Harbor Bank & Trust  
December 5th - Birch Bay Village  
December 19th - MDI/Ellsworth Housing Authority  
January 2nd - Jesup Memorial Library  
January 16th - Harbor House Community Center  
February 6th - Mount Desert Nursing Association  
February 20th - Lynam Insurance Agency  
March 6th - St. Andrew & St. Johns, St. Saviour's & Church of Our Father  
March 20th - First National Bank  
April 3rd - Bar Harbor Congregational Church  
April 17th - At Home MDI





Families First Community Center  
501(c)(3) Organization  
P.O. Box 951, Ellsworth, ME 04605

For consideration:

**Families First Community Center**

Families First Community Center has received a \$1,000 grant from the Yoakum Fund of the Maine Community Foundation for general support at the recommendation of Alice B. Yoakum.

"This generous grant will certainly help the workers keep warm and the pipes from freezing inside the home this winter as renovations begin," said Dawn Carter Coffin, FFCC Board President. "We are in the unfortunate position of having to renovate in the cold weather and this will definitely help us! We are indeed indebted to Ms. Yoakum!"

Renovations are about to begin on the big farmhouse at 41 North Street in Ellsworth. As soon as they are finished, FFCC can begin to house homeless families with children and teach them the skills needed to become self-sufficient.

For more information, to donate funds or materials, or to volunteer for renovations or hospitality (feeding the workers), call 460-3711, mail PO Box 951 in Ellsworth, email [familiesfirstellsworth@gmail.com](mailto:familiesfirstellsworth@gmail.com) or visit [www.familiesfirstellsworth.org](http://www.familiesfirstellsworth.org), [www.facebook.com/Families-First-Community-Center-1007010682682336/](https://www.facebook.com/Families-First-Community-Center-1007010682682336/), [www.ebay.com/usr/ffccellsworth](https://www.ebay.com/usr/ffccellsworth)  
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