

# The Net

St. Andrew's Anglican Church

January 31, 2021

## St Andrew's begins Blessing Box ministry

*For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me.*

— Matthew 25:35

2020 was a difficult year for many people in our area. The number of people facing food insecurity and hunger in our area has grown dramatically because of COVID-19. In a January 10 article, the Columbus Dispatch reported the number of new families visiting food banks between March 1 and Dec. 31, 2020, increased 26 percent. And 11 percent of all Ohio households reported they sometimes did not have enough to eat in the previous seven days between Nov. 25 and Dec. 7 (compared to 12.7 percent nationwide), according to data from the U.S. Census Bureau.

St. Andrew's is responding to this need by installing a Blessing Box in the northwest corner of our parking lot to help anyone who might be experiencing the need for food. A Blessing Box is for anyone in the community to give what they can and take what they need. At this time we are stocking the box with non-perishable food items but hope to expand to personal care items in the future.

To make this a success we need everyone to participate at whatever level they can, including getting the word out via Facebook, etc. We have contacted neighboring churches, as well as local fire and police stations, to let them know that if someone shows up who is in need of food they are welcome to make use of our Blessing Box.

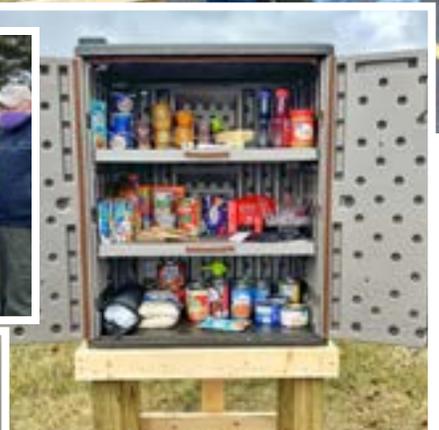
Parishioners can also help by checking the box and restocking if needed. We would ask that you avoid putting chips, cookies, candy, etc. in the box. If you re-stock please say a prayer for anyone who might need the food in the box. We hope that through the Blessing Box we can minister to members of our community who are in need.

Suggested donations include:

- peanut butter
- canned pasta and soup
- canned fruit
- canned meat (tuna, chicken, beef, turkey)
- pasta and sauce
- macaroni and cheese (add-water kind only)
- individual packets of instant oatmeal

Healthy snacks such as granola bars, pudding cups, individual packets of Teddy Graham's, and cocoa and juice boxes would also be appreciated.

Please, no glass containers at this time because the freezing and thawing could cause the glass to break. Cans with pop



At top right, Fr. Shane Tucker and Blessing Box Ministry team members Jackie and Jim Menke and Jim Thomas stand by the new Blessing Box, made by Fr. Shane, which is located in the northwest corner of our parking lot; and above left, Fr. Shane blesses the box. Other ministry members are Dan and Robin Field; Pat Schmidt; and Bill and Debbie Sterling.

tops are also encouraged because people might not have access to a can opener.

If you have any questions please contact Jackie Menke at [jwmenke@me.com](mailto:jwmenke@me.com). And be sure to watch "The Net" and our weekly email for information as this ministry evolves!

Hey, ministry leaders, please remember that your 2020 reports for inclusion in the Annual Parish Report are due by Sunday, Feb. 14! Report forms are available by [clicking here](#). Please contact Judy Baird at 740-548-5112, ext. 3 or [jbaird@standrewspolaris.org](mailto:jbaird@standrewspolaris.org) with any questions.

## A note about winter weather cancellations

Please remember to check our website and social media before heading out for events and activities at the church if weather conditions are deteriorating, if roads are in poor driving condition, or if there are snow emergencies in Delaware or Franklin counties. Please note that all events and activities at the church are canceled if there is a Level 3 snow emergency in Delaware County. For worship service cancellations we'll send out a parish-wide e-mail and text message, and will also post a notice on local television stations.

Please check your profile on the Member Connection to make sure that the email listed as your primary address is correct, and that your mobile phone number is designated as such in the drop-down next to it so that you'll receive any correspondence we might send.

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## The Daily Lectionary

Week of the Fourth Sunday of Epiphany • January 31-February 6

**Sunday, Jan. 31** — A.M.: Psalm 78:1-18; Genesis 30:1-2,22-43; John 16:1-15  
P.M.: Psalm 78:19-40; Jeremiah 30; 1 Corinthians 14:20-40

**Monday, Feb. 1** — A.M.: Psalm 78:41-73; Genesis 31:1-3,17-45; John 16:16-33  
P.M.: Psalm 80; Jeremiah 31:1-17,27-37; 1 Corinthians 15:1-34

**Tuesday, Feb. 2 (Feast of the Presentation)** — A.M.: A.M.: Psalms 24, 81;  
Genesis 32:1-13,21-32; Luke 2:22-40 P.M.: Psalm 84; Jeremiah 32:1-15,36-44; 1  
Corinthians 15:35-58

**Wednesday, Feb. 3** — A.M.: Psalm 83; Genesis 33; John 17 P.M.: Psalm 85;  
Jeremiah 33; 1 Corinthians 16

**Thursday, Feb. 4** — A.M.: Psalms 86, 87; Genesis 34; John 18:1-27 P.M.: Psalm  
88; Jeremiah 34; 2 Corinthians 1:1-2:11

**Friday, Feb. 5** — A.M.: Psalm 89:1-18; Genesis 35; John 18:28-40 P.M.: Psalm  
89:19-51; Jeremiah 35; 2 Corinthians 2:12-3:18

**Saturday, Feb. 6** — A.M.: Psalm 90; Genesis 36:1-8; John 19:1-37 P.M.: Psalm 91;  
Jeremiah 36:1-10,19-32; 2 Corinthians 4

**Next Sunday, Feb. 7** — A.M.: Psalms 92, 93; Genesis 37:3-8,12-36; John 19:38-42  
P.M.: Psalm 94; Jeremiah 37; 2 Corinthians 5

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## Next Sunday's Lectionary

The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany • January 31

**First Reading:** Deuteronomy 18:15-22 (5 p.m. & 9 a.m.); 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 (11:15)

**Psalm 111** (5 p.m. & 9 a.m.)

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 (5 p.m. & 9 a.m.)

**Gospel:** Mark 1:21-28 (All)

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## Prayers for the Church

**Anglican Church in North America:** Bishop Peter Manto and his wife Janice; and the clergy and people of the Diocese of the Central States.

**Anglican Diocese of the Great Lakes:** The Very Rev. Gene Sherman, Fr. Bob Andrew, Fr. Abraham Fiodembo, and the people of Christ Church Westboro, Bay Village, Ohio; and for the Rev. Abbott Tim Luken and the monks of Living Stone Monastery, Newport News, Virginia.

**Parish Cycle of Prayer:** Ryan, Diane, Caroline and Sophia Bobay; Dan and Christine Brill; Rick, Kerri, Evan and Emily Brocks; the High School Youth; and our Fellowship Ministries.

## Brotherhood Zoom meeting Tuesday; all men welcome!

The St. Andrew's Chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew invites all men of the church (young adult and older) to join them for study and prayer on the first and third Tuesdays of the month. Upcoming dates for February are the 2nd and 16th.

Brotherhood meetings focus on conversation around a devotional study, prayer requests and thanksgiving, and business related to their service opportunities within the church and our community. For any questions and to receive the ZOOM meeting invite please reach out to Carlo Cherubini ([cherubinicarlo@yahoo.com](mailto:cherubinicarlo@yahoo.com)) or Ed Summers ([eesummers@sbcglobal.net](mailto:eesummers@sbcglobal.net)).

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## February Birthdays

Dan Field  
Adrian Knot  
Xavier Lung  
Sue McKeown  
Jim Oxenham  
Joe Pate  
Mary Ann Pate  
Bernie Schramm  
Kathy Seitz  
Bob Seyerle  
Kathy Summers  
Avery Sylvester  
Isabella Sylvester  
Liam Tucker  
Steve Zacharias

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## February Anniversaries

Joe & Celia Nelson

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## Encouragement for your prayer time

Is feeding the poor a priority to you, like it is to God? " 'Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,' says the Lord Almighty, 'and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.' " (*Malachi 3:10*) —  
*From the St. Andrew's Prayer Ministry Team*