

## Welcome to Trinity Church

Whether you have worshiped here for years or are visiting our Episcopal Church for the first time, we are glad you are with us. We invite all to enter fully into worship and to explore the variety of learning, small group, and service opportunities that are part of our life together. To learn more, visit [trinitychurchboston.org](http://trinitychurchboston.org) and click on **New to Trinity**, or contact Mark Kharas, at [mkharas@trinitychurchboston.org](mailto:mkharas@trinitychurchboston.org), 617-536-0944 x360.

## MUSIC



### Messiah Concert Today

Sun., 12/9, 3 p.m., Tickets \$15-\$55

Hear the Trinity Choirs and Orchestra perform classic Advent and Christmas music in Boston's only performance of these works in a sacred space as well as Bach's *Cantata 62* and Corelli's *Christmas Concerto, Opus 6, No. 8 in G Minor*. Tickets are available at the door.

## TODAY

### New? Get to Know Trinity Sun., 12/9, 11:15 a.m., Angel Room

Join us for this introduction to Trinity. Compass is an opportunity to ask questions about the Parish, meet fellow parishioners, and learn how to get involved in our common life. **Contact** Mark Kharas, [mkharas@trinitychurchboston.org](mailto:mkharas@trinitychurchboston.org), 617-536-0944 x360

### Trinity's Alternative Giving Marketplace

Sun., 12/9, 10:15 a.m. & 12:15 p.m., Undercroft

This Advent season, know that your giving benefits communities locally and around the world. Organizations include:

**The Heifer Project**, founded in 1944, a humanitarian assistance organization that works to end world hunger and protect the earth;

**Friends of Meali**, whose mission is to improve the educational environment for Tanzanian children, beginning with the Meali Primary School;

**Matenwa Community Learning Center**, whose mission is to provide a productive education for children and adults on La Gonave, an island off the coast of Haiti;

**Pine Street Inn**, founded in 1969, the largest resource for homeless men and women in New England;

**Dever Library Volunteers** will be collecting money and/or donations of new books for Birthday Books for each child at the Boston elementary school;

**McCormack Library Volunteers** will be collecting money to buy books for the school's library, which provides a welcoming, trauma-sensitive environment for the students to develop a love for reading;

**Hat and Mitten Tree**, hosted by Trinity's "Stitching in the Spirit" ministry, is collecting hats and mittens or gloves for those in need. Donated items need not be hand-knit;

**Trinity's Refugee Ministry** will be collecting funds to purchase gift cards to help newly arriving clients of International Institute of New England shop for winter outerwear;

**Sunday Night Living Bread**, Trinity's ministry to the homeless in and around Copley Square, will be collecting money to buy socks, gloves, hand warmers and other necessities for those they visit;

Trinity's 4th and 5th graders will be making wonderful crafts for you to enjoy. There will be a great Bake Sale and even some visiting animals. Join us!

### Can We Count on You?

So far, we're only at 77% of our pledge goal for 2019. Have you made your pledge yet? Be a part of what makes everything you love about Trinity possible. Pledge your financial support for 2019. Please pledge today at [trinitychurchboston.org/2019-annual-pledge](http://trinitychurchboston.org/2019-annual-pledge) or by filling out a pledge card. Trinity needs everyone of us! Questions? Contact Adam Dawkins, [adawkins@trinitychurchboston.org](mailto:adawkins@trinitychurchboston.org), 617-536-0944 x342 or Mark Kharas, [mkharas@trinitychurchboston.org](mailto:mkharas@trinitychurchboston.org), 617-536-0944 x372.



*Children's Homily and Childcare offered during 9 & 11:15 a.m. services. Childcare is available for infants and pre-schoolers in the Nursery located on the second floor of the Parish House in Tapestry Hall. Children in K-5th grades worship with their families; they may leave before the sermon for the Children's Homily and return at the Peace.*

## THIS WEEK

### Parish Leaders Sought!

*Applications Available Mon., 12/10, Due Fri., 1/18/19*

Do you want to play more of a role in how Trinity is governed? Would you like to be Trinity's ambassador in the Diocese by participating in Convention, the regional Deanery, or with Episcopal City Mission? The Nominating Committee is accepting nominations of candidates for the following roles:

**Senior Warden** and **three other members** of the Vestry, **Delegates** to Diocesan Convention, Boston Harbor Deanery, and Episcopal City Mission. Applications and further information will be available starting Mon., Dec. 10 on the Parish House bulletin board, and [trinitychurchboston.org/news](http://trinitychurchboston.org/news)

### Christmas Flowers *Send in your names by Tues., 12/11*

Remember a loved one, celebrate a milestone, or give thanks with a donation to the Christmas Flower Fund. The suggested donation is \$40, and \$10 for each additional name, although any amount is appreciated. To donate, fill out the form available in the Narthex, Clarendon Street Vestibule, or at the Parish House Front Desk. Or, go to [bit.ly/TrinityAltarFlowers](http://bit.ly/TrinityAltarFlowers).

**Contact** Derby Swanson, [dswanson@trinitychurchboston.org](mailto:dswanson@trinitychurchboston.org)

## LOOKING AHEAD

### Candlelight Carols Benefit Sold Out!

*Free Services: Sat., 12/15, 4 & 7 p.m.*

Make your plans now for a beloved Boston tradition. There are two free Candlelight Carols services at 4 & 7 p.m. on Sat., Dec. 15. The Candlelight Carols Benefit on Sun., Dec. 16, is sold out.

### Forum: Welcome at the Holidays and Every Day

*Sun., 12/16, 10:15 am, Forum*

In the month of December, more new people will cross our threshold than at any other time of year. As we prepare to receive them, let's consider together what it means for each of us to offer hospitality that truly makes people feel welcome.

### Handel & Hayden Society's Jubilee Day Concert

*Mon., 12/31, 1 p.m., Church, free and open to all*

For the second year, Trinity is honored to host the Handel and Haydn Society and the Museum of African American History presentation of the annual Jubilee Day Concert, a joyous celebration of liberty and freedom. Join H+H musicians, conductor Scott Allen Jarrett, and National Poetry Slam Champion Regie Gibson to commemorate Boston's historic central role in the abolition movement, to celebrate the spirit of progress for human rights, and to recognize the role of music in creating alliance and belonging.

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## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

We invite you to share your God-given gifts with the parish, the city, and beyond, by participating in one of Trinity's many ministries. You may find that lives—including your own—will be changed for the better. For a full list and calendar of opportunities, please visit [trinitychurchboston.org/serve](http://trinitychurchboston.org/serve)

### Deck the Church for Holiday Services

*Fri., Dec. 14, 1 p.m. and Sun., Dec. 23, 10:15 a.m.*

Create and hang greens arrangements in preparation for Candlelight Carols, or try your hand at decorating with flowers. Help make the church sparkle for Christmas! For dates and times, **contact** Jim Carter, [carterjc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:carterjc@sbcglobal.net)

### Coat Boston and Mitten Tree Collection

*through 12/16, Tapestry Hall (Parish House 2nd floor)*

Consider donating a new winter coat and/or woolen accessories to keep a someone warm! This year, Children's Ministries is collaborating with City Mission's Coat Boston initiative to ensure that children in the city have the new winter coats that they need. With the Mitten Tree, we will collect new or gently used mittens, hats, gloves, and scarves to be shared with people served by Trinity Boston Foundation. All sizes needed—from infant/toddler to adult plus sizes. Questions? **Contact** Cathy Portlock Pacitto 617-536-0944 x236, [cportlock@trinitychurchboston.org](mailto:cportlock@trinitychurchboston.org).

### Pine Street Inn Feeding Team

*Tues., 12/18, 4:30 p.m., 444 Harrison Ave., Boston*

Join us on the third Tuesday of each month to serve dinner at the Women's Inn and the Men's Inn. **Contact** Matthew VanWinkle, [mvanwinkle88@gmail.com](mailto:mvanwinkle88@gmail.com), 617-304-0627

## NEW TO TRINITY?

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Fast Ways to  
Get Connected

1. Meet a clergyperson after the 9 & 11:15 a.m. services in front of the Baptistry (front-right side of the church).
2. Stop by the Welcome Desk in the Narthex (by the front doors) on Sunday mornings.
3. Look for a Welcome Minister wearing a green button before or after any service.
4. Fill out a welcome card (in the pew rack) and put it in the offering plate. **We look forward to getting to know you!**

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