

## 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.



### Deck the Church for Christmas

Sun., Dec. 23, 10:15 a.m.

Create and hang greens arrangements 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)

## TODAY

### 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.

### Can We Count on You?

Many thanks to all who have made their pledge commitment to Trinity Church for 2019! Through the prayerful generosity of more than 520 households, we have reached 81% of our pledge goal. If you have not yet pledged, please pledge today! You may make your pledge commitment on our secure website at [trinitychurchboston.org/2019-annual-pledge](http://trinitychurchboston.org/2019-annual-pledge) or you may fill out a pledge card. **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.

## THIS WEEK

### Parish Leaders Sought! Applications Available; 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)

### Evensong Returns on 1/9/19

### Fridays at Trinity Organ Concerts Fridays, 12:15 p.m., Church

Enjoy this weekly series of midday organ concerts featuring innovative programs by recitalists from across the United States and abroad. There is no charge for admission, but we invite a donation of \$10. This week, we welcome Heinrich Christensen, Director of Music at King's Chapel. For more info **contact** Marissa Hall, [mhall@trinitychurchboston.org](mailto:mhall@trinitychurchboston.org)

## CHRISTMASTIDE

### Christmas Eve Pageant Mon., 12/24, 4:30 p.m., Church

All children attending the service are invited to be a star, an angel, a sheep or a shepherd and join us at the manger! **Contact** Cathy Portlock Pacitto, [cportlock@trinitychurchboston.org](mailto:cportlock@trinitychurchboston.org), 617-536-0944

### Christmas Eve Festival Eucharist Mon., 12/24, 7:30 & 11 p.m., Church

Early arrival recommended.

### Christmas Day Festival Eucharist Tues., 12/25, 10 a.m., Church

### Christmastide Eucharist Sun., 12/30, 10 a.m., Church



*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.*

## LOOKING AHEAD

### 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.

### Epiphanytide Brunch

Sun., 1/6/2019, 10 am, Commons

Come celebrate the feast! Join Children's Ministries for our annual potluck Epiphany Brunch, complete with royal visitors. Please bring your favorite side items (e.g., muffins, bagels, Munchkins, sausages), or contact us for an assignment. We need people to make egg stratas, baked cheese grits, and fruit salad; recipes available at [trinitychurchboston.org/event/epiphanytide-brunch-0](http://trinitychurchboston.org/event/epiphanytide-brunch-0). Spiral-cut baked ham is also welcome! **Contact** Cathy Portlock Pacitto, [cportlock@trinitychurchboston.org](mailto:cportlock@trinitychurchboston.org)

### Faith Fundamentals

#### All About Christian & Anglican Identity

Seven Sunday Series: Jan. 13, 20 & 27, Feb. 3, 10 & 24; and March 3; 4-5:30 p.m., Forum

Join Rev. Patrick Ward and clergy guests for seven Sunday afternoon discussions exploring the essentials of Christian theology and church history. We'll end in time for 6 p.m. Holy Eucharist. Including both 30-minute presentations and group discussion, our sessions will be framed by assigned reading from two short texts: *A Faith for the Future* by Jesse Zink and *The Episcopal Story: Birth and Rebirth* by Thomas C. Ferguson.

Open to everyone, whether new to church or a veteran—and helpful preparation for those considering baptism or formal reception into the Episcopal Church this spring. Recommended only for those who can commit to a minimum of five of our seven planned sessions. Register at [bit.ly/TrinityBostonFF](http://bit.ly/TrinityBostonFF)

**January 13:** Creation, Humanity and Sin

**January 20:** The Difference Jesus Makes

**January 27:** The Trinity

**February 3:** Liturgy & the Life of the Sacraments

**February 10:** Mission & Social Justice

**February 24:** A Short History of Christianity

**March 3:** A Short History of Anglicanism and the Episcopal Church

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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)

### Coat Boston and Mitten Tree Collection

Ends today, Tapestry Hall (Parish House 2nd floor)

Consider donating a new winter coat and/or woolen accessories to keep 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

### Prepare and Serve Dinner at Rosie's Place

Wed., 12/26, 4-7:15 p.m., 889 Harrison Ave., Boston

Join our team of novice and expert chefs and servers to prepare and serve an evening meal at Rosie's Place, a shelter for women and their children. Youth (15+) are very welcome. **RSVP** to Joan Horgan, [horgan.joan@gmail.com](mailto:horgan.joan@gmail.com)

## 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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