HOLY HAPPENINGS

June 2025

From the Desk of Rev. Diana

What Is Juneteenth?
Did you know that freedom for many enslaved Americans came years after the Emancipation Proclamation? While President Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863, it took another two and a half long years before emancipation was the law of the land.
On June 19, 1865, Union troops arrived in Galveston, Texas to enforce the Emancipation Proclamation and free the last enslaved people in the Confederacy.
Although the proclamation was issued in 1863, it took federal force to bring that declaration to life.
That day became known as Juneteenth—a sacred milestone in our American story. It is a day to remember the cost of delay, the power of justice, and the enduring struggle for freedom.

Why the Church Celebrates Juneteenth.
Juneteenth is not just Black history—it is American history. It is Gospel history. As Episcopalians, we believe in a liberating God who sets people free, who hears the cries of the oppressed, and who calls us to seek justice and love mercy. Juneteenth reminds us that liberty delayed is a wound in our collective story. We are learning history together and affirming our baptismal covenant to "strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being". Part of our siblings' story is that it took more than two years to live into the Emancipation Proclamation, and in that time, enslaved people in Texas continued without the full dignity of liberation and freedom. On June 19, 1865, federal troops arrived in Texas and declared that all enslaved people were free—finally fulfilling the Emancipation Proclamation. This moment is now marked as Juneteenth, a jubilee of freedom long delayed but never forgotten.
Celebrate Juneteenth!
Our celebration of Juneteenth is a witness to the liberating love of God—a public act of remembrance and joy, rooted in the belief that every person is made in the image of God. We give thanks for all who worked to spread the promise of emancipation across the country. Let's honor the past and recommit ourselves to a future rooted in freedom, dignity, and God's justice for all.

You are invited!
To celebrate with our Bishop the Rt. Rev. Julia Whitworth, the community of Hanover, MA, and the members of the St. Andrew's Episcopal Church.
JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION
BBQ, Games, Story Telling, Face Painting Thursday, June 19, 2025 | 1:00 PM
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 17 Church Street, Hanover, MA
Music, prayer, reflection, and community

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Sunday School News

We had another great year in Sunday school thanks to all the kids and parents! Thank you to the congregation for all of their love and support!

Most of all thank you to Shirley Devore for her faith, dedication, love and support. I couldn't do it without her!

Everyone have a wonderful summer!

Blessings,
Maryann

June 2025 Warden's Report

Well, I'm not sure where Spring went, but here we are, headed into Summer. May was a quiet month for our outreach activities, with approximately thirty-five attendees at our First Saturday Supper and fifteen at the Saturday Studio offering.

For the summer months, our First Saturday Suppers will begin at five-thirty, and we will enjoy cookouts throughout the summer.

Our Adult Christian Education Forum has been enjoying lively discussions of Bob Goff's book, "Everybody Always", and all are invited to join us on Sunday at 11:45 in the Kimball Common Room.

Pentecost Sunday is June 8th, so dig out your red clothing and bring a geranium, which will be planted that day.

On August 10th, at 11:00 a.m., we will be holding an outdoor Eucharist and Potluck Picnic at Webb Memorial State Park Pavilion, and we look forward to our worship and social time together.

Peace & Blessings,
Ed Muller, Co-warden

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Second Annual Holy Nativity Church Picnic

Save the Date

August 10th Church Picnic and Eucharist at Webb Memorial State Park

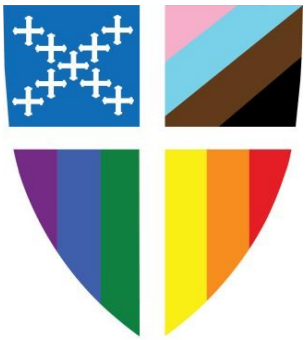
Webb Memorial State Park is a public recreation area located on a peninsula

that extends nearly half a mile into the Hingham Bay area of Boston Harbor in Massachusetts. It is composed of three connected drumlins and a low marsh area.

371 River St, Weymouth, MA 02191

Church Picnic

Join with Episcopalians witnessing for love and joy during Pride celebrations this June!



Boston Pride for the People parade on
Saturday, June 14 at 10:30 a.m. (meeting up near Copley Square).

Bishop Julia Whitworth will be at this Pride event, riding in a convertible! **Trinity Church in Boston** welcomes those who are not marching and want to cheer on the **11 a.m. parade** to gather on the church's Clarendon Street porch and lawn for a **watch party**.

We are living in a time when people in the LGBTQ+ community are being harmed by hate-fueled public policies, violent events and alienating language. Often, these actions are rooted in misguided interpretations of Christianity.

Having a loving presence of Christians — including members of the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts — is more important now than it has been in decades. We have an opportunity to offer care to those who have been harmed and make the church meaningful to those who have been pushed away.

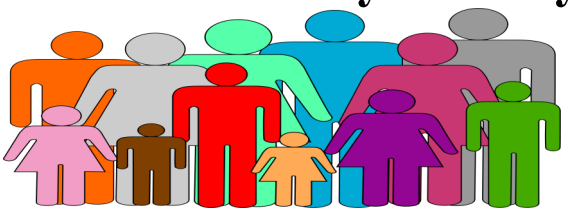
The Diocese of Massachusetts plans to have large and visible delegations of LGBTQ+ people and allies walk, march, sashay (take your pick!) in Pride celebrations across eastern Mass.. All are welcome to attend any Pride celebration. Please consider joining one from the growing list below.

Parish banners welcome! • There will be DioMass T-shirts! • Sgin up is on the website
South Shore Deanery:
• Quincy Pride, **Sunday, June 8**
• South Shore Pride family-friendly Pride Parade, **Saturday, June 28**
St. Luke's Church in Scituate hosts the annual Pride Breakfast at 9:30 a.m. prior to the parade.
Please speak to Rev Diana if you are interested in participating in any of these events.

Billy's Caring Hands Needs You!

We are looking for donations of
Men's Boxers of all sizes
and
Travel size personal care items like deodorant, soap, shampoo

Activities at Holy Nativity



The First Saturday dinners in June, July, and August will be at 5:30

Summer Barbeques

Come join in the fellowship along with a dinner of hamburgers and hot dogs

Free will offering is gladly accepted

June First Saturday Dinner
June 7th at 5:30
See you there!!

Next Vestry Meeting
will be
June 17th

We are in search of volunteers to help with the bake table for the 2025 Holly Fair. We would like to thank Donna and Terry for all of their dedication, hard work and success over many years!

If you are interested, please contact Joyce Macphee at joyce.macphee@hotmail.com 617-827-4139.

First Food Sunday, June 1st

. Here's a list of items the Pantry needs most:

Non-Perishables:

- Jam and/or jelly
- Hearty soups (i.e. Progresso, Chunky)
- Ready to Eat (canned pasta, chili, hash)
- Jarred Pasta sauce
- Side dishes (seasoned rice, Knorr's, Zatara's etc.)
- Cereal
- Ground coffee and tea
- Condiments (dressing, bbq sauce, ketchup, mayonnaise etc)
- White tuna
- Crispy Onions (for green bean casserole)

Thank you for making sure our shelves are stocked. We are here to help, thanks to you.

The Weymouth Food Pantry receives over 1,400 visits per month from economically-distressed families in our community looking for help, and we are funded mostly by Weymouth residents and neighbors (#WeymouthProud).

Thank you for your help!

Please drop off your non-perishable items at church on Sunday, June 1st

Jelly Making

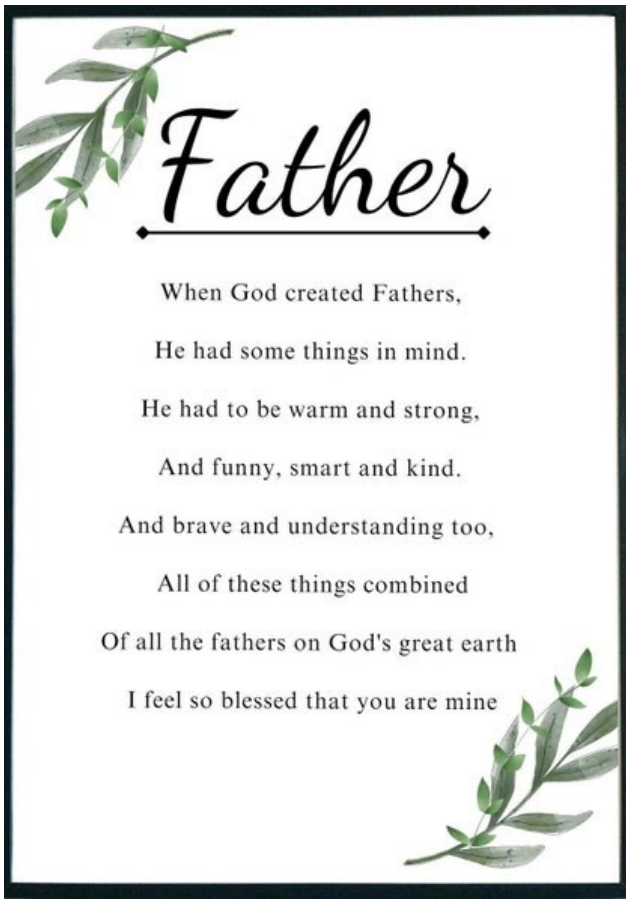
Please help with the jelly making , more hands make for light work.

Saturday, June 21st at 9 - 11AM &11AM - 1PM we will be making
Red Pepper Jam & Blueberry Jam

Saturday, July 12th at 9AM
Making Ginger Pear Chutney

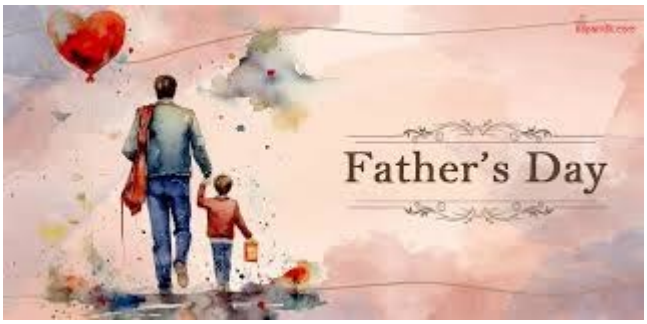
Tuesday Morning Eucharist and Luncheon

Mid-week eucharist and luncheon will continue weekly at 11:30. This quiet service has become a favorite with many people, even if they are only able to attend occasionally, conversation is lively as old and new friends catch up from the week over lunch.

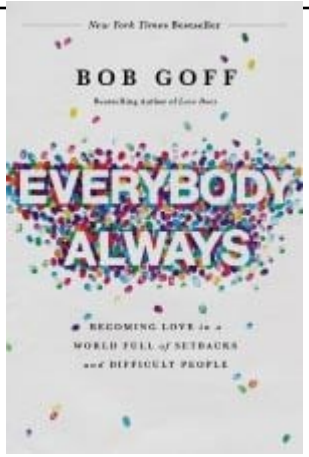


As a Parish, We pray for:

Anne and Ed, Arlene Boyd, Barbara, Bill Lucier, Brian, Bruce Wilmeth, Carol, Cathy, Charlie, Chris, Chris M., Christine, Corinne, Debbie Y., Dave, Deborah, Donna, Ed Walsh, Freddy, Ginny, Gloria Way, Grace M., Herb, Jack Dembow, Jackie R., Janice, Jenny, Jim Murphy, Kathryn, Kathy, Kathy and Ronan, Kendall Demore, Kevin, Laura Fiore, Liam, Linda, Linda Cardillo, Linda Chadborne, Mallory J., Matt, M.E. Rich, Rodger Lyle, Paige, Pam, Pam Walston, Paula, Ruth Bates, Skip Lewis, Sophia, Steven, Vicki Kalesnick, Victor



June 15th



The Adult Christian Education Forum will meet Sundays from 11:45 to 12:30 in the Kimball Common Room. We will read Bob Goff's latest book, "Everybody Always."

Come join us….Books are available!

Don't Forget

First Saturday June dinner June 7th at 5:30 BBQ will be served.

Sunday, June 8th Pentecost Sunday

Get your red clothes – red geraniums and Holy Spirit ready for a Spirit Filled Day!
Please bring Red Geranium plants to be planted at the Church.
Also, we are in need of volunteers to help plant the lovely red geraniums that will enhance the beauty of our church all summer long!

Roasted Clams with Lemony Panko

It doesn't take much to bring out the best in these bivalves—lemon, garlic, a splash of wine and crispy, parsley-flecked panko to sprinkle on top. The panko and the clams go into the oven at the same time, meaning you can get the dish to the table in under half an hour.

Ingredients

- **3/4 cup** panko
- **4 Tbsp.** olive oil, divided
- **4** cloves garlic, finely grated and divided
- Kosher salt
- **1/2 cup** dry white wine
- **1/2 tsp.** red pepper flakes
- **3** dozen littleneck clams, scrubbed
- **1/3 cup** flat-leaf parsley, chopped
- **1 Tbsp.** lemon zest plus **3 Tbsp**. lemon juice

Directions

Step 1 Heat oven to 400°F. On small rimmed baking sheet, massage together panko, 2 tablespoons olive oil, one-fourth of garlic, and a pinch of salt.

Step 2 In 9- by 13-inch baking dish, mix wine, red pepper flakes, remaining garlic, and 1 tablespoon oil with clams.

Step 3 Transfer both pans to oven; bake, tossing panko once, until golden brown, 8 to 10 minutes. Remove panko, increase oven temperature to 475°F and roast until clams open, 8 to 10 minutes; discard any unopened clams. Toss panko with parsley and lemon zest. Pour lemon juice over clams, drizzle with remaining tablespoon oil and sprinkle with half of lemony panko. Serve with remaining panko.

Yields: 4 servings Total Time: 25 mins Cal/Serv: 279

BCH CAMP

Summer Camps at BCH are inclusive Christian formation ministries of the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts in partnership with the dioceses New Hampshire and Western Massachusetts.

You and your family are welcome here! As an Episcopal camp, we are passionate about being a safe space for all campers and families and we strive for a rich diversity of campers and staff. Each week chaplains participate in all camp activities and lead space for chapel and reflection.
2025 Camp Sessions are:
Family Camp:

June 27-30, 2025

Enjoy an extra long weekend of delicious meals, arts & crafts, swimming, boating, outside games, music, worship, and time to be together in new and expanding relationships with folks from all over New England. Come and join us for a time of rest, renewal, silliness, and an experience of Episcopal-centered, family-oriented fellowship, formation, and faith exploration. Families of all configurations are welcome.
Youth Camps:

Camp Session 1- July 6-11, 2025
Camp Session 2- July 13-18, 2025
Camp Session 3- July 20-25, 2025
Camp Session 4- July 27- August 1, 2025

Youth Camps are for all campers completing 2nd to 11th grade. Whether climbing high on the ropes course or paddle boarding on Otter Lake, there's something for everyone here at BCH. From swimming to games, to campfires and dancing and classic skits, campers are sure to create new friendships and renew old ones year after year. Whether BCH is your camp home or you're looking at coming for the first time, we're excited to meet you at camp this summer!

Elementary: Completed grades 2-5
Middle: Completed grades 6-8
High School: Completed grades 9-11

Call us at **(603) 547-3400**

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Every Tuesday: 11:30 am Holy Eucharist followed by lunch

June 7th First Saturday Dinner BBQ at 5:30

Sunday, June 8th is Pentecost Sunday Don't forget to bring red geraniums to plant. And wear your RED!

Sundays in June Adult Education at 11:45 –12:30

Mission Statement

The family of the Church of the Holy Nativity is called to be a caring community, committed to spiritual development; encouraging growth in each member's personal relationship with God, through Christ; by providing educational opportunities for youth and adults as well as Christian Formation for all, going forth to share God's message of love and forgiveness.

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