# Holy Happenings

## November 2026

## From the Desk of Rev. Diana

Dear Friends

The past three years with you have been a true blessing and gift. We have done very good work together. We have a new sign and new gardens. We have raised enough money to make some needed repairs and updates. We have welcomed new parishioners, both young and old, and bid farewell to others. We have begun to imagine what shared ministry might look like for Holy Nativity. The vestry has been reconfigured, and our accounting methods have been modernized with the help of our Awesome treasurer Rebecca. So many fun times with our Sunday school and family Sundays. It's hard to pick a favorite. Pumpkin costumes, pop-up Nativity, and "It's not just Fluff" come to mind. So many laughs, and so many tears shared with you. It has been my honor to walk in love with you. I have enjoyed living in Weymouth with all the wonderful shops and restaurants. I really enjoyed the arts and culture all around us. I had great fun singing in the Fine Arts Chorale. I had fun remaking the Christmas shop for the Holly Fair. Big thanks to Jill Leach and Mae Bell for taking it over this year. The Holy Nativity book club and Tuesday yoga kept my mind and body healthy. I will remember cozy winter nights snuggled up with Rita in front of the rectory fireplace.

There are just too many joys to list. Thank you all for accepting me, going along with my ideas, and following through on the nudges from the Holy Spirit to continue being a welcoming, caring, and supportive community. Thank you for sharing your lives with me and thank you for taking such good care of me. I will continue to keep you in my prayers, and I hope you will keep me in yours.

God is with us always. Our love for each other will never die.

May God bless you and keep you.

Diana+

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**November's Featured Ministry at Holy Nativity**
**Ushers**

Men, women, and youths serve as ushers and greeters at Holy Nativity. They prepare lights, speakers, and heat/cooling systems; welcome people at the door; hand out bulletins; take up the collection; guide or help parishioners who want help to and from their seats and to and from communion; help in many other ways; and assure that the church is neat and clean after each service. They also keep and report an accurate number of those in attendance! When receiving the alms basin alert the server of the amount that may receive communion also, if there is a parishioner in need of a gluten free wafer, or a parishioner that needs communion brought to their seat. Try to recognize a visitor and ask their names and let the priest know that they are visiting and give the priest their names.

**As a Parish We Pray for:**

Anne & Ed, Ashley, Barb Young, Barbara, Bill Lucier, Brian, Bruce Wilmeth, Carol, Catherine Fleming, Cathy, Charles T., Charlie C., Cheryl, Cheryl B., Chris, Christine, Corinne, Debbie Y., Debbie J., Deborah, Donna, Eddie R., Freddy, Ginny, Grace M., Heather K., Herb, Jackie Kineavy-Bowes, Janice, Jayson Leeper, Jenny, Jessica, Jim, Jim Murphy, Joan Millet, John, Kathryn, Kathy & Ronan, Kathy B., Kendall Demore, Kevin, Kiera, Laura Fiore, Lawrence, Liam, Linda, Linda Cardillo, Lynn, Mallory J., Maribeth, Marney H., Matt, Matthew, M.E. Rich, Paige, Pam, Pam Walston, Paula, Richard Bowes, Rodger Lyle, Ruby Jean, Ruth Bates, Ryan, Sharon, Skip Lewis, Sophia, Susan D., Sylvia, Victor

## First Saturday Dinner ~ November 7th at 4:30

Come join in the fellowship along with a delicious spaghetti dinner. Free will donations are gladly accepted!

### Tuesday Morning Eucharist and Luncheon

Mid-week eucharist and luncheon continues 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.

## First Food Sunday, November 1st

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, November 1st

**Stewardship Notes for Holy Happenings-Nov. 2026**

As the calendar pages turn from October to November, we are reminded of how wonderful and busy Autumn is around here. Changing of the trees, crisp cool nights, all things pumpkin, raking leaves, high school-college and pro football games, apple picking, hayrides and yes, the inevitable stewardship campaign.

We acknowledge how busy it has been around Holy Nativity the past couple of months, but it also illuminates the overall health and strength of this parish. On the heels of a great Capital Campaign, the stewardship campaign is a separate entity that helps all of us here navigate through the year by sharing time, talent and treasure. With that we are heading into the annual arrival of stewardship with this year's theme of "Plenty Good Room". Basically, it means that there is room for everyone at God's table. In order to keep that going we use the stewardship appeal to fund the annual budget.

The official launch will be on Sunday, Nov. 8th with the deadline for returning your response by Dec. 10th and will end on Sunday, Dec. 13th with Celebration Sunday. During this time, you will learn about what stewardship is about (we are sure you already know) and why it is important to the life of Holy Nativity. There will be special bulletin thoughts weekly along with a bulletin board in the Asher-Stoddard Hall with more of the nuts and bolts of our budget. There will also be a special "Prayers of the People" during this time and some special stories shared to reflect on. You will also receive a letter from the Wardens soon followed by a letter from us, your campaign co-chairs with pledge cards and information. We look forward to a successful and meaningful Plenty Good Room campaign as we all work together to keep our wonderful spiritual home running as smoothly as possible. All are welcome and invited.

Sincerely,

Emily McGlynn & Steve Williams

Co-Chairs

# Easy Thanksgiving Cookies

These easy Thanksgiving cookies are so simple yet so delicious. Everyone will think you're a gourmet chef. Your friends will think that you spent all day with dozens of ingredients.

Ingredients

Original recipe (1X) yields 18 servings

1 (15.25 ounce) package orange cake mix (such as Duncan Hines® Orange Supreme)

1 cup sweetened dried cranberries, or more to taste

½ cup vegetable oil

2 large eggs

Directions

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C).

Mix cake mix, dried cranberries, vegetable oil, and eggs together in a bowl until dough is smooth. Drop by the spoonful onto a baking sheet, 1 to 2 tablespoons of batter per cookie.

Bake in the preheated oven until cooked through, 6 to 10 minutes.

Cool cookies on baking sheet for about 5 minutes; transfer to a sheet of waxed paper to cool completely.

Tips

Cookies will never look "done" as they don't brown up like traditional cookies do.

Store in an airtight storage container. Put wax paper between layers when storing. If cookies become too hard, simply add a piece of bread to the storage container.

Nutrition Facts (per serving) 205 Calories 10g Fat 28g Carbs 2g Protein

# Holly Fair Updates

## Christmas Shoppe

Needed: Gently used or new Christmas decorations for the Christmas shoppe at the Holly Fair. Donations can be dropped off in the parish hall or office. Please contact Jill Leach @ 508-479-8661 for more information, or to volunteer *Elf time* manning the shop during the fair. Thank you!

## Bake Table

We are excited to announce that Emily McGlynn will be heading up the bake table. She is in need of volunteer bakers!!!!!! Emily is also looking for freezer space. If anyone has a large freezer where they can store baked goods, that would be helpful!
Emily can be reached at 781-974-3110.

## Holly Fair Country Table

Mark Your Calendars!!! All welcome to help out preserving jams, jellies and relishes and ideas for dried lavender!! Holly Fair in November. Come join the fun chopping, canning and chit chatting! Stay Tuned for September dates!!!
More info: contact Paula Avitabile 617-750-9564 or Patty Donovan 781-901-2240

## Fudge Table

Thank you very much to all those who are planning to make fudge this year! Please add your name to the sign up sheet in the Asher-Stoddard Hall along with what you'll be making. You can also sign up there to help at the table - we need people both Friday and Saturday. It's a fun, easy way to be part of the Holly Fair! Contact me, Linda Muller, with any questions at 781-413-1066 or LAM215@comcast.net

## Scratch Ticket Table

If people would like to donate scratch tickets to the scratch ticket table, please contact Maryann Gurney at gurney1019@comcast.net OR if people want to donate the money, I can buy the scratch tickets for them? And they can leave any scratch tickets in the office with Deb.

## Jewelry Table

If anyone has any jewelry, pins, hats or accessories they would like to donate to the Jewelry table. Please contact Joyce MacPhee at joyce.macphee@hotmail.com,
617-827-4139. You can also leave at the church office when open.

**Silent Auction**

The Silent Auction is in need of donations to help make this year a success! Suggested items: gift cards to local restaurants and stores, gift baskets, event tickets, and NEW gift items that are something that you would like to give or receive for Christmas. Cash donations are also always appreciated and will go towards purchasing items to be auctioned off. Please let Laura Kintz know if you have something to donate so that she can arrange to pick it up or otherwise have it stored at the church. Laura can be reached at 781-901-2658 (call or text) or lauraruthkintz@gmail.com. If you do leave an item at the church, please label it "For Silent Auction". Thank you for your always generous support!

**Turkey Dinner**

Come join us for a Turkey Dinner is served on Saturday, November 14th at 6:30. The tickets for the turkey dinner will be on sale two weeks before the fair. Starting October 29th. Adults are $10.00 and Children are $7.00

***"Many Hands Make Light Work"***

**HOLLY FAIR ~ FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13th 3PM – 7PM**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH 9AM – 3PM**

**Turkey Dinner Saturday at 6:30PM**

Next Vestry meeting November 9th at 7- 8pm

## Sunday School

**Parents please note:**

**NO Sunday School on November 29th due to the Thanksgiving break.**

$10.00 for adults

$6.00

10 & under

# TURKEY DINNER

# NOV. 14, 2026

# 6:30 PM

**Join us for**
**Fun, Family, & Food**

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY NATIVITY**

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