



**TRINITY BELLS
MARCH 2025**



Dear Trinity parishioners,

We are blessed with several opportunities for a new year and a new start.

September is the church's new year, and everyone returns from summer. Advent is the new liturgical year. Christmas is the beginning of our life in Christ. New Year's Day is the start of the calendar year. Easter is when we are reborn, and the Annual Meeting gives us a chance to look back on the prior year and forward to the year ahead.

As I look back on the highlights of our year, several things stand out: Sacred Ground in Feb-May, Lent book study in March, Lent lunch, my Institution in April, Sea Cliff Yacht Club Chaplain in May, Summer chapel, June insurance reboot, United Nations General Assembly and Day of Wellness in end of September, Advent class, Advent lunch, Penson hall.



As we look to this next year I hope everyone is thinking how we can further the Kingdom of God here in our corner of the diocese. What are your hopes and dreams for Trinity this year, and how might we accomplish them? We have money in our mission account that needs to be spent on our mission. How can we grow Blessing bags? How can we partner with Salem AME to preserve their history? How might we assist RMM in these times of fear and trepidation that press upon their organization? How might we reach out to the community in a way that brings hope to all?

Our resources are solid and with the partnering of EAC and their senior community program, our resources will be strengthened even further. I see an opportunity for all of this to come to fruition this year. Working together in the Spirit of Christ, all things are possible.

Peace and All Good,
Fr. George

LENT & HOLY WEEK 2025



LENTEN STUDY GROUP via ZOOM

Eucharistic Practices and Liturgy

Mondays, 7 pm

Mon, Mar 17

Mon, Mar 31

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**THURSDAY LUNCH & LEARN, IN PERSON**

**(BYO lunch)**

Thursdays, 12-1

**Mar 6-** St Luke's, Sea Cliff

**Mar 13-** Trinity, Roslyn

**Mar 20-** St Luke's, Sea Cliff

**Mar 27-** Trinity, Roslyn

**Apr 3-** St. Luke's, Sea Cliff

(Makeup day Apr 10)

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SERVICES

MARCH 5- ASH WEDNESDAY- 12 noon

APRIL 13- PALM SUNDAY – 10 am

APRIL 17- MAUNDY THURSDAY –

Potluck Soup Supper at 6:30 pm

followed by Holy Eucharist at 7 pm

APRIL 18- GOOD FRIDAY- 12 Noon

APRIL 20- EASTER SUNDAY - 10 am

FLOWERS:

*Please send in your donation or call the church office by **APRIL 11** if you would like to donate Easter lilies or Spring flowers in memory of a loved one*

PARISH HAPPENINGS



Nancy Hamilton & Alexis Alexander
Christmas Boutique, Dec. 7



December 22 coffee hour
Mike Callahan, Kathy Mendall, Alexis Alexander, Ken
Bongort, Bob Seaman, Barbara & Bill Holzkamp



I'm so proud of my Fiadh. She is now an AKC Champion. She won both classes over the weekend of February 1st and 2nd. She earned 8 points (4 points each) to make a total of 17 pts. She needed 2 major wins plus a minimum of 15 points. She is now considered a special and is eligible to go to Westminster just as my previous dog, Bogie, did. Hopefully she'll go in 2026.

Paula Johnson

AN UPDATE ON ROBERT CHAPMAN HOUSE

From a note sent to Ronit (edited):

Robert's house is officially sold! The new people are Kelly McCann and husband Sean Nolan and 2 children. I hope they'll be interested in joining Trinity!

My grandmother bought the house in 1954 so it's been in my family for 70 years. My Aunt Jean, Robert's mother, was a longtime Trinity member, sang in the choir at some point.

The church was so kind to Robert during the years that I was his guardian, starting with when I contacted Mother Margo in 2010 because of my concern for Robert. She was amazing! She helped me over numerous rough spots with him over the years.

I also appreciated Mother JoAnn and Father George, although I didn't know them as well. Ann and Manuel Mingorance and Helen Oehrlein and her husband were also very helpful- Ann and Manuel even had us stay at their house several times. There may be others about whom I don't know - you probably do!

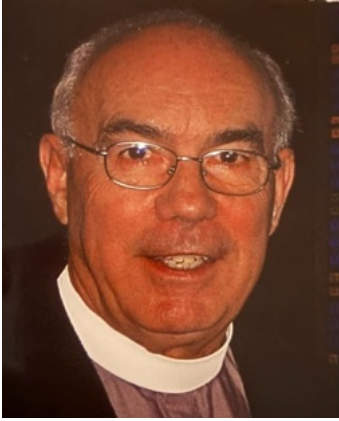
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A BIG WELCOME TO EAC!



We are happy to announce that EAC is now leasing space from us for their Senior Community Center (formerly of Port Washington), and they have officially moved in! We welcome them and look forward to seeing their organization grow. They currently offer a gathering place where seniors can spend time with peers, eat a nutritious hot lunch and engage in a wide range of activities including exercise classes, Karaoke, board and card games, crafts, music appreciation, shopping trips and more. They also offer special events such as Holiday celebrations, trips to the beach, barbecues, guest speakers, and pet therapy. Stop by and introduce yourself and check them out!

RIP REV. NILS BLATZ



The following was provided by Rev. Blatz's family.

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Reverend Canon Edward Nils Blatz, known to all as "Nils," who peacefully left us on December 8, 2024, at the age of 84. A devoted priest, husband, father, and friend, Nils will be remembered for his unwavering faith, infectious humor and the warmth he brought to everyone fortunate enough to cross his path.

Born on August 12, 1940, Nils grew up in Freeport, New York with a strong sense of community and service. A gifted athlete, he graduated from Bowdoin College in 1962, where he still holds the record for most assists (8) in a single varsity lacrosse game—a fact he eagerly shared with anyone he thought might appreciate it. Nils' spirited sense of humor and knack for mischief were evident even in his college days, where he left behind a legendary legacy of pranks in collaboration with (and sometimes at the expense of) his Chi Psi fraternity brothers.

After earning his Master of Divinity degree from General Theological Seminary in 1965, Nils was ordained to the priesthood in December 1965 by Bishop Jonathan Goodhue Sherman. His ministry, spanning several decades, in the Diocese of Pennsylvania and the Diocese of Long Island, touched countless lives. At Saint David's in Wayne, Pennsylvania, Trinity Church in Roslyn, New York, Grace Church in Brooklyn Heights, New York and as Vicar at Church of the Redeemer in Mattituck, New York, Nils was known for his welcoming

compassionate leadership and his ability to create caring, communities where all were appreciated.

Nils' faith was rooted in both the Gospels and his enduring love for family. He and his beloved wife, Leslie Dickenson Blatz, married on August 25, 1962, and shared 62 years of marriage filled with mutual respect, deep affection, and a shared commitment to each other and their children. They deeply adored their grandchildren Christopher, Henry, Tilley, Audrey, and Payntar.

An avid swimmer and sailor, Nils could be found body surfing waves at Jones Beach (Field 6 precisely) or gliding across the water on his Hobie Cat. These were his moments to indulge his free spirit and deep connection to nature. His colorful sail would often be seen on the waters of Lake George, Hempstead Harbor and the Great South Bay.



A lifelong reader, he found inspiration in the works of theologians, counting Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Reinhold Niebuhr, and Schubert Ogden among his favorites. Herman Melville's *Moby Dick* was a work never far from his heart and thoughts. His sermons, typically infused with insights from his readings, were thought-provoking and filled with wit and wisdom.

Nils approached life with a unique blend of grace, and purpose. Through his inspiring sermons, kindness toward others, steadfast moral principles and his unwavering support of family and friends, Nils left an enduring impact on all who knew him. His legacy of love, service, and laughter will continue to inspire everyone he touched.

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He is survived by his wife, Leslie; his children, Andrew, Amy (Doug Warden), Daniel (Jessica King); his cherished grandchildren; his sisters, Anne Holland and Liz Holland, and their families. He was predeceased by his parents, Irving Hanson Blatz and Elizabeth Holland Blatz, and his beloved daughter, Lisa Anne Blatz - his only equal in mischief and humor.

A memorial service was held on January 11th at 11:00 a.m. at Grace's Saint Paul's on-the-Hill Campus, 49 Ganung Drive, Ossining, New York where friends, family, and the community were invited to celebrate Nils' life and the profound impact he had on all of us.

In lieu of flowers, the family requested donations be made to [Camp de Wolfe](#), in Wading River, New York or [Community Mainstreaming Associates](#), in Westbury, New York honoring his lifelong dedication to service and compassion. Nils' legacy of joy, humility, and love will live on in our hearts forever.

Quite a few Trinity folks attended the funeral.

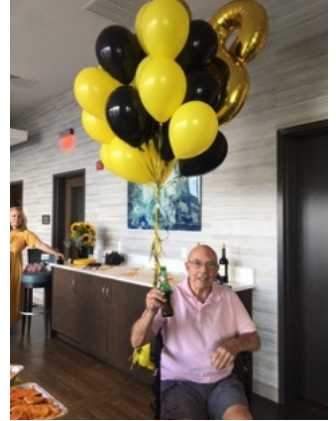


Eric Mingorance, Dan Blatz, Amy Blatz, Leslie Blatz, Andy Blatz, John Platt & Todd Hebron



Marylou Minard, Eric Mingorance, Martha Regelmann, Joan & John Ernst, Tricia Ernst, John Platt, Jennifer Ernst and Todd Hebron

THROUGH THE YEARS... (in no particular order)



OUTREACH

Christmas Boutique:

Kudos once again to Alexis Alexander for organizing a successful Christmas Boutique in December. Many thanks to all who set up, volunteered their time or helped clean up at the end.

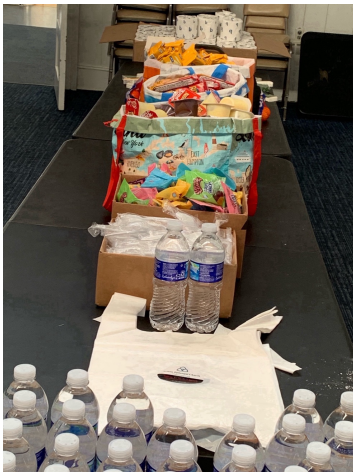
Blessing Bags for the Homeless:

This ministry is making a positive impact on so many. This is possible because of everyone's dedication to serving our community. If you haven't had the opportunity to join us on the fourth Saturday of the month at 11:00, please consider it. If you can't make it on a Saturday, there are other ways to help; labels need to be placed on the bags, set up Friday night, shopping for items, making peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and most important, new ideas.

Any questions, please contact Alexis Alexander.

Email: alexis@robaudio.com

Text: 515 567 9531



Preparing Blessing Bags



JoAnn Gentile, Mary LaSala, Kathy Mendall, Rob Alexander & Sheila Platt at the Hempstead transit hub.

Adopt a Family:

We adopted a local family through Faith Mission. Through everyone's generosity we were able to bring much joy and holiday cheer to a single Dad and his 2 sons.



Food Pantry Collection:

We have an ongoing food drive for Faith Mission. Suggested items: cereal, oatmeal, pasta, peanut butter, macaroni and cheese, canned vegetables, rice and basically any other non-perishable foods. Also needed are diapers, wipes, and feminine products. Collection bin will be in the back of the church.

Invite Welcome Connect:

Meetings will be held every third Sunday of the month during coffee hour. All welcome! Contact Kathy Mendall at kat1228@verizon.net for more information.



TRINITY TRANSITIONS

Rest Eternal Grant Unto Them. . .

Edward Nils Blatz

A LOOK BACK AT THE RICH EQUESTRIAN HISTORY OF LONG ISLAND



Join us at Trinity Episcopal Church, Roslyn on **SUNDAY, MARCH 23 AT 3:00 PM** for "A Look Back at the Rich Equestrian History of Long Island in the 19th and 20th Centuries," presented by Jerry and Rita Trapani. Take a trip back in time together and explore the early race tracks, estates, and horse shows, plus some of the many Olympic and champion equestrians born and raised right here on Long Island. Jerry and Rita Trapani are lifelong members of the Carriage Association of America, Inc., American Driving Society Inc., the Four in Hand Club, and founding members of the 40-year-old Paumanok Driving Club of Long Island. Jerry is a retired farrier and Rita is a retired art teacher and artist. They have shown their horses in many disciplines and represent a lifetime of knowledge and love of history. Jerry & Rita Trapani are the owners of Shadbelly Farm.

Come in person to Trinity Episcopal Church or join via Zoom. This event is FREE. Brought to you by Roslyn Landmark Society and Trinity Episcopal Church.

If you would like to attend this event by Zoom, please email Roslyn Landmark Society (see below) & request the Zoom link for the March 23 presentation at Trinity Episcopal Church, Roslyn:

info@roslynlandmarks.org

Icon Painting Workshop Trinity Episcopal Church, Roslyn, New York

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Your tuition fee of \$800 includes all materials including boards, pigments, brushes, etc.

Space is limited and early registration is suggested.

For enrollment and information, visit the website
theodoreicons.com/roslyn

or contact Theodoros Papadopoulos at, theodoreicons@gmail.com

You can also contact Rev. Karen Sherrill at (718) 767-6305

THEODOROS PAPADOPOULOS was born, grew up and presently lives in Greece with his family.

His fascination with iconography began with his first visit to the Holy Mountain Athos. Learning that iconography as an art form differs from all other art forms, he was drawn to iconography and its related philosophy. His studies necessitated return visits to Mt. Athos in order to refine his technique and understanding in painting Byzantine icons and murals, specifically the Protatos murals. He is a member of the Chamber of Fine Arts of Greece, the International Association of Art and the Greek Iconographers Association.

His commissions are from individuals for personal icons and the painting of religious murals in churches in Greece and abroad. Some examples of his work can be seen in many Greek churches.

For over 20 years of professional work in iconography, his nonnegotiable principle is to present work of the highest quality. The high turnover of some painters resulting in shoddy work, aiming in quick profits, is not in accordance with his philosophy and principles. His goal is to present work done with professionalism and of the highest quality. Work done with love and devotion.

From an edited version of his online bio

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