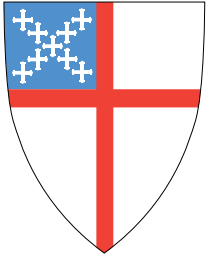


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## CALENDAR

### **Every Sunday**

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist  
10:00 AM Holy Eucharist  
10:00 AM Church School

### **Every Thursday**

9:30 AM Holy Eucharist and Healing Service  
10:30 AM Bible Study  
7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

### **2nd Sunday of each month (except July and August)**

11:45 AM Vestry Meeting

### **Sunday, December 4**

Advent Breakfast (see page 3)

### **Sunday, December 18**

Christmas Open House (see page 9)

### **Saturday, December 24**

Christmas Eve Services 4 and 11 PM

### **Sunday, December 25**

Christmas Day Service 9 AM (no 8 or 10 AM)

### **Wednesday, January 18**

7:15 PM Book Discussion Group (see page 5)  
(future dates to be announced)

### **Sunday, January 22**

Annual Meeting (see page 3)

### **10th of February, May, August and November**

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### *Reflections*

Just when I think there is nothing new to be learned about a subject I discover a fact or perspective that is new to me. I find that exciting. In anticipation of the season I have been researching the Christmas story on Google. I have been concentrating on Luke's account of Jesus birth since we read that on Christmas Eve and John's account since we read that on Christmas day. Christmas Eve falls on a Saturday this year and we will have services at 4 and 11 P.M. On Christmas Day, we will have one service at 9 A.M. rather than the usual Sunday schedule of services at 8 and 10 A.M.

As you know the amount of information on Google is overwhelming so I narrow my search as much as possible. When I search for commentary on Biblical texts I search for commentary by Messianic Jews. Messianic Jews are Jews who believe in Jesus. Estimates vary

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but it is safe to say there are over 100,000 Messianic Jews today. They come at the texts from a different perspective than Gentiles like me. They are steeped in the Hebrew Scriptures and the Talmud - the Rabbinical commentary on those scriptures. They have eyes to see things in the texts that Gentile Christian scholars don't. So I find their comments add a richness and depth and even a greater accuracy to the stories I thought I knew so well.

For example, I discovered that the Messianic commentators believe the shepherds that Luke reports were watching their flocks on the outskirts of the village of Bethlehem the night of Jesus' birth were not ordinary shepherds and the sheep were not ordinary sheep. Gentile commentators usually take the line that shepherds were a poor and despised lot in those days and so the angelic visitation to them was a marvelous instance of God's inclusion of the outcast. Messianic commentators disagree. They say these shepherds were Levites from the priestly clan of Israel who raised sheep near Bethlehem specifically for the Passover sacrifices in the

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Temple. That puts a different spin on things doesn't it! Imagine the horror of parents that dress their cherubic children as sheep for the much beloved pageant if they knew they were intended for slaughter!

But that knowledge does bring into sharper focus the purpose of Jesus' birth. He was born into this world in order to die

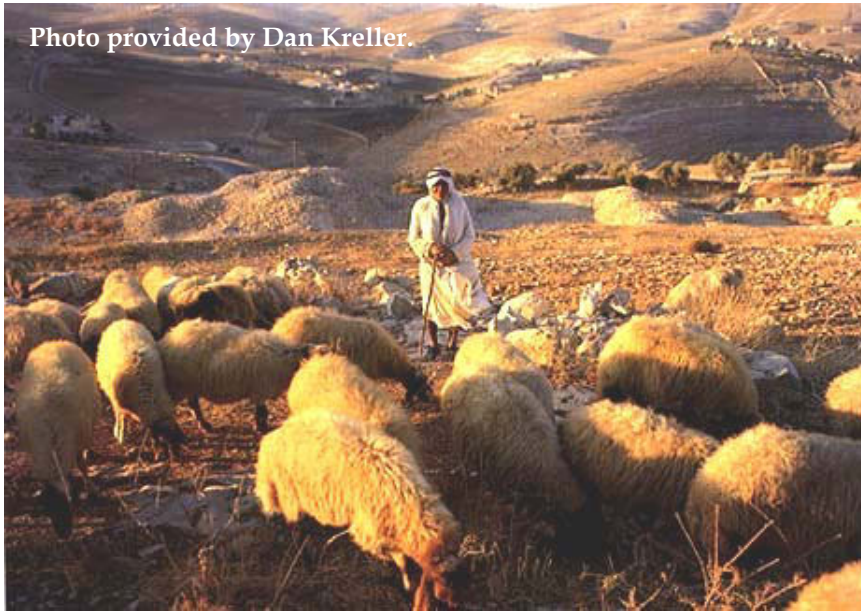


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sacrificially, just like those sheep in the field. The first Passover sacrifice took place in Egypt as God commanded the people through Moses. They slaughtered a lamb, marked the doors of their houses with the blood, and roasted and ate its flesh. By being covered by the blood and by eating the sacrifice they were delivered from the power of death. But that night in Bethlehem the angels announced a new work of the Most High God. God was bringing into the world a Savior, the Messiah who in due course would be sacrificed at Passover in Jerusalem in an offering that was continuous with those that had gone before year by year but brought all of those to completion and fulfillment. The gracious favor of God was being offered through this sacrifice and all who partook of it would be granted His

peace. That peace includes deliverance from the power of death and the promise of life eternal.

The Messianic commentators also see a greater significance to the fact that after seeing the child the shepherds spread the news abroad. They take abroad to mean they went up to Jerusalem, which is about

5 miles to the north of Bethlehem – a short distance for those who were used to walking everywhere – and reported to their fellow priests and Levites in the Temple. This helps explain why all who heard their report were amazed. If shepherds were a despised lot, their witness would not be believed, much like the women's testimony was not believed by Peter and the others when they reported they found Jesus' tomb

empty. Women were not regarded as credible witnesses in those days and it is hard to fathom how lowly shepherds would be given any more credence. Yet their tale of the angels and the child was received as astounding good news?

Why so? Again the Messianic commentators give us a logical clue. Gentile commentators note that the date of Jesus' birth is not given in the text and that it was arbitrarily set as December 25<sup>th</sup>. There was an early tradition for that date and also for January 6<sup>th</sup>. Messianic commentators disagree. Taking a clue from the fact that Zechariah, the father of John the Baptist, was serving in the Temple when he was visited by an angel that announced he and Elizabeth would conceive, they assert Jesus was either conceived at Passover in the spring of the



year and born in the winter during the Feast of Dedication (Hanukkah), or conceived in the winter during Dedication and born in the fall of the year at the Feast of Sukkot. Jesus was born six months after John and depending upon whether Zechariah was serving his regular tour of duty in the Temple in the summer or in the fall when the angel visited him John could have been born at Passover or Shavuot and Jesus at Dedication or Sukkot.

During Sukkot or Dedication Jerusalem would have been thronged with pilgrims come to celebrate these joyous festivals. At Sukkot the pilgrims lived in temporary dwellings called booths as commanded in the Torah. Sukkot is also referred to as the Feast of Booths or Tabernacles. It was during this feast that the first Temple built by Solomon was dedicated. Hanukah is closely related to Sukkot since it celebrates

the rededication of the second Temple after it was profaned. In his minimalist account of Jesus' birth John simply says the word became flesh and tabernacled among us. Could he be hinting at Jesus' conception at Sukkot and birth at Passover, or his conception at Dedication and birth at Sukkot? In either case, foremost in the prayers of the pilgrims at these festivals was the prayer for the redemption that would come through the Messiah. Year by year the pilgrims would pray for his coming. But that year was different for some Levites came to the Temple to announce they had seen a vision of angels who told them the Messiah had been born and they themselves had seen him! Incredible news delivered by credible witnesses. And still today it is credible incredible good news of great joy for all people.

*Dan Kreller*

## ADVENT BREAKFAST

St. Bart's will be sponsoring an Advent Breakfast this year beginning at 9 AM on Sunday, December 4. Come enjoy some eggs, sausage, pastries and fellowship. A small donation is suggested and would be greatly appreciated to offset the cost.



## NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on **Sunday, January 22** after the 10 AM service.

Members of the Vestry will report on their activities for this past year. The Treasurer will present her financial report and propose a budget for 2012.

We will elect one Warden and several Vestry persons. We will also elect delegates to the 2013 Diocesan Convention and representatives to our Convocation. The Vestry is presently soliciting nominees' names to fill these positions. If you desire to serve in one or more of these positions please speak to the Wardens, Wendy Dockray and Lauren Smith.

## QUARTERLY VESTRY FOCUS

### **Highlights from the Vestry Meetings of September through November 2011**

#### **Financially:**

As of October 30<sup>th</sup>, Jodie Johnson reported a yearly Income Total \$180,165.15 with Expense Total of \$212,397.96. This year's Bistro was the best profit fundraiser to-date; an estimated \$6,400 is expected once all expenses are accounted for.

Peter Loder and John Alberti have been finalizing the figures and items to be included in the Church's Capital Fund Campaign. This plan is based on a 5 yr. term, with a hopeful kick off beginning in January 2012.

#### **Building and Grounds:**

John Alberti has had the carpets cleaned, screens replaced and the back outside water fountain repaired. Current items on the agenda now for repair or replacement are: the outside Cross on top of the Church, the inside water fountain, some flashing work around the chimney of the Rectory and some re-landscaping of trees around the Rectory property after the October snow storm. To be noted is the beautiful re-landscaping of the original Memorial Garden by Corey Bellezza of Ho-Ho-Kus; a BS Eagle Project.

#### **The Vestry is presently working on:**

- *our Outreach Program:* busy collecting items throughout these past months; toiletries for the migrant workers, school supplies for the children of Paterson, and food, clothing and other items for the Ramapough Indians. Currently the Thanksgiving Food Collection and Christmas Children's names are taking place.
- *a Parish Cookbook:* as a fundraiser, Joan Lupardo and Lisa Wy session are still working on making and publishing a cookbook of recipes from our parishioners.
- *Growth of the Parish:* Peter Loder has presented the Vestry with a Youth Ministry Action Plan, which will begin January 2012. This plan would emphasize the focus on 5<sup>th</sup> graders – with the hopes of building a strong church program designed to take this age group through their 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Questionnaire will be generated and mailed shortly to those children in this age group.
- *Upcoming Events:* Advent Breakfast on Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, Christmas Open House on Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup> and the Parish Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2012.

#### **Old Business:**

The parish enjoyed a visit by Bishop Mark Beckwith on October 16<sup>th</sup>. Between his sermon directed to the children of the parish, his lecture after church to the entire parish and his meeting with the Vestry, all was deemed a pleasant and successful visit.

Next Scheduled Vestry Meeting is Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011

*Respectfully submitted by:*  
Kathy Gabrielle  
Clerk



Our ANNUAL PICNIC was held in warm sunshine on Sunday, September 18. Adults and children alike enjoyed the food, the games, and the socializing.



Above, Ghada Harb and three headless assistants set up the tent.



Jodie Johnson cooks the hot dogs.



Jim and Jane Pierson and Mile Ristich fill up their plates.

Below, Janet Kreller shows the youngsters how to feed the fish.



Left, Marty and Ellen Flanagan enjoy their lunch.

Below left, volleyball was popular.

Below, Parish Administrator Ann Woods with her mother Michelle and daughters Margaret (left) and Meghan.



There are 36 photos in this issue.  
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**BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP**

**Meetings will resume in the New Year**, beginning on Wednesday, Jan. 18 at 7:15 PM in the Parish Hall. We are in the process of selecting a new book. Future meeting dates and books will be considered.

## Blessing of the Animals

October 4 is the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, and to honor his reverence for all of creation, this day is often celebrated by a Liturgy of Blessing for Animals. So on Sunday, October 2, following the 10 AM service, Dan Kreller blessed seven animals: six dogs and a tortoise. *Photos by Janet Kreller and Dave Ackerman.*



Rosh Hashana was also observed on October 2. Dan blows the Shofar.

Dan invited pet owners to bring their pets into the service, and so Wendy Dockray brought "Julie," who processed with the choir and seemed right at home (see last page).

The blessing took place outdoors on a beautiful sunny day.

Dan blesses Kyla Wolff's "Mister."



Judy and Rakesh Malhotra with "Jackson."

Rachel Kreller's tortoise "Sammy" receives Dan's blessing.



## STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

We are pleased that many of you have already returned your pledge cards which we recently sent you, and we encourage the rest of you to do so. Pledges make up the majority of our operating income, so we need to know how much to expect when we prepare our budget for the coming year.

A couple of reminders: A pledge is only a statement of what you expect to give. If your financial circumstances change and you are unable to fulfill your pledge, we'll understand. And your contribution does not have to be in cash - you can donate securities that have appreciated in value and receive a tax deduction.

Thank you for your support!



At a recent service, Dan invited Geoffrey Ramsey to share his thoughts on Stewardship. Geoff and his wife Kim have been St. Bart's members for nearly 15 years, and Geoff is co-founder and CEO of "eMarketer," a successful market research and analysis firm. This financial success has enabled Geoff and Kim to be generous in their stewardship - and not just in dollars.

Even in lean times, Geoff and Kim strove to tithe - to donate 10% of their income to God's work. As their finances improved, they became concerned about how to make the best use of them. They sought advice from books, friends, and clergy (including Dan) to try to understand what God wanted them to do with their ability to help others financially. They have learned several

things, including:

Stewardship is less about money and more about the heart.

God wants us to use our creativity and imagination, not just write checks to organizations.

Giving goes beyond the financial. It involves empathy and compassion, sharing individuals' pain and anguish.

Geoff cited several examples of how he and Kim have helped the "steady stream of people walking into our path." They have invited destitute and needy persons into their home for hospitality and counseling. They have advised unemployed and underemployed persons on career changes. Geoff found employment in his firm for one individual who had been struggling at a part-time, loathsome job. Their efforts have transformed lives.

Geoff concluded by stating it's a good thing to struggle to learn what God wants us to do. He and Kim are convinced that God wants His people to enjoy the actual process of giving, no matter what it may take. Givers should feel a sense of joy. "God loves a cheerful giver."

## BISHOP BECKWITH VISITS ST. BART'S

The Right Reverend Mark M. Beckwith, Episcopal Bishop of Newark, visited us on Sunday, October 16. Bishop Beckwith preached a homily to the children and a sermon to the adults, celebrated the Eucharist, conducted a forum at the coffee hour, and met with the Vestry. We observed Sukkot that day, and so Dan taught the Bishop how to wave the Lulav and Etrog.

*Photos by Janet Kreller and Dave Ackerman.*



Wendy Tarvin, our newest acolyte, serves as the Bishop's Chaplain.

The waving of the Lulav and Etrog.

Below, the Bishop renews our baptismal vows and commissions our lectors, layreaders, acolytes, ushers, choir members, counters, coffee hour hosts, and Altar Guild members.



Bishop Beckwith answered questions and discussed issues at the forum.

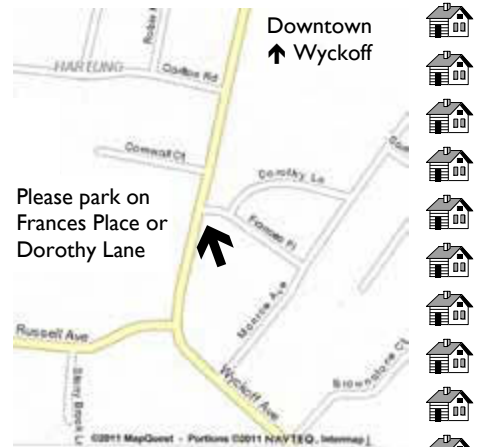




## CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, Dec. 18, 3–6 PM

This year's Christmas Open House will be sponsored by Kathy and Dave Gabrielle of 396 Frances Place in Wyckoff (corner of Wyckoff Ave. just north of Russell Ave.). As in some years past, the Open House this year will be an **Adult ONLY** affair due to entertaining space. Those attending are asked to bring an appetizer or dessert; and along with this item the recipe for the upcoming St. Bartholomew's cookbook. Hope to see you all there!



## CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIAL ENVELOPES

Please use the enclosed Christmas Flower Memorial Envelope to memorialize or honor your loved ones at our Christmas services. Please submit your envelopes by **DECEMBER 15** for the names to be listed in the Christmas bulletins. Thank you!

## OFFICE NOTES

By Ann Woods  
Parish Administrator



## PAPER DRIVE

We are looking for paper donations and other office supplies.

Mostly in need of white 20 lb. printer paper.

If you have any to donate, please bring them to the office.

Please contact the office via e-mail: [stbartshhk@aol.com](mailto:stbartshhk@aol.com) , phone # 201-444-5025.

Thank you.

## Office Hours

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Most weekdays from 12pm-2pm

Please call or e-mail before your visit. Thank you.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!!



## BISTRO AT ST. BART'S

Our Fourth Annual Bistro was scheduled for Saturday, October 29, and so the theme was Pumpkins. Last year's successful "Cake Throwdown" became this year's "Pumpkin Cake Throwdown." The committee spent Friday evening decorating the Parish Hall. Everything was set for another fabulous Bistro. And then... SNOWTOBER! An unusual October snowstorm (Bishop Beckwith called it "Hurricane Irene's second cousin") brought down tree limbs and power lines and blocked roads. By midafternoon we thought we'd have to cancel. But we didn't. Our caterer agreed to hold off for a day and the band was able to reschedule. And so we postponed the Bistro to late Sunday afternoon. We had reservations from 70 persons, and Dan Kreller, John Alberti and Michael Gnerre phoned as many as they could reach to advise them of the change. Still, 18 persons didn't make it, and we had the lowest turnout of our four years.

BUT—this Bistro was the most successful! Our new caterer, Erin Cacciabaudo of "The Catch-y Caterer," provided lots of great food. The band — Bill Moraites, Bobby Knee and Ralph Bibeau of "The BBR Trio" — played throughout most of the evening for listening and dancing. Lisa Wyession's toffee pumpkin bars won the cake throwdown. Contributions and auction proceeds set new records, and so this Bistro was the most financially successful in our four years, netting us over \$6,400!

Thanks go to the committee: Jane Pierson and Michael Gnerre, co-chairs; Dave Ackerman, John Alberti, Wendy Dockray, Jackie Fisher, Kathy Gabrielle, Jodie Johnson, Janet Kreller, Rita O'Neill, Jayme Wolff and Lisa Wyession. Special thanks go to Janet Kreller for her artwork and to Jackie Fisher and Lisa Wyession who procured most of the auction items and arranged them for an attractive presentation.

*Right*, Lighted pumpkins welcomed our attendees.

Toby Winiarski looks over some of the more than 60 silent auction items.



"The Catch-y Caterer" Erin Cacciabaudo prepares some delicious food which is served by Annie Thurston and Sarah Passaro and enjoyed by Toby Winiarski and Ann Woods.



So many persons admired the decorations that we kept them up for a few more weeks.

Ghada Harb and Mike Egbert, Jodie Johnson and John Alberti, and Kim Myles Ramsey and Geoff Ramsey enjoy the BBR Trio's dance music..



Above, Girls just wanna have fun!

Left, Dave Gabrielle blows out the candles at closing time.

Far left, a sample of Janet Kreller's unique artwork.

### WHERE IS EVERYONE?

It is discouraging each Sunday to come to worship together when attendance is sparse. *Where is our congregation?*

Oh, I know it is so easy to just turn over and get another hour of rest; or it's even more tempting to read the newspaper and have a leisurely breakfast.

But if you feel, as I do, you would not want to miss the opportunity to spend time in reflection and prayer in God's house, I hope you will ponder this and make an effort to join your church family on Sundays.

- Virginia Smith

Let me also ask a question: *Where are our children?*

St. Bartholomew's once had the largest Sunday School in the entire Diocese of Newark. Our 1963 parish report notes 317 children and 35 teachers! And we had a Junior Choir of some 40 young people.

But now, on Sunday mornings when I drive by the public school, several games are under way on the athletic field. *That's* where our children are. Not learning about God but learning about sports.

For several summers I've traveled around the country in a 1923 Pullman railroad car., essentially a "rolling hotel" where we eat, sleep and relax. The owner's two teenage sons work as waiters, busboys and baggage handlers. They're polite, efficient and industrious. They never complain. The older one has been doing this since age seven. They are the greatest kids I've ever known. "What's your secret?" I asked their mother. She said they don't let the boys take part in any activities that involve Sunday mornings. That time is for church.

Think about it. What do you want your children to grow up to be — responsible, God-loving adults, or sports stars?

- Dave Ackerman

### SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS FLASH

In order to offer the best Christian Education possible to our children, we are now dividing the Sunday School into two age groups. Lauren Smith has offered to teach the younger children and I will stay with the older group. The children will meet together for a few minutes of prayer, then split into their groups. The younger children will start with praise songs, followed with a story time and crafts. The older children will be focusing on the Gospel of Luke. If anyone would like to teach a class once in a while or help out with an art project please contact Lauren or Peggy. We could use your help!

Sunday, Dec. 4 will be Bring a Friend to Sunday School. The children are inviting their friends to join us for the Advent Breakfast and Sunday School. If you know a child that doesn't normally go to Sunday School please invite them to join us.

Love,  
Peggy Kievit

## OUTREACH

*"Let us come before His presence with Thanksgiving." Psalm 95*

St. Philip's Ministries come each Monday and pick up the many items left in the front hall.

NOVEMBER 20th was HARVEST SUNDAY. We received food baskets for Thanksgiving Dinners, canned vegetables, fruit, potatoes, turkeys and items to make up a great dinner. The food was taken to the Ramapough Mountain Indians in Mahwah.

NOVEMBER 27th we had the children's names of the Ramapough Mountain Indians for you to take and purchase a Christmas gift. The names were available in the Parish Hall that day, or if you wish to call me for a name my number is 201-652-1320.

I have already received two telephone calls asking for help; one family had 5 Grand-children. I asked 4 persons locally, who took a child, one person took two children, another caller had one two year old. I've received 33 names and all have been taken.

Joyce Millett, an ex parishioner moved to Wisconsin, has continued to help me with collecting dolls left at her church. She takes them home, washes and redresses them. She has done this for several years since she moved to Wisconsin and I have received boxes of lovely dolls, this year she said she was mailing me 50-75 dolls. What a gift; they will make the Migrant workers children very happy and we will find others that need help.

Also a large box arrived recently, from Joyce, with 8 lovely porcelain special dolls, which were offered for sale November 13th. Call me if you would like one.

I am still collecting toiletries and also children's school supplies. They can be left in the office and I will pick up.

Have a very Happy Christmas and thank you for your Outreach support.

**Marjorie Taylor**

**OUTREACH**



Some of the food generously donated by our parishioners and friends, who also contributed \$754.00 towards supermarket gift cards.





### Prayer Requests

*Kindly keep the following parishioners and friends in your prayers:*

Terry, Stan, John, Chris, Lisa, Joe, Tyler, Tyree, Bill, Tom, Jack, Michael, Lynn, Alfred, Steve, Kaitlin, William, Albert, Mary Jo, John, Annie, Linda, Richard, Jo, Karen, Fred, Terri, Evie, June, Dawn, Lynn, Mikey, Megna, Scott, Annmarie, Christene, Maria, Candace, Joanne, Betty, Nona, Donald, Eleanor, Cheryl, Rose, Nancy, Ed, Maryann, Cindy, Esme, Grace



Homebound Parishioners: Thail, Ruth

Our Vestry members and all of our Parish members needing prayer.

*Please remember in your prayers the friends and families of our parishioners and neighbors who are serving in the military:*

Steady, USAF	Matt, USA	Danny, USMC	Scott, USA
Brian, USMC	Eric, USA	Bobby, USA	Dave, USA

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### "HEALING WITH JUDITH MacNUTT" ON LINE

Judith MacNutt is co-founder, with her husband Francis, of Christian Healing Ministries in Jacksonville, Florida. Many of us have enjoyed Francis and Judith's inspirational talks at Fishnet and CHM healing conferences in New England. Now you can hear Judith Monday through Friday from 7:00 to 7:30 PM EST - on your computer.

Just go to **www.pureradiojax.org** and at the top left, click on "Click Here to Stream Live Online." Many of these talks are taken from Fishnet or CHM meetings. Note that the program may start and/or end a few minutes before or after the scheduled time.

You can also listen to recent broadcasts. Go to **www.christianhealingmin.org**, click on "Healing with Judith MacNutt" and select from a list of topics.



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### BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES (previous page)

If your birthday or anniversary, or your children's birthdays, are not listed in the B-Line, please contact us at 201-444-5025, or StBartsHHK@aol.com, or 70 Sheridan Avenue, Ho-Ho-Kus, NJ 07423.

For security purposes, the birthday and anniversary page will be excluded from the on-line version of the B-Line.



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Syrian Orthodox "scouts" parading in Manger Square in Bethlehem on the Feast of the Epiphany. They marched into the Church of the Nativity, the church built over the place of Jesus' birth by the Emperor Constantine in the 4th century and renovated by the Emperor Justinian in the 6th century. The Greek Orthodox Archbishop celebrated the mass of Christ's birth there that day.

*Photos taken by Dan Kreller in 2008*

*Please Join Us at St. Bartholomew's Church to celebrate the Birth of Our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. See Christmas schedule on inside front cover.*

*Note: NO PARKING on the East side of Sycamore Ave or North side of Enos Place.*