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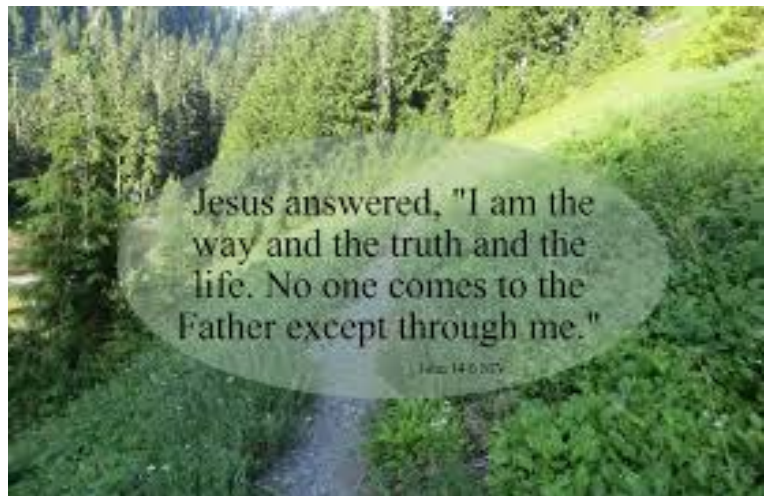


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MAY/JUNE 2026



May/June Birthdays & Anniversaries

Patrick O'Sullivan	May 04
Rachel Winter	May 04
Lyn Faust	May 07
Devin Maurer	May 07
Mikayla Bronschidle	May 11
Karen DeYoung	May 12
Gail Hoffman	May 12
Margaret Wager	May 15
The Rev Canon Abuid Sam	May 22
Nicholas DeWaters	May 31



Todd Shears	June 01
Kevin Wager	June 02
Kim Rose	June 03
Christine Goodman	June 09
John Taylor Jr.	June 09
Jonathan Steen	June 09
Joanne Conley	June 11
Joan Weet	June 20
The Rev. Thomas Mitchell	June 21
Veronica Ramirez	June 22
Marilyn Freeman	June 27
Brenda Glaser	June 29
Mathew Heschke	June 30

***May your day be
filled with lots
of love and
happiness***



Daniel & Martha Buchanan	May 07
Roger & Elizabeth Cook	May 23
Carl & Janice Beitelshes	June 20
Hartley & Gloriann Hutchens	June 21
Wallace & Christine Goodman	June 29

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Calendar

May 7th – **MENS & FRIENDS** at 6:00 p.m. at the parish hall.

May 12th – **FINANCE MEETING** at 1:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

May 14th – **MARY HUNT MEETING** at noon in the Parish Hall.

May 19th – **VESTRY MEETING** at 1:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

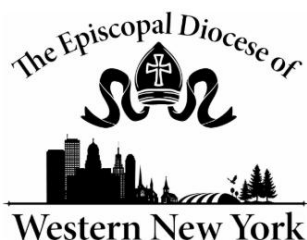
June 4th – **MENS & FRIENDS** at 6:00 p.m. at the parish hall.

June 9th – **FINANCE MEETING** at 1:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

June 11th – **MARY HUNT MEETING** at noon in the Parish Hall.

June 16th – **VESTRY MEETING** at 1:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Wednesdays – Noon Eucharist and bible study (bring your lunch)



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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



200th ANNIVERSARY OF CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Our 200th anniversary of Christ Episcopal Church will be in 2028 (1828 – 2028). The celebration will take place some time in the Month of September 2028.

If you are interested in being on this committee or co-chairing, please call the office at 716-433-9229.

Sue Venezia-Waddell is working on the archives of the church, and Laurie Monaco is working on the recipe book. If you have a copy of the old recipe book, please let Laurie know.

Gloria Bryant is working on memorabilia to purchase. Suggestions welcome.

Laurie Monaco is working on the recipe book. If anyone has a recipe to submit, please reach out to Laurie.

2026 FLAG DAY June 14th



There will be envelopes in the front and back of the church mid May through June 14th for donations for the new flags and future flags out front. We will be adding lights that shine on the flags also.

From the Warden:

We will be getting our floors cleaned and polished after the Strawberry Festival.

Lockport Chorale Concert

Christ Episcopal Church on
5/15/2026

Christ Episcopal Church

7145 Fieldcrest Drive at Route 31
Lockport, New York

Strawberry Festival 2026



**Wednesday, June 10th
4:00pm - 7:00pm**

Rain or Shine

Handicap Accessible, Air-Conditioned Hall
Live Music Starting at 5:00
...details forthcoming

Foods available for purchase:

Pulled Pork, Hot Dogs, Hamburgers,
Homemade Macaroni Salad,
German Potato Salad, Italian Pasta Salad,
Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Macaroni & Cheese
and Strawberry Shortcake

~ Basket Raffle ~

~ Homemade Baked Goods Sale ~



OUTREACH

Thanks to your support, our Christ Church Outreach Committee continues to fill the 716 Little Food Pantries in Lockport. Unfortunately, our budget is diminishing, and we may have to cut back on some of the food products that we have been supplying to the boxes twice a month.

Currently, we are shopping for food at Aldi for most of our products, and a few items (macaroni & cheese, spaghetti sauce and sometimes jelly) are purchased at Wegman's, where the prices for these items are lower.

If you choose to donate food items to our pantry, please place them in the wagons in the Cloister. We are always happy to have them. God bless you for all that you provide for the people in our community.

MARY HUNT GUILD

The Mary Hunt Guild will meet in the Fellowship Hall on Thursday, May 14th at noon. We will discuss the Spring Tea successes and challenges, so please bring your thoughts and your appetites to our potluck meeting.

The tea was an overall success. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help.

There are too many names to mention everyone here. From the process of getting the ball rolling until the last item was put away and the tasks were completed beautifully. Great food, wonderful hospitality and service, a wide variety of baskets and prizes and an event that was set up and cleared up perfectly. It was enjoyed by our guests and parishioners.

Our annual Strawberry Festival will be held on Wednesday, June 10th. As usual, we will need volunteers to assist on the grill outdoors, in the kitchen, for the basket raffle and to assist our guests during the event and at the concert. This is our largest fundraising event. Please consider sharing a little of your time and talents.

This is a family event, so we are looking for baskets and prizes for all ages and genders. Basket Raffle Tags are in the front of the church and the cloister. Bake Sale items are also very much needed!

Thank you,
Theresa McCabe

Those We Are Holding In Prayer

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Steven Akina, Michelle Baker, Lowell Behm, Scott Andrew Behm, Castle, Joanne Conley, Roger Cook, Loretta DeCarlo, Dave DeYoung, Deb Donnelly, Elaine Behm Dunson, Philip Faust, Cindy Few, Amy Foley, Marilyn Freeman, Adam Gaskill, Paula Gauthier, Natalie Gennaro, Reenie Gerhardt, Beth Grant, Jeff Green, John Grundhoefer, Janis, Nancy Upthegrove Jaramillo, Melanie Keleher, Barbara Kelley, Rev. Judith Lee, Rachelle M., Pedro Maymi, Jeff McLaughlin, Patrick O'Sullivan, Celeste Patti, Becky Pauley, Thomas R., Kim Ricks, Connie Schrecengost, Joanna Southerd, Cheryl Sherwood, Joanna Southard, The Family of Nellie Stevenson, Carol Stokes, Micah Stoll, Dick Storey, Kelly T., Heather Theurer, Hazel Ward, Kylie Woods, Nancy Woods, Richard Witt, Barbara Yount, Robert Theurer, Hazel Ward, Kylie Woods, Nancy Woods, Richard Witt, Sheldon Yount and family, St. Paul's, Lewiston, families in conflict, the unemployed, and others in need of prayer.

Those Serving in the Armed Forces/First Responders

John Balzer, James Bindert, Bobby Holmes, Katie Langdon, Devon MacKenzie, Rob Reeves, Kyle Schreader, William Sloan, Ron Steen, John Taylor, Marshall Taylor, Allen Upson, David Upson, Tessa Urbaniak, Robert Urtel, Shane Woods, Matthew Yount.

Thanks, and Blessings,
Thomas+

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Soda Pop Chops with Smashed Potatoes



Ingredients

- 1-1/2 pounds small red potatoes, halved
- 1 cup root beer
- 1 cup ketchup
- 1 tablespoon brown sugar
- 2 teaspoons chili powder
- 2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder, divided
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 3/4 teaspoon pepper, divided
- 1/2 teaspoon salt, divided
- 4 bone-in pork loin chops (7 ounces each)
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 tablespoons butter

Directions

Place potatoes in a large saucepan and cover with water. Bring to a boil over high heat. Reduce heat to medium; cover and cook until tender, 15-20 minutes.

Meanwhile, in a small bowl, combine the root beer, ketchup, brown sugar, chili powder, Worcestershire sauce and 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder; set aside. In a large resealable plastic bag, combine the flour, 1/2 teaspoon pepper and 1/4 teaspoon salt. Add pork chops, one at a time, and shake to coat.

In a large cast-iron or other ovenproof skillet, cook chops in oil over medium heat until chops are lightly browned, 2-3 minutes on each side. Drain. Add root beer mixture; bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer until a thermometer reads 145°, 6-8 minutes. Remove pork and keep warm. Let stand for 5 minutes before serving.

Bring sauce to a boil; cook until liquid is reduced by half. Meanwhile, drain potatoes; mash with butter, remaining garlic powder and remaining salt and pepper. Serve with pork chops and sauce.



You Are Loved!

We, the members of Christ Episcopal Church, recognize all human beings as children of God and as our brothers and sisters in Christ. We invite all people to be a part of our church family, to worship with us, and to join us in Holy Communion. All are welcome here, with no exceptions.



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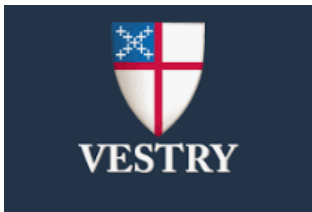
Office Hours for Father Thomas

Tuesdays & Wednesdays
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**The office is open Monday
through Thursday**
8:15 a.m. – 2:15 p.m.
Available by phone on Fridays

Vestry Members

John Urtel (Warden)
Sheldon Yount (Jr. Warden)



Judy Mack
Jo Anne Schreiber
John Scott
Robin Schulmeister
Joanne Stanton
Cheryl Urtel
Suzanne Venezia-Waddell

Treasurer – Kevin Wager