

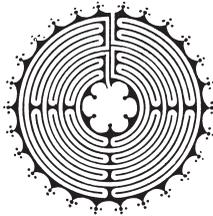


ST. EDWARD'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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The Lampstand

FEBRUARY 2014



Meet our new congregational leaders!

The following were elected at our January 26 Annual Meeting to lead St. Edward's throughout 2014. Thanks to all who stepped forth to serve.

Amy Lounsbury – co/warden

Fritz Wright – co/warden

Gary Englert – Treasurer

Fran Christianson – Clerk and Vestry member

Joan Dow – Vestry Member

Rachel Svihel – Vestry Member

Musings of Mother Danáe

With subzero temperatures and heaps of snow in January, we have truly been experiencing the heart of winter. I am grateful when we come to a warm church for services with electricity that works and a parking lot that is plowed. It is wonderful to live in the time and place that has these luxuries!

This month, as winter continues, may we warm our hearts by the fire of gratitude that we have for what God has given us in Jesus, in creation, and in each other. Here is a prayer to help us in remembering our gratitude for all those behind the scenes, especially God our often quiet sustainer, from *Gathered and Scattered: Readings and meditations from the Iona Community* by Neil Paynter (Month 1 Day 20):

Prayer (Behind the scenes)

God the Lord, you sustain us invisibly by the air we breathe, the energy granted for daily tasks and conversation, the capacity to relate to you and to one another. This is the Lord's doing and it is wonderful in our eyes. The day itself is a gift of grace, not guaranteed, for we might not have wakened to it. We give thanks.

We give thanks for those who are servants of your sustaining grace, not only those we see but those who are invisible—bakers, butchers, candlestick makers, who supply our needs.

We switch on the light and the cooker, scarcely giving a thought to those who bring electricity to our homes—except in times of storm when the lines are down and we crouch in the cold. Now we take time to thank you for them.

We remember with gratitude those who drive vans, buses, trains, trucks, allowing networks of contact to be maintained and goods and people to be moved to where they can meet and work and be of use to you. We give thanks for those who maintain our highways, those who plow our roads [*sic*], and those who resurface roads.

We bless you for those who make and sell clothes; for volunteer workers in charity shops; and for all kinds of service in shops that supply our daily needs and wants.

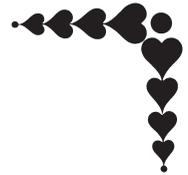
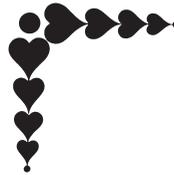


We pray for those who, invisible to us, seek to heal divisions in and between nations—in Northern Ireland, in Palestine/Israel, all those working to make peace sustainable and just.

God, who sustains us, we give thanks for all those working behind the scenes. Amen.

– Ian M. Fraser

~ Be peace, be light, be love!
Mo. Danáe +



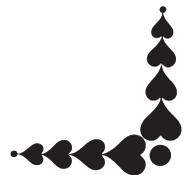
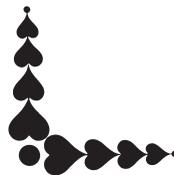
February Milestones

Birthdays

- 3 Joe Svihel
- 10 Debbie Enyeart
- 26 Dianne Ferrandi

Anniversaries

None



Downton Abbey Tea Party

A limited number of seats remain!

Sun., Feb. 23 at 3 p.m.

The Four Seasons at Rush Creek

7550 Ranier Lane North, Maple Grove

\$100 per person (75% of the ticket price is tax deductible)

Enter the world of Downton Abbey at a traditional English tea benefitting Interfaith Outreach & Community Partners. The elegant afternoon will include music and Downton Abbey-inspired fun. Dressing in period costume is admired but not required.

Tickets can be purchased online at: <https://iocp.ejoinme.org/IOCPTea2014> or by contacting Cate Fossing at (763) 489-7513 or cfossing@iocp.org. Limited seating for 100 guests. Tables of 6. Reservations will be taken through February 15.

The event is sponsored by The Foursome, Peg's Countryside Catering, Franklin Press, Inc., The Bookcase, Torke Coffee, and Chico's.

Book Drive is planned for Lent

The Outreach Committee is working the LDA to arrange a children's book drive during Lent.

We will be looking for good children's books that will eventually be distributed to low-income families, who usually have almost no access to children's literature. More information will follow. Please wait until this drive to donate books that you no longer are using – eventually these books might just change lives!!!

Is Spiritual Direction for You?

Have you ever wondered if having a spiritual companion might be something from which you could benefit? What if there were no cost?

Directors-in-training who have completed the first two years of their skills and formation classes in Sacred Ground's Spiritual Direction Certification program are available to meet with you at no cost while they are in facilitated supervision. Why not explore journeying with a spiritual director?

Contact Cris Tibbetts at 651-696-2765 or cris@sacredgroundspirit.org for more information.

Women's Group reorganizing

I happen to think that it is time to keep our Women's Group going – with that in mind I invite any and all women to come to my house Tuesday evening, February 18, after 7:00 pm. There will be no agenda, just a chance to be together. Please come!

Lynne Whitacre

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ReSale 101: Now accepting spring donations

As you're organizing your closets, please consider donating any new or gently used clothing or household items to ReSale 101, Interfaith Outreach & Community Partners' resale shop. The store is now accepting spring donations! For a complete list of accepted items, please visit www.iocp.org/donate-2.

All proceeds from the store support the programs of IOCP and ultimately help our struggling neighbors in the west suburban Hennepin County communities we serve.

Donations can be dropped off at the store, located at 1605 County Road 101 N in Plymouth. Donation and store hours are: Tuesday, Friday, Saturday: 10 am-5 pm, and Wednesday, Thursday: 10 a.m.-8 pm.

Donate your paper grocery bags to IOCP

If you have extra paper grocery bags, please consider donating them to Interfaith Outreach & Community Partners. Our food shelf and special programs will put them to good use! Bags can be dropped off from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at IOCP, 1605 County Road 101 N in Plymouth.

EpiscoBuilders Project in February

EpiscoBuilders is sponsoring a one-day project on Saturday, February 22, in north Minneapolis. Volunteers are needed to provide lunch, provide morning treats, and be a laborer. No special skills or tools needed. Please see Lynne Whitacre if interested.



Donation Creation is back!

Donation Creation is a monthlong competition beginning in February where organizations come



St. Edward's "Donation Creation" Train from the 2013 competition

together to collect food donations and construct a sculpture to showcase their team spirit. You're invited to join us to: Donate, Create and Feed Our Community.

Here's how:

1. Sign up at www.iocp.org/donation-creation sign by February 1.
2. Lead a food drive.
3. Build a sculpture with donations.

For more information, visit www.iocp.org.

Mission Opportunity 2014: Engaging God's Children in Our Neighborhoods

For Mission Opportunity 2014 we will take a community engagement approach. We'll go deeper into our unique neighborhoods and communities for a year (and hopefully more) of intentional engagement and relationship building with children and youth who are struggling in our neighborhoods: either directly, or through a local school or non-profit. Mission Opportunity 2014 is about connecting, and building a healthier community with all of God's children. Watch for more information in the weeks to come. Learn more at: <http://episcopalmn.org/mission-opportunity-2014/>

The Missional Assessment Process (MAP)

Dear St. Edward's Community,

Our parish has started the Mission Assessment Process (MAP) which is a program facilitated by the Episcopal Church in Minnesota to help faith communities like ours explore questions such as: "What is God doing in our neighborhood and how can we participate?" This Mission Assessment Process or MAP will be the basis of how St. Edward's will proceed toward questions of our own concerning how we see ourselves and where are we going.

At this point in the process the core group is asking for participation from a large group (about 15) to attend four two hour sessions with about a month in between each session. See attached MAP program. This is your opportunity to be apart of an exciting process that will mold our future together. Our facilitator Amanda Ziebell-Finley has assured us these are not "corporate" meetings, they are fun and interactive. We would like to start the two hour sessions as soon as a couple weeks from now.

We won't have room for everyone, but we will take the first fifteen parishioners to sign up to be apart of this important process engaging in God's mission. There will be a sign up sheet on the information table at St. Edward's. Hope to see you there!

Faithfully, Fritz Wright, Co-Warden

The Missional Assessment Process (MAP) is a facilitated tool that helps faith communities explore the core question of Mission: **What is God doing in our neighborhood and how can we participate?**

The Commissioners for Mission offer guidance, tools and companionship over a series of sessions, as faith communities pray together, study together and work together in order to expand their understanding of and ability to translate *Missio Dei* theology into a practical way of being together and engaging in God's mission in their unique cultures and contexts.

Missional Assessment Teams consist of a Core Team of faith community leaders (clergy, elected, vestry, lay, volunteers, etc.) and a larger group (12-20) of faith community members.

Session 1: Creating Shared Meaning

In the initial session, Commissioners will meet with faith community leaders to develop a common understanding of the process and outcomes of the MAP. Commissioners will also be collecting information about the community through the use of online tools.

Session 2: Building Intentional Community

Session 2 focuses on building community and understanding mission through the creation of a Community Covenant, Gospel Based Discipleship and a short "Mission 101" interactive workshop.

Session 3: Who Are We Together?

Session 3 uses the Appreciative Inquiry process to uncover positive stories of mission within the faith community, allowing us to draw on positive energy as we begin to explore what makes our faith community unique. This session also focuses on gifts discernment and introduces the 5 Marks of Mission.

Session 4: God in the Neighborhood

Session 4 introduces the Commission for Community Engagement as we begin to explore what God is doing in our neighborhoods and how we can participate. This includes a discussion of "Who is our Neighbor?" as well as community asset mapping.

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St. Edward's Vestry Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 14, 2014: 6:45 pm

In Attendance: Ginny Cassidy, Fritz Wright, Fran Christianson, Joan Dow, Amy Waller (via phone), Mother Danée Ashley

Absent: Katie Bradach, Gary Englert (Treasurer) Deacon Morris Goodwin

OPENING PRAYER/MEDITATION

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER MINUTES

Joan moved to approve the December Minutes. Fritz seconded. Approval was unanimous.

TREASURER'S REPORT – GARY

- Tabled until Vestry gets the information and will do an e-mail approval.

- November/December financials (tabled)
- 2014 budget for approval (tabled) (*UPDATE: 2014 Budget Approved 1/20/14 via e-mail.*)
- Ginny sent in the MMS relief form.

HOUSING ALLOWANCE APPROVAL – Mo. DANÉE

Resolution for Vestry Approval of Housing Allowance: January 14, 2014

Whereas, the Rev. Danée M. Ashley is compensated by St. Edward the Confessor Episcopal Church, Wayzata, MN exclusively for the services as a priest and minister of the gospel; and

Whereas, St. Edward the Confessor Episcopal Church does not provide the Rev. Danée M. Ashley with a rectory, therefore, it is hereby

Resolved, that the total compensation paid to the Rev. Danée M. Ashley for calendar year 2014 shall be \$49,654, of which \$20,000 is hereby designated to a housing allowance; and it is further

Resolved that the designation of \$20,000 as a housing allowance shall apply to calendar year 2014 and for that year alone.

Ginny made a motion to approve. Fran seconded. Approval was unanimous.

February 2014

MAP KICK-OFF MEETING – FRITZ

First meeting of the Core Team on 1/8/14. Larger team of 15 will be created from the wider congregation and will commit to four meetings of two hours at a time over the course of the next 6-8 months. People will be recognized for their efforts. According to Missioner Amanda – This should be a fun process! There are 23 other churches in this program. An e-mail will go out next week to the congregation about the process.

ANNUAL MEETING

- Reports due 1/15/14

SECOND SUNDAY

- Final list of 2014 activities — it is clear what organization will benefit our efforts.
- Status of lead organizers.

PASTORAL CONCERNS

REPORTS

RECTOR'S REPORT – Mo. DANÉE

BUILDING & GROUNDS – FRITZ

- Eagle Scout project for our church — discussed ideas.
- Leak in library has been fixed.

MISC. BUSINESS

- Vestry replacement candidate for 2014. Ginny Cassidy has stepped down from being on Vestry to attend to family issues. We support her in this decision and wish her the best. We now need a new Co-Warden and a new Vestry

“The Green Visor” (Treasurer’s Report)

member to finish Ginny’s term (2014).
Parishioners will be asked.

- Next steps re: Planned giving/pooled investment fund
- Vestry retreat on February 1: 9 am-1 pm
- Next Vestry Meeting – February 16, 11:00 am

CLOSING PRAYER/MEDITATION

The Vestry laid hands on and prayed for Ginny, blessing her as she goes forth.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Lounsbury Waller, Clerk

MAP *(continued from page 5)*

Session 5: Common Mission

Session 5 reviews and draws out the discoveries of sessions 2-4. We begin to discover and name where our unique gifts as a faith community meet the needs, passions or activities of our local neighborhoods and how we can begin to take a more active role in God’s mission.

Session 6: Sharing the Message

Session 6 focuses on helping your Missional Assessment Team process and share the MAP findings in the larger faith community. Teams will begin to name and identify next steps including leadership development, relationship development and networking, formation needs, resources, etc.

After Session 6 Missional Assessment Teams and their larger faith communities will continue to work with the Commission for Mission, the Commission for Community Engagement and others as appropriate to move forward.

Offering Statistics:		
Average Weekly Offering in December:		\$ 1,745.50
Total Annual Pledges:	36	\$ 118,988.00

Financial Summary: December, 2013	Year to Date	Year to Date
	Actual	Budget
Total Income	\$ 173,917.45	\$ 147,988.00
Total Expenses	145,532.54	154,308.00
Net Income/(Expense)	<u>\$ 28,384.91</u>	<u>\$ (6,320.00)</u>
General Cash on hand:	\$ 35,064.50	(540.41)

Green Visor Notes:

Full Year Budget	
\$ 147,988.00	• The cash at end of period balance can be summarized as follows:
154,308.00	
<u>\$ (6,320.00)</u>	Dedicated Accounts: \$11,914.49
	General Account: <u>35,064.50</u>
	\$46,978.99
<u>\$ (540)</u>	

- Income is favorable due to large one time gifts received, and EGH rental income.
- Expenses are favorable overall due to:
 - Apportionment relief
 - Refund of sales taxes paid on our electric bills (which should not have been taxed)
 - Anticipated HVAC repairs that have not yet been needed
- Overall, with unplanned gifts and lower than expected building related repairs, we have been able to build a reserve cash balance as we head in to 2014.

NOTE: To learn more about these events, and to see timely updates, visit

Calendar

				Febr
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	
2	3	4	5	6
9:30 AM Holy Eucharist 10:30 Social Gathering 10:45 Education Hour	Priest's Sabbath	8:00 am GBD 7:00 pm AA Group		9:30 am I Prayer Gro 6:00 pm E Parish Hal 7:00 Choir
9	10	11	12	13
8:45 am Morning Prayer 9:30 am Second Sunday activities	Priest's Sabbath	8:00 am GBD 9:15 am - Outreach Comm.@ Panera - SLP 7:00 pm AA Group		9:30 am In Prayer Gro 7:00 pm C
16	17	18	19	20
9:30 am Holy Eucharist 10:30 am Social Gathering 10:45 am Education Hour 11:00 am VESTRY	Priest's Sabbath 6:00 pm Cooking for Vicksburg Commons dinner	7:00 pm Women's Group @ Whitacre's		9:30 am In Prayer Gro 5:30 pm V Commons 7:00 pm C
23	24	25	26	27
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LOOKING AHEAD:

March 5: Ash Wednesday

the online calendar on St. Edward's website: <http://stedwards-mn.org/>

February, 2014			
Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 8:00 AM Morning Prayer 9:00 am - 1:00 pm VESTRY RETREAT
5 Intercessory Group* CCH Training - I r	6	7 Office Closed	8 8:00 am Morning Prayer
12 Intercessory Group* Choir	13 9:30 am Spiritual Directors meet in the Library 10:00 am Education Committee	14 Office Closed	15 8:00 AM Morning Prayer
19 Intercessory Group Wicksburg dinner Choir	20	21 Office Closed	22 8:00 am Morning Prayer 9:00 am EpiscoBuilders project in N. Minneapolis (see article)
26 Intercessory Group Choir	27 7:00 pm West Metro meeting - Parish Hall	28 Office closed	<i>* This group normally meets at the Starkey home</i>

February

March 8, June 14: Contemplative mornings at St. Edward's

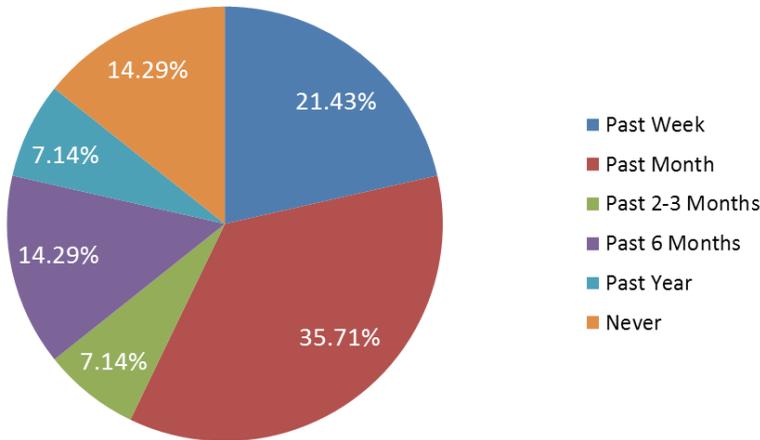
April 20: Easter

St. Edward's Media Survey Results

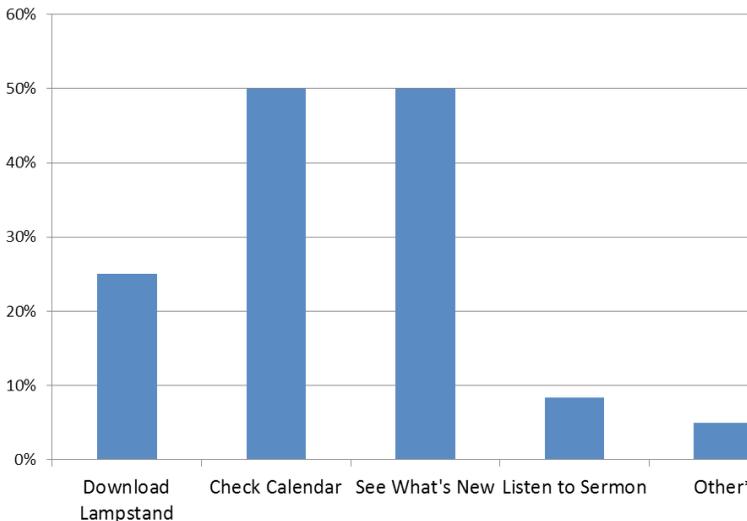
By Adam Irving

Throughout the month of December, a survey was conducted regarding the changes in electronic media seen throughout 2013, focusing in particular on the parish website and email services. Below are the results of each question.

#1. When Did You Last Visit St. Edward's Website?



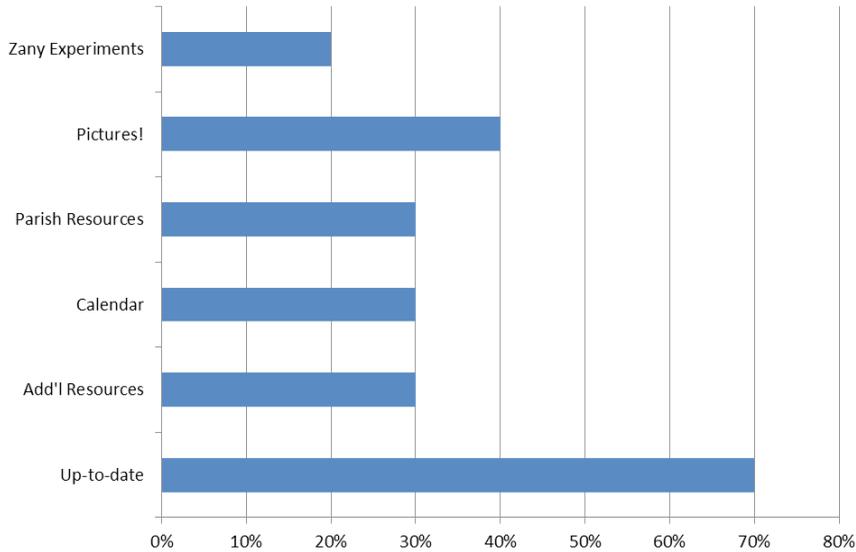
#2. Why Do You Visit the Website?



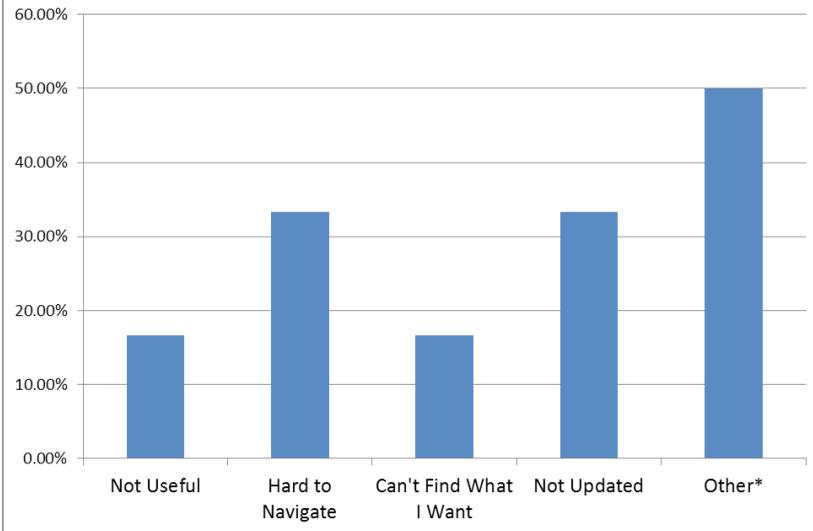
A selection of responses from the **Other** category, meant to convey options besides the ones previously listed, are as follows (with minor edits):

- To view the hourly schedules
- Service times
- Upcoming concerts
- What would visitors see?

#3. What Do You Like About the Website?



#4. What Don't You Like About the Website?



A selection of responses from the **Other** category, meant to convey options besides the ones previously listed, are as follows (with minor edits):

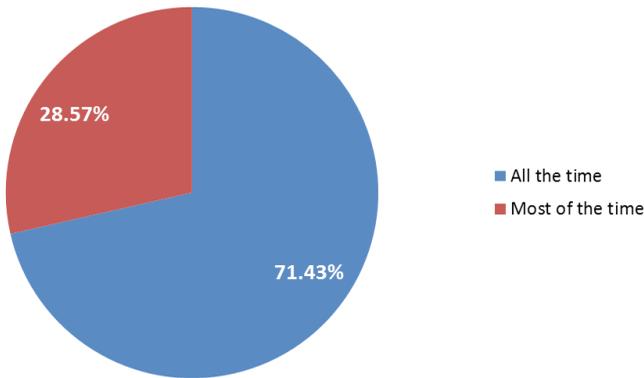
- Wish Worship helpers schedule were on website separately outside of Lampstand.
- Second Sunday activities pictures.

#5. What would you like to see on the website in the future?

Below are a number of suggestions that were given to the above question.

- Current Information
- Birthdays
- Book Reviews
- Weekly Happenings Archive
- Dedicated page for specific volunteer opportunities
- Splash screen for upcoming events

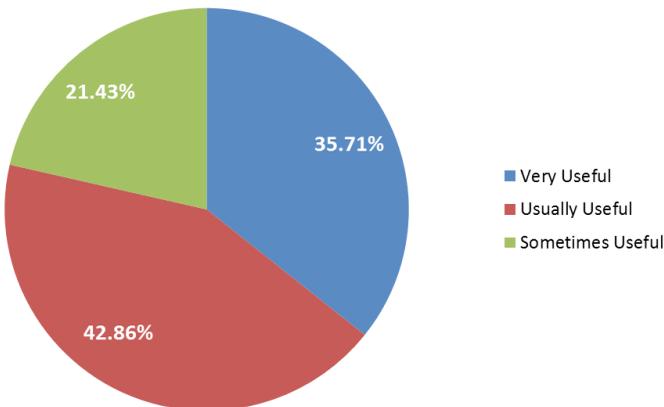
#6. How often do you open and read St. Edward's emails?



Additional Comments (edited):

- Like the up-to-date reminders
- Not always confident information is accurate (conflict between Happenings/Lampstand)
- Please keep to one email per week if at all possible

#7. How Useful or Information Are Parish Emails?



#8. What emails garner the most attention?

1. The Lampstand
2. The Happenings
3. Special Events

#9. Email Frequency

- Just Right – 84.62%
- Too Many – 15.38%
- Too Few – No one, about any email, ever.

#10. Further Suggestions, Critiques or Improvements for St. Edward's media

- Information must be current
- Happenings should include announcements made on Sunday mornings
- Helps to have readings printed out
- Website/Emails look very professional
- Wish Lampstand were broken down into smaller parts for ease of reading – more photos/fewer words
- Try to keep up with current web trends if possible

I'd like to thank each and every one of you who took the time to go through this survey, your thoughts and opinions are very valuable, and will be useful in determining where the website and communications go in the future. In general, the feeling seems to be that the website is current and up to date, though there are still some concerns about keeping information on it accurate and current. The emails are a welcome step up but there again seems to be a concern about accuracy.

A few other bits of electronic media information of interest:

Current Email List Total: 71

- Email Open Rate Average: 55% (well above industry average)
- 10% more website visits in second half of 2013 than first half.
- 14% more pages viewed in second half of 2013 than first half.
- Website usually receives over 50 visitors per week.
- How do people access the website?
 - Safari
 - Firefox
 - Internet Explorer
 - Chrome
- Average visit duration: 2.30
- Out of the 1,290 total visits from July-December 2013, website was accessed via:
 - Desktop – 75%
 - Mobile – 14%
 - Tablet – 11%

If there are every any questions about electronic media, the website or emails, please don't hesitate to email stedwards865@gmail.com. Thank you for all that you do for St. Edward's!

Prayers of the People

Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. ~ James 5:16

We will include these names within our liturgy in Prayers of the People, but it is our hope that you will use this list to pray for each other all month long. To add or update the prayer list, please contact the church office: 952.473.2262 or stedwards865@gmail.com.

NOTE: A person's name will be removed from the Prayers of the People after 30 days, unless renewed at that time.

Those who have died: Tom Cooke (brother of Dave Cooke)

Our MAP team and our ongoing discernment process

Safe travel and good weather for all the snow birds of the parish

Isabella Andrade: spinal muscular atrophy – always at risk from respiratory infections (Miles & Joan Ottinger's granddaughter)

Keith Boudrie: esophagus removed due to cancer; pneumonia

Rita Buetow: health issues (best friend of Bruce Vail)

Donna Goodwin: prayers for healing (wife of Deacon Morris)

Lindsay Goodwin: prayers for healing (daughter of Deacon Morris)

Mike Hammel: going through chemotherapy for Stage 4 melanoma (Mo. Danae's mother's husband)

Brian Hanlon: death of fiancée (cousin of Lese Wright)

Sonny McCloud: on heart transplant list (friend of Eric Zimmerman)

Nancy Maryott-Capaul: finished experimental treatment and is building back strength in order to receive a heart transplant (Aunt of Mo. Danae)

Tom Moore: cancer of lung, throat and back (relative of Nancy Zimmerman and Lorraine Moore)

Georgi Ruggieri: struggling with addiction problems (Judy & Al Starkey's granddaughter)

Chris Saunderson: recovering from a stroke

Candi Wallace: cancer (friend of Lynne Whitacre)

Dave Yeager: stage 4 kidney cancer (father-in-law of Hollie Yeager)

Servers: February 2014

	Feb 2	Feb 9 MP	Feb 16	Feb 23
Lesson 1	J. Starkey		B. Parsons	L. Wright
Lesson 2	C. Parsons		D. Achenbach	A. Waller
Chalice	C. Parsons D. Achenbach		A. Starkey A. Waller	L. Wright D. Achenbach
Acolyte(s)	E. Achenbach		B. Vail	B. Wright
Usher	D. Cooke F. Wright		J. Kennedy	F. Wright
Teller	J. Dow	G. Englert	D. Achenbach	D. Achenbach
Altar Guild	T. Martin C. Lynch	T. Martin C. Lynch	D. Ferrandi L. Whitacre	D. Ferrandi L. Whitacre
Bread	D. Achenbach	D. Achenbach	D. Achenbach	D. Achenbach
Coffee Hour	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
		8:45 MP: K. Cooke		8:45 MP: A. Starkey



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Music Director: Tami Morse

Facility Manager: Adam Hovis

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Clerk	Fran Christianson	612-581-8832
	Joan Hancock-Dow	952-377-7358
	Rachel Svihel	612-210-2772

*All vestry meetings are open. Contact a Co-Warden
if you plan to come to a meeting.*

Office Hours

Monday	CLOSED
Tuesday	9 am - noon
Wednesday	CLOSED
Thursday	9 am - noon
Friday	CLOSED

ST. EDWARD'S MISSION STATEMENT

***St. Edward's exists to spread the Gospel by feeding
the community spiritually, physically, and artistically.***



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Dates to Remember: *Learn more about these and other events inside*

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| Feb. 13 (Tues.) | Women's Group (p. 3) |
| Feb. 22 (Sat.) | EpiscoBuilders remodel project (p. 4) |
| Feb. 23 (Sun.) | Downton Abbey Tea Party (p. 3) |
| March 8, June 14 (Sat.) | Contemplative mornings at St. Edward's (p. 6) |