



News for February 2, 2022

Rector's Message

Dearly beloved,

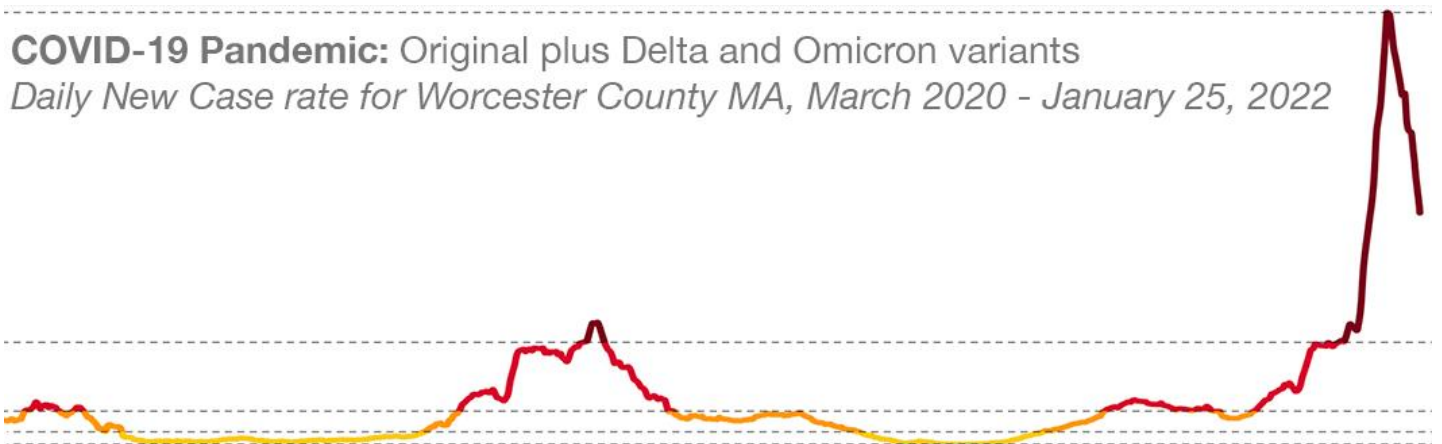
As we seem to have passed the peak of the Omicron infection wave in our region about a week ago, the leadership of the church has agreed to **reopen our services to in-person attendance on February 6th!** Please join us for Holy Eucharist at 9:00 am followed by our Annual Meeting at 10:15 am.



We will continue requiring masks (N95 recommended!) and communing in wafers alone. Coffee Hour is under consideration but will not be offered during the Sunday of the Annual Meeting on the 6th.

COVID-19 Pandemic: Original plus Delta and Omicron variants

Daily New Case rate for Worcester County MA, March 2020 - January 25, 2022



Please continue in prayer for the lagging wave of hospitalizations and deaths—for the sick, their families, and our healthcare workers.

Faithfully,

Father John

The 84th Psalm

How lovely is your house!
My soul thirsts for, longs for your courts
My heart and my flesh leap for joy
In your presence, life's sovereignty
Just as the sparrow has found her proper nest
And the swallow a corner for herself
Where she may nurture and fledge her young
So have I found your altars
You who trail clouds of glory
To whom I look for my soul's satisfaction
Happy are they who live in your house
Their lives are your continuous praise
Happy the ones whose hearts confide in you
Whose feet walk the pilgrim pathways
Passing the valley of weeping
They change it into a spring
And the morning rains cover it with blessing
They go from strength to strength, tower to tower
Appearing before you at Zion's Mount
O you who trail clouds of glory
Listen to me, incline your ear
And look upon my glistening face
For better is a day in your courts
Than a thousand days anywhere else
I would rather wait at the threshold of your house
Than dwell comfortable in the tents of the strong
For you are a warm sun, a glinting shield
Who beams grace, who shines glory
Never withholding goodness
From those who walk with integrity—
O you whose glory blazes behind you!
Happy is the one whose trust rests solid with you

— translated by Jewish Zen teacher Norman Fischer

News at Trinity

Returning to in-person gatherings!

Join us for Holy Eucharist followed by our Annual Parish Meeting on February 6th as we open to in-person gatherings again. The Zoom option will continue, and masks will be required at this time.

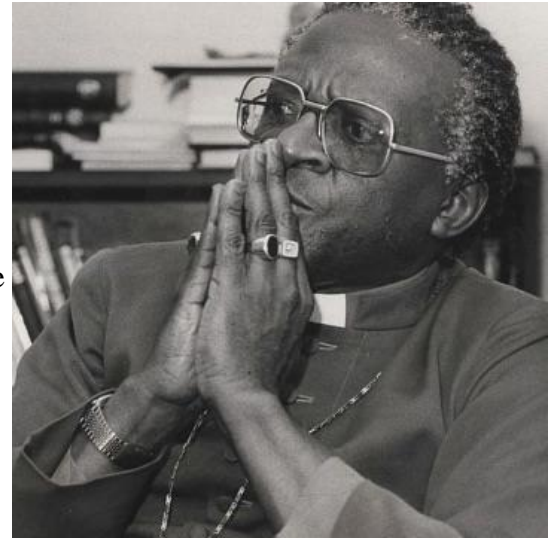
Wednesdays: back in-person next week!

Tonight we will continue our online **Contemplative Evening Prayer** [on Zoom at 7:00 pm](#). Then on Wednesday, February 9th, we will be led by Cindi Scrimgeour in our monthly *Music, Movement, and Meditation*. The following week our in-person Contemplative Gatherings will start meeting again.

Memorial for Archbishop Tutu today at 6:00 pm

The Diocese of Massachusetts invites all to a *Celebration of the Life of Archbishop Desmond Tutu* at 6 pm on February 2nd, the Feast of the Presentation.

The livestreamed service of Holy Eucharist will be held at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul in Boston ([on website](#) or [YouTube](#)). The Rt. Rev. Alan M. Gates and the Rt. Rev. Gayle E. Harris will co-preside, and a sermon will be offered by the Rev. Noble Scheepers, co-chair of the diocesan Racial Justice Commission, who was mentored by and worked with Archbishop Tutu.



Diocesan Creation Care

Go to www.diocesewma.org for information on Creation Care Network E-news

Lenten Book Study Led by Canon Rich Simpson

Click on this link to learn more:

<https://myemail.constantcontact.com/Canon-to-the-Ordinary-Offers-Lenten-Book-Study-Open-to-All.html?soid=1102390657531&aid=CWeLkGEiF44>

Ongoing reminders

- Sunday Formation groups for all ages continue at 10:15 am in person and on Zoom on Feb. 16th
- Donate eyeglasses for recycling by the Lion's Club; collected in the parish hall.
- Donate food for distribution by Daily Bread; collected in the side narthex.

Calendar at Trinity

Upcoming Events

- **Tonight:**
 - *Celebration of the Life of Archbishop Tutu*, 6:00 pm [online](#)
 - Contemplative Evening Prayer at 7:00 pm [on Zoom](#)
- **February 6:**
 - Holy Eucharist Rite II at 9:00 am **in-person** and [on Zoom](#)
 - Annual Meeting at 10:15 am **in-person** and [on Zoom](#)
- **February 9:** *Music, Movement, and Meditation* at 7:00 pm

- **March 2:** Ash Wednesday (details to come)

Regular Weekly Parish Schedule

- **SUNDAY**
 - **9:00 am Holy Eucharist** in-person and [on Zoom](#)
 - **10:15 am Spiritual Formation** (all ages) in-person and [on Zoom](#)
- **Mondays**
 - *Parish office open 10:00 am to 2:00 pm*
- **Tuesdays**
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 - Tai Chi practice at 6:00 pm in Lane Chapel
- **Wednesdays**
 - *Parish office open 10:00 am to 2:00 pm*
 - **Contemplative Gathering** at 7:00 pm in-person and [on Zoom](#)
(*Movement and Meditation* on the first Wednesday of the month)
- **Thursdays**
 - *Parish office open 10:00 am to 2:00 pm*
 - Volunteers gather to prepare meals at 12:00 or 2:00 pm
 - Community Suppers distributed outdoors at 4:00 pm
- **Fridays**
 - *Father John's sabbath day; office closed*
 - Painting Class in Murray Hall at 10:00 am

**THE MINISTERS OF TRINITY
ARE
THE PEOPLE OF THIS PARISH**

led by
The Right Reverend Doug Fisher, *Bishop*
The Reverend John Elliott Lein, *Priest*
Rachel Carpenter, *Sunday School Coordinator*
Magee Lambert, *Secretary*, Paul Del Molino, *Sexton*
Beth Moeller, *Sr. Warden*, Lisa Ruggiero, *Jr. Warden*
and the Treasurer, Clerk, and Vestry.

We serve all God's Creation as a local parish
of the Diocese of Western Massachusetts,
part of The Episcopal Church (USA),
a member of the global Anglican Communion.