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Dear Zion Family,

I pray all is well with you and your families. Just a few things;

Mother Perry Mouncey from Syracuse, will be our Priest this Sunday, March 3rd. She will also serve on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. We are grateful to her for coming to Zion for those services. We are still in the search process for a permanent organist.

The search for a Priest is moving forward, please know that Willie and I as well as the search committee are in contact with the diocese and hope to have an update for you soon. We thank you for your patience and support during the search process.





Lastly, please keep Presiding Bishop Michael Curry in your prayers as he continues to have health issues.

Many Blessings,

May God continue to bless and find favor on our Zion Family.

Respectfully Submitted,
In God's Love,

Jane Padron and Willie Talmadge

	Rector	Vacant
	Warden	Willie Talmadge
	Warden	Jane Padrón
	Treasurer	Michael Rescigno
	Parish Secretary	Annette Clark-Hani
	Financial Secretary	Vacant
	Music Director	Vacant
	Facility Maintenance	Chris Klara

Vestry 2024

Jane Padrón, Warden ('25)
 Willie Talmadge, Warden ('26)
 Michelle Luvisi ('25). Vacant (25),
 Annie Deacon ('26), Wayne Osborne ('26),
 Brenda Outwater ('27), Pat Corbett ('27)
 Sandie Latimer- Clerk of Vestry
 Michael Rescigno, Treasurer

March 2 Linda Hunter
 March 4 John Hunter
 March 9 Grace Millington
 March 19 Zachary Thomason
 March 23 BettyAnn Bormann
 March 23 Michael Corbett

Happy March Birthday to:



March 25 Joshua Eychner
 March 29 Tina Rescigno
 March 29 Michael Potter-Urbaneck
 March 30 Sam Todora
 March 31 Jennifer Swinney
 March 31 Willie Talmadge



Happy March Anniversary to:

March 9 LeeAnn & Wayne
 Towne II



IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR
 BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY TO
 APPEAR IN THE NEWSLETTER JUST
 DROP A LINE TO THE OFFICE

Memorial Gifts and Flowers - Given to the Glory of God

ALTAR FLOWERS-Cost \$35-Altar Flowers

MARCH 31-Given By: Tina & Mike Rescigno-

Candle Oil & Bulletins-Cost \$10-ALL THE TIME

March 3-OPEN
 March 10-OPEN
 March 17-OPEN
 March 24-OPEN
 March 31-OPEN

Our Prayer List

“Heavenly Father, watch over these your children, and grant that they may be restored to that perfect health which is yours alone to give, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen”

Brett McDonell	Cindy DeProspero-Outwater
Shirley Reali	Lilla Weeks
Ann & Katherine Gambier	Christine O'Connor
Richard DeProspero	Jim Hoffman
Bobby DeProspero	Christine Vecchio-Flaim
Kelly Lubek	Leslie & Linley Beckbridge
Terri Waters	Marion Sweet
David Dutcher	Lucille Cook
Ryan Pope	Joanne Waller
Donald Wilson	The June Family
Ann Staple & Family	Craig Williamson
The Gulla Family	The Grow Family
Rick Wiggins	Ezra, Adelaide, and Alice Lenkins
Sylvia Smith	Presiding Bishop Michael Curry
Andrew Staple & Family	Baby Evans
Baby Jones	Bill & Sylvia Smith
Linda Osborne	Theresa Coppola
Karen Stepanick	Daneika Russell
Kimberly Richmond	
Justin Pope	

Though you cannot be with us in person at Zion Church, you are with us in thought and prayer.

At HomeCatherine Zbiegien
John & Linda Hunter

At A Nursing Home.....Charles O'Neill



• Newsletter Calendar abbreviations

- C.H.=Clarke Hall
- VR=Vestry Room
- AA=Alcoholics Anonymous
- NA=Narcotics Anonymous

Who's scheduled at a glance ...

SCHEDULE FOR MARCH

1st SUNDAY: The Third Sunday in Lent
March 3, 2024-9AM- Holy Eucharist in Sanctuary & On Zoom

Priest	Mother Perry Mouncey
Acolyte	Wayne Osborne
Reader	Mike Rescigno
Altar Guild	Annie Deacon/Annette Clark-Hani
Church Opener	Jane Padrón-Month of March

2nd SUNDAY: The Fourth Sunday in Lent
March 10, 2024-9AM- Holy Eucharist in Sanctuary & On Zoom

Priest	Rev. Naomi Sorrwar-Randall
Acolyte	Jane Padrón
Reader	Jennifer Swinney
Altar Guild	Annie Deacon/Annette Clark-Hani
Church Opener	Jane Padrón -Month of March

3rd SUNDAY: The Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 17, 2024-9AM- Reserved Sacrament Service in Sanctuary & On Zoom

Leader	Rick Weltz
Reader	Tina Rescigno
Altar Guild	Jane Padrón/Michelle Luvisi
Church Opener	Jane Padrón -Month of March

4th SUNDAY: The Sunday of the Passion:
PALM SUNDAY
March 24, 2024-9AM-Holy Eucharist Service in Sanctuary & On Zoom

Priest	Mother Perry Mouncey
Acolyte	Wayne Osborne
Reader	Sandie Latimer
Altar Guild	Jane Padrón/Michelle Luvisi
Church Opener	Jane Padrón-Month of March

***Acolytes-due to the fact that we are now using supply Priests when it is your turn to Acolyte you will be leading MP if we don't have a Supply Priest. Thank You.**

FROM THE ORGAN BENCH

ORGANIST SEARCH



Zion Episcopal Church is seeking an organist/pianist for our 9 am Sunday services. A musician experienced in the music of the Episcopal Church would be greatly appreciated. We have a 1976 tracker organ by Noack (pictured to the left) and a Baldwin concert grand piano, and we often use both or either instrument for services. Presently we have no choir, but would like to have a musician include that in the position. The

organist position includes: being responsible for the choosing of all the Sunday hymns, and service music, writing a monthly article for the parishes monthly newsletter, attending at least one monthly meeting of Worship Committee to ensure continuity of music presentation, maintaining a schedule of regular semi-annual repair and tuning of the organ and 3 pianos, maintaining and ordering all music. Music planning and coordination, both liturgical and no-liturgical, will be collaborative with the Rector the Wardens. The Episcopal Musicians Handbook will be used to plan all service music, choral responses and hymns. All music for weddings and funerals will be the responsibility of the Organist. Responses should include a resume, and be addressed to Zion Episcopal Church 140 W. Liberty St. Rome, NY 13440, 315-336-5170 or zionchurch@twcny.rr.com

The 5th Sunday of the Month: The Sunday of the Resurrection: EASTER SUNDAY

March 31, 2024-9AM-Holy Eucharist in Sanctuary & On Zoom

Priest	Mother Perry Mouncey
Acolyte	Annette Clark-Hani
Reader	Mike Rescigno
Altar Guild	Jennifer Swinney/Nancy Troutman
Church Opener	Jane Padrón-Month of March

**Zion Episcopal Church Vestry Meeting
Monday, December 18, 2023**

Present: Wardens Jane Padron and Willie Talmadge. Vestry members: Sandra Latimer, Jack Kelly, Michelle Luvisi, Brenda Outwater, Wayne Osborne, Annie Deacon, Guest: AGO rep Steven Best
Warden Padron called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm. Opening prayer was led by Warden Talmadge. The minutes of the meeting of November 27, 2023 were accepted as presented on a motion by W. Talmadge, seconded by B, Outwater. None opposed. Motion was carried.

The Messiah Sing! MLK breakfast, parish profile, and Whatsapp added to agenda on a motion by W. Talmadge, seconded by J. Padron. None opposed.

Steve Best was introduced to the Vestry and S. Latimer updated the group on the work she and he and Andrea Radesi, have been doing to determine what company will handle the work needed for the organ. We were assured by both Kerner & Merchant, organ dealers, and the builders at Noack that none of the repairs are emergent, but a cleaning should be first. Steve gave an interesting demonstration on how organ pipes work.

Treasurer's Report: M. Rescigno noted that the most recently installed furnace is eligible for a rebate, which he has requested. W. Osborne noted that there might also be something available from NYSEDA for both of the furnaces for additional cost reduction. J. Padron made a motion to increase the retroactive pay to supply clergy and musicians to stay in line with diocesan guidelines. Seconded by W. Talmadge. None opposed. Motion carried. W. Talmadge moved to accept the entire treasurer's report and file for audit. Second by S. Latimer.

COMMISSION REPORTS:

- CARE – all homebound parishioners who wish to be visited are receiving visits and eucharist as requested.
- COMMUNITY OUTREACH- (1) Rome Refugee Center made use of the Zion kitchen last week to prepare a Puerto Rican dinner for the community, and served over 50 people. (2) Zion's monthly community dinner have been stopped until January 2024.
- PROPERTY – In Tina's absence there was no written report. It was noted that she is continuing working on the church bell ringing mechanism.
- WORSHIP - we are slowly getting back to using the Book of Common Prayer for all services, rather than having the entire service printed in the bulletin.
- 200th ANNIVERSARY – no report.

Wardens Reports: J. Padron thanked all who worked on the parish greening and the Messiah Sing; and all others working throughout the parish.

The commission reports were all accepted on a motion by B. Outwater, seconded by J. Kelly. None opposed. The motion was passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- MESSIAH SING!- The event was well attended – 250 people, and soloists were particularly well-voiced this year. Peg Corbett was thanked in absentia for her work in recruiting the soloists from several different college venues.
- PARISH PROFILE – The Diocese had some additions/corrections to the profile, which have been fixed and report has been returned to the diocese for them to distribute to candidates.
- ZION PARISH BUDGET 2024 – After a brief discussion, S. Latimer moved to pass the budget as presented with a partial year pay to supply priest, and partial year pay to hired clergy if that occurs. Seconded by J. Padron. None opposed. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- ANNUAL MEETING – Sunday, January 28, 2024 followed by parish breakfast.
- NEXT VESTRY MEETING – Monday, January 29, 2024- 6:00 pm
- ERD – It was decided to give a goat and a flock of chickens this year in memory of Father Jim Heidt
- Martin Luther King Breakfast – scheduled for January 15, 2024 and will be organized and presented by the local NAACP chapter and the Lake Delta Kiwanis Club, starting with breakfast at 6:30 followed by a service in the church.
- Whatsapp – an alternative to text and e-mailing, was discussed for use for online Vestry discussions. But since not all Vestry members have Facebook it was tabled.
- The Vestry voted to give Christmas gift cards to Rev. Naomi, Annette Clarke-Hani and Chris Klara as our paid employees, and also to Peg Corbett, and Andrea Radesi for their assistance with organ /piano playing.
- The Diocese has requested that Zion be open for their use to hold an In-Person Audit Training on our premises on a Saturday in January or February. Date to be determined.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE MONDAY, JANUARY 29, 2024

Respectfully submitted by Sandra Latimer Secretary pro tem

Services during Holy Week 2024



Palm & Passion Sunday March 24-9 AM

Good Friday March 29: (Reading of the Passion)

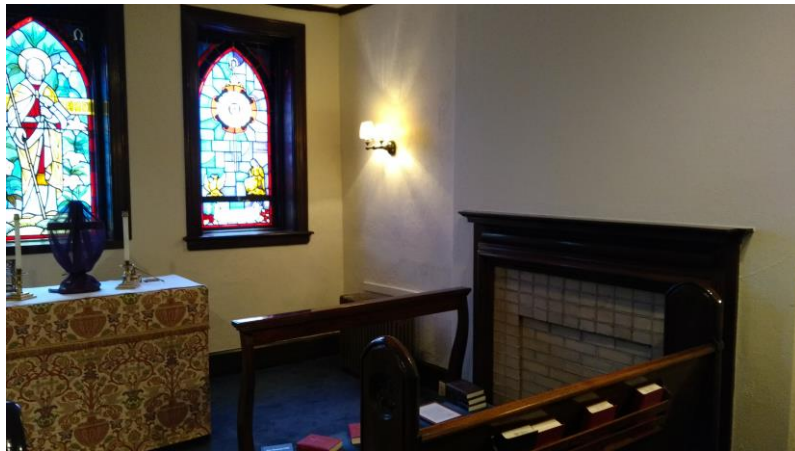
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Easter Sunday March 31

➤ 9am Holy Eucharist

A BLAST FROM THE PAST

THIS ARTICLE SERIES WILL FOCUS ON WHAT I CAN FIND IN PAST NEWSLETTERS FROM ZION. THIS ARTICLE CAME FROM AN ISSUE OF GLAD TIDINGS IN APRIL 2017 NEWSLETTER:



THESE ARE PICTURES FROM APRIL 2017 WHEN THE SANCTUARY AND CHAPEL WERE PAINTED LAST. DO YOU THINK THE PAINT JOB HELD UP FOR THE LAST 7 YEARS???

SATURDAY MARCH 9TH SPRING FORWARD

