

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Annual Meeting 2024 - Evangelism Committee Report

- Wrote welcome letters to all new people who signed the guest book and tried to personally engage with them each Sunday.
- Resurrected “Welcome Bags” for newcomers and updated all included documents.
Created a “Guide to Sunday Worship for Visitors” in each pew.
Resurrected Greeters for a few Sundays each month.
- Did 5 paid Facebook/Instagram “advertisements”. These promotions were geographically targeted to residents of Bridgewater, Martinsville, Warren and Bedminster. Very cost-effective way to reach new audiences:

Promotion People Reached

1. Holy Week & Easter Promotion (\$25) 3,572
 2. Canticles for Life AIDS Benefit Concert (\$25) 738
 3. Fall Festival Promotion (\$25) 3,006
 4. Nativity Open House Promotion (\$25) 1,394
 5. Christmas Masses Promotion (\$20) 2,504
- Total Promotion Reach 11,214
Total Spent \$120
Cost per person reached \$0.01

- Had a great turnout of existing members welcoming 8 new families at our Welcome Brunch in May.
- Created a banner advertising our Church School to be displayed roadside in the fall and spring.
- Continued weekly website updates including Sunday Mass videos, weekly newsletter emails, events and calendar.
- Maintained a very active presence on Facebook and Instagram.

Submitted by: Diane Lester, January 2024

2023 Team Members

Joyce Clark, Jane Linn, Kristin Matteo, Mary O’Malley, Fr. Rob Laws

Annual Meeting 2024 - Fellowship Committee Report

Every year that I write this report, I must look back at my calendar to remind me of all of the Fellowship events that we held.

In January we had the Rectory Open House and Annual Meeting, February was Mardi Gras, March was the American Red Cross Blood Drive, April was the Agape Feast and Canticles for Life Concert, May was the Newcomer's Dinner, June was the Parish Picnic, July was the second Blood Drive, September was the Kick-off Sunday Picnic, October was our big Fall Family Fun Fest in conjunction with the school, November was Evening in Tuscany, and finally in December was the 800th Anniversary of the Nativity Scene Open House. As always, I want to thank the stalwarts who continue to help out at Coffee Hour every Sunday.

The Women's Group also got together for a show and dinner at the Paper Mill Playhouse, a Sip and Plant in Somerville and a Christmas Luncheon and cookie exchange at Alison's.

We have some very exciting Fellowship events coming up in 2024, so keep reading the newsletter for announcements!

Submitted by Alison Jandak

Annual Meeting 2024 - St. Martin's Outreach Committee Report (See insert)

Annual Meeting 2024 - St. Martin's School Report

St. Martin's School operates as a not-for-profit organization in the church facilities. The school is a subsidiary of St. Martin's Episcopal Church and one of the largest missions of the church. Infant through kindergarten aged children are accepted. A combination of the Montessori method and the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd are used in guiding and teaching the children.

Highlights :

- The American Montessori Accreditation (AMS) Team, approved Montessori accreditation for St. Martin's School in March 2023
- Change in School Administration -
 - Father Rober Laws named Head of School
 - Kristen Petron, Assistant Head of School promoted to Director of School
- Consistent enrollment of 57-60 students
- Continuation of Summer Camp Program
- Joint Fall Festival with St. Martin's School, Church and Community
- Gift to Church of \$150,000

Submitted by Deb Mock, School Board President

Annual Meeting 2024 - St. Martin's Sunday School Report

We are working through another good year in the atrium. In our service we are practicing prayers of thanksgiving and passing the peace, among other things. Our favorite part is to light the oil lamp to remember the light of Christ. In October we had the blue timeline down off the wall and contemplated Creation, Redemption and Parousia, and how we might help God with His plan.

In Advent we participated in the 800th Anniversary of the St. Francis nativity by making our own. You may have seen the wonderful Christmas Eve pageant. The kids were thrilled with their performance!

This spring we'll discuss parables, Lent and Easter, and think about how hard it might be to love others as God loves us.

Heather Agosto
Christine Kellam
Nancy Muniz

Annual Meeting 2024 - St. Martin's Stewardship Report

This year stewardship letters were sent to 97 households. We received 39 pledges, and a total of \$146,900 pledged for 2024. This reflects a \$9000 decrease from last year.

The decrease is partly due to the fact that a few pledging families have moved, and we did not receive pledges from all of last year's pledgers.

The rector, wardens, and vestry are grateful for your generosity.

Please join us for brunch in the undercroft following the meeting.