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October 29, 2021

## **The Consecration of the Reverend Dr. Ketlen A. Solak as the IX Bishop of Pittsburgh**

The planning for the glorious ordination & consecration service of The Reverend Dr. Ketlen Solak as the IX Bishop of Pittsburgh is nearly complete. The service will take place at **11 am on Saturday, November 13, at [Calvary Episcopal Church](#), 315 Shady Avenue, Pittsburgh,**



If you have not yet signed up for a ticket, the good news is that we still have room for you, and we hope you can join us on Saturday the 13th. Just click on [this form](#) to register for a ticket.

The Transition Committee is accepting tax-deductible donations to help offset the costs of the new crozier, mitre, ring, and chasuble that will be presented from the Diocese to our new bishop at the November 13 service. [Click here](#) to donate online.



## **Social Justice and Outreach Committee Green Church Grants**

This year, the diocesan Social Justice and Outreach Committee (SJO) will award grants of up to \$500, to smaller churches for energy-saving improvements such as changing lights to LED, installing light timers, installing/improving weather stripping or insulation, buying a compost bin or rain barrel, or planting trees or shrubs near the church building to serve as insulation or near your parking lot to add shade.



[See this leaflet](#), *Greening Your Place of Worship*, for more suggestions. Also, great information was shared during a panel discussion in September that SJO sponsored, "How Your Church Can Fight Climate Change and Save Money", and is available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PElaeSde9gU>

Applications listing your requests and their expected cost, with the source of the estimate, must be submitted by December 1, 2021. Submit them via email to Marianne Novy at [mnovy@pitt.edu](mailto:mnovy@pitt.edu) and Tom Slater at [patobyblack@yahoo.com](mailto:patobyblack@yahoo.com). The limited funds will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis until they are depleted.

This is a follow-up to the resolution, [available here](#), passed by the October 16 Diocesan Convention by an overwhelming majority.



## St. Brendan's Searching for Next Priest-in-Charge

St. Brendan's, Franklin Park, is searching for its next part-time priest-in-charge. [View the job posting here](#).

The parish's discernment committee will be accepting applications through December 6. Application materials (including cover letter, resume, OTM portfolio, and sample sermons) and any questions about the position or application process should be emailed to [stbrendanssearch@gmail.com](mailto:stbrendanssearch@gmail.com).



Learn more about St. Brendan's by visiting their website at [stbrendans.org](http://stbrendans.org).



## Halupki Harvest in Johnstown

**Stuffed Cabbage Dinner  
Take-out Only  
St. Mark's Episcopal Church  
Saturday, November 6, 2021  
11 a.m. – 1 p.m.**



[St. Mark's Episcopal Church](#), 335 Locust Street, downtown Johnstown, PA is holding its autumn *Halupki Harvest: Stuffed Cabbage Take-out Dinner* on Saturday, November 6, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Dinner consists of 1 halupki, 2 pierogies, a serving of halushki, and 2 cookies. Plate price: \$9.00 Take-out only: Call (814) 535-6797 or email [stmarks@atlanticbbn.net](mailto:stmarks@atlanticbbn.net) to order. Proceeds benefit St. Mark's Digital Ministries.

For additional information about the event, please contact The Reverend Nancy Threadgill at 814-535-6797 or [revnancy-stmarks@atlanticbbn.net](mailto:revnancy-stmarks@atlanticbbn.net)



## Annual Holiday Cookie Walk in Franklin Park

**Saturday, November 20, 2021  
Walk-In: 9 am - 12 pm  
Drive-Through: 1 pm - 5 pm**

[St. Brendan's, Franklin Park](#), 2365 McAleer Road, Sewickley, PA 15143, at the corner of Rochester and McAleer Roads.

Mask and vaccination required to come inside.



Choose from hundreds of varieties of cookies. Five varieties of soups will be available. This year, there will be a raffle of a freezer full of meat worth \$500 plus a \$100 gift card to T-Bones for the extras (freezer not included).

Many more details at <https://www.stbrendans.org/cookiewalk>



## Growth Fund Application Reminder

Parishes wishing to be considered this year for a Growth Fund Grant are required to **submit applications by December 1**, in order to be considered for 2021 awards.

The Growth Fund Grant Application is available in both [PDF](#) and [Word](#) formats. Applications and questions can be submitted to Administrative Specialist Jo Ann McLaughlin-Klemencic at [jamklemencic@episcopalpgh.org](mailto:jamklemencic@episcopalpgh.org).



## St. Andrew's, Highland Park, Seeks Parish Administrator

[St. Andrew's, Highland Park](#), is looking for a Parish Administrator to oversee the day-to-day operations of the office and to work with the Rector and Treasurer to ensure that the office (and its functions) run smoothly.



### Responsibilities

- Book-keeping, paying of bills, and payroll
- Learn how to use Realm Management Software
- Onboard all new volunteers & employees
- Show, book and plan all facility rentals

### Work Schedule

The Parish Administrator will work 9:30am to 2:30pm Monday thru Thursday for a total of 20 hours with scheduling flexibility.

### Compensation

\$20-\$25/hour based on experience

Interested individuals should email Fr. Chris Cole at [chriscole@standrewspgh.org](mailto:chriscole@standrewspgh.org)





## How Leaders From Different Congregations Came Together To Participate In Tree Of Life Remembrance Ceremony

*This is an excerpt from a KDKA-TV news report. The link to the full story is below.*



KDKA's Kristine Sorensen sat down to talk with five faith leaders about why and how they work together and what they hope their collaboration can mean for our community . . . This wasn't the first time, according to the Reverend Canon Natalie Hall at Church of the Redeemer in Squirrel Hill and with the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh. "That allowed us, when Tree of Life happened, not to figure out a way to come together but to come together on the basis of the relationships that were already cultivated," Hall said.

Read the story and watch the video at <https://pittsburgh.cbslocal.com/2021/10/27/tree-of-life-commemoration-ceremony-schenley-park-leaders/>.



## Shining the Light: 2nd Sam 9

*This is an excerpt from a GreeneScene Magazine article. The link to the full story is below.*



For the intrepid founders of 2nd Sam 9, the move is on.

"We're hoping to be open by mid-November," board member Teresa Roberts told me when we met up in the middle of another working Saturday at St. George Anglican Church at 100 Bonar Avenue, Waynesburg. She and husband Scott and daughter Olivia were there with fellow board member Carol Young to get another few hours of moving in chores done. Last year during the pandemic, when its dwindling number of older parishioners couldn't attend, the church reluctantly closed its doors. Ownership reverted to the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh and this spring the church was put up for sale.

"My prayers have always been that it would continue to be used for some type of ministry," church deaconess Barbara McMillan said.

Read more at <https://greenescenemagazine.com/shining-the-light-2nd-sam-9/>

--Photo by Colleen Nelson, GreeneScene Magazine



## Preserving The Past

*This is an excerpt from a Leader Vindicator newspaper article.  
The link to the full story is below.*



New life is being breathed into a historic church in the area, as plans are moving ahead to preserve the St. Marys Church in the small village of Redbank.

When he saw that the 1872 Episcopal church had closed during the pandemic, Jim Shuster said he knew he had to get involved to not only prevent the disparage of a local landmark, but to honor his many family members who had attended that church and who are buried in the church cemetery.

"There's a lot of Shusters buried here," he said recently as he walked around the church and cemetery grounds. "A lot of history of our family is here."

Read more at [https://www.thecourierexpress.com/the\\_leader\\_vindicator/news/local/preserving-the-past/article\\_4871a7d3-0f66-544f-8b08-dfb2ff641aa7.html](https://www.thecourierexpress.com/the_leader_vindicator/news/local/preserving-the-past/article_4871a7d3-0f66-544f-8b08-dfb2ff641aa7.html)

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