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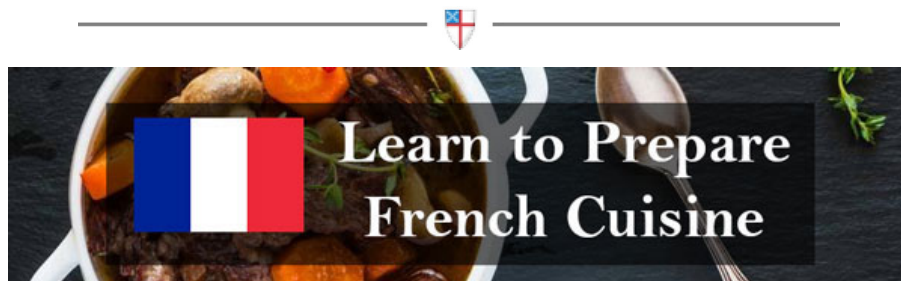
October 20, 2023

This edition of Grace Happens focuses on the many things going on around the diocese just this weekend, and it's not a complete list!
Thanks to all our parishes that help make this quite a vibrant diocese!

Concert for the Human Family



The Concert for the Human Family, originally scheduled for tomorrow, October 21, has been postponed due to unforeseen circumstances. The concert is being rescheduled for the middle of January and there will be two performances. Details will be announced soon.



The Episcopal Church Women (ECW) of [St. Francis in the Fields, Somerset](#), are sponsoring a French cooking class on **Friday, October 20, 2023, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.**, at the church, located at 2081 Husband Road, Somerset, PA 15501.

Under the supervision of the Rev. William (Biff) Carpenter, the priest at St. Francis and former chef, six different French dishes will be prepared and then sampled.

The items to be made include: Soupe a la citrouille (pumpkin soup), Sole Vin Blanc (fish), Pommes de terre Dauphinoise (potatoes), Boeuf Bourignon (beef), Cordon Bleu au poulet (chicken) and Mousse au chocolat (chocolate mousse).

The cost of the event is \$50. Proceeds will be used by the ECW to fund some of their many charities. If interested in this class please RSVP to stfrancis.somerset@gmail.com.



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Sesquicentennial Celebration Events

October 20, 2023 6pm

Organ Performance and Reception

Alex Benestelli of Director of Music at St. James by-the-Sea Episcopal Church and
Chapel Organist of The Bishop's School in La Jolla, California

October 21, 2023 11 am

Celebration Service and Reception Following

Celebrant- The Right Rev. Ketlen A. Solak, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh

RSVP: indicating event and number attending at

(412)921-4103 - please leave a message

Or email at nativitycrafton@outlook.com



Celebrating 150 Years in McKeesport

Few things last for 150 years, so when something does, that longevity is often honored. One institution marking its 150th anniversary this year is St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in McKeesport and it will mark that milestone on **Saturday, October 21**, with an Open House from **1 to 4 p.m.** at the [McKeesport Regional History & Heritage Center](#), 1832 Arboretum Drive, McKeesport, PA 15132

The event will include refreshments and speeches from McKeesport native Lt. Gov. Austin Davis, whose godmother is a member of the church; state Sen. Jim Brewster (D-

45th), a former McKeesport mayor and city councilman; and Bishop Ketlen Solak.

Read more about this event at [The Tube City Almanac](#).



Diocesan LGBTQIA+ Potluck!

Sunday, October 22, at 5 p.m.

**In the Undercroft at [St. Paul's Episcopal Church](#),
1066 Washington Rd, Mt. Lebanon, PA 15228**

Join members of the LGBTQIA+ community from across the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh for fun and fellowship at a potluck on Sunday, October 22, at 5 p.m., in St. Paul's Undercroft.



Let the Rev. Erin Morey know if you can make it by emailing at erin@stpaulspgh.org.



The 158th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh

Please join us for the 2023 Diocesan Convention which will be held on Saturday, November 11th at Trinity Cathedral from 7:45 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. Breakfast, lunch and snacks will be provided for all in attendance.

Information about convention [is available here](#) including a tentative agenda and registration details.



The work of convention is integral to the health of the diocese. We appreciate clergy and lay deputies of each parish giving their time to make decisions that will contribute to the well-being of the diocese.

In addition to the work of convention, spiritual formation is also something we treasure. This year we will be holding a formation day separate from the Diocesan Convention. This will occur in late April/early May 2024. Details on the formation day will be announced at a later date.



Around the Diocese

Bishop Ketlen's Visitation Schedule:

October 29: St. Paul's, Kittanning (*a.m.*)

October 29: St. Michael's, Wayne Township (*p.m.*)

November 5: St. Matthew's, Homestead



November 11: Diocesan Convention
November 19: St. Paul's, Mt. Lebanon

Parish leadership is reminded to complete and submit [this form](#) at least two weeks in advance of their visitation.

To schedule time with Bishop Ketlen, contact Andrea Rath at 412-721-0853, ext. 251, or arath@episcopalpgh.org.

The current church year **Cycle of Prayer** is now [available here](#) and Bishop Ketlen's current church year **Visitation Schedule** is [available here](#).



Parting Shots

Father Frank's Franks and Blessing of the Animals

On Saturday, October 14, the folks at St. Barnabas, Brackenridge had a wonderful time blessing many pets and distributing free hot dogs, snacks and beverages to all who braved the rainy day!



Has your parish been featured in the news?
Please let us know via email at info@episcopalpgh.org