

**Interfaith Hospitality Network
HOST Week Thank You**

Thank you to the parish supporters who provided food and supplies for our Host week at First Christian Church of Olathe. We're also very thankful for our faithful volunteers who interact with those we serve or volunteer at the IHN Family Center.

Please continue to pray for the work of JoCo Interfaith Hospitality Network, a local ministry serving situationally homeless families and single, unaccompanied (no children) women here in our community. Pray also for all the current and past guests we've served.

If you have questions contact St. Thomas coordinators Dola McNown 913 526 3573, 913 541-9226 or Margaret Walken-shaw 913 897 4766.

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**Connecting Communities
Feb. 19, March 19, April 14**

Olivia Rimmer & Emma Gordon

A Giving Project is a way to connect something you are passionate about with your service to an organization, a community, or a church.

Our Giving Project gives Middle School age youth the opportunity to volunteer their time. We will be working with different organizations throughout the community to help them find volunteers. A monthly event.

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Episcopalian's Little Instruction List

1. Never lie to God.
2. Be tolerant of young children in worship; they are learning.
3. Thank God for something at least once a day.
4. When the parish is singing, sing whether you can carry a tune or not.
5. Welcome newcomers and invite them to coffee hour and adult study.
6. Refuse to participate in church gossip.

To be continued...

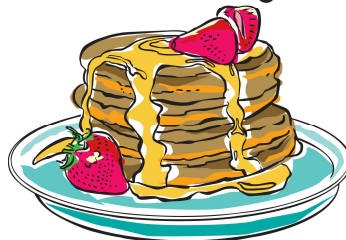
CHILDREN & YOUTH



On Sunday Feb. 11 from 6-8 we will have our next **Taste of Youth Group** for kids in 3rd-5th grade. They are welcome to come to our regular youth group time and see what they have to look forward to when they hit middle school and can join the youth group. Dinner is provided.

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
February 13, 5-7pm**

Shrove
Tuesday



Come join us for our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Feast! The parish youth will cook and serve pancakes from creative, decorated stations in the parish hall. Come see all of their ideas and support our youth! The tradition of feasting on Shrove Tuesday before fasting during the season of Lent is a fun one and a chance for the community to come together for a fun meal. A gluten free option is available + sausage, coffee & juice! Freewill donations will be accepted to benefit the youth.

Fun activities are also planned for the kids!

To view the church calendar go to our website, www.stthomasop.org, and click on **Calendar** on the upper right side. To hold a meeting or event at St. Thomas you must first clear the date/time/space with Meribeth in the church office.

This Week's Calendar

Sunday, February 4

- 8:45 AM Holy Communion-Nave
- 9:45 AM Coffee Hour-PH 1, 2, 3, K; Choir Practice-Nave Loft
Adult Forum-PH 2; Children & Youth Sun School-
Educ Wing/LL
- 10:45 AM Holy Communion-Nave
- 11:45 AM Coffee Hour-PH 1, 2, 3, K
- 6-8 PM Youth Group-PH 2, 3, K

Monday, February 5

- 9AM-1PM Parents Day Out-Nursery, Rm 145
- 10:30-1:30 Thom's Helpers-PH 3, K
- 1:30 PM Staff Meeting-PH 1
- 7:00 PM Mom's Support Small Grp-PH 3
- 7:30 PM Prayer Shawl Small Group-PH 1

Tuesday, February 6

- 9AM-1PM Parents Day Out-Nursery, Rm 145
- 1:00 PM Actor's Choice mtg-Asbly
- 7:00 PM Sword Guild-PH 2

Wednesday, February 7

- 9AM-1PM Parents Day Out-Nursery, Rm 145
- 10:30-1:30 Thom's Helpers-PH 3, K
- 10:30 AM Wednesday Study Grp-Asbly
- 1-4 PM Actor's Choice-Asbly
- 5:00 PM Children & Youth Choir-Asbly
- 7:00 PM Girl Scout Leaders-PH 3; Faith Club Sm Grp-Asbly
- 7:30 PM Adult Choir practice-Nave

Thursday, February 8

- 9AM-1PM Parents Day Out-Rms 144,145
- 7:00 PM EfM-Rms 133-134; Sword Guild-PH 2
Classics Men's Small Grp-Asbly

Friday, February 9

- 10:30-1:30 Thom's Helpers-PH 3, K
- 7-9 PM Explorers Small Grp-PH 2

Saturday, February 10

- 1-4 PM God & Games-Sullivan home
- 5:30 PM Holy Communion-Nave

Asbly = Assembly Room in Education Wing; K = Kitchen;
Educ Wing = Education Wing | PH = Parish Hall