

The Communicator January 2, 2024

We had a wonderful Celtic Sunday Service on New Year's Eve with the **Reverend Gillian Ball**. It was much enjoyed by everyone despite not having any keys for the bathrooms, sacristy, or water until after the normal time to start services. Our dear sexton **Remegio** and his wife **Guadalupe** had been given the week off by Father Doug so they weren't there either! Fortunately, **Junior Warden John Stelly** arrived and had keys! It felt like a minor miracle as many of us took a deep breath of relief, rang the bells, opened the restrooms and prepared to usher in a new year. I have promised the **Reverend Tamara Newell** we will not have a repeat performance this next Sunday when she returns to the Saint Michael's pulpit.



Last Sunday we were blessed with the presence of many from Rev. Gillian's **Saint Francis Mission Home Church of Tepoztlan**. It was lovely seeing faces not often with us and who swelled our ranks considerably. I sure hope we have an equally fine turnout for Reverend Tamara!!! And those of you who came from Tepoztlan please remember we are here every Sunday and would love to see you more often.

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As she does every Sunday, somehow **Debbie Jeffress** pulled together a wonderful End of Year, New Year's Eve Feast!!! Thank you to Debbie and her many helpers.

To those of you who have faithfully filled out your Pledge Cards, a most appreciative Thank You. They are in the back of the church for pick-up and can be dropped into the offering plate. And, to those of you who don't normally attend church but received **Senior Warden Judy Frothingham's** "End of Year" letter and sent donations, THANK YOU!!! We couldn't continue to keep the doors open without you.

Progress on the Caminando Unidos roof has been delayed due to **Mario's** long and difficult illness and **Charlie** being out of town. We're hoping to get started in the next week or two. We will keep you informed.

Thursday "**Yoga with Ann**" continues Thursday 11-12:30. Please watch for notices on **Senior Club Friday** as **Lorena** has been quite ill and may need to cancel. Next Monday, January 8, 3:30, please join us for **Spanish Grammar classes**. I know most of us can benefit.

Unfortunately none of my faithful photographers took photos this week! Hopefully they will do better in this next week after being subjected to The Communicator with no photos.

We hope 2024 will be a wonderful year for you, for those you love and for Saint Michael's. "**Let there be peace on earth... and let it begin with me....**" I hope you enjoy this beautiful rendition of an inspirational bit of imbedded music that, whatever we believe, perhaps we can all live by.