



CHURCH *of the*  
REDEEMER  
*Chestnut Hill*

**Friday, October 29, 2021**



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**A Message from Redeemer Stewardship 2022**

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## Co-Chairs Steve Mead and Elliot Davis

Dear Members of the Church of the Redeemer,

Thanks to many, Stewardship 2022 is off to a strong start with our launch by Steve Mead, Stewardship 2022 Co-chair on Sunday, October 17th, and with thanks to Chris and Paul Szal, who spoke to those who attended the Sunday, October 24th services. Thank you to all those who have submitted their 2022 Pledge. The church has received total pledges of \$487,000, from 58 parishioners. Of these, 34 increased their pledge and 2 were either new pledges or renewals of pledges received before 2020.

We are deeply grateful to our excellent group of Shepherds and Super-shepherds who have generously committed to being in touch with everyone in the Church of the Redeemer about Stewardship 2022. Thanks to Annie Hamill, Redeemer Financial Administrator, our Shepherds and Super-shepherds have received their assigned Parishioners and should be reaching out to all of you very soon.

Once again, thank you to everyone who has prayerfully considered their commitment to Redeemer Stewardship 2022 and generously completed and returned a pledge form. We are deeply grateful for your timely response and for your devoted commitment to the vibrant community that is The Church of the Redeemer. We hope to receive all completed STEWARDSHIP 2022 PLEDGE FORMS by SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2021.

Redeemer Stewardship 2022 selects an excerpt from the prayer of St. Francis, "In Giving, We Receive." Thank you to everyone who is giving so generously of time, talent, and treasure to allow all who serve God through The Church of the Redeemer to share the wisdom of St. Francis by sowing the seeds of faith, hope, love, and joy.

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With our heartfelt gratitude and many blessings,

Steve Mead and Elliot Davis, Stewardship 2022 Co-Chairs

Contact: [Steve Mead](#) [Elliot Davis](#)



**Join us this Sunday for our Holy Eucharist services at 8am and 10am, and our Evensong service at 5pm.**

Join us for our in-person Holy Eucharist service in the sanctuary at 8:00am (spoken) and 10:00am (organ, choir and congregational singing). The 10:00am Eucharist and 5pm Evensong services are livestreamed on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#).

[10am October 31st Worship leaflet >](#)

**Readings for Sunday  
October 31, 2021**

[Ruth 1:1-18](#)

[Psalm 146](#)

[Hebrews 9:11-14](#)

[Lectures 9.11-14](#)

[Mark 12:28-34](#)

[5pm October 31st Evensong leaflet >](#)

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**The Sunday leaflets** are usually posted in the comment section during the live-streamed service on the Redeemer Facebook page.

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## **Seeking Nominations for Vestry and Leadership Positions ~ Due November 6, 2021**

Each year, the parish selects three new members of the Vestry, together with delegates to the Diocese of Massachusetts and the Charles River Deanery. This year we also have open positions for Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer. These candidates are proposed for approval by a Nominating Committee, composed of the three out-going Vestry members, a church Warden and non-Vestry members of the parish. This year's Nominating Committee is seeking your input with respect to members of the parish that you feel would strengthen and add vision to our Vestry in the years to come, as well as candidates who can represent us to and strengthen our relationship with the Charles River Deanery and the Diocese of Massachusetts.

[Click here](#) for a full description of the nominating committee members, the nominating procedure and nomination ballot (which you can download and print). A ballot box and ballots are also located outside the parish offices.

**Join us for Adult Bible Study!**

**JOIN US FOR ADULT BIBLE STUDY:**  
**Sunday mornings at 9:00am on [Zoom](#)**

Join us as we dig deeply once again into Holy Scripture! Come, read, mark and inwardly digest the Scriptures in a casual and grace-filled Zoom environment. Bring your own coffee!

Here is the [Zoom](#) link. If you need the mobile numbers to call in, they are listed in the [parish calendar](#).

**Mid-Week Bible Studies**

**Men's Bible Study** on Wednesdays from 7-8am [Zoom](#)

**Women's Bible Study** on Thursdays from 9-10:30am [Zoom](#)

**Downtown Bible Study** over lunch (offsite) First Monday of the month 12:15 - 1:30pm - Questions: [Graeme Mills](#)

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**More Opportunities to Become Involved**

**Thanksgiving Treats for FUEL -** Again this year, FUEL bags would like to provide some special items for our Thanksgiving deliveries to Epiphany, St. Stephen's and Newton Public Schools. To be packed for delivery, **items need to be in the FUEL box outside the Office door no later than Sunday, November 14.** We will need 150 of each of the following:

- Instant mashed potatoes, bag or box
- Cranberry sauce
- Turkey gravy mix packets
- Pie crust mix
- Stuffing mix, bag or box

- Pie filling

### **Grateful thanks for your help!**

**The 2021 Redeemer Christmas Market** will be held this year on the weekend of December 3-4, 2021. Due to uncertainties arising from the COVID-19 virus variant, we will not be able to hold a “normal” market. As with 2020, we will hold a **Live auction via Zoom on Friday night**, preceded by a virtual cocktail party and home-delivered charcuterie. We will also be holding an on-line Silent Auction in the week leading up to December 3. And a change from last year, we are planning to hold an **outdoor Market with vendors on Friday and Saturday as well as sales of Christmas trees and wreaths** with a large tent in the rear parking lot where parishioners and our neighbors can shop with a select group of vendors. We will have propane heaters as well as warm cider and donuts to sustain your shopping endeavors. Please consider donating an item or event for our live auction.

**Redeemer’s Becoming Beloved Community (BBC) group** has resumed weekly gatherings via Zoom on Thursdays at 7:30pm. We will be discussing [\*“The Sum of Us: What Racism Costs Everyone and How We can Prosper Together”\*](#) by Heather McGhee (2021). We hope it will be not just educational but also inspirational, and will foster robust discussion. If you would like to order a copy from a black owned bookstore in Boston, [Frugal Bookstore](#).

Debby, James, & Mike+

### **Help Haitian families newly arrived in Massachusetts!**

Through Redeemer’s weekly prayer group with St. Stephen’s, we have learned just how desperate the situation is in Haiti, and how

urgently Haitians need our help. One of our members, Fabienne, has introduced us to the **Immigrant Family Services Institute (IFSI)** in Mattapan, a group working hard to address the needs of arriving families.

At latest count, around 195 families displaced from Haiti have migrated to Norwood, Randolph, Cape Cod, Sudbury, Brockton, and the Boston area. Many have babies from 2 months to 18 months. The needs are many and include diapers, baby formula, clothes, shoes, and winter jackets. Here is the [list of needed items](#) for more details.

Please bring whatever you can to the Redeemer and place in the marked bins. We will deliver to IFSI in Mattapan as the bins fill up! Thank you for your generous support.

Monetary donations are also gratefully accepted, either through Redeemer or directly through the [IFSI website](#).

More information can be found [here](#): Please contact Leslie Williams, [leswill@gmail.com](mailto:leswill@gmail.com), with any questions. Thank you!

**Red Cross Blood Drive at the Redeemer** - Our next Blood Drive is Friday, November 5th from 10am-3pm. Help save a life by donating blood. Here is the [link](#) to register.

## Children's & Teens' Events

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Check your weekend (either Friday or Saturday) email for links for Sunday School (3yo-6th grade), Middle School Youth Group (5-8th grade), Confirmation Class, and High School Youth Group. Email [Barrie Rose](#) if you'd like to be on the list!

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## Redeemer Calendar

The most up-to-date Parish Calendar Listings can be found [here](#).



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