

# THE CHRISTIAN CONNECTION

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## Epiphany Open House

Friday, January 6

5:30 pm

Mary Lou Smith's  
301 Prospect Street  
(use Green St. entrance)

Mary Lou would like to know what you will bring to contribute to the dinner. Main dishes, salads, appetizers and desserts are needed. Please call her at 815-777-3701 or sign up at church. Dianne Marsh will be providing the Epiphany cake. Coffee and tea will be provided. Bring anything else you'd like to drink.

Marsha Vollkommer will lead us in a Service of the Celebration of the Epiphany following dinner. Come for good food and fellowship!

**Grace Episcopal Arts Council Exhibit:  
Grace Heritage Show:  
Charles Le Boutillier**

The Grace Arts Council announces the next art opening at the Parish House Gallery, Friday, January 20, 6:00 to 8:00 P.M.

The Grace Heritage Show will feature the work of Charles LeBoutillier, Frances Rivoire's father. LeBoutillier graduated from Harvard University in 1925. Interested in art, he attended L'Ecoles des Beaux Arts in Paris, France. While in France, LeBoutillier became a full-fledged member of Gertrude Stein's Lost Generation. Some of his most beautiful works date from this period, as he searched for his muse following the path of El Greco and painting in water colour landscapes which the famous Cretan had painted in oil. After his return to America, he continued his study of art at Maryland Institute College of Arts and Towson University. He worked as a set designer for Paramount Films, and finally became the director of advertising for the Cannon Shoe Company in Baltimore, Maryland. He was also a pioneer in the introduction of dog obedience training in the United States. He was the first such trainer in Baltimore.

Included in the show will be 14 sculptures, 6 paintings, 7 photos, prints, lithographs, etc. and 2 photos of the artist.

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- To all those who gave poinsettias this Christmas to help make the church look beautiful this Advent season.  
The Altar Guild
- On behalf of the Children of Godly Play, I would personally like to thank the people of Grace Church for the generosity shown to the family we adopted.  
Teresa Hannaman



**ANNUAL MEETING**

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 22**

**AFTER 10:30 AM EUCHARIST**

**Lunch will be provided. A sign-up sheet for cookies will be in the Narthex.**



## The Tie That Binds- the Episcopal Church in the World

Welcome to the news from the Diocese of Chicago and the United States where we help you to become more "Connected" to the church in the world! Composer of this series is Kathy Shannon.

### Unique Tri-Faith Initiative buys common ground Omaha effort will create 'multi-faith neighborhood'

[Episcopal News Service] The vision of peaceful co-existence among 3 major religions has taken a step towards becoming reality in Omaha, NE. The Tri-Faith Initiative of Omaha, a

partnership of Temple Israel, the Episcopal Diocese of Nebraska and the American Institute of Islamic Studies and Culture announced Dec. 13 that it has completed the purchase of land on a former golf course in the heart of Omaha that will encompass a synagogue, a mosque and an Episcopal church along with an ecumenical center. The development will also include single-family homes, an assisted-living facility, office and retail space and a hotel

Tri-Faith's goal is greater understanding through greater proximity. "Experience teaches us that interaction can transform intolerance, ignorance and fear

into understanding, respect and trust," Bob Freeman, Tri-Faith Initiative board chairman, said in a press release. "These basic values are shared by the three Abrahamic faiths and are rooted in our Midwestern culture." Tri-Faith's vision statement says that by working together, "our vision is to build bridges of respect, trust and acceptance, to challenge stereotypes of each other, to learn from one another, and to counter the influence of extremists and agents of hate."

*Based on an article by the Rev. Mary Frances Schjonberg for the Episcopal News Service.*

### Kitchen Rehab Complete

**By: Charlotte Kennedy**

A heartfelt thanks to Carol Most, her design 'savvy' and creative workmen, Bob Kuntz for his grunt physical labor and all the other parishioners who helped in any big/small fashion to update the parish house kitchen. All cabinets are in place and the center isle counter has been finished in 'bar shellac' which should withstand the beating it endures from countless groups who use our facility. Drawers are being straightened and excess is being accumulated for an in house sale sometime in the near future.

Joyce Blanchard has agreed to act as 'Kitchen Steward' (together with Levon Jackman and Char Kennedy) and any concerns regarding the kitchen should be directed to her.

## SAVE THE DATE

### CANAPES

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### CONVERSATION

### WARREN & LEVON

### JACKMAN'S

### 14 TALISMAN TRACE

### 5P - 7P



Dear Grace Friends,

Too much shopping, too much cooking, too much traveling, too much flu. Nothing to say.

Happy New Year!

Your editor,  
Cathie Elsbree



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