

# The Ambassador - Addendum

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St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

*A vital, eclectic Episcopal congregation committed to the ministry of all the baptized*

## St. Stephen's Mugs

St. Stephen's is still selling the brushed stainless steel travel mugs. You can buy 1 for \$10 or 2 for \$15. Make checks payable to St. Stephen's, and note it is for the Mugs on the memo line. See William Weightman to buy your mug.

## Christmas Eve Liturgical Drama has another successful year

This year we had another successful Christmas Eve Liturgical Drama at St. Stephen's. During the gospel reading, the children in costume traveled down the aisle to Bethlehem where they laid the babe in the manger. Liturgical Dramas have a long history in church tradition and date back over 1,000 years to monasteries. They grew very popular and by 1100 AD it was common to have boys perform the dramas during a parish service throughout Europe. The serfs especially appreciated them because the services were in Latin, so it was instructional of what the biblical story was telling. The dramas fell out of favor with the church leadership in Rome during one of the persecutions of theatre and actors. We have revived the Liturgical Drama tradition today.



We had 5 children participate this year, and they did a beautiful performance. They were solemn and genuine in their veneration of our new born king. Congratulations to our performers on their successful story telling!

## Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

**Shrove Tuesday is this year is February 21.** As in previous years, St. Stephen's is hosting a Pancake Supper. Proceeds are then donated to a cause or local service organization.

Just like last year, St. Stephen's will also have a vegan option. Donations are needed for pancakes, sausages and milk. We need volunteers for set-up, cooking, serving, and cleanup, as well as electric griddles for cooking. Please sign up on the sheet located in the Undercroft, and if you have any questions ask Alice Hauan or William Weightman.