

DECEMBER 2018

# THE VICTORIAN

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## Daily Schedule

**7:00-9:00- Breakfast**

**9:30-Catholic Communion  
(Thurs)**

**11:00- Word Game**

**11:00- Exercise Group  
(Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri)**

**12:00-1:00- Lunch**

**1:30- See Calendar**

**4:00- Sing Along  
(Monday)**

**4:00- Word Challenge**

**5:00-6:00 – Supper**

## Deck the Halls with Boughs of Holly

The year is coming to an end and with it all the wonderful celebrations that herald the start of winter. Throughout the month, we have one wonderful event after another. Please join us in as many as you can.

Our special entertainers are- The Harper and the Minstrel- 5<sup>th</sup>, Mid Cape Chorus- 12<sup>th</sup>, Victrola Society-19<sup>th</sup> and Jim Jordan-25<sup>th</sup>.

On November 30<sup>th</sup>, a group of us will attend the Advent Service at The Church of the Transfiguration in Orleans. Thank you to Belinda Schultz (RSA evenings) for helping to facilitate this and to the helping hands at the church who will get us from the cars to the church seats.

On December 16<sup>th</sup>, we host the Girl Scout Cake Competition. I challenge staff and families to participate with their own decorated cake (see me for details).

Lastly, Rev. Susan Eenigenburg will lead us in our Annual Carol Service at 3:15 on December 21<sup>st</sup>. I am always looking for readers to participate if there are any volunteers?

**Fa La La La La La La La**

*Carolyn*

**The Day after Thanksgiving is known as 'Leftover Friday,' What meals taste better as leftovers?**

Turkey and stuffing- *Ada*

Roast beef with Yorkshire pudding and horseradish sauce- *Oliver*

Soups and stews and the rest of turkey dinner. A friend always gave a leftover dinner Friday evening after Thanksgiving. She supplied turkey and wine and the guests supplied the rest.- *Joan*

I made my own concoction for leftovers. I called it 'Review Stew'. I'd take leftovers from a meal and put them into a freezer container. When I had several containers full, I would defrost them. Mixed together, with possibly diced tomatoes, salt and pepper, the results were delicious. Friends happened to stop by, when my stew was on the menu. Tim said it was the best he's ever eaten. -*Corinne*

I had been married only two months when my mom suggested that I prepare the Thanksgiving dinner! Leftover Fridays consisted of turkey on toast with gravy and cranberry sauce. On the third day, the whole turkey went into a large pot and was simmered with all kinds of herbs and spices for the entire day. Then I picked all the meat from the bones and returned it to the broth in the pot with carrots and potatoes etc. It was delicious.-*Bev*

*Our hearts grow tender with childhood memories and love of kindred, and we are better throughout the year for having, in spirit, become a child again at Christmas-time. ~Laura Ingalls Wilder*

*When we recall Christmas past, we usually find that the simplest things — not the great occasions — give off the greatest glow of happiness. ~Bob Hope*

Every meal seems to taste better as leftovers but especially roast beef hash and turkey sandwiches after Thanksgiving.-*Maryanne*

**As a child, did you write a letter to Santa Claus, or visit him at a department store?**

Yes, I wrote and mailed a long letter full of choice detail- *Oliver*

Of course, Jordan Marsh. They gave a gift to each child- *Anon*

I don't clearly remember writing a letter to Santa Claus. However, he did come to visit us, once. I remember sitting on the floor, mesmerized by him-I didn't even move. Fast forward, to the small country schoolhouse where I taught (twelve students), we were planning our Christmas party. A seventh grader said

he would be Santa-he had his uncle's suit. My father knew his uncle. Santa was the Motor Vehicle Inspector! - *Corinne*

My father, Francis Small, took me to see Santa Claus at Jordan Marsh Department Store in about 1927. While we waited in line, we came up to a small dwarf sitting at a desk writing down the names of the good boys and girls. My father greeted the dwarf with a "Well hello, Howard!" and the dwarf answered back with , "Nice to see you, Francis." "Gee Daddy, ' said I, "How do you know him?" "He's from Truro. We grew up together. This is his only job at this time of year."- *Helen*

***Chill December brings the sleet,  
Blazing fire, and Christmas treat.  
~Sara Coleridge (1802-1852), "The  
Garden Year"***

**On December 2<sup>nd</sup> 1949, Rudolf the Red Nosed Reindeer sung by Gene Autry, hit the pop charts. What is your favorite song of the season?**

Silent Night and Oh, Holy Night. I love these- *Gene*

Rich and I both choose 'White Christmas' sung by Bing Crosby- *Pem*

Happy Holidays, Silver Bells and Santa Claus is Coming to Town- *Ada*

Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer is my favorite Christmas song. Silent Night is my favorite Christmas carol- *Corinne*

### ***Laughter is the Best Medicine***

The judge asked the defendant what he was charged with.

"Doing my Christmas shopping early," was the reply.

"That not illegal!. How early were you shopping?"

"Before the store was open."

Christmas begins about the first of December with an office party and ends when you finally realize what you spent, around April fifteenth of the next year. ~P.J. O'Rourke, *Modern Manners: An Etiquette Book for Rude People*, 1983

I'll Be Home for Christmas and Lo, how a rose e'er blooming. - *Joan*

'I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas' sung by Bing Crosby; whom I have met and 'Go tell it on the mountain, that Jesus Christ is born' and 'Silent Night'- *Tom*

**The Susan B. Anthony dollar was released on December 13<sup>th</sup> 1978. Who do you think should be memorialized on the money?**

President Dwight D. Eisenhower, who did so much to help USA defeat Hitler and preserve Western Civilization- *Tom*

How about Martin Luther King? Everyone knows about his accomplishments- *Joan*

James Bowie, a frontiersman, who fought at the Battle of the Alamo, against the Mexican army. Unfortunately he lost his life there. A number of songs were written about him. - *Corinne*

Who else but the great Eleanor Roosevelt- the power (and conscience) behind the throne of the FDR presidency.- *Carolyn*

I thought of many presidents but I chose Barack Obama as the first black president and everyone loved him and his family- *Bev*

**The first successful flight occurred on December 13<sup>th</sup> 1903 by the Wright brothers. Have you ever flown? Tell me about it!**

Yes, when necessary -an emergency flight to visit a sick sister in Alaska- *Anon*

My first flight was from Boston to Syracuse, on the way to graduate school. I must have looked as naive as I really was, because the man next to me kept urging me to ask for a seat on the wing!- *Joan*

I've flown once. My husband wouldn't. Our daughter went to Florida to get married. We went by car with his brother who had a place there. The only way home was by plane. I enjoyed it; he didn't even look out the window!\_- *Corinne*

Yes, to Florida with my family- *Ada*



## Winners of Our November States Quiz

Amy and Charley  
Linda And Gerry  
Ada  
Beverly  
Abbie  
Dorothy  
Edie  
Gene  
Joan  
Corinne  
Helen  
George  
Cynthia  
Maryanne  
Pem

