



St. Stephen's Episcopal Church of Mullica Hill

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2012 Prayers For Pets Calendar From The St. Stephen's Episcopal Church of Mullica Hill

Mullica Hill, NJ (November 10, 2011) - The St. Stephen's Church of Mullica Hill has produced a "Prayers For Pets" 2012 calendar. This calendar combines photographs of various parish member's pets along with a collection prayers specifically for pets. The calendar is being sold for \$10.00 by the parish members and on the church web site www.RedDoorChurch.com as a fund raiser for the church. Additionally, St. Stephen's will be donating 20% of the calendar sales to the Oasis Animal Sanctuary in Williamstown.

Pets or companion animals are very important part of our communities today. Animals such as police or search and rescue (SAR) dogs, hospice therapy cats, assistance guide dogs or family pets are loved by their owners and care givers. Often these animals are considered family members or best friends. So when a pet is suffering or having an issue it stands to reason that their caregiver would say a prayer for their pet. However for some it seems inappropriate to pray for an animal when there are so many people in need. The Episcopal and Catholic Church has a long tradition of caring for and blessing of animals. The church's commitment to animals can be witnessed in the remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi. Every year during October churches across our country perform the "Blessing of the Animals" service. This service includes dogs, cats, hamsters and other pets receiving blessings from the churches priest.

The members of St. Stephen's hope this calendar with its 12 prayers will bring comfort to pet owners in need of comfort.

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