

Vestry write up

My name is Rita Lanorith and my late husband Jack retired to LEH 38 years ago. I first went to Holy Spirit Church on Green St. while still working on Staten Island as a Register Nurse for the Department of Alcohol and Substance Abuse. We came down weekly to get our home ready for our retirement. Fr. Allen was the priest in charge and I started by volunteer to bake cakes and work at the roast beef dinners which would lead to joining Fund raising committee.

Soon after a young clergy Leslie Nipps was sent by the Bishop to be ordained at our church and later she asked me to join the vestry where I would become the Sr. Warden in a short period of time. In about a year the Rev. Nipps would leave us to go to California, I was given the keys to the church and had to learn how to run a church without a priest. It was only with God's help, my vestry and the faith of the people that we worked to keep the doors open to our church.

In both old and new locations I was honored to work as altar guild director, alcoyte, ECW president and vestry member. I look forward to see what God has in store for me and our church.

