

-- Thank you to the churches around the Diocese of Massachusetts (and some friends around the U.S. and Canada) who helped me piece together these glimpses of God's handiwork.

--- Quilts are a time-honoured way of re-using old and scrap materials to make something new that will keep our loved ones warm. When our Lord was born, we know that Mary wrapped Him in swaddling clothes, probably a quilt she had made in anticipation of the arrival of her child.

----The world around us is a beautiful blanket, spread out to receive the life of Christ, and each part is precious. What pieces will you notice, and gather up, and save this Advent, as together we mend the fabric of Creation?

12.1 -- poinsettias -- All Saint's Church, Attleboro

12.2 -- morning glory -- Cohasset

12.3 -- frog -- Trinity Church, Topsfield 12.4 -- sunflower -- Church of the Holy

Nativity, South Weymouth

12.5 -- oregano -- Cohasset

12.6 -- daffodils -- Church of St. John the Evangelist, Hingham

12.7 -- moon -- Milky Way Galaxy

12.8 -- forsythia -- St. Stephen's,

12.9 -- hosta -- Grace Church, Martha's

Vineyard 12.10 -- sumac -- St. James' Church,

12.11 -- thistle -- St. Vincent's Nursing

Home, Halifax, NS

12.12 -- magnolias -- Christ Church, Waltham

tomatoes, mint -- St. Paul's, Bedford

12.15 -- apple blossom -- St. Mary of

the Harbor, Provincetown 12.16 -- tulip -- Christ Church,

Needham

12.17 -- ivy -- Cohasset

12.18 -- veronica -- St. Andrew's Church, Wellesley

12.19 -- bell flower -- St. Gabriel's Church, Marion

12.20 -- poppies -- All Saints' Church of

the North Shore 12.21 -- strawberry -- St. Aidan's

Church, San Francisco

12.22 -- crocus -- Grace Church,

Medford

12.23 -- Easter lilies -- St. Dunstan's

Church, Dover

12.24 ... dog! ... St. James' Church, Amesbury

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