

The Rector's Corner . . .

Blessèd Eastertide

Dear Friends,

The entire month of May is completely part of the fifty-day season of Easter. All during the Sundays of this month we will be exploring a variety of post-resurrection appearances of Jesus. Allow yourself to be washed in the glorious presence of the risen Christ in your life.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER DAY



Many thanks to all those who helped to make our liturgies of Holy Week and Easter so helpful in our preparation for the celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. From the eight o'clock Eucharist on Palm Sunday to the ten fifteen Eucharist on Easter Day, we gathered as a faith community dedicated to the worship of Almighty God. Remember, too, that the Easter Season—Eastertide—lasts fifty days.

WELCOME BACK!



While a few of the 'Saints' of All Saints Church have already returned to the Jersey Shore from the warmer areas to the south, more will be arriving back for the summer in the next month or so. Please know that we have missed you and welcome you home! This summer, when you have family and friends visiting with you, please bring them by so we can celebrate their being

here, too!

SUMMER SERVICE COMING SOON



Our summer worship service—affectionately referred to by some as "Mass in the Grass"—will begin on the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend (May 27). This special outdoor service takes place at 5:30 pm on Saturdays through the Saturday of Labor Day (September 2) in the Memorial Garden. If the weather is inclement, we take the service indoors. With summer activities gearing-up soon, this could fit very nicely into your summer-Saturday schedule.

A FAMILY SERVICE COMING UP



On Sunday, May 21, at 10:15 am, we have scheduled a special family service. What this means is that our children and youth will be participating in the service as readers and ushers, as well as acolytes. There will be special music at this service; and, if it looks like something we'd like to do more often, we'll see what works. Our children and youth are important members of our faith community!

In the meantime, please know that I look forward to being with you in church...and I hope you do, too! Peace,

Robert

The Reverend Robert A. Nagy, Rector





The Next Times for Baptism

Here are the dates for regularly-scheduled baptisms for the remainder of 2017 and all of 2018. Of course, other Sundays are available as the needs arise. If there is someone in your family who is to be baptized, please contact the Rector to arrange for instruction. Also, these will be times for all of us to reaffirm our own baptismal vows.

| FEAST DAY | 2017 | 2018 |
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| Baptism of Jesus | Past | Sunday, January 7 |
| Easter Vigil | Past | Saturday, March 31, 7:30 pm |
| Day of Pentecost | Sunday, June 4 | Sunday, May 20 |
| All Saints' Sunday | Sunday, November 5 | Sunday, November 4 |

Tuesday—May 9—7:00 pm—Program on human trafficking—details page 4

Sunday, May 14—Mother's Day

Tuesday, May 16-12:00-Women's Guild Meeting

Sunday May 21-10:15 am-Children's Service followed by parish picnic

Saturday, May 27—9:00 am—Bay Head/Mantoloking Memorial Day Celebration—Blue Star Park

Monday, May 29—Memorial Day observed

Tuesday, May 30-4-6 pm-Supper with All Saints

Wednesdays—11:00 am—Bible Study, details page 5

6:30 pm—Benedictine Way



Birthday Wishes

May 1—Ernest Scherler May 3—Anita Domino Gail Houston May 4—Bea Nagy May 6—Len Ludovico May 7—Matthew Stango May 8—Heather Knapp May 12—Rachel Beaton May 13—Diane Lippert May 14—Jeanne Guempel Janice Kiefer **Betty Yersin** May 15—Kathy Royal May 16—Sophia Mastroserio Sarah-Ann Yersin May 17—Tyler Viducic

May 18—Ally Johnson Daniel Kurtzke Jennifer Zanna-Kolakowski May 21—Kacia Dolci Bob Spillman May 23—Nancy Erickson Robert Kurtzke May 24—Heath McLendon May 26—Cortney Baldwin May 27—Lynne Adkins May 28—Rosann Piantadosi May 29—Donna Knapp May 31—Jeniene Stango



Anniversary Blessings . . .

May 1—Linda & Kevin Ryan May 7—Wendy & Dave Johnson May 13—Joyce Cornelius & Ted Griffin May 15—Meg & Steve Beresik Alysia & Rick Litton Susan & Bill Rogers Joan & Peter Wright May 25—Betty & Ken Yersin May 30—Judy & Heath McLendon







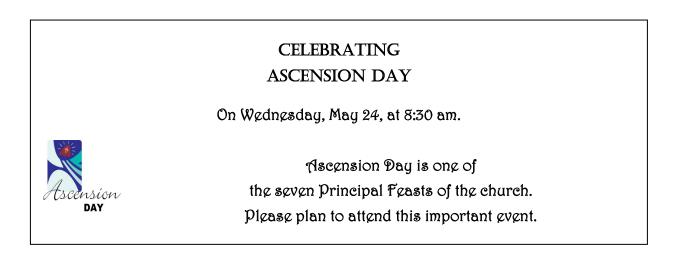
Another year of church school is quickly approaching! Where did the time go? Our last day will be May 21 which is also our first children's service. If you are planning to have your child be part of this exciting event, please have them in church school AT LEAST the week before so that we can go over the proceedings and they can choose what they feel most comfortable doing. I'm sure this will be a great experience for all!

Cindy McGlynn

Special Program . . .

All Saints is hosting an important event: "Human Trafficking 101: An Educational Evening" on Tuesday, May 9 at 7:00 pm in Bristol Hall. Human trafficking is a tragic problem throughout them world and New Jersey is not immune to this. The program is presented by a representative from the N.J. Division of Criminal Justice. Come and learn about this and what you can do to help as a responsible citizen.

Rick Hager, Richard Derrick, Phyllis & Ed Kata



WEDNESDAY CELEBRATIONS OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Most times, the mid-week celebration of the Holy Eucharist includes a special commemoration of a particular person or event in the Episcopal Church calendar. If the special feast falls on the Wednesday, then that is the feast of the day. If it is on some other day that week, we transfer it to Wednesday. Each service takes place at the regularly scheduled time of 8:30 am and usually lasts about a half hour. All are encouraged to participate. The special commemorations for March and April are identified below.

| May 3 | Saints Philip & James (tramsferred) |
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| May 10 | Nicolaus Ludwig von Zinzendorf |
| May 17 | Thurgood Marshall |
| May 24 | Ascension Day (transferred) |
| May 31 | The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary |
| June 7 | The First Book of Common Prayer, 1549 |
| June 14 | Saint Barnabas, the Apostle (transferred) |
| June 21 | The Nativity of Sain John the Baptist (transferred) |
| June 28 | Saint Peter and Saint Paul, Apostles (transferred) |

* A day on which no particular Saint, Feast or Fast is commemorated; however the Holy Eucharist is celebrated at 8:30 am.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY MORNING [SEPTEMBER THROUGH JUNE]

- CHILDREN AND YOUTH: The Christian Education offerings on Sunday morning provide something for everyone from birth through high school. And, while there are different activities for children/youth at various stages of their spiritual development, there are no set ages for each activity. That is, parents are encouraged to help determine which Sunday morning activity would be best for their children. Also, adults who are interested in helping with this important ministry are encouraged to contact the Cindy McGlynn. IOOL
 - NURSERY CARE (10:00am 11:30 am): Staffed nursery care is available for our youngest children in Bristol Hall. Children are cared for within a nurturing environment that helps even our youngest members to feel God's love.
 - SUNDAY SCHOOL (10:00 am): This session includes age-appropriate discussion and other activities with adult facilitators using helpful materials to guide the session.
- ANGLICAN STUDIES (October June, 9:00 am in the Conference Room): This program consists of discussions with the Rector about Anglicanism. Topics include the Book of Common Prayer, the Hymnal, worship style, and what it means to be an Anglican. This is preparation for adult baptism/confirmation. Also, it makes a great refresher program. Anglican Studies is a great opportunity for some great discussions. There are two 'tracks'; one for teens and one for adults.

2nd Sunday of the month for teens

3rd Sunday of the month for adults

WEDNESDAY [SEPTEMBER THROUGH JUNE]

- BIBLE STUDY WITH THE RECTOR (11:00 am): This Lectionary-Based Bible Study, which uses the Synthesis CE material distributed on Sundays, can be a great help for us to become more familiar with the scripture that will be read on Sundays. If you would like to have this opportunity, please mark your calendar now for our one-hour times together. Following our study, we pray together using AN ORDER OF SERVICE FOR NOONDAY found in the Book of Common Prayer, beginning on page 103.
- BENEDICTINE WAY (6:30 PM): How can I understand more about how God wants me to live? What does it mean to be more spiritual? Benedictine Way is the name for a group that gathers weekly with the Rector in Bristol Hall to explore the 1,500+ year-old Rule of Saint Benedict and Benedictine spirituality. We try to answer questions like the two above. We use Norveen Vest's book PREFERRING CHRIST during our time together. The Benedictine Way group also incorporates worship, prayer, and the use of Lectio Devina—Sacred Reading. The weekly sessions begin with Evening Prayer at 6:30 pm. The program concludes by 8:00 pm. The content of each session varies somewhat according to our sense of God's call to us. In preparation for these sessions, in addition to obtaining a copy of Norveen's book, one might find value in reading Esther de Waal's book SEEKING GOD: THE WAY OF ST. BENEDICT. All are welcome to attend these gatherings as your schedules permit.



Meet the Vestry



At the annual meeting in January, two Wardens and five Vestry members were elected. This month "meet" two of your newly elected Vestry members.

Priscilla Hiby

Priscilla and her husband, Carl, have been residents of Mantoloking for over 22 years. A realtor for Childers Sotheby's in Bay Head, Priscilla, an educator, formerly was Director of Human Resources for Mabon Nugent & Co., Wall Street, NY and Director of Admission and Financial Aid at Staten Island Academy. A former trustee of Algonquin Arts in Manasquan and Trustee of the Guild of Ocean Medical Center, Priscilla has chaired many fund raising events for All Saints Church, the Historical Society of Bay Head, Mantoloking and Lovelandtown as well as Barnegat Bay Charities. Presently she is an elected Republican Committeewoman representing Mantoloking. Giving back to the community has always been her goal. All Saints is a very special church and Priscilla looks forward to working with the Vestry in the best way possible.

Otto Lowe

Otto grew up on Virginia's Eastern Shore and received his BA from William and Mary. He was awarded a scholarship to Oxford University where he acquired an MA in Law. William and Mary Law School followed. Otto taught English and coached football and wrestling at Episcopal High School in Alexandria, VA. In 1960 Otto married Pat Wescott of the Eastern Shore. That year he was appointed Assistant Counsel to the U.S. Senate Banking and Currency Committee (not Commission) and four years later, Director of Floor Procedure at the New York Stock Exchange. He retired in 2008 from U.S. Trust Company. Otto was attracted by the 1971 Alaska native claims settlement and made over 65 visits as an adviser to newly-formed Alaska native corporations. The Lowes raised their four children in Short Hills, NJ. A weekend home in Bay Point Harbour became their retirement home. They feel blessed to spend the rest of their lives in the beautiful environment with such wonderful people!

Women's Guild



The April 18 meeting was absolutely in "bloom". Stephen Barlow of Barlow's Flower Farm and Garden Center, Sea Girt, gave a presentation of the exciting annuals and perennials of 2017. He presented a slide show that was very informative and answered many of our questions. At the end of the session, he generously brought pots of pansies and we all were able to take home two pots to enjoy in our gardens. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, May 16 at noon in Bristol Hall. The program will be announced at a later date.

Anita Domino

In Other Women's Guild News....

The All Saints Women's Guild Service Award applications are now available in the church office. These awards are available to students who have given time and service to the church and are now beginning or continuing their post-high school education. Once the eligibility requirement are met, the awards are renewable for up to four years total for those enrolled as a full-time student in a four-year program. The deadline for applications is **June 1**.

A LENTEN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION PROGRAM

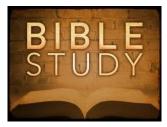


This year, we will study the story of Holy Week through a program of video and discussion that has been designed by the Candler School of Theology of Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia. This program will begin on Wednesday, March 8, at 7:30 pm, and go through Wednesday, April 12. In this study, world-renowned biblical scholars and a celebrated professor of preaching from Candler offer their expertise in video-discussions of how the gospel texts of Jesus' last week on earth are brought to life in the artwork of John August Swanson. Following each brief video presentation, those assembled will enter into their own reflection

on each topic. With the beauty and power of the art and the sacred texts, the insight of the Candler scholars, and our own conversations, these sessions promise to be a new catalyst for your journey of faith. Our time together will conclude with the service of Compline.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

The Church invites us to observe a Holy Lent. We have the opportunity to prepare ourselves for a most glorious celebration of the Resurrection of Our Lord. Let us rejoice in the richness of the scripture passages read during Lent by coming together



for a weekly, lectionary-based Bible Study each week on Wednesdays at 11:00 am, followed by the Noonday Office. A lectionary-based bible study is one in which the readings for the following Sunday are studied and discussed. This format allows each session to stand on its own, so participants can attend as their schedules allow. Each session takes place at the church, in Bristol Hall and lasts about one hour. This format is particularly helpful for those who will be reading the lessons during the services on the following Sunday. We will use Bible Study material called Synthesis CE that is distributed after each Sunday service. Also, it

WEDNESDAYS OF LENT 8:30 AM CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST 11:00 AM LECTIONARY-BASED BIBLE STUDY (FOLLOWED BY NOONDAY PRAYER) WHAT WONDROUS LOVE A STUDY USING VIDEO AND DISCUSSION OF THE BIBLICAL EVENTS OF HOLY WEEK (FOLLOWED BY COMPLINE) [Benedictine Way will resume on Wednesday, April 26]

Editor's Note:

Please submit ideas and information to Linda Gyurko by email at landbg@optonline.net

CELEBRATING THE DAY OF PENTECOST AND TRINITY SUNDAY

In June, we celebrate one of our most important Principal Feasts of the Church (see BCP, p. 15). On Sunday, **June 4**, we celebrate The Day of Pentecost. A feast of the Church which commemorates the Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles, fifty days after the Resurrection of Christ, on the ancient Jewish festival called the "feast of weeks" or Pentecost (Exodus 34:22; Deuteronomy 16:10). This day is also known as *Whitsunday;* so called from the white garments which were worn by those who were baptized on this day; *Pentecost*, is the Greek word for "the fiftieth" (day after Easter). More recently, the liturgical color for the Holy Spirit, which is red, has become associated with this day. So, remember to wear "RED." Also, on this day we will baptize a new member of our church and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Then, on Sunday, **June 11**, we celebrate Trinity Sunday. Trinity Sunday is one of the few feasts of the Christian Year that celebrates a reality and doctrine rather than an event. On Trinity Sunday we remember and honor the eternal God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Trinity Sunday is celebrated the Sunday after Pentecost, and lasts only one day, which is symbolic of the unity of the Trinity.



