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ST. PAUL'S TOWER HERALD

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Rector's Voice

'Tis the gift to be simple,
'tis the gift to be free,
'tis the gift to come down
where we ought to be,
and when we find ourselves in the place just right,
'twill be in the valley of love and delight.
When true simplicity is gained
to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed,
to turn, turn, will be our delight
till by turning, turning we come round right.

This Shaker hymn came to my mind as I thought about the Season of Lent. It seems to me that Lent is a time to be simple – not in the sense of being ill-informed, but taking the time to strip away the baggage that we often carry around with us and to focus on the important things of life. In doing so we may find that we are indeed free – free of these extra worries that ultimately mean very little to who we are.

To focus on the simple, important things may help us to “come down where we ought to be” in our relationship with Jesus. The rest of the words to this verse of the song help us to focus on our relationship – “love and delight” in Jesus.

During Lent, I often take the time to add things to my spiritual life. To test things that I think I may want to be a part of my daily living. This is different from the tendency to think of Lent merely as a time when we “give up” something. I do give up some of my favorite things – particularly “sweets”. But it is important to think about adding something as well.

We must remember that it is all for one goal – a closer relationship with Jesus. We will be offering something for you to consider adding to your spiritual life this Lent. Each Friday in Lent we will be offering Evening Prayer from different parts of the Anglican Communion. This will be followed by Stations of the Cross and a simple supper. Elsewhere in this newsletter, you will find a schedule which outlines how we will be having supper together. Please note that on one Friday there will be a Eucharist for the Feast of the Annunciation.

Let's spend this special season of preparation, called Lent, doing things which will draw us closer to our relationship with Jesus. And in doing so we will hope that our simple lives will be made whole in Him – “When true simplicity is gained to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed, to turn, turn, will be our delight till by turning, turning we come round right.”

Blessed Lent,



Bishop's Visitation & Confirmation/ Inquirer's Class

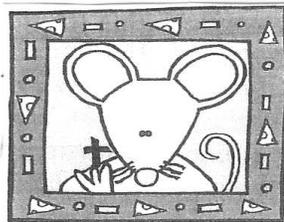
Our new Bishop, The Right Rev'd Santosh K. Marray will be making his Annual Visitation on Sunday, 30 April. In preparation for the Bishop's Visitation, Fr. Moyer will be teaching a Confirmation/Inquirer's Class during the Sundays in Lent. It will meet from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Please see him for more details.

Church Mouse

The year 2016 has ended and we have been very busy. Several of the various fall events in town really helped our sales (and resulted in some long hours for several of our volunteers, but it was well worth the effort!)

The extreme extended cold Last January and February resulted in some slow days for the Church Mouse and reduced sales. Some of the Summer temps also seemed to take its toll on our sales on occasion. However we more than made up for it at other times, thanks in part to our variety of donations from not only Church Members but also the generosity of local residents, businesses and even out of town/state customers that go out of the way to bring us donations.

Our only real issue seems to be a higher percentage of donations that we can not use, resulting in much time and effort to pass them on. For those that have not been in the shop, we are limited to basically no extra storage. We always need jewelry, house hold and kitchen items and books (novels and cook books



only, no text and reference books). PLEASE NO ELECTRONICS. We can only accept seasonal clothing. Please contact Helen first with large amounts of donations and to see if we can use any items you may have a doubt about. (Cell 443 995 3122). We prefer larger amounts be taken to her house, as a lot of the sorting and pricing is done there. Feel free to bring smaller amounts to the shop, however if at all possible make it by 1 PM. This gives the person working on time to work on pricing etc. and not leave it for the next day. We normally close at 3 PM but hope this spring to remain open until 4 PM. Many of our volunteers end up staying past 3 on days there is a lot of foot traffic in town.

As always thanks you for your support, and if you have not been in the Church Mouse lately (or at all) please stop in and say hello.

Outreach

The end of the year always makes for a busy outreach time. Father Moyer is active in BAMU, Berlin area Ministries United. During Thanksgiving food baskets are distributed to various families in the area by BAMU. St. Pauls makes a donation each year to help cover the cost of the items in the baskets. In addition we have provided Father Moyer with Good Gift Cards for the emergency requests he gets.

We continue to provide donations to such organizations as Meals on Wheels, GOLD, NOEL. (St. Paul's by the Sea Christmas Program), Habitat for Humanity, Cricket Center, Toys for Tots, Food for the Poor, and various Veterans programs to name just a few. As usual we supported both several families and seniors with Christmas Gifts.

Local Artist/ Our Parishener

Mary Beth Carozza, Delegate for District 38C asked for artwork that represented the Eastern Shore so that she could place them outside of her office in Annapolis during this Congressional Session. One of the pieces she chose was by a member of our Parish Family. Ellie Scott's watercolor is entitled "Newark MD Steamed Crabs". Other local artists displayed include Patrick Henry , Bishops Stock in Snow Hill, Lynn Lockhart, and Kirk Mc Bride. The Eastern Shore of MD has it's own unique, beautiful and rich culture to share with others and show.



Stewardship Word Search

Stewardship does not have to be a burden, but a joy! It is a way of life. Have some fun finding these stewardship words.

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DISCIPLE
 HELP
 LOVE
 SOCIAL
 TREASURE

GIFTS
 HELPING
 MERCY
 STEWARD

GIVING
 JUSTICE
 POOR
 TALENT

Pancake Supper
Tuesday,
28 February 2017
5—? p.m.

Parish Hall

Dinner Includes
Pancakes & Syrup
Sausage
Cinnamon Apples



Free-Will Offering will be taken

FRIDAYS IN LENT AT ST. PAUL'S 2017

3 March

5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer from Church of England

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

6:00 p.m. Meatless Potluck Dinner

10 March

5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer from Church in Wales

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

6:00 p.m. Pizza & Barry's Class !!!

17 March

5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer from Anglican Church in Canada

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

6:00 p.m. Salad Bar — Greens provided, bring a topping!

24 March

5:00 p.m. Eucharist — Eve of the Feast of the Annunciation

6:00 p.m. Meal provided by Clergy of the Parish

31 March

5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer from Anglican Church in Australia

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

6:00 p.m. Pizza !!!

7 April

5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer from Northumbrian Community

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

6:00 p.m. Meatless Potluck

A Three Parish Pilgrimage
For Wednesday in Holy Week
12 April 2017

Everyone is invited to participate in all or part of our
Annual Pilgrimage Experience.

St. Paul's, Berlin

5:00 p.m.

Evening Prayer

Church of the Holy Spirit, Ocean City

6:00 p.m.

Simple Lenten Supper

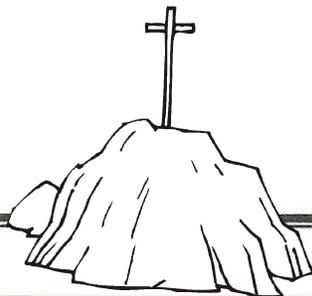
(Please sign up, so we know how many
will be attending Supper)

St. Paul's By-the-Sea, Ocean City

7:30—8:30 p.m.

Closing Devotions

Compline will end the evening.





March Birthdays

- 2 *Savanna Hastings*
- 5 *Hattie Quick*
- 11 *Rosemary Pearson*
- 13 *Karen Neville*
- 15 *Faith Stanley*
- 17 *Earl F. Conley, II*
- 19 *Diane Brown*
- 20 *Bob St. Clair*
Abigayle Conley
- 21 *Ann Woodland*
- 22 *Nate Pearson*
- 23 *Jody Butler Irene Roberts*
- 24 *Robin Peoples*
- 25 *Barbara Evans*
- 27 *Betty Hammond*
- 31 *Steve Main*

April Birthdays

- 2 *Carol Vaughan*
- 4 *Fric Hutchinson*
- 6 *Chandler Smith*
- 11 *Bo Duke*
- 12 *Jim Short*
- 13 *Jonas Cole*
- 16 *Fsther Taylor*
- 17 *Elizabeth Moore*
- 20 *Susan Moore*
- 21 *D. J. Thompson*

May Birthdays

- 1 *Jan Bucciare*
- 3 *Alex Moore*

- 4 *Patricia Fisher*
Theresa Bruner
- 5 *Laura Jenkins*
- 6 *Fr. Michael Moyer*
- 7 *Paul Roger Bredehorst*
- 9 *Patrick Reid George DeGroft*
- 11 *Addison Conley*
- 12 *Virginia Barrett*
- 13 *Dymphna Jessich*
- 15 *Nancy Lehman*
- 19 *Phyllis Ashley Lou Kemp*
Loni MacKinnon
- 21 *Flaine McIntosh*
- 25 *Maggie Weil*
- 26 *Judie Short*
- 27 *Sherrie Beckstead*
- 28 *Ellen Bunting*
- 29 *Rachael Pacella*



March Anniversaries

- 6 *John & Margaret Laughlin*
- 21 *Bob & Carol Vaughan*
- 23 *Barry & Karen Neville*
- 30 *Ron & Debbie Ritz*

April Anniversaries

- 7 *Cliff & Jerrie Birch*
- 19 *Douglas & Isabella Berry*
Sid & Sherry Beckstead
- 21 *Charles & Mechelle Nichols*

May Anniversaries

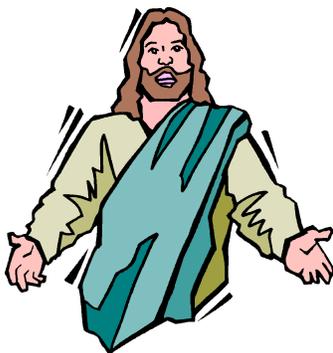
- 3 *Fric & Susan Hutchinson*
- 27 *Jim & Jan Quick*

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Mission Statement

Our Mission is to offer and nourish a relationship with God in Jesus Christ, our Lord, through worship, outreach, fellowship, and study.

Vestry and Officers

Senior Warden: Ray Coates, Jr., Junior Warden: Bob Abel ,
Treasurer: Susan Wellman, Registrar: Carol Vaughan

2014 - 2017
Mary Moore
Mona Smith
Skip Smith

2015 - 2018
Donna Main
Wanda Conley
Bob Vaughan

2015 - 2019
Connie Duke
Sara Thompson
Gail Whaley