



From our Deacon: Celebrate, Honor and Invite

Dear Ones,

On October 17, I will celebrate the 16th anniversary of my ordination as a deacon. It is wonderful to look back and remember the incredible people who supported and nurtured me as I first sensed a call to ordained ministry and then pursued that idea with my priest and the bishop. Several years of preparation followed which included academics as well as practical and spiritual opportunities to grow into the practice (practicing never ends!) of the diaconate.

The diaconate continues to evolve and change as the Church's understanding of this order of ministry deepens. There are four orders of ministry in the Episcopal Church:

- **the laity** which is the largest and most important;
- **the bishops** who have oversight of the diocese;
- **the priests** who serve as rectors of parishes; and
- **the deacons.** Deacons are assigned to congregations with the collaboration of the bishop, the rector, the vestry and the deacon. Each deacon has different gifts and will serve the parish they are assigned to according to the needs of the parish and the gifts the deacon brings to that parish's ministry. What most parishioners see every Sunday is the liturgical ministry of the deacon, which is exercised by every deacon in every parish.

The stole we wear across our shoulder represents a towel which would be used when setting the table before communion and clearing it afterwards. It also represents a towel used to wipe the tears of the poor, the lonely, and the sick who we serve in our work in the world. We proclaim the Gospel. We do not just read the Gospel, we proclaim it and doing so represents our proclamation of the Gospel in word and deed in our service in the world. We dismiss the people, making sure everyone understands that we come to worship to be strengthened for our work in the world.

Many deacons in Maine have full time jobs, and often those jobs represent their service to those who live on the margins because they are sick, poor, homeless, mentally ill, refugees, in need of special education, children at risk and the list goes on. Their work in the world is their service to God and they share that work with their fellow Christians - encouraging them to discover their own gifts for service.

My own service to the people of God in the world is a ministry to the women inmates at the Maine Correctional Center in Windham; the last place I ever imagined I would be, but the place that God has called me to be and where I find the Holy Spirit powerfully present.

In the Diocese of Maine, according to the Canons of the Church, there is a council of deacons that oversees the formation of deacons and the life of the deacon community. As a member of that council, I am privileged to serve as one of two chaplains and to join with fellow deacons to support people in the process to ordination. The process takes about two years but has flexibility. Each person engages in the academics they need to fulfill the

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qualifications set down by the national canons. Each participant will serve for several months away from their home church and will undertake an outreach project in their field placement church which is overseen by the clergy of that church. They will take an exam and then will meet with the Commission on Ministry several times during their formation. They will spend one weekend per quarter together on retreat to worship, learn, and share their experiences together. It is a challenging, exciting, growing, deepening time which, God-willing, leads to ordination. Then life is forever changed and I, for one, feel so blessed to have been called to serve God and the people of God in this way.

We are non-stipendiary clergy, often the most difficult aspect of this ministry to explain! We cannot serve for Christ's sake alone if we are earning a salary. Our service is our gift to God. We support ourselves financially in other ways. Also, we need to be ever conscious that in the church we serve, it is the rector who is in charge and that what we do in the parish is by his or her consent. We must be clear that our primary

call to ministry is in the world. We need a community, a home base, but the community outside the church is where we are to be found.

If what is written here stirs something in you or if you have questions about the diaconate, I hope you will be in touch with me. I love to talk about it! Bless you all for being my home base and my community.

Faithfully, Deacon Christine



Maine Marathon Sunday: October 5

If you can't beat 'em, join 'em! And raise money for charities too!

Let's get out and cheer on our four (yes, 4!) Saint Mary's relay teams who will be running various portions of the Maine Marathon that closes Route 88 for the morning of Sunday, October 5.

The teams consist of 13 Saint Marians in total: Fr. Nathan, Mike Ianno, Christie Rana, Adam Rana, Michael Rayder, Greg Unfricht, Tom Leahy, Bruce Fithian, Tim Shannon, Michael Manetti, Ella Brown, Denise Lund, and Lura DeSorbo.

Then come and gather at Foreside Community Church at 4 pm in the afternoon for the very special Saint Francis celebration highlighted below! Invite a friend and bring your pets!

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OUR MISSION

At The Episcopal Church
of Saint Mary,

we are building authentic,
vibrant, Christ-centered
community as we ...

Celebrate the goodness of
God and the gift of life,

Honor the presence of
Christ in one another,
and

Serve the world in the
power of the Holy Spirit.

St. Francis Celebration and the Blessing of All God's Creatures



Maine Marathon Sunday

October 5, 2014 - 4pm

Saint Mary's and Foreside Community Church
together celebrate all things great and small

In partnership with the Maine Audubon Society

Join us and bring your pets to the fields behind the Foreside Community Church
340 Foreside Road on the Falmouth-Cumberland town line.

For more information, feel free to contact Saint Mary's 781-3366 or FCC 781-5880

Vestry Highlights for September

At the August vestry meeting, vestry members agreed to make check-in calls with all parishioners and at our September meeting we discussed some of the feedback (anonymously) from the calls made so far. The overall sense was that parishioners were happy with how things are going in our parish and are pleased with Father Nathan. Concerns or questions that come up during the calls will be passed on to the appropriate person(s) to be addressed. The calls will continue for the next month.

The treasurer, Bill Gowen, asked the vestry to approve the transfer of \$25,000 from our savings account (#1241) to the operating account. This transfer is necessitated because of the lower revenue we typically receive during the summer months when many parishioners are away. Usually, but not always, revenue received in the last quarter (Oct-Dec), allows us to reverse the transfer at the end of the year. The vestry is very concerned about revenue and expenses given the deficit budget that was adopted for 2014. The budget development process for 2015 is well underway by the Budget & Finance Committee. Recognizing that we cannot continue to adopt deficit budgets, the budget for 2015 will get increased scrutiny and hard decisions may be needed.

Having completed our proposed Vision 2014 goal statements in August, Father Nathan created lists of proposed action steps in

support of each statement based on the feedback from the various parish surveys and the focus groups held at the annual meeting in January. Vestry members will review the proposed action steps for missing ideas or clarification prior to our October meeting with the intent of finalizing the lists for publication soon.

The nominating committee, led by Becky Pride, has completed the slate except for convention delegates in a process that was thorough, transparent and much more timely than past efforts. The committee documented the process and timing for the vestry and proposed that the vestry adopt the nominating process for use in the future. The vestry is very grateful to the committee members for their effort and accepted their proposal.

Hugh Smith, Senior Warden



Operation: Parish Check In!

Throughout September and early October, members of the Vestry are making calls to all parishioners. Our purpose is simple: checking in to see how we are all doing! The conversations have been “free form” and have given the leadership a sense of the overall feeling of the parish and a chance to hear ideas and thoughts that might be helpful in the coming year. Thanks to the Vestry for making these calls and thanks to all who answered! Some of us are hard to reach as we seem to be dumping our land lines. If you’d like to talk to a Vestry member to share your thoughts, please reach out to them. The list with contact information for the entire Vestry is always found on the last page of each AVE.

UPDATE ON PARISH FINANCES

Dear sisters and brothers in the Lord,

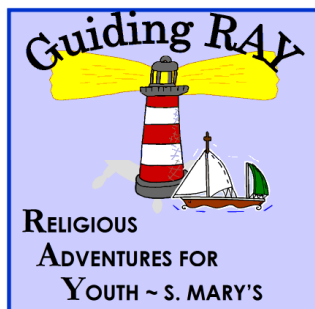
Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity as you share your resources in support of the mission of Christ in our communities.

We are glad to report that overall Pledge Commitments are up over the previous years. However, the actual contributions that we have received so far this year are behind significantly. As a result, we have had to take \$65,000 out of our limited reserves in order to manage our cash flow. This is a serious problem which we all need to address. If you are behind in your year-to-date giving, please do all that you can to catch up.

Also, please note that we will launch our 2015 Stewardship campaign with a special Gratitude Dinner on All Saints Day, November 1. Mark your calendars now! Look for more details in this AVE.

Yours in Christ,
Nathan Ferrell+

Christian Formation - RAY Beams - October 2014



Teacher of the Month: Alison Hayward

Alison Hayward fills the vital function of caring for our youngest parishioners in the Nursery each Sunday. Although she always has the help of at least one other adult or high school student, it is Alison that provides the continual loving care to our S. Mary's babies year-round, each and every Sunday.

Originally from Kent, in England, Alison moved to Maine from Massachusetts in the summer of 2004 with her husband and family. Even before moving to Maine, she had been looking at the various churches in the area and knew that she wanted to attend S. Mary's—her choir director in Massachusetts had recommended the S. Mary's music program! She was not disappointed, and sang in the S. Mary's choir for several years. Last summer, Father Nathan asked if she would like to work in the nursery, and she gladly accepted.

Alison attended the Godly Play training in August and tries to incorporate some of the skills learned there into our nursery sessions. Although her work in the nursery means that she can no longer sing in the choir, she loves watching and leading the children in play—especially since her own children are now

grown. She enjoys working both with our youngest children and with the other members of the Guiding RAY Leadership Team, whom she describes as “a tight-knit community of devoted members.”

Apart from Guiding RAY, Alison participates in the Memorial Reception Guild, the Prayer Chain Group, the Altar Flowers committee, the Outreach Committee and also serves as an Office Angel.

There are many things that Alison appreciates about S. Mary's, including the fellowship of parishioners, the traditional service and music and the beautiful church and grounds. When not at S. Mary's, Alison enjoys running, cycling, reading and watching movies. She is also a member of the S. Mary's Garden Club. She enjoys visits from her daughter Helena, who is a junior at Wellesley College, and treasures the company of daughter, Sophia, who is a senior at Greely High School. She tries to visit her parents and sisters in England as often as possible.



Our Godly Play Lessons in October

The Ten Best Ways: We continue to witness God's presence with his people on three occasions at Mt. Sinai: First, in the burning bush when God revealed to Moses the name of God. Second, when God gave the Ten Commandments to the people through Moses and third, when, after breaking the tablets in anger, Moses climbed up Sinai to receive the Ten Commandments a second time.

Parable of the Good Shepherd: The primary sheep and shepherd parable of Jesus, recognized as authentic by many scholars, is the shepherd who searches for the one sheep that is lost and leaves the ninety-nine to do so. In this presentation, the gate is left open as the shepherd searches for the sheep; we also find that many of life's conflicts find meaning and resolution in the themes from Psalm 23 and John 10, also present in the lesson.

Worship, Service and Fellowship: We are pleased to offer opportunities for families to participate in both faith, fellowship and community service activities throughout the year. Save the following dates !

October 5th Blessing of the Animals, 4pm (No Sunday am worship this day due to the Maine Marathon!)

October 18th 9am-Noon (Note date change!) Apple-picking and Cider-making at the Grace-Cleale Orchard .

October 10th and 24th 5-7pm: Family community service at Souper Supper

(fmi: jenniferanngregg@gmail.com)

November 30th: Family Advent Wreath-Making (followed by the lighting of the Memorial and Thanksgiving Tree.)

December 21st: Christmas Pageant

Guiding RAY Leadership Team

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Christian Formation - Middle & High School

"S. MARY'S HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY SERVICE GROUP" !

The "S. Mary's High School Community Service Group" will serve as a vehicle for service, fellowship and spirituality for high schoolers. This group will focus on two of S. Mary's established outreach programs:

Preble Street Soup Kitchen and Souper Supper. FMI, contact Anne LaFond (alafond@maine.rr.com or 781-8820) with your dates/times or any questions you might have.

Souper Supper: 2nd and 4th Friday of each month at Saint Mary's.

Set-up: 3:00 - 4:00pm

Waiting tables: 4:45 - 7:15pm

Clean-up: 5:30-8:00pm

September 12 and September 26

October 10 and October 24

November 14 and November 28

December 12 and December 26

Preble Street: Soup Kitchen 4th Sunday of each month

Volunteers prepare, serve, and clean the Sunday lunch served to homeless and low-income adults, children and families.

Preparation: 10:30am - 12:30pm

Serve/Cleanup: 12:45 - 1:45pm

2014: Sept. 28, Oct. 26, Nov. 23, Dec. 28,

2015: Jan. 25, Feb. 22, March 20, April 26



ALL-MAINE YL CLUB: Wednesday, October 8, 7:17 PM

@ The Deering Grange Hall (1408 Washington Ave in Portland).

Every High School student in the entire state of Maine is invited!

It'll be the bomb. Be bold and bring a friend! Just show up and be there.

What is it about Young Life club that makes it the best night of the week for thousands of kids every week? We like to think of it as a party with a purpose. It's controlled chaos that's almost impossible to describe, but kids know it when they see it. And before the party ends, we share a simple message about God's love for them. After all, that's what the celebration is all about.

CASCO BAY YOUNG LIFE BANQUET: Thursday, November 6, 6 PM

@ The Falmouth Country Club (1 Congressional Dr, off of Winn Rd)

Come and join Nathan+ at his table for a full dinner and a chance to learn about how you can be part of this exciting new youth outreach in our area. Interested?

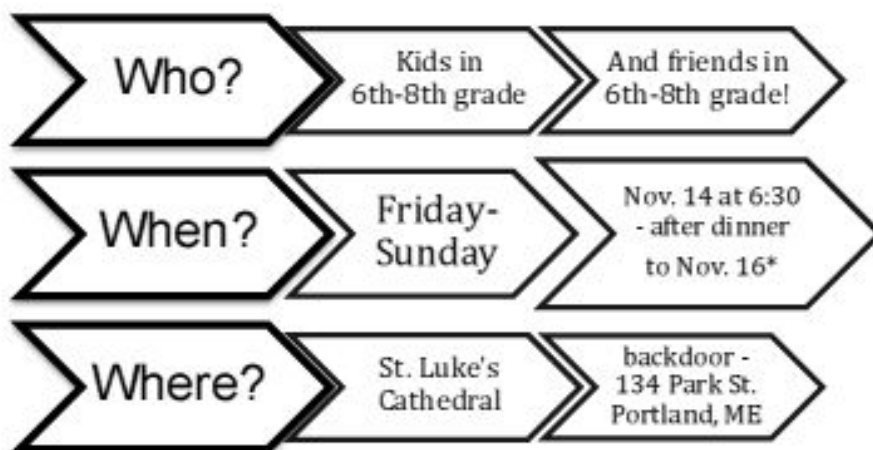
Email Nathan+ at nathanferrell@smay.org to find out more.

Young Life is making a difference in the lives of millions around the world because we are supported by adults who care about kids in their community. For every talented Young Life staff person (ours is Jordan Droge), there are hundreds of supporters in each community — comprised of parents, pastors and other concerned adults — who provide a foundation of financial, administrative and moral support for the local Young Life outreach ministry.



The Fall Middle School Event at the Cathedral

for the Episcopal Diocese of Maine



Register at www.mainejuv.org

Cost: Early registration (before 11/3) is \$38 - or \$15 if you want financial aid.
Regular registration is \$48 - or \$20 with financial aid. 100% aid is available.

Bring: Sleeping bag, pillow, (mattress optional), comfortable clothes, shower stuff, towel, swimsuit, snack or dessert to contribute (no nuts or peanut butter) ☺ Eat Friday dinner before you come! Don't bring: laptops, valuables or money.

**Families and friends are invited to the closing worship Sunday at 1:00. The event ends at 2:00.*

Questions? Ask Fred Fowler at mainebachpf@myfairpoint.net or 207.883.2093
Or ask Sherry Sivret at slbs0306@yahoo.com or 207.214.5754 or 207.454.3657
or Jane Hartwell at jhartwell@episcopalmaine.org

Saint Mary's reaches out - Near and Far



On the beautiful, crisp fall morning of Saturday, September 13th, seventeen parishioners trekked up to St. Philip's Episcopal Church in Wiscasset, Maine. The fifty-minute drive proved wonderful as we were able to spend quality time with each other and enjoy the beauty of Maine on our short road trip.

Cathy Tyler, a resident of the former rectory, gave us a tour of the historic old building, and we began our work of washing windows, cleaning the kitchen, weeding, gardening, scraping, caulking, priming. We had a WONDERFUL time doing for others, working side by side, lending a hand to spruce up this Victorian gem.

The whole time we were there, we marveled at how light our spirits were to be "playing in the fields of the Lord." It really is true that when you give you receive much more abundantly. It was a special time for us, and ~ as a result of our day together ~ we feel closer to one another and a bit lighter in spirit.

Cathy and St. Philip's folks worked with us and provided us with a lovely lunch. They were so grateful for our help. Yet, in a way we feel as if we were the recipients of the gift.

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR TEAM of Kelly Lynch, Mary Lalumiere, Margaret Jean Taylor, Kathy Galen, Ruth Kimball, Mac Hinkel, Rayle and Ed Ainsworth, Judith Brooks, Margaret Fast, Ella and Lowell Brown, Anne Wood, Jan Mordarski, Betsy and Jim Stoddard and Becky Pride.

Join us at the 5th Annual Harvest Community Dinner to benefit the Falmouth Food Pantry and the Fuel Assistance Fund

Bring your whole family, your neighbors and friends and join others in our community for this popular fun event in which we gather together, celebrate the harvest and support the Falmouth Food Pantry. The Falmouth Food Pantry is an entirely volunteer charity and one of the largest Food Pantries in Cumberland County. With a 21% increase in needy families just last year, and this being their only fundraiser, they need us all to pitch in with food, money, time and talent.

Save the Date: Thursday, October 16th

Watch for donation and volunteer opportunities

**Plan on coming to the Falmouth Congregational Church
next to Falmouth Town Hall on Falmouth Rd.
for Roast Turkey and all the fixings.**



Saint Mary's reaches out - Near and Far

THE \$14,000 CHECK.....

Imagine for a moment you are sitting down to do something truly amazing! You are making out a \$14,000 check to an organization somewhere in the world that does great work to help people. You sign the check, put it in the addressed and stamped envelope, and off to the mail it goes.

How do you feel? I would guess terrific! Especially if it is an organization you know a lot about, believe in its work and mission, or with which you have a personal connection. Imagine doing this and then hold onto that feeling for a few moments. Let it sink in.....now consider this.

.....And you!

You've got to be thinking, and me? Yes, you! But how? Here's how.

No, we are not asking you personally to write out a check in this amount to an organization helping people. Of course, if you feel moved and compelled to do so, absolutely do it!

What we are asking you to do is for you to help the Outreach Committee to write one - and probably more than one - check totaling \$14,000 to organizations or groups whose sole goals and mission are to help people in need. (This figure represents what is remaining in the Outreach budget this year designated for this purpose.)

How? Easy! ... in two ways. Are you still holding onto that great feeling you had when you imagined writing that check? Terrific....don't let it go!

First, tell us where our focus should be for identifying and selecting organizations we will support financially before the end of this year. Should our focus be local, state, nation, international, or a combination of these? If you believe our focus should be on several of these areas, what percentage for each? Are there particular areas of helping others you would like to see us focus on? For example: health, education; providing food, clothing or other essentials, disaster relief, hand's on work, etc? Are there particular groups or organizations you would like to see us consider supporting? Yes? Tell us about them.

There are two easy ways to let us know your thoughts and answer the above questions:

- 1) Send an e-mail to me: haroldotte@aol.com.
- 2) Visit with us at the coffee hour we will be hosting on Sunday, October 19th . We want to hear your thoughts, and there will be short survey forms available for you to share your thoughts with us. We really want and need to hear your thoughts regarding these questions.

Here is the **second** way you can help - by joining the Outreach Committee today! Come to our meetings and enter our conversations about how we can serve those in need both near and far. Talk about the possibility of supporting organizations doing great work to help others and/or how we can become directly involved in this work through our own hands-on efforts.

You are probably asking: How much time is needed? Not a lot really. Our meetings last about 90 minutes once a month....a bit longer if we get in really great discussions/conversations. That is all the time commitment involved. Not a lot when you are trying to change the world! There is the risk, of course, that you may find something you really get excited about....you're suddenly hooked and a little more time will be needed. That is a risk....but what a wonderful one!

So there you have it. Two easy and simple ways to write \$14,000 check(s) and change the world.

- 1) Tell us your thoughts and answers to our questions. Send the e-mail, complete the survey and talk with us.
- 2) Join the Outreach Committee.....kick the tires and find out who we are and what we do. You just might get hooked.

For a few bright and shining moments, you held the feeling of what it would be like to do something fantastic to make a real difference somewhere in the world. May it continue!

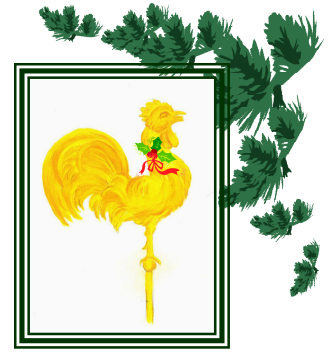


Get ready to Sparkle!!



An energizing kick-off meeting was held on September 11, and we discussed some wonderful new ideas and fine-tuned the tried and true successes for this Advent Sparkles Season.

SPARKLES BOUTIQUE---The "anchor" of the Sparkle activities. We welcome gently-used treasures and household and decorating items. Please save books for Book Sale coming up in the next few months. Drop off dates are October 11th, 25th and November 1st, 15th, and 22nd from 9AM until noon.



KNITTING NOOK---Always a huge attraction for shoppers, SO we need your hand-knitted, crocheted or felted items. Please contact Barbara Murray (799-1326) for more information OR drop off your completed items during the above drop-off dates. We also welcome unused yarns and fabrics.

S. MARY'S GEMS--- Barbara 'Babs' Bell is organizing this always popular table (assisted by Marge Devine) and they are busy making jewelry for sale. If you have jewelry with which you are willing to part (even if it is broken) please drop it off at one of the drop off dates.

Marge Devine will be teaching **basic techniques in making beaded earrings**. First session: October 1, 12:30 to 2:30, will be followed by two more, planned by those attending so all can receive at least four hours learning time. Drop in and join us. Info sheets are on sign-up table. Questions? Please email

Marge: mdevine@maine.rr.com

BOXWOOD CENTERPIECES AND TREES--- Jessica LaPlante and friends are organizing these wonderful creations this year (under the watchful eye of Helga Ryder and Hannah Russell) and will be taking orders at the Sparkles Hosted Coffee Hour on November 2nd. If you want one of these beautiful creations, be sure to get in your order on November 2nd.

THEME GIFT BOXES--- A perennial favorite! The boxes are already in the auditorium for you to pick up, take home and fill and return to the office by October 19th. You fill them, but Carla Birt and her crew will label and wrap them for display. We price these at \$20 to \$40, so shop accordingly.

S. MARY'S COOKIE WALK and BAKE SALE--- Start baking and freezing NOW!! We need lots of cookies and a variety of baked goods for these tables. Two of our best cookie bakers died last year, and we were very short of cookies for the Walk in 2013---so PLEASE start baking now. Call Norma Jean Brilliant (899-4547) for more information.

S. MARY'S FRIENDSHIP SOUP --- New last year and a great success. BUT--we need LOTS of dried beans donated (any color, any type but NO lentils please), just place your donation in the basket outside the Guild Room. We need them no later than November 13th. (You can join us on Nov. 15th when we will make up the soup bags.)

SAVE THESE DATES

Boutique Drop Offs: October 11, 25, November 1, 15, and 22.

Planning Meetings: October 2 and 23 at 6:30PM in the Guild Room---ALL WELCOME- we love new faces and ideas!

November 2nd---Gala Sparkles Coffee Hour---sign up to participate in some area of this signature S. Mary's event. Many hands make light work and this is a fun and easy way to meet your fellow parishioners.

November 15th--Assembly of S. Mary's Friendship Soup in the Auditorium at 11:00

November 22nd--Garlanding---Help to decorate S. Mary's inside and out! Can you give one or two hours to hang lights, garlands and trim trees? You will have a special place in heaven!!

November 30th---First Sunday in Advent---Lighting of the Memorial Tree and an Advent Wreath Workshop--



Ready, Set...and Not Going Yet!



A Community Event Sponsored by The Episcopal Church of Saint Mary

Sunday, October 26th **9 am to 12:30 pm**

Thought about your final arrangements?
Care to custom design your funeral?

This event offers you a **quick, fun** forum for selecting your preferences regarding final arrangements.

- Spare your family the angst of reading your mind!
- Spend less than an hour, save money and cross this off your list of things to do!

Attendees will be given a checklist and a map. The map is a pathway through Parish House rooms. As you stroll through the rooms, check off your preferences related to the topic of the room. A resource will be at each stop to answer questions regarding the topic. Finish the walk, and you will have a document for your safe deposit box or storage in Saint Mary's safe for the time when you need it!

Refreshments ! Bring your friends for a second opinion!

**Location: The Episcopal Church of Saint Mary – Parish House
43 Foreside Road, Falmouth
Route 88 next to Pine Grove Cemetery**

News, Notes, Kudos, Dates & Reminders

(Send your 1-3 line notes, announcements or thanks to Beth at admin@smary.org by the 20th of the previous month)

Thank you to Lucy Ellis for her work getting the plantings replaced and setting up the watering team.

Thanks to those who are taking the time to come and water the new plantings: Lucy, Hugh Smith, Chuck Horton, Ed Ainsworth, and Jim Stoddard.

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Thanks also to **Lucy Ellis** for organizing the teen weeders this summer for all the weeding she herself did on the property - most recently the whole labyrinth! Looking great!

Thank you to Janet Bowne and everyone who helped with the memorial reception for Don Hansen. Mr. Hansen's son, Jody, asked us to pass along his family's gratitude for this ministry.

Thank you to all who cooked meals for us following the shoulder surgery. It made coming home easier and much more delicious. Thanks to the Casserole Ministry! Shelly & John Maher

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THANKS!

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YOU ARE INVITED to an **OPEN HOUSE** of Southern Maine Agency on Aging's **STEWART ADULT DAY CENTER**

When: Friday, October 17th

Where: 74 Lunt Road, Falmouth

Time: 2:00 – 6:00 Ribbon Cutting at 2:00 followed by Group Tours

"Mindful Movement and Breath Series" Continues

offered to the Community at large at NO cost!!

Enjoy four more October **Monday classes from 9-9:45** that seeks to connect the body, mind and spirit. Each class is structured around a universal meditation/intention, threading quiet movement and breath through a musical journey designed to create space and drops each participant more deeply into themselves. The movements may be done from a chair or the floor, so are **suitable to all ages and physical abilities**.

Community Souper Supper

October 10th and 24th

Enjoy this community-wide fellowship offering, dining in a relaxed candle-lit atmosphere. You will be feted with a complementary main course, salad, rolls, dessert and beverage. Wonderful for singles and families alike!

Offered twice each month on the 2nd and 4th Fridays from 5-7pm in the parish house auditorium. No reservations required. Just bring your family and friends and enjoy! It's a blast!

Support "Souper Supper" Buy Fair Trade "Coffee by Design" Coffee!

Casco Bay - a medium roast

Black & Tan - a darker roast

"Coffee by Design" 12 oz. bags of ground fair-traded, organic, delicious coffees are on sale at S. Mary's for \$10 a bag (Decaf is \$11). ...and support fair trade practices ...and a local parishioner-owned business... and get GREAT organic coffee! Win! Win! Win!





Here are some important dates in our Saint Mary's parish family

Happy October Birthdays to:

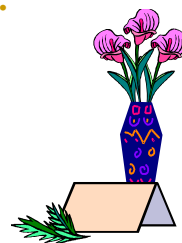


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3	Jessica LaPlante	10	Lee Snow	26	Andrew Crocker
4	Erin Ferrell	12	Meghan Curran	26	Sydney Cheney
4	Garry Bowne IV	13	Isabelle Gale	26	Isabella Diamond
5	Caroline Bowne	14	John Hale	27	Kate Gulliver
7	Ann Billings	15	David Cheney	28	Meg Hurdman
7	Karen Mynahan	16	Elise Kiely	29	Susan Dench
8	Christine Raeke	17	Savannah Talbert	29	Elizabeth McIntosh
8	Emma Shannon	18	Chris Edwards	29	Christos Orestis
9	Grace Robinson	19	Beth Baldacci	29	Anne Ter Weele
9	Amber Rose	19	Curtis Isacke	30	Edie Taylor
10	Gordon Oliver	20	Fritz Kendall		
		23	Jo Ann Hetherington		

We'd love to include good wishes on your birthday and anniversary. If we don't yet have the dates, please send yours and your family's special dates into the parish office, and we'll be sure to include them on your special month. admin@smary.org or call 781-3366 or drop a note to the church. Thanks!

HAPPY OCTOBER ANNIVERSARY WISHES TO:

3	Janet & John Corey	12	Janet & Garrett Bowne
6	Betsy & Jim Stoddard	22	Sarah & Chris Cameron
10	Allie & Walker Matthews	31	Becky & Jimmy Costa



Welcome to our Newly Baptized **Baptized on September 7, 2014**

Cadence Christine Martin born September 26, 2013
Daughter of Laura & Ronald Martin
Sister of Ryker Martin
Granddaughter of Christine & Larry Bennett



CELEBRATE








HONOR



SERVE



The Episcopal Church of Saint Mary

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
9/28 The 16th Sunday after Pentecost 8am - Traditional Eucharist followed by coffee hour 9:00am The Moth @ S. Mary's 9:30am Family Chapel and Middlers 9:45am Guiding RAY 10:00am Contemporary Eucharist followed by coffee hour	9/29 9am Mindful Movement & Breath Series 5 of 6 NO class this week 10 - Altar Flower Guild 12 - Noonday Prayer 6:30 - 8:30 Pre-Convention Hearing	9/30 10am OSL 10:30am - Wisdom Seekers 12 - Noonday Prayer 12:40pm College Club Tea in GR 1pm Staff Meeting 7:00pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AA/Anon (6:30 beginners)	10/1 10a-2p Mainly Weavers 12 - Noonday Prayer 12:30 - Males getting woodshop 7pm St. Francis Legacy 7pm BBle study at Hurdhans	10/2 12 - Healing Eucharist 4pm Boy Singers of Maine 6:30pm Sparkles meeting 7pm Choir rehearsal	10/3 Office Closed 12 - Pray wherever you are 5:30pm Alanon	4 9am BSM 
5 The 17th Sunday after Pentecost ME Marathon Sunday NO morning Services due to Maine Marathon closing Rt. 88 Go SM Godspeed teams!! 4pm - St. Francis Eucharist and Blessing of the Animals at Foreside CC	6 9am Budget & Finance 9am Mindful Movement & Breath Series 3 of 6 12 - Noonday Prayer	7 10am OSL 8:30 - Volunteer at St. Elizabeth's Pantry 10:30am - Wisdom Seekers 12 - Noonday Prayer 10:00pm - Staff Meeting 4pm Outreach meeting 7:00pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AA/Anon (6:30 beginners)	8 12 - Noonday Prayer 1-4pm Garden Club (Aud) 7pm St. Francis Legacy 7pm BBle study at Hurdhans 7:17 YL Club in Portland	9 12 - Healing Eucharist 4pm Boy Singers of Maine 7pm Choir rehearsal 5:30pm - Wedding rehearsal	10 Office Closed 12 - Pray wherever you are 3:30pm DeSorbo Wedding 5-7pm Community Souper Supper 5:30pm Alanon	11 9am BSM 9a-12 noon - Sparkles drop-off #1 9a-2p Confirmation, Reception, Reaffirmation Retreat at Oldland Farm 1-5pm Youth baking in the kitchen
12 The 18th Sunday after Pentecost 8am - Traditional Eucharist followed by coffee hour 9:00am The Moth @ S. Mary's 9:30am Family Chapel and Middlers 9:45am Guiding RAY 10:00am Contemporary Eucharist followed by coffee hour	13 Columbus Day Office closed 8:30am Hike to Old Speck Mountain 9am Mindful Movement & Breath Series 4 of 6	14 10am OSL 10:30am - Wisdom Seekers 12 - Noonday Prayer 10:00pm - Staff Meeting 6:30 Beginner Alanon 7:00pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AA/Anon	15 12 - Noonday Prayer 6pm - Vestry 7pm BBle study at Hurdhans	16 Nathan at Fresh Start 12 - Healing Eucharist 4pm Boy Singers of Maine 4:30 - 7pm - Harvest Turkey Dinner 7pm Choir rehearsal	17 Office Closed 12 - Pray wherever you are 5:30pm Alanon	18 
19 The 19th Sunday after Pentecost 8am - Traditional Eucharist followed by coffee hour 9:00am The Moth @ S. Mary's 9:30am Family Chapel and Middlers 9:45am Guiding RAY 10:00am Contemporary Eucharist followed by coffee hour	20 9am Mindful Movement & Breath Series 5 of 6 12 - Noonday Prayer 10am-SM Garden Club AVE deadline	21 10am OSL 10:30am - Wisdom Seekers 12 - Noonday Prayer 1pm - Staff Meeting 7:00pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AA/Anon (6:30 beginners)	22 12 - Noonday Prayer 7pm St. Francis Study 7pm BBle study at Hurdhans	23 12 - Healing Eucharist 4pm Boy Singers of Maine 6:30pm SPARKLES meeting 7pm Choir rehearsal	24 Office Closed 12 - Pray wherever you are 5-7pm Community Souper Supper 5:30pm Alanon Diocesan Convention	25 9am BSM 9a-12 noon - Sparkles drop-off #2 
26 The 20th Sunday after Pentecost 8am - Traditional Eucharist followed by coffee hour 9:00am The Moth @ S. Mary's 9:30am Family Chapel and Middlers 9:45am Guiding RAY 10:00am Contemporary Eucharist followed by coffee hour 9:00a - 12:30p Ready, Set, NOT going yet!!	27 9am Mindful Movement & Breath Series 6 of 6 12 - Noonday Prayer	28 10am OSL 10:30am - Wisdom Seekers 12 - Noonday Prayer 1pm Staff Meeting 7:00pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AA/Anon (6:30 beginners)	29 12 - Noonday Prayer 7pm St. Francis Legacy	30 12 - Healing Eucharist 4pm Boy Singers of Maine 6:30 - Downers in GR 7pm Choir rehearsal	31 Office Closed 12 - Pray wherever you are 5:30pm Alanon  Happy Halloween	11/1 6-9pm Gratitude Progressive Dinner 

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Worship Leader Schedule: September - October 2014

	8:00am Ushers	8:00am EM/Lectors	10:00am Ushers	10:00am Lector	10:00am Euch Minister	10am Acolytes	Altar Flowers	Flower Delivery	Coffee Hour Host
5-Oct Pent 17	Maine Marathon - joint St Francis Eucharist and Blessing of the Animals withand at Foreside Community Church- 4pm								
					Mac Hinkel - EM		~		
12-Oct Pent 18	Al Ahlers Jim Kane	Len Taylor	Lowell Brown Chuck Horton	Betsy Stoddard	Jim Stoddard Jeff Campbell	Julia Emily Samantha	Onnie & Kathy	The Nicholson's	The Middlers
19-Oct Pent 19	Mac Kinkel Judy Oliver	Becky Pride	Harold Otte Tom LaPlante	Mary Lygo	Andrea M-H Stan Eaton	Michael Sarah Grace	tbd	Mark Stimson	Outreach Ministry
26-Oct Pent 20	Becky Pride Len Taylor	Mary Ann McLean	Charlie Hurdman Jack Heinzman	Harold Otte	Ginny Stelk Linda Eaton	George Ellie Maggie	tbd	Edie Tucker	OPEN
2-Nov Pent 21	Ed Ainsworth Rayle Ainsworth	Alison Hayward	Andrew McIntosh Lowell Brown	Lowell Brown	Greg Unfricht Tom Pettingill		tbd	The Stoddards	Sparkles
9-Nov Confirm	Tom Donaldson Mac Hinkel	Lad Taylor	Chuck Horton Harold Otte	Ginny Stelk	Terry Brown Nadine Timberlake		tbd		OPEN
16-Nov Pent 23	Jim Kane Al Ahlers	Mac Hinkel	Tom LaPlante Charlie Hurdman	Alison Hayward	David Robinson Jeff Campbell		tbd	Ruth Kimball	The Ranas
23-Nov last Pent	Len Taylor Judy Oliver	Al Ahlers	Jack Heinzman Lowell Brown	Ella Brown	Carla Birt Linda Eaton		tbd	The Nicholson's	OPEN
26-Nov Thanksgiving Eve - 7pm		7pm Ushers Tom Donaldson	7pm EM/Lector					Mark Stimson	
30-Nov Advent 1	Becy Pride MacHinkel	Len Taylor	Andrew McIntosh Chuck Horton	Andrea Myles-Hunkin	Stan Eaton Terry Brown		greens	~	OPEN

If unable to fulfill your scheduled duty on the assigned day, please find your own replacement and inform Beth in the office of the change, 781-3366



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Our Worship Schedule

SUNDAY Hours

8:00am - Traditional Eucharist

10:00am - Contemporary Eucharist

MONDAY - FRIDAY

Noon Day prayer in the Chapel
and wherever you find yourself

THURSDAY 12noon—Healing Eucharist

Fall Small Groups - Never too late to join!

Everyone is invited to join one of these small groups for conversation, fellowship, study and prayer. These are vital communities for spiritual growth. Here are choices for the Fall:

The Book Of Job. Wednesdays at 7 PM, this will be a five-week Bible Study meeting at the Hurdman's house. The group will follow Mark A. Copeland's course of study for Job which is considered a masterpiece of literature and also one of the least understood books of the Old Testament. The group will learn about suffering and patience from Job. FMI: Meg Hurdman at 400-9011 or hurdman@maine.rr.com.

The Legacy of Saint Francis. Also Wednesdays at 7 PM, this small group will meet in the Guild Room and be led by Nathan+. A brief video from the famed Franciscan teacher, Richard Rohr, will precede our discussion each of the 5 weeks.

Wisdom Seekers. This group will meet every TUESDAY at 10:30 AM. Led by Deacon Christine, the conversations will be inspired by Scripture and other spiritual writings.

Food for the Soul. September 30, October 14 & 28 (every other Tuesday) at 3 PM. Led by Nadine Timberlake, this group meets at Foreside Harbor (191 Foreside Rd) with residents for Bible study and conversation. All are welcome to join Nadine in this ministry of presence.

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