



From the Rector: September is National Recovery Month

O blessed Lord, you ministered to all who came to you: Look with compassion upon all who through addiction have lost their health and freedom. Restore to them the assurance of your unfailing mercy; remove from them the fears that beset them; strengthen them in the work of their recovery; and to those who care for them give patient understanding and persevering love. Amen.

-The Book of Common Prayer, p. 831.

As all of you are aware, addiction – in all of its many forms – continues to plague our society. This disease threatens the well-being of so many persons and households in our region and across the globe. Saint Mary's has a long tradition of supporting those who are seeking recovery by hosting a number of weekly groups in the Alcoholics Anonymous movement. This type of support is crucial, but it is mostly passive. It requires very little from us besides an open door. In a more active approach, I am glad that we are now supporting the work of Milestone Foundation in Portland and Old Orchard Beach. While Milestone does not have a specific spiritual foundation, their work incorporates many of the practices of the AA movement which grew out of a deep Christian framework of confession, prayer, meditation, faith, and community. I hope to see many of you on Saturday, September 10 as we walk, run, ride motorcycles or volunteer at the "Ride or Run for Milestone" fundraising event at Pineland Farms. Senator Angus King has pledged to be present to show his support for their work, and his "celebrity status" leads us to expect a large turnout.

Addiction is a real disease with mental, physical, emotional and spiritual components. I thank God that my body is not pre-disposed toward addictive tendencies and that I have never felt so out of control that I was drawn to escape from life through substances. For the thousands in our communities who struggle with addiction, the underlying causes behind this struggle are complicated. No one is helped through a judgmental or blaming approach. But recovery and victory over this disease are possible when many neighbors, friends and family come together and offer support with "patient understanding and persevering love."

So what about you? How are you helping to push back against the damage done by addiction in our region? How are you supporting those seeking to recover their health and regain their freedom? We all need to be involved in whatever ways we can, because the problem is enormous and all of our efforts are required. Let's step up, Saint Marians, and get involved in this struggle!

Nathan W. Ferrell +



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Nominating Committee

by Pat Mordecai

Nomination Received: September 1 - 30

The Nominating Committee is seeking names of parishioners to serve on the Vestry and to serve as delegates to the 2017 Diocesan Convention. The Vestry has four openings for three-year terms and one opening for a one-year term. We are seeking one Diocesan Convention delegate (along with the wardens and treasurer) and three alternates. You can submit your own name or someone else's.

While the present wardens and treasurer have expressed their willingness to continue for another two-year term, names can be submitted for those positions as well.

Nominations are open through September 30, at which time the Nominating Committee will review names and make recommendations to the parish for a slate to be voted on at the Annual Meeting on January 29, 2017. Nomination forms are available in the narthex, outside of the Guild Room or in the parish office.

Saint Mary's Mutual Study of Ministry

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.

This past summer and fall we undertook, with the assistance of the Diocese, a **Mutual Study of Ministry** which is designed to collect input from a broad spectrum of our congregation to help guide us as we seek to fulfill God's mission for us.

In summary ... Our Mutual Study of Ministry results show that we are truly blessed in that we are strong, healthy and vibrant.

Based on the very positive results of our Mutual Study of Ministry, your Vestry has been hard at work discerning our path forward ... here are our results so far:

As we look ahead to 2017 and beyond, in addition to the many regular ministries that take place within our parish family, Saint Mary's will particularly endeavor to focus efforts:

1. To grow our engagement with children and youth in our communities.
2. To offer intentional opportunities for deeper connection with God and each other.
3. To grow in compassionate care for those struggling in our communities.
4. To ensure we continue to be a welcoming community available and accessible to all who are seeking a closer relationship to God.

Next steps:

- * Ask ALL our Ministry Groups and Committees for input and suggested specific initiatives under each of our 4 focus areas.
- * Vestry to continue to seek input from our Parish Family.
- * Distribute the Vestry's recommendations prior to a vote to adopt at our Annual Meeting on January 29, 2017.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR Kick Off and Welcome Home Sunday - September 11th,

with picnic ,
bounce house,
cotton candy and fun after the
10am
service.

Hospitality provides
burgers & dogs.

What can you bring?

Last names:

A-J desserts
K-Z sides or salads



Our Chancel area update

A small group met in July to discuss the layout and usage of the Chancel. No one is particularly happy about it now, but no one seems to have the best solution either. So we will continue to experiment and see what configuration best meets our goals of having an aesthetically pleasing space which also allows for flexible usage. All suggestions toward these ends are always welcome!

Vestry Highlights from your Wardens

The Vestry met on Wednesday, August 17th. We started with an informal pizza dinner to reconnect after not meeting in July. Bill Gowen, Treasurer, shared the latest financials. Thank you to all the parishioners who kept up with their pledges over a beautiful Maine summer. We are doing well in relation to our budget. The Budget and Finance Committee is preparing for the 2017 budget. We are also blessed to have had a successful Lobster Bake and Auction. Thanks to all!

The Gas Conversion process is moving along. Based on estimates received from Buildings & Grounds, the Vestry has approved going forward. There are still issues to resolve, but we anticipate the conversion to be complete this fall. Buildings & Grounds, the Executive Committee and Vestry will continue to monitor this project.

We reviewed the Mutual Study of Ministry results as prepared by Canon Michael Ambler. He compiled the results and drew some conclusions which allowed us to form goals for 2017-2018. See the other articles in this edition of the AVE about our goals. It's an exciting time at Saint Mary's. The MSM was completed before we knew of Deacon Christine's retirement. Most parishioners know that the Deacon serves as a volunteer and receives only reimbursement for mileage or other expenses. The Deacons report to Bishop Lane. Unfortunately, there are no available deacons to fill her very big shoes. We are currently working with the members of our care team to ensure that Deacon Christine's responsibilities are covered. We discussed the need to be sure we meet

the promise of care for those who need it within our community and beyond.

Father Nathan is receiving resumes from interested individuals for the 10 hour/week Guiding RAT leadership position. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please have him/her contact Father Nathan.

We completed the final phase of accepting the Safe Church Policy to protect our parishioners. If you'd like to see a copy of the Safe Church Policy, please contact Beth or view the link here:

[Safe Church](#)

Our next Vestry Meeting is Wednesday, September 21st.

Thank you to the Vestry for their service and devotion to Saint Mary's!

Janet Bowne, Jr. Warden and Jim Kane, Sr. Warden



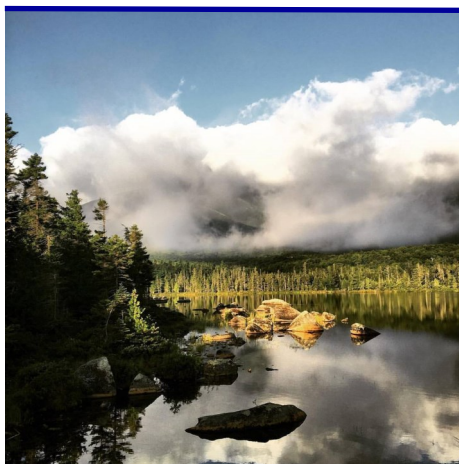
Buildings & Grounds Update

by Jim Stoddard

It has been a relatively quiet summer for B&G. Little projects were undertaken here and there. Various individuals were kept busy weeding and mulching our lovely campus, but soon our sights will turn to Fall and the dreaded leaves. We can wait!

The major project at this time is the installation of natural gas lines to the buildings. Currently, Summit Gas is preparing to install the gas lines. Buildings & Grounds is continuing to manage the conversion process and details for all three buildings.

Until next report, enjoy what is left of summer.



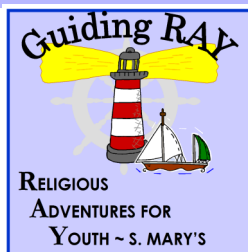
Seeing God in all places

Our Katahdin trekkers' view from Sandy Stream Pond to the left and the Katahdin summit with all our Saint Mary's climbers to the right.

Don't miss out on next summer's trip!



Christian Formation - RAY Beams - Fall 2016



The Guiding RAY Team is counting the hours until September 11, Welcome Home Sunday! After a beautiful and restorative Maine summer, we are all geared up for fall, embarking what we hope will be a fun and inspiring year with our youngest parishioners.



So MARK YOUR CALENDARS for Welcome Home Sunday, September 11!



9:30-9:45: Registration, Guiding RAY spaces, downstairs in the Parish House. No Family Chapel that morning. Take the “goat path” outside the Auditorium downstairs in good weather or the elevator/stairs in the Parish House.

9:45-10:40: Your children will enjoy getting to know each other better through a short team-building activity, followed by a Godly Play presentation.

10:40: Your children will be escorted to church to join parents for the Holy Eucharist.

11:00: ALL-PARISH BBQ PICNIC AND FRIVOLITY. including, of course, the ubiquitous Bounce-House!

This fall we are delighted to welcome two new Godly Play “Story Tellers” to our Guiding RAY Team as Hannah de Sorbo and Vanessa Record join us in the classroom. At the same time, we bid farewell with thanks to Aleece Herlihy who is retiring from Guiding RAY and Jenn Curran who is reducing her participation in this program, both in order to pursue other ministries.

The Vestry has approved a paid position for a part-time Director of Youth Christian Formation (Nursery through 8th Grade). If you are interested, please contact Father Nathan! In addition, we are in serious need of additional Godly Play Story-Tellers and Door-Keepers. If you can spare 3-4 Sunday mornings during the coming year to help in the classroom, we would love to have you join the team! That's right—we are looking for a commitment of ONLY 3-4 hours a year! Please contact Jennifer Gregg or any of the Guiding RAY teachers (see below) for more information!

Our 2016-2017 Guiding RAY Program

Guiding RAY will again offer a three-pronged program this year, focusing on Service/Outreach, the Godly Play curriculum and Music.

Service

On three Sundays this year, we will offer the children an “in house” service opportunity: Art for Haiti with Erin Ferrell, wool-scarf making for Portland residents in need and Habitat for Humanity (meeting with a Habitat family with associated crafts) in November, January and April, respectively. In addition, families are invited to participate in three Mission Mornings throughout the coming year, serving the community in October, February and May. Last but not least, families are always welcomed to serve the community together at Saint Mary's bi-monthly Souper Suppers, on the second and fourth Fridays of every month.

Godly Play

The Godly Play curriculum is specially designed to help children become comfortable with the substance and ritual of their worship and the language of our church through the telling of stories from the Old and New Testaments and about liturgical traditions. Classroom time also includes the Feast (their Eucharist) and incor-

Christian Formation - RAY Beams - Fall 2016

porates time and "permission" to enter into an ever-more profound relationship with God.

We have two classrooms (Pre-K thru Grade 1 and Grades 2 thru 5) but if siblings are loathe to be separated one from the other, we can work that out! Also, if you would like to sit in on a Godly Play session, you are most welcome to schedule a Sunday with us for you to do so! This year we have again invested in new stories, particularly designed for the older children, which delve into bible stories at an even deeper level.

Music

We are blessed to again enjoy the talents of Betsy Stoddard who will be working regularly this year with our children, offering 5 minutes of music at the start of Guiding RAY each Sunday morning. Our dual objectives are to offer the opportunity for our children to encounter God through music and to prepare them for periodic choral presentations in church throughout the year.

Welcomes & Farewells

In the Nursery, we welcome Jane Stegemann who will be caring for our youngest parishioners this fall until Alison Hayward returns from the UK. We bid farewell to our stalwart nursery teenager, Rose Claar, whose family is relocating to Virginia, and we welcome up to three teens each Sunday to help Jane. (The first teen to sign up for a given Sunday may choose to receive a stipend of \$15 (or community service hours). Please contact Jennifer Gregg if your teen is interested.

We are also blessed to have the assistance of Linda Eaton who will manage our bulletin boards this year, and thank Elizabeth Heinzman for doing so last year.

Guiding RAY Coordinators

Jennifer Gregg: Administration: jenniferanngregg@gmail.com 207-781-2665
Linda Eaton: Vestry Liaison and Art Work, llemimi7@gmail.com, 207-749-3301
Julie Otte: juliemomotter@aol.com, 207-781-2322

Guiding RAY Teachers and Classroom Volunteers

Monique Brown, Sandy Couch-Kelly, Jennifer Curran, Hannah de Sorbo, Heather Gale, Penny Guyton, Alison Hayward (Nursery), Julie Otte, Vanessa Record, Jane Stegemann (Nursery), Roberta Stothart, Heather Teng, Carolyn Thomas



Help Wanted: Part-Time Director of Christian Formation

We are seeking to fill this position which will average about 10 hours per week. Duties include, but are not limited to, supervising the church school program including the nursery and Guiding RAY program for ages 3 through grade 5. Applicant will also be involved in coordinating our program for middle school students.

Working knowledge of Godly Play would be advantageous. Applicant must have a desire to serve God and share the Gospel, have excellent verbal and written communication skills, be able to organize people and materials, and have an open and welcoming temperament with both children and adults. For further information, contact Father Nathan Ferrell at smary@smary.org.

Christian Formation ~ High Schoolers & Middlers

Casco Bay CAN

(Create Awareness Now to Prevent and Reduce Youth Substance Use)

September 2016 Tip of the Month

Ease Back to School Stress

Encourage healthy habits:

Create routines

Promote sleep and exercise

Stay connected:

Ask about their day

Get to know the parents of your (pre)teens' friends

Keep talking, keep listening, keep learning:

Have ongoing conversations with youth about the risks of drugs and alcohol at every age



Casco Bay CAN

CREATE AWARENESS NOW
TOGETHER, PREVENTING YOUTH SUBSTANCE USE

younglife
You were made for this.®

Young Life Casco Bay:
Club will resume soon.
Watch for dates, times
& places

For more information,
www.younglifecb.com

Saint Mary's

Middlers to resume

The Middlers program will resume on September 18 - the week following our Kick-Off Sunday Festivities

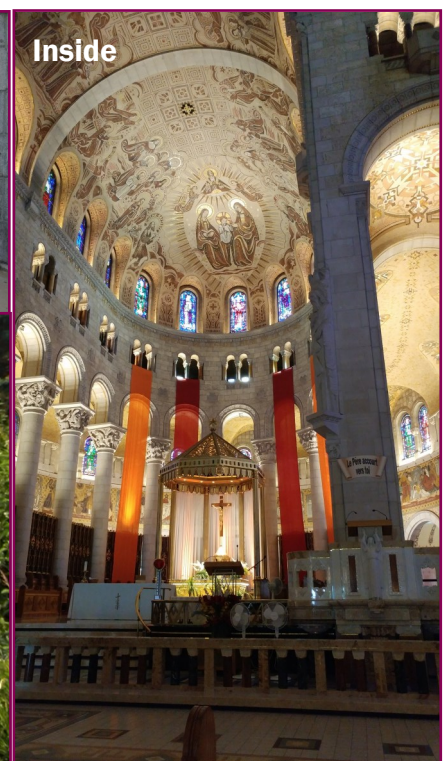
Casco Bay CAN is a grant funded project sponsored by Cumberland County Government
Visit us on Facebook and Twitter www.cascobaycan.org

Confirmation, Reception and Reaffirmation for ADULTS - December 4

Calling all adults who feel called to reaffirm their commitment to the way of Christ and to be received as full members of The Episcopal Church!

When Bishop Steve is with us on December 4, these adults will stand with eight young people who are confirming their baptismal promises. The Bishop will pray for and lay hands on each one, as a tangible and visible connection to the first apostles sent out into the world by our Lord. In preparation for this, Nathan+ will prepare a retreat program for the group to briefly discuss the history of the Church and the Anglican tradition. Do you sense the Holy Spirit leading you in this direction? If so, reach out to Nathan+ soon and start the conversation.

Confirmation Class Pilgrimage to St. Anne de Beaupre



Outreach Ministry - All Ages Serving Near and Far

AUTUMN RUNNING SEASON AT SAINT MARY'S

There are TWO opportunities this Autumn for you to run with Saint Marians in support of a good cause.

Sunday, October 2, 7:45 AM Start

Be part of one of our S. Mary GODSPEED relay teams and join this enormous community event. Runners of ALL ABILITIES are invited to join us. The relay distances are 6, 8.8, 6.2 and 5.2 miles. There is so much energy along the entire course. It is a great autumn morning. If you are considering this, please contact Nathan with your questions or concerns.



Saturday, September 10, Ride or Run for Milestone is an annual fundraiser celebrating National Recovery Month and benefiting the Milestone Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting people facing addiction and homelessness in Maine.

As a participant, you can choose between a 5K trail run/walk and a 60-mile motorcycle ride. The trail run/walk will take place entirely at Pineland Farms in New Gloucester. The motorcycle ride will begin in Old Orchard Beach and finish at Pineland Farms. Riders and runners will come together for food, live music, and other festivities at Pineland Farms.

To join this effort, go to RideorRunforMilestone to register as part of our S. Mary's GODSPEED Team. All ages and abilities are welcome. You can also simply support the team at this same link.

Community Souper Supper

September 9 and 23

Enjoy this community-wide fellowship offering, dining in a relaxed, candle-lit atmosphere. You will be feted with a complimentary main course, salad, rolls, dessert and beverage. Wonderful for singles and families alike! Offered twice each month on the 2nd and 4th Fridays from 5-7 PM 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 slightly darker roast

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



Classic Cinema

presenting classic films every month,

Presents on September 9 - "Mask"

(1985) Starring: Cher, Sam Elliott, Eric Stoltz

A teenager with a massive facial skull deformity and biker gang mother attempt to live as normal a life as possible under the circumstances.

.Movie begins at 7PM in the Parish House, and it's free!



Autumn Mission Morning: Saturday, October 1 - 8am &/or 9am

Sharing the good news of Jesus Christ in *word* and *deed*!

People of all ages (this is VERY family friendly) and all abilities are called to come together so that we can be sent out in the power of the Holy Spirit to serve in our communities. So put on your work clothes! In place of Sunday morning worship on Oct 2 (not taking place due to the ME Marathon), ALL are asked to gather on SATURDAY morning in the Church sanctuary to worship God at 8AM before we gather in the auditorium for a song and prayer and then we will be sent out to serve God through our mission projects at 9AM.

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE and check out the opportunities and sign-up in the parish house so that we can plan accordingly.

All ages and abilities can participate. *Nursery care will be provided at Saint Mary's for ages up to 3½ from 9am – 12noon.* We will re-gather after projects back in the Auditorium at 11:30pm for lunch.

Sparkles

STAY COOL....THINK SPARKLES....December 3, 2016

Please stop by the Sparkles Table at the Welcome Back Picnic to pick up a 2016 Newsletter and get any questions answered that you may have. This will be our 14th year of observing the Advent Season with our four Advent events. The Memorial Tree Ceremony, the making of Advent Wreaths, the Boutique and Fair, and the Schola Concert and Reception.

For the past seven years, we have had beautiful themed boxes for sale, and we will have those boxes for you to take home and fill at the Welcome Back table. This gives you plenty of time to fill them and get them back to the office where they will be wrapped and ready for sale on December 3rd. They will be in the auditorium after the picnic as well.

At **the Boutique** we will be offering for sale a variety of lovely, gently-used items that are donated by parishioners. Knitters are busy creating a wide assortment of **hand-crafted goods** for all ages. We will again have our Saint Mary's **Gems corner** where you may buy new or re-purposed jewelry.

The cafe will have delicious **Lobster Stew and Tomato Basil Soup** to eat in or take out. **The Bake Sale and Cookie Walk** are always a big hit, and we need lots of cooks to bake cookies and goodies. As always there will be a wide offering of **holiday decorations** as well as freshly made **boxwood trees and centerpieces**.

Last year we arranged with Skillins to have pre-orders for **wreaths and poinsettias**, and we will be doing so again---so be sure to order what you need in November at the Sparkles Coffee Hour.

The first **drop-off date** for donations is October 8th followed by the 22nd and the 29th, then November 5th and 19th. PLEASE no rummage, clothing or books.

To create our Saint Mary's **Friendship Soup**, we will need donations of dried beans (any type or color but no lentils)---a basket in which to put them will appear outside the Guild Room.

If you are interested in becoming part of the planning for Sparkles, please join us for our first planning meeting on Thursday, September 8th, at 6:30 in the Guild Room. It is a great way to meet other parishioners and to have fun too!!

For more information, please call Jan Mordarski (899-4099) or Onnie Hastings (671-6073), your Sparkles Co-chairs.



Haiti Summer Art School students proudly show their masterpieces

One of the objectives of the four-person mission trip to Haiti earlier in 2016 was to organize an art space, stock with art supplies, mentor the new art instructor and assist with the creation of the art club curriculum. Thanks to Erin, Sé, Tommy & Jim for their wonderful work! As a result of their groundbreaking work, the summer art camp flourished!



Saint Mary's Church 12th Annual An Extraordinary Evening of Feasting & Frivolity



Mother Nature did not cooperate for us in providing a warm summer evening for Saint Mary's Lobster Bake/Auction on August 13th, but still our spirits were not dampened! This event attracted one of our largest gatherings yet! Parishioners, neighbors and those from 'away' came for a luscious feast of a classic New England Lobster Bake or BBQ. Eager bidders thronged to the silent auction tables in the Guild Room while the four live auction items garnered excitement as well. We were happy to welcome **Melinda Torrens Trio** once again for our musical entertainment. The committee is pleased to announce the net income from this event was over \$10,000. Thank you to Betsy and Jim Stoddard for making this event fun for all and a wonderful success! Thank you to all for this outpouring of support for Saint Mary's and for our community outreach projects.

Many thanks are in order to so many people who contributed their time and talent in making this event so successful. Thanks to Jack & Susan Thomas and Chris & Missy Smithwick for providing the 'feasting' portion of the evening. Many thanks to Jonathan Shaw for his help in manning the kitchen fare. Many thanks to Angela & George Barrett, Linda & Stan Eaton, Nikki & Lester Evans, Marti Galli, Jennifer Gregg, Annie Johnson, Mary Ann McLean, Pat Mordecai, Mary Smith and Bob and Nadine Timberlake who contributed their time to the auction efforts. We also thank all those who helped in setting up tables and chairs; and, of course, all those who helped with clean-up. Thanks to John Day, Auctioneer Extraordinaire, Hugh

Smith and Father Nathan for being Masters of Ceremonies. Grateful thanks to Hugh & Mary Smith and George & Angela Barrett for underwriting portions of this event. AND certainly, last but not least, thank you to all those generous parishioners and Friends of Saint Mary's who offered 86 silent and 4 live auction items. To those who attended, you MADE the evening that it was! See you next year.



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)

Once again, a huge note of thanks to Betsy & Jim Stoddard for their momentous task of organizing the incredible Lobster Bake & Auction. The planning and prize gathering starts months earlier and requires a vacation after the event. All the time and hard work is so appreciated because everyone has a wonderful time.

Thank you also to the Thomases, the Smithwicks, the Smiths, the Barretts and Melinda Torrens for underwriting portions of the evenings' events that make this such a successful fundraiser. And thanks to all who attended, ate and bid on items. You make all the work worthwhile!

Thanks to Rose Claar for all she has done for Guiding RAY, for the landscape team and for her help with so many activities at Saint Mary's. Rose is moving to Virginia with her family; we will miss her, but wish her well.



Rose and Dan-Herley at the lobster Bake

Thanks to Maggie Gardner and Fr Nathan for all they did to make the Confirmation trip to Quebec fun, memorable and fabulous.

Danke

Thank you to Marti Galli, Jennifer Gregg, Jim and Betsy Stoddard, Jane Bonville, Rose Claar, Meg and Charlie Hurdman, Michael Manetti, Onnie Hastings, Rick Hirschman, Beth Shaw and all the angels who dropped off food for Deacon Christine's retirement coffee hour! It was a splendid celebration!

T H A N K S !

Congratulations to Carolyn Bernier and her friend for their award-winning quilt recognition in Augusta.

Challenging the Paradigm: New Understanding of Grief and Sudden and Traumatic Loss

The Fortin Group - Family of Funeral Homes is pleased to announce a guest speaker, Kenneth Doka, PhD, MDiv, a Senior Consultant to the Hospice Foundation of America, who is a leading expert on grief counseling and therapy who will speak at the Seasons Event & Conference Center at the Riverside Holiday Inn in Portland on Wednesday, Sept 14 from 8:30am - 3:30pm. \$10 per person includes lunch. FMI and RSVP to Michelle Brown at 783-8545



Our own Greg Unfricht and fellow climbers taking a rest while enjoying the view around Katahdin

Falmouth Congregational Church UCC
267 Falmouth Road, invites all to their monthly

Coffee House - September 9 - 6:30pm

Enjoy a specialty coffee and snack while listening to

Married with Chitlins

Family-friendly!
All welcome!

Free will donations
accepted

Chris & Liz Lannon are an acoustic music duo that performs traditional American music, old-time country and blues and Celtic reels and jigs.





September 2016 AVE

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

Happy September Birthdays to:



1 Christine Bennett	12 Matthew Grace	24 Nate Buchanan
2 Grace Leschey	12 Ben Velek	24 Chuck Horton
3 Helena Corbett	14 Jane Ferrante	24 Alexis Madigan
4 Lynne Hanhिलammi	14 Grace Wiley	25 John Maher
5 Anne Hyland	16 Jennifer Gregg	26 Malia Pelletier
8 Robert Bowen	18 Larry Bennett	26 Anne Wood
8 Mike Edwards	18 Emily Follo	27 Cindy Horton
8 Robin Gauvreau	18 Lad Taylor	28 Emily Otte
8 Debby Hammond	19 Nate Smithwick	29 Julia Bisson
9 Sam Brown	21 Myles Nuzzi	30 Bryan Dench
9 Geoff LaFond	22 Jana Burke	30 Ibe Mokeme
10 Meredith Winter	22 Simon Chenard	
11 Samantha Means	22 Kim Diamond	

We'd love to include good wishes on your birthday and anniversary. If we don't yet have the dates, please send your 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 SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARY WISHES TO:

3 Elise & Neil Kiely	19 Beth & Rob Baldacci
4 Paul & Joann Varga	19 Margaret & David Fenderson
8 Elise & Dick Allen	19 Tricia Wheeler & Ryan Stinneford
9 Ana Cairns & Rich Bazarian	24 Talie & Joel Harris
10 Sheila & Tom Donaldson	24 Grace & David Robinson
10 Jan & Scott Searway	25 Judy & Gordon Olive
13 Mike & Cara Pelletier	29 Jamie & Lisa Conway
14 Grace & Tony Payne	30 Julie & Wayne Woodworth



WELCOME TO OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

Baptized at Saint Mary's on Sunday, August 28, 2016

Parker Anne Ferrante

born February 26, 2016 to Seth & Schuyler Ferrante





September 2016

The Episcopal Church of Saint Mary



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost <i>Fernell Family talking to Mt Holyoke!</i> <i>Presider & preacher: Rev. Tom White</i> 8:00am - Traditional Eucharist followed by coffee hour 9:30am Contemporary Eucharist followed by coffee hour	5 Labor Day Parish office is closed 12 - Play where you are	6 12 - Noonday Prayer 1pm - Get Stitching 2pm - Staff meeting 3:30pm - ExComm meeting 4:30pm - Outreach meeting 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AA in (6:30 beginners)	7 12 - Noonday Prayer 6pm SING rehearsal 6:00pm - ORG	8 12 - Thursday Eucharist 4pm - Boy Singers of ME 6:30pm Sparkies Meeting 7pm 3M Choir rehearsal	9 Office Closed 12 - Play where you are 5-7pm Community Souper Supper 5:30pm Alanon 7pm Classic Cinema	10 12noon - Run or Ride for Milestone
11 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost Kick-Off Sunday 8:00am - Traditional Eucharist followed by coffee hour 10:00am Contemporary Eucharist followed by coffee hour 11:15- Welcome Home Cookout & festivities	12 10 - Garden Club 12 - Noonday Prayer	13 12 - Noonday Prayer 1pm - Get Stitching 2pm - Staff meeting 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AA in (6:30 beginners)	14 Holy Cross Day 12 - Noonday Prayer 6pm SING rehearsal	15 12 - Thursday Eucharist 2-4p Caring Circle meeting 4pm - Boy Singers of ME 6pm Adoption group in OR 7pm 3M Choir rehearsal	16 Office Closed 12 - Play where you are 3:30pm Alanon	17 9am BSM
18 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost 8:00am - Traditional Eucharist followed by coffee hour 10:00am Contemporary Eucharist followed by coffee hour	19 12 - Noonday Prayer	20 AVE deadline S. Mary's goes to St. Elizabeth's 10:30am - Wisdom Seekers 12 - Noonday Prayer 1pm - Get Stitching 2pm - Staff meeting 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AA in (6:30 beginners)	21 12 - Noonday Prayer 12-4pm College Club Tea 6pm SING rehearsal 6pm Vestry Meeting	22 12 - Thursday Eucharist 4pm - Boy Singers of ME 7pm Diocesan Pre-Conv 7pm 3M Choir rehearsal	23 Office Closed 12 - Play where you are 3-7pm Souper Supper 5:30p Alanon 7pm Organ Recital	24 9a-3p Companions of the Holy Cross Retreat Gaily-Musacho Wedding
25 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost 8:00am - Traditional Eucharist followed by coffee hour 10:00am Contemporary Eucharist with Godly Play story followed by coffee hour	26 12 - Noonday Prayer	27 10:30am - Wisdom Seekers 12 - Noonday Prayer 1pm - Get Stitching 2pm - Staff meeting 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AA in (6:30 beginners)	28 12 - Noonday Prayer 6pm SING rehearsal	29 12 - Thursday Eucharist 4pm - Boy Singers of ME 6:15pm - Doves 7pm 3M Choir rehearsal	30 Office Closed 12 - Play where you are 3:30pm Alanon	10/1 MARATHON WEDDING Sam Holy Eucharist 9am Mission Morning Projects - out in the community 11:30am Lunch
10/2 Marathon Sunday No morning services due to closure of Route 88 5pm - Blessing of the Animals	10/3 12 - Noonday Prayer	10/4 10:30am - Wisdom Seekers 12 - Noonday Prayer 1pm - Get Stitching 2pm - Staff meeting 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AA in (6:30 beginners)	10/5 12 - Noonday Prayer 6pm SING rehearsal	10/6 12 - Thursday Eucharist 4pm - Boy Singers of ME 7pm 3M Choir rehearsal	10/7 Office Closed 12 - Play where you are 3:30pm Alanon	10/8 9am - 12noon Sparkies Drop-Off #1

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Our Worship Schedule

SUNDAY Hours

8:00am - *Traditional Eucharist*
10:00am - *Contemporary Eucharist*
(9:30am on Sept 4 only)

MONDAY - WEDNESDAY

Noon Day Prayer in the Chapel
and wherever you find yourself

THURSDAYS

12noon - *Holy Eucharist*

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