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From the Rector: ONE FINAL ACT OF BLESSING

It is summer on the coast of Maine and life is good! What a perfect time to reflect on how we will eventually conclude our lives on this earth. In particular, I am thinking of what happens to our bodies once they cease to function. Do you know that both a conventional burial and cremation are processes which are quite harmful to the earth itself and to our neighbors? At least for me, it does not seem consistent to conclude my life in which I have labored assiduously to bring God's healing, hope and new life to the earth by committing one final act of harm, pollution and destruction. A conventional burial (which includes embalming, a vault, and a casket) introduces toxic chemicals into the ground and destroys important natural resources by burying them forever. In America, it has been estimated that we could build a new Golden Gate Bridge every single year with the amount of wood, concrete and steel which we bury in cemeteries annually.



Cremation has become a far more common approach in our area. It offers reduced costs, flexibility in timing and in the final resting place of the body. However, cremation is also detrimental to the earth and to our neighbors. An enormous amount of fossil fuels are used to reach a temperature of between 1400 to 1800 degrees Fahrenheit which is required for proper incineration. In addition, toxic gases are released through the burning of dental fillings and other assorted objects in the body. The cremation process is a contributor to greenhouse gases and pollution in the air.

But there are other options! Here is my question: why not simply return our bodies to the earth from which they came and allow the natural processes of decomposition to turn them into healthy and fertile soil which gives rise to new life? Is not this what we imply when we confess that "we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return" (BCP, p.499)? Is it not right and good that our final act be one of blessing the earth and our neighbors by promoting new life rather than an act of harm and toxic pollution? What is more, by state law, once a plot of land is used for burial it must remain dedicated to that purpose and cannot be used for any other. Therefore, natural burials can also become a means by which to preserve land in its natural state. This is called Conservation Burial, and I believe that the people of the Portland area need to have access to natural burials in a natural setting.

I am convinced that this is something that our Lord is asking us to consider. So please take time to reflect on whether your final act on earth will be one that blesses and heals or one that harms and pollutes. Do not leave this for others to decide. Let it be your decision made with clarity and intention. Also, be in touch with me if you share my interest in this idea of Conservation Burial and in creating this option for the people of our area. If we can find enough people of like mind, then we can make this happen and we can do something good for the earth and our neighbors for generations to come. May it be so!

Nathan W. Ferrell +

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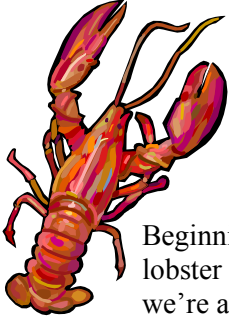
Vestry Highlights from your Wardens

As has been our custom over the years, the Vestry did not meet in July. The Executive Committee met in July and many of our Vestry are still working on projects for Saint Mary's. Guiding RAY is gearing up for a **busy program year**; **Buildings & Grounds folks** are working in having areas of the church is having areas repointed. A Long Range Financial Planning Group is meeting and we're gathering info for next year's budget process. Our thanks to all who ensure that Saint Mary's continues to run well during the summer months!



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

Saint Mary's Church 13th Annual **Lobster Bake & Auction**



When: August 12th 4:30 pm, dinner served at 6:00 pm
Where: Beautiful campus of Saint Mary's Church

Beginning at 4:30 pm, rain or shine, join fellow parishioners/friends/neighbors for a succulent lobster and steamer dinner or a BBQ chicken dinner. We are limited to 100 lobster dinners, and we're almost sold out! \$30 for lobster, \$10 for chicken and \$5 for burgers and hotdogs. Salads, desserts and soft drinks will be provided. Adult refreshment: BYOB. Bring appetizers/snacks to share with your table mates.

Before our 6 pm dinner hour, as you mingle with friends, you have the opportunity to bid on fabulous offerings parishioners/friends/vendors have so graciously donated. We also have the pleasure of listening to **Melinda Torrens & Friends**, a very talented group of musicians! This will truly be a fun evening.

If you are away on August 12th, don't worry, you still have the opportunity to bid. The Auction catalog will be available to peruse before the event. Ask a friend who is attending to be your bidder. Purchasers will be asked to pay for items that evening or if you aren't attending, we can make arrangements. Cash or checks gratefully accepted.

LIVE AUCTION OFFERINGS - see opposite page

Baking Class with professional chef and culinary instructor, Rick Hirschman

Cruisin' on Casco Bay with Garry & Janet Bowne

Fly Fishing with Master Maine Fly Fishing Guide Rod McGarry

Take a look at these fabulous silent auction offerings

50 and Fabulous gifts; A California Red with Goblets; Altar Guild wine basket; Back Bay Grill gift card; Back to School basket; Bernie's Foreside gift card; Boston Bruins tickets; Boston Red Sox tickets; Bridge Party & Luncheon; Christmas Cheer basket; Clayton's Cafe & Bakery gift card; Coffee By Design & Portland Pottery mugs; Conundrum Restaurant gift card; Couleur Collection gift card; Dockside Grill gift card; English Tea basket; European Bakery Torte; European Facial/Paragon Salon; Evening with a Lutenist; Fun at the Beach Toys; Gather Eatery gift card; Grace Robinson and Company gift card; Hand-knitted baby sweaters; Hand-knitted 'The Three Bears'; Harbor Fish Market gift card; Home-made Chocolates; Italian Night dinner; Kids Summer Fun basket; 'Kinky Boots' tickets; Lobster Mania basket; Louie's Grill gift card; Luxury Nails & Spa pedicure; Lyric Music Theater tickets; Magic of Christmas tickets; Maine Beer bucket; 'Maine Sails' painting by Erin McGee Ferrell; Margie's Jewelry Creations; Nonesuch Golfing outing; One-hour massage therapy; Orchid Thai gift card; 'Peony' photograph, framed; Pumpkin Patch gifts; Rainbow Toys gift card; Royal Doulton, 'The Lobster Man'; Royal River Grill House gift card; 'Sails on the Bay' barrel stave painting; Sangria Blanche basket; Scales restaurant gift card; Skillins' gift cards; 'Sparkles' gift basket; Swedish Massage; Tea for Two basket; The Dog Wash Etc gift card; Town Landing Market gifts; Trend Setters gift card and gift basket; Val Halla golf outing; Watercolor painting, framed; Windjammer Cruise for Two; Woodstock Percussion Wind Chimes;

2017 LIVE AUCTION OFFERINGS

Baking Class with Pastry Chef Rick Hirschman . . . basic or advanced baking

class in large Scarborough home kitchen of a professional chef and culinary instructor. This is **one** custom-designed **4-hour class** for up to **4 persons**.

Learn or hone skills for scratch baking of cakes, pies, cookies, biscuits, scones, brownies, yeast breads or holiday baked goods. You choose the items you would like the class to bake. Learn techniques for improving your home baking. Winning bidder(s) and chef will select date and scope of the class. Supplies provided and attendees take home baked goods. What a fun and educational way to spend a half-day with friends! Expiration date May 31, 2018.

Donated by Rick Hirschman, Value: \$300



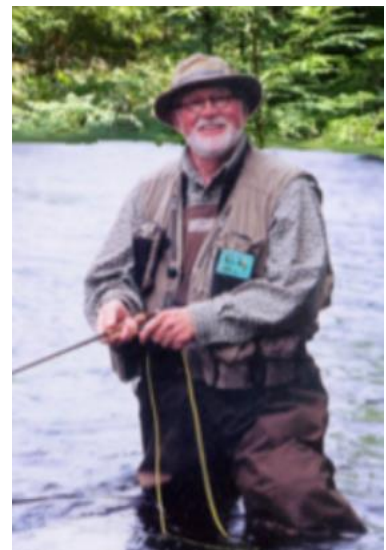
Cruisin' On Casco Bay . . . See Casco Bay aboard M/V *Patience*. Join Garry and Janet Bowne for lunch and an afternoon cruise aboard their 34 foot motor vessel, leaving from Portland Yacht Club around 11 o'clock and returning back around 4 o'clock. Enjoy a delicious lunch while viewing some of the most beautiful coastline in the world! Exact route will depend on the winning bidder's interests. Offer is good for up to 4 people. Arrange with donors for mutually agreeable date. Don't forget your camera! Donated by: Janet & Garry Bowne, Value: \$300

Trout Unlimited Tenkara Trip for Two With Master Maine Fly Fishing Guide, Rod McGarry

"Tenkara" is radically simple, nearly intuitive, Ultra Fly Fishing. It is the perfect introduction for beginning fly fishers of any age, yet the accomplished angler will positively appreciate its accuracy and versatility. Tenkara is a different way to think about fly fishing. With minimal gear and the easiest rigging, you toss the simplest cast in fly fishing.

If you are new to fly fishing and would like to get going with this unique style or if you are the conventional fly fisher who likes the idea of a minimalist approach, come with me on this trip. No need for all the gadgets and gizmos; we will replace all that stuff with skill, knowledge and simplicity. Let's pick a day and hit some small streams where you can build your fly fishing skill and knowledge. I think you will be hooked! Donated by: Rod McGarry, Value: \$400

Rod is a Life member of our Sebago Trout Unlimited, a Board-Certified Master Fly Casting Instructor and for the past 18 years, a staff instructor for LL Bean's Outdoor Discovery Schools. He was given the lifetime achievement award by the Federation of Fly Fishing for his noteworthy contributions to fly fishing through his instruction and coaching. Rod shares this honor with luminaries Lefty Kreh and Dave Whitlock.



Outreach Ministry - Serving Near and Far

Casting with Milestone

MILESTONE FOUNDATION FLY FISHING TRIP...

Here they are....photos of some of the 17 who took to the woods for four hours last Thursday on our St Mary's Mission to deliver another outdoor experience to a gang from Milestone's 3/4 Home for Residential Treatment.

Here are a couple of shots of them enjoying Ruth Kimball's picnic lunch along the Mallard Trail between the Otter Ponds out in Standish (part of the Sebago to the Sea Trail that follows the old railroad bed). It was the only shady spot we could find that day...and then there are some photos of some of the guys with some of the fish they caught on flies that were tied by Rod McGarry.

Stan Eaton and Paul Stone should be awarded the Episcopal Medal of St. George for their removal of wind knots, bush benders and tree stoppers that some of the guys "hooked" before they caught their fish. It just goes to show that progress is more important than perfection. Stan, Paul and Rod were the fish spotters, fly tier on'ers, and netted the fish for them.

Ruth made 34 sandwiches for our picnic, provided paper plates, napkins, brownies and cookies. You should have heard the "Thank You, Ruth" cheers for her that they were chanting from the shores of the Otter Ponds. Saint Mary's is a unique church community. Four in our church community took two days to offer a mission; we set out to share our unique gifts, hobbies and accomplishment with some who might be less fortunate. As it turned out, we who offered our gifts were the ones who reaped the fortune. We got them back four fold.

All The Best,
Rod McGarry
Coach / Guide



ACOLYTES



Children and youth (age 8 and up) are invited to be acolytes. Our acolytes help the clergy with the worship service Sundays, Christmas, Holy Week and Easter. Acolytes have the Summer off. The Gospel and Epistle acolytes carry the torches (candles) and the Crucifer carries the cross. They lead the procession at the beginning of our service and lead the recession at the end of our service. They also help clergy set and clear the altar for Communion. The training provided by Father Nathan is short and easy. Training for this year is scheduled for Sunday, October 15 after the 10am service. Acolytes generally serve once a month. It is a wonderful way for youth to be involved in worship and connect with each other and the St. Mary's community. Additionally, some area high schools require community service hours for graduation. High school students may earn community service hours as an acolyte. FMI and to sign up for training, please contact Tricia Wheeler at tjwheel@maine.rr.com.

Outreach Ministry ~ All Ages Serving Near and Far

Community Souper Supper August 11 and 25

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.

PLUS, on the 2nd Friday, stay for the FREE Classic Movie
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 OR
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

Our monthly FREE in-house movie

Presents on August 11 "The Young Philadelphians"

[1959] starring Paul Newman, Barbara Rush

Up and coming, young lawyer Anthony Lawrence faces several ethical and emotional dilemmas as he climbs the Philadelphia social ladder. His personal and professional skills are tested as he tries to balance the needs of his fiancée Joan, the expectations of his colleagues and his own obligation to defend his friend Chester on a murder count.



Movie begins at 7PM (after Souper Supper) in the Parish House, and it's free!



The Milestone Foundation is holding its Annual Fundraiser September 9 and is looking for contributions for this event. Some ideas might be a subscription to the Portland Symphony, etc. Please contact Manuela Arundel, development director for your ideas: Marundel@milestonefoundation.org

Long Creek: Barbecues and Birthday Cupcakes by Marian McCue

A faithful team from Saint Mary's continues their work as the sponsors of a unit at the Long Creek Youth Correctional Center in South Portland. We have sponsored this unit for several years, and we make regular visits.

This summer, as in past summers, we have been putting on barbecues for the residents on Maple Unit. Thanks to the hard work of our chef, Jim Stoddard, and a team that includes Betsy Stoddard, Rayle Ainsworth, Becky Pride, David Robinson, John Henson, and Marian McCue we are able to provide hot dogs, hamburgers and treats to the 15 or so residents on the unit.

These kids, some as young as 11 years of age, appreciate that a group of people come in and enjoy spending time with them. Maple Unit is the place where youths are first placed when they come into contact with the criminal justice system, or are awaiting placement into a group home or other residential setting. Many of the kids turn up there because of bad family situations and a lack of mental health treatment options for young people.

We would be pleased to have more people join our group, which does require a criminal background check and volunteer orientation.

We also continue to provide birthday cupcakes on the second Monday of each month, which must be store-bought and delivered to the facility on Westbrook Street in South Portland. There is a sign-up sheet for anyone who is interested. For more information, please contact marian.l.mccue@gmail.com.



Think Sparkles First ... Even in Summer!

Only 4 months until the beginning of Advent and Saint Mary's Sparkles activities! The Sparkles Boutique and Fair are on

Saturday, December 2,

and there are many things to accomplish before then. The following dates are important, so please mark your calendars!



SEPTEMBER 7 is the first organization meeting for Sparkles this year! It will be at **5:30pm** (note the change in time) **in the Guild Room**. If you have helped before, welcome back! If you have not helped before but are interested in joining this fun group, please come to the meeting! We have many roles to fill, and we welcome your help, for as much or as little time as you have!

SEPTEMBER 10 is the Welcome Back church picnic, and there will be a table with information about Sparkles. Please stop at the table, pick up a Newsletter, and get more information about the Fair. We will also have Gift Boxes ready to take home and fill.

OCTOBER 7 is the first official Drop Off day for items you are donating to the Boutique. We request donations of gently used household items, family treasures, holiday decorations, silver, linens, and china for sale in the Boutique. **Please - No rummage, magazines, clothing, or books.** If you are a knitter, crocheter, sewer, quilter, etc. your stash is also welcome, so this is a good time to sort and simplify. A tax donation receipt will be provided for all donations.

Saint Mary's Friendship Soup is very popular, and we will be asking for donations of dried beans for this. Watch for further information.

Be sure to "like" us on Facebook to keep up with what is new. [SparklesSt.MarysFalmouth](https://www.facebook.com/SparklesSt.MarysFalmouth)

We hope you will join in the fun! Jana Burke and Kathy Galen, Sparkles Co-Chairs

Saint Mary's weekend: August 12~13 Let's Celebrate together



Saturday, August 12 Lobster Bake & Auction

See page 2 and 3 for details



Sunday, August 13 - Feast of Saint Mary the Virgin



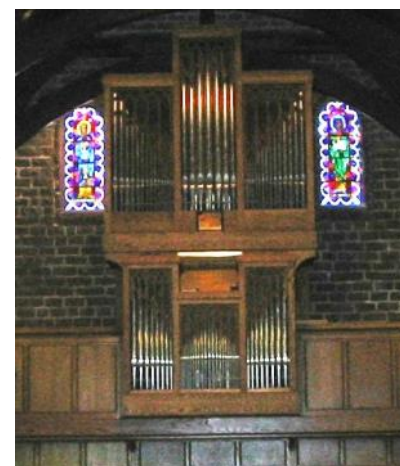
The Feast Day of Saint Mary, our Patron, is on August 15 each year, and we celebrate the Feast of the Sunday closest to this date. We know that God had a plan, has a plan for us all. Prophets, angels, shepherds, Mary, Joseph, wise men all make this plan humanly possible. Without Mary, God's plan could have been different. God would have had to do it all another way. And perhaps the shape of our Gospel would be different, were it not for our Saint Mary, Jesus' mother.

Through her response, her struggles and her life, she showed us love, humility, and obedience, and she brought into the world for us her son Jesus, who loves us and cares for us even today and forever. "Here I am; the servant of the Lord." Let us honor her together!

Sunday, August 13, 6 PM London Organist Recital at Saint Mary's:

Concert organist, Alan Saggerson, music director at St. Mary with All Souls, London (West Hamstead in London), will offer a free recital here at Saint Mary's. Mr. Saggerson has a degree from Hertford College, Oxford, is a trustee of the *Royal College of Organists St. Giles Academy organ project* which oversees the rebuilding of historic organs. He has toured annually in the Netherlands, France, the UK and this year, the United States. In 2014 he was featured as a recitalist for the *Royal College of Organists' 150th anniversary celebration*.

As part of our Celebration Weekend, Mr. Saggerson has chosen music specifically for the unique qualities of our Opus 3384 Casavant organ. The organ was designed by Gerhard Brunzema and is reminiscent of north German Baroque instruments. Mr. Saggerson will play three movements from François Couperin's *Messe des Couvents*, a prelude by Nicolaus Bruhns, the chorale prelude "St. Mary" by Sir Hubert H. Parry, the fugue of the Magnificat by J.S. Bach, and "March" by Nicholas Chaveaux (French Canadian composer who lived and worked in the UK). Come one and all. Free and open to everyone!



wear blue:run to remember

The mission of the "wear blue" movement is to build a running community that honors the service and sacrifice of the American military. Is there anyone interested in helping to coordinate a monthly "wear blue" run for the greater Portland area? If so, please be in touch with Fr. Nathan.

FMI, visit the website:

www.wearblueruntoremember.org



#runinblue #forthefallen

Christian Formation - RAY Beams - Summer 2017

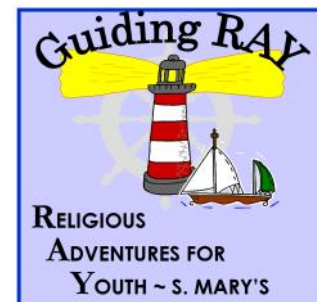
Great things are happening with faith formation in Guiding RAY!

On the horizon are many opportunities to grow faith formation for families. Experiencing, learning and practicing the Christian faith are all a part of our new approach to Sunday School. We will be using the beautiful stories from Godly Play and combining them with the fabulous drama and art programs that were a part of the rotation model. On top, there will be a sprinkling of new digital technology to help enrich and guide families in at home spiritual practices.

While we are still in the initial planning phases, one of our goals is to make volunteer teaching as easy as possible. If you an artist, baker, or storyteller... We Need You!

Please stay tuned for opportunities in which you can help guide the spiritual formation of our children, our community and ourselves.

And as you are enjoying this glorious Maine summer, here are three of our favorite free apps to download on your phone or tablet to help you remember your faith while you're driving in the car or on a rainy day. Have fun!



Bible Adventures for Kids

NIV Adventure Bible Lite

Superbook Kid's Bible

Remember Flat Saint Mary!



She is based on Flat Stanley, star of a [book](#) by Jeff Brown in which a boy has remarkable adventures after waking up one day to discover he is flattened to half-an-inch thick. The Guiding RAY kids have made their own Flat Saint Mary (and a few extra to share) to snap photos of during the summer months. See the bulletin board outside the Guild Room for your own Flat Saint Mary.

*Take her with you on vacation, to the beach,
the park, and even the gas station. Snap a picture and include her too!*

Remember her son Jesus is always with you.

Post pics on facebook or Instagram #flatsaintmary

Or send to Beth at smary@smary.org

Let's make this a wonderful way to keep Saint Marians connected during the summer vacation months. Have fun, be safe, and take a *Flat Saint Mary* with you wherever you go this summer!



**Tom Troeger with
FSM waiting for
the ferry from
Digby, Nova Scotia
to St. John's, New
Brunswick.**

**Flat Saint Mary
goes to Mass on
the Grass with Fr
Nathan**



**Flat Saint Mary at
Harraseeket Lunch
& Lobster in
Freeport Maine
with Julie Otte's
Aunt Midgie and
Fancy Nancy**



**Flat SM goes for a boat
ride on Sebago with Beth**



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The Episcopal Diocese of Maine and Camp Bishopswood invite you to join us for our first-ever Summer Finale Camp. Everyone is welcome! Come and experience a wonderful, meaningful time in this camp community.

At Bishopswood you have the opportunity to unplug, relax, grow, play and enjoy life in God's creation.

SUMMER FINALE WEEK is perfect for:

August 21-27



- ⇒ **Families**
- ⇒ **Single folks**
- ⇒ **Couples**
- ⇒ **Retired People**
- ⇒ **Grandparents and Grand-kids**
- ⇒ **Young Adults**
- ⇒ **A special youth camp track for kids in grades 6-12**
- ⇒ **It's camp for everyone!**

RSCM: Voice for Life at Saint Mary's in September: We need YOU!

We look forward to launching a Royal School of Church Music (RSCM) program here at Saint Mary's in September and would love to hear from parents interested in involving their children in this wonderful opportunity for classical training in voice, music and our Anglican liturgy. We also need to hear from folks who would like to assist in the organization of this worthwhile venture. Please see Bruce Fithian so that we can prepare for the logistics in September (choir anthem books, cassocks, music work books, etc.) To help, to participate or for more information contact Bruce Fithian at RSCM@smary.org.



Christian Formation ~ High Schoolers & Middlers



**Young Life Club:
off for the summer.**

In the fall, we'll begin again serving the youth in the communities of Portland, Falmouth, Freeport and everything in between.

Visit
www.younglifecb.com or
call Jordan Droge
at 805-453-1999

Hosting a Safe Summer Party



Set ground rules with your teen when planning the party

Adults should monitor often by refilling snack trays and check-in

Label coolers containing alcohol and locate away from non-alcoholic drinks

Lock up your alcohol, marijuana and prescription medications



August 2017
Tip of the
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A grant funded project sponsored by Cumberland County Government
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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)

The photo to the Left: Our own Grace Brown with our Presiding Bishop, the Most Reverend Michael Curry at the Episcopal Youth Event in Oklahoma City.

Congrats to Meghan Curran for her portrayal of Cindy Lou Who in the Freeport Players summertime production of *Seussical: The Musical*. It's still showing until July 30 if you haven't caught this great fun family theater. www.fcponline.org/tix.htm

Yay!



Thank you to our Prayer Chain for their ministry. How lovely to know that wonderful people serve others through prayer no matter the need.

Thank you to our Souper Supper crew for serving Christ in all people even during a peak vacation month!

Merci

THANKS!

Thank you to the Rev. Portia Hirschman for serving at Mass on the Grass while Father Nathan was on vacation.

Landscape Team - Campus Weeding Update

Team members had to stop work on weeding around the church property. They were stymied by browntail moth activity! The irritating hairs stopped our team in its tracks but we hope to return to work in the weeks ahead.

Become a hospice volunteer and make a difference

Next training sessions: Tuesdays,
Sept 12, 19, and 26
From 10am - 4:30pm



Beth Simmons, LSW, VNA
Home Health Hospice vo. Coordinator
400-8852



Have you ever wanted to join a garden club?

St. Mary's Garden Club has several openings for membership right now. The club meets on the second Monday of the month from September to June, at 11:00 AM, at Saint Mary's Parish House. The Club is not affiliated with Saint Mary's Church, and an applicant does not have to be a member of the Church to qualify. We offer programs on Flower Arranging, Design and Horticulture,

If you are interested in joining St. Mary's Garden Club or want more information on the Club, contact Mary Oliver at 781-3196 or E-Mail at maryo04092@yahoo.com

Falmouth Congregational Church (267 Falmouth Road, Falmouth, 781-3413)

invites all to their monthly

Coffee House

Friday, August 11 - Doors open at 6:30pm

Enjoy a specialty coffee and snack while listening to

Red Beans & Rice

Mr. Rice (Carter Ruff) plays slide guitar and has been known to howl at the moon. "Red" Beans (Dave Hunt) is a gentler fellow with a touch on the guitar that is sweetly complex, and a voice as smooth as butter on a slow burn.

Bring your friends and neighbors for a relaxed evening out. All welcome! Refreshments. Free, but donations accepted.



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

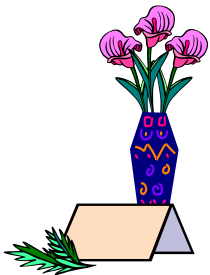
Happy August Birthdays to:



1	Alex Thomas	9	Erin Lindberg	21	Babs Bell
2	Ayden Henson	10	Nathan Ferrell	22	Jean-Luc Chenard
2	Bryce Henson	10	Juliette Teng	22	Robert Wood
2	Straughan Orestis	11	Hope Clark	23	Margo Hesson
2	Roland Peixotto	11	Lily Clark	24	Dan Hourihan
2	Scott Searway	11	Alexandra Galbraith	24	Blake Wilkes
2	Caroline Swaney	13	Aleece Herlihy	25	Marlena Fulton
3	Kiersten Doehne	13	Kyle Lamberson	26	Linda Eaton
4	Blake Lindberg	13	Andrew Marcelynas	26	Kevin Lamberson
5	Kitty Peixotto	13	Nicole Mokeme	26	Becky Pride
6	Quinton Hastings	13	Harrison Rana	28	Eleanor Holt
6	Caroline Wilkes	13	Olivia Vigue	28	Miles Isacke
7	Sé Ferrell	15	Chris Connors	28	Mary Smith
8	George Brown	17	Elliott Billings	29	Tacie Dougan
8	Kathy Galen	18	Davis Gall	29	Faye Frongillo
8	Eli Gratz	19	Doug Gauvreau	31	Grace Buckspan
9	Calia Browne	19	Harrison Rhoades	31	Melissa Cott
9	Anne Hilliard	20	Lucy Ellis		

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 AUGUST ANNIVERSARY WISHES TO:



2	Susan & Bryan Dench	15	Diane & Jeff Campbell
3	Connie & Mark Stimson	18	Kim & Ron Vincent
5	Kitty & Brad Babson	20	Becky & Doug Pride
5	Angie & Charlie Hesson	21	Shelly & John Maher

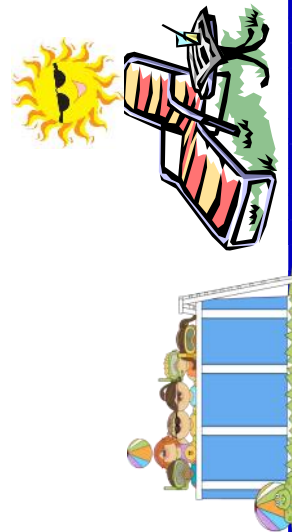


FRESH AIR Mass on the Grass

An eight-week, Wednesday evening summer study 6:30 PM (2 weeks left!)

From June 28 to August 16, all Saint Marians are invited to read and reflect together on the presence and work of the Holy Spirit. We will study a book called **Fresh Air: The Holy Spirit for an Inspired Life** from Paraclete Press. Each of the 8 chapters will be presented and discussed at our weekly Mass on the Grass gatherings. Even if you cannot attend, you are encouraged to pick up a copy of the book and read it over the summer. Dr. Levison's insights from Scripture are quite profound, and you are guaranteed to learn something new. A few copies of the book will be available in the Parish Office. You can hear directly from the author by watching this YouTube video: [Jack Levison talks about Fresh Air](#).





August 2017

The Episcopal Church of Saint Mary



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30 8th Sunday after Pentecost 8am Contemplative Eucharist	31 12 Noonday Prayer 6pm - Tai Chi Beth vacation	1 10:30a Wisdom Seekers 12 Noonday Prayer 1pm Staff meeting 3:30pm Executive Committee 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AIAnon (6:30 beginners)	2 10- Mainly Weavers 12 Noonday Prayer 6pm Tai Chi 6:30pm Mass on the Grass	3 9a-12n GC workshop in Aud 12 Noonday Prayer Beth vacation	4 Office Closed 12 Pray where you are 5:30pm Alanon	5
6 Transfiguration of our Lord 8am Contemplative Eucharist	7 10a-2p Garden Club 12 Noonday Prayer	8 10:30a Wisdom Seekers 12 Noonday Prayer 1pm Staff meeting 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AIAnon (6:30 beginners)	9 9a-12 GC workshop in Aud 12 Noonday Prayer 12-3p GC workshop in Aud 6:30pm Mass on the Grass	10 12 Noonday Prayer 1pm CARE Circle	11 Office Closed 12 Pray where you are 5-7pm Souper Supper 5:30pm Alanon	12 4:30pm Lobster Bake & Auction 6pm - eat time
13 Feast of Saint Mary the Virgin 8am Contemplative Eucharist	14 9-5pm LifeLine Screening 12 Noonday Prayer 6pm - Tai Chi	15 10:30a Wisdom Seekers 12 Noonday Prayer 1pm Staff meeting 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AIAnon (6:30 beginners) 6pm Vestry meeting	16 12 Noonday Prayer 6:30pm Mass on the Grass (last)	17 12 Noonday Prayer	18 Office Closed 12 Pray where you are 5:30pm Alanon	19
20 11th Sunday after Pentecost 8am Contemplative Eucharist	21 12 Noonday Prayer 6pm - Tai Chi Tidewater Art set-up	22 9-11am - S Marians volunteer at St Elizabeth's 12 Noonday Prayer 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AIAnon (6:30 beginners) 6-8pm PCC auditions in LL	23 12 Noonday Prayer 6pm - Tai Chi 6-8pm PCC auditions in LL	24 12 Noonday Prayer 5:30-8pm Taste of Tide-water Beth vacation	25 Office Closed 12 Pray where you are 5-7pm Souper Supper 5:30pm Alanon	26 Pilgrimage Aug 17-19 Nathan+ away...
27 12th Sunday after Pentecost 8am Contemplative Eucharist	28 12 Noonday Prayer Beth vacation	29 10:30a Wisdom Seekers 12 Noonday Prayer 1pm Staff meeting 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AIAnon (6:30 beginners)	30 12 Noonday Prayer 6pm Tai Chi 6:30 ORI	31 12 Noonday Prayer 6:15pm - Dowders	9/1 Office Closed 12 Pray where you are 5:30pm Alanon	9/2 HAPPY LABOR DAY WEEKEND

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Worship Leader Schedule: August - September 2017

	8am Ushers	8am EM/Lectors	9:30am Ushers	9:30am Lector	9:30am Euch Minister	Altar Guild	Altar Flowers	Flower Delivery	Coffee Hour Host
6-Aug Pent 9	Jim Porter Jim Kane	Len Taylor	Jack Heinzman Aaron Splint	Andrea M-H	Andrea M-H	Katie, Jana & Kathy	Nece	Ruth Kimball	OPEN
13-Aug St Mary	Baer Connard Al Ahlers	Mary Ann McLearn	Tom LaPlante Ryan Stinneford	Maggie	Maggie G- Jim St	Mary S, Tricia & Maggie	Jessica	The Hortons	OPEN
20-Aug Pent 11	Ed Ainsworth Rayle Ainsworth	Becky Pride	Chuck Horton Jack Heinzman	Betsy Stoddard	Jim Stoddard	Kathy & Portia	Onnie	The Stoddards	OPEN
27-Aug Pent 12	John Fournier Dave Fenderson	Greg Unfricht	Tom Stegemann Tom LaPlante	Jennifer	Maggie Gardner	Betsy & Mary L	Helga	Ruth Kimball	OPEN
3-Sep Pent 13	Len Taylor Jim Porter	Al Ahlers	Aaron splint Ryan Stinneford	Jim Stoddard	Jim Stoddard	Janet & Nece	Jan & Jana	The Hortons	OPEN
10-Sep Pent 14	tbd	Lad Taylor	tbd	Marian McCue	Stan Eaton Terry Brown	Portia, Tricia & Maggie	Nece	The Stoddards	Kick-Off Cookout & Carnival
17-Sep Pent 15	tbd	Len Taylor	tbd	Rod McGarry	Nadine Ginny Stelk	Kelly, Jana & Nece	Onnie	Ruth Kimball	OPEN
24-Sep Pent 16	tbd	Mary Ann McLearn	tbd	Will Solomon	David Robinson	Kathy, Betsy & Mary L	Lynne S.	The Hortons	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 - *Contemplative Eucharist*
9:30am - *Choral Eucharist (10m resumes on Sept 10)*

MONDAY - THURSDAY

Noon Day Prayer in the Chapel
and wherever you find yourself

WEDNESDAYS

6:30pm - *Mass on the Grass*
8 weeks- 6/28 - 8/15

THURSDAYS

12noon - *Holy Eucharist*
(on hiatus for July & August)



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Copy deadline September 2017 AVE is **Aug. 20**

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