



"GREETINGS MARY, FULL OF GRACE."

The Episcopal Church of Saint Mary - Falmouth, Maine



From our Rector: The Divine Calling to Hospitality



"When I receive Christ in you, I am obliged to care for Christ with full attention." Abba Cassian

Summer on the coast of Maine is absolutely glorious. THIS is why we persevere through the painfully slow months of March and April. I have learned that summer here has its own rhythms and patterns. Many of us will welcome guests who are coming here to experience a taste of this summertime beauty and delight with which we are blessed.

No matter where we are, or what our situation, the task of hospitality is a commandment of God that we

are pledged to keep. We first learn of this from the stories of Abraham and Sarah who exemplify the divine calling to practice hospitality. Since the very beginning of the church, the saints of God have understood that each guest who comes to us is a sign of the presence of Christ. It may be difficult to view each guest in this way, but this manner of seeing others is a vital aspect of the transformation that God is working within each of our hearts. And it does not even matter whether the guest is someone we like or someone we try to avoid, whether the person is "one of our kind" or quite different from us. Our subjective feelings only get in the way of keeping this commandment. The objective reality that our faith teaches us is the presence of Christ in each guest, regardless of who he or she appears to be on the outside.

As Abba Cassian said at the beginning of the fifth century, to receive Christ in a guest is to put aside our self-interests and to care for this person with full attention.

The particular guest may cause this task to be easy or exhausting, but each one presents us with a unique God-given opportunity to grow and learn. My friends, let me encourage you this summer to embrace these opportunities and not to shy away from them. In this way, may we all together "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ" (2 Peter 3:18). Nothing we pursue could possibly be more important than this.

Have a great summer!

Nathan W. Ferrell +

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Saint Mary's Farm-to-Table Dinner & Auction



See page 4 for more details

Wanted: Auction Items!

Experiences! Services! Host a themed-party!

Donate a Gift Certificate!

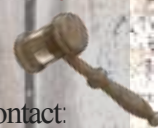
Donate a Homemade item!

If you're able to make a donation to the auction, please contact:

Melissa Kane at melissa1959@earthlink.net or

Janet Bowne at janetbowne@maine.rr.com

or find a form in the parish house or parish office



Out of Retirement and back in the Deacon's chair

The Rev. Christine Bennett was the Deacon at Saint Mary's from September 2007 to August 2016 when she retired to be with Larry, her husband as his sickness progressed. Recently, while assisting during Nathan's sabbatical, Deacon Christine, Fr. Nathan, and Bishop Steve have conferred and are honored to announce her official return to service.

We look forward to her continued and flourishing ministry among us. Welcome home!



Holy Ground

by Merle Marie Troeger

One of the most common metaphors for our spiritual lives is the notion of the "spiritual journey". When we draw on this image, we imagine the place we have left behind and a destination up ahead. It captures the idea that our relationship with God is not static.

Yet, at the Diocesan Adult Retreat at Bishopswood in June, I had the opportunity to revisit the story of Moses at the burning bush. So right now, I want to remind ourselves to honor the places where we stand right now – not in our past or up ahead.

I'm sure you remember most of the story. Like the rest of us, Moses was just doing his job. He was simply tending his flock. He had no particular spiritual pathway in mind. Then, what a shock! An angel appeared to him as a flame of fire leaping from ordinary shrubbery. Yet the bush wasn't consumed by the fire. The sight intrigued Moses and he stepped closer.

The word Moses heard from the burning bush is the word I need to remember every day of my life:

"The place where you are standing is holy ground."

The place where I am standing – right now - is holy ground.

The place where you are reading this is holy ground.

The work you are doing this very minute (your equivalent of herding sheep) is holy ground.

The people you meet today are citizens of holy ground.

Moses was a nervous wreck when he faced God in the burning bush (you can read about it in Exodus 3), but he rallied to bring his people out of Egypt.

Standing on holy ground was just the beginning for him. So, you might want to keep an eye out for the burning bush in your life today. When you see it, step closer. You stand on holy ground.



Thank you for keeping your pledges current!

For all you summer vacationers, please remember that if you will be out of town for a few weeks (or the entire summer), it is important to maintain your regular pledge to Saint Mary's. The parish is still active in the summer and continues to incur operating expenses, so it is important that we maintain cash flow. The easiest thing to do is to set-up automated bank transfers in advance so that you do not have to remember while away. This can be done through our website (www.smary.org) or through your own bank. That will give you one less thing that you'll have to remember. Thank You!



Saint Mary's Operating Finances - as of May 31, 2018 (+ 8,730)

INCOME

General Plate & Pledge Support	157,590
Use of Parish House & Sanctuary	6,828
Fundraisers	745
Miscellaneous Gifts & Revenue	31,725
Dedicated Gifts	2,959
	\$ 199,847

EXPENSE

Diocesan Assessment	23,073
Personnel (includes, taxes, benefits, & pensions)	93,498
Maintenance, Capital	19,406
Operating (utilities, insurance, taxes, supplies)	39,861
Program	15,279
Countless volunteer donated hours of time	0
	\$ 191,117

Vestry Highlights from your Wardens

by Janet Bowne

The Vestry met on June 27th. Father Nathan began the meeting with a teaching moment outlining the purpose and process of the General Convention, which will convene in Austin, Texas on 7/5. We welcomed Merle Marie Troeger, a parishioner and a member of the Discernment Committee for the Bishop selection process. She shared that there's been a lot of interest in the position of Bishop of Maine. The committee will spend the summer reviewing the applications and interviewing applicants with the goal of electing a new bishop in February 2019.

Treasurer Bill Gowen couldn't be in attendance, so Jim Kane reported on the current financial position. We are in good shape for this point of the year. We benefited from a larger than normal amount of prepaid pledges for 2018. In addition, good budget and financial management has helped us tremendously. However, we are heading into a time when weekly giving drops off due to summer vacations. Parishioners catch up in the late summer. Our Farm-to-Table Dinner and Auction in August is important to our revenue side. Our pledge total for 2018 is \$283,287. We have received new pledges from new parishioners recently. We are grateful for all of the support we receive from our parishioners!

The Budget and Finance Committee is proposing that going forward all unrestricted bequests be divided in thirds with 1/3 going into the JM Brown Fund, 1/3 going into the Building and Grounds endowment fund, and 1/3 going into the Program endowment. This policy helps ensure that we are good stewards of what's been given to us. We reviewed the proposal and will vote on the proposal at our August meeting. Anyone interested in reading the details of the proposal can contact Bill Gowen or Senior Warden Jim Kane for a copy. We welcome comments from all.

Father Nathan reviewed the new schedule for the fall. Sunday services will be at 8 and 10:15 beginning on 9/9. This allows for greater formation for all ages on Sunday morning between services. We will be offering an Episcopal 101 class, possible centering prayer or meditation,



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

and other specialty programs. Thursday nights, beginning on 9/20 will be Faith Family Suppers from 5-7. We'll offer a casual supper from 5-6 and from 6-7 we will host topical programs that will include mission-related topics, issues facing our communities and special study periods during Advent and Lent. Anyone interested in being part of a planning committee should contact Jim Kane or Janet Bowne.

Father Nathan is leaving for the final segment of his sabbatical on 7/9. He and his family will travel to Quito, Ecuador for 5 weeks.

We discussed that we need a new head for our Hospitality Committee. After 10 years, Anne LaFond is stepping down to focus on her New Mainer Committee work. We appreciate Anne's long tenure of running hospitality. Anyone interested in serving in this role should contact Jim Kane. We also discussed the need to have a Middlers program this fall. We need 2 leaders to work with Megan Akers, Director of Christian Formation, to design a program that will likely pair with a Falmouth ecumenical effort to offer service-related activities for middle school children.

As Wardens, we thank the members of the Vestry for their service, guidance and vision.
Jim and Janet

Zenith Journey to Katahdin: August 23 - 25

Every Mainer should visit Chimney Pond in Baxter State Park and reach the summit of Katahdin (the zenith of Maine), if he or she is able. Join this group of up to 10 people for a summer-time adventure in amazing Baxter State Park. Two nights in lean-to's, one of which will be at the famous Chimney Pond campground. Space is limited, so speak with Sr Warden, Jim Kane, now. 329-1764 or email melissa1959@earthlink.net





Celebrate Summer in Maine **Saint Mary's** Farm-to-Table Dinner & Auction

ONLY THE BEST...

Organic, local Beef, Chicken, & Pork \$35
Local, grass-fed Hamburger or Hot dog \$10
Locally-grown Vegetable-only option \$10
Call to reserve your meal, 781-3366 or [email](#)

SATURDAY, 08.18.18

4:30 - 8 PM, EAT AT 6PM

ON THE GROUNDS WITH LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Plus between bites, visit our silent auction where
Exciting Experiences and Welcome Services Await You!

- Gift Certificates to restaurants, salons, spas, florists, local shops . .
- Memberships/passes to fitness centers, museums, golf outings, etc. .
- Tickets to sporting events, concerts, theater, tours . .
- Services: handyman, gardening, financial, housecleaning, transportation . .
- Handmade delights - some to eat and some not.
- Themed parties or host a game night

If you're able to make a donation to the auction, please contact
Melissa Kane at melissa1959@earthlink.net or **Janet Bowne** at janetbowne@maine.rr.com

Think Sparkles First ... Even in Summer!

Only Five Months until Sparkles 2018!

Sparkles officially begins this year on Thanksgiving Eve when we will light the Kyros Memorial Tree after the Thanksgiving Eucharist.

On Saturday, December 1, we will have the Sparkles Fair, with our beautiful Boutique, Bake Sale, Cookie Walk and Café, and our fun Children's Area.

On the 2nd Sunday of Advent (December 9), we will host the Schola Concert and Reception.



Mark your calendars! You won't want to miss a minute of these events. BUT – we need lots of help to make this all happen, and that help begins now!

ARTISANS AND CRAFTERS – There are spaces for 2 artisans/crafters to have a table at the boutique. If you would like to “sparkle” and show your talent, please sign up with Jan Mordarski (janmordarski@gmail.com). Artists set their own prices, collect payment, and take 50% of the profit from their table.

KNITTERS, CROCHETERS, AND OTHER HANDCRAFTERS – Please begin now to make things for the “Knitters” Corner. In past years, hats, scarves, felted items, bags and baby items have sold especially well. If you are cleaning out your “stash” of yarns, fabric, notions, or other supplies, please consider donating them, too. For more information, call Barbara Murray (799-1326).

SAINT MARY'S GEMS – Always a popular table, organized by Nece Caratelli. If you have vintage, estate, or new (antique or costume) jewelry, scarves, purses, belts, or other accessories, please save these for donation. They will be cleaned, and, if necessary, repaired or repurposed for sale.

THE BOUTIQUE – We offer gently used household items, family treasures, holiday decorations, silver, linens and china for sale in the boutique. No rummage, magazines or clothing. There will be specifically designated drop off dates in the fall, but we also accept donations year-round. If you need help with pickup or storage before fall, please contact Jana Burke (jana.burke@gmail.com) or Onnie Hastings (hastbobon@msn.com), and we will make arrangements. If you leave items at the church, mark them clearly for SPARKLES.

PLANTS AND GREENERY – A new and very successful area for Sparkles last year was our Plant table. We took cuttings over the summer and planted them in teacups and other small planters. This year, we are adding English Ivy wreaths to our offering. If you have English Ivy or other plants, we would love to have cuttings. As an alternative, small plants are often available reasonably this time of year. If you're not a gardener or don't have space, we have Sparkles members who will gladly take care of them until December.

CHILDREN'S AREA – One of our most popular and fun sections is our Children's Area. There, we have toys, kids' sports equipment, and children's books and other items. Another *Kid's Only* (NO GROWNUPS ALLOWED) room is set aside for kids to shop for others. Special elves help the kids choose gifts and wrap them so they're ready to put under the tree. If you have gently used toys, children's books, or other kids' items, we would love to add them to this area. Also, small items suitable for kids to buy for their parents or siblings would be great for our *Kids Only* room.



Sunday, September 30, 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.

ALSO, relay teams will be forming over the summer to run once again in The Maine Marathon on Sunday, September 30. If you are even a little bit interested, contact Nathan at 310-0268 or nathanferrell@smay.org.

Outreach Ministry - All Ages Serving Near and Far

WHERE DO WE FIND THE KINGDOM OF GOD?



We nearly always find it when we volunteer at St. Elizabeth's Jubilee Center (formerly St Elizabeth's Essential Pantry) in Portland. Supported by eight Episcopal parishes in the greater Portland area, St. Elizabeth's gives its volunteers the opportunity to share our material abundance with people for whom scarcity is the norm. We in the supporting parishes have many more clothes and household goods than we need. In fact our closets are bursting, and we need to clean them out. Most people living in poverty do not have enough, and so at St. Elizabeth's we share. As neighbors we help each other and when we do we find the Kingdom of God at play. It is in those moments that friendships are made. Please join us. St. Mary's is scheduled to help on Tuesdays once every 6 weeks, from 9 to 11 AM. Our next scheduled helping day is Tuesday, July 31. For more information email Betsy Elliman at betsyelliman@msn.com.

To learn more about St. Elizabeth's go to www.episcopalmaine.org or go to Faith

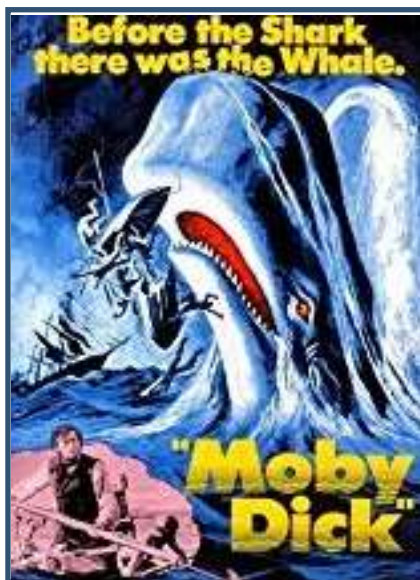
in Maine Blog found on the blogs page on the Diocesan website.

[Episode 2 - The Toilet Paper Pantry.](#)

Below is our Top Ten List of most desirable donations:

1. Clean summer clothing for adults and children
2. Toothbrushes (one per package please)
3. Soup pots 4 qt or larger
4. Footwear
5. New socks for adults and children
6. New underwear for adults and children.
7. All eating utensils: dishes, cups, mugs, glasses, forks, knives and spoons.
8. Bedding: blankets, sheets and pillowcases and towels
9. Backpacks (both child size and adults)
10. Child strollers.

Betsy Elliman, 207-400-6871 - cell



Classic Cinema

Our monthly FREE in-house movie

Presents on July 13

Moby Dick

(1956) Starring: Gregory Peck Director: John Huston

The sole survivor of a lost whaling ship relates the tale of his captain's self-destructive obsession to hunt the white whale, Moby Dick.

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



Godspeed Trek Team Pedaled the Distance

The Saint Mary's Godspeed Team successfully went the distance (181.2 miles) in the 2018 Trek Across Maine. We were blessed with near perfect weather, and it was a wonderful experience.

Thanks to the generosity of Saint Mary's parishioners, and many others, our team has raised \$8,200 – all of which supports the mission of the American Lung Association. And this year's Trek has raised in excess of \$1,165,000. While the ride is over, the fundraising remains open until August 1st. If any parishioners are interested in making a contribution, supporting the American Lung Association, reach out to any of the team members for guidance about how to do so.

2019 Trek – here we come. Most of this year's Godspeed team members intend to participate in the event again next year. We welcome other parishioners to join our ranks for next year's ride. Erin Ferrell has committed to participating, and others have already expressed interest as well. Please consider joining us!



2018 Godspeed Team Members: Charlie Hurdman, Bruce Fithian, Nathan Ferrell, John Henson, David Duchin & Greg Fergin



John demonstrating the art of finding your bike at a rest stop.

Community Souper Supper July 13 and 27



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. No reservations required. Just bring your family and friends and enjoy! It's a blast!

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



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

Casco Bay - a medium roast, Black & Tan - a medium- darker roast, OR Rebel Blend, a dark 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!

Christian Formation - RAY Beams - July 2018



Although summer is here and that means longer days, doing things more slowly and simply and taking time to reflect on our bestowed blessings, Guiding RAY is busy planning for the fall. Our new worship schedule will begin September 9th and, even though our timing is going to change a bit for next year, the structure will remain the same. The plan is to change the 10:00 worship time to 10:15 to allow for adult formation time between the services. Guiding RAY will be "open"

at 9:30 for social time with games and activities, special outreach program presentations, and a special family chapel with Fr. Nathan once a month. Our lesson time will officially begin at 10:00am.

This fall we will begin our rotation program with the Creation story. In a rotational learning setting, the same Bible story or theme is taught for several weeks. Each week, kids rotate to a different station. The story remains the same, but children encounter it in different ways in each station. They will be learning major Bible stories and concepts through kid-friendly multimedia workshops: an art workshop, drama, music, games, storytelling, and other educational media. Our overall theme for the year will be "God's Covenants."

As always, Guiding RAY welcomes new volunteers! Time commitments vary from an hour every week to 30 minutes every once in a while. If you enjoy children, we can find a role that will fit your schedule! No special skills required – just be authentic. For more information on how you can be a part of shaping our children's faith exploration, please contact Megan Akers at guidingray@smary.org. We look forward to seeing everyone on Sunday, September 9th at our Kick-off Carnival!



Summer Nursery Care

The nursery is a very valuable ministry! Perhaps you have never thought of the nursery as a ministry, but it is! By serving in the nursery, you have the opportunity to impact not only the children in your care, but parents as well. Nursery volunteers are often the first faces that parents of small children who are new to Saint Mary's will

see. It is our responsibility to show them a friendly, loving face, and to provide them with greatest care for their children! Our ultimate goal for our newcomers is to love them into the Saint Mary's family and nursery can play a vital role! Nursery Care for our youngest parishioners (0-3 years old) will continue throughout the summer from 9:15-10:30 thanks to the devoted service of Alison Hayward. In order to abide by Safe Church policy and for the safety of our kids, we need to have *two* adults in the nursery area. We are asking the entire parish family to **consider assisting Alison ONE Sunday this summer**. If you can do so, please contact Alison directly, ajhmcmonagle@gmail.com

Guiding RAY Coordinators

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Heather Gale, hpgale@earthlink.net, 899-3560

Meg Hurdman, hurdman@maine.rr.com, 781-7478

Alison Hayward, Nursery, ajhmcmonagle@gmail.com, 207-400-4658

Please note: Guiding RAY does not meet in the summer. The first session of Guiding RAY for Fall 2018 will begin on Sept. 9th.



The RSCM and St. Cecilia choirs will be taking a well-deserved break over the summer. These Youth Choirs of school-age children offer boys and girls a glorious singing experience under the direction of Priscilla Rigg. The choir sings

periodically at 10:15 service as well as at a fall and spring Evensong, the Christmas Pageant and at certain services during Holy Week. Rehearsals will begin again toward the end of August. Stay tuned for rehearsal times! For more information contact Priscilla Rigg, pamrigg29@gmail.com.



Our Strawberry Shortcake Celebration on June 10 was a great success! God created us to be in community, and together we honored our choirs, acolytes, graduates, children and our Guiding

RAY volunteers in true Saint Mary's fashion.

A giant thank you to all the volunteers for their hard work and contributing to the success! We all look forward to our next big Faith Family celebration, Kickoff Sunday on September 9th.



Summer Prayer

Creator of all, thank You for summer!
 Thank You for the warmth of the sun and the increased daylight.
 Thank You for the beauty I see all around me and for the opportunity to be outside and enjoy Your creation.
 Thank You for the increased time I have to be with my friends and family, and for the more casual pace of the summer season.
 Draw me closer to You this summer.
 Teach me how I can pray no matter where I am or what I am doing.
 Warm my soul with the awareness of Your presence, and light my path with Your Word and Counsel.
 As I enjoy Your creation, create in me a pure heart and a hunger and a thirst for You.
 Amen.

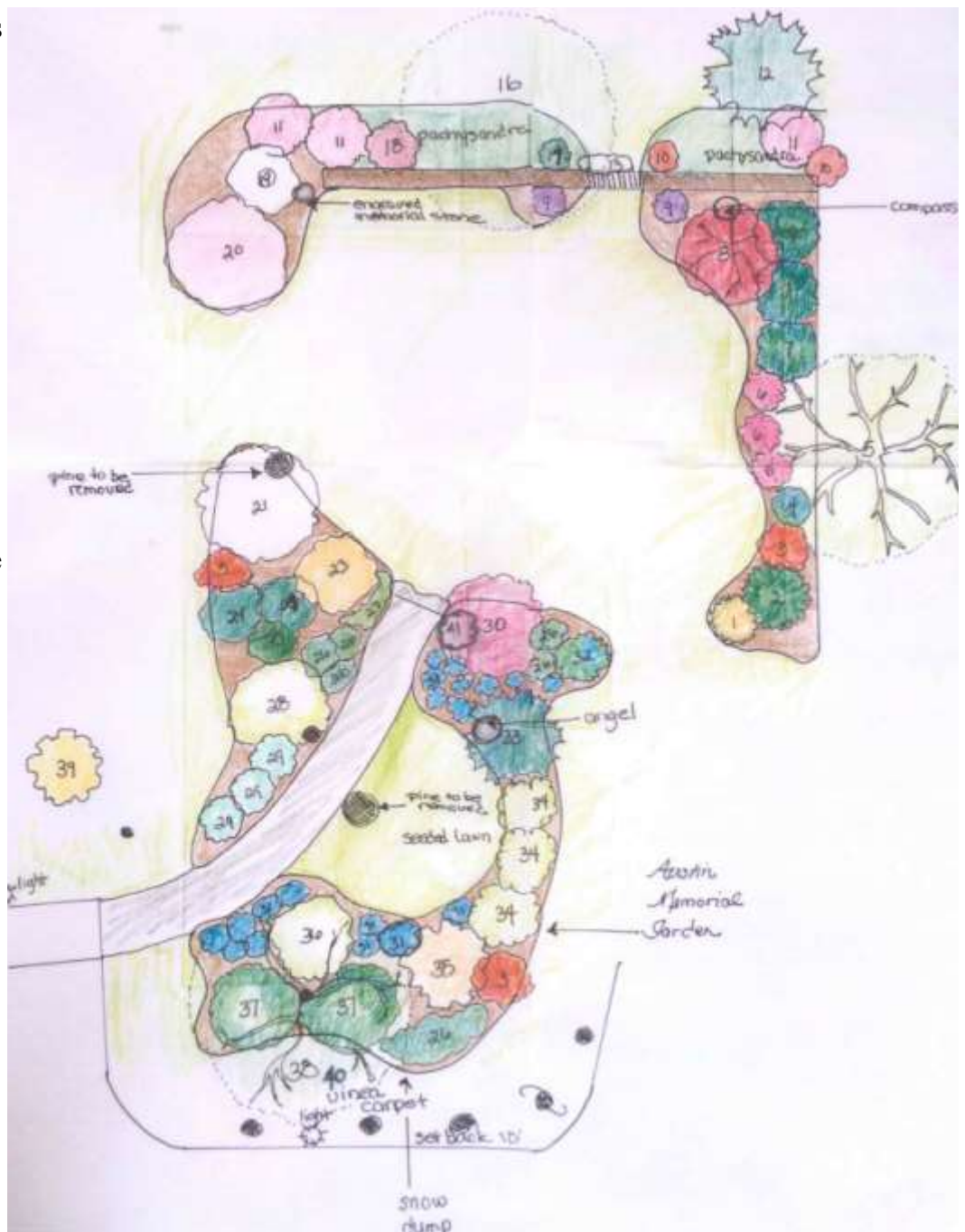
Saint Mary's Garden Redesign

Janet Bowne and Lucy Ellis

We are fortunate to have the Saint Mary's Garden Club (SMGC) affiliated with our church. The SMGC was organized in June 1930 and was originally composed of only Saint Mary's members. In recent years, the SMGC broadened to include garden enthusiasts from the broader community. Among many projects it undertakes annually, the SMGC maintains the perennial garden between the chapel and the rectory. Recently, the garden club's membership realized that the garden's design has not been refreshed in many years. Plantings have aged, and light conditions have changed as trees matured or were removed. The large pine in the middle of the garden has taken a toll on the grassy area. Ants have taken up residence, and the soil is severely depleted. The SMGC decided a complete redesign is needed. Working with its talented membership, the SMGC has voted to support a redesign which will be a three-year project and a \$15,000 investment by the garden club for installation of the entrance path, grading, dropping loam and seeding.

The SMGC approached the Vestry to discuss and gain support for this wonderful project. It is clear that this redesign will enhance our outdoor space significantly for individual prayer and reflection as well as events and

garden tours. There are elements of the project that will need to be managed by the church including removal of trees that are affecting light and ground quality. The SMGC also strongly urged us to remove the burning bush hedge at the Rectory as burning bush is invasive and will take over the new garden space rendering the redesign ineffective. We will need to replace the hedge with plants and/or hardscapes that are sustainable. Over three years, we anticipate the church's commitment to be approximately \$4,000. The Vestry approved the project with the provision that we will raise money separately for the expenses incurred in 2018. We prefer to fund all of our needs on a priority basis through the budget with income from pledges, fundraisers and investments. The opportunity to receive such generous funding from the SMGC and realizing how the redesign will allow for greater use of our outdoor space is something we cannot overlook. We have received some early designated donations for this project from parishioners supplementing what SMGC have already pledged.



Plant Selection (corresponds to rendering on prior page)

Key	Plant Name	Scientific Name	Quantity
1	Lemon Twist Falsecypress	Chamaecyparis obtusa 'Lemon Twist'	1
2	Wintergreen Umbrella Pine	Sciadopitys verticillata 'Wintergreen'	1
3	Midwinter Fire Red Twig Dogwood	Cornus sanguinea 'Midwinter Fire'	1,1
4	Tea Viburnum	Viburnum setigerum	1
5	Maple		existing
6	small leaf Rhododendron	Rhododendron 'Mary Fleming'	3
	(select from the list to the right)	Rhododendron 'Ago'	
7	Emerald Green Arborvitae	Thuja occidentalis 'Smaragd'	3
8	Sherwood Flame Japanese Maple	Acer palmatum 'Sherwood Flame'	1
9	Dwarf Korean Lilac		existing
10	Quince		existing
11	Mohawk Viburnum	Viburnum x. 'Mohawk'	1
12	Spruce		existing
13	Sweet Autumn Clematis	Clematis paniculata	1
14	Montmorancy Cherry	Prunus var. 'Montmorancy'	6
15	Box		existing
16	Locust		existing
17	Andromeda		existing
18	Beauty Bush or Weigela		existing
19	Star Magnolia		existing
20	Heart Throb Kousa Dogwood (pink)	Cornus kousa 'Heart Throb'	1
21	Milkyway Kousa Dogwood (white)	Cornus kousa 'Milkyway'	1
22	River Birch	Betula nigra 'Heritage'	3
23	Arnold's Promise Witchhazel	Hamamelis x intermedia 'Arnold's Promise'	1
	Palida Witchhazel	Hamamelis x intermedia 'Palida'	
24	Rhododendron		existing
25	Mountain Laurel		existing
26	Coast Leucothoe	Leucothoe axillaris 'Coast'	2, 3
27	Bearberry	Arctostaphylos uva-ursi	2
28	Seven Son Flower Tree	Heptacodium miconoides	1
29	Red Licorice Fothergilla	Fothergilla var. 'Red Licorice'	1
30	Crabapple		existing
31	Blue/White Perennials, Blue Hydrangea		(see note A)
32	Bird's Nest Spruce	Picea abies 'Nidiformis'	1
33	Spruce		existing
34	Incrediball Hydrangea	Hydrangea arborescens 'Incrediball'	3
35	Beech		existing
36	Shasta Viburnum	Viburnum tomentosum 'Shasta'	1
37	Album Rhododendron	Rhododendron var. 'Album'	2
	Cunningham's White Rhododendron	Rhododendron var. 'Cunningham's White'	
38	Maple		existing
39	Cornus mas		existing
40	Vinca	Vinca	transplant
41	Deutzia		transplant
42	Olga Mezitt Rhododendron	Rhododendron 'Olga Mezitt'	2
43	Hydrangea blue lace-cap var.	Hydrangea macrophylla blue lace-cap var.	4
44	Hydrangea Climbing	Hydrangea petiolaris	1



Statement of Support Intention for 2018-2020 Saint Mary's Garden Space Redesign Project

In thanksgiving for the many
blessings at Saint Mary's

1/we
pledge _____

as a: _____ One-time gift
_____ installments

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Address: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

_____ I would like to make a gift of
stock or securities.

_____ I would like to make a memorial
or celebratory gift to honor



Camp Bishopswood

Mike Douglass, Exec. Dir.
98 Bishopswood Rd.
Hope, Maine 04847
mike@bishopswood.org

Summer Finale Camp - IT'S CAMP FOR EVERYONE! August 20 - 26

Families! Singles! Couples! Retired folks! Young adults! Grandparents!

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.

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)

A big Thank You to Emily Stinneford for leading the acolyte training in May and to Jamie & Archer Akers for attending the training.

Yay!

Thank You to the AVE proofers who seem to drop what they're doing to help and find the little errors: Becky Pride, Pat Mordecai, Marian McCue and Jennifer Gregg. Kudos!!

Merci

In fact...Thank you to all the Acolytes for serving this program year and to parents of our Youth Acolytes for supporting them and encouraging them to share their time and talents with Saint Mary's.

Wishing the Ferrell Family all the best on their mission trip to Quito, Ecuador. Safe travels!!

Thanks and kudos to the members of the GodSpeed team for the Trek Across Maine for representing Saint Mary's.



Thanks to everyone for understanding of the changes needed to welcome the Portland Bach Experience during June.

THANKS!



Congratulations to CAPTAIN Mark Winter (retired) on his retirement after 30 years in the US Navy. At the retirement ceremony at **Wolfe's Neck Farm on June 23, he was joined** by Rear Admiral Loeblein, his father Commander Steve Winter (retired), Major General Ron Paul (US Air National Guard) and other Air Force officers. Their presence is testimony to the many years that Mark served in Joint Task Force operations. Father Nathan (Chaplain Ferrell) offered the prayers at the ceremony.



Congratulations to Angus Ferrell on his graduation from West Point and his commissioning as a Second Lieutenant in the US Army on May 26. After graduation, the Commissioning Oath was administered at Trophy Point by his father as his mother held the Bible and his sisters held the American flag.

Falmouth Congregational Church

(267 Falmouth Road, Falmouth, 781-3413)

invites all to their monthly

Coffee House

Enjoy a specialty coffee and snack while listening to

Married with Chitlins

Accoustical duo performing Traditional American music, old-time country & blues and Celtic reels & jigs.

Doors open at 6:30pm - Bring your friends and neighbors for a relaxed evening out. All welcome! Refreshments. Free, but donations accepted.

Please pray for our Bishop search process!

God of grace, we give you thanks for all of the blessings of our common life and ministries as the Episcopal Diocese of Maine, and for our leaders who are guiding us through this season of change. Grant to the Discernment and Transition Committees open hearts, minds, and spirits as they receive the Holy Spirit's gifts of faith, hope, and love to aid their work. We ask also that you send courage and vision to our next bishop of Maine as she or he discerns your call. In the name of Christ. **Amen.**





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

Happy July Birthdays to:



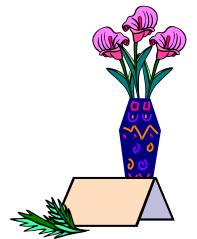
1	Caitlyn Becker	11	Tom Donaldson		
1	Andrea Smith	11	Maureen Hale	20	Mary Hyland
1	Aaron Splint	11	Doug Pride	20	Lincoln Stelk
2	Marcia Willock	12	Thomas Fast	20	Julia Stinneford
3	Mark Diamond	12	Nick Horton	21	Ella Buchanan
3	David Robinson	12	Raughley Nuzzi	21	Sarah Delaney
4	Tim Follo	13	Max Orestis	24	Jamie Akers
4	Bill Gowen	14	Sean Burke	24	Cameron DeSorbo
4	Jim Stoddard	14	Ron Frye	25	George Holt
6	Ike Kiely	14	Charlie Hurdman	25	Allie Wilkes Matthews
6	Gibson Wilkes	17	Hannah Kiely	26	Will Rana
8	Peter Stegemann	17	Susan Nolde	29	Johanna Frissell
9	David Chadwick	17	Laura O'Neill	29	Maggie Gardner
9	Chris Hurdman	18	Amanda Henson	29	Ally Swaney
9	Tom LaPlante	19	Joanne Varga	31	Hope Duchin

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 July Anniversary wishes to:



1	Kathryn & George Street
9	Jessica & Peter Kenlan
12	Ann & Robert Wood
14	Nancy & Vinny Licata



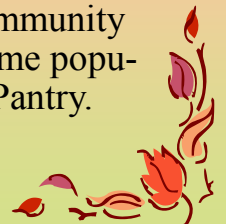
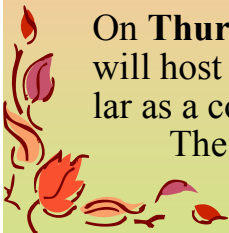
Save the Date!

Harvest Community Dinner to benefit The Falmouth Food Pantry

On **Thursday, October 18, 2018**, Falmouth's churches and the Jewish community will host the eleventh annual Harvest Community Supper, which has become popular as a community get-together and a way to support the Falmouth Food Pantry.

The free roast turkey supper with all the fixings will be served from

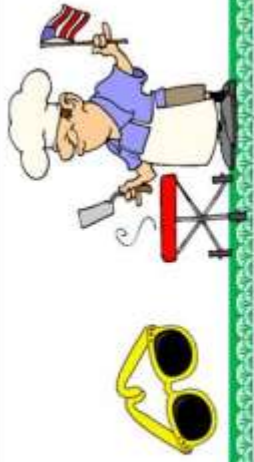
4:30 to 7:00pm at the Falmouth Congregational Church on Falmouth Road. See you there!!



The Episcopal Church of Saint Mary Worship Leader Schedule: July - August 2018

N+ here: Jul 1 & Jul 8	8am Ushers	8am LM/Lectors	9:30am Ushers	9:30am Lector	9:30am Euch Minister	Altar Guild	Altar Flowers	Flower Delivery	Coffee Hour Host
1-Jul	Len T	Mary Ann M Becky	Tom L	Dawn Y	Maggie G	Mary S	Melissa	The Stoddards	OPEN
6 Pent, P8	Jim P		Jack H		Jim Stoddard	Portia H			
8-Jul	Dave F	Greg Unfricht	Mark B	Linda Eaton	Stan Eaton	Janet B	Jana & Nece	The Hortons	OPEN
7 Pent, P9	Baer C		Ron F		Terry Brown	Katie P			
15-Jul	Al A	Len Taylor	Aaron S	David Robinson	Andrea M-H	Jana B	Jan	Ruth Kimball	OPEN
8 Pent	Charlie H		Chuck H		David Robinson	Mary L			
22-Jul	Ed A	Lad Taylor	Ryan S	Nadine Timberlake	Nadine T	Tricia	Helga	The Stoddards	OPEN
9 Pent	Rayle A		Tom L	Maggie	Jim Stod	Kathy G			
29-Jul	Jim K	Becky Pride	Jack H	Ginny Stelk	Stan Eaton	Tricia	Onnie	The Hortons	OPEN
10 Pent, P12	Len T		Aaron S		Maggie G	Maggie			
5-Aug	Jim P	Al Ahlers	Ron F	Jennifer Gregg	David Robinson	Portia	Maura	Ruth Kimball	OPEN
11 Pent	Dave F		Mark B		Terry Brown	Mary L			
12-Aug	Baer C	Mary Ann M	Chuck H	Marian McCue	Jim Stoddard	Mary S	Jana & Nece	The Stoddards	OPEN
12 Pent	Al A		Ryan S		Nadine Timberlake	Betsy E			
N+ returns 8/14	Dave F.								
19-Aug	Charlie H	Greg Unfricht	Tom L	Erin Ferrell	Andrea M-H	Betsy E	Onnie	The Hortons	OPEN
13 Pent, SMV	Jim K		Jack H		David Robinson	Barbara & Tricia			
26-Aug	Rayle A	Len Taylor	Mark B	Terry Brown	Terry Brown	Katie	Helga	Ruth Kimball	OPEN
14 Pent	Ed A		Ron F		Maggie G	Maggie & Portia			
2-Sep	Len T	Lad Taylor	Aaron S	Dawn Y	Nadine Timberlake	Mary L	Onnie	The Stoddards	OPEN
15 Pent	Jim P		Chuck H		Andrea M-H	Kathy G			

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



July 2018

The Episcopal Church of Saint Mary



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
7/1 6th Sunday after Pentecost Fr. Nathan presiding 8am Contemplative Eucharist 9:30am Choral Eucharist & Holy Baptism	7/2 12 Noonday Prayer	7/3 7am-9am BNI in Aud. 9:30 Art Group in Aud Wisdom Seekers is taking a July break 12- Noonday Prayer 1pm- Staff meeting 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AlAnon (6:30 beginners)	4 Independence Day Office Closed 12 Playwhere you are 	5 Office Closed 12 Playwhere you are Chapel Eucharist is on summer break	6 Office Closed 12 Playwhere you are 5:30pm AlAnon	7
8 7th Sunday after Pentecost Fr. Nathan presiding 8am Contemplative Eucharist 9:30am Choral Eucharist	9 10am- Garden Club in GR 12 Noonday Prayer Ferrell Family leaves for Equator - Safe travels!!	10 7:30-9am BNI 9:30-12:30 Art Group 12 Noonday Prayer 1pm Staff meeting ? 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AlAnon (6:30 beginners)	11 9a12h GC JC Workshop 9:30am Mainely Weavers 12 Noonday Prayer	12 12 Noonday Prayer	13 Office Closed 12 Playwhere you are 5-7pm Souper Supper 5:30pm AlAnon 7pm Classic Cinema 7pm Verdi Cordi Concert in Sanctuary	14
15 8th Sunday after Pentecost The Rev. Foris Hirschman presiding 8am Contemplative Eucharist 9:30am Choral Eucharist	16 12 Noonday Prayer	17 7:30-9am BNI 12 Noonday Prayer 1pm Staff meeting ? 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AlAnon (6:30 beginners)	18 12 Noonday Prayer	19 12 Noonday Prayer	20 Office Closed 12 Playwhere you are 5:30pm AlAnon	21
22 9th Sunday after Pentecost Pastor Sara D'Angelo White, presiding 8am Contemplative Eucharist 9:30am Choral Eucharist	23 St Mary Magdalene 12 Noonday Prayer July AVE deadline	24 7:30-9am BNI 12 Noonday Prayer 1pm Staff meeting ? 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AlAnon (6:30 beginners)	25 St James the Apostle 12 Noonday Prayer 6pm Vestry meeting	26 12 Noonday Prayer 6:15 Dowisers in GR	27 Office Closed 12 Playwhere you are 5-7pm Souper Supper 5:30pm AlAnon	28
29 10th Sunday after Pentecost The Rev. Tom White presiding 8am Contemplative Eucharist 9:30am Choral Eucharist	30 12 Noonday Prayer	31 7am-9am BNI in Aud. 12- Noonday Prayer 1pm Staff meeting ? 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 AlAnon (6:30 beginners)	8/1 9a12h GC JC Workshop 9:30am Mainely Weavers 12 Noonday Prayer 6:15pm ORI meeting	8/2 12 Noonday Prayer	8/3 Office Closed 12 Playwhere you are 5pm Wedding rehearsal 5:30pm AlAnon	8/4 5pm Carney Wedding



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Our Worship Schedule

SUNDAY Hours

8:00am - *Contemplative Eucharist*
9:30am - *C horal Eucharist*

MONDAY - THURSDAY

Noon Day Prayer in the Chapel
and wherever you find yourself



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Copy deadline August 2018 AVE July **20**

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