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WEEKEND SERVICES

Saturday 5:00 PM – Holy Eucharist–Rite II
Sunday 8:00 AM – Holy Eucharist–Rite II
Sunday 10:00 AM – Holy Eucharist–Rite II

WEEKDAY SERVICES IN THE CHAPEL

Tuesday
9:00 AM Holy Eucharist

SPECIAL UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept 1—Labor Day
Sept 8—Search Survey Opening Day



MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to spread the gospel of Christ in thought, word, and deed to our community and the world.



SEARCH COMMITTEE

The Survey Goes Live on Sunday, September 8th

Please join us for brunch on opening day

- ❖ We will have laptops available in the Parish Hall after the 8:00 and 10:00 AM services, along with brunch items. Committee members will guide you through this process.
- ❖ Every member of the parish who is 16 years of age or older is welcomed to complete the survey. We strongly urge you to complete the survey online, as this program automatically compiles the results.
- ❖ We will provide the link on our website, in the Correspondent, and in upcoming church bulletins.
- ❖ If you prefer to answer the survey on paper, it will be available in the Parish Hall. You can either bring the completed survey to church and put it in the collection plate or mail it to the church office at 262 Middle Road, Sayville.
- ❖ We ask that you consider all the questions prayerfully. For your answers to have the greatest effect on writing the Parish Profile, please submit your online or paper survey by **Deadline: October 1st**.
- ❖ Please contact any member of the Search Committee if you have any questions about the survey or any other aspect of the search for our new rector.

Yours sincerely,

Susan Kneepffler, Chair



Prayer for the Search Committee

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on St. Ann's, and so hear the prayers of the parish family as we look to you for guidance in our search for a new Rector. We pray that you will lead to us a faithful pastor, who will care for us and equip us for our ministries, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FROM THE EDITOR

Summer is over. But what a summer! I did not go on a big vacation this summer—I took a spring vacation earlier—but I still feel as though I’ve been traveling. In addition to enjoying the local scenery and visiting family in Connecticut, through the magic of Facebook I have enjoyed Switzerland, Wales, and South Africa through a slew of fantastic photos from traveling friends and family. In addition, I “traveled” to Korea and Japan while reading the book *Pachinko*; while reading *Little Fires Everywhere*, I met a woman and child with a mysterious past who settled in Shaker Heights, Ohio; and I went along as another family settled in Alaska—*The Great Alone*-- in the 1970’s in a town where there was a log fire for heat, no electricity, and you had to work all summer to store up enough food to last the winter. Grocery shopping was killing a moose, and a teenage girl was more likely to be wielding a chain saw than a cell phone. We are lucky. (For one thing, we have electricity!) Long Island generally has wonderful weather in the summer. If it gets too hot, we can go swimming or to an air-conditioned movie. We have wonderful beaches and restaurants. In one way, time seems slow in the summer. We move more slowly, relax more. But conversely, it also feels like the shortest season! You’re just about to settle into a relaxed way of life, when suddenly it’s time for school to begin or for clubs and organizations to start the new season of meetings. And then we’re on the move again. But we can always look back on those lazy days of summer and make plans for next year! --RMD



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A Word from the Interim Rector Father Hugh James



The Next Phase

Dear friends,

As you know I am here to be an interim priest -- one who serves between settled Rectors. The relationship between priest and people is a special one. Some people compare it to a marriage, and in some ways, it is very like that. During the interim we have an opportunity to move from one phase of our life to another.

First of all, the interim is a time to grieve: to say farewell to the previous Rector and to prepare for the next.

It is also a time for taking stock, a time to reflect on what kind of church we are, consider our priorities and ask the question what is God calling us to be and what is he calling us to do. We are asking questions: what kind of church are we becoming, what are our strengths and weaknesses, what kind of people are we? And then what qualities should we look for in a future Rector to help us become the people God is calling us to be: what qualities, abilities and interests should we seek in our next priest.

To help us do this, the search committee organized the Parish Summit a few months ago, and has prepared a questionnaire for us to complete. I would encourage you to complete this as it will help the committee to prepare the profile, which is important for the process to work smoothly and well.

The profile does two things: it tells our next Rector about us, and it helps possible candidates decide if they might be the appropriate people to apply. Getting the profile right is important. Unless we do it well, we will not attract the most appropriate candidates. It may seem to some that this process is taking a long time, but it is important to get this part right in order to proceed to the next stage of our life as a church.

With all best wishes,

Hugh James+

St. Francis Day – the Blessing of the Animals



SAVE THE DATE

Prepare your pets for the Blessing of the Animals on the Sunday closest to St. Francis' Day. This year it will be on:

Sunday, October 6th at 2:00 PM.

We will hope to see you in front of the church with your favorite pets when we gather to bless the animals!

Vestry Visions

How Does Our Garden Grow?

I have always loved the summer season, as it is the time of year when I can see the “fruits of my labor” in our yard, and especially in my backyard. My garden was once an unimpressive piece of property. Now, years later, we have a beautiful and well-defined backyard area, filled with plants, trees and shrubs that have been painstakingly planted and nurtured to create an oasis for us that blooms and really shows its beauty as it matures. I believe our parish family can be compared to that of our growing gardens. As time ticks on, our parish family continues to change and grow, and as we have changes on our horizon in our search for a new priest, we will flourish as we have before, with a little hard work.

As parish members, each of us have been called to help in whatever way we can, in the activities of the church. We don’t always see how that giving of our time, and talent, can help us in our own lives as well. There was one special group, called Moms and Tots, that enriched many of our lives, and I’d like to share our experience, in the hopes of inspiring parish members to sit back and contemplate how participating in something at church can change the direction of our lives in wonderful and mysterious ways.

When you become a parent, your world shifts, and you become keenly aware that you have to provide the best possible environment for your child to grow in, so that your child will thrive, much like your garden. The stresses of parenthood are many, and the support we provide to our children, as well as ourselves, help us to grow and “bloom”. Many young parents like myself felt very blessed to have the support of other young parents in a group called Moms and Tots, which was started for the purpose of nurturing our children, their young moms, and also to provide an opportunity to become stronger in our faith. I recently asked my friends, who have been my friends since we all met at Moms and Tots, to think about 2 questions:

- 1. What did you get out of the program, at that point in your life, and how has the program impacted your life, to date?*
- 2. How has your children’s participation impacted their life?*

I received a response from Karen Tampellini that brought me to tears, because she expressed so well how we all felt about the program then, and even now. I have her permission to share her responses with you all, and hope you feel the emotional attachment we have developed toward each other, and St. Ann’s and our faith, as a result of getting involved in this program. The following was her response:

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	Wardens:	2020 Nancy Koinoglou	2021 Thomas Honey
	Vestry:	2020 Donald Hester	Diane Miller-Magnani
		Patricia Osarchuk	John O’Neil
		2021 Ken Smyrk	Carol Ann St. Lawrence
		Wendy Schmittzeh	John Smith
		2022 Jackie Gandolfo	Jill Hughes
		Nicole LaFontaine	Constance Currie

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Moms and Tots was a powerful group in quiet ways and had a great impact on my life and my children's lives. When I started going to Moms and Tots, I was a stay at home mom looking for a play group for my daughter. Then before I knew it, I became the leader of this group.

As a teacher, I was happy to use my education and knowledge that I was trained to do. Little did I know I was going to get much more out of this group! Moms and Tots gave me lifetime friendships that I will always treasure. In addition, it also helped forge lifetime friendships for my two children. Even today, in this busy world when there is good news, sad news, or we just need to catch up, our families are there for each other, and it's been over 30 years now!

Spiritually I grew through our many Bible studies, being active in the church and giving back to the community as a group. Moms and Tots also brought new families from our community to our church. Moms and Tots gave me and my family an extended family, friends and more love in my heart for my church, St. Ann's.

In this busy world today, I believe we need more groups like Moms and Tots to keep us grounded.

Please know that the gifts you offer to the church in terms of time, talent and treasure, can often feel insignificant compared to how St. Ann's can enrich your life.

Gratefully,

Jill Hughes for the Vestry



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Thoughts from the Front Porch

Father Brian Barry



Back to School

Summer is sadly on the wane. School will be in session in just a few short weeks, and that is true not just for our youth and children at St. Ann's, but for myself as well. Most of you are aware that I will be starting a Masters of Sacred Theology in the fall at General Theological Seminary. This means that I will be reducing my hours at St. Ann's to part time. This means (unfortunately) that some of my work will have to be picked up by Father Hugh. In talking to Father Hugh, we discussed one mission that I am in charge of that not everyone in the parish may be aware of: our Monday Eucharist at the Bristol [Assisted Living Home] in Sayville.

Every Monday at 9:30 AM, St. Ann's holds an ecumenical service of Holy Eucharist at the Bristol. We have Christians of various denominations who gather in the cinema at the Bristol, to break bread and praise the Lord together. It is quite a mix; we have Roman Catholics, Episcopalians, Lutherans, Methodists, and other denominations all gathered together. When Mother Diane and I started this ministry, we had only six people who met in a small library at the Bristol. Over the past three years, we have grown to about 40 people. At some point along the way, Mother Diane turned the service over to me, so it has been my duty and my privilege to be able to serve the folk at the Bristol every Monday for the better part of two years.

I made changes to the service along the way. It is paperless except for the readings we hand out. Many of our seniors at this service are cognitively impaired, and have difficulty following a written service. Instead, it is call and response. In terms of how the service has grown, we moved from a small library to a cinema with theatre seating. We were aided in this endeavor by one of the aides at the Bristol, a man named Brian, who is a gifted evangelist and very passionate both about bringing people to Jesus and caring for the elderly. In this ministry, his two callings coincided, and we have seen massive growth because of his efforts.

It is my hope to continue to be in charge of this ministry, though given my reduced hours I may have to share it more with Father Hugh. Father Hugh keeps reminding me that I can't keep doing everything I have been doing, as I only have half the time in which to accomplish it. It's certainly a reality check for me. I am hoping in the next few *Correspondent* articles to spotlight the ministries we do at St. Ann's. Stay tuned!

Labors of Love



Thomas Merton, an American monk, writer and social activist, said, "It is in the ordinary duties and labors of life that the Christian can and should develop his spiritual union with God." As the United States observes Labor Day, may we find meaning not simply in marking summer's end but in celebrating the ways nearly all "duties and labors of life" can empower ministry and faith.

Whether as a dentist, parent, artist, teacher, mechanic, gardener, city councilor, farmer, day laborer, attorney or anything else, a Christian can begin each workday or shift by praying for opportunities to serve whoever they'll encounter. We also can pray for and seek ways to grow in "spiritual union with God": cultivating spiritual fruits; actively loving God and neighbor; seeing Jesus in the vulnerable; practicing humility, gratitude and praise.

In Labor Day, may we find inspiration to make all our labors loving and faithful

THE Thrift Shop

By Elsie Flanagan

The weather will be cooling down and the trees will start showing fall colors very soon and we have started the necessary changes at the Thrift Shop. Starting with the second week of August all department's prices dropped to 50¢; the third week of August they dropped to 25¢!

What a boon that was for all of our customers! A lot of customers were shopping for the new school year and they welcomed the savings. The last week of August we closed and our volunteers completely emptied any racks that still had clothes on them and bagged them for donation to the Veterans Association (who is the recipient of our overflow). We all had our list of who and what would be brought up from our basement storage for Fall and Winter. When we opened the doors again in September all of our racks had sweaters, fall jackets, suede and closed toe shoes, heavier sweatshirts, and our Fall and Holiday Shelves have Halloween and Christmas items. Everything was well organized as all of us scurried up and down the stairs, tagged and priced and hung clothing for each department. It is tiring work but we have all been doing it for so many years we are like one well-oiled machine!



Next Senior Luncheon Tuesday, October 1st

The Senior Luncheon will kick off the Fall Season with a luncheon on Tuesday, October 1 at 12:00 noon in the Parish Hall.

Father Hugh will be the speaker on the topic "How on Earth Did I Get Here?"

All seniors are welcome, but please bring a donation for the Food Pantry

A Taste of Heaven

When an admirer asked renowned pianist Vladimir Horowitz how he could play so beautifully, he's said to have replied that anyone could play the notes, but the true music lay in the pauses between them. The same can be said of life.

Rabbi Evan Moffic (*Shalom for the Heart*) writes, "It is in the pauses — the rests, the spaces in between — that meaning is made and that holiness is felt." Nowadays we keep so busy there's hardly a pause or space in our day.

"But that's not the way God created us [or] the world," Moffic continues. "God worked, then rested. God created, then paused. ... Thus, our Sabbath is the day when we can marvel at the beauty of the world God created. It is the day we enjoy what the ancient sages called 'a taste of heaven.' It is a day when we stop thinking about the *what* of life and remind ourselves of the *why* of life."

***Fourth Wednesday* Lunch & Meditation**

Peg Costanzo has started a Prayer and Meditation group which meets at her home in Patchogue on the Fourth Wednesday of each month at 12-Noon. It starts with lunch (bring your own bag lunch) and some conversation. After lunch there is a Bible reading and a few minutes of meditation, followed by discussion. Great for relaxing and dealing with stress! The September date is:

SEPTEMBER 25th

We hope you can join us!

Peg's Phone Number: 631-289-4689



From Trials to Triumphs



British evangelist Smith Wigglesworth (1859-1947) was impoverished and illiterate during childhood. He also stammered, which embarrassed him greatly. When he married a Salvation Army preacher, she taught him how to read using the Bible.

Wigglesworth recognized that all the adversities he'd faced were key to his ministry's effectiveness. "Great faith is the product of great fights," he said. "Great testimonies are the outcome of great tests. Great triumphs can only come out of great trials."



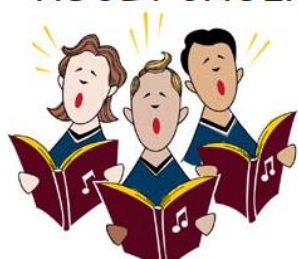
New Driveway

Work has been done on repairing the outreach driveway (across the street from the church). There has been some disruption, but you can reach the Food Pantry, the church offices, and the Thrift Shop through the parking lot until the work is finished.

VIEW FROM BEHIND THE POLE

CHOIR BEGINS AGAIN!

ADULT CHOIR



Adult Choir will resume on
Tuesday, Sept. 3 at 7:00 PM

Youth Choir will resume on
Tuesday, Sept. 10 at 6:00 PM
(Pre-K – 6 are welcome!)

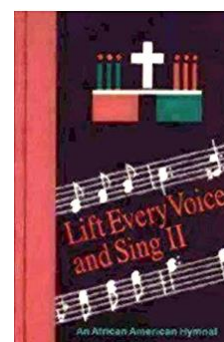
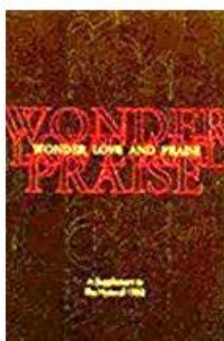
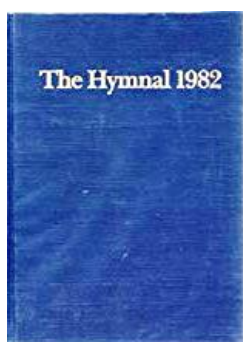


Any questions, please see Kathy Senese or call her at the church at 631-589-6522.

THOUGHTS ON CHURCH MUSIC

Music is integral to the worship and community life of St. Ann's Church. It does not replace, but enhances the worship experience. While no one can define how music transforms our communal worship life, no one can deny that it happens. Whether it is the quietest chant, or most triumphant anthem, music can do what ordinary words remain powerless to do: it reaches deep into our soul and moves us.

While we highly value the contribution of the Choir's anthems to our worship, we also believe in the power of congregational singing, and we hope that we can inspire members of the congregation to sing along during the hymns. We use the *Hymnal 1982* as our primary musical resource, but on occasion draw from other sources as well, including *Wonder, Love and Praise: a Supplement to the 1982 Hymnal* and *Lift Every Voice and Sing* (familiarily known as "Levas"). All three of these books can be found in the pews.





Dear friends,

Over the last week[s], our nation has suffered mass shootings in Texas, Ohio and California along with dozens of other deadly shootings across the country.

Earlier this week, Washington National Cathedral asked the nation to look inward at our tolerance for hateful and racist rhetoric. I do so again, asking, how long will we tolerate this epidemic of gun violence?

I say this as someone who is myself a gun owner. I grew up with guns, bird hunting and target shooting with my family – activities that I still engage in to this day. This can't be an argument between those for and against gun ownership. The number of shootings in our country is obscene. The fact that we fail to do anything substantive to reduce these kinds of tragic incidents is negligence.



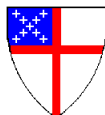
And to my fellow gun owners, thinking that the right to own guns in America means that we cannot take significant steps to reduce gun violence is both selfish and deadly.

It is absurd to suggest that eliminating military style assault rifles and extra capacity ammunition clips or requiring universal background checks will lead to the government taking away all our guns. These are fears stoked by a gun lobby that values the desire to own such weapons over the well-being of the community.

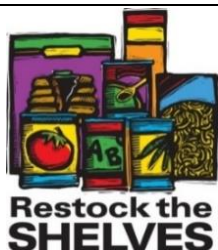
We must also address a culture where hate is all too present in our national dialogue. The specific motives of [the El Paso and Dayton] shootings are still under investigation. However, seeing deeply troubled individuals driven by anti-immigrant and white supremacist sentiments seeking to make their point with deadly force is not a consequence we should tolerate.

As a person of faith, prayer is always central to my life, but the act of prayer is not an excuse for the lack of substantive action to address gun violence. If we value the lives lost, do not let these shootings further numb us. Let them drive us to create change and finally take steps to eliminate these mass killings.

Faithfully,
The Very Rev. Randolph Marshall Hollerith
Dean, Washington National Cathedral



NOTES



**Restock the
SHELVES**

OUR DAILY BREAD

Monday & Thursday, from 10:00 AM -12:00 Noon
The food pantry is especially in need of these supplies.

**Canned Meats * Soup * Chili * Peanut Butter * Jelly
Fresh Vegetables**

Of course, cash donations allow us to shop for needed items.

Sign up for the Sunday Coffee Hour...one of the easiest ministries at St. Ann's! It takes only a couple of hours – once or twice a year! -- and makes so many people happy! Many hands make light work, so if we all take a turn it will be easier for everyone.

Just bring some milk and your favorite breakfast foods to share! Thanks for your help!



Peanut Butter & Jelly Ministry

If you would like to donate to the PBJ Ministry, the things we are currently in need of are:

Sneakers * Sweatshirts * Sweatpants * Leggings * Backpacks * Dark color socks
Shampoos * Soaps * Deodorant * Toilet Paper * Prepackaged Tuna or Chicken Salad



VOLUNTEERS

We have many volunteers at Saint Ann's, who help run and staff our various ministries. Some you see up front, but there are a number of volunteers behind the scenes, polishing silver, folding bulletins, giving someone a ride to the doctor's office, sorting donated clothing in the Thrift Shop, and other low-profile jobs. Some of those who volunteer are not even members of our church, but they are willing to put in the time to keep our ministries running smoothly. All of our volunteers deserve a big THANK YOU! The church wouldn't be able to do what it does without you!



SEARCH COMMITTEE

IN CASE YOU FORGOT...

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14	John & Theresa McGee	21	Philip & Elise Alloy	27	Don & Cathy Baker
	William & Stephanie Streek		Scott & Nancy Leuly	31	Michael & JoAnn DaSilva
15	Francis Jr. & Irene Bodkin		David & Whitney O'Donnell		



3	Frank & Deanne Madigan	11	Paul & Caryn Wells	20	Sally Stoll-DePompeo & Philip DePompeo
4	Hewlett & Kathleen Krakaur	12	John & Theresa Smith		
5	Rick Magnani & Diane Miller-Magnani	18	Frederick & Muriel Herold	25	Luis & Kathleen Vazquez
7	John & Christie Strecker	19	Henry Lemanis & Joanne Festa	29	Charlotte Hlavac-Maass & Michael Maass
8	David & Nicole Rey	22	James & Patricia Romeo		



2	Leo Chung	11	Eileen Fitzpatrick	21	Cheryl Waters
	Lucas Chung		Gary Schaum	22	Peter McGorty
	Gavin Lico		Andrew Schultz	24	Aline Koinoglou
	Samara Madigan	12	Philip Alloy	25	Bob Flanagan
	Philip Rascona	13	Kateri Sanseviro	26	Louis Dadabo
4	Gia Patrovich	14	Thomas Clarke Jr.	27	Nicholas Arena Jr.
5	Kristin Greves		Kevin Mattimore		Sloan Rivas
7	Trevor Hennessey	14	Layla Rey	29	Lily Dadabo
	Erin Hynes	17	Charles Romano		Joseph Ferzola
8	Lauren Rascona		Adam Shelton		Linda Koso
10	Carole Elton	18	Sam Acierno	30	Donald Hester
	Ellen Garofolo	19	Charlotte Acierno	31	Scott MacDonell
		20	Elise Alloy		Reina Vasquez



1	Natalie Kudlek	6	Alia Richards	19	Emily Lico
	Darroll Meyer		Grace Torgersen		Kenneth Smyrk
	John Strecker	9	Madison Espinoza	23	Peter O'Connell
	Butzy Van Wyen	9	Karen McGorty	24	Abigail Streek
2	David Rey	12	Michael Patrovich	25	Julia Magnani
3	Margaret (Peg) Costanzo	13	Nicholas Laffin	26	Jeffrey McLeer
4	Mary Ann Costanza		Shirley Slavik	26	Laura Sanchez
	Salvatore Greci	14	Elijah Koso	27	Fiona Rivas
	Christian Hagenlocher	19	Robert Britts	29	Patrick O'Donnell

Our Church History



By Connie Currie

❖ The Garden of the Unforgotten

Elena St. John
Erastus Root St. John
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Elena St. John Private services were held on a Monday in late July of 1961 for Mrs. Elena St. John, age 73, wife of Erastus Root St. John, of 272 Foster Avenue, Sayville. Mrs. St. John died on July 15th at the South Shore Convalescent Home, Patchogue, after long illness. The St. Johns had lived in Sayville for many years. Burial was in St. Ann's Cemetery.

Erastus Root St. John Private services were conducted for Erastus St. John who died December 26th, 1961, in the terminal building at MacArthur Airport, where he was employed as an executive with Central Aviation. The Reverend Mr. Bond, Rector Emeritus of St. Ann's Episcopal Church in Sayville, officiated at the services at St. Ann's Cemetery.

Mr. St. John, 82 years of age, was a resident of the Delevan on Foster Avenue. He was survived by two brothers, John T. of Rochester and Harry W. of San Mateo, California, and a sister Miss Maria St. John of Rochester. He was laid to rest next to his wife Elena.

A Prayer for Neighborliness



O God, we pray for a broader vision of the needs of humanity, and a deeper compassion to fill those needs; for a planting of the seeds of concern for all humanity in our hearts; for a tapping of the wells of generosity. May we live together as people who have been forgiven a great debt. May we be gentle, walking softly with one another. May we be understanding, lest we shall add to the world's sorrow or cause to flow needless tears. May we be as anxious for the rights of others as we are for our own. May we be as eager to forgive as we are to seek forgiveness. May we know no barriers of creed or race or sex, that our love may be like Yours — a love that sees all people as Your children and our kin. May we be ministers of humanity. —**Peter Marshall**

“You aspire to great things? Begin with little ones.” —St. Augustine



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AROUND SAINT ANN'S Monthly Schedule

See Correspondent pages and Bulletin for changes/cancellations.

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Sundays

8:00 AM—Holy Eucharist
9:00 AM---Sunday School
10:00 AM—Holy Eucharist
7:30 PM—AA Meeting

Mondays

10:00AM—12:00 PM Food Pantry
6:00 PM—Vestry Meeting—Sept 9
6:30 PM—Mission & Outreach—Sept 16
8:00 PM—AA Meeting

Tuesdays

8:00 AM—Men's Group
9:00 AM—Holy Eucharist
6:00 PM—Children's Choir
7:00 PM—Adult Choir

Wednesdays

9:30 AM—12:00 PM Operation Hope
10:00 AM-3:00 PM—Thrift Shop Open

Thursdays

10:00 AM—AA Meeting
10:00 AM—12:00 PM Food Pantry
10:00 AM-3:00 PM—Thrift Shop Open
8:00 PM—AA Meeting

Fridays

12:00-3:00 PM—Thrift Shop Open

Saturday

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5:00 PM—Holy Eucharist



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For skies of couple-colour as a brindled cow;
For rose-moles all in stipple upon trout that swim;
Fresh-firecoal chestnut-falls; finches' wings;
Landscape plotted and pieced — fold, fallow, and plough;
And all trades, their gear and tackle and trim.
All things counter, original, spare, strange;
Whatever is fickle, freckled (who knows how?)
With swift, slow; sweet, sour; adazzle, dim;
He fathers-forth whose beauty is past change:
Praise him.*

—Gerard Manley Hopkins

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