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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
 Sunday 11:30 AM – Holy Eucharist–Rite I

WEEKDAY SERVICES IN THE CHAPEL

Tuesday 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist
 Wednesday 12:00 Noon Holy Eucharist

SPECIAL UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan. 18—Annual Meeting
 Jan. 21—Blood Drive in the Parish Hall

MISSION STATEMENT

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



Start the New Year by Giving the Gift of Life!

SAINT ANN'S 2ND ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE

- Wednesday, January 21, 2015, between 2:00 PM and 8:00 PM.
- In the Parish Hall.
- Any person, ages 16-75, weighing at least 110 pounds, who is in good health and who has not donated blood in the past six weeks.
- Sixteen-year olds must have an official Blood Drive Permission slip signed by a parent.
- Adults over the age of 76 must have a note from their physician that they are able to donate blood.
- All donors must provide photo ID.



St. Ann's Episcopal Church January 18, 2014



Pursuant to the Canons of the Episcopal Diocese of Long Island and the Religious Corporation Laws of the State of New York, notice is hereby given of the Annual Meeting of St. Ann's Episcopal Church, Sayville, New York, at 11:30 AM on Sunday, January 18, 2014.

FROM THE EDITOR

It's the beginning of a new year, and all around us we see and hear wishes of "Happy New Year!" But as we start another year in hopeful anticipation, is being happy what we really want? If by being happy we mean feeling good and having fun all the time, apparently that's not even healthy! An article in *The Atlantic* reports that people who are generally happy but have little-to-no sense of meaning in their lives have the same gene expression patterns as people who are enduring chronic adversity. We certainly don't want that! However, if being happy means giving meaning to your life by contributing to others or to society, then you are on the right path. C. S. Lewis has said, "Don't let your happiness depend on something you may lose." True happiness is achieved by the experiences of helping others and finding passion in making the world a better place than it would have been if you had not passed through.

I suspect we may have a high percentage of happy people at Saint Ann's. In the past year we have seen our outreach increase in ways we may not even realize. I hear amazing stories from the Thrift Shop—not only about how they help customers, but how the workers—many from the community and not necessarily from Saint Ann's—find meaning in their work there. Especially over the holiday season people have worked so hard to make sure that the food pantry is full, that people in our community have a good Thanksgiving dinner, that gifts are available for all children, that beautiful music is shared with the community, the trees... There are too many examples to include them all here. Giving of yourself doesn't necessarily mean dedicating a wing of a hospital...sometimes it's giving blood, raising children you can be proud of, sharing your talents in the choir or Sunday School, visiting those who can't get out, fixing coffee for the Coffee Hour, or taking the time to say hello to those new people who came to church for the first time last week.

So do yourself a favor in 2015. Find ways to reach out. Put meaning into your life. You'll find you've never been happier—or healthier!

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THE RECTOR'S CORNER



EXACTLY WHAT IS THE SEASON OF EPIPHANY?

Dear Parish Family,

What does Epiphany mean and what is the season of Epiphany all about? I get this question quite a lot, and here are the answers!

The Epiphany, is one of the seven principle feast days of the church, and is celebrated on January 6th. The Epiphany commemorates the manifestation of Christ to the peoples of the earth, and it is on the day of the Feast of the Epiphany the arrival of the magi to worship the baby Jesus is celebrated.

The actual season of Epiphany can be four to nine weeks long, running from the Feast of the Epiphany through the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday; the length of the season varying according to the date of Easter. During the season of Epiphany the gospel stories we hear describe the various events that manifest the divinity of Christ; such as the Baptism of our Lord which is always observed on the Sunday after Epiphany. Other gospels describe the wedding at Cana of Galilee where Jesus performed his first miracle by turning the water into wine, the calling of the disciples, and various other miracles and teachings of Jesus. The Last Sunday after the Epiphany is always devoted to the Transfiguration of Jesus, where Jesus' true identity is revealed to Peter, John and James on the mountaintop.



During this sacred season of Epiphany, watch with great vigilance for Christ's presence around you. I pray that Christ will be made known—manifested—in you, and I pray that your soul will be touched by the gospel passages, and your heart warmed by Christ's presence in your life.

Blessings,

Mother Diane+



To Linda Hay, Our Parish Administrator

Linda went off to Ohio to see her new grandson and fell sick. She has been recovering for several weeks and is sorely missed at Saint Ann's office—both personally and professionally! We hope Linda is feeling better, and we send prayers for healing and a quick recovery.

Vestry Visions

There are so many aspects of being on the vestry. You really can feel the pulse of our church. The span of discussions goes from the business and financial workings to what to serve for the meal at the Annual Meeting...or what temperature the physical plant is kept at to discussing new albs...some of them possibly dating back to Rev. Joseph Bond, the second minister to serve St Ann's.

On the financial side, let me act like Pinocchio's Jiminy Cricket and remind you who haven't yet pledged, that it is never too late to make a written commitment (consider this a reminder if you haven't made a pledge for 2015 yet ... blank ones are at the back of the Church). This really helps the Vestry with a more certain expectation of the income it has to plan its operations. While the act of tithing, or giving 10% to the Church, may not be feasible for all of you, you can be proud that we, as a congregation, do tithe to support the Long Island Diocese and the National Church. We have already approved a budget for the coming year and thank all of you who have made a commitment. We hope those who haven't will still do so. We are proud to have been able to reduce our annual budget deficit, with approximately half of the congregation pledging so far. We are definitely moving in the right direction!

We discussed the falling attendance at morning Mass held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Perhaps changing the time they are available for "two or three to gather " might help increase attendance. We suggested that besides Tuesday mornings the other weekday services be consolidated to a noon service as an experiment for those who work in the area and can't do mornings but may want to participate around lunch time. Mother Diane will be experimenting with a noon time mid-week Mass on Wednesdays.

Have you ever wondered about the "person" behind the name carved on the tombstones in the cemetery? We discussed the idea of getting copies of the obituaries and perhaps a photo of the deceased before they were. Connie Currie is working on this. Do you have this information for some of your loved ones?

You may not have noticed but there have been some changes to the heating system. The new boilers shook loose some rusty sediment and all the radiators in the Parish Hall recently got their innards flushed which should make the Parish Hall more comfortable. Some of the valves that ran the old system are no longer available and the church and lower Parish Hall should now be the same temperature with the updated system, which eliminated the valves completely. You can now listen to the Church bells pealing without the accompanying CLANG of the heating valves opening. We are definitely catching up on some long deferred maintenance!

This is just a brief list of some of the topics on the agenda. Remember we on the Vestry are your elected representatives. Let us hear from you about your wishes, concerns and even your complaints so we as a whole can keep growing and improving.

Prayerfully yours,

Don Hester for the Vestry

	Wardens:	2015 Ernest DeWitt	2016 Nancy Koinoglou
	Vestry:	2015 Constance Currie Laura Sanchez 2016 Jackie Gandolfo John O'Neil 2017 Donald Hester Thomas Honey	Pat Osarchuk Kenneth Smyrk Jill Hughes Charles Vallillo Diane Miller-Magnani Christie Strecker

Stewardship REPORT	Actual YTD November 2014	Budget to Date	Difference	Percent Variance	 Tom Munkelwitz Treasurer
INCOME					
Plate	4,914.80	9,166.67	(4,251.87)	54%	
Regular Giving	153,874.54	183,333.33	(29,458.79)	84%	
All Other Income	320,553.13	158,572.44	161,980.69	202%	
TOTAL INCOME	479,342.47	351,072.44	128,270.03	137%	
TOTAL EXPENSES	507,741.23	534,367.34	26,626.11	95%	
SURPLUS/DEFICIT	(28,398.76)	(183,294.89)	154,896.13	15%	

Are You Ready for the New Year?

It is a solemn thing to part company with the old year," said J.C. Ryle (1816-1900), the first Anglican bishop of Liverpool. "It is a still more solemn thing to begin a new one. All before us is uncertain; we know not what a day may bring forth, much less what may happen in a year."



Ryle offered this challenge for the days and months ahead: "Walk more closely with God, get nearer to Christ, seek to exchange hope for assurance. Oh that you may endeavor so to grow in grace every year, that your last things may be far more than your first, and the end of your Christian course far better than the beginning!"

Start With the Annual Meeting on Jan. 18!

Please come to the Annual Meeting on January 18th! Hear how we've been doing the past year. Learn the plans for 2015. Help elect a warden and five Vestry members. Enjoy a wonderful brunch!

Be an active member of Saint Ann's. Join us at this important meeting.

VESTRY ELECTION FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

The election of new Vestry members is one of the highlights of our Annual Meeting. Here is a list of names of the people who will be standing for election. Watch for biographies to arrive in your inbox in the next week.

4-Year Term

- Helen Houdek
- Wendy Schmittzeh
- Carol Ann St. Lawrence
- John Smith

1-Year Term

- Connie Currie



ASSOCIATE'S COLUMN

Father Jae Chung



Revealing Christ

In January, we will be entering a new Church season: Epiphany.

According to Richard Bucher, "The day of the Epiphany of our Lord is an important and ancient Christian holy day. Unfortunately, it is little understood and seldom celebrated by many American Christians and pales in comparison to the popularity of Christmas and Easter, for example."

Epiphany means "to reveal," or "to appear." St. Paul used this word as a verb, for example, in 2 Timothy 1:8-10: "God, who has saved us and called us to a holy life--not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time, but it has now been revealed through the appearing [*epiphaneia*] of our Savior, Christ Jesus, who has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel."



A Light to the Nations

Entering this joyous season for salvation, I would love to invite all to "remember" and "re-member" who we are, as the Church. As we all know, we are the Body of Christ. It means that Christ is to reveal himself through us. If our community cannot see Christ through us, there will unfortunately be no "epiphany" of the Lord in this community. Therefore, it is a great responsibility and graceful privilege to be the part of the Body of Christ to reveal the Savior in the world. In this wonderful season, I give thanks to God that Saint Ann's has been a part of revealing Christ in this community. I hope and pray that we can keep joyously declaring the appearing (*epiphaneia*) of Jesus Christ by loving one another in our parish and by stepping forward to welcome our neighbors in the name of Christ for our community.

God's richest blessings to all in the year of Lord's grace, 2015!

In God's peace, *Jae+*



Learning How to Listen

Christian philosopher Paul Tillich said, "The first responsibility of love is to listen." Yet in our fast-paced culture, truly listening to someone has become a lost art.

The intricate Chinese written character for the verb to listen offers wise insight about how to listen to people so they feel heard. The symbol is actually a combination of characters for *ears*, *eyes* and an *open heart*. Basically it reads, "I give you my ears, my eyes and my undivided attention." What a great image of being fully engaged during the act of communication!

James 1:19 offers two wise resolutions for the year ahead: Be "quick to listen" and "slow to speak" (NRSV). Practicing the skill of active listening is a much-needed way to minister to other people, serving as Jesus' "ears" in a hurting world.

Outreach

Saint Ann's Christmas Tree Ministry



Many thanks to the Tree Wise Men -- Tom Honey and Ed Neale -- and their families and all their helpers who helped move 800 Christmas trees in two weeks. Amazing how quickly that ministry goes! (Although I'll bet some of the time when it was cold or rainy, it seemed a bit longer). It's wonderful to think how many homes are decorated with Saint Ann's trees year after year. Thanks to all who sold and bought! A blessing to you and a blessing to Saint Ann's as well.

SAVE THE DATE!

Tuesday, January 20th



Seniors' Luncheon

A Seniors' Luncheon was held on Tuesday, December 20. The menu was chili, crusty bread, kale salad and various desserts. Kathy Senese led us in singing carols and seasonal music, including "The Twelve Days of Christmas" with participants acting out the twelve parts.

The next Senior Luncheon is coming up on Tuesday, January 20th at 12:00 Noon in the Parish Hall. (We don't have a program planned yet—but expect something fun!) Watch the bulletin board in the Parish Hall for a sign-up sheet. Bring your friends!

Dying to See Jesus

At age 20, George Ritchie fell gravely ill and was pronounced dead. Amazingly, he revived; he was convinced he'd had what some call a near-death experience. Ritchie's return to physical health left him longing so deeply to experience the Holy again that he prayed to die.

Some 15 months later, as an Army medical technician, Ritchie became consumed with the care of a particular patient. Then he had an epiphany, recounted in *Return From Tomorrow* (Chosen Books): "If I wanted to feel the nearness of Christ ... I would have to find it in the people that He put before me each day. ... in caring for [Jack] I had lost sight of myself; and in losing myself, I had discovered Christ.

"I wondered if we always had to die, some stubborn part of us, before we could see more of Him ... to stop trying to recapture that otherworldly vision of Jesus, and start looking for Him in the faces across the mess table."

With gladness we welcome all who have come to perform the drama of worship before God. Let us join hands and hearts in love and acceptance of one another.

for•give
/fər'giv/



- stop feeling angry or resentful toward (someone) for an offense, flaw or mistake.
- cancel (a debt)

We must develop and maintain the capacity to forgive. He who is devoid of the power to forgive is devoid of the power to love. There is some good in the worst of us and some evil in the best of us. When we discover this, we are less prone to hate our enemies.

—Martin Luther King Jr.

A Winning Pattern for the New Year

Some anonymous wise person penned the following directions for living without bringing pain to others or oneself:

You will never be sorry — for thinking before acting, for hearing before judging, for forgiving your enemies, for being candid and frank, for helping a fallen brother, for being honest in business, for thinking before speaking, for being loyal to God and the church, for standing by your principles, for refusing to participate in gossip, for holding your words when tempted to demean another, for not entertaining impure or hateful thoughts, for sympathizing with the afflicted, for being courteous and kind to all.

...from Mercy Center Ministries, Inc.

December 15, 2014

Dear St. Ann's Parishioners,

Thank you for the generous and wonderful donation you have made to Mercy this Christmas. We will have a Mercy Christmas on the 23rd at all three of the shelters. The girls will be overwhelmed as usual. They don't know what to do with the kindness, but the kids will be thrilled! We have so many older kids this year; typically we have babies who frolic in the wrapping paper and have no clue what is going on. The children this year will actually have memories of their experience here! I'm not sure what they make of the living arrangement, but I know they feel safe, and I know they like to be with the other children. I'm so grateful that community members like you understand how important it is to support us. I feel comfort knowing that others feel the same way about these young lives as we do. Thank you for remembering our needs and for taking such good care of us. We hope you too, have a wonderful Christmas!

Gratefully,

Briana Taylor, LMSW
Executive Director
Mercy Center Ministries, Inc.



VIEW FROM BEHIND THE POLE

Help!
I'm in \$! I ran over
Something # and now my
tire is b. I need a ♫ for
the phone. Do I need
to :|| any of that?

Only some will understand

JONES BRASS TRIO PLAYS ST. ANN'S

We were so pleased to have the Jones boys' brass trio with us once again on Christmas Eve. Conrad Jones (trumpet), now 25, and his 23-year old twin brothers Doug (tuba) and Gary (trombone) have been coming back to St. Ann's every year since they were young (though very musical) teenagers. Conrad now plays First Chair trumpet for an orchestra in Arizona. Doug and Gary are in grad school. Of course, they are better than ever.



Conrad, Doug, and Gary Jones



ST. ANN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER



The St. Ann's Choir invites the parish and
community for a pancake festival
February 17th - 5:00 to 7:00 PM
Please join us!
Free Will Offering



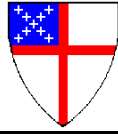
SAVE THE DATE!

The day before Lent begins, Shrove Tuesday—also widely known as Pancake Day-- is named for the "shriving" or confessing that was traditional on this day before Lent begins. The day is also known as Mardi Gras, or "Fat Tuesday," because it was a time for eating the things which one sacrifices during the 40 days of Lent. Pancake suppers are traditional as they were a way of using up some of the rich ingredients—butter, sugar, eggs (not to mention bacon!)--not to be eaten during Lent. Saint Ann's annual Pancake Supper will be held February 17th beginning at 5:00 PM. Please make plans to come and join us!



PLEASE NOTE THAT THE CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL LIST IN THE CHRISTMAS EVE BULLETIN WAS INCOMPLETE. AN ADDITIONAL LIST WAS INCLUDED IN THE BULLETIN THE FOLLOWING WEEK. THE COMPLETE LIST OF ALL CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS CAN BE FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE. →

Amparo, Alega	Michael Russell	<u>CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS</u>		
Col. Plenio Alega	William J. Slavik, Jr.	George Feary	Beverly MacDonell	Edwin & Hazel Savage
Adolfo Altomare	William J. Slavik, Sr.	Marjorie Hester Feary	David L. MacDonell, Jr.	Conrad Schaum, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Arena	Donald Smith	Andrew & Eva Federici	Sylvester & Lillian Mace	Herman Schlock
Frank Augusta	John & Sarah Smith	Elizabeth Field	Richard Mace	Arno Schollmeyer
James & Margaret Berry	Richard Smith	Leonard & Violet Field	Anthony J. Madalone	Maria & Jakob Schollmeyer
Agnes & Harry Britts	Matilda Thompkins	Richard B. Field	Charlotte Suckow Madalone	John Schroeder
David Britts	Penfield Thompkins	Ralph Forthman	Jill N. Madalone	Frances Schwartz
Kenneth Britts	Anton & Emma Thuma	Bill Frazer	Mark P. Maddox	Harold Seeley
Helen Brown	Carol Trauernicht	Clare & Charles Frazer	Al Madison	Salvatore & Jean Senese
Mary Cerveney	Orsola Wanser	The Funaro Family	Margie Madison	Ruth Sewalson
James W. Currie	Norma Whitby	Lt. Lewis B. Gaiser	Bobby Madison	Robert T. Shaw
John DeLuca	Tom Whilby, Sr.	Mabel & Ernest Gaiser	Ernest R. Maler, Sr.	Thomas & Dorothy Sheppard
Joseph DeSimone	Matthew Zis	Carmela Garofalo	The Howard Masin Family	Thomas H. Sheppard
Marie DeSimone	Philip & Lillian Alloy, Sr.	Arthur & Wilma Goddard	Margaret W. Maybury	Bailey Smith
John A. Emory, Jr.	Helen Baerenklau	John & Ruth Goodale	Carla Mendez	Elward Smith
Evans, Robert (FDNY)	Lillian & Gustav Baerenklau	Laurel Griek	Travis Michaud	Harold "Chuck" Sorenson
Philip Festa	Frederick & Lillian Bartlett	Lance Cpl. Jordan C. Haerter	Michael Milewski	Royal & Florence Stelling
Marie Festa	Lee Barrett	Andrew Hester	Ida Miller	Gen. Charles Stevenson
Galgano, Anthony M.	Julius F. Bartsch	Joseph F. Hester II	Abel Mingola	John Hughes Stevenson
Garry, BethAnn	Herman & Jennie Beebe	Barbara & Guy Hlavac	Philip P. Mingola	Mair Hughes Stevenson
Garry, Ruth	Rose Berretta	Albert & Georgiana Hlavaty	Prof. & Mrs. Mingovits	Bernice H. St. Lawrence
Gibson, Elizabeth Currie	Patricia & John Bjertnes	Percy & Grace Hoek	Rita Mirieder	Eugene & Beatrice Stoll
Gibson, Roland & Mildred	Bessie & George Blake	Richard A. Hoek	Charles Moline	H. Rodney Stoll
Goodale, Ruth	Helen Caitlin Bond	Ruth & Adrian Hoek	Ann Hutchinson Morrison	Harriet Stoll
Green, Isaac H.	Margaret & The Rev. Joseph Bond	Carol Horigan	Dorothy & G. Elliott Morrison	Henry Stoll, Jr.
Grodewald, Karl	Kathleen & Ralph Borzello	Lesley B. Hoyer	Agnes Morrow	Josephine Stejskal
John Hiscock	Shari Brewer	Clarence B. Hundgen	James & Florence Mulroy	John & Virginia Strecker
Patience Hiscock	Harold & Ada Brockway	Mildred Hundgen	Otto & Rose Nagel	Terry Strecker
Raymond Hiscock	B. Giles Brophy	Robert J. Hundgen	Matilda & J. Webb Nash	The Strube Family
Mathew & Mary Hoek	Shirley Lamm Brophy	Keith Hutchins	Bev Navratil	Frederick J. Suckow
Harold Howard, Jr.	Peter Brown	Frank & Barbara Jelinek	Margaret Nelson	Beatrice L. Tampellini
Harold Howard, Sr.	Bill & Trill Butler	Edith, Ivor & John Jones	Dorothy E. Nicholls	Brittany Lynn Tampellini
Marie Howard	Alice & Luke E. Closs, Sr.	Kay & Thomas King	Rosemary O'Brien	Walter J. Tampellini
Mary & Warren Kaiser	Patricia Morrison Coburn	Janice L. Kocherkevich	Chief Warrant Officer III	Keith Torgersen
Kelsey, Betty	Annie & William Colson	Elaine Knoepffler	Evelyn & Harry Olsen	Mary Trites
Thomas J. Kennedy	William Colson	Joseph & Caroline Knoepffler	Kitty & Harry Olsen	Andrew "Gump" Vanderborgh
Charles Kenney	Adrian & Helen Daane	Charles & Florence Kreamer	Michael M. Osarchuk	Andrew & Gertrude Vanderborgh
Ruth Kenney	Maryann Daredakis	Mildred & Rudolph Kucera	Walter O'Shaughnessy	John "Bud" Van Wyen
Jacques Leuly	Augustina Daredakis	Dr. Charles W. Laffin, Jr.	Adrian & Peggy Otto	John & Annie Van Wyen
Eugene Lotterhos	Andrew deLagarde	Dell T. Laffin	Harry M. & Ione E. Palmer	Vincent J. Venable
Ann, Laurie & Susan Lowe	Dolores deLagarde	Dorothy M. Laffin	Alice Goodale Palmer	Robert Verschure
Vincent Maggio	Edward deLagarde	Clarence LaFountain	Leonard F. Partiss, Sr.	Debra Vetter
Josephine Maggio	Muriel & Ken Dembinski	Clern F. LaFountain	Angelo Prisco	Elmer A. Vetter
Walter McComb	Helene & Edwin Dunham	Josephine LaFountain	Mary Prisco	Skylar Wallace
Charlotte O'Donoghue	Ned Dunham	Fred LeoBeffer	Ainsworth & Purchal Family	Grace Weigel
Max & Madeleine Perlman	Marie & Everett Dunkerley	Dorothy & Fred Lewis	Margaret Richards	Marjorie Wells
Helen & Walter Ports	Laura Eastman	Romayne & Edward Lyon	Richard Richards	Robert A. Webb
Clair Postmus	Robert B. Eberbach	Milored & James McCandless	Hannah Riker	William & Martha Webb
Howard Reeve, Jr.	William E. Eberbach	Mary McCorrmack	Jack Rodriguez	Patricia Wesely
Joyce and Harold Reeve, Sr.	Clarence & Lolo Edmunds	Richard McCorrmack, Sr.	Marion Gaiser Rosché	Lloyd Wheeler
Douglas Roller	Loved ones of the Fahey Family	Richard McCorrmack, Jr.	Aline Rothman	John H. Whitehouse
The Rev. Charles Whipple,	Lloyd B. Woodburn	The homeless who have died	Clare & Charles Frazer	Chief Warrant Officer
Ben & Florence Wierzbicki	Dorothy & Louis Young	during this past year	Bill Frazer	Fred Ledbetter III
Richard J. Winter	Kenneth E. Zegel	Kay and Thomas King		



NOTES

ALTAR GUILD & ALTAR SERVERS

There will be a training session for new Altar Guild members on Saturday, January 10, at 9:30 AM.

There will be a meeting for altar servers (acolytes, EM's, etc.) on Saturday, January 24, at 10:00 AM.

THRIFT SHOP



Children's coats are needed at the Thrift Shop! We have had folks looking for them, and we are not able to supply them. If you have any gently used children's coats or jackets – or if you feel you would like to donate a new child's coat or jacket—we will gladly receive them and match them up with the children who need them.



GIVING RECOGNITION TREE



A reminder: When you want to give a donation to St. Ann's to honor loved ones--living or deceased, your gift of \$500 may be acknowledged on a leaf on our Giving Recognition Tree in the Chapel lobby. Other options for larger donations are available. Contact the Church office for further information.

OUR DAILY BREAD

Monday & Thursday, from 10:00 AM -12:00 Noon



Looking for ideas for the Food Pantry? Besides the usual staples, try these items:

Spices * Socks * Chocolate * Feminine Products * Toiletries * Crackers/Tortillas * Canned Meats/Jerky * Soup Packets * Canned Fruit Other Than Pineapple

Of course, cash donations allow us to buy whatever is needed!

YOGA NOW ON THURSDAYS



On **January 8th** we will start the new year by having our Yoga sessions on **Thursdays**. If your New Year's Resolution is to get more exercise, come on down. The class begins at 1:30 and ends a little before 3:00 PM. All ages, both women and men, are welcome. Bring a non-skid mat and join us. **—Rodney Dudley**



ATTENTION, CEMETERY VISITORS!

Please be aware that when it snows only the main asphalt road of the cemetery gets plowed. The other gravel/dirt roads will be plowed only if needed to conduct services for a new burial. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause, but Spring will be here before you know it!

—Janet Croce, Cemetery Manager



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BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES LIST, PLEASE CONTACT THE
CHURCH OFFICE AT
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WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

6	James & Patricia Beedenbender	15	Kevin & Janet Adam	21	Anthony & Joan Palmieri
8	Charles & Barbara King	19	Roland & Lynne Russell	26	John & Carol Ann St. Lawrence
		21	Donald & Judith Hester		

BIRTHDAYS

1	Juancarlos Espinoza	10	Kyle Hughes	15	Jeneane Patrovich	23	Jenny O'Connell
2	Charles King	11	Kaylin Zeidler	16	Danielle Mueller		Stanley Thuma
3	Alissa Williams	12	Theresa McGee	17	Kevin Adam	24	Christie Clark
4	Trudy Nasta		Donald MacKenzie		Elizabeth Campbell	25	Sean Mattimore
	Oliver Rivas		Dorothy Benedict	17	Joseph Castelli		David O'Donnell
	Jennifer Rossi		Caitlyn Wolfe		Alberta Sawyer	26	Ryan MacDonell
5	Diane Miller-Magnani	13	Brian Chalmers	18	Eugene DeMott	27	JoAnn DaSilva
6	Robert Andersen		Janet Neale	19	Albert Dechen		Daniel LaPenna, Jr.
	Nancy Britts		Carol Ann St. Lawrence		Evan May	28	Michael DaSilva
	James Deegan		Ryan Lasko		Ryan Meinsen		Mary Ann Davis
	Barbara McGeary		Zoe Lasko	20	Sonja Greves		Angharad Rebholz
	Stephanie Streek	14	Evan Meinsen		Geraldine Hoek		Caryn Wells
8	Richard Mugno		Grant Richards		John St. Lawrence	29	Maryann Augusta
9	Thelma Thuma		Robert Sheppard	21	Andrea Sanseviro		Cassidy Weeks
	Steven Vander Borgh	15	Daniel Limoli	23	Dawn Fisher		Courtney Weeks
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Happy 100th Birthday!



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Our Church History



By Connie Currie

❖ The Garden of the Unforgotten ❖

CAPTAIN ERIC W. HORN

SECTION 23—LOT 8

CAPTAIN ERIC WALTER HORN, 37, died suddenly Wednesday, June 29, (1980's?) in Sayville. Although born in Bay Shore, Captain Horn was a lifelong resident of Sayville. He was a graduate of Sayville High School and Southampton College and was maintenance supervisor for the Sayville Ferries.

Captain Horn was survived by his wife Susan; his parents Herb and Gayle Horn of Santa Clara, California; and three brothers, Christopher of San Francisco, Gary of New Jersey, and Raymond of Pittsburgh.

The Reverend Robert Schwarz, Rector of St. Ann's, officiated at the service held in the Raynor & D'Andrea Funeral Home in West Sayville. Eric's ashes were later placed in St. Ann's cemetery.

At the age of 20 Eric was a ferryboat captain. He was taking the ferry "Beach Comber" to the Sunken Forest with a group of sixth graders from Huntington Little Plains Road School, when one of the students, Deborah Jones, was stricken with an appendicitis attack. Captain Horn notified the Base Radio who called the Park Ranger Station to be ready with the emergency boat. Captain Horn also spoke to the sixth grade class, asking for calm and silence. Ranger Ivan Tully raced the emergency boat across the Bay with the sick girl, who had to be carried from the ferry, to Sayville where the Community ambulance stood by. The ambulance took Miss Jones to Southside Hospital. Deborah told Captain Horn as he transferred her to the Ranger boat that she had had pains off and on all morning, but she did not want to miss the field trip to Fire Island.

As a young boy Eric was a Boy Scout. The troop often met beside the river next to St. Ann's. In memory of this and of Captain Eric, a memorial garden with benches for those who wish to sit and pray was placed by the river.

A Well-Balanced Church

The owner of a new puppy got a good laugh when the little dog, out for a walk, had an itch. The trouble was that the itchy spot was accessible only to a hind leg. So, while still walking, the pup tried to scratch and tumbled over, rolling a couple of times before coming to rest.

In several places throughout Scripture, the apostle Paul writes about the church as the body of Christ, and of the importance of each member. Just as the dog needed each leg to stay balanced while walking, so the church needs all the different God-given gifts of its members: preachers and teachers, friendly visitors, generous givers, musicians and singers, wise parents and imaginative children, people to produce and distribute meals, newsletters, lesson materials, and on and on.

When we start thinking that some part of Christ's body isn't necessary, we risk taking quite a tumble!

As Christmas gives way to Epiphany and 2014 to 2015, I place my life in your hands once more, dear Lord. Lead and guide me. Amen.

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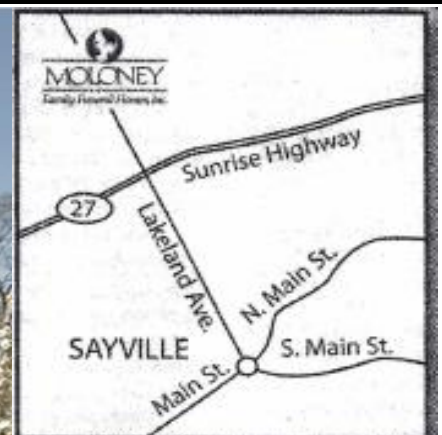
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The Legend of the Sand Dollar

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Of the birth and death of Jesus found in this lowly shell.

If you examine closely, you'll see that you find here
Four nail holes and a fifth hole, made by a Roman's spear.

On one side the Easter lily, its center is the star
That appeared unto the shepherds and led them from afar.

The Christmas poinsettia etched on the other side
Reminds us of his birthday, our happy Christmastide.

Now break the center open, and here you will release
The five white doves awaiting to spread good will and peace.

This simple little symbol, Christ left for you and me
To help us spread his Gospel, through all eternity.

-Author Unknown

AROUND SAINT ANN'S

Monthly Schedule

See Correspondent pages and Bulletin for
changes/cancellations.

Check out the website at
www.saint-anns.org

Sundays

7:00 PM—AA Meeting

Mondays

6:30 PM—EfM in the Littlejohn Building

7:00 PM—AA Meeting

7:00 PM—Vestry Meeting—January 12

Tuesdays

8:00 AM---Men's Group

6:00 PM Children's Choir Rehearsal

7:15 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal.

Wednesdays

7:00 PM—Youth Program in Littlejohn Bldg.

Thursdays

10:00 AM—AA Meeting

1:30-2:30 PM---Yoga Class

7:00 PM—AA Meeting

Friday

Saturday

9:30 Altar Guild Training—January 10

10:00 Altar Servers Meeting—January 24

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Whether you need help or can give help, call Gerry Hoek at 631-868-7278 for further information.

- (1) Prepare a meal for someone recovering from a recent illness or fall.
- (2) Drive someone to a doctor's appointment and bring them home.
- (3) Bring someone to church (perhaps once a month) if they are unable to drive.
- (4) Make a phone call to someone homebound just to let them know they are not forgotten.

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