

# The Correspondent

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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, Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist

#### SPECIAL UPCOMING EVENTS

July 4—US Independence Day July 19—Ordination to the Priesthood

#### MISSION STATEMENT

To the Glory of God, the family of St. Ann's Episcopal Church, in response to the promises made at Baptism and inspired by the Holy Spirit, strives to share Christ's Reconciling Love by our Witness and Ministry in Stewardship, Worship, Evangelism, Education, Pastoral Care, and Service.



# BISHOP VISITS ST. ANN'S DEACON JAE CHUNG TO BE ORDAINED PRIEST





By the Grace of God
The Right Reverend Lawrence C.
Provenzano, DD
Bishop of Long Island

will ordain

Jae Wook Chung
To the Sacred Order of Priests
in Christ's one holy catholic and apostolic Church
Saturday, July 19, 2014
at eleven o'clock in the morning

# St. Ann's Episcopal Church

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Your prayers and presence are requested Clergy: Red Stoles Reception follows

#### FROM THE EDITOR

While spending time on my computer, I often interact with a group called Episcopalians on Facebook. Individuals ask questions or present situations for others to discuss. One of the situations was this:

A well-known speaker started off his seminar holding up a \$20 bill. In the room of 200, he asked, "Who would like this \$20 bill?" Hands started going up. He said, "I am going to give this \$20 to one of you but first, let me do this." He proceeded to crumple up the \$20 dollar bill. He then asked, "Who still wants it...?" Still the hands were up in the air. "Well," he replied, "What if I do this?" And he dropped it on the ground and started to grind it into the floor with his shoe. He picked it up, now crumpled and dirty. "Now, who still wants it?" Still the hands went into the air. "My friends, we have all learned a very valuable lesson. No matter what I did to the money, you still wanted it because it did not decrease in value. It was still worth \$20. Many times in our lives, we are dropped, crumpled, and ground into the dirt by the decisions we make and the circumstances that come our way. We may feel as though we are worthless. But no matter what has happened or what will happen, you will never lose your value. Dirty or clean, crumpled or finely creased, you are still priceless to those who DO LOVE you. The worth of our lives comes not in what we do or who we know, but by WHO WE ARE. You are special--don't EVER forget it." If you do not pass this on, you may never know the lives it touches, the hurting hearts it speaks to, or the hope that it may bring. Count your blessings, not your problems.-Rodney Dudley

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## PASTORAL VISITATION

Dear Parish Family,

On June 22<sup>nd</sup> we had our pastoral visit from Bishop Provenzano; which included the confirmation / reception of eighteen people (nine youth and nine adults). What a joyful sight to see 226 people fill not only the church, but also the chapel and the lower Parish Hall! It was a very happy and spirit filled day at Saint Ann's.

During his sermon, Bishop Provenzano reminded us all that as Christians, we are called to love one another; not be judgmental of one another, and not be hateful or hate filled to brothers and sisters who differ from us in their ideas or their faith. This radical type of love is what is required of us as Christ's disciples in this world. This type of love is hard work, because it means loving people we might not even like: loving people who may not be our friends, but our enemies; loving those we would rather ignore than engage. This type of love means there is no division among any of God's children.

That is the mission of not only the church corporate, but here at Saint Ann's as well. The Holy Spirit is alive at Saint Ann's and we are on the cusp of new possibilities, new beginnings, and new ministries. As we embrace all of this, may we do so remembering the love Christ calls us to have in our heart and in our actions to all our brothers and sisters. And may God give us the courage to do it!

Blessings,

Mather Dianet

#### **Bishop Provenzano Appoints Mother Diane to Episcopal Health Services Board of Directors**

In June, Bishop Provenzano appointed Mother Diane to a three year term on the Board of Directors of Episcopal Health Services under the auspices of the Bishop and Diocese of Long Island. The board oversees the governing of operations for St. John's Episcopal Hospital and all affiliated institutions of Episcopal Health Services. We congratulate Mother Diane on her appointment!

# **Vestry Visions**

June was an extremely busy month for your Vestry. As you look across the street to the Burgess and Littlejohn buildings you will notice that the roofs on both have been replaced. New signs have been put by the road to alert everyone that the administrative offices will be located on that side. The old split-rail fence has been replaced. The grounds and buildings are really shaping up for the move that will hopefully take place by the end of July -- fingers crossed on that one!

We had a beautiful day for our St. Barnabas Day celebration. The new shade tents were a welcome addition to our barbeque luncheon. Thank you to all those who helped set up, cook, clean up and, of course, provided a small feast of delicious desserts and side dishes.

June 22<sup>nd</sup> saw 18 people either confirmed or received into our parish family by Bishop Lawrence Provenzano. We congratulation all of them and welcome them as full members of the Church. After a reception in the Parish Hall, the Vestry met with the Bishop in the Chapel.

Father John Jeffrey will continue to work part time at St. Ann's doing two Saturday evening services a month and one weekday service every week. He will also continue to chair our Outreach Committee. Father John Jeffrey will continue to reside in the Bayport residence as he accepts a Vicar position at St. Andrew's in Yaphank and St. Andrew's in Mastic Beach. We wish him well and are sure he will receive as warm a welcome in those two churches as he did here.

Deacon Jae continues with his Wednesday evening teen meetings. It is very encouraging to see the group increasing in numbers a little with each meeting. They are very excited planning events that include day trips and a retreat.

With summer here and everyone's focus on vacations and outdoor fun, please keep in mind that St. Ann's still needs your financial and spiritual support. Through the summer months we will continue to provide a 5:00 service on Saturday evenings, and an 8:00, 10:00 and 11:30 AM service on Sunday mornings. What better way to thank the Lord for this beautiful weather than inside the air conditioned church?

#### Jackie Gandolfo for the Vestry

FINANCIAL	Actual YTD  May 2014	Budget to Date	Difference	Variance	
INCOME					AR
Plate	2,593.89	4,166.67	-1572.78	-38%	Don't Forget
Regular Giving	72,981.85	83,333.33	-10351.48	-12%	Pleage:
All Other Income	138,769.42	72,078.38	66,691.04	93%	Tom Munkelwitz,
TOTAL INCOME	214,345.16	159,578.38	54,766.78	34%	Widnikerwitz,
TOTAL EXPENSES	243,482.27	242,894.24	-588.03	0%	Treasurer
SURPLUS/DEFICIT	-29,137.11	-83,315.86	54,178.75	65%	

#### CONFIRMATION 2014



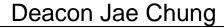
On Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, we at St. Ann's were privileged to have Bishop Lawrence Provenzano in our midst to Confirm / Receive nine youth and nine adults as new Episcopalians. We congratulate all and are so happy to have them as full members among us! There was a reception in the Parish Hall following the service.



CONFIRMED: Jack Adam, Victoria Barone, Jared Bergen, Ashley Byrnes, Kristin Greves, Cole Kraft, Ryan MacDonell, Alex Reksten, Samantha Rossi, Victoria Speicher. RECEIVED: Marlene Allegretti, Michelle Beale, Frank Costanzo, Christina Eid, Patricia Madison, Kathleen Silver, Marilyn Tartaglia, and James Tartaglia. [Photo: Janet Adam]



# **DEACON'S COLUMN**





# The Magnificat

One of my favorite canticles is the *Magnificat*, and I especially love the translation by Prof. McPherson at the General Theological Seminary where I graduated from:

My heart enlarges the Lord
My soul is overjoyed because of God who is my rescuer
In that he has seen the lowliness of his servant-girl.
From now on all clans will consider me happy
In that the mighty one has enlarged me
And his name is holy...

This translation mysteriously reveals the relationship between the enlargement of God and the enlargement of Mary's belly for conceiving *the impossible*. As a servant, a transitional deacon, I have experienced a lot of grace from God in this parish as Mary the blessed did. As a Korean-American who is not a native English speaker, I never imagined that I would be coming to a program-sized parish as a full time minister in a small town of Suffolk County. However, it really happened to me when I answered "Amen" to apply for the curacy position at St. Ann's. For the last five months, my experiences to magnify (enlarge) the Body of Christ, here at St. Ann's, have "enlarged" *priesthood* in me with the astonishing joy of all the parishioners who are happily expecting my next ordination on Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014. The ordination is not only for me, but also for all parishioners as well as all people in this Diocese. So, please feel free to join the service and celebrate it as a sacrament. (See details in the invitation on page 1).

I especially appreciate for the outstanding supervision and guidance of the rector, Mother Diane Britt, and for the nurturing and welcoming spirits of all the parishioners who gently guide me and happily observe the growth of priesthood in my life, here and now, at St. Ann's Episcopal Church.

In God's peace,

Tae



# Outreach

Often when we talk about living as a missionary, debate arises about whether we are to minister locally or go globally. The phrase *glocal Christians* means we're to be both local and global in our mission. Jesus lays down a challenge that isn't either/or but both/and.

Being *glocal* involves being aware of your surrounding community as well as your larger world, and then entering into it with the love of Jesus. God is already at work out there. Our job is simply to have our eyes open to see him and join in that labor.

As you and your church decide what part in God's story you're being asked to play, don't fall into the debate about whether it's in local ministry or global ministry. Be radical followers of Jesus in both.

-The Rev. Mike Paulson



ECW Scholarships Awarded

Congratulations to **JOSEPH DePOMPEO** and **JULIA MAGNANI**, two of our high school seniors who were awarded the annual ECW SCHOLARSHIP AWARD. All graduating seniors who attend St. Ann's are eligible for this scholarship, which is awarded by the ECW each year in June. The scholarship has to be applied for in the spring of the senior year of high school; Joe will be attending Bentley University in Waltham, MA, in the fall. Julia will be attending Northeastern University in Boston, MA



Joseph DePompeo



Julia Magnani

# Help Wanted

# DO YOU CROCHET?

The Unfinished Symph...er...Afghan

The ECW has a project for *someone* (it could be you) to finish an afghan for the annual fair. The "bones" of the afghan have been crocheted – nine strips of it – but it was never put together. The nine strips are all 96" long; four of them are 6.25" wide; and five of them are 10" wide. It is a lovely "Irish Knit" afghan that just needs someone to finish it.

If you know how to crochet and are willing to give this a try, see Flo Chase in the Thrift Shop. The unfinished afghan is being stored on a shelf there and awaiting its chance to keep someone warm next winter.

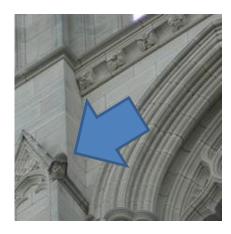


# Gargoyles and Grotesques



I'll bet you didn't know that there is a Darth Vader gargoyle at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C. although technically, it's not really a gargoyle but a grotesque.

Most of us have heard of gargoyles, which are on many European cathedrals and are meant to scare away evil spirits; but there is another way that gargoyles protect cathedrals. They are part of the drainage system



that carries water away from the building and prevents erosion. Therein lies the difference. Grotesques are decorative images that adorn the building but are not necessarily part of the drainage system. Gargoyles are grotesques with water spouts.

Darth Vader, who has been placed on the dark, north side of the cathedral, was designed by a 13-year-old boy, Chris Rader, in response to a contest ("Design-a-Grotesque") held by National Geographic.



The picture on the left is an example of a gargoyle, which, as you can see, is an elaborate water spout. On the right is an example of a grotesque, which is merely a decoration and serves no functional purpose (except, of course, for scaring away evil spirits).



This picture is a model of a gargoyle, which is also part of the decoration on the National



Cathedral. I bought it from their gift shop when I was visiting Washington, D.C. If you look closely, he is carrying a briefcase and wearing a suit—a businessman gargoyle if you will. And he is a gargoyle, as you can see that the water is meant to flow from his mouth. Even though cathedral architecture has an ancient history. the architects of the National Cathedral like to keep it relevant and up to date. -Rodney Dudley

If you want to read more, you can go to the website: http://gargoyles.cathedral.org/gargoyle/

## BEHIND THE POLE

St. Ann's Choir finished up the rehearsal season with - what else? -- a party on June 17<sup>th</sup> at the home of Christine Mulroy and Susan Knoepffler. The weather was perfect for an outdoor dinner in their beautifully landscaped garden. Partly catered and partly potluck, there was plenty of food with which to celebrate. The Choir finished its singing season at the end of June and will take the summer off, with rehearsals to resume in September. If you like to sing and enjoy a good party, think about joining us in the fall! [Photo: Laura Sanchez]





### Littlejohn Renovation Thanks to Tom Clark

Nancy and George Koinoglou and Ernie DeWitt would like to give a huge "Thank You" to Tom Clark. Tom has been helping us out over at the Littlejohn renovation, and we would be lost without him and all his hard work. He has been working so hard over there for us, putting in so much time even after working long hours at his regular day job.

Tom, we really appreciate all of your help -- thank you!!



#### A Nun Grading Papers

The following comes from a Roman Catholic elementary school test. Kids were asked questions about the Old and New Testaments. Their unretouched answers, including incorrect spelling, has been left in.

- 1. In the first book of the Bible Guinessis, God got tired of creating the world so he took the Sabbath off.
- 2. Moses led the Jews to the Red Sea where they made unleavened bread, which is bread without any ingredients.
- 3. The Egyptians were all drowned in the dessert. Afterwards, Moses went up to Mount Cyanide to get the Ten Commandments.
- 4. The first Commandment was when Eve told Adam to eat the apple.
- 5. The 7<sup>th</sup> Commandment is Thou Shalt Not Admit Adultery.
- 6. Moses died before he ever reached Canada then Joshua led the Hebrews in the Battle of Geritol.
- 7. David was a Hebrew king who was skilled at playing the liar. He fought the Finkelsteins, a race of people who lived in Biblical times.
- 8. Solomon, one of David's sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines.
- 9. When the three wise guys from the East Side arrived they found Jesus in the manager.
- 10. When Mary heard she was the mother of Jesus, she sang the Magna Carta.



"A little less shock, a little more glad to see me would be nice."





"Do you have one that says, 'Sorry my cell phone rang during your sermon'?"



#### **USHERS NEEDED!**

#### AN OPEN INVITATION TO ALL PARISHIONERS

We are extending an invitation to all parishioners to come join a rewarding ministry by serving at a Sunday Church Service. One hour per month is all that is required at a Mass which you may normally attend.



All who are interested in joining please contact the Church Office.

#### **OUR DAILY BREAD ~ VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We have several openings for volunteers to work in the Food Pantry. If you have just an hour or two a month, we can use your help! Food Pantry hours are Monday & Thursday, from 10:00 AM -12:00 Noon.

Of course, please remember our neighbors in need of food and bring in whatever non-perishable items you can for our Food Pantry. Monetary donations enable restocking of shelves when necessary. Thanks for all you do. –Lynette Schulz



#### **TUESDAY YOGA**

Now that summer is here, we have taken the opportunity to go outside from time to time by the gazebo. It's lovely to be out in the warm weather and feel the breeze. We meet each Tuesday afternoon in the Parish Hall, and it does continue through the summer. Our Christian Yoga routine involves listening to a tape of relatively low impact exercises narrated by the Rev.

Nancy Roth, an Episcopal priest. 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** 



"There are two freedoms – the false, where a man is free to do what he likes; the true, where he is free to do what he ought." --Charles Kingsley

Even as we celebrate our nation's history, let us remember that "[God's] kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and [God's] dominion endures throughout all generations." (Psalm 145:13, NRSV)



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#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- Raymond & Betty Graunke
- 3 Patrick & Karen Cavanagh Juancarlos & Lara Espinoza Donald & Barbara MacKenzie
- Ryan & Christina Schroeder Christopher & Annmarie Zanchelli
- Dennis & Bo Messina

- Adam & Jessica Shelton
- Jeffrey & Nicole Raymond
- 10 Justin & Wendy Schutte
- Shaun & Jessica Brett 15
- 15 Phil Potestio & Addie Sanders
- 19 Robert & Meghan Andersen Richard & Alissa Williams
- Albert & Beatrice Wageli
- Peter & Jenny O'Connell
- James & Marilyn Tartaglia
- 29 Keith & Heather Johnson
- Stephen & Jeanne Vander Borgh Christopher & Kyle Wolfe

# **BIRTHDAYS**

1	Terina Imperato	12	Glen Stubblebine	19	Jean Arena	28	Joyce Hamilton
3	Doreen Grenci	13	Jillian Waters	20	David Gandolfo III	29	Jonna Catalina
	Christopher Wolfe	14	Rodney Dudley		Salvatore Senese		Carole Sheppard
4	Joanne Festa		Leon Kushmock		Justin Schutte	30	Patricia Madison
	Roland Russell	15	The Rev. Jae Chung	22	John Schulz		Victoria Speicher
5	Dawn Cassar-Mueller		Lisa Montemarano	23	Ella Chalmers		Richard Williams, Jr.
	Samantha Elton	16	Barbara Gaito	24	Susanne Schultz	31	Nathan Casaburi
	June Milewski	17	Eleanor Cheslak-Wilkins	27	Gerhard Pagels		Constance Currie
6	Deidre Byrne		John Greves		Claire McFadden		Joseph DePompeo
8	Giuletta Imperato	18	Robert Immoor		Patricia Shiebler		
11	Meredith Espinoza		Jay Krupa		Joel Welte		
	Taylor Schmittzeh		Shane Leuly		Callie Williams		

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# Our Church History



# ❖ The Garden of the Unforgotten ❖

#### THE SMITH FAMILY -- ELWARD SMITH III

**SECTION 41-LOTS 25 & 26** 

By Connie Currie

When ELWARD SMITH III died of cancer in mid-December of 1996, at the age of 66, he left behind his twin sister, Bailey and a host of friends. He struggled long with cancer, faced it with courage, but like many, he lost the battle. Elward served as President of the Sayville Historical Society, he was a firm supporter of the Long Island Maritime Museum joining their Board of Trustees and filling the position of secretary from 1987 to 1996. He loved the Great South Bay. Mr. Smith was also an avid reader, and he owned and operated The Bookcase on South Main Street, Sayville for over 25 years, during which time he most probably read most of the books for he would say, "If you liked that you should read..." He helped me many times when I would go in to order books for the Great Books discussions for the teens at the Sayville Library. We would sit down together, select a theme, study the catalogs of paperbacks and select eight titles. I think we had the most fun with disasters, picking Hiroshima, The Bridge of San Luis Ray etc. He would always ask how the books were received, and I could respond, "They loved them". With his passion for history, particularly local history and books, Elward compiled one of the most extensive collections on this subject.

Elward Smith III was born and raised in Sayville. He was born to Elward Smith Jr. and Ella Bailey Smith. His father was a successful real estate agent; his mother was the daughter of the manager and owner of the Bailey Lumber Yard in Patchogue with branches in Sayville and elsewhere. With a million dollar business, the twins grew up on Green Avenue near the beautiful Handsome Avenue cottage of their grandparents. These were the declining years of estates, inns and summer cottages. The family founded the South Side Yacht Club, a golf club, several tennis clubs and the Long Island Savings Bank.

Mr. Smith was a graduate of the Hotchkiss School, Yale University, and the Wharton School of Business, He went directly from Wharton into the U.S. Army and served in Germany after World War II. Barbara Spare, a longtime friend of the family said of Smith, "He was an old world very genteel and sophisticated man, with a very modern sense of humor. Whatever the situation, he would have this wonderful story to relate that was appropriate – always pertaining to Long Island or a happening in his own family – and no matter how serious the event, he was able to find a humorous side that left you smiling at the end of the story. He always had the facts right and remembered every detail, every name and date. When you spent time with him, you gained knowledge on a personal level you could not have found in a history book. He certainly was the old guard and his passing was a great loss for the community and those who knew him." In 1958, Elward spent three months on a round the world tour and what wonderful stories he brought back!

At the time of his death, Mr. Smith was survived by his sister, Bailey Smith of Sayville, cousins Richard Wallace Smith of East Hampton, Bailey Smith of Exuma, Bahama; Virginia Louise Smith of Newport, Rhode Island; and Elward Baldridge of Alexandria, Virginia; there were several nieces and nephews as well. Services were held at St. Ann's followed by interment in the family plot. The Elward Room in St. Ann's Parish House was named in his memory.

#### **Carve Your Name on Hearts**

A good character is the best tombstone. Those who loved you and were helped by you will remember you when the forget-me-nots are withered. Carve your name on hearts, and not on marble.

—Charles H. Spurgeon



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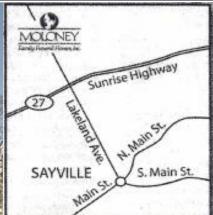
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#### River

In the Bible, rivers (and other bodies of water) often represent deliverance, salvation, freedom and cleansing. The Jordan River is especially prominent: The Israelites crossed it to enter the Promised Land after God delivered them from slavery, and John baptized Jesus (and many other people) there. The image of crossing the Jordan River has long been a metaphor for death — crossing from earthly to heavenly life, from worldly struggles to the bliss of God's kingdom, from physical ailments to the wholeness of a resurrection body.

# **AROUND ST. 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

7:00 PM—AA Meeting

7:00 PM—Vestry Meeting—July 14

Tuesdays

8:00 AM---Men's Group 1:30-2:30 PM---Yoga Class

Wednesdays

**Thursdays** 

10:00 AM—AA Meeting 7:00 PM—AA Meeting

Friday

10:00 AM—The ECW will not meet again until Fall

**Saturday** 

Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap but by the seeds that you plant.

-Robert Louis Stevenson

#### ST. BARNABAS' BUDDIES

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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