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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

WEEKDAY SERVICES IN THE CHAPEL

<u>Tuesday</u> 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist

SPECIAL UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov. 1 – All Saints' Day

Nov. 10 - Christmas Fair in Parish Hall

Nov. 12 - Veterans' Day / Office closed

Nov. 17 – NO 5:00 PM Service Diocesan Convention

Nov. 22 - Thanksgiving 10:00 AM Service

Nov. 24 - Unloading of Trees 7:00 AM

Dec. 2 - Lessons & Carols 3:00 PM



MISSION STATEMENT

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



Mother Diane's Farewell Luncheon

Following the October 21 service at 10:00 the Vestry and Wardens presented a farewell luncheon for Mother Diane, whose last Sunday was to be October 28. There were balloons, special personalized Hershey's Kisses, and a delicious catered luncheon, all presided over by Warden Tom Honey, who displayed hidden talent as a very entertaining emcee!

Mary Mattarella had us laughing at the countdown of the "10 Times Mother Diane Said No to Me." She also presented Mother Diane with 3 framed photos of herself so she wouldn't be forgotten!



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FROM THE EDITOR

Mark Twain once said, "Eat a Frog Every Morning." When I saw that quote, I stopped. And then I sat down to read the article, because what in the world was he talking about? Who would eat a frog at ANY time of day? Mark Twain, of course, was a literary genius, and saying that we should eat a frog every morning would

naturally grab anyone's attention. I mean, who would have bothered to read any farther if he had merely said, "First thing in the morning, do the thing you want to do least and get it over with" then we might very well have passed over the article and even forgotten the advice.

Most of us are more inclined to keep putting off that Big Thing we have to do until 10:00 at night (I say as I sit here typing at 10:00 at night). But think how much more we would enjoy the day if we got that "Frog" over with first thing in the morning! It wouldn't be weighing on

our minds all day, and everything else we did during the day would seem so much easier in comparison! It sounds like good advice to me, but I suspect you might have to be a "morning" person to do this. I, on the other hand, am a night owl. I suspect I'm going to continue to eat my frogs in the evening. But the important thing is that those difficult things get done...eventually!

I think this month I will just concentrate on eating turkey.

-- Rodney Dudley

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BE KIND, BE THOUGHTFUL, BE GENUINE, BUT MOST OF ALL BE THANKFUL!

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There were other presentations. Taylor Schmittzeh and Robert Honey from the Youth Group spoke about growing up in the church with Mother Diane as Rector and gave her a gift from the group. Finally, Tom Honey presented her with a gift from the people of the parish—a check to ease her transition from life in a Rectory to life as a homeowner in North Carolina. (Photos: John K. Smith)

Wardens Nancy Koinoglou and Tom Honey would like to say. "Thank you!" to everyone who came to Mother Diane's luncheon and helped us to celebrate her retirement. We are going to miss her and we wish her tons of happiness as she begins her new adventures in North Carolina.





SPECIAL THANKS

Thank you to Maureen Casaburi and her family who own At Your Service, a business located in Sayville that supplies professional catering staff. They very generously donated wait staff for Mother Diane's lunch, and Maureen also shared her wisdom while helping us to plan for this very special event for Mother Diane. We really appreciate all her generosity! -- Nancy Koinoglou



MOTHER DIANE'S LAST SUNDAY AT ST. ANN'S OCTOBER 28TH



Thanks to John Smith for the photos.

Vestry Visions

Season of Change

Over the past several weeks, the Vestry and the congregation at large have been trying to wrap ourselves around the fact that our "season" with Mother Diane is coming to an end, and on the horizon is a new season at St. Ann's, not just liturgically, but spiritually as well. Over and over, I keep hearing and feeling the words of Ecclesiastes 3, which begins with this verse:

To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven.

Judging by the turnout at Mother Diane's farewell luncheon, she has etched an indelible mark on the lives of so many of us, and has helped us to feel, and to be, stronger human beings through her words and actions over the past several years. Our church has been strengthened physically, with many sorely needed improvements done to the buildings and the grounds, and spiritually, as so many of us were witnesses to at the emotional luncheon given in her honor. With Mother Diane's retirement, and her prayers for a successful future for St. Ann's, I say we make her proud – are you with me????

It's our turn, during this "season" of transition, to help our church community to continue to grow, as Mother Diane has and will continue to pray about, for us. During this time of year, and in this season of giving, there are so many opportunities to do good, with Thanksgiving and the Christmas season fast approaching. Please contribute in a small or large way, to the annual Church Fair, by donating of your time, talent and/or treasure on Nov. 10th. The Christmas tree sale is our largest fundraiser for the year and takes a "truckload" (excuse the pun) of hours, manpower, and Christmas spirit, to make this a success each year. Please give an hour or so at "the shed", and your spirit will soar, I promise! Also, there are so many ways that we can help our less fortunate area neighbors, by donating much needed food and supplies, gifts and hugs. Look in the Parish hall for ways to contribute, and to give of your time, if possible. Remember – this church is nothing but a shell without US!

Now, a song that keeps running through my head as I contemplate Mother Diane's leaving us, and St. Ann's beginning a new "season" with a new leader, is a song from the musical Pippin called "Corner of the Sky." It starts with thoughts similar to the Ecclesiastes verse above, and throughout gives thoughts like these:

"Everything has its season, everything has it's time. Show me a reason, and I'll soon show you a rhyme.

"Rivers belong where they can ramble, eagles belong where they can fly.

I've got to be where my spirit can run free – gotta find my corner of the sky."

Mother Diane and St. Ann's – May we both find our "Corner of the sky."

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Hughes for the Vestry

Thanksgiving Food Baskets

Thanksgiving is guickly approaching and together as a community We would like to gather a cornucopia to share with our neighbors in need. St. Ann's food pantry will be coordinating the effort to distribute food baskets for Thanksgiving.

As we give thanks for our many blessings please don't forget those who struggle to feed their families. We will use a Giving Tree/Turkey to collect food donations. Please choose items from the Giving Turkey (located in the parish hall) and return item, to church. Please leave Thanksgiving donations in the basket NOT the red wagon. Sign-up sheet also in the parish hall.



We need all non-perishable donations by Sunday, November 11th turkeys by Sunday, November 18th

> If you are going to purchase a turkey, **please** leave your name & phone # on sign-up sheet!



Other ways to help:

- Help shop for groceries-week of Nov. 11th
- Donation toward food purchase
- Adopt-a-Basket \$50 donation
- Assemble baskets, November 18th @ 11:15.

If you know somebody in need of a Thanksgiving food basket, please contact the church office @ 589-6522 or Lynette Schulz @ 472-2235 by Nov 5th. Thank you.

THE GENIUS OF GENEROSITY

Kansas pastor Jack Wellman has been credited with the insight that "there is a certain genius in generosity." He explains that when we open our hands — figuratively speaking — to allow something to pass through our fingers, rather than holding it with tightly clenched fists, God can give us new blessings.

"God cannot pour more into hands that are already clinging tightly to what they hold," says Wellman. Whether material goods or time, ideas or talents, money or energy, the gifts God has given us so generously are to be shared just as freely with others. With our hands

continually open to receive, give and receive again, God's genius cycle of generosity goes on and on.



Thoughts from the Front Porch Father Brian Barry



We are well and truly into fall. The leaves are turning rapidly, and more and more trees are showing their bark. I spend the crisp mornings sitting in my rocking chair, sipping my tea, wearing a sweatshirt, and watching the red and gold leaves blow away. Fall is a season of changes, as the old begins to pass away in the blowing wind to make room for what is new. And as you can imagine, my front porch thoughts have largely been occupied with the changes that have come upon us at St. Ann's.

Mother Diane's retirement was sort of bittersweet to me. On the one hand, I was happy to see her making the decision to move to the place where she always knew she'd retire: the mountains of North Carolina. On the other hand, I am now without someone who has been a mentor and a guiding compass in my life. She was also there for me pastorally, in my own times of need, and so I share that in common with many of the parishioners of St. Ann's. I will miss her, as will, I suspect, all of you. She was a guiding and stabilizing hand here at St. Ann's, and that is exactly what this church needed at the time of her arrival.

As Mother Diane highlighted in her farewell sermon, over the course of the past seven years we have seen a surge in our outreach ministries. Our Food Pantry serves more and more people, especially since it has taken over the kitchen of Littlejohn. Our Thrift Shop continues to serve the needs of many in the community, especially since its recent makeover. The PBJ Ministry, Operation Hope, the Senior Luncheons, and our other ministries are sharing Christ's love with the world in various ways. St. Ann's has always been a generous parish, and we are living into our charitable calling, more and more, as a community. So, with that as our background, we have to ask ourselves, as a community: "What are we called to do next?"

Times of change are also times of opportunity. We have a real opportunity here at St. Ann's to figure out how we are called to serve as the presence of Christ in Sayville, in the surrounding community, in the Diocese of Long Island, and in the world. Mother Diane helped solidify an infrastructure we can build on: both in the physical improvements she helped us make to our campus, and in the various ministries that exist here. As we bid her farewell, and prepare to welcome Father Hugh as our interim rector, it is the perfect time to ask ourselves what other changes we are called to welcome into our community, and who Jesus is calling us to be, as the Body of Christ in Sayville, in the years to come.

OUR VESTRY

Wardens:	2019 Thomas Honey	2020 Nancy Koinoglou				
Vestry:	2019 Jackie Gandolfo	Jill Hughes				
	Nicole LaFountaine	Constance Currie				
	2020 Donald Hester	Diane Miller-Magnani				
	Patricia Osarchuk	John O'Neil				
	2021 Helen Houdek	Carol Ann St. Lawrence				
	Wendy Schmittzeh	John Smith				

CHRISTMAS TREES



The holidays are around the corner! One of our biggest events of the year will be here before we know it--CHRISTmas Trees!!!! This ministry requires many hands in the following areas:

- Yard setup November 10th at 8:00 AM (Rain date November 17th)
- The unloading of the trees November 24th at 7:00 AM
- Shift Workers November 24 until trees are sold.



Many selling shifts need to be covered, but have no fear, these trees have sold themselves for over 40 years, which is why we have a high number of return customers every year. And the best part is, you can make it a family event or maybe an event with friends.

This is also an excellent opportunity for those in middle or high school to earn community service hours!

Many shifts need to be covered, and the more the merrier. As in the past, look for the sign-up board in the Parish Hall, or if you are a bit more tech savvy, go to the SignUpGenius page and you will be able to pick a day and shift time and you're good to go.

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Tom Honey, John Smith, Wendy Schmittzeh, or any other parishioners that might have helped in the past. We look forward to seeing many "new" hands on deck!

Wendy Schmittzek for the Vestry and Christmas Tree Committee

"God is Nigh"

The earliest official reference to using "Taps" at a military funeral is described in an 1891 manual. During the Civil War, a Union soldier "was buried at a time when the battery occupied an advanced position concealed in the woods." Because it wasn't safe to fire the customary three volleys over the grave, Captain John Tidball decided the sounding of "Taps" would be an appropriate substitute ceremony. Previously, "Taps" signaled the end of a soldier's work day, but it has since come to honor the end of his or her earthly life. Horace Trim's lyrics remind us of God's constant presence:

Day is done, gone the sun From the lakes, from the hills, from the sky All is well, safely rest God is nigh.

Thanks, and praise for our days 'Neath the sun, 'neath the stars, 'neath the sky As we go, this we know God is nigh.



Veterans' Day November 11



CLAWS DOES IT AGAIN!

If you missed the 3rd Annual Clambake on October 13th make sure to sign up next year!

The largest clambake at St. Ann's yet, over 80 of our Parish family and friends sat down to a mouthwatering seafood feast catered by Claws of Sayville. Owner Frank Palermo served up scrumptious lobster tails, clams, mussels, shrimp, potatoes, and corn. This year, Frank added a

special treat of pumpkin crab soup that was out of this world. What a delicious way to welcome in a new season!

A friendly hometown gem, Claws serves a staggering selection of all-natural seafood both from around the world and Long Island shores. If you missed out on this year's clambake or would like to get your hands on one of the best lobster rolls on Long Island, make it a point to stop in at Claws Seafood Market, located at 20 Montauk Highway, West Sayville, NY 11796



THANK YOU!

A grateful thank you to all who contributed to the annual United Thank Offering. If you still have not sent in your Blue envelope, they are appreciated all year long. -Ellen Stoll



COMING NOVEMBER 18TH

Watch for the annual coming of The Giving Tree which will be set up in the lower Parish Hall with selections for the Adopt a Family Christmas appeal!

There will be plenty of tags to go around so that people can once again help local children to have a Merry Christmas.



December 4th

Join us for the Senior Luncheon on Tuesday, December 4th, at 12:00 noon, in the Parish Hall. In the spirit of the season, Kathy Senese will lead us in singing Christmas carols following the lunch. Be prepared for "The Twelve Days of Christmas!"

See the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall.

VIEW FROM BEHIND THE POLE



A Festival of Advent Lessons & Carols

Sunday, December 2nd 3:00 PM In the Church

Reception to follow in the Parish Hall

All are welcome!

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- So you will be closer to an infinite beyond this world...
- So you will have something to cling to...
- So you will have more love, more compassion, more gentleness, more good— In short, more LIFE!





MIRACLE ON MAIN STREET

the Chamber of Commerce has invited us once again to be a part of Miracle on Main Street.

Choir members and any other folks who are ready to spread Christmas cheer will be strolling Sayville's downtown area from

12:30-2:30 PM on Saturday, November 24th

COME JOIN US!

L.R. Knost makes it very clear for us religious folks. (Good reminders for everyone!) Posted in Join the Coffee Party Movement

Get up off of your knees. Come out of your churches, your mosques, your temples. God can hear your prayers for peace, justice, and hope in this broken world just fine while you're out creating peace, working for justice, and giving hope to this broken world. When are we finally going to realize that humanity is the solution to inhumanity? When will we finally understand that we are all drops of the same ocean, hurting together, healing together, hoping together? So don't just pray for hands to heal the hurting. Pray with hands that are healing the hurting. Don't just pray for arms to help the helpless. Pray with arms that are helping the helpless. Don't just pray for feet to respond to need. Pray on feet that are responding to need. Don't just pray for someone to do something. Be someone who does something. Don't just pray for answers. Be the answer. L.R.KT



OPERATION HOPE

Meetings are each Wednesday from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM in the Littlejohn Building. Learn to knit and crochet to make hats and scarves for our mission projects.





OUR DAILY BREAD

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

The Food Pantry continues to see new guests each week. We are in need of the following items: canned chicken and tuna, jelly, peanut butter, beef soup, pasta sauce, chili, juice, cereal, sugar, frozen vegetables, and toiletries. Thank you for helping those in need!



Yoga will not be held on Nov. 9 (Fair preparation) or Nov. 22 (Thanksgiving)

Come on Nov. 1 * Nov. 16 * Nov. 29

No Yoga during the month of December. Enjoy the holidays!

We will start up again in January.



ST. BARNABAS' BUDDIES

Whether you need help or can give help, call Gerry Hoek at 631-868-7278 for further information. Helping one another is part of a caring community!

Give a ride * Provide a meal * Make a phone call or a visit



Peanut Butter & Jelly Ministry

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

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	Celebrating An Anniversary This Month	WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES				
4	Nicholas & Jean Arena	22	Joseph & Florence Chase	25	Shawn & Kara Felton	
17	Joseph & Rachel Ferzola		David & Jacqueline Gandolfo	27	John & Lynette Schulz	
20	Paul & Christine Weeks					



1	David Tampellini	6	Darrell Lichtenberger	15	Muriel Herold	21	Michael Hlavac
2	Benjamin Richards		Bo Messina	16	Leah DaSilva		Patricia Romeo
3	Lucian Hagenlocher	7	Steven Vander Borgh	17	Barbara Stahlberg	24	Tim Laffin
	Frederick Herold	8	Don Baker	18	Florence Hiscock	27	Susan Knoepffler
	Michael Rascona		Paddy Price-Hennessey	19	Tabitha Richards		Marjorie Rogers
4	Charlotte Hlavac-Maass	11	Joseph Nasta		Zachary Schulz	28	Cara Clark
	Joseph Vander Borgh	12	Pat Colson	20	Johanna Albert	29	Cathy Baker
5	Mary Clark		William Streek		Kathleen Vasquez		Dennis Messina
	Kathleen Krakaur						

Numbered lists grab our attention. In the checkout aisle or on the internet, we gravitate toward headings such as "10 ways to lose weight by summer!" or "3 simple steps to acing that test!"

Ancient Jewish sages urged people to count out and speak at least 100 blessings, or statements of gratitude, each day. What would happen if we intentionally listed 100 blessings daily? Can you imagine?!

What if the first blessing we counted was simply the day itself? "Thank you, God, for this brand-new day!" "Bless my use of this day, Lord, that I might glorify you." Scripture encourages such awareness and promises an additional blessing in return: "Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom" (Psalm 90:12, NIV). —Heidi Mann

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Our Church History



❖ The Garden of the Unforgotten

By Connie Currie

CHARLES FRIEMAN Section 29 - Lots 5-6-7-8

Charles Frieman, for many years a prominent resident of this section, passed away at his home on Bayport Avenue, Bayport, in mid-June of 1934 at 70 years of age. Mr. Frieman had been ill following an operation. His wife, the late Mary Patsak Frieman, died six years previously.

Mr. and Mrs. Frieman moved to West Sayville about 50 years ago from New York City, where he was born. Shortly afterward, they moved to their home in Bayport where they spent the remainder of their lives, taking a leading part in the civic and social affairs of the community.

Mr. Frieman was for many years an agent for Ruppert's Beer in this area, and he also had a large trucking business, dealing with the transportation of oysters.

In 1902 he and Mrs. Frieman leased "The Shoreham" at the foot of Candee Avenue in Sayville. They ran The Shoreham as a restaurant for 21 years, and it became one of Long Island's famous eating places. In 1923 Mr. Frieman sold The Shoreham to Spence and Foster and purchased Brightwaters Casino in Brightwaters. But that spring Mrs. Frieman fell ill, and he sold the casino to his son Alfred and retired from the business.

Mr. Frieman was a lifetime member of South Side Lodge, F. and A.M. No. 493 of Patchogue, and of the Patchogue Lodge of Elks, No. 1323 B.P.O.E. He was also a member of Metlakhatla Chapter O.E.S., Foresters of America, German Benevolent Society, the Bayport Fire Department, the Bayport Republican Club (of which he was a director), and St. Ann's Men's Club. He was Republican Committeeman from his district for many years, and also served as a member of the Board of Education. He also served as a clerk in the Assembly and State Senate on several different occasions.

Mr. Frieman was survived by four sons and three daughters—Mrs. Amy F. Willis of Islip; Dr. Charles W. Frieman of Bay Shore; Miss Ida M. Frieman of Bayport; Alfred E. Frieman of Sayville; Mrs. Doris F. Crampton of Bayport; Henry C. Frieman of Hartford; and Dr. John A. Frieman of Bayport. He also left nine grandchildren.

He was buried from his home, with the Rev. H. H. Mower of Bayport M. E. Church officiating. Masonic services also took place. Burial was in St. Ann's Cemetery.



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Isaiah used the image of a new tree growing from what appears dead to foretell God's redemption of Israel: "A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit" (Isaiah 11:1, NIV). During Advent, this prophecy assures us of the coming of the Messiah, descended from King David, and thus his father, Jesse.

AROUND SAINT ANN'S Monthly Schedule

See Correspondent pages and Bulletin for changes/cancellations.

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

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—Nov. 12

6:30 PM—Mission & Outreach—Nov. 19

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

7:00 PM—Youth Group

Thursdays

10:00 AM—AA Meeting

10:00 AM—12:00 PM Food Pantry

10:00 AM-3:00 PM—Thrift Shop Open

1:30 PM----Christian Yoga Class

8:00 PM—AA Meeting

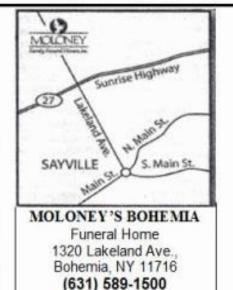
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5:00 PM—Holy Eucharist

10:00 AM-3:00 PM—Thrift Shop Open



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