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WEEKEND SERVICES Saturday 5:00 PM - Holy Eucharist-Rite II

NOTE: NO 5:00 SERVICE ON NOV. 10

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 Monday, Friday 9:00 AM Morning Prayer Third Wednesday 9:00 AM Healing Service

SPECIAL UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov 1 – All Saints' Day

Nov 2 - All Souls' Day

Nov 2-4 -- Christmas Fair

Nov 4—Daylight Savings Time Ends

Nov 9-10—Diocesan Convention

Nov 11—Veterans' Day Service

Nov 22—Thanksgiving

Nov 24—Christmas Trees Arrive

Nov 25—Christ the King Sunday

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

Thanksgiving Food Baskets

Thanksgiving is quickly approaching and together as a community we would like to gather a cornucopia to share with our neighbors in need. "Our Daily Bread," 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.

Ways to help:

- Donate food suggested items below
- Donation toward food purchase
- Adopt-a-Basket \$50 donation
- Help shop for groceries
- Assemble or deliver November 20th



We need non-perishable donations by Sunday, November 4 and turkeys by Sunday, November 11

A sign-up sheet is in the Parish Hall.

There will be **food collection baskets**; in each Christian Formation building and in the Parish Hall. If you can lend a hand or know somebody who can use a hand, please contact the church office @ 589-6522 or

Lynette Schulz @ 472-2235.

Food Items Needed

- Frozen turkeys
- Instant mashed potatoes
- Canned yams
- Stuffing
- Juice
- Canned carrots, corn, green beans
- Corn bread mix
- Complete biscuit mix
- Complete biscuit mix
- Cranberry sauce
- Gravv
- Coffee, Tea, Hot Chocolate



FROM THE EDITOR

It's that time of year again—delegates gathering, issues being discussed, voting on important issues—that's right. It's time for the 146th Convention of the Diocese of Long Island. The convention will be held once again at the Melville Marriott Long Island Hotel in Melville. Our delegates this year will be: Mother Diane, Tom Munkelwitz, and Pat Osarchuk. We will have in addition two Youth Delegates attending: Emily Lowe and Beau Kraft. Father Farrell and Linda Hay will also attend.

The Youth Delegates from around the Diocese previously gathered in October in Garden City for a Pre-Convention Conference. There they got to know each other better and discussed topics of importance to teens relating to the Church, their schools, and the nation.

The Convention will be opened on Friday with an address by Bishop Provenzano, followed by the business of the Convention and voting on elected positions and any possible resolutions. Hopefully, this will be an interesting and informative time, and, in the case of the Youth Delegates, gives a birds' eye view into the workings of the church from the business perspective. Of course, it's not all business. The Convention is set in a framework of prayer, including a Eucharist on Saturday morning. And there's a fun and social aspect to it as well. It is always good to meet and renew acquaintance with friends around the Diocese. We hope the energy of the Convention will radiate out into our individual parishes and move the Church forward with increasing energy and purpose. -RMD

> Please note that because the Convention does not end until Saturday evening. there will be no 5:00 PM Taizé service on November 10.

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December Deadline: Thursday, Nov.15, 7:00 PM

Ken Smyrk

THANKFULNESS



Dear Parish Family,

I went to a meeting for clergy who are new to the diocese this past week, and we began a discussion on appreciative listening. Basically, this technique invites you to look at a situation and focus on the positive and not the negative of the situation. That made me start thinking about when we look at our lives through appreciative eyes--when we look for the good in our lives, the things we are truly thankful for--that act can have a powerful positive impact on our spirit, our soul and our being.

And what a perfect season to begin practicing this technique in our lives! Thanksgiving is only a few weeks away, and we all have so much to be thankful for, so much to be appreciative for. As we approach Thanksgiving Day, I invite you to spend some time in prayer discerning what you are thankful for in your life and in your church. What in your life brings joy to your heart and a smile to your face; and can you see that it is all a gift from God?

When we gather on Thanksgiving morning to celebrate the Eucharist, come with a heart filled with joy and an appreciative heart filled with thanks for all God has given you. This year, I will be inviting everyone to bring something that will be served at your dinner table with you. We will place it all around the altar so that it may be blessed.

In the meantime, know that I am thankful for St. Ann's, each and every one of you and for the privilege of being your rector.

Blessings,

Mother Diane+

_isten up!

Did you know? Since 2008, the Friday after Thanksgiving has been dubbed the National Day of Listening. The nonprofit group StoryCorps encourages people to spend an hour recording an interview with a loved one, rather than battle mall crowds.

Dave Isay began StoryCorps in 2003 as an oral-history project, based on the simple idea that everyone has an authentic story worth hearing. "This is about nothing but the generosity of listening," Isay says. "When you're listening to the stories of everyday people—with their acts of kindness and courage that we don't take the time to honor—you're walking on holy ground." As you gather with family and friends this Thanksgiving, remember to keep your ears open!

Vestry Visions

On a Clear Day, You Can See...

What an appropriate title for this article. You may have heard about some problems with the stained glass windows around the altar and above the church door. They are genuine Tiffany windows. They have been in the church for a VERY long time, and they have problems. Take a close-up look sometime after a service and see for yourself. As a kid, I once put a softball through a neighbor's window. My parents called the local glass guy, there was a marked reduction in my allowance for a month, and all was well. Not so for the Tiffany's. Making things right may be an extended process, but we must proceed. There are two types of damages, active and passive. Passive won't keep accelerating. Our expert, Joel Snodgrass, said our window damage is NOT passive but ongoing active. At our October Vestry meeting Mr. Snodgrass, who is an Architectural Conservator, spoke about the condition of the windows and the process we now face. Four reputable Tiffany window restorers have looked at our windows over the summer and agreed that they need to be restored, or, in some cases, just protected better.

At our meeting, we learned about isothermal frames, glass stress and problems with the venting which led to this damage. (Work done on the windows in the 1990's was based on the best practices at the time; now experts require a different system). In layman's terms, the glass in its lead frame is now sagging and, as it sags, some of the glass is cracking. Why is this happening? The Vestry got an education on this: heat temperature changes between inside the church with the AC on and outside summer heat, the reverse in winter, lead oxidation, and just plain aging. I can understand the latter since I am sagging too as I age, especially around the waist. I keep my belt tight to keep my chest from falling further, but sadly the Tiffany windows can't be braced or tightened in place. They must be removed and inspected at a conservation studio in order to get a very detailed "scope of work to be done." Based on this assessment, bids can then be secured from those firms which are expert in the restoration of Tiffany windows. Any work to be done will be staged probably two by two with those windows in most need of repair done first.

When they remove the first one for evaluation, you will see a clear window instead of the usual stained glass---leaving just the existing outside protective window in place. A pundit on the Vestry commented "on a clear day you may see ... a Parish Hall." Perhaps we need a sign saying "Excuse our looks while we make a better St. Ann's," but that is our vision of what's going to happen.

Don Hester, Vestry Member

THE TREES ARE COMING!

It's that time of year again! The Christmas Tree Lot on the Great Lawn is one of St. Ann's biggest fund raisers and a long time community tradition. We'll be setting up the fencing the second or third weekend

> of November (keep an eye out for the announcement). The Christmas trees will be arriving from Pennsylvania on



Saturday, November 24th at 7:00 AM!

With enough hands, it only takes about an hour or so to unload them, so please come down and help out. (Bagels & coffee – a perc). This is a St. Ann's tradition you won't want to miss!

Most importantly, **SIGN UP TO SELL TREES!** As in years

past, we should be able to sell all the trees in just two weeks, so please find a shift (or two) that's good for you and help out. Everyone who participates has a great time. Bring your kids along as well. If you have any questions, please contact Ed Neale.







Capital Campaign Phase II: It's STILL our turn

The new phase of our Capital Campaign is focused on the restoration and protection of our precious Tiffany Windows. According to the experts we've consulted, the cost of this project will be more than \$100,000. This is a daunting amount, but the need is clear. We must preserve these windows which are such an iconic emblem of St. Ann's and such an inspiration to all who worship here.

Please prayerfully consider contributing to this campaign. You have the choice of making a one-time donation or, if it's easier on your budget, of pledging over three years. You also have the option to have a loved one memorialized or celebrated or to include any appropriate message on an engraved tree, stone, acorn, or leaf on our Giving Recognition Tree. More information and commitment cards are available in the Parish Hall or by contacting the Church Office.

Sincere thanks go to those who have already donated generously to this campaign. For those who have not yet done so, your support at this time is urgently requested.

For the Capital Campaign Committee, Pat Osarchuk

FINANCIAL HEALTH	Actual YTD September 2012	Budget to Date	Difference	A.
INCOME				Don't Forget
Plate	6059.52	7500.00	(1,440.48)	Pledge!
Regular Giving	147,910.46	150,000.00	(2,089.54)	Tim Laffin,
All Other Income	276,037.61	211,530.00	64,507.61	33
TOTAL INCOME	430,007.59	369,030.00	60,977.59	Treasurer
TOTAL EXPENSES	406,292.04	432,410.00	26,117.96	
SURPLUS/DEFICIT	23,715.55	(63,380.00)	87,095.55	



From Fr. Peter-Ben Smit: I take the liberty of drawing attention to the publication of my book on the concept of "Tradition" in the bilateral dialogues of the Anglican Communion that just appeared with VU University Press.

Many of you will remember Fr. Peter-Ben when he assisted on Sundays here at St. Ann's while he was studying at General Seminary in Manhattan. Now back in

Peter-Ben Smit

TRADITION IN DIALOGUE
THE UNDERSTANDING OF TRADITION IN
THE INTERNATIONAL BILATERAL DIALOGUES
OF THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION

VU University Press

his native country, he is currently a Professor for at Utrecht University and Assistant Professor at VU (Vrije Universiteit)
University in Amsterdam; he is also assistant priest of the Old Catholic parish of Amsterdam. We congratulate Fr. Peter-Ben on his latest achievement! For further information: www.vuuitgeverij.com/smit (It's in English)

A Solemn Prayer



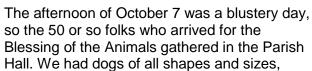
May our religion be filled with gladness and may our worship of thee be natural. ... Endow us with courage that is born of loyalty to all that is noble and worthy, that scorns to compromise with vice and injustice, and knows no fear when truth and right are in jeopardy. Guard us against flippancy and irreverence in the sacred things of life.

Grant us new ties of friendship and new opportunities of service. Kindle our hearts in fellowship ... and soften our hearts with sympathy for those who sorrow and suffer.





BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



about ten cats, two parrots, and even a fish was blessed—using a proxy plastic avatar since he wasn't allowed away from home. Mother Diane brought her Brussels Griffon, Kookie. Father Farrell's cat, Bostwick, lower left, tried to figure out a way to get closer to Cleo, a calico in a cat carriage.

Mother Diane and Father Farrell went around to each pet for a personal blessing. We're not sure

how the animals felt, though the two parrots above seem to be discussing what this could all be about. All of us humans felt blessed to have these loving creatures in our lives. I'm sure St. Francis would be pleased.

-Rodney Dudley







THE CURATE'S COLUMN

WISL?



Recently, when I had a cold, I went to my favorite bagel store, The Bagel Doctor. I asked them if the doctor was in. He was not, but the bagel nurse was happy to help.

She suggested that I begin with a cup of homemade escarole soup and was kind enough to bring all my food to the table so that I would not have to wait in line. From behind the counter, she kept yelling things like, "Do you want a pickle with that, Father?" and "You shouldn't have mayonnaise. It's too heavy!"

There I sat, fevered and hunched over my delicious soup while I awaited my pickle, side salad, garlic bagel with chicken breast and no mayo, and water, as approved by the bagel nurse. My lethargic stare into my soup as I ate was interrupted by a woman presenting to me a napkin on which she had written a website address that provided

spiritual support—"Let's Talk about Jesus." Did she think that the person in clericals did not have sufficient access to resources? Perhaps she had mistaken my weakened physical state for a spiritual malady? I was reminded of the several times people saw me with Bostwick on a leash and felt that I might need tips on how to train him. I had a cat walking on a leash. Did I look inept at training?

When I got home, snuggled under a warm blanket, I looked up the website. It promised a Christ-centered message. I am always suspicious of those Christians who focus too much on Christ. He seems to become the object of all their cultural projections. In other words, it allows them to justify their cultural biases. It is curious that Christ's message was God-centered—"The words that I say to you, I do not speak on my own initiative, but the Father residing in me performs his miraculous deeds."—but many Christians have made it Christ-centered. I am perplexed, for example, by those wristbands and bumper stickers that read "WWJD?" Christ never said that we were to imitate him, but that we were to follow his teachings so that the Spirit might dwell within us. Moreover, what Jesus taught in the first century was not complete. He said as much. "I have many more things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth." The Spirit is still speaking to the church, as Jesus said, "the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept." Imitating Jesus too often leads to imitating what we suppose were first century values, but the values of that world were as corrupt as those of our own world. Jesus was well aware of the corruption of his day. "This I command you—to love one another. If the world hates you, be aware that it hated me first. If you belonged to the world, the world would love you as its own. However, because you do not belong to the world, but I chose you out of the world, for this reason the world hates you." We are not to imitate Jesus, but to allow the Spirit to lead us in ways that the first century Christians could not understand.

I can tell you plainly that I did not feel loved by the woman pressing the inscribed napkin upon me, but I felt very loved by the bagel nurse and her assistants who took the time to understand what I truly needed. We must act out of love in the present and not imitate or impose values from the past. To what kinds of radical love are we being moved today? Where Is the Spirit Leading?

Faithfully, Farrell+

Prayer lays hold of God's plan and becomes the link between his will and its accomplishment on earth. Amazing things happen, and we are given the privilege of being the channels of the Holy Spirit's prayer. —Elisabeth Elliot

STAR SEARCH 2012









Pianist John Greves Wins the Golden Pickle!

Star Search 2012 was again a huge success! What a display of talent! Ed Neale played guitar and sang a traditional cowboy folk song about a train robbery; Sonja Greves sang a sad love song; Rick Magnani thrilled us with his saxophone renderings; Fr. Farrell gave a poetry reading of original poems he had written (which you can find reprinted in this issue); Charlotte Hlavac-Maass danced her rendition of *Fame* for us; Jack Adam, a previous Golden Pickle winner, channeled Johnny Carson and did some amazing mind tricks (This editor nearly lost a ring, but it reappeared by magic!); Julia Magnani sang a favorite Jimmy Eat World song and played guitar; Lynne Abrams sent us "over the rainbow" with her singing; and the closing act was 9-year-old John Greves who astonished the audience with his command of the piano keyboard, playing *Arabesque* by Burgmüller. It proved to be the sweet spot for John, who won the trophy and the Golden Pickle. He gave a short acceptance speech: "I like pickles!" John can keep his Golden Pickle, but the trophy is on loan and will have to be returned for next year's contest.

All the acts provided wonderful entertainment! It was a close contest, and we had to have three clap-offs before the winner was chosen. On top of that, we had a wonderful potluck supper with so many desserts we couldn't finish them all.

Thanks to Kathy Senese who directed the project, emceed, and accompanied on the piano. Thanks to the choir who set up and cleaned up. And thanks to all the talented parishioners who participated. We are so proud of you all!

-Rodney Dudley











[Photos: Rodney Dudley]









VIEW FROM BEHIND THE POLE



Our special service honoring veterans will be **November 11** at the 10:00 AM service. Our parishioners and special guest veterans will be honored, and the choir will present a special patriotic musical offering.



The choir will sing at the traditional 10:00 AM service on the morning of Thanksgiving Day, **November 22**. We hope to see you—and perhaps some family visitors as well!



Saturday, **November 24:** St. Ann's Choir has been asked by the Chamber of Commerce to participate in Sayville's *Miracle on Main Street* event. Choir members—come out and sing! Friends and family—come out and listen!



Save the date: Sunday, **December 9**, 4:00 PM, for the annual *Service of Lessons and Carols*. A highlight of the choir's singing year, this traditional service should be on your list of holiday plans. The service will be followed by a festive reception in the Parish Hall.



St. Ann's first Youth Sunday was October 7, and it was a joy to see all the children and young people taking their place in the church service. In addition to the support roles and readers, the Children's Choir sang, and Mother Diane gathered the children around for a sermon on the steps. The first Sunday of every month will continue to be Youth Sunday, and participation is welcomed and encouraged by all participation. If your child would be interested in participating, please e-mail the church

youth of the parish. If your child would be interested in participating, please e-mail the church office (saintanns@optonline.net) to let us know if they may be put on the rotation.











Along with singers, dancers, musicians, and comedians, we also have some talented poets at St. Ann's. Here are some offerings—both serious and whimsical--from our local poets. If you were at Star Search last month, you heard Fr. Farrell read his original works, printed below. And I'm sure Connie would be glad to read hers for you as well! --RMD

Love's Loss

Great is our failing; great is our loss, When that for which our souls most yearn With fear our minds against are turned And fill our paths with blinding dross.

When hopes within ourselves arise, Away from the stirring source we flee And seek in the familiar sanctuary To be engulfed by mimicking lies.

Or, when its truth before us is nursed, With destructive force we it oppose, And from us twisted logic flows As we the purpose of ploughshares reverse.

Beware the stones that hinder thriving (Their use for walls and weapons learned); Against our designs with pain are they turned By the tide of God steadfastly driving.

-The Rev. Farrell D. Graves

To Dwell in the Holy

To Dwell within the holy
(Which we alone deny)
Existing in between
The black and white extremes
Where mine and thine connect,
As north depends on south,
And God resides in peace
To lead us to our truth.

-The Rev. Farrell D. Graves



The First Day of Sunday School

On the first day of Sunday School, Lucy was dressed in her very best Bright red blouse, dark navy jeans And favorite magical white vest.

Meeting her teacher, Miss Murray Lucy knew, at her very first sight This teacher needed help in a hurry Classes with her would be just right.

Lucy was known to be most helpful Dispensing unwanted assistance With a smile and overpowering reason Deflecting any possible resistance.

Miss Murray told the class the story Of Zaccheus who climbed a tree In order to be seen by Jesus Who said to him, "I am visiting thee."

The children all loved this story
They clamored for more and more
Miss Murray said "Let's draw a picture."
I'll tell you what is next in store.

Everyone sat in his or her place One chair was definitely bare. "Where's Stephen?" asked Miss Murray. He's giving me quite a scare.

"Don't worry, Miss Murray,"
Lucy said with a pleased grin.
Stephen is outside in a tree
He's waiting for Jesus to drop in.

"Coats on, gather your things And follow me." said Miss Murray "We're heading for Stephen's tree. One, two, three, let's hurry."

Oh, Lucy was ever so happy As she filled her parents in. Sunday School was so much fun She didn't know where to begin.

-Connie Currie



EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN

Thank you to all who contributed to the Lad and Lassie table for the Christmas fair.

Thank you to all who generously contributed to the annual United Thank Offering appeal. This is an ongoing appeal so if you have not already returned your blue box or envelope, they are accepted year round by placing in the Sunday plate or leaving at the church office.

Watch for the "Giving Tree" loaded with suggestions of gifts to benefit the *Adopt-a-Family* Christmas program of Episcopal Community Services and Little Flower Children Services. The tree will be set up in the lower Parish Hall on Sunday, November 25th. Gifts are *not* to be wrapped, just brought to church and put under the tree.

The November meeting of the ECW will be on Friday, November 16th at 10:00 AM in the Parish Hall. All women of the parish are welcome. **—Ellen Stoll**



ANNUAL ST. ANN'S FAIR

Remember the Fair November 2-3! Check the October *Correspondent* for a coupon for the Friday evening preview, basket auction, and reception.

Come on Saturday for the luncheon, baked goods, and all kinds of good shopping bargains!

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Please join us on Saturday, November 10th, in the Parish Hall, for our monthly meeting. All are welcome! -Linda Munkelwitz



COFFEE HOUR NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Would you (and your family?) like to help for just one weekend to set up and monitor the coffee hour? We will continue to have the various ministries host the Coffee Hour throughout the year, but sometimes it's the same people who are doing the work, as they volunteer in several ministries. This is a small but vital ministry—please volunteer for just one weekend! See Susie DeWitt for details.



OUR DAILY BREAD NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

We need volunteers in the Parish Hall on **Mondays** and/or **Thursdays** to help with Our Daily Bread. Please sign up on Sunday during the Coffee Hour or speak with Lynette Schulz.



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WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Nicholas & Jean Arena

Thomas & Emily Dolan 17

Rosario & Teal Rizzo 19

Paul & Christine Weeks

Joseph & Florence Chase

David & Jacqueline Gandolfo

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25 Shawn & Kara Felton

27 John & Lynette Schulz

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	Virginia Collins		Bo Messina		Ann Hofbauer-DeRosa		Kenneth Herbert
	David Tampellini		Robert Rukrigl	17	Barbara Stahlberg		Tim Laffin
2	Brianna Gallina	7	Stephen Vander Borgh	18	Florence Hiscock		Jane Raymond
	Benjamin Richards		Kyle Wilson	19	Joseph Dowling	25	Jack Raymond
3	Melissa Gallina		Annmarie Zanchelli		Tabitha Richards	26	Dorothy Ronde
	Frederick Herold	8	Don Baker		Zachary Schulz	27	Susan Knoepffler
	Michael Rascona		Mark Campbell	20	Johanna Albert		Marjorie Rogers
4	Charlotte Hlavac-Maas		Paddy Price-Hennessey		James McLeer	28	Cara Clark
	Joseph Vander Borgh	10	Lacey Mantovani		Nancy Schaefer		Kenneth Miller
	Lisa Vertichio	11	Joseph Nasta		Kathleen Vazquez	29	Cathy Baker
5	Mary Clark	12	Samantha Burke	21	Patricia Romeo		Dennis Messina
	Kathleen Krakaur		Pat Colson	22	Marshall Davis	30	Julian Rizzo
	Bo Messina		William Streek		Anna Guido		
	Eamon Rockwood	15	Muriel Herold	22	William Hamilton	??	Edmund Neale







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Our Church History



❖ The Garden of the Unforgotten ❖

WILLIAM LOUIS MANTHA Section 27 – Lot 10

By Connie Currie

WILLIAM LOUIS MANTHA, age 66, of Bayport Avenue in Bayport, died in late December of 1951 after a long illness. He was born in Sayville, a son of Louis and Mrs. Rose Pausewang Mantha and spent all his life in the vicinity.

Mr. Mantha was a kindly man with many friends and will be greatly missed. Since 1906, he owned and managed a garage in Bayport where, from 1906 to 1936, he had the REO Auto and Truck Agency, which was one of the oldest agencies in the country. Since 1936, he had had the agency for Chrysler Motor Corporation. He was a well known mechanic and inventor and held patents on an automatic signal device, a marine reverse gear, an electric shaver, and an oyster opener. During World War II, his shop was turned over to defense work, and he received the "E" citation from the Navy Department for his contract work through the Grumman Corporation.

He was a member of the Bayport Fire Department and of Court Bayside Foresters of America in Sayville and for many years was active in all community and civic affairs. Mr. Mantha was a well known sportsman and had his own camp in Forestburg, N.Y., where he and his friends enjoyed excellent gunning and fishing each year.

During the past year, he and his wife, the former Miss Nellie Westerbeke celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary. Besides Mrs. Mantha, he left a son, Robert W., and one daughter, Mrs. Rupert C. Parks, both of Bayport, and two brothers, Charles F. and George, both of Sayville.

Funeral Services were held in Raynor's Chapel, the Rev. Theodore Bennett of the Bayport Methodist Church officiating. Interment was in the family plot in St. Ann's Cemetery.

+ CHRISTIAN SYMBOLS +



Cornucopia -- Cornucopia, a Greek word meaning "horn of plenty," has origins in Greek mythology. But the cornucopia became a religious symbol and was even stamped on Jewish coins. Overflowing horns, now common as Thanksgiving centerpieces, came to symbolize abundance and blessings.

A BLESSED THOUGHT

Gratitude consists in a watchful, minute attention to the particulars of our state, and to the multitude of God's gifts, taken one by one. If fills us with a consciousness that God loves and cares for us, even to the least event and smallest need of life. It is a blessed thought that, from our childhood, God has been laying his fatherly hands upon us, and always in benediction; that even the strokes of his hands are blessings, and among the chiefest we have ever received. When this feeling is awakened, the heart beats with a pulse of thankfulness. – **H.E. Manning**

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ST. BARNABAS' BUDDIES

Simply stated...Barnabas Buddies is an INREACH program to assist parish families who could use help on a short term basis. We can provide help and comfort just by offering our time and a listening ear. Some INREACH examples of those in our parish who might call for help are:

- (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.

Call Gerry Hoek at 631-868-7278 for further information. Thanks for your help!

AROUND ST. ANN'S Monthly Schedule

See Correspondent pages and Bulletin for changes/cancellations.
Check out the website at www.Saint-Anns.org

Sunday		
Each	7:00 PM—AA Meeting	
Monday		
Nov 12	7:00 PM—Vestry	
Each	7:00 PM—AA Meeting	
Tuesday		
Each	8:00 AM—Men's Group	
Each	1:30-2:30 PM— Yoga Class	
Each	6:00 PM—Children's Choir	
Each	7:15 PM—Adult Choir	
Wednesday		

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

Friday M -- FCW

Nov 16 10:00 AM -- ECW

Saturday 10:00 AM—Historical Society

Nov 10 10:00 AM—Historical Society Each 10:00 AM—OA Meeting



Look for the St. Ann's Giving Tree in the Parish Hall right after the Annual Fair. Along with the ECW, who will be collecting gifts for needy families of the Diocese, we will also be collecting gifts for the children and adults at Little Flower, as we have during the past Christmas seasons.

The tree will be filled with gift tags listing the child's age, gender, size and desired wish. We will NOT be accepting any used items. All items must be purchased new and returned to the Parish Hall UNWRAPPED WITH THE TAGS ATTACHED by **DECEMBER 2nd**.

Thanking you in advance for helping to make this Christmas a special one for those in need. As always, your generosity is much appreciated. Wishing you Joy and Peace this holiday season! --Jackie Gandolfo

A Time to Share

Whenever you get a blessing from God, give it back to him as a love gift. ... Offer the blessing back to him in a deliberate act of worship. If you hoard a thing for yourself, it will turn into a spiritual dry rot, as the manna did when it was hoarded. God will never let you hold a spiritual thing for yourself; it has to be given back to him that he may make it a blessing to others. —Oswald Chambers, My Utmost for His Highest

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