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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

Monday & Friday

9:00 AM Morning Prayer

Third Wednesday

9:00 AM Healing Service

SPECIAL UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 02 – St. Francis, Blessing of Pets
 Oct 05 – BBC Church Architecture I
 Oct 12 – BBC Church Architecture II
 Oct 15 – Historical Society Art Expo
 Oct 19 – BBC Church Architecture III
 Oct 16 – UTO Sunday
 Oct 21 – Star Search

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.

As we go about our daily lives, we can be thankful that the Lord provides our basic needs if we put our trust in Him. Our lives and the world we live in are gifts placed in our temporary care to be managed on behalf of God. Our stewardship is a means to express our profound love for God.

In its simplest form, stewardship is "broken down" into offerings of time, talent and treasure from the resources that we have control over, but stewardship is more than mere "time, talent and treasure." It is a way of life—how we choose to actualize our role as Christians in this world. Our spiritual pilgrimage is shaped by our life experiences, personalities, and Christian values, and our priorities with Christ change throughout our lifetimes as we mature through worship and prayer. Our stewardship is a reflection of these priorities. Throughout October, the Vestry, Wardens, and Clergy, invite you to worship for a series of sermons and witness presentations exploring new and different stewardship visions.



Over the weekend of October 8-9, Father Farrell will describe how our patron saint, Barnabas, through vision, strength, and stewardship, contributed in a significant and meaningful way to the preservation and building of the early Church. St. Barnabas can be an inspirational model for us all.

On the weekend of October 15-16, Tom Munkelwitz will offer a homily witnessing to his stewardship as an actualization of faith from the time as a young adult to maturity.

On October 22-23, Father Gary will preach on moving from *Scarcity* to *Abundance*, an expression of stewardship as a way of life.

The 2012 Narrative Budget and a stewardship intent card will be mailed later this month. On Commitment Sunday, October 30th, all commitment cards will be collected and blessed at the altar in thanksgiving. As the 2012 operating budget should be finalized by mid-November based on your generous input, you are encouraged to return 2012 support information by no later than November 1st.

In reflection on our Christian priorities and in thanksgiving for all we have received, may we be generous in our financial support of Christ's work at St. Ann's, and strive to complete and return the intent card on Sunday, October 30th.

Randy Schultz, Stewardship Chair

FROM THE EDITOR

I am painting my home office. In fact, I have been painting my office since the middle of June, but then it got too hot to paint, and I just didn't want to bother taking out the ladder, the paint, the brushes, etc. Finally, I just left the step ladder in the office in preparation for a time when the spirit might move me. My cats think it's a new high rise hotel and are in competition to see who gets to sit on the highest step. This is not always good while I'm standing on it and trying to paint. The room used to be a rather flat oatmeal color (not that I'm casting aspersions on oatmeal, which is a very fine cereal), but I am a person who likes to be surrounded by bold and stimulating colors. It's good for the creativity. So I went to the paint store and combed through all sorts of paint chips. I had an idea of what I wanted—a sort of Southwestern brownish/orange color. Do you have any idea how many brownish/orange paint shade variations there are? I ended up with a color called *Faded Clay*. It sounded like what I wanted, and it looked like what I wanted on the paint chip in the store, but when I got the can of paint home and painted the first half wall, it turned out not to be *faded* at all. It's more of a deep burnt orange. But, I'd already started and I didn't want to waste that half a wall's worth of work. Then there's the furniture. Big furniture. Desks, bookcases full of books, file cabinets. Still, as I am writing this, in September, I have managed to complete 2.5 walls – only 1.5 to go! I figure I should be finished by Christmas...or maybe Valentine's Day. And I'm feeling very happy with my progress. The color has grown on me. Toned down with brown shades and white woodwork, it looks pretty good. I feel cozy and, yes, creative, when I go in and sit down at my desk. As you can see, I've already been able to create this article! -RMD

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November Deadline:
Thursday, Oct. 20, 7:00 PM

REFLECTIONS

GENERATIONS OF GENEROSITY



Much has been said about the need in our churches to move from a maintenance mentality to a mission mentality. It's true we need to change from only keeping our physical buildings and ministry in good repair to reaching out beyond our physical plant of St. Ann's and directly to the greater Sayville area to "catch" those who need the Word of God and meet some of their earthly needs.

Last month's launch of our three year \$400,000 capital campaign--*It's Our Turn*--will repair our property. This month we kick off our stewardship theme of *Generations of Generosity*. The challenge is to risk as Jesus did to live out of a sense of abundance. In our society now we are feeling a sense of scarcity due to the economy. When we

discover abundance we unearth inside ourselves more than we ever knew was there. WE REACH OUT. Since 1866 St. Ann's has been blessed.

We have had 33 clergy serve in this church: Charles Douglas, John Prescott, Joseph Bond, Peter MacLean, Charles Van Tassel, Edwin Cromey, Nicholas Dand, Gregg Wood, James Wilson, Robert Wilshire, Richard Chapin, Lawrence McCoombe, John Shepherd, Dallas Decker, Robert Brandt, Jeffrey Simmons, Frederick Thayer, John Lawrence, Bruce Torrey, Brother Dunstan, James Bingham, Robert Schwarz, Robert Newland, William Thomas, Pamela Ward, Judith Carrick, Daniel Harris, Harold McDowell, Ralph Campbell, Peter-Ben Smit, Brian Blayer, Gary Parker, Farrell Graves.

Each clergy person is like a growth ring on a tree. Some were larger than others. Yet, we grew and thrived.

As your priest, along with Fr. Farrell, I ask you, "Have you been willing to make a pledge to this church as a tangible sign of your devotion and dedication to its ministry? Or do you wait and assume others will do it for you?" With that, we pray for God's grace as we approach the next few weeks before Commitment Sunday.

Blessings, *Gary* +

Who are these people? Many of you will recognize at least one or two of them. They include two former bishops of Long Island and six priests who have served St. Ann's. The year was 1982. The occasion was the celebration of The Reverend Mr. Joseph Bond's 60 years of priesthood at a dinner at Sunland on the Bay in Patchogue. Mr. Bond is standing, his wife Helen seated next to him. The other clergy are, left to right: The Rt. Rev. Jonathan Sherman; The Rev. Fred Thayer (Curate for Fr. Wilshire); The Rev. Peter MacLean (3rd Rector); The Rev. John Lawrence (6th Rector); The Rt. Rev. Henry Hucles; The Very Rev. Robert Wilshire (5th Rector); The Rev. Bruce Torrey (Curate for Fr. Lawrence). [Photo: Rodney Dudley]



Vestry Visions

One important function of a Vestry is to oversee the Church's finances. At our September meeting of the Vestry, the Finance Committee presented a preliminary budget for 2012. As is the case in households all over America – and probably the world— we need to be very careful with what we spend because costs continue to go up. We take our role as stewards of St. Ann's funds very seriously and will present a conservative budget. Yet, we don't want to cut programs that are such a vital part of St. Ann's and what we represent.

A major factor is, of course, our 'income,' which primarily consists of your pledges, your donations. As you will read in the article on Stewardship, October is the time when we ask you to make your financial commitment to St. Ann's for 2012. We trust that you will be as generous as possible. In these difficult economic times, it is more important than ever that our church can continue to offer the programs, sense of hope, and spiritual support that we need more than ever.



Another crucial role of our Vestry will be to interview final candidates in the search for a new Rector and to recommend that the Bishop call that person to be our new spiritual leader. The Search Committee is independent of the Vestry. Members of that committee have worked very diligently and prayerfully to narrow the field of candidates to those whom they are interviewing in person. Once they have determined the final three, it will then be up to the Vestry to conduct further interviews and discern whom we prefer as our new Rector. It is difficult to predict any time table for when this will all be accomplished. We all thank the Search Committee for their dedication. As a Vestry, we will work with our own diligence and prayerful consideration when it's our turn.

Pat Osarchuk, Warden

2012 VESTRY ELECTIONS

The Nominating Committee is compiling a slate for election at the January 15th Annual Meeting of one warden (two years) and four vestry members (three years). All candidates must qualify as voting members of the parish (Article III.D: Voting members of the Parish are those who are 18 years of age or older, who have been baptized, and are regular attendees at the services of the Parish for six calendar months before the meeting, and are regular contributors for six months to the current expenses of the Parish.). In addition the warden must be a confirmed Episcopalian. If you are interested in filling one of these positions, please contact the clergy or a committee member (Nancy Howland, Sue Knoepffler and Tony Palmieri).

SEARCH COMMITTEE PROGRESS

The Search Committee has now completed the telephone interview stage of the search process. We are now entering the personal interview stage, when candidates visit us. We will provide tours of our campus as well as the surrounding community. We will socialize over dinner and then conduct an interview. With

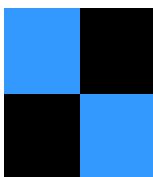
this agenda we hope to get to know the candidate personally and in turn, give the candidate an opportunity to see if St. Ann's is a place that candidate would like to be.



Hurricane Irene interrupted the progress of the Search Committee, as our first personal interview was to be conducted that very weekend and had to be postponed. Several of the candidates contacted me with their concern for our well-being during the storm, and indicated that they were praying for us.

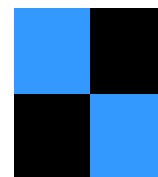
The Search Committee scheduled three interviews for the month of September. There will be three additional interviews following, and then the committee will meet to decide which three of the six interviewed will be recommended to the Vestry for their consideration for Rector of St. Ann's.

We continue to appreciate the prayers for us during church services as well as your personal prayers as we move forward in our process toward choosing a new Rector for our beloved St. Ann's. **—Linda Munkelwitz**



IT'S OUR TURN

ST. ANN'S CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2011



The Capital Campaign is off to a strong start. Our Potluck Dinner on September 16th was a great way to combine good food and fellowship with information about the campaign and the key projects it will fund.

Our first priority is to repair the Church Belfry and to address the drainage issues which are affecting the Church. Work on the tower will begin this fall and should be finished within several months. Another priority is to update the rectory in preparation for our new rector. So far, two of the wood floors have been refinished and several rooms have been painted. Later this month work will start on the master bathroom. It is our hope to have the kitchen updated and other rooms refreshed later this year or early in 2012 in time for the arrival of our new Rector.

As of September 17th the pledges total about \$35,000 with about half of that already donated. This is a promising start toward our goal of \$400,000. The Giving Recognition Tree has been installed in the St. Barnabas Prayer Station area. It is an optional way of having a donation to the Capital Campaign recognized while also honoring a friend or family member or including another suitable inscription on a leaf, acorn, or stone.

If you have not received the Campaign brochure or if you have any questions at all about this campaign, please call the Church Office (589-6522) and a member of the committee will get back to you as soon as possible. We will continue to update the congregation about all aspects of this campaign. We urge you to prayerfully consider donating to this campaign if you haven't done so already. It's our opportunity to preserve the historical legacy with which we are blessed.

The Capital Campaign Committee:

Tom Munkelwitz Scott MacDonell June Milewski Ernie DeWitt Pat Osarchuk

 FINANCIAL HEALTH	Actual YTD August 2011	Budget to Date	Difference	
INCOME				
Plate	\$5,407.52	\$8,000.00	(\$2,592.48)	
Regular Giving	135,777.00	121,313.67	14,462.33	
All Other Income	165,747.62	178,306.01	(12,558.39)	
TOTAL INCOME	306,932.14	307,620.68	(688.54)	
EXPENSES	\$325,698.01	\$411,618.61	(85,920.60)	
SURPLUS/DEFICIT	(\$18,765.87)	(\$103,997.93)	\$85,232.06	

THE CURATE'S COLUMN



A Different Cycle



As many of you know, my bicycle has finally arrived. The form of the recumbent bike came as a surprise to many and led to questions about the bike and about me. I first became interested in “bents” when I saw them on the bike paths of southern California. I had been seeking a solution to back pain caused by scoliosis caused by my diamond-frame road bike, and bents looked more comfortable. When I bought a new bike in California, however, I decided first to try a hybrid as a less radical step. Hybrids allow the more erect posture of a mountain bike, but have some of the speed of a road bike.

For years, I rode my hybrid six days a week to work and to church on the bike path along the San Diego Creek. I usually arrived a little winded to choir practice, but the basses were always the last to get attention, so no one noticed. The scenery along the path was beautiful. Unlike many “creeks” in southern California, the San Diego Creek actually has water in it and supports various species of animals. I also came across waterfowl, a crayfish, a road runner, and a beautiful rosy boa snake. In winter, the creek

would swell to the size of a river, and on a few days, I had to lift my legs and ford a small creek that fed it. Unfortunately, I also had to lift my legs to ford the snake, which I saw strike at the heel of the biker in front of me. I looked back, and the snake was still moving, so I think it survived my bike tires.

I enjoyed that hybrid, but it still caused discomfort to my back. I must also confess that I was irked when, in top gear and peddling fast, someone barely peddling would glide past me on a road bike. I decided that the next bike I got would be a fast one, but road bikes are even less comfortable than hybrids, so my mind was made up. A bent was the only solution. They are the fastest bikes of all. I could not justify buying a new bike, however, when I already had a perfectly good one.

The Holy Spirit stepped in to assist me, or perhaps allowed the devil to do me an unintended favor. When I moved from California to Manhattan, I engaged AAA Movers. True to their name, they had an A-rating with the Better Business Bureau. Unfortunately, grade inflation seems to have spread to the BBB. Before entering Manhattan, they performed the requisite transfer of my boxes from an eighteen-wheeler to a smaller truck in pouring rain without shelter. When the mover opened the truck, CDs and other items were spilling all over out of soggy boxes. The man they had sent to unload the truck took one glance at the disarray and commented, “Wow, you really like CDs!” He then prepared to unload my things by setting boxes that belonged to other people on the curb where they got further soaked. At one point, I discovered my floor lamp standing beside the truck. I later poured about five cups of water out of its hollow neck.

Once he finished unloading the truck, I surveyed my belongings and discovered that about one-third of them were broken. Another third were missing, and I had received three boxes that did not belong to me. Among the things missing was my bike. I called AAA. They could do nothing about my missing articles, but eight days later, they picked up the boxes that did not belong to me. They did not offer to pay me storage. After many calls back and forth, they said that insurance would pay 80 cents per pound for the bike. Unfortunately, the lighter the bike, the more expensive it is. My bike had cost more than my car. Complaints to the BBB about AAA yielded nothing. I bought a new bed, replaced my missing stereo speakers, developed a distaste for triple letters, and mourned. (*continued*)



THE CURATE'S COLUMN *(continued)*

I write all of this to explain how important bicycles are to me, and, therefore, how meaningful it is to receive a replacement bike as an ordination gift. For those who thought the word “cycle” in the title was about bicycles and not the cycle of God's constant redemption, I should also say a little about bents. They come in many styles—long wheel base (LWB), compact long wheel base (CLWB), short wheel base (SWB), high racer, low racer, delta trikes (two wheels in rear), tadpole trikes (two wheels in front) with under seat steering (USS), and over seat steering (OSS). Mine is an SWB USS bike. (If it had been SSS, it might have pushed me over the edge.) The advantage of the short wheel base bent is greater maneuverability. A practiced rider on my Linear Roadster can do a u-turn in one lane. Some of the long wheel base bents can barely accomplish a u-turn in two lanes. The advantage of under seat steering is that one's view is unobscured. One sits upright, head high, looking comfortably forward. That's a good attitude, given the reality of God's redemption. Thank you, St. Ann's!

Faithfully, *Farrell+*

Fr. Farrell delights in sincere dialogue and welcomes verbal or written responses to his articles.

LEARN ABOUT CHURCH ARCHITECTURE

Trent Pcenicni will lead a three-part class based on the BBC series,

Churches: How to Read Them

The series explores the theological meaning behind features of church architecture and interior design.

DATES: Wed, October 5
Wed, October 12
Wed, October 19

TIME: 7:00 PM

PLACE: Basement of Little John (entrance on left)

CONGRATULATIONS TO LINDA HAY

Our Parish Administrator, Linda Hay, who has had the initials FCBA (Fellow in Church Business Administration) following her name, has recently been recertified as a Church Administrator. The National Association of Church Business Administration seeks to promote the highest standards of professional competency for individuals who serve in administrative leadership roles. This involves periodic testing and life-long learning. However, with her recertification comes a change in title. Due to a change at NACBA, Linda is no longer an FCBA, but instead a CCA – Certified Church Administrator. NACBA felt that the designation was a more accurate descriptor in that administration is an integral part of all ministries and is much broader than just that of the church's business function. So, congratulations to Linda, who has completed her retention and continues to be “the woman who knows what's going on” at St. Ann's.

A PRAYER

I want to thank you, Lord, for being close to me so far this day.
With your help, I haven't been impatient, lost my temper, been grumpy, judgmental, or envious of anyone.
But I'll be getting out of bed in a minute, and I think I'll need your help then. Amen.

St. Ann's Annual Parish Fair

257 Middle Road, Sayville, New York 11782

Gifts
Toys/Books
Gift Basket Auction
Crafts
Cranberry Shortcake



Knitted, Sewn & Crocheted Handcrafts

Raffle Prizes
Baked Goods
Soups/Lunch
Accessories
Collectibles

Friday, November 4: 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM Gala Fair Night

Donation: \$5.00 per person

(or \$4.00 with Admission Ticket below)

Adults Only Please

*Wine and Cheese Reception and Preview Shopping
Auction of Beautifully Created Theme Baskets*

Saturday, November 5: 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM Gala Fair Day!

Free Admission

Shop for

Crafts – Toys – Books – Silver – Collectibles – Knitted Goods

Country Kitchen offering baked goods and Luncheon

Drawing of Raffle Prizes at 3:00 PM

*List of Prizes and Raffle Tickets Available at St. Ann's Church
631-589-6522*

Join your friends at the

\$1.00

**Off
Admission**

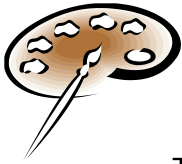
St. Ann's Episcopal Church
Gala Preview Reception Party
Friday, November 4, 2011
6:00 ~ 9:00 PM

Delicious Appetizers, Beverages Served
Early Bird Shopping, Gift Basket Auction, Prizes!



FALL ARTS EXPOSITION

THE ST. ANN 'S HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S FALL CELEBRATION OF ARTISTS, AUTHORS
AND MUSICIANS OF ST ANN 'S



*Put the fall yard work aside for **October 15** and come and be pleasantly surprised by this unique event! The time is 12:00-5:00 PM*



The exhibit of Artists, Authors and Musicians of St. Ann's, Past, Present & Future is coming up fast! Taking place the weekend *after* Columbus Day, it is a gallery of artwork, books, newspaper articles and other intriguing displays of creative talent that has passed through the history of St Ann's Parish, from long ago up through the present time!

This will be a one-time event, gathering together for just one day the talents of those such as Edward Asfazardour, Henry Betjemann, William Colson, General Regis deTrobriand, Gen. Charles Stevenson, and the Van Tassels, interspersed with contemporary people who still continue to let their creative lights shine.



The membership of St Ann's Historical Society has worked for the past six months, following the unique dedication of a tombstone to Nannie Dillard this past spring, to put on this free and most informational exhibit. –Sue Schultz



****REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED****

St. Ann's Fair and Annual Raffle

November 4, 5, and 6, 2011

Thanks to all who have volunteered to help thus far, efforts are well underway in the planning and preparation for the social event of the season! Many of our crafters are working at home, at their leisure, creating wonderful gifts for our Lad and Lassie, Craft, or other venue tables.

Carole Sheppard (472-0099) is Chairperson again this year, and is always happy to receive your support in any and all tasks or venues. Please consider volunteering a shift during fair hours, donating your favorite baked goods, jams, jellies or snacks to the Country Kitchen on Saturday morning, or helping set up or clean up. **Many hands=Light Work=JOY.**

We are currently compiling our **Annual Raffle list of prizes**. Please consider making a Raffle donation of a new or unused gift. Past donations have included merchandise, electronics, artwork, gift and service certificates, extraordinary gift baskets and monetary donations. Again this year, the Raffle Committee would like to include additional prizes for our younger parishioners. These typically include bicycles, dolls and electronics. Monetary donations can be combined in order to provide for these gifts, therefore, any amount is greatly appreciated.

If you plan to donate a gift, please provide a description of your gift on the postcard provided in the recent mailing, and return it to the church office no later than October 1st in order that your gift may be included on the Annual Raffle List. The actual gift may be brought to the church (or if needed, picked-up by one of our committee members) in mid-October. Your donations are gratefully accepted, tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law, and will continue to enable St. Ann's to provide outreach services and ministries to those in need. We look forward to your help.

The Raffle Committee: Howard Reksten, 516-815-6819
Suzanne Vallillo, 631-338-4026
Fair Chairperson: Carole Sheppard, 631-472-0099

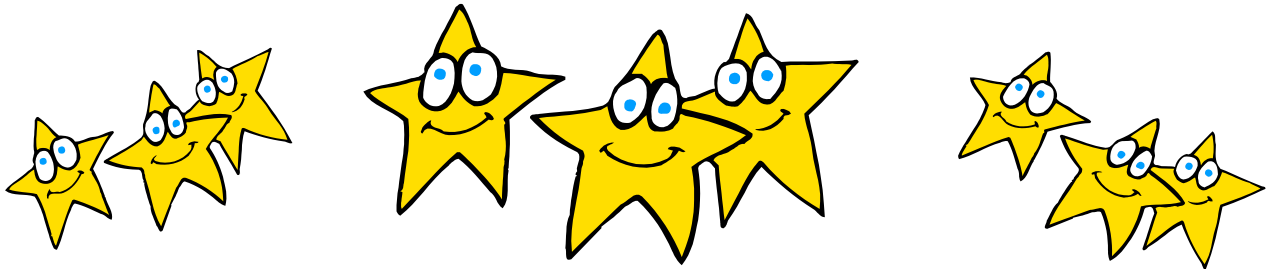
VIEW FROM BEHIND THE POLE



Saturdays 11:00 to 11:45 AM

Our Children's Choir rehearsals are being held on Saturdays from 11:00-11:45 AM. All children in grades K-6 are welcome. I realize how busy children are today, but it is my hope that you can fit Children's Choir into their schedule. Please call Kathy at the church office at 589-6522 for further information or just come down on a Saturday. -Kathy Senese

CHOIR PARTY -- The choir kicked off the new season with one of our potluck kitchen parties (the choir does like to party). The hit of the evening was Don Hester's cream cheese frog (served with piquant jelly on a cracker). We got some singing practice in too. If you'd like to be a part of all this, come on down Tuesday evenings at 7:00 PM. You may find your untapped choir voice hidden inside.



IT'S ALMOST HERE!

STAR SEARCH 2011

Friday, October 21 – 6:30 PM in the Parish Hall

MUSIC * SINGING * DANCING * MAGIC * COMEDY * SURPRISES GALORE!

St. Ann's Choir invites you to our 2nd annual night of entertainment and fun! Family and friends are welcome! Punch and coffee will be served. No charge—just a free will offering at the door.

PLEASE BRING YOUR FAVORITE DESSERT

STILL TIME TO SIGN UP IN THE PARISH HALL

You WILL be entertained!

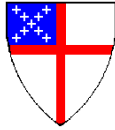
For further info, contact Kathy at the church office @ 589-6522.



OCTOBER 16 IS UTO OFFERING SUNDAY AT ST. ANN'S

Place your envelope or BLUE BOX in the collection plate, and it will be blessed at the Offertory. You may also mail your offering to the Church Office. St. Ann's UTO offering, along with other parishes in our diocese, will be presented at the annual diocesan United Thank Offering Ingathering at the Diocesan Convention in November. The donations received are used to provide grants, which are submitted to the National UTO for consideration. Examples are starting up a soup kitchen or providing long overdue repairs to a church in need.

—Ellen Stoll



NOTES

EPISCOPAL CHURCHWOMEN

The ECW will meet on Friday, Oct 21st at 10:00 AM in the Parish Hall. We will be finalizing plans for the Fair. All are welcome to join us.

Also, we have prepared the letters to send out for UTO Sunday, which is coming up October 16.

—Ellen Stoll

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISSI DAY



As autumn arrives, people in various places may notice something odd: a procession of animals, everything from dogs and cats to hamsters and even horses, is led to churches for a special ceremony called the Blessing of Pets. This custom is conducted in remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi's love for all creatures. His feast day is October 4th.



The bond between person and pet is like no other relationship, because the communication between fellow creatures is at its most basic. Eye-to-eye, a man and his dog, or a woman and her cat, are two creatures of love. No wonder people enjoy the opportunity to take their animal companions to church for a special blessing. Church is the place where the bond of creation is celebrated.



The love we give to a pet, and receive from a pet, can draw us more deeply into the larger circle of life, into the wonder of our common relationship to our Creator. -- Kevin E. Mackin, O.F.M., a Franciscan of the Holy Name Province

St. Ann's Blessing of the Animals will take place on Sunday, October 2, at 2:00 PM outside the church. Please bring your animal friends of all stripes and denominations (appropriately restrained, of course) and let us celebrate our pets together.

END OF LIFE PLANNING FORMS

As a follow-up to Fr. Gary's *Summer Spa for the Soul*, End-of-Life Planning forms are now available in the church office. See Linda Hay if you would like a copy.

OUR DAILY BREAD

Not only do we need food, we need a few more volunteers as well! We need cheerful people to man the pantry during the week. **Please see the sign up sheet in the Parish Hall** if you would like to help out. Jesus said in Matthew 25: "For I was hungry and you fed Me."

—Lynette Schulz



Raynor & D'Andrea Funeral Homes

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WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

4 Robert Rukrigl & Eileen Klopfer	9 Robert & Mary Ann Costanzo	22 Lars & Jill Gustafson
Charles & Kathleen Vetter	17 William & Audrey Fridrich	28 Joseph & Lisa Castelli
5 Edward & Cynthia Houdek	18 Salvatore & Doreen Grenci	29 Henry & Elaine Knoepffler
7 Charles & Donna Romano	20 James Hoek & Cathy Olsen-Hoek	Thomas & Maggie Rice
	21 Thomas & Cara Clark	



BIRTHDAYS

1 Lauren Immoor	9 Andrew Shiebler	18 Katherine Elton	25 Joyce Wilson
2 Donna Stankovich	Rose Weeks	Donna Welte	26 Logan O'Brien
3 Kathy Bedka-Strain	10 Edward Libretto	Raymond Wempe	27 Tina Hedrick
Kathy Senese	Hewlett Krakaur	19 Dorothy Closs	28 Alexander Miller
4 Donna Romano	11 Michael Chalmers	Suzanne Vallillo	29 Brooke Mattimore
5 Rita Lawrence	Warren McDowell	20 Kelly Cavanagh	Whitney O'Donnell
Joyce Whitby	14 Audrey Fridrich	21 Janet Adam	30 George Koinoglou
7 John Smith	William Verneer	Christine Mulroy	
8 Henry Lemanis	15 Renee Chalmers	Virginia Spiess	
Shayler Smyrk	16 Barbara Bartlett	23 Elizabeth Hutchins	

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. Four ministries we would like to suggest as INREACH to those in our parish who 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.

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❖ The Garden of the Unforgotten ❖

FREDERICK BAUMEISTER
Section 13 Lot 6 Grave 3 / 1894-1963
MARY M. BAUMEISTER
Section 13 Lot 6 Grave 4 / 1894-1968

FREDERICK BAUMEISTER died in January of 1963, at the age of 69 at his home, 55 Cliff Avenue, Sayville, after a long illness. He was born in New York and had lived in Sayville for more than 40 years, where he was popularly known as "The One Man Band." Mr. Baumeister was a retired shoe salesman.

He left his wife, the former Miss Marie Ritter, two sons, Frederick and Warren Baumeister of Sayville, a daughter, Mrs. Edith Dome of Sayville, and four grandchildren.

Services were held at Raynor's Chapel, Sayville, with the Reverend Louis H. Martin, retired pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church at Sayville, officiating. Interment was in St. Ann's Cemetery.



MRS. MARY M. BAUMEISTER, died at the age of 74, on a Saturday in early July, 1968, at her home, 151 Lowell Road, Sayville. She was born in Brooklyn, and had lived in Sayville for nearly 45 years. Mrs. Baumeister was a Deputy in the Companions of the Forest, Patchogue, and a member of the Companions of the Forest, Bay Shore.

A widow, her husband Frederick died in January of 1964, and at the time of her death she left two sons, Frederick H. Baumeister and Warren Baumeister, a daughter, Mrs. Edith Dome, all of Sayville, a brother, Henry Ritter of Teaneck, N.J., three sisters, Mrs. Helen Isles, Deltona, Florida, Mrs. Irene Baum and Mrs. Florence Krumholz both of Ridgewood, N.Y., four grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Companions of the Forest and Rosary Services were held at Raynor's Chapel, and requiem mass at St. Lawrence R.C. Church of Sayville, this was followed by burial next to her husband in St. Ann's Garden of the Unforgotten.

SENIOR HEALTH INFORMATION

How many of us senior citizens know about the vaccine used to prevent herpes zoster—**shingles**—in certain patients? I, for one, was not aware until a member of my family developed shingles. Through friends and my doctor, I was able to learn that there is a preventative which is obtainable with a doctor's prescription. This medicine is usually administered as an injection at your doctor's office.

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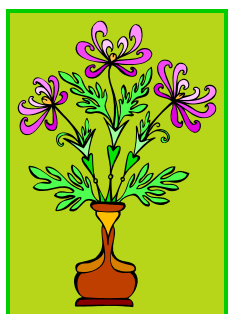
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NOTIFICATION OF PASTORAL NEEDS

HIPPA laws prohibit hospitals from notifying churches of parishioner admissions and conditions. Therefore, it is up to family members to contact the church office (PLEASE don't just assume we know!) advising of illness or hospitalization. The clergy will gladly visit parishioners and bring Communion if requested, but need to know whether the patient is at home or in which hospital they have been admitted. To protect confidentiality, the HIPAA laws also prohibit church staff from sharing any information unless the parishioner/patient gives his/her permission for disclosure.

WEEKLY MEMORIALS AND THANKSGIVINGS



All requests for flowers, candles, mass intentions, etc. should be sent in writing, along with your donation, **directly to the Parish Administrator**, at least one week prior to the requested date. Please note that flowers may not be placed on the altar throughout Advent and Lent, but candle memorials will be honored.

AROUND ST. ANN'S Monthly Schedule

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

Monday

Oct 17 7:00 PM--Vestry

Tuesday

Each 8:00 AM—Men's Group
Each 1:30 PM—Yoga Class

Wednesday

Oct 5 7:00 PM—Churches: How to Read Them(I)
Oct 12 7:00 PM—Churches: How to Read Them(II)
Oct 19 7:00 PM—Churches: How to Read Them(III)

Thursday

Friday

Oct 21 10:00 AM -- ECW

Saturday

Second 10:00 AM—Historical Society
Each 11:00-11:45 AM—Children's Choir



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