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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

Aug. 30—Church School Registration

Sept. 7---Labor Day

Sept. 14—EfM Begins

Sept. 20—Sunday School Begins

Sept. 23—Youth Group Begins

MISSION STATEMENT

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





SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION SUNDAY, **AUGUST 30 AT 9:00 AM** IN THE PARISH HALL

SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL BEGIN ON SEPTEMBER **20TH AT 9:00 AM**

If you are unable to attend the registration on August 30th, you will be able to find the form on our website on August 31st.

For information on the Confirmation Class, please contact Father Jae at: fatheriae@saint-anns.org

Teacher Appreciation

What is a teacher, if not a mirror in which we perceive the divine image hidden in the soul? What is a teacher, if not a sower of seed and a cultivator of young gardens? What is a teacher, if not a shaper of souls and a guide who gently shows the right path for the journey? What is a teacher, if not the most hopeful of dreamers, who plants and nurtures and sees the bright destiny and harvest of the work even when the student cannot? What is a teacher, if not a shepherd watching over the flock and leading it to abundant pastures?

Dreamers and sharers of dreams, sowers of seed and guides who chart the way, mirrors of goodness and shepherds of grace — it is for these teachers and this ministry that we give abundant thanks to God. —Author unknown

FROM THE EDITOR

The Labor to Which We're Called



In words attributed to Mother Teresa, "Many people mistake our work for our vocation. Our vocation is the love of Jesus." As we celebrate Labor Day, what does such a distinction mean?

Vocation comes from Latin for "calling." Christians understand vocation as that for which God created you, involving activities you do well, enjoy and feel good about doing, and that serve others. If you're blessed to earn a paycheck doing something that fits those categories, then your profession or occupation — your work —likely is your vocation.

Other people work a paying job because an opportunity presents itself and the income is needed, even if it isn't their favorite thing to do. Perhaps they live out their truest vocation during non-employment hours: singing with a choir, raising children, building houses with Habitat for Humanity.

Christians in any capacity, paid or not, can live out Jesus' calling to love God and neighbor with our whole being (Luke 10:27). When God is "CEO" of our lives, it shows in how we treat our fellow laborers.

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Dear Parish Family,

You've probably noticed that in the last few months we have been doing quite a lot of work around the church and cemetery properties. In the cemetery, we re-landscaped a large portion of the grounds, created new plantings in others, and built a beautiful 29-foot wide labyrinth that is surrounded by a new and beautiful botanical garden. We are also in the process of renovating our Parish Hall kitchen and the kitchen in the Littlejohn Building as well. This renovation will bring both of our kitchens up to code so we can begin to use them in ministry to our wider community. And, there are several opportunities for how to utilize our gardens and church as ministries to the outside community.

Saint Ann's as a Retreat Destination. Since the closing of Little Portion Friary, there is no place on the east end of the island that offers retreat space to churches, regardless of their denomination. Churches frequently are looking for space that allows them the room, sacred space of our church and chapel to have either a formal retreat or vestry retreat. We can meet their needs by offering our beautiful grounds. a large labyrinth, and a kitchen that is up to code so they may prepare their meals. I am not suggesting that we become the retreat leaders and the cooks, we would be providing the space for a charitable donation.

Mid-Island Meeting Space for Diocesan Events. Sayville is almost a geographic mid-point in terms of churches in the diocese. I have offered the Littlejohn Building and/or our Parish Hall to the diocese for meetings so that people don't have to travel so far for every meeting. This invitation has been met with gladness from our bishop.

Outreach.

- Senior Luncheons. We currently are serving between 40-50 people at our monthly luncheons, and I expect this number will continue to grow in the fall.
- Movie Afternoon for Seniors: We could use the Littlejohn downstairs as a movie theater for our seniors who would like to get out of the house and watch a movie with their friends. A simple lunch of soup and sandwich could be made in our kitchen.
- Food Pantry. This ministry, now located in the Littleighn Building, continues to grow in volunteers.....and sadly in guests needing our help. Thanks to you our pantry remains full and guest needs are met.
- Community Garden. Your Outreach Committee and I would like to plant a community garden in the backyard of Littlejohn and the food grown would be given to our guests for their weekly use. This is also an excellent ministry to encourage your children to join in on as well. Also from our garden, we might make a weekly lunch for those who are in need of a good healthy meal.

So, these are just some ideas of what we can be doing at Saint Ann's with our beautiful space, as we move forward in our mission to serve Christ in all whom we see.

Blessings,

Mother Diane+

Vestry Visions

Dear Fellow Saint Ann's Parishioners,

I am writing this letter to you not only as a member of the Vestry, but as a fellow parishioner, in faith that you will join me in addressing a matter of concern at Saint Ann's. If you have kept up with the financial reports of Saint Ann's, you know that total giving is lower than hoped for. That is why I decided to share my thoughts with you in the hope that as a parish family we can work on this together.

When inviting visitors to the Lord's Table, Mother Diane reminds us all that Saint Ann's is God's house, the table is the Lord's and all are welcome. Can't you just hear her? At Saint Ann's we are a family, and we want our home here to be warm, vibrant, and comfortable for all who enter in.

It's summer—the time for relaxing a little, enjoying the outdoors, vacations, family reunions! If your family is like mine, your thoughts may still drift to the autumn and winter to come. As we expend our time, talent, and treasure on "summertime things" such as a few more meals at Flo's Famous Luncheonette or a few more ice cream treats from the Mr. Softee truck, we still ponder the cost of home heating oil or the cost of home repairs before the cold weather returns. We may have to adjust our finances to make up for the niceties of summer!

Saint Ann's needs care and support throughout the year. Household upkeep needs to continue whether it is our own home or God's house. Regardless of the season, finances need to be addressed. Attendance at worship services tends to fall off during the summertime, and with it financial giving is also reduced. However, the total cost of maintaining Saint Ann's, including the physical plant, the salaries of the faithful who minister to our parishioners and the community on a daily basis, and the cost of programs and ministries, when added together, is not reduced just because it is summer. The full year needs to be kept in perspective.

For those of you who have pledged a particular amount, I ask you to faithfully continue giving your pledged amount. For those who are still not comfortable making this commitment, I ask that you pray for direction from our Lord, who knows your hearts and your fears, as well as your joys and blessings. The commitment to pledge time, talent, and treasure is not one that can occur only during that expected time in the fall, but as an answer to prayer whenever our hearts are moved by the love and grace of God.

My family has experienced tragedy and hardship as well as times of celebration and joy. Through it all, the love and fellowship of the SAINT ANN'S family was profound and sustained us. I have struggled with pledging and regular giving when I allowed worldly fears and anxieties to occupy my mind to a greater extent than I should have. But, as they say, a leap of faith is not very far. It is only the distance from the head to the heart!

My relationship to God is clearly written in Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans: "The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ..." As an heir, doesn't that make me responsible for God's house, its upkeep, and the spreading of God's kingdom? As an heir then, I prayed, and my answer was "YES!"

Therefore, whether your commitment is a smaller, first step, or an ever-growing step in faith, please pray, and join me in recommitting ourselves to the spreading of God's kingdom through the upkeep of Saint Ann's and its ministries, and all for the glory of God!

With love,

Christie Strecker for the Vestry

My first exposure to Long Island was a project in 6th grade geography class. On a strip of newsprint paper, I sketched this island, from the East River to the eastern forks, and filled it with little gold stars where various towns were located. I practiced the names for the oral presentation of my project: Ronkonkoma. Wyandanch, Patchogue, Islip, Copiague, Massapequa (the teacher gave me a C- for the oral presentation; her alma mater was Hofstra, and her standards were high).

I finally learned how to say "Ronkonkoma" when, at Bishop Provenzano's generous invitation, I arrived in September 2014 to serve as Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Long Island. I've learned ever so much more since that first trip over the Throg's Neck Bridge:

- 1. This diocese is the most diverse of any region in the Episcopal Church. Los Angeles and Miami and Washington DC don't even come close.
- 2. I understand now why people want to live in Brooklyn; it's full of life and variety and history.
- 3. I totally get why people leave their homelands to live in Queens, where every street scene is a small version of the United Nations.
- 4. Having lived in Maine for 18 years, I thought no other coastal areas could flood me with joy, but beaches and waterfront areas here do that. God is everywhere, inland and coastal.
- 5. I learned that my heart can stretch to fully embrace struggling ethnic congregations tucked between storefronts AND congregations in the lap of privilege on prosperous shorefronts.
- 6. I count it as a daily gift of God's grace that all of this diversity co-exists in one diocese, and that our church folk are committed to living the Gospel, whatever differences there may be.
- 7. I've learned yet again the deep blessing of working with devoted and talented diocesan staff colleagues. Day by day, diocesan staff attends to behind-the-scenes work which may never be known in the larger diocesan community. Particular gratitude is directed to boards and staff of Episcopal Charities and Episcopal Community Services, which have joined to become Episcopal Ministries of Long Island, now poised for a grace-filled future.
- 8. I have been reminded, during our time together, how much I enjoy the ministry of bishop. I have met with you, worshipped with you, joined with you in confirming and receiving people, and socialized with you. You have been wonderfully hospitable when I have come to your parishes for Visitations. Thank you for treating me so well.

It would be wonderful to stay here in the Diocese of Long Island for another season. But God's claim upon my vocational life takes me to the Diocese of Maryland, where I begin as Assistant Bishop in mid-October. I hope you will pray for me and for the Diocese of Maryland.

You will always be in my thoughts and prayers. Thank you, Diocese of Long Island, It has been a huge blessing to join you in ministry.

With love in Christ,

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ASSOCIATE'S COLUMN

Father Jae Chung

Sunday School & Confirmation





The New Curriculum for Sunday School

Beginning this September, we will use *Whirl* as our new Sunday school curriculum for PreK-Grade 6.

Whirl creates a lectionary-centered Sunday school. It means there will be a strong connection between kids and the Church life. St. Ann's Sunday school will use the same Bible passages that all adult members use in the Church service. Moreover, Whirl provides a short animation movie

with characters that kids can relate to. It encourages children to ask questions for the bible passages and to think about faith in the current church and life settings. These short cartoons are not just for giving children joyful TV shows. It will stimulate their curiosity and spur their thoughtfulness to embrace all possibilities in a diverse environment such as the Church. All sessions will be interactive, and our goal is to observe and nourish the sprouts of creativity, intelligence, empathy and faithfulness in the light of God's Word and Love. I believe *Whirl* will be very helpful to achieve our goal because it helps us to get down on the eye level of our students.

Again, our students will learn and talk about the same scripture that all parents will listen in Sunday services. Therefore, parents can have an interesting conversation with their children about the scriptures. It will be another benefit for using this new curriculum. For the younger kids (PreK~Grade 2), they will bring home a leaflet every Sunday. The leaflet will provide a great resource and a short guide for parents to have a conversation with their kids about the scriptures. I hope this new curriculum can create more connections between adults and our students at St. Ann's. Sunday School Registration will be held on Sunday, August 30th at 9:00 AM in the Parish Hall.

The New Confirmation Course for Youth

In this semester, we will have a weekday course for the Youth Confirmation Class. The course has only 6 classes, to be held every Tuesday evening at 7:00-8:00 PM from April 5th to May 10th, 2016 and it will be led by the Clergy.

However, all confirmands are required to actively join our Church life in the worship services and activities as ushers, lectors, and assistants for Sunday school and parish events. There will be a schedule rota and sign-in sheet for confirmands. Comparing to our previous 2-year or 1-year full course, it will reduce a lot of burdens for confirmands and their parents for better scheduling. Moreover, this new course will help them to be Episcopalians in a real church setting. The Confirmation Day will be held on Saturday, May 14th, 2016 at the Cathedral in Garden City, NY. If your child wants to be confirmed, please come to the Parish Hall and register for Sunday school AND Confirmation on Sunday, August 30th at 9:00 AM. If you are unable to attend the registration on August 30th, you will be able to find the form on our website on August 31st. For more information on the Confirmation course, please contact Father Jae at **fatherjae@saint-anns.org**.

Registration for Sunday School & Confirmation: Sunday, Aug 30th at 9:00 AM in the Parish Hall Sunday School begins on Sunday, September 20th, 2015.

Barnabas Buddies

Perhaps you've seen the Barnabas Buddies article on page 15 every month in *The Correspondent* and wonder just who are these Barnabas Buddies. The Barnabas Buddies are "inreach" ministry that parishioners can call upon when there is need to help a fellow parishioner. The concept was suggested by the Vestry about six or seven years ago as a way to revitalize

our commitment to reach out to our own parish family.

St. Barnabas was the original name of our church when was just a summer chapel back in the 1860's. St. Barnabas the man was a disciple of Paul, and in the early days of the church, he had volunteered to accompany Paul on his journeys, preaching the Good News of the coming of Jesus. As the two men journeyed and preached, they helped set up congregations for the Corinthians, Galatians, and other groups of people they met along the way. St. Barnabas is remembered by the Episcopal Church each year on his Feast Day, June 11th, when we at St. Ann's celebrate the Eucharist on the Great Lawn and enjoy a barbecue and other festivities.

So when then-warden Pat Osarchuk suggested the name "Barnabas Buddies" the Vestry deemed it an entirely appropriate name and voted unanimously to make it official.

For the past three years our parish family has been growing in numbers, and it is important to update this ministry, so that help is available and that volunteers know what opportunities are available for them to help. Think of us as a "clearinghouse" bringing together those who need help and those who are willing to give it. Several of our past volunteers have moved away from the area and we need new ones. If you feel you can give a few hours to this worthwhile ministry—OR—if you are in need of assistance, please give us a call. For example,

- Would you be able to prepare a simple meal for someone recovering from a recent illness
- Could you drive someone to a doctor's appointment, stay with them, and bring them back home? (We are able to cover the local area from Brookhaven Hospital area to the East and Good Samaritan Hospital to the West).
- Would you pick up someone and bring them to church (perhaps once a month) if they are unable to drive? (I myself sometimes need a ride!)
- Would you feel comfortable making a phone call to someone homebound—or even making a visit? For example, during the July heatwave I called 2 or 3 parishioners to see if they were doing okay or needed anything. They didn't, but they were so appreciative of the call from a member of the church family. When you are remembered, it makes you feel so good—and it made me feel good too!

There will be a sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall where you may give us your name and indicate which ministry you feel most comfortable with. Or you can call the church office and leave your name and phone number. I am Gerry Hoek, and you can reach me at 631-868-7278. I'll be glad to talk with you! --Gerry Hoek

Blessings or Burdens?

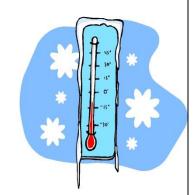
Interruptions can be viewed as sources of irritation or opportunities for service, as moments lost or experience gained, as time wasted or horizons widened. They can annoy us or enrich us, get under our skin or give us a shot in the arm, monopolize our minutes or spice our schedules—depending on our attitude toward them. -William Arthur Ward

It's Cold In Here

In the summer months a few folks say it's cold in the church. The temperature is set at 69 degrees during the summer months for a few very good reasons.

First, our organ tuner has told us, in order to maintain the pipes in our organ, we need to keep the church between 68-70 degrees at all times during the summer months.

This temperature also helps maintain our Tiffany Windows and the stone of the church when it becomes so hot outside.



So, it's not that anyone is trying to freeze you out of church, but we are trying to maintain the integrity of our beautiful church and organ.

- Mother Diane+



Installation of the Presiding Bishop

The Holy Eucharist with the Installation of the 27th Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church, Bishop Michael Bruce Curry, will take place on Sunday, November 1 at noon EST at Washington National Cathedral. It will be webcast!



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VIEW FROM BEHIND THE POLE



Much thanks to Kristen Greves, who filled in as organist while Kathy Senese was on vacation. It's nice to have back-up!

Join the Choir



You'll Be Glad You Did!

The brilliant Christian psychiatrist, Dr. Walter Menninger, said that singing in a church choir was very helpful to him. After an exhausting day at work, he found it

inspirational and soothing to go to choir practice at his church. The music enabled him to put the stress of his day behind him, get in touch with something beautiful and holy, and end the day relaxed and uplifted.

Ask a choir member what singing in a choir does for him or her. It's very likely that you'll find he or she gets great joy in serving the Lord through singing. And remember, also, there is wonderful fellowship among choir members. Singing in a choir is a good way to make new friends. Try it. (You'll like it).

Parish Choir will begin, Tuesday, September 8 @ 7:00 PM in the church and Children's Choir will begin Tuesday, September 15 @ 6:00 PM in the church.



The Grace of God

A man was met at the gates of heaven by St. Peter, who said, "It will take 1,000 points for you to be admitted. The way you lived your life will determine your points."

The man said, "Unless I was sick, I attended worship every Sunday and sang in the choir." "That's 50 points," said St. Peter. "What else?"

"I gave liberally to the church," the man said. "Twenty-five points," replied St. Peter. "Anything else?"

Realizing he had only 75 points, the man began to get desperate. "I taught Sunday school for several years." "That's great work for God, but it's worth only 25 points," noted St. Peter.

The man became frantic. "You know," he said, "at this rate the only way I'll get into heaven is by the grace of God!"

Peter smiled as he said, "That's worth 900 points! Come on in!"



IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS REGARDING THE BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES LIST, PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 631-589-6522.

BIRTHDAYS					august		
1	Charles Vetter	8	Lauren Rascona	14	Kevin Mattimore	25	Brian Rockwood
2	Nancy Bosse		Aquinnah Wells		Layla Rey	26	Louis Dadabo
	Karen Cavanagh	10	Carole Elton	17	Charles Romano	27	Nicholas Arena Jr.
	Leo Chung		Ellen Garofolo		Adam Shelton		Frederick Leyboldt
	Lucas Chung		Anthony Lentini	18	Sam Acierno		Sloan Rivas
	Gavin Lico		Gilbert Kelley		Joshua Minerva	28	Lisa Jacques
	Samara Madigan		Matthew Rockwood	19	Charlotte Acierno	29	Lily Dadabo
	Philip Rascona	11	Eileen Fitzpatrick		G. William Lembeck III		Joseph Ferzola
4	John McGee		Gary Schaum	20	Elise Alloy		Linda Koso
	Gia Patrovich		Lily Zeidler	21	Carli LoNigro	30	Donald Hester
	Cameron Russell	12	Philip Alloy		Cheryl Waters		Marilyn Tartaglia
5	Kristin Greves		Joan Belfield	22	Peter McGorty		Ryan Wilson
	Barbara Mangelli	13	Maureen Rockwood	23	Eleanor Duncker	31	Scott MacDonell
6	Kelly Morahan		Kateri Sanseviro	24	Aline Koinoglou		Reina Vazquez
7	Trevor Hennessey		Sarah Sclafani	25	Robert Flanagan		
	Erin Hynes	14	Thomas Clark, Jr.				

These names are offered each month as an opportunity to extend to our brothers and sisters the love of Christ on these special days and to express our thanks for the gift of their presence in our midst. Prayers will be offered at worship for each person listed on the Sunday of the week of their birthday and/or anniversary, and also at the 9:00 a.m. Morning Mass on their specific day.

BIRTHDAYS								
1	Natalie Kudlek	6	Alia Richards	12	Brittany Miller	19	MacKenzie Schutte	
	Darroll Meyer		Grace Torgersen		Michael Patrovich		Kenneth Smyrk	
	John Strecker	7	Julia Fisher	13	Nicholas Laffin	22	Averie Castaneda	
	Butzy Van Wyen		Charles O'Connell		Shirley Slavik	23	Peter O'Connell	
2	David Rey	8	Shaun Brett	14	Elijah Koso	24	Abigail Streek	
3	Margaret Costanzo	9	Karen McGorty	15	Henry Bosse	25	Julia Magnani	
4	William Casaburi		Lee Rosché		Gene Wehrenberg	26	Jeffrey McLeer	
	Mary Ann Costanzo		Madison Espinoza	18	Alexander MacKenzie		Laura Sanchez	
	Salvatore Grenci	10	Christopher Zanchelli	19	Robert Britts	27	Fiona Rivas	
	Christian Hagenlocher	11	Caryn Wehrenberg		Emily Lico	29	Patrick O'Donnell	
5	Candy Little	12	Margaret Donahue-Cope		Michael Minerva	30	Jaden Catalina	
	Phillip Potestio		Kristin LoNigro					

"We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord!" That old camp song reminds us we're all one family in Christ. May God bless our church family.

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- 2 Robert & Christina DiTusa
- 6 Trevor & Paddy Price Hennessey
- 14 John & Theresa McGee William & Stephanie Streek

August Wedding Anniversaries

September Wedding Anniversaries

- 15 Francis Jr. & Irene Bodkin
- 17 Darroll & Judith Meyer
- 21 Philip & Elise Alloy Jon & Lori Svendsen Scott & Nancy Leuly
- 21 David & Whitney O'Donnell
- 22 Joel & Donna Welte
- 27 Don & Cathy Baker
- 31 Michael & JoAnn DaSilva





- 1 James & Sasha Coiro
- 3 James & Nancy Bosse Frank & Deanne Madigan
- 4 Hewlett & Kathleen Krakaur
- 5 Mark & Maureen Casaburi Richard & Diane Miller Magnani Austin & Barbara McGeary
- 7 John & Christie Strecker
- 8 David & Nicole Rey

- 11 Paul & Caryn Wells
- 12 Fr. Jae & Shin Kang-Chung John & Theresa Smith
- 14 Dana & Vanessa Munno
- 16 Raymond & Grace Wempe
- 17 James & Helen Deegan Scott & Patricia MacDonell
- 18 Frederick & Muriel Herold
- 19 Henry Lemanis & Joanne Festa
- 20 Philip & Sally Stoll DePompeo
- 22 Kenneth & Nancy Miller James & Patricia Romeo
- 24 Jason & Kaitlin Walsh
- 25 Luis & Kathleen Vazquez Douglas & Holly Rhodes-Teague
- 29 Michael & Charlotte Hlavac Maass



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OUR DAILY BREAD



Monday & Thursday, from 10:00 AM -12:00 Noon This month we would especially appreciate donations of the following items:

Canned Meats * Tuna * Chili * Juice * Shelf Stable Milk *
Toilet Paper * Paper Towels * Bread

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

Also, it's a great time to share any abundance you might have in your garden. Fresh produce is always appreciated by our guests and something they don't often get to enjoy. Next time you reap more than you can eat, the Food Pantry would welcome your surplus,

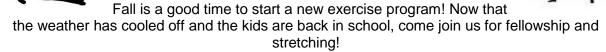




GIVING RECOGNITION TREE

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

YOGA 1:30 PM every Thursday in the Parish Hall







We are in need of DVD players and flat screen TV's for our Sunday School program. If you have one you would like to donate, please contact the church office at 631-589-6522.





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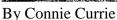
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Our Church History





❖ The Garden of the Unforgotten ❖

M. JAMES NOHOWEC SR. **GERTRUDE C. NOHOWEC**

Section 13 - Lot 1

M. James Nohowec, Sr., was 83 when he died at his South Snedecor Avenue, Bayport home in mid-October of 1973. Mr. Nohowec was born in Sayville and he was a lifelong resident of the Sayville/Bayport area. He attended the Sayville public schools and, after graduation, he worked with his parents in the family owned MacArthur Hotel. They later sold the hotel, moved to Bayport, and owned and operated the Sayville Inn on South Main Street.

Mr. Nohowec was a veteran of World I, having served in the US Army. He was a member of the Smith-Weaver American Legion Post; a 49 year member of the Sayville Fire Department; a life member of the Connetquot F. & M. Masonic Lodge; a Daddy of the Southside Triangle Girls; and a life member of St. Ann's Church.

Mr. Nohowec was survived by his wife Gertrude Gross Nohowec; his son, Milton James Jr. of Sayville; his daughter, Mrs. Bernice Houlik of Bayport, and four grandchildren. He was buried from the Raynor Funeral Home, West Sayville. Officiating were the Rev. Joseph Bond and Rev. Lawrence McCoombe. Burial followed in St. Ann's cemetery.

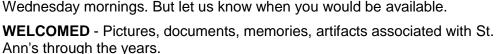
Gertrude C. Nohowec died September 21, 1983 at the Patchogue Nursing Center. Born in Sayville, like her husband M. James, she was a life-long resident of the area. She worked alongside her husband in the operation of the Sayville Inn. When she was raising her children, Gertrude had a pet goose that kept watch over the children, keeping people away from the carriage. This goose also visited the Rev. Mr. Prescott at St. Ann's Church down the street.

Mrs. Nohowec was a life time member of the Eastern Star, Metlakhatla Chapter No. 439 and was a life time member and past president of the Smith Weaver American Legion Ladies Auxiliary.

Upon her death she was survived by her daughter, Mrs. Bernice Houlik of Richmond, Virginia and her son, Milton J. of Sayville, who a radioman in the US Navy survived the bombing of Pearl Harbor, and four grandchildren and six grandchildren.

The Rev. Bruce Torrey officiated at her funeral service and burial in St. Ann's cemetery.

NEEDED - People to look at pictures of St. Ann's events from the 1990s and identify the adults and children in them. We are in the History Room most Wednesday mornings. But let us know when you would be available.





We welcome questions about St. Ann's history. We also give tours of the church, cemetery and surrounding grounds. Call the office and we will call you back or call 631-589-2700. -- Connie Currie



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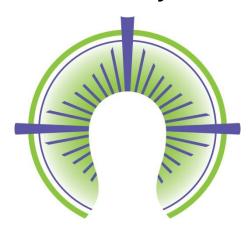
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Nimbus

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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 10:00 AM—Holy Eucharist 7:30 PM—AA Meeting

Mondays

7:00 PM—EfM—Starting on September 14 8:00 PM—AA Meeting

7.00 DM Water Marking

7:00 PM—Vestry Meeting—September 14

Tuesdays

8:00 AM—Men's Group

9:00 AM—Holy Eucharist

6:45 PM—Children's Choir Rehearsal

7:15 PM—Adult Choir Rehearsal

Wednesdays

7:00 PM—Youth Group—Beginning on September 23

Thursdays

10:00 AM—AA Meeting 1:30-2:30 PM—Yoga Class 8:00 PM—AA Meeting

Friday

Saturday

5:00 PM—Holy Eucharist

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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A Prayer for Uncertain Times

An hour before the 9/11 terrorist attacks, pastor and author Stan Purdum was reading Psalm 66, which includes the words, "We went through fire and through water; yet you have brought us out to a spacious place" (v. 12, NRSV). After watching the destruction, Purdum composed a prayer that remains relevant today, as terrorism and threats often make peace seem more "specious" than "spacious":

O God of heaven and earth, who's bigger than nations and factions, be with us as we live through times of terror, despair and danger. Be the strength of people who've been touched personally by disaster. Come with healing to those who are injured. Be the eternal rest of those who've died. Be the energy, compassion and fortitude of those who must pick through the wreckage. Grant our leaders courage and a double portion of your wisdom. The day of universal brotherhood seems farther off than ever, O God, but help us not despair of trying to accomplish it. Strengthen our faith. In Jesus' name. Amen.