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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

Tuesday
 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist

SPECIAL UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 4—Labor Day/Office closed
 Sept. 10-Sunday School Registration
 Sept. 17-Sunday School begins



MISSION STATEMENT

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



Registration for Sunday School will be on **Sunday, September 10th** in the Parish Hall after the 10:00 AM service

The curriculum used in our Sunday School is:



LECTIONARY SUNDAY SCHOOL

Every Whirl lesson follows a 4-part sequence: Welcome; Hear; Respond; and Launch (WHRL!) Each week, kids and leaders start their time together by identifying where they are in the church year and watching an animated video to set up the lesson. Next, they dive into the Whirl Story Bible or Whirl NRSV Bible together, respond to the scripture lesson with creative leaflet activities, and circle up to review the lesson and pray before being sent out. This curriculum is designed to sync with our lectionary so that what the kids learn in school, they will hear in church

The first day of Sunday School will be Sunday, September 17th.



Pre-K / K – Ann Marie Hlavac & Ella Chalmers
 1 / 2 – Maureen Casaburi & Taylor Schmittzeh
 3 / 4 – Holly Cooper & Lily Acierno
 5 / 6 – Cara Clark & a TBA assistant

“I teach Sunday school. What’s your superpower?”
 –Unknown

We look forward to a new Sunday School year with you!

FROM THE EDITOR

For one day on August 21, Americans were united in anticipation of the eclipse of the sun. It was a pleasure to have something happen that we could all agree on! It lasted for only a short time, as we watched the progress of the moon's giant shadow cross the country from Oregon to South Carolina before disappearing out to sea.

Most of the things we read about today seem steeped in controversy and aim to divide instead of unite. We are expected to be pro- or con- on a wealth of issues. In reality, most situations are complicated and do not have just two sides--cannot be explained by sound bites alone. We should try to be open minded and realize that there are good and bad points in every situation. The following was posted anonymously on the Internet with encouragement to pass it on:

"For all of you who aren't sure, it is possible to be gay and Christian. It's also possible to believe in God and science. It is possible to be pro-choice and anti-abortion. It is equally possible to be a feminist and love and respect men. It's possible to have privilege and be discriminated against, to be poor and have a rich life, to not have a job and still have money. It is possible to believe in sensible gun control legislation and still believe in one's right to defend one's self, family, and property, it's possible to be anti-war and pro-military. It is possible to love thy neighbor and despise his actions. It is possible to advocate that "black lives matter" and still be pro-police. It is possible to not have an education and be brilliant. It is possible to be Muslim and also suffer at the hands of terrorists. It is possible to be a non-American fighting for the American dream. It is possible to be different and the same. We are all walking contradictions of what "normal" looks like. Let humanity and love win.
--Rodney Dudley

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THE RECTOR'S CORNER



My Sabbath Time Off

This is the first publication of *The Correspondent* since I returned from my sabbatical, and I wanted to use my article to tell you what I did with my time off.

It was a precious and sacred gift to be able to take some extended time off for rest, reflection, relaxation and spiritual renewal; and I immersed myself in all of the above! I travelled to North Carolina for a week, to upstate New York for a week, and even out to Fire Island for a few days. I was also home for part of this time, and it was very peaceful to just allow my spirit to rest and renew itself.

I can't overstate the importance of spiritual renewal. Parish ministry, like many secular jobs, is very demanding on one's time and energy. Along with services and preaching, pastoral care and home visitations, as rector there is also the administrative side of the church to attend to on a daily basis. And actually, that aspect takes up the vast majority of my time. For example, as I write this, I have stopped working on this article three times to deal with HVAC issues in the church, duct cleaning needs in the church and exterior painting preparation issues on the outside of the church. I don't say this to complain--it's all part of the job--but sometimes it starts to feel that parish ministry is made up more of building issues, budget and finance matters, and copious meetings more than with the spiritual needs of the church and her people.

That's when I have to walk away and let God remind me why God called me to ordained ministry. That's when I can remember the experience of my call and how it unfolded in my life and changed my life forever. And that is what I spent a lot of my sabbatical doing; remembering why God called me to serve God and the church, and renewing my spirit to that calling. My call was liturgical and sacramental in nature and these are the things that feed my soul and fill my spirit; as that is how I experience God in my life. And I needed this time off to re-engage, re-embrace that calling. And I did.

Now, I have returned rested and focused on God's call in my life and to the mission of the church, and I look forward to working with you in doing the work Christ has given us to do in His name.

Blessings,

Mather Diane+

A Taste of Heaven

When an admirer asked renowned pianist Vladimir Horowitz how he could play so beautifully, he's said to have replied that anyone could play the notes, but the true music lay in the pauses between them. The same can be said of life.

Rabbi Evan Moffic (*Shalom for the Heart*) writes, "It is in the pauses — the rests, the spaces in between — that meaning is made and that holiness is felt." Nowadays we keep so busy there's hardly a pause or space in our day.

"But that's not the way God created us [or] the world," Moffic continues. "God worked, then rested. God created, then paused. ... Thus, our Sabbath is the day when we can marvel at the beauty of the world God created. It is the day we enjoy what the ancient sages called 'a taste of heaven.' It is a day when we stop thinking about the *what* of life and remind ourselves of the *why* of life."

Vestry Visions

As the lazy, hazy days of summer draw to a close, we turn our thoughts to getting back to our usual yearly routines. During the summer months, your Rector, Wardens, and Vestry have been continuing to keep the church running smoothly and safely.

If you haven't heard, there has been a serious mold problem in the attic and bell tower over the sacristy. Our clergy, servers, and Altar Guild members have been inhaling this toxic substance for quite some time. At this point, the mold is cleared. It is now a safe place to prep for the service. The cabinetry and carpeting are being replaced to complete the renovation.

Also, our lovely historic church has been in great need of exterior painting for a long time. We are currently having the church painted to reflect the beauty of the surrounding campus. Our Buildings and Grounds committee, as well as the vestry, worked long and hard to determine the best company for the job and the most appropriate paint colors for the building. The old lead paint must be removed carefully and professionally before applying the new color. We are aware that some folks will miss that old "Saint Ann's Blue" and some will not. It is our hope that once the work is completed, everyone will see the natural beauty of the more subdued colors. This painting project has been made possible due to the generosity of an endowment, with no expenses being paid out of the general fund. And for that we are extremely grateful.

On a different note, please remember that the Vestry members are elected volunteers who, in concert with the Rector, attend to the everyday running of the church. We are your representatives as we work closely with our clergy and Treasurer to insure the welfare of our beloved St. Ann's community. We are here to serve the Lord in keeping His house open and functioning smoothly. It is a job that requires some time, thoughtfulness and quite a bit of decision-making.

As you may know there is a new "Ask the Vestry" box in the Parish Hall. It was designed to be a place to share your suggestions, your concerns, and your questions for the vestry to consider. We sincerely request that you use this receptacle to share your thoughts with us. Otherwise, we may not be able to address your concerns. As we all attend different services, we may not have the opportunity to chat with you at coffee hour and hear your opinions on the issues that affect you and are quite important to us. I assure you we do discuss each and every one at the vestry meetings and try to resolve each issue to the satisfaction of all.

If you sign your name to your comments in the box, you will receive a direct response from one of us. If you choose to remain anonymous, rest assured that we will deal with the issue just the same and will usually respond here in *The Correspondent* or the weekly bulletin. One issue that was brought to our attention was the lack of patriotic music and color guard at the Memorial Day services. A parishioner, associated with the Veterans Association, arranged the color guard for us. He has not provided that service for a few years now as he no longer attends services here. As for the music, we apologize for the oversight. It was a very busy time for our church and it was inadvertently overlooked. It will be rectified for Veterans Day and other appropriate services. We will be honoring our veterans once again through song.

Another discussion item was the training of Eucharistic Visitors. These are people trained to administer the Eucharist to shut-ins within our community. Our clergy are handling these duties at this time with no problem. They visit folks during the week, whereas the visitors must go directly from the Sunday service. For those who feel called, there is a training that begins in January at Mercer School of Theology. It is a three-hour course, given on a Saturday. However, before taking this training, there are diocesan requirements that must be met to serve this ministry. The first step is to schedule an appointment with Mother Diane to express your interest in serving.

We look forward to hearing more from our parish family in the months to come. We serve because we want to make things better for all of us. We serve because we want to help. We serve for the love of Christ. "Our help is in the Name of the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth." Psalm 124

Sincerely,

Diane Miller-Magnani for the Vestry

 <p>OUR VESTRY</p>	Wardens:	2018 Nancy Koinoglou	2019 Thomas Honey
	Vestry:	2018 Helen Houdek	Carol Ann St. Lawrence
		Wendy Schmittzeh	John Smith
	2019 Jackie Gandolfo	Jill Hughes	
		Nicole LaFontaine	Constance Currie
	2020 Donald Hester	Diane Miller-Magnani	
		Chris McNamee	John O'Neil



ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The summer version of the Senior Luncheon—the annual Ice Cream Social—took place on Tuesday, July 25th. Guests started with a basic dish of chocolate or vanilla ice cream (or both!) and then had a delicious variety of toppings to build your own personal sundae! There was hot fudge, caramel, nuts in caramel, strawberries, sprinkles, and whipped cream—and, of course, the cherry topper!

MEDITATION

The next senior lunch will be on **Tuesday, September 19th at 12-noon**. The program will be a guide through a meditation session by Saint Ann's parishioner Freddie King. She is an RN and BSN and currently a psychiatric nurse at Brookhaven Hospital. The meditation session will be done seated at the lunch tables. No mats or other equipment will be required.

As always, there is no charge for the luncheon, but contributions to the Food Pantry (either food or money) will be most appreciated.

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT THROUGH JULY 31, 2017

	Budget	Actual	Over / (Under)
Regular Giving	\$80,903	\$89,208	\$8,305
Net Deficit	(\$109,677)	(\$45,070)	\$64,607

Regular giving continues to be better than planned, for which we are grateful. However, we still have more work to do to overcome our \$50K net deficit.



Thoughts from the Front Porch

Father Brian Barry



Already the summer is coming to an end, and parish activity is picking up again. Planning for Sunday School, Youth Group, and Outreach occupies most of my office time. My front porch thoughts through the summer, however, have been occupied with God and Guinness, both literally and figuratively. I was so happy to see this ministry take off over the summer, and just as happy to be in search of God and Guinness in Ireland. Now that I am back, I am looking forward to continuing our discussions at the Portly Villager.

This particular ministry has drawn larger crowds than I had originally anticipated, and I think that is all to the good. I have been very pleased to see St. Ann's parishioners gathering together, and sharing fellowship outside the doors of the church building. This shows two things: that we at St. Ann's are a community, and, further, that we are a part of our larger community. I've also seen faces at our gatherings who do not attend church: some are friends of parishioners who, though they don't come to church, find a church gathering at a local pub to be more comfortable. Additionally, I've had lots of questions from pub-goers, who have shown an interest in what we have going on. I am always sure to invite them, and I want to encourage everyone at St. Ann's to do the same. Inviting people to join in the fun is GREAT evangelism.

As for Ireland, Holly and I had a blast. We attended services at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Armagh and at St. Mary's in Killarney. They were both very welcoming to us, and I heard a phenomenal sermon in Killarney, in particular. I think it would be fair to say that I was literally in search of God and Guinness there, as the church buildings are ancient and beautiful, and the pub scene has great *craic* (it's an Irish word). I enjoy spending time with the locals, because they are incredibly friendly and give great tips on what to see next (never over-plan a trip to Ireland; let the locals direct you). Irish hospitality is something that I think all churches could learn from. The people are not only always willing to help, but curious as to who you are, where you're from, and why you are there. Interestingly, in Ireland, I very rarely hear the question, "What do you do for a living?" For whatever reason, that is not as important to the locals. They just want to know what drew you to their lovely country, and how they can help you have a good time of it. If all churches practiced that kind of hospitality, I suspect we'd all have as many visitors as the Emerald Isle.

Be Yourself for God

Rabbi Joseph Liebermann describes a dream where he dies and goes to stand before God's judgment seat. As he waits, the rabbi fears that the Lord will ask him, "Why weren't you a Moses ... or a David ... or a Solomon?" Instead, God surprises him by simply asking, "Why weren't you Rabbi Liebermann?"

When our lives are over, God won't ask us why we weren't a Mother Teresa or another saintly soul. He simply wants us to be who he created us to be.

"We are his workmanship," St. Paul writes in Ephesians 2:10. In Greek, workmanship means "a piece of art." You are God's masterpiece. Life isn't a game of comparison. It's a journey of discovery of how God has uniquely created you to perform specific tasks in this life. Your life is God's canvas. Don't hinder the painting process!

BARNABAS' BUDDIES



Perhaps you have flipped through *The Correspondent* and seen Barnabas' Buddies mentioned. Perhaps you have heard it mentioned in passing but didn't pay attention because it didn't seem relevant to you. This article is meant to bring attention to this important group that may touch each one of us on the giving or receiving end.

Barnabas' Buddies is a loosely knit outreach group which provides practical help to parishioners. Volunteers can offer help in a number of areas, depending on what is necessary and what your talents are. Sometimes we help each other informally by driving a neighbor to the doctor or fixing a meal for a friend who is under the weather. However, sometimes people need help, and their families do not live nearby. They hesitate to ask friends for fear of being a burden. Or perhaps those friends have health problems of their own. This is where Barnabas' Buddies comes in!

We are trying to get an up-to-date list of people who are willing to help out in various situations. Keep in mind that you may occasionally need to be on the receiving end as well! The most common requests are:

- Provide transportation to and from doctor's appointments or hospital visits
- Provide meals for those who are recovering from recent illness or an accident
- Bring someone to church (perhaps once a month) if they are unable to drive
- Make a phone call to someone homebound, just to let them know they are not forgotten

Gerry Hoek (631-682-3164) is the primary contact for this ministry, but you can also call the church office (631-589-6522) and they will pass on the request. If you volunteer, you may be called once, several times, or not at all. But it's helpful to have a pool of volunteers to go to when the need arises. Please return this slip to the office or put in the collection plate.

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EMAIL		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INTERESTS	Please check interests and add any others that you can suggest.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Drive to/from medical appointments	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cooking/buying meals	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bring someone to church monthly	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Call shut-ins for occasional chats	
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AND...if you have a need for some extra help due to accident, illness, or being homebound, please let us know. Our helping hands are here for you!



PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY MINISTRY

By Mary Mattarella (631-590-0076)



Greetings to my beloved Church Family!



On Saturday the 25th, Taylor Schmittz and I represented all of your prayers and generous donations in Patchogue. At 8:30 my car was packed and ready to go, but Taylor's mom Wendy managed to squeeze in a few more bags and finally even Taylor! Of course, the Holy Spirit requires the obligatory jumbo cup of coffee to start off! That yummy cup of java gets my muscles moving!

We got to the Patchogue site early and set up the massive amounts of clothes--39 pairs of shoes, 17 pairs of flip flops, socks, underwear, 60 rolls of toilet paper, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, pocketbooks, children's clothes, toys, milk, snacks, and more! Taylor was such a help, always being kind to the people there, and always listening to each person with care.

We set up in the same Patchogue parking lot behind Burlington Coat Factory that The Lighthouse Mission does. The Long Island Cares Food Truck was also there, providing free hot breakfasts for the kids. The Lighthouse mission arrived at 10:00 AM, just as we finished setting up. Once their Pastor gave a short sermon, the customers lined up and received food from them. After that, they came over to see us. These wonderful items that all of you give, create many smiles and prayers of heartfelt thanks. If you have donated cash (\$65.00 last month), it went to toilet paper, diapers, and children's shoes and underwear). The most popular items we give out are toilet paper, toothpaste, and shampoo. On this particular day, Taylor and I ministered to 68 people, and came back with almost nothing. After I dropped Taylor off, I passed out any leftover items to people in Central Islip and Brentwood.

Many of the people who receive your loving donations, are eager to learn how to speak English. I have been buying index cards and writing words in English on one side and Spanish on the other. I then hand out the whole stack as a set, and people are actually learning from them! It does take time to make these sets, and I do run out of cards quite frequently. Perhaps this is something you would like to help with? Just let me know! One of my Latina friends who received one of my homemade language sets, has started a "class" with other Latina ladies in her kitchen! So, you see, my friends, your prayers, donations, and help, are changing lives. It is my opinion, that we could help stop the hate that we have witnessed this past week in Virginia, with love, and simple acts of kindness, such as you have all participated in. God made us all very different, and that makes things fun! No matter what color skin one has, we all need toilet paper and kindness!



The next mission trip to NYC, is **Friday, August 25th**, and we are going to give out things in front of Holy Apostles' Episcopal Church—a very special place. If you are thinking of coming, I promise a life-changing day and the warmth of Christ in your heart!

If you would like to participate in the way of donations, we need toilet paper, shampoo, bar soap, and bottled water. All money donated would purchase socks or underwear. Thank you, and please keep up your prayers, for I know God hears them.

With Love, *The Very Festive Mary*

VIEW FROM BEHIND THE POLE

Adult Choir rehearsals will resume on Tuesday, September 5, at 7:15 PM in the church.

Advantages of Joining the Choir

1. You never have to worry about what to wear.
2. You have excellent seats and are assured a reserved seat for Christmas and Easter.
3. From your seat "behind the pole" you can smile at, gawk at, ignore, and otherwise enjoy the rest of the congregation.
4. The priest is nearly always looking the other way.
5. You're in a wonderful spot to see new members.
6. The cost for all these benefits? Just one Tuesday evening a week.
7. Big Plus: You're a leader in the worship experience!



All are welcome!



Children's Choir will begin on **Tuesday, September 12** at 6:00-6:45 PM in the church.

- The qualities of being on time, self-control, cooperation, and commitment grow as the children meet week by week. And it gives them a sense of responsibility when others are counting on them.
- It also gives the children an opportunity to serve the church. Sunday School helps them learn, but singing in the choir helps them to be part of the ministry.

Come and join us!



For the beautiful music on Sunday mornings,
For your dedication in attending rehearsals,
For inspiring us to lift our hearts,
minds and voices in singing praises
to our Lord,
Choir, we thank you!

SAINT ANN'S THRIFT SHOP

Our Thrift Shop is many things. Some of us see it as a good place to leave our used clothing or unneeded household goods as we clean out our closets, and we may not realize what happens once we drop it off.

First, it is sorted and determined whether it is suitable for sale. Then it is placed in a particular area—women's, men's, children's, home goods, toys, jewelry, books, etc.

Even though the clothes are sold at a remarkably low price, income from the Thrift Shop is a source of significant income for the church. The Jewelry Table at the November Holiday Fair is a top performer, and all those wares come from the Thrift Shop.



In addition to sales, the Thrift Shop also has...

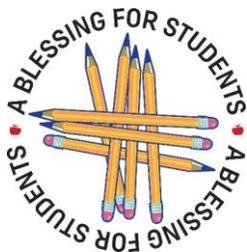
- Donated used toys for a bereavement group for children.
- Donated clothing to the homeless and the needy, including the Peanut Butter & Jelly ministry.
- Donated to clothing and household goods to Veterans.
- Coordinated with other churches—notably St. John Nepomucene, St. Lawrence, St. Anne's in Brentwood, and with the Indian Reservation to serve a broader range of people.

Of course, with all this activity going on, someone has to be there receiving, sorting, selling, and dealing with the public. There are many ways to help out at the Thrift Shop, and we can use more volunteers. Consider this your chance to volunteer at our fabulous Thrift Shop!

Volunteers are particularly needed to help with sorting and tagging and to help in the office. Thrift Shop hours are 10:00-3:00 Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday. If you have a few hours to fill, consider joining this lively ministry. Even a couple of hours a week would be helpful!

Call 631-589-6220 with questions or to sign up!

OPERATION HOPE



Operation HOPE has changed their focus for September on gathering school supplies for the children of the Eastern Farmworkers' Association. There is a bin in the Parish Hall to collect items such as pens, pencils, notebooks, crayons, glue, rulers, pencil boxes, backpacks, and other items. Heartfelt thanks to all who have contributed school supplies for the Eastern Farm Workers' children.

Operation HOPE Workshops will return at a new time. We will be meeting on Wednesday mornings from 9:30 AM – 12:00 Noon in the Littlejohn Building to work on projects for the Eastern Farm Workers. Quilts need to be assembled, mats need to be made for the homeless, along with warm hats and cowls. Meetings will start on Wednesday, September 6th. All are welcome!

Nothing great in the world has been accomplished without passion. —Georg Hegel



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

Celebrating 
An Anniversary This Month

 **AUGUST**
ANNIVERSARIES

6	Trevor & Paddy Price Hennessey	17	Darroll & Judith Meyer	22	Joel & Donna Welte
14	John & Theresa McGee	21	Philip & Elise Alloy	27	Don & Cathy Baker
	William & Stephanie Streek		Scott & Nancy Leuly	31	Michael & JoAnn DaSilva
15	Francis Jr. & Irene Bodkin		David & Whitney O'Donnell		

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An Anniversary This Month

 **SEPTEMBER**
ANNIVERSARIES

3	Frank & Deanne Madigan	11	Paul & Caryn Wells	20	Sally Stoll-DePompeo & Philip DePompeo
4	Hewlett & Kathleen Krakaur	12	John & Theresa Smith	25	Luis & Kathleen Vazquez
5	Rick Magnani & Diane Miller-Magnani	18	Frederick & Muriel Herold	29	Charlotte Hlavac-Maass & Michael Maass
7	John & Christie Strecker	19	Henry Lemanis & Joanne Festa		
8	David & Nicole Rey	22	James & Patricia Romeo		

 **AUGUST**
BIRTHDAYS

2	Leo Chung	11	Eileen Fitzpatrick	21	Cheryl Waters
	Lucas Chung		Gary Schaum	22	Peter McGorty
	Gavin Lico		Andrew Schultz	24	Aline Koinoglou
	Samara Madigan	12	Philip Alloy	25	Bob Flanagan
	Philip Rascona	13	Kateri Sanseviro	26	Louis Dadabo
4	John McGee	14	Thomas Clarke Jr.	27	Nicholas Arena Jr.
	Gia Patrovich		Kevin Mattimore		Sloan Rivas
5	Kristin Greves	14	Layla Rey	29	Lily Dadabo
7	Trevor Hennessey	17	Charles Romano		Joseph Ferzola
	Erin Hynes		Adam Shelton		Linda Koso
8	Lauren Rascona	18	Sam Acierno	30	Donald Hester
10	Carole Elton	19	Charlotte Acierno	31	Scott MacDonell
	Ellen Garofolo	20	Elise Alloy		Reina Vasquez

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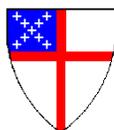
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1	Natalie Kudlek	4	Salvatore Greci	13	Nicholas Laffin	24	Abigail Streek
	Darroll Meyer		Christian Hagenlocher		Shirley Slavik	25	Julia Magnani
	John Strecker	6	Alia Richards	14	Elijah Koso	26	Jeffrey McLeer
	Butzy Van Wyen		Grace Torgersen	19	Robert Britts		Laura Sanchez
2	David Rey	9	Madison Espinoza		Emily Lico	27	Fiona Rivas
3	Margaret (Peg) Costanzo		Karen McGorty		Kenneth Smyrk	29	Patrick O'Donnell
4	Mary Ann Costanzo	12	Michael Patrovich	23	Peter O'Connell		



NOTES



Restock the SHELVES

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!



VOLUNTEERS

We have many volunteers at Saint Ann's, who help run and staff our various ministries. Some you see up front, but there are a number of volunteers behind the scenes, polishing silver, folding bulletins, giving someone a ride to the doctor's office, sorting donated clothing in the Thrift Shop, and other low-profile jobs. Some of those who volunteer are not even members of our church, but they are willing to put in the time to keep our ministries running smoothly. All of our volunteers deserve a big THANK YOU! The church wouldn't be able to do what it does without you!



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By Connie Currie

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**ELIZABETH CATLIN WHITEHOUSE
1922-2015**

Elizabeth (“Betty”) Catlin Whitehouse was born in Brooklyn, NY, on June 15, 1922. In June 1940 she graduated high school from Berkeley Institute in Park Slope, Brooklyn. She was graduated from New York University with a degree in Physical Education in June 1944. She later earned a Master’s degree in Science Education from Adelphi University.

As a child, Betty had summered in Sayville where she met her future husband John Henry Whitehouse, a resident of the Cottages of St. Ann’s. She married John in July 1944 immediately prior to his deployment to the Western Pacific as a pilot aboard the USS Lunga Point (CVE-94).

Following John’s separation from the Navy, and after living briefly in Pensacola, San Diego, Brooklyn, and Wantagh, in 1953 the couple moved to a house on Fairway East in Sayville. Except for a two-year stay from 1955 to 1957 in Rochester, NY, they lived in Sayville for the remainder of their lives. In 1957 Betty began her teaching career in Sayville as a Middle School Science teacher at the old Junior High School on Greene Ave.

In 1969 Betty helped acquire Planetarium Title III funds to build a planetarium as part of the new Middle School on Johnson Ave. She then wrote, planned and implemented astronomy courses using the planetarium for grades K-12 and for adults. For many years, she also presented very popular free planetarium programs during the holiday season. She retired in 1982. In her later years, she published a series of children’s books on astronomy.

For many years, Betty served on the Sayville School Board, volunteered at the Sayville Food Pantry and was a member of the Sayville Garden Club for which she served as president. She was a longtime member and past president of the Sayville Rotary Club, and as the organization’s leader worked to convert Rotary Park into The Common Ground. She teamed with former Islip Town Supervisor Frank Jones to save the Shoreham Beach property and convert it into a much-used and loved Islip Town Park. She was an active and lifelong member of St. Ann’s Church, and an original participant in the now 81-year old local Wet Pants Sailing Association. She also worked with boys and girls Scouting programs and served on the Friends of Sayville Library.

Betty was predeceased by her husband John in 2002. She is survived by her children John (“Jack”) and his wife Elaine, Helen Bannon and husband Peter, Elizabeth Manley and husband Bill, James and wife Carrie, George and wife Alyssa, 12 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

In December 2015, friends and relatives gathered at Raynor & D’Andrea Funeral Home in West Sayville prior to the funeral service, which was held on December 10th at St. Ann’s Episcopal Church in Sayville, followed by a private cremation.



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Sundays

8:00 AM—Holy Eucharist
 9:00 AM---Sunday School
 10:00 AM—Holy Eucharist
 7:30 PM—AA Meeting

Mondays

10:00AM—12:00 PM Food Pantry
 7:00 PM—EfM
 6:00 PM—Vestry Meeting—Sept. 18
 8:00 PM—AA Meeting

Tuesdays

8:00 AM—Men's Group
 9:00 AM—Holy Eucharist

Thursdays

10:00 AM—AA Meeting
 10:00AM—12:00PM Food Pantry
 1:30 PM----Christian Yoga Class
 7:00 PM—Project Hope
 7:00 PM—God and Guinness / Portly Villager--Sept. 7
 8:00 PM—AA Meeting

Saturday

5:00 PM—Holy Eucharist

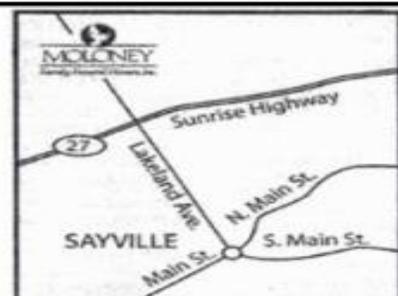


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