



# The Correspondent

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## WEEKEND SERVICES

Saturday 5:00 PM – Holy Eucharist – Rite II  
 Sunday 8:00 AM – Holy Eucharist – Rite II  
 Sunday 10:00 AM – Holy Eucharist – Rite II  
 Sunday 11:30 AM – Holy Eucharist – Rite I

## WEEKDAY SERVICES IN THE CHAPEL

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday  
 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist  
Monday  
 9:00 AM Morning Prayer  
Third Wednesday  
 9:00 AM Healing Service

## SPECIAL UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec 6 – St. Nicholas Day  
 Dec 11 – Lessons & Carols  
 Dec 11 – Reception for Fr. Gary following  
 Dec 24 – Christmas Eve  
 Dec 25 – Christmas Day

## 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.

## Looking for the Light

It takes time, talent, and effort it takes to run a church. The Light of Christ shines through our ministries, and we are grateful to all who get involved and make this church such a special place. At St. Ann's we are fortunate to have many ministries, even though we may not see or hear about them—until you need them. Some are more visible, such as the clergy, the wardens, the vestry, the administrative staff, the choir, the Eucharistic ministers, lectors, and acolytes. Others you may not notice so easily. They work silently and sometimes almost invisibly, but the services they provide are invaluable. Here are some of the ministries that go on at St. Ann's all during the year.

The greeters and ushers welcome us at every service, and make everything run smoothly. We may take it for granted, but how is it that the linens are always clean? The brass is always polished? There are no fingerprints on the Communion vessels? That's the Altar Guild at work behind the scenes.

We see that our buildings and grounds are beautiful and clean, but it's not Mother Nature who keeps it that way. Hardworking and dedicated parishioners are out supervising, raking, painting, fixing, cleaning throughout the year.

The Barnabas Buddies are a godsend to people who just need a helping hand—a meal when they're sick, a ride to the doctor's office, something that may seem like a small task, but huge to the person receiving that help.

Our website, Facebook pages, and *The Correspondent* (Oh, was your *Correspondent* folded and taped?—volunteer office help); the Christmas Tree Ministry, which pops up yearly for a very intense and vital two or three weeks; the Christmas Fair—only three days, but takes a whole year to prepare for; the Thrift Shop, a blessing for the community and invaluable to the church; the Stewardship campaign, the Finance Committee, the Treasurer, the counters—all of these work to raise funds and use them responsibly for outreach such as Episcopal Charities, the Food Pantry, the Fire Island Ministry, and our mission outreach. The Daughters of the King provide prayer quilts and support higher education in leadership development and service for Episcopal church-related careers for women.

The Christian Formation, Sunday School and YAC group educate our youth and prepare them for the future. The Historical Society preserves and educates us about the past. The Cemetery Committee sees us through the end of life.

The ECW, the Men's Group, and the Christian Yoga class provide fellowship and people power for various church activities in addition to providing scholarships and bodily well being. Sometimes we take the Coffee Hour for granted, but what a catastrophe if it's not there one Sunday!

Of course, this year the Search Committee has been one of the hardest working ministries. The results of their efforts will soon be apparent.

Thank you all for being Christ's light in the darkness. -RMD

## FROM THE EDITOR

The holiday season makes us think a lot about gratefulness and what really makes us happy. I recently read about a psychological study that asked the question, "Would you prefer a lot of big wins in a short time (like all your dreams coming true in a week) or one constant thing you already like, guaranteed forever (like a hot cup of coffee in the morning)." Most people chose the big wins—the Lottery, a new car, a big house, a promotion. But the study found that the small feelgood-moment-every-day approach really makes people happier in the long run. Why?

All of those big things don't come free. There's the cost and effort of maintaining a big house, the stress from the pressures of the increased responsibilities of that promotion, and often Lottery winners are overwhelmed with their newfound wealth and the new "friends" and "relatives" who come out of the woodwork to help them spend it. Also, once they get that *big thing*, the thrill is over. You get used to a bigger style of living and come to expect it. Whereas, every morning for the rest of your life you can look forward to that excellent cup of coffee or your pet's greeting when you come in the door or your family gathering around for a meal.

Christmas may feel jollier when we open those presents, but the best things in life are still free.

A Merry Christmas to all and may the New Year bring us many happy moments. . -RMD

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**Wardens:** Patricia Osarchuk.....(2012)  
 Ernest DeWitt.....(2013)

### The Vestry

<b>Class of 2012</b>	Connie Currie	Tony Palmieri
	Susan Knoepffler	Nancy Howland
<b>Class of 2013</b>	Tom Munkelwitz	John K. Smith
	Scott MacDonell	Caryn Wehrenberg
<b>Class of 2014</b>	Peg Flanagan	Marie Madigan
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## RELAX THE BACK



**Dan Lent, Parish Member**  
 15 Main St.  
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January Deadline:  
 Thursday, Dec. 15, 7:00 PM

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# REFLECTIONS

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## FAREWELL



For thousands of years, people have collaborated in building stone monuments, or cairns, which mark the path, letting fellow journeyers know they have not lost the trail. In places afflicted with heavy rain and frequent fog, stone piles help travelers avoid falling off perilously high cliffs. Today, cairns often mark hiking trails. As a small bit of maintenance to offset the damaging effects of severe weather, the custom is for each person passing by a cairn to add a stone.

St. Ann's Church has been a cairn for many a traveler and pilgrim. It has been for me these 31 months, the same. So, I add my stone as I depart you on the 31<sup>st</sup> of December, with my blessings to you and your new rector:

May the road rise up to meet you.  
May the wind be always at your back.  
May the sun shine warm upon your face;  
The rains fall soft upon your fields.  
And until we meet again,  
May God hold you in the palm of His hand.



It has been a sheer delight to be your interim priest and to see your joy with anticipation for the future.

*Gary +*

## SEARCH COMMITTEE REPORT



The Search Committee submitted its report to the Vestry on November 3, 2011. We presented a slate of candidates whose skills and abilities best fit the needs and desires of our parish, as discussed at our parish meeting in March and set forth in our parish brochure. We conducted a personal interview with five possible candidates before deciding upon which three to recommend. Our vote was unanimous, and we are enthusiastic about each of our choices.

We wish to thank the Vestry for selecting us for this very important task. We had faithful assistance from Canon Betit of the diocesan deployment office and Rev. Bruce Griffith, our parish meeting facilitator. We are grateful for the prayers of the intercessory prayer group led by Marge Rogers and the prayers of individual parishioners as well as the corporate prayers of the parish at each unday service. We always opened our meetings with prayer to invite the presence of the Holy Spirit. Over a period of ten months of working together, we are proud to say that the process was efficient and enjoyable and we feel that the presentation of these candidates brings our mission to a successful end.

Respectfully submitted for *Jill Hughes, Jackie Gandolfo, Hank Knoepffler, Sal Greci, John Smith, Laura Sanchez, Peg Flanagan, and Caryn Wehrenberg.*

*Linda Munkelwitz*

Chairman

# Vestry Visions

December will be a busy month for your Vestry. We will be working to finalize a budget for 2012, one that will take into account the economic realities of rising costs and limited funds. By the middle of the month, your Vestry will have met with the candidates whom the Search Committee selected as their choices for St. Ann's next Rector.

We thank the Search Committee for their amazing commitment during this past year. They considered many worthy priests for this position, met with those who were the most qualified, and have found candidates that the Vestry is excited to meet.

Your prayers are needed now as we come to a consensus and ask Bishop Provenzano to call our new Rector who, we hope and pray, will join us in the first few months of 2012.

While we look to the future, we also look back on the past—the two and a half years that Father Gary has been our leader. He has helped us to heal, to be a united parish again, with clear strengths and dreams.

Father Gary has also helped us immeasurably by establishing clear procedures for financial and other administrative areas. These are the kinds of concerns that aren't always apparent to those worshipping here on Sunday but are such crucial underpinnings for a well-run parish.

We wish you many blessings, Father Gary, as you move on to another parish, to a place where your talents are also needed. We thank you for all you've done for St. Ann's. We will miss you.

*Pat Osarchuk, Warden*

**Stewardship:** As of November 22nd, 141 commitment cards have been returned, totaling \$166,293.00. This is nearly \$30,000 below last year's pledge.

Thank you to all who have already returned a commitment for the financial support of St. Ann's Episcopal Church for 2012.

You are encouraged to contact the Church office by phone (589-6522) or email ([saintanns@optonline.net](mailto:saintanns@optonline.net)) if you are in need of a commitment card.

	Actual YTD October 2011	Budget to Date	Difference	 <i>Tim Laffin, Treasurer</i>
<b>INCOME</b>				
Plate	\$6,711.90	\$10,000.00	(\$3,288.10)	
Regular Giving	167,087.00	151,643.33	15,443.67	
All Other Income	186,342.85	218,861.66	(32,518.81)	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	360,141.75	380,504.99	(20,363.24)	
<b>EXPENSES</b>	404,382.23	513,561.23	(109,179.00)	
<b>SURPLUS/DEFICIT</b>	(\$44,240.48)	(\$133,056.25)	\$88,815.77	

## REPORT ON THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2011

### *It's Our Turn*

As of the middle of November, the pledges and gifts to this campaign total \$66,875. Of that sum 42,476 has actually been paid. The generosity of those who have pledged is greatly appreciated!

If you have not pledged as yet, please remember that you can donate over three years in monthly or quarterly payments. This may be a more convenient way for you to provide your support for the restoration of our Church Tower and other renovations of our buildings.

Pledge cards and other literature about the campaign are available in the Parish Hall and Church Office.

The engraving of leaves and acorns for all orders received by October 20<sup>th</sup> has been completed. The next order for engraving will be sent in by December 15<sup>th</sup>. Our Giving Recognition Tree now has many more inscriptions. It's a pleasure to see the growth of the campaign through the dedications on and around the tree. – **Pat Osarchuk**



## St. Ann's Episcopal Church Annual Meeting January 16, 2011



Pursuant to the Canons of the Episcopal Diocese of Long Island and the Religious Corporation Laws of the State of New York, notice is hereby given of the Annual Meeting of St. Ann's Parish, Sayville, New York, on Sunday, January 15, 2011.

### 2012 VESTRY ELECTIONS

#### WE NEED YOU—TO RUN FOR VESTRY!

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). 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).



## Christmas Giving, Christmas Caring

The ECW thanks you for your support of the Adopt-A-Family appeal of Episcopal Community Services. Gifts will be delivered to grateful families before Christmas Day. Thank you for your continued generosity.

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# THE CURATE'S COLUMN

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## Altar Ego vs. Alter Ego



For Halloween, I arranged a YAC trip to the haunted house at Gateway Theater. In addition to Gateway's usual frights, I had prearranged something special for our group. Once our group completed the outside part of the haunted house, we would pass through a narrow passage where a zombie would grab me and pull me into a separate room as I screamed, "Save yourselves!!!" I would then be whisked away to the makeup room where my friend, Trent, the makeup artist at Gateway, would turn me into a zombie in time for me to lunge towards our group and seek fresh organs to eat as they exited the haunted house. Trent would come out and hit me over the head with a prop and I would collapse at their feet. He would apologize, explaining that sometimes real zombies volunteer and that I had become the victim of one of them. At that moment, I would spring once again to my feet and attack Trent, who would himself collapse. I would then say, "Farrell full. Time to go home."

Unfortunately, the zombie who was supposed to drag me to my doom called in sick that day, and the substitute zombie had a difficult time understanding his role. No one pulled me into the room, and, after I paused for a while, I continued with the group through the haunted house, squeezing between body bags, over sliding floor boards, and past a large collection of vampires, ghosts, insane people, chainsaw murderers, creepy children eating body parts by the Christmas tree, and, of course, zombies. This might have been for the best because our group was small that evening, and my adult co-leader ran towards the first exit she saw screaming, "Let me out! Let me out!" Still, I was a bit disappointed that I had not got to be a zombie. When I mentioned this to Trent, he suggested that I volunteer in the haunted house. This I liked. Normally, I comfort people. Now I would get to scare them.

On Halloween, I spent thirty minutes being made up as the living dead. I then stood in the light at the end of a long, dark hallway where I faced a painting on the wall until someone entered the other end of the hallway. I then turned sharply to face them and began sprinting forward. Once I got near, I would stalk them all the way down the hall until they were directly opposite an accomplice behind a sliding panel. With all their attention focused on me, he would jump out behind them and scare them.

The haunted house is a benefit for the non-profit Gateway Theater. I was able to see three plays this summer as Trent's guest, so this was my way of paying them back, and of course indulging my alter ego.

Faithfully, *Farrell+*

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

It isn't what you have, or who you are, or where you are, or what you are doing that makes you happy or unhappy. It is what you think about." —Dale Carnegie

*Lessons & Carols*



*You are cordially invited to*

*A Festival of Lessons and Carols*

*Sunday, December 11, 2011*

*4:00 PM*

*St. Ann's Episcopal Church  
257 Middle Road - Sayville, NY*

*Gala reception to follow celebrating the ministry of  
the Rev. Gary Parker*

*RSVP by December 6<sup>th</sup>: 631-589-6522 or [saintanns@optonline.net](mailto:saintanns@optonline.net)*

# ST. ANN'S CHRISTMAS FAIR 2011

Photos: Laura Sanchez



Friday Night Wine & Cheese

Thank You from  
Carole Sheppard

Our thanks to all of you who helped out or supported our Annual Fair through your gifts of time, talent, and treasure. The Fair Committee extends its gratitude to each and every one. Final accounting has not yet been made. There will be follow up information in January.



Saturday Hustle & Bustle

## DIOCESAN CONVENTION 2011

The 2011 Convention of the Diocese of Long Island took place November 11-12 in Melville. Pat Osarchuk, Tim Laffin and Marge Rogers were our delegates; and Maggie and Emma Vallillo were our Youth Delegates. Here are some notes from the convention, taken from the LI Diocese website.

Among the highlights: Bishop Provenzano addressed the delegates. Resolutions were presented and voted upon. A ministry plan was set forth for the diocese for 2012.

Among the resolutions accepted were: to support campus ministries on Long Island campuses; to identify and prevent bullying within parishes; to have representation of youth, who would have voice but no vote, on vestries, Bishop's committees, or Diocesan Council. Also resolved, a Diocesan minimum compensation for clergy and financial support for those studying for the ordained ministry. A resolution was accepted to support Occupy Wall Street, stating, "We stand with the Occupy Wall Street Movement and all those who speak out for economic and social justice in our midst."

### 2012 Diocesan Ministry Plan

The challenge in the 2012 Diocesan Ministry Plan given the difficult economic climate was how to do more with less. While the plan does not provide for new mission initiatives, it does present the opportunity to reflect on and celebrate what we have been able to accomplish: a fully-staffed and funded program for Diocesan Youth Ministry and Office of Communication Ministry. And also, while dioceses across the country have been forced to cut staff and program, we have been able to retain staff and maintain existing programs. We are grateful to our congregations for their generosity as they wrestle with fewer available resources.



For further information: [www.dioceselongisland.org/convention/2011\\_convention\\_resolutions.html](http://www.dioceselongisland.org/convention/2011_convention_resolutions.html)

# Teen Night



Pizza and music—a formula for success! Teen Night in the Parish Hall was a big hit on Saturday evening, November 19<sup>th</sup>. The band Common Call was on hand for the musical entertainment. They played several songs they had written themselves and covered other popular songs by Chris Tomlin, Michael W. Smith, and other Christian bands.

The event, sponsored by Karyn Libretto, Confirmation Instructor, for the Confirmation Class (grades 7-8) and YAC group, was also attended by teens from other local churches.

We were also pleased to have Archdeacon Hickman Alexandre, Archdeacon of Suffolk County, in attendance.

For more information on Common Call, their website is: [www.facebook.com/commoncallband](http://www.facebook.com/commoncallband).



## QUOTES FOR REFLECTION

If you realized how powerful your thoughts are, you would never hold onto a negative thought. I don't eat junk foods and I don't think junk thoughts. —**Peace Pilgrim**

The greatest revolution of our generation is the discovery that human beings, by changing the inner attitudes of their minds, can change the outer aspects of their lives.

—**William James, American Psychologist (1842-1910)**

Only one thing has to change for us to know happiness in our lives: where we focus our attention.

--**Greg Anderson**

# ANGELS—EXPLAINED BY CHILDREN



I only know the names of two angels, Hark and Harold.  
--Gregory, age 5



*Everybody's got it all wrong. Angels don't wear halos anymore. I forget why, but scientists are working on it*  
--Olive, age 9

My guardian angel helps me with math, but he's not much good for science. --Henry, age 8

Angels don't eat, but they drink milk from Holy Cows!!! --Jack, age 6

Angels talk all the way while they're flying you up to heaven. The main subject is where you went wrong before you got dead. --Daniel, age 9



It's not easy to become an angel! First, you die. Then you go to Heaven, and then there's still the flight training to go through. And then you got to agree to wear those angel clothes. --Matthew, age 9

Angels work for God and watch over kids when God has to go do something else.  
--Mitchell, age 7



Angels live in cloud houses made by God and his son, who's a very good carpenter. --Jared, age 8

Some of the angels are in charge of helping heal sick animals and pets. And if they don't make the animals get better, they help the child get over it. --Vicki, age 8

*My angel is my grandma who died last year. She got a big head start on helping me while she was still down here on earth.* --Ashley ~ age 9

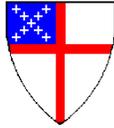
When an angel gets mad, he takes a deep breath and counts to ten. And when he lets out his breath again, somewhere there's a tornado. --Reagan, age 10



All angels are girls because they gotta wear dresses and boys didn't go for it.  
--Antonio, age 9



Angels have a lot to do and they keep very busy. If you lose a tooth, an angel comes in through your window and leaves money under your pillow. Then when it gets cold, angels go south for the winter. --Sara, age 6



# NOTES

## EPISCOPAL CHURCHWOMEN

Thank you to all who contributed to the Lad and Lassie table at the Fair with donations of items for sale, with help before, during and after the Fair and of course thanks to our faithful customers. We had a most successful sale.

All giving tree gifts should be returned to the Parish Hall by Monday, December 5th and put into the box under the tree unwrapped with the tag attached. We will be wrapping the gifts on Tuesday morning, Dec. 6th at 10:00 AM. All are welcome to join us. The gifts will be distributed by ECS for the Adopt a Family program and to Little Flower Children's Services.

The next meeting of the ECW will be on Friday, December 16th at 10:00 AM in the Parish Hall.

## BEREAVEMENT GROUP

A bereavement group is forming for those who have lost spouses or partners and would like to walk the path of grieving together. It will be facilitated by Fr. Farrell. If you are interested, please let Fr. Farrell know whether a weeknight or daytime Saturday would be best.

## RECEIVING THE CORRESPONDENT

We hope you have enjoyed reading *The Correspondent* this year. As you know, postage keeps going up, and it costs a good deal to send out this monthly communication. If you have thus far not made a financial commitment to the church and would like to send a donation to offset the cost of mailing, it would be most appreciated.

Those who use email are encouraged to receive *The Correspondent* online at the St. Ann's website. You will receive a monthly reminder when the newest edition is posted on the website, provided we know your email address!.



## REMEMBER YOUR LOVED ONES AT CHRISTMAS

*(Past & Present)*



As in the past, the loved one or ones you are remembering will be listed in the bulletin at our Christmas masses and, because of your generosity to the Flower/Music Funds, the altar flowers and the music at St. Ann's will be as lovely as ever.

Please send your check, payable to *St. Ann's* with "Christmas Flowers and/or Music" on the memo line, and the names of those whom you wish to remember should be PRINTED on the form which will arrive in your mailbox later this week.

To insure inclusion of names in the Christmas bulletins, all donations must be received in writing in the Church Office no later than Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>.



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### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

6 Salvatore & Kathy Senese	17 Albert & Mary Dechen	26 John & Barbara Stahlberg
7 Robert & Barbara Gaito	Michael & Lauren Rascona	27 Louis & Lily Dadabo
11 Brian & Maureen Rockwood	18 Richard & Bettye Chant	



### BIRTHDAYS

1 Kyle Burke	6 Kristin Welte	15 Judith Mediatore	24 Wendy Schmittzeh
2 Rick Kaiser	7 Robert Hindla	16 Leann Barone	25 Stephen Gulasy, Jr.
	8 Christopher Teague		Christian Strain
3 Jason Foerster	9 Daniel Miller	17 Donald Grauer	27 Bettye Chant
	Nancy Miller	18 Nicole Raymond	Daniel Henn
	10 Jonathan Greci	19 Rebecca Diehl	Jordan Stankovich
4 Brett Krakaur	Nicholas Greci	20 Thomas Dolan	28 Richard Ronde
	Ryan Hughes	21 Douglas Teague	29 Jessica Olsen-Hoek
5 Jack Adam	11 Daniel Vertichio	22 John Stahlberg	Ethan Schmieder
	12 Carolann Gaites	23 Cody Rodriguez	Connor Teague
	13 Phyllis Barber		30 Robert Belfield
	Scott Leuly		Mary Funaro
6 Joseph Garofolo	Marian Winter-Bartsch	23 William Fridrich	31 Kimberly Schaum-Rodriguez
	14 Julia DePompeo		Jill Gustafson
	Ava Gustafson		Holly Rhodes-Teague

### 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.

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

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## Our Church History



By Connie Currie

### ❖ The Garden of the Unforgotten ❖

**LETITIA CATHERINE (MRS. PERCY W.) FRENCH**  
1873-1925  
Section 43 Lot 10

*The July 10, 1925 issue of the Suffolk County News published this obituary.*

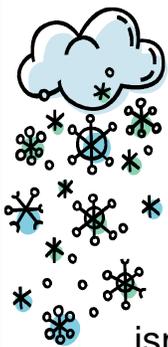
**LETITIA CATHERINE FRENCH**, a summer resident in Sayville, died here, in her Handsome Avenue home, after a long battle with myeloid leukemia. Her friends had to stand by and see her suffer through pleurisy and tonsillitis, aggravated by her condition.

Mrs. French was born in Cheltenham, England, 52 years ago, a daughter of Ada and Samuel Moffat Rice, and 22 years ago she came to New York to marry Mr. French. For the past 20 years her summer had been spent in Sayville and Bayport, where she had made herself a useful and beloved part of summer community life. She threw most of her boundless energy into the women's activities at the Sayville Yacht Club. During the war she was active in Red Cross work and since then had been generous with her time and means in promoting the work of the Southside Hospital Auxiliary here.

Her winter home was at 600 West 116th Street, New York City. Besides her husband, who is a member of P.W. French & Co., 6 East 56th street, New York, interiors decorators, dealers in antiques and fine art objects, she is survived by her son and only child, George, who is a student at Columbia University, and a member of the varsity crew; three brothers, Dr. George E. Rice of New York and Bayport; Charles and Frederick Rice, of England; and a sister Alicia, wife of Walter Bigges of London who did noteworthy work during the war.

Funeral services were here from the Handsome avenue home at 2:30 o'clock on Monday afternoon, the Rev. Joseph H. Bond, Rector of St. Ann's Church, officiating. Interment was in St. Ann's Cemetery here.

### Attention Cemetery Visitors:



Please be aware that when it snows only the Main Road of the cemetery is plowed. Last winter, we had a few people whose cars became stuck in the snow because they went off the Main Road. Do not drive on any of the others roads even if you think the snow isn't very deep. —Janet Croce, Cemetery Manager



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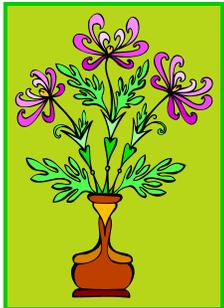
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### WEEKLY MEMORIALS AND THANKSGIVINGS



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](http://www.Saint-Anns.org)

#### Monday

**Dec 12** 7:00 PM--Vestry

#### Tuesday

**Each** 8:00 AM—Men's Group  
**Each** 1:30-2:30 PM—Yoga Class  
**Each** 6:00-6:45 PM—Children's Choir  
**Each** 7:15-8:30 PM—Adult Choir

#### Wednesday

#### Thursday

#### Friday

**Dec 16** 10:00 AM -- ECW

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5:00 PM Children's Service with  
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7:00 PM Family Eucharist with Soloists

9:00 PM Choral Eucharist with Brass  
Trio and Choir

11:00 PM Traditional Choral Midnight  
Mass with Brass Trio and Choir

CHRISTMAS DAY, SUN., DEC. 25

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist with  
Christmas Carols

