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## WEEKEND SERVICES

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

## WEEKDAY SERVICES IN THE CHAPEL

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday  
 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist  
Monday, Friday  
 9:00 AM Morning Prayer

## SPECIAL UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar 2—Transfiguration of Our Lord  
 Mar 4---Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper  
 Mar 5—Ash Wednesday  
 Mar 9—First Sunday in Lent  
 Mar 16—Second Sunday in Lent  
 Mar 23—Third Sunday in Lent  
 Mar 30—Fourth Sunday in Lent

## 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.

## WELCOME TO DEACON JAE



Deacon Jae Chung, his wife Shin, children Ivan (5), Emma (3), and twins Leo and Lucas (6 months).

Deacon Jae's first Sunday at St. Ann's was February 2 when we gave the family a "pounding" (pound of this; pound of that) similar to the one we gave Mother Diane when she first arrived. Most of you have met Deacon Jae and hopefully have met the rest of the family as well (though they don't attend *all* the services as he does!)



## FROM THE EDITOR

With the winter weather being as it is (cold, snow, sleet, and generally miserable) I've been spending a lot of time on the computer lately, and the quizzes of Facebook have drawn me in. There are a lot of these quizzes (actually from Buzzfeed.com) purporting to figure out who you are, where you should live or to find out your personality type compared to a character in a book, on TV, or even a food product. There's nothing most people like more than finding out about their inner selves, and I have to admit, I have always been a sucker for a good quiz...even a mediocre one...so it seems I have found out a lot about myself lately. First you have to answer some seemingly irrelevant questions, then pick your favorite landscape photos, colors, or maybe a song you like, and somehow that translates into the person, place, or thing that is closest to your "real" personality. The *Harry Potter* character I am most like is Hermione. At *Downton Abbey* I would be Anna the lady's maid. I am Peeta in *The Hunger Games*. If I were a dog I'd be a mutt, and if I were a food, I would be a sandwich. If I were a Muppet, I'd be Kermit. I should apparently be living in the state of Illinois. I forget the name of the Twin Peaks character I was related to, but she was a nerd. Today I took the quiz "Which One of Jesus' Disciples Are You?" Somehow, because I'd like to travel to Greece, like the color green, liked the household item "teapot" and chose my favorite of 12 different images of Jesus, I now know that I am easygoing, good natured, and enjoy being around friends and family. That's pretty general, of course, and I'm not sure how many saints we're dealing with here, but my daughter took the quiz too, and she also got St. John! Perhaps there is something to that little quiz. But what if I had picked the scotch tape instead of the teapot? Who knows how my life could change! However, I refuse to move to Illinois.

-Rodney Dudley

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## THE RECTOR'S CORNER



### WHAT IS A DEACON? AND WHAT DO I CALL JÆE?

Dear Parish Family,

Since the Reverend Jae Chung joined us on February 1<sup>st</sup> I have been repeatedly asked two questions concerning his role among us. *What is a deacon and what do I call Jae?* Both of these are excellent questions and I want to take a few minutes to answer them.

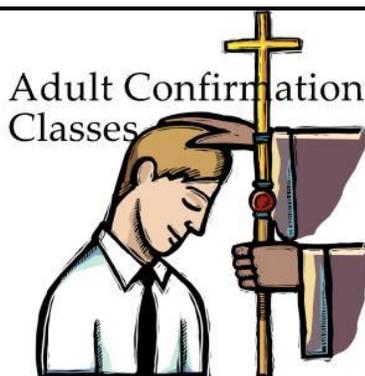
In the Episcopal Church, there are two types of deacons: the permanent and the transitional. While both ministries are deacon by title, their calling is very different. The permanent deacon is an ordained role in the church whose call is to a special ministry of servanthood; which means doing the work and ministry that goes on *outside* the doors of the church. It is a non-stipendiary position and a permanent deacon works under the bishop. Permanent deacons are usually assigned by the bishop to work in a specific parish or location.

Since servanthood is the foundation of all holy orders, priests must also serve as deacons for six months prior to being ordained a priest. This is known as a *transitional* deacon and Jae is in this order of ministry. Unlike a permanent deacon, a transitional deacon is a paid staff position and works full time while serving their six month deaconate period. A transitional deacon's roles and responsibilities also have a wider range of responsibilities both inside the walls and outside the walls of the church. All deacons, permanent or transitional, are part of the Sunday morning liturgies as they read the Gospel, lead the prayers of the people, set the holy table, administer the chalice and dismiss the people at the end of the service. Transitional deacons also preach on a regular basis, as they will also do after their priesting. Deacon Jae has already been put in the regular preaching rota.

While Jae is a deacon he should be referred to as Deacon Jae and once he is priested, his title will become Priest Associate and he will be referred to as Father Jae.

We are thrilled to have Deacon Jae with us and look forward to growing with him in the love and blessings of God.

Blessings, *Mother Diane+*



Mother Diane will be teaching an adult Confirmation class for those who wish to be confirmed or received (if you were previously Roman Catholic or Lutheran) on **Wednesday evenings, April 30—June 11**, from 7:00 - 8:30 PM. . The Confirmation will be held at the 10:00 AM service on Sunday, June 22nd when Bishop Provenzano makes his pastoral visit. If you are interested in attending these classes and being confirmed/received into the Episcopal Church, please call the Church office no later than March 16 to let us know of your attendance.

**\*\*A SIGNUP SHEET IS IN THE PARISH HALL\*\***

# Vestry Visions

Monday, February 10, kicked off the new year for the Vestry of St. Ann's. In doing so, we welcomed three new vestry members, Thomas Honey, John O'Neil, and Christine Strecker. As you may have heard, Pat Osarchuk has stepped down as one of the wardens of the church, but remains on Vestry, completing an unexpired term. To replace Pat, please welcome Nancy Koinoglou, who has been a member of St. Ann's for many years. I would like to offer all of them a hardy welcome and congratulations. Furthermore, I would like to announce that Father John Jeffrey Purchal will be staying with St. Ann's until May of this year. Father John Jeffrey's ministry work for St. Ann's and the community has been exceptional and very much appreciated. Last, but not least, please welcome our new deacon (soon-to-be priest associate), the Reverend Deacon Jae Chung and his family, to St. Ann's. We look forward to his ministry and his spiritual guidance.

This year at St. Ann's is going to be a very busy one. As you may well know, Mother Diane and the administration for St. Ann's will be moving across the street to the Littlejohn building, which was occupied by the Sayville Project for many, many years. Although time schedules aren't very accurate when it comes to major moves or construction, it is our hope that this move will be completed in the month of June. There are also many other projects planned for this year as well: the roads in the cemetery will be repaved, and we hope to repair the remaining Tiffany windows in the apse of the church behind the altar.

One of the more enlightening and promising aspects of St. Ann's this year is the number of families with young children who have become members of the church. As we all know, the survival of the church is only one generation away. With the addition of new members with children, the growth of St. Ann's is assured for the future. It is also good to see these children regularly attending church school classes and active during church services.

Finally, I would like to mention to all members of St. Ann's that we are your Vestry. If you ever have any questions, concerns, or advice, please feel free to speak with any Vestry member at St. Ann's, and we will assure you that your voice will be heard at the next Vestry meeting.

Peace and goodness,

*Ken Smyrk* for the Vestry

	<b>Wardens:</b>	2015 Ernest DeWitt	2016 Nancy Koinoglou
	<b>Vestry:</b>	2015 Constance Currie Laura Sanchez	Pat Osarchuk Kenneth Smyrk
		2016 Jackie Gandolfo Christie Strecker	Jill Hughes Charles Vallillo
		2017 Donald Hester Thomas Honey	Diane Miller-Magnani John O'Neil

# Update on Renovation at Littlejohn Building



We are moving forward with plans to renovate the Littlejohn building. As mentioned before, our top priority is to move the staff out of the unhealthy basement offices and into the new offices on the second floor of the Littlejohn building. I am happy to report that there was a great deal of furniture left in the building by the former occupants, and it is in excellent shape. We are going to be able to use many of the desks, file cabinets and lighting fixtures that were left behind for our new offices.

We will be removing the old carpeting that is there now and refinishing the wood floors. We discovered beautiful hardwood floors underneath the old carpet and are waiting on estimates to have them refinished. Contractors have been to the building to give us estimates on heating, air conditioning, plumbing, electrical, floors, doors, security, communications, internet, lighting and sheetrock.

While we wait for these estimates to come back to us we are in need of people with carpentry skills who would like to help us with the following:

- Remove old baseboards
- Remove old doors
- Remove the hardware off the old doors
- Bring wood doors and lumber from second floor down to the first floor
- Polish the old brass hardware so we can re-use throughout the building



Regarding the first floor, we have received wonderful ideas for the use of this space. Some of the ideas are:

- Area for seniors to play cards, watch a movie or just relax
- Area dedicated for the youth group
- After school programs for children
- Soup kitchen

Once we have relocated the administrative offices on the second floor, we will begin to focus on exactly how we will be utilizing this space.

Let's all pitch in during this very exciting and invigorating time in the life of our parish!

If you are interested in helping with any of this work, please speak with Ernie DeWitt or Nancy Koinoglou. You can contact Nancy at 631-567-4322. We appreciate all the help we can get.

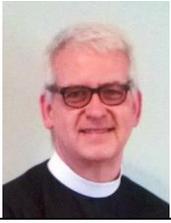
**--Nancy Koinoglou**

## In Like the Spirit



In many places, March is notoriously windy: "In like a lion ...!" Though I don't like the damp chill that's often part of the transition to spring, I love windy days. Something about the air's movement — a gentle breeze or ferocious gale blowing through trees, against the house, in my hair — breeds excitement in me, anticipation that something new is astir.

How fitting that in conversation with Nicodemus, Jesus said, "The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit" (John 3:8, NRSV). Like Nicodemus, we fail to comprehend the Spirit of God. But Jesus reminds us that though we can't see the Spirit, we feel his love, see his actions of justice and hear his sounds. These include kind words, bold preaching, weeping for another, shared laughter and songs of praise. —**Heidi Mann**



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## The Sojourner Priest's CLERGY COLUMN

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### **...And By Reading and Meditating An Invitation to a Holy Lent**

So what are you taking on for Lent? Yes, yes, I know that many of you were expecting, and possibly prepared to tell people what you are planning to give up for Lent. That's good. Self-denial and fasting are important elements of an observance of a Holy Lent. But along with giving us an excuse to put aside the M&Ms and cupcakes, this penitential season of our church's yearly cycle also provides us with opportunities to beef up, revive or even to begin focusing on our spiritual well being by taking on a new spiritual practice.

The term *spiritual practice*, or sometimes called a *spiritual discipline*, is a regular activity that helps to cultivate spiritual growth and our connection to our Creator. Spiritual practices cover a wide breadth of exercises and disciplines, and can be really quite simple to most elaborate. It could be a commitment to spend 10 minutes each morning to reading Scripture or the *Day by Day* meditations, or making it a point to add one of the weekday Eucharists to your schedule. For others it might involve going someplace such as the Little Portion Friary or Holy Cross Monastery for a few days of retreat, or organizing a small reading group of friends to study one of the books of the Bible or possible to read the work of a spiritual writer. There are also contemplative practices such as meditation, the Anglican Rosary, and *Lectio Divina* (Holy Reading, a contemplative study of Scripture), as well as many other practices. In other words, there are a lot of different ways to approach a spiritual discipline, but personally, I am a fan of keeping it simple, at least at first.

So why is Lent a perfect time to begin a new spiritual practice? Well, along with being a season of personal examination and special prayer, it has a beginning and an end. The idea of attending a Bible study every week or making the decision you are going to meditate for 20 minutes a day might seem a bit ambitious or even overwhelming for some of us. But for most people, committing oneself to 40 days or 5 weeks or even a few days might seem more doable. If it does not work for you, at least you have a planned date to end it. But who knows, the practices that you experiment with this Lenten season, might even become a way of life.

Whatever you decide to do, I offer my prayers and blessings for the spiritual practice that you are preparing to take on. If you are unsure of what is right for you, Mother Diane, Deacon Jae and I are here to guide you in any way that we are able, so do not be afraid to ask. May this be a fulfilling and holy Lent for all you, and God bless you on the journey.

In Christ:

*Fr. John Jeffrey+*



# VIEW FROM BEHIND THE POLE



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**SHROVE TUESDAY  
PANCAKE SUPPER**



The St. Ann's Choir invites the parish and community for a pancake festival  
**March 4th—5:00 to 7:00 PM**  
Please join us!  
Free Will Offering



## Shrove Tuesday

*Shrove Tuesday is the last night before Lent begins. It is also known as Fat Tuesday or (in French) Mardi Gras. Perhaps Shrove Tuesday is not quite as elaborate as Carnivale in Rio or New Orleans, but then the English are more reserved. This was the night when all the foods forbidden during Lent were used up in one glorious sweet and fat-filled meal—Eggs! Sugar! Butter! Bacon!*

*Games and races entertained folks who for the following six weeks would be behaving and eating in a far more austere fashion. So come enjoy our pancake supper, bring your friends, laugh and enjoy the evening, for the next day begins the fast. —Rodney Dudley*



Coming soon!

## GOLDEN PIPES SING-OFF & POTLUCK SUPPER

May 2 - 6:30 PM



### INSTRUMENTALISTS NEEDED

We are looking for advanced musicians to accompany our Taizé service—specifically oboe, flute, or violin. If you are a seasoned player or know someone who can fill the requirements, please contact Kathy Senese in the church office.





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# CLERGY COLUMN

## Deacon Jae Chung

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We at St. Ann's are so pleased to welcome our new deacon, Jae Chung, and his family. The following is a bit of biography as written in *SOUNDINGS*, the diocesan magazine. You may have noted Deacon Jae on the cover being ordained by Bishop Provenzano. From *SOUNDINGS*:

*Jae Chung is a transitional deacon recently ordained in the Cathedral of Incarnation. A Korean American born in Seoul in 1973, Jae immigrated to the United States at age 27, after finishing two years of required military service. He is a graduate of Korea's Dankook University with a B.S. in Economics. After arriving in the United States, Jae founded a web agency for Global 500 companies with his wife, Shin Kang, a graphic designer. He has been an active member in good-standing of St. Joseph's Korean Episcopal Church in Great Neck and served the congregation as a youth director for six years until he entered the General Theological Seminary as a postulant of the Diocese of Ling Island in 2011. Jae also served as a member of the Bishop Search Committee, and he and his wife lived at Camp DeWolfe as resident staff members in 2007. On February 1, 2014, Jae began his new journey as a curate in St. Ann's, Sayville.*

### **St. Ann's - the Sweet Home**

First of all, it is a great honor and pleasure to be a part of the life of St. Ann's. My family and I have not been able to find enough words to express our gratitude for what St. Ann's has done for us in our new home. My family and I deeply appreciate your heartfelt welcoming. Your sincere hearts have been well received. Thank you.

Because of your TLC (Tender Loving Care), we have been able to make a soft landing to settle down in this lovely town of Sayville. Our Pine Street house is absolutely perfect for our family. The second floor space opens a new adventurous world for my two older kids, Ian (5 years old) and Emma (3 years old), while my wife and I are finding some peace with Leo and Lucas (6 months old twin boys) on the first floor. Thanks be to God!

Radically to say, the Church is homeless because we, the Body of Christ, are the sojourners who walk toward our ultimate home as Israel walked in the wilderness. However, I also believe that the body of Christ, our mother Church, becomes our home during our journey in this world. Every effort of the Church focuses on making the Body of Christ as home for all of us. This is, in my view, one of the reasons why the Episcopal Church welcomes all. As my family has experienced, St. Ann's Episcopal Church beautifully shows us how to make our home in God's love. In the years to come, I will do my best to support Mother Diane and to bring vitality in our ministries as Priest Associate including the restoration of the community of teenagers in this congregation. However, I am not going to forget that I am here to love and to be loved by the congregation as a family member in Christ. As I begin the new journey at St. Ann's, I have decided to keep reminding myself over and over about this significant calling.

Again, thank you for welcoming Shin, Ian, Emma, Leo, Lucas and me as members of this blessed and beautiful family.

In God's peace,

*Jae*

# LENTEN STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

## Fr. John Jeffrey's talks Wednesday mornings in Lent

### **OH, THOSE GALATIANS: A LENTEN BIBLE STUDY**

The Letter to the Galatians illustrates Saint Paul's passion and intensity, while giving us a glimpse at some of the struggles faced by our earliest forefathers and mothers in the Church. Beginning March 12th, bring your Bibles and join Fr. John Jeffrey at **9:45 AM on Wednesdays** throughout Lent to explore and discuss this intriguing Epistle.



Wednesday Soup Suppers will start at 6:00 PM

*Featuring fresh made bread and hearty soup donated by parishioners*

Deacon Jae's talks will begin at 7:30 PM.

**March 12, 19, and 26; April 2 and 9**

## Deacon Jae's talks Wednesday evenings in Lent

### **PASSION FOR THE GOSPEL PASSION NARRATIVES**

During this Lent, in every Wednesday evening, we will form four groups to explore Passion Narratives through four Gospel Books: Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. Meditations, comparisons, visual expressions and group discussions will be led by Deacon Jae. Discussions begin March 12 with "The Arrest" and end April 9 with "The Burial."

**\*\*SIGNUP SHEETS FOR SOUP SUPPERS & CLASSES ARE IN THE PARISH HALL\*\***



Why a historical society? To identify, protect and exhibit documents, pictures and artifacts from St. Ann's past. To work with our parishioners and Sunday School children making their history known.

Also to join the National Episcopal Historians and Archivists as well as the Episcopal Women's History Project. The NEHA publishes a journal and a quarterly newsletter, *The Historiographer*. St. Ann's Historical Society had an article in the last issue of *The Historiographer*. The NEHA has an annual convention; this year it will be in Salt Lake City. The EWHP gives grants and awards to encourage research.

All parishioners of St. Ann's are members. All you have to do is become active. How do you do that?

- Help set up our new history room across the street.
- Help put the Births, Weddings and Deaths as listed in St. Ann's very first ledger on our website.
- Plan programs, events, trips, guest speakers and tours of St. Ann's Church and grounds.

**Call Connie Currie at 589-2700 or the Church Office at 589-6522 if you are interested.**



# The Sainly Smack Down!

Grit, determination, perseverance--these are the traits, along with the obvious one--holiness--that will be needed to win the 2014 Lent Madness Golden Halo. Based loosely on the NCAA basketball tournament,



Lent Madness pits 32 saints against one another in a single-elimination bracket. It is also a wildly popular online devotional designed to help people learn about saints.

Lent Madness began in 2010 as the brainchild of the Rev. Tim Schenck, an Episcopal priest and rector of St. John's Church in Hingham, Massachusetts. In seeking a fun, engaging way for people to learn about the men and women who make up the church's calendar of saints, Schenck came up with this unique Lenten devotion. Combining his love of sports with his passion for the lives of the saints, Lent Madness was born on his blog "Clergy Family Confidential."

Starting in 2012, Schenck partnered with *Forward Movement* (the same folks that publish *Forward Day by Day*) executive director the Rev. Scott Gunn, and Lent Madness went viral, reaching over 50,000 people and getting mentioned in everything from the *Washington Post* to *USA Today*, to *Sports Illustrated* (seriously).

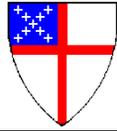
Here's how it works: on the weekdays of Lent information is posted at [www.lentmadness.org](http://www.lentmadness.org) about two different saints. Each pairing remains open for 24 hours as participants read about and then vote to determine which saint moves on to the next round. Sixteen saints make it to the Round of the Sainly Sixteen; eight advance to the Round of the Elate Eight; four make it to the Faithful Four; two to the Championship; and the winner is awarded the coveted Golden Halo. The full bracket is online at the Lent Madness website. [NOTE: A bracket has been posted on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall].

New this year is the publication of the *Sainly Scorecard -- The Definitive Guide to Lent Madness 2014*. Available through Forward Movement, it contains biographies of all 32 saints to assist those who like to fill out their brackets in advance, in addition to a full-color pull-out bracket.

This all kicks off on "Ash Thursday," March 6. To participate, visit [www.lentmadness.org](http://www.lentmadness.org), where you can also print out a bracket for free to see how you fare or "compete" against friends and family members. Like that other March tournament, there will be drama and intrigue, upsets and thrashings, last-minute victories and Cinderellas.

If you're looking for a Lenten discipline that is fun, educational, occasionally goofy, and always joyful, join the Lent Madness journey. Lent needn't be all doom and gloom. After all, what could be more joyful than a season specifically set aside to get closer to God?

Forward Movement is a ministry of The Episcopal Church dedicated to making disciples and sharing the Good News. With offices in Cincinnati, Ohio, Forward Movement has worked since 1935 to reinvigorate the life of the church.



# NOTES

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## EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN



Women

The ECW will be meeting at 10:00 AM in the Parish Hall on Friday, March 14th. All are welcome to join us and plan our spring activities.

## OUR DAILY BREAD



Please remember our neighbors in need of food and bring in whatever non-perishable items you can for our Food Pantry. Monetary donations enable restocking of shelves when necessary. There is always a great need for Parmalat, tomato sauce, crackers, jelly, and juice. Thanks for all you do.

*Food Pantry hours are Monday & Thursday, 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon. Volunteers are always welcomed.*



## ATTENTION, CEMETERY PLOT OWNERS!

We hope this reminder is not needed in March, but just in case...Please be aware that when it snows, *only the main asphalt road* in the cemetery gets plowed. The other gravel roads will be plowed only if needed to conduct service for a new burial. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause, but Spring will be here before you know it! – Janet Croce, Cemetery Manager

## TUESDAY YOGA

Yoga continues on through the winter. Every Tuesday afternoon (except for a couple of snow days) in the Parish Hall you'll find a small dedicated group working a Christian Yoga routine. We listen to a tape of relatively low impact exercises narrated by the Rev. Nancy Roth, an Episcopal priest. The class begins at 1:30 and ends a little before 3:00 PM. All ages, both women and men, are welcome. Bring a non-skid mat and join us.



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**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

1 William & Joyce Hamilton	15 Craig & Kristin LoNigro	26 Edward & Deborah Schmieder
12 Thelma & Stanley Thuma	22 James & Barbara Kinkaid	30 Brian & Renee Chalmers

**BIRTHDAYS**

1 Peg Flanagan	12 Ashley Byrnes	19 Marade Bergen	28 Victoria Barone
Thomas Rice	Helen Maloney	Erin MacDonell	Philip DePompeo
3 Meghan Andersen	13 Lynne Abrams	Judith Meyer	Linda Hay
Isabel Malone	Sally Stoll-DePompeo	Molly Vallillo	Sharon Vander Borgh
5 Brendan Mattimore	14 Patrick Cavanagh	Karly Walch	29 Robert Gaito
6 Jared Bergen	Gail Dittmar	23 Florence Chase	Keith Johnson
Jakob Diehl	16 James Hoek	Vincent Montaruli	Norma McKendrick
7 Lauren Waters	Robert Honey	25 Ron Sanchez	Adam Zeidler
Miranda Waters	17 Susan DeWitt	Charles Torregrossa	30 Jennifer Lasko
8 Jason Walsh	Patricia McKay	26 Jill Hughes	Leah Vander Borgh
9 Cynthia Houdek	Marcella Montaruli	27 Marlena Espinoza	31 Jean Lap
11 Richard Chant	18 Joseph Zanchelli	Mary Mattarella	Wyatt Reksten
Addie Sanders	Sam Zanchelli	Joan Palmieri	

*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. They are also offered as an opportunity to pray for each one of these individuals and couples on these significant days in their lives. Prayers will be offered at worship for each listed above 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.*

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By Connie Currie

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HERBERT W. RICHTER, SR.

SECTION 5-PLOT 5

**HERB RICHTER** was a regular at 8:00 AM Mass every Sunday. I remember him well. Herb had a great sense of humor, and when he would join Frank A. Gross, William A. Fagan, Father Peter MacLean and frequent visitor, Peter Fox Cohalan, for coffee hour after Mass, you never knew what jokes they were going to play on one another. They had the most fun one morning when Frank Gross didn't show up to usher, something he did faithfully for years. At the time Frank was County Sheriff and had just seen the establishment of a county farm to employ jail trustees. Frank took a lot of kidding about having to chase the "trustees," but he said that would never happen. Well, it did, and that was why he didn't appear that Sunday morning. The following Sunday, Frank's dear friends had a field day with the Sheriff.

Herbert W. Richter Sr. lived in the Lakeland Avenue apartments but when he became very ill he went to the Sayville Nursing home, and he died there on March 4, 1969. He had been born in Brooklyn. Mr. Richter graduated from the Wharton School of Business of the University of Pennsylvania, and he was a member of Psi Upsilon fraternity. He was a veteran of World War I, having served in the U.S. Navy. For many years he worked for the Chevrolet Motor Company, and he established the first soap box derby. In later years he was an agent for the Equitable Life Assurance Co.

He was a parishioner at St. Ann's, a member of the Men's Club, and a very active lay person. At the time of his death, Mr. Richter was survived by his son Herbert W. Richter, Jr., of Northridge, California; a daughter, Mrs. Richard Martin of West Hempstead; three grandchildren; one great grandchild; and two sisters, Mrs. George Jacob of Sayville and Mrs. Elsa Denning of Swansea, Massachusetts.

His funeral service was held at St. Ann's. Officiating were the Rev. Joseph Bond, the Rev. Edwin H. Cromey, and the Rev. Charles Van Tassel, all of St. Ann's, and Canon Thomas Blomquist of Forest Hills, a family friend. His burial followed in St. Ann's cemetery.

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<b>INCOME</b>					
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All Other Income	7,702.93	14,415.68	-6,712.75	-47%	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	21,406.93	31,915.68	-10,508.75	16%	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	52,143.00	48,578.85	-3,564.15	-7%	
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# Stop, Look, and Listen

Lent, the season of the church year that's associated with repentance, begins on Ash Wednesday (March 5 this year). While some people deny themselves by giving up something for Lent, others prepare for Easter through special Bible studies or devotions.

Christians observe Lent for these reasons:

- It causes us to STOP. Lent says, "Stop and rest awhile," as well as "Stop doing wrong."
- It tells us to LOOK. Look inward for an honest self-examination. Look upward to see the cross of Christ offering healing and love. Look forward to the hope of the Resurrection.
- It tells us to LISTEN. Listen to the words of Christ. Listen to the voice of God. Listen to the winds of the Spirit of God. Stop, look and listen. These three words aren't only important for our safety in travel; they're also helpful for our journey through the 40 days of Lent.

# 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)*

<b>Sundays</b>
7:00 PM—AA Meeting
<b>Mondays</b>
7:00 PM—AA Meeting 7:00 PM—Vestry Meeting—Mar. 10
<b>Tuesdays</b>
8:00 AM—Men's Group 1:30-2:30 PM— Yoga Class 6:00 Children's Choir Rehearsal 7:15 Adult Choir Rehearsal
<b>Wednesdays</b>
<b>Thursdays</b>
10:00 AM—AA Meeting 7:00 PM—AA Meeting
<b>Friday</b>
10:00 AM—ECW Meeting—Mar. 14
<b>Saturday</b>

*O Lord, there are not enough words of thanks for all your blessings. Our hearts overflow in praise and worship!*

# 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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