SMC Newsletter July 2022

Happy 4th Of July!! Enjoy this month with family and friends. Traveling mercies for those vacationing. Please send me any information you would like included for next month. Many blessings, Patty



ECW Update

The Episcopal Church Women (ECW) of St. Mary's Church would like to thank everyone who supported our Pulled Pork Dinner on June 17. Your generosity enabled us to make a \$600 donation to the Maxfield Community Food Pantry, a \$400 donation to the Double H Ranch (which was matched by a grant), and a \$200 donation to the First United Methodist Church's Summer Breakfast Program. A total of \$1713 was gratefully received and we were honored to serve you, and we hope you enjoyed your meal.

Now, we are excited to invite you to the return of our **ECW SUMMER BAZAAR on Saturday, July 30**th **from 9am to 2pm.** Please see the list of great attractions we will have this year. As noted above the food court will offer breakfast sandwiches for sale starting at 8:30 am and free community lunch from the grill starting at 11:30 am. Anson will be in charge so you know it will be tasty! The proceeds will benefit the Episcopal Church Women in their work to support our community and church. Please call 518-696-3030 with any questions. We look forward to seeing you there!

Bazaar drop off starts 7/16 after the basement clean up between 7/10 - 7/15. Signup sheets for the bazaar will be in the back of the church and the Parish Hall on 7/10. Tent setup will be done on 7/29 and table setup will be done on 7/30. Bakers are asked to pre-package in individual serving sizes before drop off. Items will be sold in dollar increments.

ECW voted to match the \$250 St. Mary's is giving towards a full scholarship for an overnight camper at Beaver Cross in Greenwich.

The next meeting is Sunday, July 17th after church to do last minute details for the Bazaar. The next monthly meeting is Friday, August 5th at 10:30am.



An Update from Meryl on Birthdays and Anniversaries.

The birthdays for July are:

Bruce Clark July 2nd, Jacquie Walker July 2nd, Peter Watts July 15th, Jeanne Mayo July 17th, and Frank Lagace July 30th. Apologies for the belated dates.

The anniversaries for July are:

Tristan & Walt Kathan July 22nd.

Please give Meryl your birthdate so we don't forget anyone's birthday! You do not need to give the year! Please notify Meryl of any upcoming anniversaries. Photos are also welcome from these occasions.



Ecumenical VBS

There will be an Ecumenical VBS, grades K-6th, at Church of the Nations July 19-21st from 6-8pm. For more information you may email corinthvbs2022@gmail.com or contact Eva Guenther at guenthersteva@frontiernet.net



SMC Studies, and Services

Fr. Lou will continue his Facebook morning prayer on Thursday mornings at 8:30am.

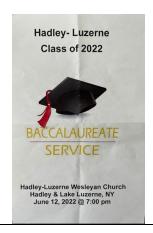
The liturgical color for July, which is in Ordinary Time, is green.

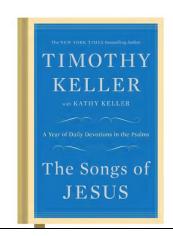
Thank you for Fr. Lou's participation in The Hadley Luzerne Senior Class Baccalaureate last month.

Fr. Lou and Patty will be away July 16-24th for family vacation in Charlestown, Rl. Fr. Colin Belton, the retired priest from St. Sacrement in Bolton Landing will be covering for Fr. Lou. Deacon Rick Littlejohn will be serving with Fr. Colin.

Fr. Lou will be the clergy at Beaver Cross Camp from Sunday night of July 24th to Friday, July 29th. We will be truck camping at the Spiritual Life Center that week in Greenwich. Pray for Fr. Lou to have the endurance to keep up with the youth that week! Anyone interested in a scholarship to the camp please contact Fr. Lou.

Fr. Lou is always accessible by phone at 802-734-0263.





DOK

The meeting for the next DOK is on Friday, July 8th at 10:30am in the Parish Hall/Sanctuary.

There is an interest in reading Tim Keller's *The Songs of Jesus: A Year of Daily Devotions in the Psalms.* If anyone is interested, please see Patty.

The DOK ceremony will be in church on Sunday, August 21st and we can celebrate at the church picnic.

Alpha

Alpha will be starting Sept. 7th so look forward to future announcements.

Prayer Requests

**Please Pray for: Jackie's friend Charlie, Anne, David, and family, Suzanne and family, Janet T and family, Noel and Meryl as they travel, Sarah, Peter and Nancy, Margit, The Hughes Family, Alan, Barbara B-L, The Hayes Family, Vanessa, Linda & Mason, Amy H. & Maddie, Sylvia C, Sharon K., Carol, Marissa, Mary Carol and Alan, Jennifer, Judy, Kailee and Dante, Claudette, Bob and Schuyler, Michelle, Paul, Mary and family, Mark M., Marika J., Eduard & Mariana, Joyce L., Jackie L., Kathy, Jack G., Sonia, Carole, Greta H., Sue Ellen R., Sharon M., Bill C., Angela M., Brenda B., our community's youth, the men and women in law enforcement and in the armed forces of our country, the victims and families of the COVID-19 pandemic. All those whose needs are known only to our Lord.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer for Bishop Smith, the Standing Committee, the Profile and Search committee, and for Holiness of life in every Episcopalian. Additionally, please see: https://albanyepiscopaldiocese.org/prayer/jnml

**It is time to update the prayer list. Please contact Erich Kaminsky by email at erichkaminsky@yahoo.com or by phone or text at 518.502.4075 with updates.



Stewardship

"I Can Do That Breakfast" on Sunday, July 10th at 9am. A breakfast to hear more testimonies and to sign up or learn more about our ministry opportunities. Everyone's time and talent are always welcome. Thank you to Cathy Littlejohn, Harry Bala, Lorraine Newton, Jennie Peters, Kathy Crannell, Mary Davis, and Fr. Lou for their testimonies. The next meeting is Monday, July 11th at 4:15pm.

Parishioner Spotlight – Mary Davis

Mary has been washing, ironing, and maintaining the corporal altar cloths, cinctures (ropes) and albs since 1965. She shared these duties with Mavis and Shirley (when they each would take a month at a time) until they both passed away. She has done it alone for four years. She has performed this service under nine priests. She has done other tasks like ordering altar supplies depending on who was the priest.

Mary feels closer to God and prays while she is working on the linens. She has certain prayers for certain items. It makes her feel like she belongs to the church community, and she enjoys doing it. Each folded linen has an emblem on the front which indicates which occasion the linen is used for. Look at the attached photos and see if you can match the linen with the correct liturgical season or event, (i.e. baptism, funeral, weddings, Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost.) One linen has the Our Lady of Walsingham on it. How many of you know who she is? Other items such as the vestments, palls, and chalice veils are dry cleaned.

Mary has two memorable moments with her linen ministry. One is when her brother was killed in 1967 in an automobile accident, and she was in the middle of cleaning Fr. Pratt's alb. She remembers having to drive it to Betty Cranston so that she could finish it for her. The other was when she felt compelled to wash Fr. Bill's only alb and an hour after it was cleaned he called her needing it for a funeral. She knew she had cleaned it for a reason.

Mary's vivid memory of church with her family was that her sons were altar boys and she would take them to Watt's for raspberry rolls for breakfast after church to affirm their participation in the church service.

Mary is grateful to Donna Reynders for assuming her role in taking care of the altar linens, but she has already stated she can step in if needed. That is a servant's heart!!



Odds and Ends.

Pictures of the liturgical calendar linens.

Pictures from the Stewardship breakfast/Church testimonials.

Pictures from the pulled pork dinner.

More pictures from the Convention at Silver Bay.

Various quotes.

A thank you letter for our donation to Ukraine Care.

An update of upcoming events at Christ the King.

Liturgical Linens













Stewardship Breakfast













"If what was most important to Jesus is not most important, or at least somewhat important, to us... we're probably not followers. Users perhaps. But not followers." @AndyStanley from "Not in it to Win it"

"If we do not show love to one another, the world has a right to question whether Christianity is true." "Our relationship with each other is the criterion the world uses to judge whether our message is truthful - Christian community is the final apologetic" F.Shaeffer

Unlike traditional cultures, secular culture finds little meaning in suffering and is in general more traumatized by it and helpless before it. The church could become famous for its ability to help people through grief, pain, and loss.



June 3, 2022

St. Mary's Episcopal Anglican Church P.O. Box 211 Lake Lucerne, NY 12846

Dear St. Mary's Episcopal Anglican Church,

Thank you for your donation to Olive Branch International, Inc and the specific designation for UKRAINE CARE.

We are speaking weekly with Valentyn and rolling out an emergency needs plan titled "Ukraine Community Safety Net". In addition to our usual services and chaplain training, we have added emergency healthcare, medical, transportation and safety for refugees and family support. Our team of chaplains on the front lines, interpreters, military personnel, Olive Branch seminary professors, leadership and staff need our support and are committed these efforts. See www.olivebranchintl.com for updates.

The needs are many, yet your support is making a huge difference as we deal with so much moral injury and trauma.

Your gifts are making a different and changing lives forever!

Blessings,

Nancy Jernigan, PhD

Finance Director

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COMING THIS FALL...

Life in Christ: Ascetical Theology and Spiritual Practices

An introduction to the basic elements of Christian spirituality, emphasizing the nature of the spirituality of Christian Scripture, and an analysis of Christian experience in light of Biblical revelation and Christian tradition. This course explores the spirituality of the Book of Common Prayer and a variety of spiritual practices and techniques by application to the student's pilgrimage.

Facilitators: Bishop Michael Smith and Patricia Mackey Stone

In conjunction with the Stanton Center for Ministry Formation, Christ the King Center will be cohosting this 10-month spiritual theology class beginning August 20, 2022. Class meets one Saturday per month from 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. at Christ the King Center.

Healing the Wounds of Trauma

Across the world, wars, crime, natural disasters, human trafficking, car accidents, ethnic conflict, homelessness, and domestic abuse leave people traumatized. Often those traumatized are Christians, and the Church has a clear responsibility to care for its members. Beyond the Church, Christians are to be light and salt in the world. This is particularly important in times of suffering or conflict. This seminar will equip students to minister to trauma victims.

Facilitator: Laurie Fatica-Tice

In conjunction with Trauma Healing Institute, a ministry of the American Bible Society, Christ the King Center will be offering this training September 7-10, 2022.



Details available soon on all of these at www.ctkcenter.org/events or call 518-692-9550 ext. 201

Soul Care Conference

with Dr. Rob Reimer

The Soul Care Conference™ has two primary purposes:

The first is to help spiritual leaders grow in intimacy and the health of their souls. It takes a healthy leader to lead a healthy church. We are often limited by our past wounds, our current behaviors, and our faulty thinking. The conference will teach Biblical principles for healing the soul as well as overcoming broken and sinful areas of life.

Secondly, the conference is designed to equip church leadership teams in making disciples in their own contexts. Sadly, statistics show that the church today is not succeeding in helping believers experience transformation. To begin to address this, during each session a ministry time will be provided for participants to process their own journey and to walk with others through healing.

Christ the King Center, in partnership with Abundant Life Fellowship, Christ Church, Ballston Spa, Living Waters Church of God, New Life Fellowship, Pine Grove Community Church, and Terra Nova Church, Saratoga is offering this conference November 17-19, 2022

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