



# CROSS KEYS

ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, OSTERVILLE MA 02655

May 2011

## Mother's Day

In its present form, Mother's Day was established by Anna Marie Jarvis, following the death of her mother on May 9, 1905, with the help of Philadelphia merchant John Wanamaker. A small service was held on May 12, 1907 in the Andrew's Methodist Episcopal Church in Grafton, WV, where Anna's mother had been teaching Sunday School. But the first "official" service was on May 10, 1908 in the same church, accompanied by a larger ceremony in the Wanamaker Auditorium. She then campaigned to establish Mother's Day first as a U.S. national holiday.

The holiday was declared officially by the state of West Virginia in 1910, and the rest of states followed quickly. On May 8, 1914, the U.S. Congress passed a law designating the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day and requesting a proclamation. On May 9, 1914 President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation declaring the first national Mother's Day as a day for American citizens to show the flag in honor of those mothers whose sons had died in war.

### Important Dates to Remember

- May 8 ..... Mother's Day
- May 30 ..... Memorial Day

Dear Friends

When we are able to do something about a situation, we do. When we are unable, we may feel helpless and may worry. Like most worriers, we fret most about the things which are out of our control. Growing up, my daughters each had *worry dolls* from Central America. The little card accompanying the dolls instructed one, when worried, to give each doll one of your problems and to put the doll under your pillow at bedtime, placing the problem in the Lord's hands. These little dolls still remind me of the things I say I believe. Central to all of them is my faith that we are all in God's hands.

Jesus reminds us again and again that he is the Good Shepherd. Even though the sheep are not aware of his care, the Shepherd watches over them all of the time. We are like those sheep. As stupid as I have heard sheep may be, they are also said to have the unique ability to know the voice of their shepherd. Like the sheep, we sometimes move from day to day and then when we are most in need recognize the voice of the Lord in the events of our lives. Nonetheless, whether or not we remember it, we are ever in the hands of the Lord, protected by God.

During Easter season, we are given a running account of the first days of the early Christian community. They were difficult times for Jesus' followers. One wonders at the kind of courage that looks at persecution and exile with joy. The only possible explanation is their faith in Jesus' promise to hold them in his hands, God's hands.

In the midst of anger over the senseless nature of the evil perpetrated upon the innocent people throughout the world, the goodness and heroic character of humankind is a reminder of the goodness of creation. In the face of suffering, we too like the earliest Christians must have the kind of courage that looks suffering and oppression directly in the eye and says, no, this is not how God meant it to be. God's peace, expressed in Jesus' resurrection appearances, calls each of us to respond. Love overshadows the broken nature of this world. It is faith in Jesus' life, death, and resurrection that strengthens us and gives us the courage to face the challenges of life.

To be loved and protected does not mean one will never have to face trials. To be convinced of continual love and protection dispels worry and enables people to continue in what they have promised. "God will wipe every tear from their eyes."

In the short run, there will always be some among us who will worry. There will be others who will fear. Neither of these is a fatal flaw. Beneath worry and fear, our trust in the Lord is what enables us to continue in faith and in hope. We know that the Good Shepherd, and as our children sing in Children's Chapel, "he's got the whole world in his hands."

In Christ,

Denzil J. Luckritz, *Rector*

## Newsletter Deadline



**May 15th**  
for the June edition of  
the Cross Keys

The deadline for the Cross Keys is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. Submissions may be emailed (MOST preferred by the editor!) to [nancymumford@comcast.net](mailto:nancymumford@comcast.net) Please note: I can only accept MS WORD documents (Not Word Perfect) by email

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**for those who are ill or in any need, especially:**

Mary, Gerri, Dorothy, Mary, Erik, Millie, Wilhelmina, Jackie, Elise, Manuel, John, Douglas & Sarah, Davis, Jim, Shaun & family, Susan, Jean, Nancy, Grace, Tom, Ivan & Jean, Joanne, Ruby, Stephen, Harry, Dennis, Peter, Cathi, Curt, Frank, Florence, Anna, Linda, Eddie, Bill, Tom, Phillip, Jim, Pat, Lorraine, Melanie, Arty, Mary, Christopher, Walter, Avena & Bishop Tharp Institute, Sally, Claudia, Nancy, Emma, Perline, Baby Elijah, John, Sephine, Laurel, Paul, Fred, Jimmy, Pat, Ralph, Peter, Carol, Carol, Adam, Ed, Al, Mary, Joe, Dick, Sheila, Bill, Nikki, Michael, Leslie, Kellen, Suzanne, Cindy, Connie, Leslie, Will and for the homeless of Cape Cod, those affected by mental illness and for our men and women in the armed forces overseas especially in Iraq and Afghanistan and the people of Haiti and Japan.

*If you placed a loved ones name on the Parish Prayer List and the name can be removed, please email or call the office. Thank you, Alison*



***Those recently hospitalized:***

Paul Soares, Will Beebe

***Our Congratulations to:***

Dr. Warren & Sandy Churbuck Nickerson on their new grandson, Henry Chatfield Churbuck III whose was born March 17th. The happy parents are Henry and Jennifer Churbuck of Cotuit.

Dottie and Ernie Schatz on the birth of their great grand daughter, Kendall Barnett.

***May Birthdays***

1-Allie Puleo  
3-Linda Tetreault  
4-Mia Kjoller  
7-Jeff Soares  
10-Holbrook Davis, Andrew Mead  
11-Jean Folk  
14-Nancy Wainwright  
15-Kathryn Schaller  
20-Janet Ferran  
21-Nicholas Sweeny  
22-Lauren Rogers  
23-Eliza Heussler  
24-Patrick Tempesta  
25-Katherine Hebard  
26-Genevieve Puleo  
27-Sandy Olson  
28-Melissa Eaton  
29-Leona Bertrand  
30-James Cote, Jim Mann  
31-Elly Mead

Please note, if we've missed your birthday, let us know so that we can get your birthday on file in the office.

***Anniversaries***

May 1-Dudley and Susan Thomas

*After services take time to greet our many visitors. Give them a warm "Welcome!" Some of us are here to seek relief from heavy pressures. Others are reaching out for comfort in sorrow. Still others are here to thank God for recent or ongoing blessings. What we all have in common is a great desire to know God and to be enabled to do God's will.*

## Behind The Scenes With Will Beebe: A Tale of Two Halls

The first Hall is the Parish Hall. As you may have seen in last month's Cross Keys, St. Peter's hosted the Cape and Islands Deanery meeting in March. While this was not unusual in itself, it did mark a major milestone for the Parish Hall. It was the first time that live Web Video Teleconferencing was available there. The Deanery provided the software and much of the hardware. St. Peter's provided the internet connection. For those interested, the Deanery uses MegaMeeting software, and a USB speaker phone. Video is connected using a camera with a Fire Wire interface.

The second Hall is actually a corridor. It is the hallway going from the Parish Hall to the Church. A more descriptive term is "Office Corridor". For those of you who were in Church on April 10 you may have noticed Architectural Renderings and other materials posted on the walls near the Rector's office. These give an indication of what has been in the works ever since structural issues were discovered in the Nave. For those of you who have not seen these renderings, it is worth stopping by to gaze upon them.



## Choir News

The Adult Choir rehearses most every Wednesday evening from 7:00-8:30. They gather at 9:15 Sunday mornings to prepare for singing at the 10:00 Holy Eucharist, except the first Sunday of the month, which is when the Family Choir sings.

The Family Choir rehearses Sunday mornings after church and sing on the first Sunday of the month for Family Eucharist.

New members are warmly welcomed in both choirs. For more information, contact Karen, the Music Director at 428-6577 or via [karencrosby@verizon.net](mailto:karencrosby@verizon.net).

## Cape Cod and the Islands Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

### Celebrity Organ Concert featuring

#### **Bryan Ashley**

Organist of The Mother Church, First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston

Friday, May 13, 7:30 p.m.

St. David's Episcopal Church

205 Old Main Street

South Yarmouth

\$15 suggested donation

Reception to follow

# UNITED THANK OFFERING

## Spring 2011 Ingathering

### Report

**Totaled \$384.40**

The March 27, 2011 St. Peter's Spring UTO Ingathering offerings, our "giving in gratitude for our many blessings", totaled \$384.40. One hundred percent of this collection will be used to support Diocesan grants both at home and around the world as an outreach of The Episcopal Church. You can't say that of many charities!

The UNITED THANK OFFERING is a personal and family devotional program of The Episcopal Church. It is the sum of our daily thanks for the blessings in our everyday lives. It is a way for women, men and children to nurture the habit of giving a daily tangible thanks to God. Your prayers and offerings make it possible for the UTO mission to stretch in unexpected ways. These prayers of thanksgiving start when we recognize and name our many daily blessings. Those who participate in the UTO offering have discovered that thankfulness leads to generosity.

Each household is encouraged to have and use their UTO BLUE BOX throughout the whole year. The size of the offering is not as important as the practice of thanksgiving. In doing so, it is a way to fulfill our baptismal covenant: to serve Christ in all persons, love our neighbors as ourselves, and strive for justice and peace among all people.

UTO BLUE BOXES are available in both the tower and parish hall entrances to the church. Please note that ingatherings will be held twice a year, fall and spring!

**The FALL 2011 UTO INGATHERING will be  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2011**

Debbie Gasior, UTO Coordinator  
St. Peter's Women's Association Service Project

## Food Cards

Come see Wayne Schmidt during Fellowship Hour every week to purchase prepaid food cards. The places these cards are available from are as follows: Stop & Shop, Shaw's, Dunkin Donuts, Roche Bros., Fancy's, Lambert's and Cape Cod Natural Foods. Every time you purchase one of these prepaid food cards from Wayne, 5% is automatically donated to Housing Assistance Corp. It's a very easy way to make a donation to a great cause.



## Food Pantry



As Mother's Day approaches think of not only your mother but all mothers in the world. Mothers are supposed to nurture and love their families unconditionally. Although all mothers are capable of these two qualities, there are more simplistic factors we expect from our mothers like raising us with a roof over our heads and food on the table. Although this comes to many of us without second thought, there are some on Cape Cod who struggle with these two things everyday. Please help those mothers (and fathers) this month by donating non-perishable items to the food pantry. We are asking for canned products with protein (canned ham, beans, tuna, etc.), fruits and vegetables and special desserts or candy to show our appreciation to the moms.

Thank you for your continued support,  
Adrienne and Meredith Carlton

## Christian Education

It's been a busy month for Christian Education. In March, Father Denzil and I attended a seminar to qualify St. Peter's to begin doing CORI checks as part of our Safe Church program. The seminar was very informative and we both have a better understanding of the process and requirements of conducting CORI checks in accordance with the law. Following Easter, we hope to complete the Safe Church policy for St. Peter's and submit it to the vestry for approval. This policy will cover everything from the safety of our parishioners to the upkeep of our building and grounds.

The children and teenagers have been working hard to prepare for Palm Sunday. They will take turns reading Stations of the Cross during the

10:00 service. On Easter Day, we will bring back the Alleluia sign we "buried" at the start of Lent. The following Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, is Family Eucharist and also the date of our annual Easter Egg Hunt – after the 10:00 service!

The donkey in our Palm Sunday processional joined us courtesy of Diamond's Edge Farm in West Barnstable. Diamond's Edge farm offers equine therapy, riding lessons, and camps. Please visit their website at [www.diamondsedgefarm.com](http://www.diamondsedgefarm.com) to learn more – we were very grateful to have them participate in our service.

Thank you, Kathryn Perrone

## Mark Your Calendars!

### Donate a Treasure!!!

August 24, Wednesday, Wianno Yacht Club,  
5:00-7:30 pm

## Outreach's Summer

### Silent & Live Auction Party

The Outreach Party Committee is looking for fine items for our auction. A wonderful antique you no longer have a place for, some knit or stitched treasure, donation of Goods? Services? Dinner? All proceeds from your contributions will go to help our local neighbors in need.

Items may be brought to the church for storage beginning mid-June.

Thank you for your help and please come to the party!

## Ritual... Reason...Why...

### When We Look, What Do We See?

As we come into the church, slip into our pew and kneel to say our prayers, our eyes are drawn not only to the altar and the large cross on the wall behind it, but to that space between the two where there are usually flowers, greens or some other arrangement. What we see there is a visual “cue” for the season, or the service, we are observing. If we see red poinsettias, we know that it is Christmas; white lilies and bright daffodils proclaim Easter. Throughout the year, colorful floral arrangements celebrate weddings, baptisms and our many occasions for thanksgiving. In the same way, an artistic arrangement of delicately laced bare branches from nature’s “art gallery” tells us that we are in a solemn, penitential season and calls us to be reflective about how God is working in our lives.



The elegant Lenten arrangement that has inspired us through this Lent has a story. When Fr. Denzil gave the altar guild a description of what he envisioned, Cynthia Seidner, altar guild chair, went into the garden and

surrounding area and found what was available; discarded trimmings from shrubbery, a broken off tree branch and some pussy willow. With artistic eye and skillful hands set to the task, the project took shape. The final arrangement was impressive in its subtle tones of color, delicate branch latticework and naturalness of form. It was a thing of singular beauty.

To me, this is very theological. What is “redemption” but taking something broken and discarded and making it not only useable, but valuable? What is “salvation” but fulfilling the beauty and promise of something others thought of as “disposable”? God sees beauty in us, promise in us, even when we don’t see either in ourselves. And as the lifeless branches, with nurture and care, begin to show signs of greening, we realize that Easter is all about God’s love quickening life within us. It is about re-claiming us to fulfill our destiny as the children of God.

What fills the space sets the stage. When we see palms in that space we sing “ride on ride on in majesty.” When we see lilies and spring flowers, we sing out “Alleluia. Christ is risen!” I pray that the message of the Lenten altar arrangement may continually enable us to see ourselves and those around us through God’s eyes, as having beauty, as worthy of love and as being filled with promise and possibility.

Happy Easter!

Fr. Paul +

## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday, March 4, 2011

Hosted by S.P.W.A.

\$517 collected

World Day of Prayer is a worldwide ecumenical movement of Christian women of many traditions who come together to observe a common day of prayer each year on the first Friday of March. Services begin at sunrise in the Pacific and follow the sun across the globe on the day of celebration. World Day of Prayer was founded on the idea that prayer and action are inseparable in the service of God's kingdom. For more information, visit [www.wdpusa.org](http://www.wdpusa.org)

This year's service was hosted by the St. Peter's Women's Association. Women from a number of Cape Cod churches attended. To cover the expenses of hosting this service and reception, a cupcake sale was held on a previous Sunday at which \$184 was collected. Minus expenses of \$50, the remainder of the cupcake sales proceeds were also included in the total receipts. Including the offering, a total of \$517 was collected.

The 2011 annual World Day of Prayer offerings from our service will help support the work of World Day of Prayer USA and this year will focus on concerns expressed by women of Chile and will help meet the needs of families who are victims. Chilean women struggle with the impact of globalization, social and environmental issues such as pollution, overpopulation in urban areas, lack of prospects for young people, drug consumption and trafficking, prostitution and dysfunctional families – problems affecting women and children.

St. Peter's Church and the St. Peter's Women's Association were pleased to have had the opportunity to host this year's annual event.

Debbie Gasior, Treasurer

St. Peter's Women's Association

## Holy Baptism

The Book of Common Prayer establishes five occasions when **Holy Baptism** is most appropriately administered in a given parish, one of which is *The Day of Pentecost*, June 12, 2011. This sacrament of Christian Initiation will be administered at the 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist on this Principal Feast of the Church Year. Anyone wishing to be baptized, or to have someone baptized on this occasion, should contact the Parish Office or Fr. Russ Allen at 508-432-3483 at their earliest convenience.

## Confirmation and Inquirers' Class

Fr. Paul and Fr. Russ are making plans for a very special educational offering in the early fall season that will be of special interest to anyone wishing to be Confirmed or Received into the Episcopal Church, Renew their Baptismal Covenant with God, or deepen their knowledge and understanding of the Christian Religion and our Faith Tradition and Practice. This **Confirmation and Inquirers' Class** will consist of two required sessions and 6-8 additional ones, each being scheduled for 1 ½ hours following the 10 a.m. Sunday Holy Eucharist. Lunch will be included in each session. More details will be sent in a letter to members of the congregation eligible for Confirmation, and announced in future issues of Cross Keys and the Sunday Bulletin.

## Saint Peter's and the Mission of the Wider Church

### Haiti

Plans are underway to make the developing connection between St. Peter's and the Bishop Tharp Institute in Haiti stronger, including the possibility of having guests from there visiting us, and some of our people going there. In addition, following a recent meeting of the Cape and Islands Deanery, information on our mission-outreach to Haiti is being distributed to its member parishes as a step toward increasing the involvement and support of our fellow Episcopal Churches in its work.

### The Diocese and the Cape and Islands Deanery

What is the Diocese of Massachusetts? What is the Cape and Islands Deanery? What are our relationships to them? Our delegates to these bodies are continuing their discussions regarding how these two bodies might better support our mission and ministry, and how St. Peter's can become more involved with theirs.

### The Environment

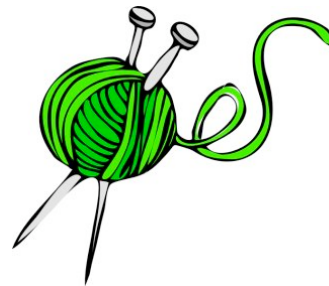
Last month's Good Friday was also Earth Day, and the connection between those two observances was reflected in **An Environmental Stations of the Cross** held as the noonday Liturgy. Participants gathered in the Church before moving to the Garden where nine stations were set up, reflecting themes from both days. As they moved from station to station the people heard and responded to readings prepared by the Earth Ministry of Seattle. In this way, they were invited to gain an understanding of the interconnection between the Passion and Death of Jesus and the realities that affect our environment and the lives of many who share this earth.

## A Request

One of my goals in overseeing the St. Peter's and the Mission of the Wider Church project is to foster discussion, support program development, and report regularly through the Church's Website and Cross Keys on that work. I am grateful for the positive response I have already received for this project, and in order to fully accomplish it, I ask your prayers, support, suggestions, and involvement so that we may truly be a parish whose mission and ministry reach well beyond our four walls. Please contact me before or after Sunday Worship, by email at [capecahd@comcast.net](mailto:capecahd@comcast.net), or by phone at 508-432-3483 or 860-391-3100.

Further information on our involvement and support as a parish for the Mission of the Wider Church appears on the Church's Website.

**The Rev. Russell H. Allen, Associate Clergy**



### Knitting Group

I will be back for Knitting Group on Thursday April 21<sup>st</sup>. The new batch of yarn has arrived and if you have any finished items, please bring them. All are welcome to join us!

Nancy Dwarnick.

**Saint Peter's Episcopal Church  
Osterville, Cape Cod, Massachusetts**

**May & June 2011 Adult Forums**

*The Adult Forum, held every Sunday following the 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist,  
meets in the Library.*

As we wind down the Church's version of the Academic Year, the following is the schedule for Adult Forums through the month of June:

**May 1: Workshop on Listening to Sermons: Proclamation, Understanding, Challenge, and Response.**

**May 8: Considering the Teachings of Jesus: The Sermon on the Mount & the Beatitudes – Pt 1.**

**May 15: Considering the Teachings of Jesus: The Sermon on the Mount & the Beatitudes – Pt 2.**

**May 22: Ask the Clergy.**

**May 29: Memorial Day Weekend - No Adult Forum**

**June 5: Evaluating the Past Adult Forums and Planning for their Future.**

**June 12: The Day of Pentecost – No Adult Forum**

Once again, the "This I Believe" was well received, and Version 3.0 is already in the works for the fall season.

Further information on the Adult Forums appears on the Church's website and in the Sunday Bulletin.

Your comments and suggestions for the betterment of the Adult Forum, and especially for future topics, are always appreciated. Please contact me before or after Sunday Worship, by email at [capecahd@comcast.net](mailto:capecahd@comcast.net), or by phone at 508-432-3483 or 860-391-3100.

The Rev. Russell H. Allen, Associate Clergy.

## **An Easter Meditation: Whatever Happened to Easter?**

According to the Book of Common Prayer, Easter begins at sunset on Holy Saturday, the last day of Holy Week. This follows the Jewish practice that a day begins when the sun goes down, be that any day of the week, the Sabbath [Saturday], or Passover. The Great Vigil of Easter is the first worship offering of the Easter Season, at which the New Fire and Paschal is lit, Holy Baptism is administered, the word “Alleluia!” is once again heard, and the First Eucharist of Easter is celebrated. Not only is this set forth in the Prayer Book, it also reflects the most ancient traditions of the Church. In some Orthodox Churches the Great Vigil that begins at sunset continues through the night, ending before sunset on Easter Day. Why? Because it was within that period that Jesus rose from the dead.

Of course, for many of us this is not our personal experience or practice. Easter morning, rather than Easter Eve, is what we often celebrate, whether in the form of a “Sunrise Service,” or by attending one of the three Eucharists that we celebrate on Easter Day at St. Peter’s. Yet, if we read the Easter morning Gospels with care, we find the Resurrection has already occurred; it is only in the reading for Easter night that the Disciples begin to grasp what has happened. Indeed, most of the Gospel readings for Easter Week through the Second Sunday of Easter and its story of Doubting Thomas, continue to explore what the events of Easter Eve.

You may have noted some of the names I have used in this Meditation, which reflect how the Book of Common Prayer understands this subject. The first full day of the Easter Season is “The Sunday of the Resurrection, or Easter Day” [reflecting the name it gives the previous Sunday “The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday,” and the following Sundays are numerically “Second Sunday of Easter,” “Third

Sunday of Easter,” etc., until the Day of Pentecost, fifty days after Easter Day.

Pentecost was originally a Jewish festival, and that is how it appears in the Gospels. Prior to the 1979 revision of the Prayer Book, the Easter Season was forty days long, ending on Ascension Day, and the Day of Pentecost, also called Whitsunday, stood apart from Easter. Now, it not only ends, but also completes Easter.

But does it really? Have you noticed the pattern that exists in our corporate, family, and individual observances? Easter begins Easter morning, and perhaps remains a focus for at least one, and possibly two weeks. However, by the Third Sunday of Easter it has faded, soon to be replaced by other themes: Mothers’ Day; Memorial Day; Fathers’ Day; the summer. This year, the Day of Pentecost is the second Sunday of June, almost its latest date, which may itself be an important event, but quite possibly will nonetheless stand alone if this practice prevails.

Does this really matter? It depends on the importance we assign to Holy Week and Easter Eve/Day. The Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus are the very core of the Gospels, of God’s self-revelation, of our Religion, Faith, and Life as Christians. Are one day, one or two weeks, sufficient, or should we make every effort to observe the full fifty days of this Easter Season?

The Rev. Russell H. Allen,  
Associate Clergy

**TREASURER'S MEMO**  
**March, 2011**

For the month of March 2011 and Year to Date (YTD) the income and expenses for the parish were:

**March 2011      Income: \$60,171      Expenses: \$37,742      Balance: \$22,429**  
**YTD 2011      Income: \$119,943      Expenses: \$103,503      Balance: \$16,430**

Thanks to several parishioners who paid their full year pledge for 2011 in December 2010, and a member donor who gave \$40,000 to support the work of St. Peter's, the income to expense balance for the first quarter of 2011 is a positive \$16,430.

As of the end of March, the Stewardship Committee reported the following pledge information for 2011 versus 2010:

**No. of Pledging Units 2011: 122      Amount Pledged: \$192,689**  
**No. of Pledging Units 2010: 127      Amount Pledged: \$193,487**

**2011 Parish Budget:**

At the February 21<sup>st</sup> Vestry meeting the following budget was approved for 2011. This budget will be presented to the parish at the Annual Parish Meeting in June for discussion and adoption.

**ST. PETER'S 2011 INCOME AND EXPENSE BUDGET.**

	2010 Actual	Vestry Approved Budget 2/21/2011		2010 Actual	Vestry Approved Budget 2/21/2011
<b>Income</b>			<b>Expenses:</b>		
5541 · MISC. INCOME	\$2,913	\$2,000	6000 · CLERGY	\$149,715	\$160,000
5202 · MEMBER/GIVER OF RECORD DONATION	46,178	25,000	6100 · STAFF & OFFICE	125,255	125,000
5000 · PREPAID PLEDGES	25,854	20,000	6200 · MUSIC	19,312	18,000
5100 · PLEDGE PAYMENTS	153,819	170,000	6300 · LITURGY & FLOWERS	4,103	1,500
5200 · DONATIONS	60,856	50,000	6400 · PROPERTY-OPERATING	49,760	50,000
5240 · ENDOWMENT GIFTS	28,894	30,000	6490 · LANDSCAPING	13,828	15,000
5300 · INVESTMENT INCOME	63,508	75,000	6500 · CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	19,600	18,000
5510 · MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS	80	0	6600 · OUTREACH	4,500	4,500
5511 · MEMORIAL GARDEN BURIAL INC/EXP	0	0	6610 · DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT	63,871	53,843
5550 · MEMORIAL GARDEN RESERVATIONS	400	0	6700 · GENERAL/ADMINISTRATIVE	8,784	10,000
5620 · Restricted Gifts-Outrch-NonOper	-52	0	6850 · VESTRY AUTHORIZED EXP	962	3,000
5700 · BUILDING USE DONATION	16,177	15,000			
Transfer of DIT Funds to Operations	45,000	70,000			
Operating Budget Fund-raisers	0	2,500			
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$443,627</b>	<b>\$459,500</b>	<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$459,690</b>	<b>\$458,843</b>

**NET INCOME TO EXPENSES:**

**\$657**

Respectfully submitted: Chuck Gasior, Parish Treasurer

# Augustine

*First Archbishop of Canterbury, 605  
Feast Day May 26th*

Although Christianity had existed in Britain before the invasions of Angles and Saxons in the fifth century, Pope Gregory the Great decided in 596 to send a mission to the pagan Anglo-Saxons. He selected, from his own monastery on the Coelian hill in Rome, a group of monks, led by their prior, Augustine. They arrived in Kent in 597, carrying a silver cross and an image of Jesus Christ painted on a board, which thus became, so far as we know, “Canterbury’s first icon.” King Ethelbert tolerated their presence and allowed them the use of an old church built on the east side of Canterbury, dating from the Roman occupation of Britain. Here, says the Venerable Bede, they assembled “to sing the psalms, to pray, to say Mass, to preach, and to baptize.” This church of St. Martin is the earliest place of Christian worship in England still in use.

Probably in 601, Ethelbert was converted, thus becoming the first Christian king in England. About the same time, Augustine was ordained bishop somewhere in France and named “Archbishop of the English Nation.” Thus, the see of Canterbury and its Cathedral Church of Christ owe their establishment to Augustine’s mission, as does the nearby Abbey of Saints Peter and Paul, later re-named for Augustine. The “chair of St. Augustine” in Canterbury Cathedral, however, dates from the thirteenth century.

Some correspondence between Augustine and Gregory survives. One of the Pope’s most famous counsels to the first Archbishop of Canterbury has to do with diversity in the young English Church. Gregory writes, “If you have found customs, whether in the Roman, Gallican, or any other Churches that may be more acceptable to God, I wish you to make a careful selection of them, and teach the Church of the English, which is still young in the faith, whatever you can profitably learn from the various Churches. For things should not be loved for the sake of places, but places for the sake of good things.”

This counsel bears on the search for Christian “unity in diversity” of the ecumenical movement of today.

Augustine died on May 26, probably in 605.

## Vestry News

Vestry minutes and/or news were not available at the newsletter deadline.




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A Coffee Hour Sign-up is posted in the hallway outside the office or you may contact Barbara Reed to volunteer.

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## Fellowship Hour

Do you enjoy a cup of coffee and a snack after the service on Sunday?

We all do.

But we need your help. Making coffee is simple, the instructions are on the cabinet door in the kitchen. It's time to show off your culinary skills or bring store bought goodies, they are fine too. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the hallway.

## Lessons for May

DATE	1ST LESSON	PSALM	2ND LESSON	GOSPEL
May 1	Acts 2:14a, 22-32	Psalm 16	1 Peter 1:3-9	John 20:19-31
May 8	Acts 2:15a, 36-41	Psalm 116: 1-3, 10-17	1 Peter 1:17-23	Luke 24:13-35
May 15	Acts 2:42-47	Psalm 23	1 Peter 2:19-25	John 10:1-10
May 22	Acts 7:55-60	Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16	1 Peter 2:2-10	John 14:1-14
May 29	Acts 17:22-31	Psalm 66:7-18	1 Peter 3:13-22	John 14:15-21

## St. Peter's Episcopal Church May 2011

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<p><b>8</b></p> <p> <u>Mother's Day</u></p> <p>8 am - 8:45 am <u>Holy Eucharist Rite I</u></p> <p>9:45 am - 10:30 am <u>Sunday School</u></p> <p>10 am - 11 am <u>Holy Eucharist Rite II</u></p> <p>11:15 am - 12 pm <u>Family Choir Rehearsal</u></p> <p>11:30 am - 12:15 pm <u>Adult Forum</u></p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>8:30 am - 9:30 am <u>AA meeting</u></p> <p>8:30 am - 9:30 am <u>Vestry Officers Meeting</u></p> <p>7:30 pm - 9:30 pm <u>Al-Anon</u></p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p>8 am - 9 am <u>Exercise Class</u></p> <p>1 pm - 2 pm <u>Capitol Campaign meeting</u></p> <p>6:30 pm - 8:30 pm <u>Open Mic Night</u></p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>8:30 am - 9:30 am <u>AA meeting</u></p> <p>10 am - 11 am <u>Wednesday Morning Eucharist</u></p> <p>10:30 am - 11:30 am <u>Bible Study</u></p> <p>12 pm - 3 pm <u>Rotary Meeting</u></p> <p>2 pm - 3:30 pm <u>Pastoral Care Meeting</u></p> <p>2:30 pm - 3 pm <u>Staff Meeting</u></p> <p>7 pm - 9 pm <u>Adult Choir Practice</u></p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>8 am - 9 am <u>Exercise Class</u></p> <p>4 pm - 5 pm <u>Prayer Circle</u></p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>8:30 am - 9:30 am <u>AA meeting</u></p> <p>8:30 am - 9:30 am <u>Vestry Officers Meeting</u></p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>8:30 am - 9:30 am <u>AA meeting</u></p>
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## Sunday Services

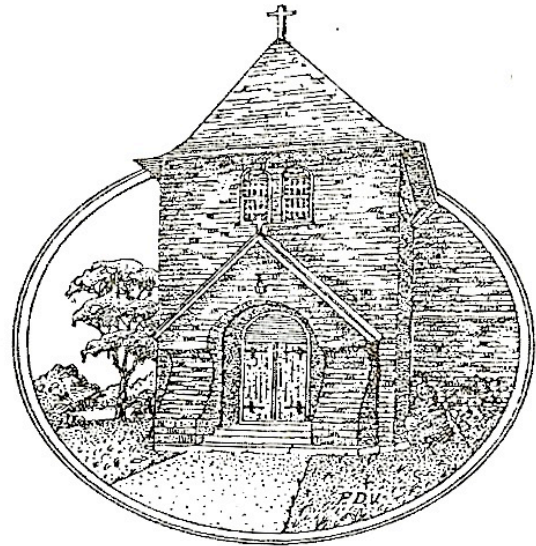
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## Wednesday Service

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Sunday childcare is provided downstairs  
for parents attending services.  
Parents must sign their child  
in and out of childcare.



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