



The Rectors Ramble

There is a question from the Baptismal Covenant that has been on my mind very much in the last few months. It is; "Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?" More than ever before the worldwide Anglican Communion is wrestling with how to answer this question as a body of believers. There is significant theological wrangling over what constitutes the apostles' teachings and whether or not we as a body can remain in fellowship with one another. But these weighty theological matters probably seem far off to most of you. How might the Baptismal question be addressed here in our own local context?

Well, there are lots of ways we do this. We worship regularly. Twice on Sundays and twice on Wednesdays. We pray together in church and through the ministry of the prayer line. But what about "continuing in the apostles' teachings..."

I have an idea and it comes to me as sort of a goal for the entire parish. What if every member of the parish were intentionally involved in some activity of Christian Formation in the next year? There's no shortage of opportunities. We have the Lectionary Bible Study on Wednesdays at noon, A Life Worth Living (a bible study on Philippians that will be beginning Monday nights this fall), participating in "Reel Theology" which will continue as a monthly gathering that does theological/biblical reflection after watching a popular film. A small group of us gather twice a month for serious theological study in a group Jack Foster has dubbed; "Thunky Thinking". There's also EFM (Education for Ministry) which is a 4 year intensive study offered in our Deanery. Ask our senior warden, Chad Wohlers about it. He just finished the course in June! The Alpha Course will once again be offered this fall. Bring a friend! There is always, of course, the daily lectionary that can be found in the back of our Prayer Book. This is a wonderful way of reading through the Bible each day.

For those interested in reflecting on spirituality and discipleship, Marsha Corliss is going to lead a study group between the 8:00am and 9:30 services on Doug Warren's Book, The Purpose Driven Life. I recently heard a review of a book called Wild at Heart, by John Eldredge which would make a fine study for a small men's group. There is talk of starting a writer's group this fall for those of us who enjoy writing poetry/creative writing as a spiritual discipline. The possibilities are endless.

And in the midst of all these opportunities we must not forget to mention our Sunday School for our youth! Kathye Foster's faithful leadership in the children's chapel for our youngest ones is unparalleled formation that isn't offered in most parishes. We have a team of teachers for all the other grades who will be using the curriculum called "Living the Good News" which is a lectionary based program so that the kids in Sunday School are hearing the same Scriptures we are hearing about during worship.

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Take Notice...what's going on at the Parish.

[This encouraging letter from our own Pastor Dande was forwarded to me through Patti and Doug for inclusion in this newsletter. Dave F]

“Praise The Lord”

"Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."
St.Mark: 16:15.

ETERNAL LIFE MINISTRIES

To,
The Rectors, Officers, Elders
And all Members,
ALL SAINTS PARISH
Whitman - MA, USA.

Brief report about, the distribution of, Tsunami Relief and Gospel Meetings in India.

Dearly beloved people of God the Almighty, greetings and regards to all of you in the, most precious and glorious name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Ever since my arrival in India on the 6th Jan, 2005, I have been conducting the "Gospel Revival and Healing Meetings", at several places while distributing "Tsunami Relief" donated by the Parish to all the effected people in the East Coast of our State of Andhra Pradesh, India.

Now I am happy to inform you that I have completed this Programme successfully by utilizing every cent that was benevolently donated by the All Saints Parish and individual donations given by the loving people of God. I have sent an album with my wife for your kind information. The photos do speak about all our activities and efforts. I have high-

lighted our All Saints Parish in all our programs and meetings and informed the gathering about the generous contributions made by All Saints Parish and its Members.

Meetings were conducted at 27 places and several people came to the Lord and I have given Holy Baptism to the new believers. We have planted 2 (two) new Churches during this time raising the total number of our Churches to 9 (Nine). All Glory and Honor to the Almighty. 7 (Seven) of the Churches do not have permanent buildings and the worship services are conducted in temporary sheds at present. I request all of you to extend your prayerful support in this regard to build permanent structures. I am very happy to know that some of our members are very much interested to come to India in order to work in this existing ministry. I am prayerfully looking forward to their early arrival.

My special thanks are due to every one who is helping in this noble effort in India. The Eternal Life Ministry is gathering momentum and several new believers are coming forward to accept the Lord as their personal savior, pray that God helps us to open more new mission fields in India. May God bless you and provide for you as partners in the proclamation of the Gospel for extension of His Kingdom.

With Prayers, Best Wishes and Blessings,
Yours in, His Service.
Pastor: D.C. Dande.



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All Saints' Parish Service

Schedule:

Sunday:

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite II, no music

9:30am Holy Eucharist Rite II, traditional hymns, as well as contemporary music.

Sunday School: ages 0-18

Wednesday:

12:00noon: Holy Eucharist Rite II, healing service

6:30pm Holy Eucharist Rite II, healing service

ALPHA NEWS...

The Alpha Corner

This fall we're offering both the regular 10 week Alpha course, along with a follow-up Bible study titled "A Life Worth Living."



Alpha Course

The Celebration Dinner to kick off Alpha will be held on **Sunday, Sept. 18th, at 5pm**. If you've never been to one, please come and learn what this evangelistic activity is all about. Bring a friend! There's no obligation to continue with the course. The ten week course will start the following **Sunday, Sept. 25th**.

A Life Worth Living

This is a great follow-up course to Alpha, and is open to all, whether you've attended Alpha or not. It runs for nine weeks, starting **Monday, Sept. 26th, at 7pm**. The course is a study with Nicky Gumbel on Philippians, and identifies the things that are new in the Christian life, including new heart, new purpose, new attitude, and more. Learn what God has in store for all those who follow His Son!

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Dave and Sue Frazier

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Birthdays!



September

- 3 William Walters
- 6 Kim Nawrocki
- 7 Kirk Bauer, Tom Smith
- 11 Janetta Casieri
- 14 Fran Haines
- 16 Caitlyn Birk
- 19 Denise Bryer
- 23 Lee Ferry
- 26 Peter Tillson
- 27 Alteira Greene, Maureen Mahoney

October

- 4 Mary Lou Morgan, Mary Tillson, Matthew Veazie
- 5 Maureen Morse
- 6 Meghan Foster
- 9 Don McRorie
- 10 Don Eldridge, Stephanie Verdine
- 13 Michael Cole (Belcher)
- 14 Alison Rudolph, Sarah Wohlers
- 17 Herb Corliss
- 23 David Smiley, Marianne Nelson
- 24 Eric Smiley
- 27 Alicia Welch
- 30 Margot Walbourne
- 31 Marilyn Lucas

Prayer Line

Kathye Foster maintains a very strong prayer line ministry via E-mail and snail-mail for All Saints' Parish. If anyone wishes to add a name or concern to the prayer list, please do not hesitate to get in touch with Kathye **(508) 378-4818**, or through E-Mail at fosterJK@juno.com. Take advantage of this powerful Ministry!

The Rectors Ramble...continued

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The point is this; Christian life is not a static thing. To continue in the apostles' teaching means that we must first learn what the apostles' taught! How do we do that? We do it by studying the New Testament... a collection of documents written by folks in the early church. We do it by studying church history and seeing how Christian belief developed. We do it by praying and asking the Holy Spirit to teach us. This is such an exciting part of growing in Christ! I can't wait to see the fruits!

See you in Church! Rev. Patti

Bibliography for your Enrichment

Messy Spirituality by Mike Yaconelli

Lord, I Want to be Whole, by Stormie Ormar-tian

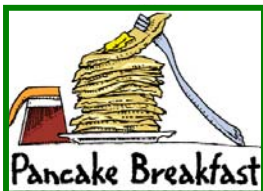
Wild at Heart, by John Eldredge

Just Give Me Jesus, by Anne Graham Lotz

In Pursuit of Peace, by Joyce Meyers

The Purpose Driven Church, by Doug Warren

The Cruelty of Heresy, C. Fitzsimons Allison



Pancake Breakfast

Summer's over and bring on the pancakes! The end of summer brings on the beginning of Pancake Sunday.

Every last Sunday of the month, join us for a great time of morning fellowship at the Parish Hall, from **9-9:30am**. Courtesy of Don McRorie and others.



Take Notice...what's going on at the Parish.



The Women of Faith conference being held in Hartford, Connecticut is set for ***Friday, September 30th and Saturday, October 1st***. Marsha Corliss is organizing ticket sales. There may be a ticket or two left. Contact her to check if there are any available.

Hotel reservations are being organized by Sue Frazier. Once again, the group will be staying at the Holiday Inn on Roberts Avenue in East Hartford. Room costs are \$119 per night. If you have a ticket and need a room, see Sue to reserve your space.

Any general questions can be directed to either Marsha or Sue.

New Adult Education Program to be Offered

Rick Warren's "The Purpose Driven Life" will be the focus of a new adult program being offered this fall.

It will start on ***Sunday, September 18th*** at 8:50am until the start of the 9:30 service.

See Marsha Corliss, Rev. Patti or Rev. Doug for more information.

There will be a sign up sheet in the Parish hall for all who are interested.

More information to come.

Weekly Memorial Flower Change

Fran Verrill of the Altar Guild would like to inform everyone of a change in the routine concerning the weekly memorial flowers.

As of ***September 1st***, checks to pay for the weekly flowers are to be made out to "All Saints Parish" (write 'weekly flowers' in the memo area), and at the end of each month, All Saints will be billed by the florist.

The cost will be \$25.95 for EITHER 2 bouquets, or 1 organ piece.



Fish Net

Dave,

At the healing service on Wednesday 7/20, Rev. Patti read the gospel of Mark 5:1-20 about the demon called Legion because there was so many. Jesus let Legion go into the pigs and the pigs ran off the cliff and drowned. Well, it was mentioned "How would the swine herders see the whole thing?" Here is what Jeff [Roderick] came up with. I told him I was going to email it to you to put in the newsletter. Enjoy, Marsha

7/21

RE: HOMEWORK

Dear Maw,

Strange doins up her at Goresa. Me and Lukie an Abe were grazin the hogs on the North Forty out by the lake. We was bored, so we jus figgered we'd drive the herd down near the grave yard and see if we could rattle ol Crazy Larrys' cage just a tad.

Waaaaal, there we was up near the lake ready to have a little fun when in sails this here boat load of real twitchy lookin dudes. Didn't trust em much, nope, not at all--you know the type--all smilin an lookin like theys up to sumthin. Thirteen of em, a gang ifn I never seen one, and a right unlucky number too. Seein al that, we kind of sat back on our haunches to cypher out what was a happenin.

Any way, Larry is a runnin around, naked as a Jay-bird, mumblin an cacklin an a clankin those brokin chains that was spossed to keep him back in the caves. Next thing we see is their boss, a trouble maker if I ever seen one, he gets this strange weird look in his eyes an goes over an starts a whisperin to Ol Larry. The rest of the gang, they's a hangin round lookin shifty like they spect sunthin to happen.

Now, Maw this is where it get REAL strange. Ol Crazy Larry starts to settle on down, an at the same time the hawgs they start in gettin all riled up. We tried to calm em down. I got the lead boar in a head lock and tried to pin him down. Abe, he did his best hog love call and Lukie he went to the chuck wagon and made like he was puttin out feed. Did no good at all! Next thang we know them dang pigs have gone plum crazy and are in a stampede down over the cliff and plunk inter the lake. Dang if the lot of em didn't drown!

We war pretty busted up--man, those hogs had just bout tramped us into dirt on their way to the cliff. Lukie an Abe, they hot-footed it back into town, babblin like looney-birds, Me, I jus kinda slid on over to get an eyeball on what those varmint was up to, mebee get an ideeeea what in tunket is a goin on.

Thunderation! There's Crazy Larry, sittin there real peaceful like. Someone gave him some new duds an he's all dressed neat-like an talkin with the Boss like ol time kin-folk. The town folk, they come on out to see, an they got real nervous like. Me, I'm afeared sunthin awful. If that Boss guy could do that for Crazy Larry, I was a fearin what he could do To ME if he's a knowin how me an the boys had been neettlin Larry.

Maw, I'm in a heap o trouble! The Beezelbub Pork Sausage Company blames me for losin the herd. The boss there (he's a mean devil) says I'm a bald-faced liar an says we made the story up. Says that we was likely drunk. Next thing, we knows, a shifty-eyed lawyer type shows up from Judas, Judas and Judas esq.

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Fish Net...continued

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He pops up an starts in askinal kind of nasty things bout me an the boys: what we did, what we saw. Talkin bout somethin called heresey and blasfemey, whatever they are. Next thang, the E.P.A. shows up talkin bout physical an religious pollution, damage to the cliff and lake and social order. The town folk don't like these guvmint people pokin round. Say they could be revenooers, an you all know how bad they is.

The mayor an council finally got up enough back-bone an they tell the Boss that he better pack up his gang an get out of Dodge before sumthin "happened" to them. Waaall, they left. Don't really know who they was--just trouble I guess. An Crazy Larry, he's a runnin through the town yellin bout some messiah-guy named Jesus. Poor guy, stil plum crazy I guess.

Love, your son TomP.S. I doubt you'll believe this

Junior Warden Quick Notes...

As your Junior Warden, I felt that I wanted to update Parishioners and others as to what I am currently working on concerning the building and grounds at All Saints.

- The roof project was successfully completed mid-summer. John Bean Roofing did an excellent job, and the result is a beautiful and watertight roof (where we replaced—the hall and kitchen are to come). Inside, the sacristy ceiling has been replaced in the affected area and cosmetically tied into the existing ceiling décor. I also updated the wiring to the light, and replaced the fixture.
- The exterior sign project is moving along fine. I am not hurrying this project; I want to give ample time for the Parish at each step in the development process. Currently, I am readying the detail drawing that I will submit to a few sign manufacturers for a quote to build. Also, it is currently being decided as to which mounting method we will use. This includes some decisions relative to the front landscaping, and as to how we will tie it all together. Please keep an open mind regarding landscape issues. With such an investment of time and money in bringing a handsome and much needed sign to All Saints, its mounting should not leave it obscured or partially hidden. It should be a prominent showpiece on our property, wide open and highly visible to the community.
- The memorial garden is well underway toward its completion. The bed is being prepped. Planting is slated for **September 17th**, and the garden committee is seeking volunteers to help plant. Talk to Carolyn Adamson or myself if interested. I anticipate laying the memorial bricks in early to middle October.
- Plans for remodeling the downstairs bathrooms are being formulated. Ideas regarding wainscoting and wallpaper, new sufficient lighting fixtures, new vanities, and toilet upgrades are being considered. This will be discussed at the **September 8th, Thursday**, vestry meeting, and I will propose a loose timeline for this upcoming project.

If you have any concerns, comments, or questions please contact me, or come talk to me at coffee hour.



Junior Warden's Corner

[editor note: As Junior Warden, I submitted the following to vestry to outline some general thoughts concerning our church building. I think it is appropriate to share these thoughts with other Parishioners. Some unrelated content has been omitted.]

2/7/05

From: Dave Frazier
Junior Warden

These are a few points that I have relative to our church building and its affairs.

Our church building should be attractive and comfortable to us. A handsome and beautiful building gives glory to God. God's house should not be unsightly or uncomfortable!

Our church building and grounds should be attractive *and visible* to the community. We know that our parish is warm and inviting, but if our building is not visible to the community, it will be that much more difficult to get people to notice us.

Our church building should not be "torn up and redone" so much that it loses its original character. We have a beautiful church building that is in need of some loving care and upgrade. This does not mean that changes should never occur, rather it means that we should try to preserve the quaint characteristics of the building, upgrading and building in a complimentary fashion. Sometimes sacrifices in the structure or landscape may be required, but these should be considered very carefully.

To a degree and to the best of our abilities, the parish community should be kept informed of building concerns, repairs, upgrades or improvements. Their opinion should be sought when considering some things concerning the look of the church. Ultimately, the final decision may well rest with the vestry, Wardens, and Rectors, but the Parish community needs to be considered.

Memorial Garden Currently Under Construction

As some may have noticed, the memorial garden is well underway toward its completion. The bed is almost completely prepped and ready for plants. The date scheduled for planting is **September 17th**, and Carolyn Adamson is looking for volunteers to help put our beautiful plants to bed. I will have the bed ready by that date, with the memorial brick area stringed off, as well as the bench area. The bricks are scheduled to be installed in **mid-October**. A date will be set when I gather more information. The final step will be the bench installation. I will install that when everything else is complete. Soon after, we will have a Memorial dedication to bless our garden into the life of All Saints.

Please talk with Carolyn if you would like to help with the planting, or talk to me if you wish to help with the walkway. This will be a beautiful addition to All Saints. Let's put our hearts into this and make it special. Thank you.



Have a Laugh...

[Kid's Letters to God]

Dear God,
Thank you for the baby brother but what I asked for was a puppy. I never asked for anything before. You can look it up.
Joyce

Dear Mr. God,
I wish you would not make it so easy for people to come apart. I had to have 3 stitches and a shot.
Janet

Dear God,
I read the bible. What does begat mean? Nobody will tell me.
Love, Alison

Dear God,
Is it true my dad won't get in Heaven if he uses his bowling words in the house?
Anita

Dear God,
My Grandpa says you were around when he was a little boy. How far back do you go?
Love, Dennis

Dear God,
Maybe Cain and Abel would not kill each other so much if they had their own rooms. It works with my brother.
Larry

Dear God,
Is Reverend Coe a friend of yours, or do you just know him through business?
Donny

Truckload of Penguins

A police officer sees a man driving around with a pickup truck full of penguins. He pulls the guy over and says: "You can't drive around with penguins in this town! Take them to the zoo immediately." The guy says OK, and drives away.

The next day, the officer sees the guy still driving around with the truck full of penguins, and they're all wearing sunglasses. He pulls the guy over and demands: "I thought I told you to take these penguins to the zoo yesterday?"

The guy replies: "I did . . . today I'm taking them to the beach!"

New Taxi Driver

A man in a taxi cab taps the driver on the shoulder to ask him a question. The driver screams bloody murder, loses control of the cab, and swerves onto the sidewalk before stopping just inches from a lamppost. After checking to make sure the passenger is OK, the driver says "I'm sorry, but you scared the daylights out of me!"

"Sorry. I didn't realize a simple tap on the shoulder would freak you out so much," the passenger says.

"It's not your fault," replies the cabbie.

"Today is my first day on the job after 25 years of driving a hearse."