

# The Chatter

### Special points of interest:

- Come join your Diocesan Family!
- Thank you from Mary
- Breast Cancer Support Group
- Chadder says thanks
- Where is RRR?
- Where is the new Photo Directory?

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## You are invited to join others from the International Diocese for Gathering

Come and join the others from our Diocese, August 10, 11 and 12, for our first Diocesan Gathering.

The clergy and spouses of the diocese will be meeting Tuesday and Wednesday, in worship, retreat, Bible study, and meetings. The Laity of the Diocese (that means YOU!) will join the group on Wednesday Evening for a Western New York BBQ/Reception. There will be a free concert by Immanuel that night too! The Laity of the Diocese will meet with the clergy and spouses on Thursday and Friday, taking meals together, and enjoying times of prayer, times of fellowship, and taking on the business of the Diocese.

Bishop Bill Atwood and his wife Susan will be hosting this Diocesan event, and it promises to be a "feast of the Best of WNY" with some of the



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local delicacies being features at the 3 meals provided each day for our family and guests.

The Bishop has invited some "world class" worship leaders to not only lead our worship but also to spend time teaching some of our worship leaders techniques and some of the latest trends for leading worship available today.

On Friday, the registered group will be boarding the "Maid of the Mist" to venture into the "Falls" and get acquainted with one of our local wonders. Please consider signing up and joining with your Diocesan family!

## St. Bart's Tuesday Eve. Women's Bible Study

Please come and join the women of St. Bart's on Tuesday evening, September 13, at 6:30 PM to begin the Fall Bible Study.

The women meet every other Tuesday, beginning Sept. 13 through December 6.

The study, "Eve and Rahab, Learning to Make Better Choices" by Alice Matthews of RBC Ministries (Our Daily Bread.) As in previous studies about women in the Bible they tell us a great deal about ourselves. Times have changed but our human nature has not! Eve and Rahab's lives will help us to see how decisions made today can shape and affect our lives and our families in the future.

We will also use other Biblical references and materials to supplement this study. For more information please call 957-3695.

## So Where is RRR?

How ironic it is to hear that question, when for months we have been talking about the Diocesan Conference August 9 to 12. But still we hear some people ask—where is RRR?

This would have been the seventh Annual Rock Rods and Relationships, but with all of the planning that has been going on and the many, many volunteers that have been working to prepare for the Diocesan Gathering, we felt it necessary to take a break; a sabbatical, if you will.

We do plan to be back with RRR next year and of course we will expect you to be there to welcome all of our neighbors and friends who will come to RRR 2012.

We have sent out letters to the many car drivers that have generously brought their “vintage rides” to the event - asking them to be ready for next year.

Keep an eye open for the planning meetings that we will have in the early spring so that RRR 2012 can be bigger and better than ever!

## Where are the Photo Directories?

We are glad that you asked!

Olan Mills is currently printing the new St. Bartholomew’s Photo Directories and we expect them to ship to us on or about August 8.

Once we get the directories, we will distribute them to those people/families who “sat” for the photo to be in the directory. Then we will have some extras to distribute to members of our parish.

Please be patient just a little longer. We believe you will be pleased with the directory and the “phone book” in the back where members names, addresses and telephone numbers are listed.

There is MORE good news!!!! When the directories arrive, it will mark the arrival of our new “on-line” Photo Directory, that will enable us to update addresses, phone numbers, and add photos of those who did not appear in the current directory. It will be even better than a living color “blue book!”

## Breast Cancer Support Group



You are invited to join a gathering of persons, touched by breast cancer, seeking support, knowledge and healing.

This group is open to men, women, children, family and friends.

This group will be faith based, with opening and closing prayer as well as encouraging words from our favorite book—The Bible.

Our next meeting is Monday, August 22 at 7 PM in the fellowship Hall.

For questions or more information, please see Debi Calabrese or Donna McCain.

## Collection for the Food Pantry: 1st Sunday of every month

**54 bags of food and a generous cash donation** was taken to the Food Pantry in July. Thank you for your generosity!

The Food Pantry is in desperate need of some personal care items such as: bar soap,

shampoo, toothpaste and toothbrushes, razors, toilet paper, feminine products and paper and plastic bags. They continue to need the usual food items such as boxed dinners, fruit, peanut butter. They also receive pet food, to assist

families in feeding their pets.

Please bring your items on the **FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH** so that our “*Food Pantry Delivery Angels*” only have to make one trip.

# Bishop Scaife Guild:

Our scheduled planning meeting had to be rescheduled to later this summer, so you still have time to make suggestions for our programs. Please write a brief summary of your suggestions and leave it in the Gift Shop or put it in the Bishop Scaife Guild's box in the office.

The Gift Shop is open after the 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM Sunday services. Stop by and see the new items we have been receiving. Thanks to all who have been donating these items and of course, to our customers. The basket for donations of baby

items to Cornerstone Manor is in the Gift Shop. Diapers and baby wipes are always in demand.

*Threads of Hope* is still in need of gently used linens (especially twin bed sheets, blankets, towels, dish towels, small appliances, kitchen items, etc. For more information and delivery, please call Carol Siock (835-2105).

## VBS 2011 was a HUGE success!



Chadder sends his thanks all of the boys and girls who attended this year's VBS.

Chadder says a great big thank you to Terry and Mary Gamble for music and singing; thank you to Kate Hillestad and Michelle McCarthy for crafts; thanks to Marie Crosby for snacks and keeping everyone hydrated. Chadder also thanks all of the teachers and assistants who helped make this such a successful week.

On a sign of a nearby Lutheran Church:

### Baseball in the Bible

*Genesis "In the Big Inning!"*

## Vestry Meeting

There are no Vestry meetings during July and August.

The next regularly scheduled Vestry meeting is Tuesday, September 6, 2011.



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## Many Thanks

To the Clergy, Staff, Vestry and all in St. Bart's Family:



Thank you so very much for all the many kind sentiments and gifts presented to me on the occasion of my retirement as secretary. My "heart is full" as I think of you every day and miss you.

Love and prayers always,

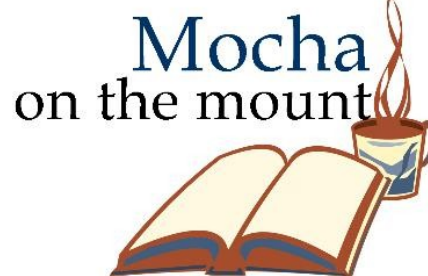
*Mary K.*

## Mocha on the Mount

**Ok—have we gotten your attention?**

Beginning Wednesday, September 14, at 10:30 AM the women of St. Bart's will begin their "Coffee Cup" Bible Study.

*Mocha on the Mount* by Sandra Glahn is a Six Week Study. This study will focus on Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. This Bible Study contains "Monday to Friday" Bible Study questions,



but also Saturday and Sunday segments which consist of short, more passive readings that draw application and insight from the texts you will be

considering.

Sign-up will begin Saturday, August 13. the cost of the book will be between \$8 to \$10.

Look for more information to follow, or call Debi Calabrese at 694-0776