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Children's Education Ministry News

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Children's Education Ministry has some more really fantastic announcements!

We would like to welcome Samantha Emmons as our new Pre-K teacher during the 9:15 am session. Sam comes to us with years of experience working with 3 & 4 year olds and is presently in college working on her teaching degree. We are thrilled to have her on our CEM staff! Welcome Sam!

CEM would also like to welcome Theresa Commins and Sean Gardner as teacher/chaperones for some of our Special Events. They did a fabulous job during our kick-off program on Sept. 11th as they taught the children about Joseph (Jacob's son) and included a great craft, games, and a movie about Joseph and his brothers. We are looking forward to more exciting programs from them!

CEM's Annual Harvest Party will be held on Sunday, October 30th, from 3 pm to 5 pm.

IDOP - International

Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church is Sunday, November 13. All children will be doing a special program on this and all offerings will go toward purchasing Bibles for children in other countries who cannot simply go and buy a Bible.



Missionettes is growing and we are excited about the upcoming year.

We have several new girls in our Prims and many that have moved up to Stars. The Prims will be learning about all the wonders of creation and the Stars unit will be announced at the first meeting. Our meetings for October will be on the 5th and the 19th from 6:45-8:00 pm. All girls first through fifth grades are welcome to be apart of these clubs. It is not too late to sign your daughter up for this ministry. If you are interested, please contact Kathleen Ward or Caroline Rudin.

Generation Next News

St. Bart's Youth Group - Generation Next - meets on a regular basis - and has produced a calendar that covers 2011 and 2012 major events. Parents - be sure to get your copy in the pouch on the Youth Group Bulletin Board.

Here is a list of upcoming events:

Mon. 10/3: Fun Night for senior and junior group - 6:30-8:30 PM

Wed. 10/5: Junior's meet from 7-8:30 PM

Mon. 10/17: Prayer/Worship/Small group meet - 6:30-8:30 PM

Wed. 10/19: Junior's meet from 7-8:30 PM

Sunday 10/23: Soup & Salad Sale for missionary and Compassion Child

Mon. 10/24: Senior's meet from 6:30 to 8:30 PM

Mon. 10/31: Mission Work Day

PPC Corner

The October PPC (Prayer for the Persecuted Church) meeting will be held **Monday 10/3 at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.**

Nepal—Christians Face Ongoing Discrimination

Compass Direct News

[Deuteronomy 32:28–29](#)

Stung by government discrimination and apathy, Christians in Nepal have begun a campaign to stop religious discrimination. Christians are asking the government to allow all institutions run by religious minorities to be registered as religious institutions and to be exempted from paying taxes. They are also requesting the amendment of the draft of a new penal code that would make conversions a punishable offense. Christians are concerned that continued delays in enacting the new constitution



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are giving militant Hindu groups time to push for the restoration of Hinduism as the state religion. Pray for Christians in Nepal as they struggle for recognition in their society. Pray that the political

agendas of Hindu groups will not prevail.

Please consider coming to find out what the *Prayer for the Persecuted Church Group* is all about. Meeting once a month you will be tremendously informed about what is going on in the word—and we pray that you will be touched in such a way that you will want to pray for your many brothers and sisters in Christ who are behind bars or even worse - simply because they outwardly express their love for their Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Breast Cancer Support Group

Breast Cancer

Support

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.

This group next meeting is Monday, October 3 at 7PM. Please watch Parish Life and the Bulletin for the next scheduled meeting.

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

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

56 bags of food and 1 donation were taken to the Food Pantry in September. Thank you to those who brought them for your generosity!

In light of the difficult economy, the Food Pantry is in great 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:

On Tuesday October 18, at 7:00 PM we will have a meeting of the Board and all ladies of St. Bart's are invited to attend. After our brief meeting we will be making a flower arrangement directed by our "flower lady" Donna McCain. Donna has been making the lovely arrangements for the coffee hours and other gatherings. There will be a charge for supplies. Please check the "Parish Life" in the Sunday Bulletin for the amount and for info on how to sign up. NOTE: there will be a deadline to sign up so we know how to order the supplies. Refreshments will be served.

We are changing our "Cookies for Shut-In's" program this year. We are asking that the cookie donations be brought to Church

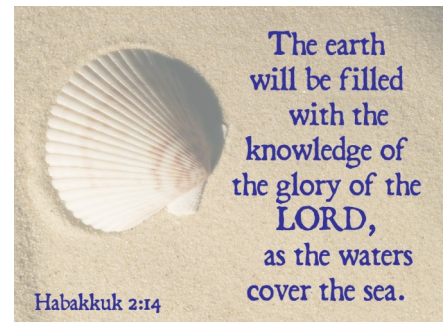
on Saturday, December 10 and left in the kitchen. Please label them "Cookies for Shut-In's." There will be a sheet with the names and addresses of those receiving the boxes on the counter where you may leave the cookies. If you can deliver a box to them please indicate that on the sheet and which service you will be attending on Sunday morning, December 11, to pick up their box for delivery. We also include the recipient's phone number so you may call them before you deliver them.

On Sunday, December 11, we will have tables of Christmas items from the Guild Gift Store for sale in the Fr. Amend Hall. They will be available at the Saturday evening 4:30 service as well as all three services on Sunday, December 11.

Coming Events:

Jan. 22, 2012 - Soup Sale
March — Lenten Brunch—
(date to be announced.)
May 18-19 - Plant Sale
June — Annual Guild
Banquet - (date to be
announced.)

The Gift Shop is open after the 8:00 AM, 9:15 and 11:00 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.



September Vestry Meeting

To date 236 commitments for \$743,126 have been made for *Let Us Arise And Build* and as of August 28, \$420,115 or 52.5% has been received in actual donations.

The toilet flush valves in the restrooms that are not being renovated have been replaced. The entrance restrooms are

completed (except for some touchup work). The restrooms in the main hallway are in the process of being completed. Kitchen renovations are set to be done in January.

Our insurance company covered expenses related to water damage to CEM office, Sunday School Chapel, and the Youth

Are that resulted from the June rainstorm.

The Budget Committee will meet to prepare the 2012 budget that will be presented to the Vestry at the October meeting.

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See The Insert In This Edition of The Chatter

Enclosed in this edition of the CHATTER is a special "photo collage" that was prepared by Mike Wisz and Fr. Commins.

This was supposed to be in the September CHATTER but was inadvertently left out, so we have included it this month.

It contains many pictures from the Diocesan Gathering in August, at which St. Bart's was dedicated as Pro-Cathedral.

Thanksgiving Dinner at St. Bart's

- Can't be with your family for Thanksgiving Dinner this year?
- Is your family out of town?
- Is it too expensive to fly this Thanksgiving?
- Think you will be all lone this year with no place to go?

Well think again - because your family at St. Bart's has a place for you at our table this year!



Come and have Thanksgiving Dinner with you Church Family **on Thursday, November 24, from 3 to 8 PM. (Dinner will be served from 3:30 PM to 6 PM)**

Sign up starts October 26 to November 16.

Any questions please see Karon Cavalleri, Lauri-Anne Hammond or David Curtis