

# The Chatter

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## Calling all Singers!

The new singing season is about to begin! Please consider being a part of one of our choirs this year? I have chosen beautiful music for all three groups. Below is a schedule for the choirs.

Junior & Senior choirs will rehearse on Wed. evenings, starting Sept. 7th. Juniors will rehearse from 6 to 6:45

PM and is open to boys and girls, ages 6-14. They will sing at the 9:15 AM service on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. The rest of the schedule will be given at the first meeting. The Junior choir rehearses two times a month.

The Senior choir will rehearse from 7-8:30 PM every Wednesday and is open to all, ages 14-adult. The Senior choir mainly sings at the 11 AM service. The Contemporary choir sings the 3rd Sunday of each month for the 9:15 AM service, and rehearses that morning at 8:30 AM in the choir room. The first time they will sing is Sept. 18. This choir is open to ages 14-adult.

New members in all 3 groups are welcome and needed! Won't you please sing with one of our choirs this year? God will bless you for your tithing of time and talent. For more info. please see me at church or phone me at 832-6327.

*Terry Gamble*

Organist/Choir Director

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## Thank You! From Lori Silveri

On behalf of our families, Jonathan , Christopher, and mostly myself, I would like to thank you for your prayers, love and support during Jonathan's capture and his return home to the Lord.

We appreciate your devotion to lifting us up from our pain and suffering, I know Jonathan felt your prayers, bringing him peace, strength and comfort when he needed it most. You are truly an inspirational part of increasing our faith and trust in the Lord by your example. I am so blessed and thank the Lord daily for your making me a welcome part of St. Bart's family, whether near or far. Words cannot express how much we appreciate your warmth, compassion, dedication and commitment as a parish..

All our love and thankfulness.

*Lori Silveri*

## 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.

## Diocesan Gathering a Huge Success

The first Gathering of the International Diocese of the Anglican Church in North America took place from August 9 through August 12.

Tuesday and Wednesday were a time of clergy and spouse retreat, in which fellowship and worship prevailed. It was an outstanding time for the clergy of the Diocese, from Texas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Tennessee, Kentucky, and New York to gather, study God's Word together, sign His praises and rest in Him.

On Wednesday evening, the Laity of the Diocese, including many from St. Bartholomew's joined in on the fun for an outstanding dinner and music from Immanuel and Roland Worton, who led worship the first two days of the conference.

On Thursday and Friday, both clergy and laity gathered for a time of worship, study, fellowship and more outstanding food!

One of the highlights of the Gathering was the bus trip to Niagara Falls and the delightfully wet time on board the *Maid of the Mist*. Many

commented that it was an experience that they would never forget; seeing and feeling the power of the Falls "that close!"

Friday Night was especially significant for St. Bartholomew's because during the Healing Eucharist, St. Bart's was dedicated by Bishop Atwood as the "Pro-Cathedral" of the Diocese. St. Bartholomew's now holds the significance of being the "seat" of the Bishop of the International Diocese. A lovely plaque was given to St. Bartholomew's on behalf of the Bishop and the Standing Committee of the Diocese, identifying St. Bartholomew's as its Pro-Cathedral.

As the "Pro-Cathedral" of the Diocese, the Rector therefore becomes the Dean of the Cathedral. The Very Rev. Fr. Arthur W. Ward Jr. gratefully accepted that honor on behalf of the people of the parish.

Not enough can be said about the efforts of the MANY volunteers who gave tirelessly of themselves in preparation of this event, and the preparation, serving, and cleanup of the 3 meals a day and snacks. "*Well done you good and faithful servants!*"

## 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.

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

**Only 30 bags of food** were taken to the Food Pantry in August. Thank you to those who brought them 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:

The Guild Board met July 27 to discuss plans for the 2011-2012 year. Here is the tentative schedule:

**October:** date TBA—Open meeting for all ladies and a “Flower Arrangement Program.”

**November:** There will be no Red Sleigh Fair this year.

**December:** *Cookie Ingathering*—boxes of cookies for our shut-ins.

**January:** Soup Sale

**March:** Lenten Brunch

**April:** Ice Cream Social

**May:** Flower Sale

**June:** Annual Banquet

If you have any suggestions for programs, etc. please contact Lori Abramo (838-1752) or Marilynn Alliger (877-8335).

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.

The basket for donations of baby items to Cornerstone Manor is

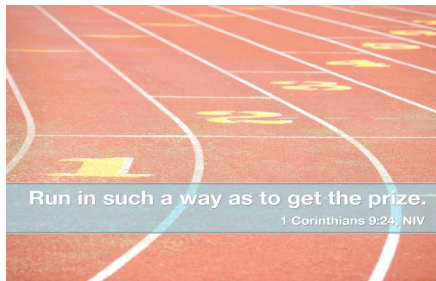
### Vestry Meeting

There were no Vestry meetings during July and August.

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

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).



## MISSIONETTE NEWS

We are very excited to start another year of Missionettes.

Our first meeting will be on Wednesday Sept. 21st at 6:45 pm.

Missionettes is a national Christian girls club that focuses on discipleship.

We have two age groups. The Prims first through third grade, and the Stars which is fourth and fifth grades.

We would like to thank everyone for supporting our ministry and are happy to announce that we raised \$212.00 from the bake sale we held last May.

If you are interested in signing your daughter up for this girls club, please contact Kathleen Ward or Caroline Rudin.

## C.E.M.

**C**hildren's **E**ducation **M**inistry has some fantastic new announcements!

We are pleased to welcome Jenny Waley as our new Assistant CEM Director! She will be overseeing the 9:15 Chapel as well as assisting Marilyn Commins with all the other aspects and duties of administrating our Children's Education Ministry.

Marilyn Commins is the C.E.M. Director, who will also be teaching the 9:15 am Pre-K class.

C.E.M. begins on September 11<sup>th</sup> with a special celebration! We will be registering children at both service times that day in Fr. Amend Hall.

Parents will be able to speak with teachers and see the classrooms. There will be special refreshments at the coffee hours hosted by the C.E.M.

We will be holding our **Kick-off mandatory Teacher/Staff Meeting** on that day following the 11:00 service. All teachers and staff, including substitute teachers, are required to attend this meeting. Curriculum, Handbooks, and other important info will be distributed at this time. {Lunch will also be served.}

This change in the schedule of the 1<sup>st</sup> day is meant to make it easier for parents to register their children and make it easier for the teachers to attend the mandatory meeting.

We will have a simple program upstairs for any children Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. All children in 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up should attend church with their parents.

**Parents please note: ANY child attending C.E.M. classes MUST be registered with a brand new form every year.**

September 18<sup>th</sup> – is our 1<sup>st</sup> day of official CEM classes.

September 25<sup>th</sup> – is Teacher Commissioning and Bibles are presented to 2<sup>nd</sup> graders and 6<sup>th</sup> graders. All CEM students should be in church for the Children's Homily and then will go to their classes.

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**Remembering 9/11**



Fall Service Schedule begins 9/10

4:30 PM Sat, 8, 9:15 and 11 AM

Sundays



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## Prayer for the Persecuted Church

The Prayer for the Persecuted Church Ministry will resume meeting on Monday, September 12 at 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.



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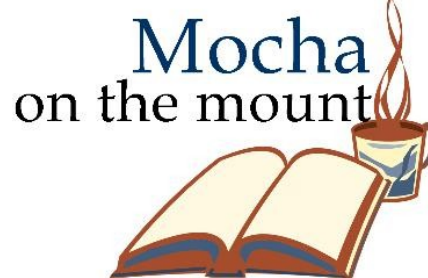
Please keep in prayer those who are being persecuted because of their faith in Jesus. Pray for strength and courage to continue in their struggles.

## 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