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Summer Worship Schedule
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PROCLAIMING THE TRUTH AND LOVE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, IN WORD AND IN DEED.

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Heartfelt Thanks To ALL!

TO OUR DEAR ST. BART'S FAMILY


My family and I would like to express our thanks to everyone for their cards, flowers, memorial contributions, food, and most of all your prayer support that we received after the passing of my husband Paul.

We are so very grateful for your outpouring of love to us.

May God bless you, my dear St. Bart's family.

In His Love,
Carol Kibler and Family

THANK YOU FOR ANOTHER WONDERFUL YEAR!




Saturday, July 19, was a remarkable event at which nearly 100 classic cars, hundreds of people, and a blessed time of healing took place on the grounds of St. Bart's. Hearts were touched and spirits renewed.

Thank you to all who helped to plan, work, or attend this years Fourth Annual RRR.

Dear Folks,

September 2008 marks my fortieth year as an organist/choir director. The Lord has been good. It is hard to believe it has been that long! You might be interested in knowing where all that time has been spent:



40 Years
Director of Music Ministry

- 1968 St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Eggertsville, NY
- 1968-70 St. Simon's Episcopal Church, Buffalo, NY
- 1970-72 Post Chapel, Fort Devens, Ayer, MA
- 1972-81 Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Tonawanda
- 1981 Trinity Episcopal Church, Hamburg, NY
- 1981-82 Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Tonawanda
- 1982-92 St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, Tonawanda, NY
- 1992-2002 Ascension Lutheran Church, Snyder, NY
- 2002-08 St. Bartholomew's Church, Tonawanda, NY

I thank the Lord for providing all these positions, to my teachers Emily Yoder Davis, Howard Marsh, John Hofmann, and my parish of Transfiguration Church, Buffalo for instilling in me a love of the organ at a very young age.

Soli Deo Gloria

Fondly,
Terry Gamble

THE FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION OCCURS ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH!

55 bags of food and 2 cash donations were taken to the Food Pantry in July.

The Food Pantry is still very much 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, but have **expressed a need for pasta and sauce.** They send their gratitude to the people of St. Bart's for all of their generosity.

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

CONGRATULATIONS TO MR. & MRS. JOHN SULLIVAN



On Friday, June 20, at 4:30 PM, John and Kimberly (Panzica) Sullivan exchanged vows of Holy Matrimony at St. Bartholomew's. Fr. Ward officiated, and Deacon Ed assisted.



GENERATION NEXT IMPORTANT DATES

SUMMER SCHEDULE

Bible Study Sleepovers- Friday to Saturday: **8/22-8/23**

Movie/popcorn/discussion nights- **8/18**

Prayer/Community Service- **After Bible study sleepover, Saturday AM, 8/23**

Kingdom Bound- **8/4-8/7**



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PPC CORNER - "Prayer for the Persecuted Church"

NEXT PPC - Prayer for the Persecuted Church meeting: Monday August 4, at 7:30 PM in the Sanctuary. Check our display board in the lobby and *join us for prayer in the sanctuary the first Monday of each month.* This month, join us in prayer, at home, especially for **CHINA, House Church Leader and Family Evicted From Their Home-China Aid Association**

On July 2, Public Security Bureau (PSB) police officers evicted prominent house church leader, Pastor Hua Huiqi and his family from their home in Beijing, China. According to China Aid Association (CAA), "Hua and his family were resting in their rental apartment when PSB officials led by Officer Yang Jian, used a 10-pound hammer to break down the doors and locks of the apartment. Hua's brother was beaten by police officers and suffered severe damage to his eye. Hua and his family, including his 90-year-old father, were forced onto the street with their furniture. They are currently in search of a new home and are being hosted by a Christian family in Beijing." According to CAA, "The Chinese government has expressed its intentions to either detain Hua until September 30, a date well after the Olympics, or to remove Hua and his family completely out of Beijing during the Games. The Chinese government had branded Hua and other human rights and religious activists as 'troublemakers' and is adamant about keeping such people from attending the Games in August." Praise God for Pastor Hua and his family's faithfulness. Ask God to watch over his family, especially his elderly parents who are great examples of faith and courage. Ask the Holy Spirit to convict the persecutors and draw them into the knowledge of Jesus Christ.

You may remember hearing that Hua Huiqi was in prison last year and was released earlier this year. His mother, Shuang Shuying is still in prison and is quite ill. Many of the other Chinese Christians are being persecuted and prevented from attending and even being near the Olympic games to the point of being thrown out of their homes.

Pray that the government will open their hearts and minds to Jesus. Pray against the principalities preventing the hearts and minds of all the people from seeing the truth.

"But I call upon God; and the LORD will save me." Psalm 55:16

THE BISHOP SCAIFE GUILD

Please check the display case for gift items. Call Marilyn Alliger (877-8335) or Bonnie Fleischman (875-6402) to order. Donations are welcome.

Please continue to support the *Bundles for Babies* project that makes up bundles for the less fortunate in our communities. Baby items may be left in the basket under the table at the entrance. Diapers are especially needed. These items are taken to the Network of Religious Communities Office on Delaware where the bundles are made up. Thanks for all of the donations. They are greatly appreciated.

JULY VESTRY MEETING

There was NO Vestry meeting in July.

VBS—2008

A tremendous Thank You to the Teachers, the Kitchen Crew, The Power Lab Team, the Youth Helpers, and those who helped with games, set up and sign-language.



A special Thanks to Terry and Mary Gamble for ten years of faith inspiring music for VBS.

Jim Kibby and David Curtis

CONGRATULATIONS TO MR. & MRS. DEAN D'ANGELO

On Saturday, July 12, at 1:30 PM, Dean and Elizabeth (Morath) D'Angelo exchanged vows of Holy Matrimony at St. Bartholomew's. Fr. Commins officiated.



GOLFING FOR THE BUFFALO CITY MISSION

Golfers are invited to participate in this years "Tee Off For Hope" Monday, August 18 at Glen Oak, East Amherst. There will be lunch, dinner and prizes. If you are interested in participating in this fundraiser for the Buffalo City Mission, please contact Joe Ackerman or Deacon Ed.



St. Bart's SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUNDAY SCHOOL MINISTRY NEWS

Summer Sunday school is in full swing! All the children are learning and doing exciting things while getting to know Jesus and His Word better. Join us on Sunday mornings at the 10:00 am service downstairs.

The new 2008-2009 Sunday school Ministry year will officially begin on September 7.

We will be having our Registration/Open House will be held on September 5 & 6. Look for the times posted on the Sunday school board in the lobby in August. We will have extra registration forms out in the lobby also.

Teachers: Our kick off-staff meeting will be on Tuesday, August 26, at 7:00 pm. A letter will go out next week.

Looking forward to a great new year!

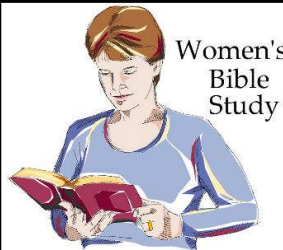
Questions? Call Marilyn Commins at 731-9633

All for Jesus Sake,

Marilyn Commins

Superintendent

ST. BART'S FALL 2008 WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY



You are invited to come and join us on Tuesday, September 9, at 6:30 PM as we begin a new Bible Study, entitled "The Sermon on the Mount." Although this topic is

very well known, seldom is there a Bible Study on this topic. Matthew presents the Christian with unforgettable pictures of what it means to be a follower of Jesus.

We will discuss and study together through this Bible Study - covering "The Beatitudes", "Salt and Light", "Anger with a Brother", "Eye for an Eye", "Love for Enemies", "Giving to the Needy", "Prayer and Fasting", "Treasures in Heaven", "Do Not Worry", "Judging Others", "Ask, Seek, Knock", "The Narrow and Wide Gates", and the "Wise and Foolish Builders." This can also be done as a "self study" for those who cannot attend on Tuesday evenings. We will meet every other Tuesday beginning 9/9 and then on 9/23, 10/7, 10/21, 11/4, 11/18, 12/2, and 12/9.

Please call Elaine Henzler at 957-3695 if you have any questions or wish any other information.

August Birthdays

August 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 4pm Holy Marriage	2 5pm HE
3 8:00AM & 10:00AM HE 10AM SS (pre-K-6) SAM Bible study Youth leave for KINGDOM BOUND	4 KINGDOM BOUND 7:30pm Prayer Ministry Persecuted Church	5 KINGDOM BOUND 9:30am Womens' Bible Study 7pm Crown Financial	6 KINGDOM BOUND 9:30am HE	7 Youth return from KINGDOM BOUND 5pm Wedding Reh.	8 4pm Holy Marriage	9 5pm HE
10 8:00AM & 10:00AM HE 10AM SS (pre-K-6) SAM Bible Study	11	12 9:30am Women's Bible Study 7pm Crown Financial	13 9:30am HE	14	15	16 5pm HE
17 8:00AM & 10:00AM HE 10AM SS (pre-K-6) SAM Bible Study	18 Gen. Next - Movie Night NO BARRA	19 6:30pm WNYMBC 7pm Last Crown Financial	20 9:30am HE	21	22 Gen. Next - Bible study Slespower	23 Gen. Next Prayer Community Service 5pm HE
24 8:00AM & 10:00AM HE 10AM SS (pre-K-6) SAM Bible Study	25 7pm Daughters of the King (Wickenden Rm)	26	27 9:30am HE	28	29	30 5pm HE
31 8:00AM & 10:00AM HE 10AM SS (pre-K-6) SAM Bible Study						

August 01	Pat	Borycki
August 01	Richard	Decker
August 01	Robert	Muscarella
August 01	Scott	Waggoner
August 01	Nicholas	Weber
August 02	Anthony	Driskill
August 02	Penny	Fischer
August 03	Nora	Szczepaniak
August 04	Elaine	DeMarchi
August 04	Carol	Siock
August 04	David	Uptegrove
August 04	Drusilla	Waterman
August 05	Joyce	Barbach
August 05	Sean	Bradley
August 05	Carie-Jo	Clary
August 05	Jonathan	Krasny
August 06	Tim	Fildes
August 06	Ashley	Garrasi
August 07	Andrew	Cabello
August 07	Cynthia	Carter
August 07	Jennifer	Sommer
August 07	Abigail	Stokas
August 07	Brooke	VanSlyke
August 08	David	Prohaska
August 09	Benjamin	Hill
August 10	James	Arnold
August 10	Kathleen	Noye
August 10	Leslie	Percival
August 11	Albert	Caruso
August 11	Donald	Eick
August 11	Christopher	Gruver
August 11	Marissa	McCarthy
August 11	Florence	Purchase
August 12	Justine	Derrett
August 12	Robert	Karnuth
August 12	Nicole	Kibby
August 12	Dylan	Sileo
August 13	Karon	Cavalleri
August 13	John	Okiec
August 14	John	Cadena
August 14	Charles	Graber
August 14	Grant	Hill
August 14	George	Jackman
August 14	Dorothy	Johnson
August 14	Lois	Kipa
August 15	Suzanne	Slayton
August 15	Father	Ward
August 16	Thomas	Carter
August 16	Nathan	Dolce
August 16	Daniel	Tobin
August 17	Doris	Gorney
August 18	Bradley	Gwizdowski
August 19	David	Abramo
August 19	Lois	Doran
August 19	Adam	Gray
August 20	Robert	Buczowski
August 20	Tracy	Derrett
August 20	Jessica	Gruver
August 20	Clifford	Koerner
August 20	Austin	Ley
August 20	Sally	Scavone
August 21	Carol	Kibler
August 21	Christopher	Miller
August 21	Susan	Rosky
August 22	Matthew	Cabello
August 22	James	Thompson
August 23	Lois	Hubbard
August 23	Earl	McDonald, Jr.
August 23	Sophie	Poeller
August 24	Willard	Crosby
August 24	Sarah	McDonald
August 25	Daniel	Lavin
August 26	Brandon	Ganci
August 26	Rhoda	Mason
August 27	Larry	Bainbridge
August 27	Tracie	Doty
August 27	Laura	Klenk
August 27	Laura	Zuefle
August 28	Benjamin	Henneberger
August 28	Robert	Kamman
August 28	Katherine	Oliveri
August 28	Nicholas	Swiatek
August 28	Evan	Waggoner
August 29	Jennifer	Brylinski
August 29	Cianna	Morgante
August 29	Kathleen	Schwab
August 30	Barbara	Bertini
August 30	Carolyn	Callari
August 30	David	McGuire
August 30	Abby	Wojnowski
August 31	David	Martin
August 31	Drew	Romano