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**SUNDAY
SCHOOL NEWS**

Please bring your children's Sunday school registration forms, (*that you received in the August Chatter,*) and place them in the wire bin on the table near the front door of the church. It will greatly help us to have as many early registrations for the new school year as soon as possible. (There are extra forms next to the box on the table.)

We have also added a High School Discussion Group at the 9:15 AM service, so that there is a place for every age at both the 9:15 and 11 AM services.

See if the Lord is asking you to serve as a Substitute teacher for this school year.—as we are always in need of subs. We also need a teacher to join the Pre-K team at the 9:15 AM service. Please see Marilyn Commins or call her at 731-9633.



Join the Flock at Sunday School!

SEPTEMBER IS FOR SINGING—CHOIR BEGINS!

The singing season is about to begin! Won't you please consider being a part of one of our choirs this year? I have chosen a lot of beautiful music for all ages. Below is the rehearsal and singing schedule for our choirs.

The first rehearsals for the junior and senior choirs will be Wednesday, September 6. Juniors will rehearse from 6:15-6:45 PM. This choir is open to all children ages 7 through 13, and will sing at the 9:15 service. The senior choir will rehearse from 7:00-8:30 PM, and is open to all, ages 14 through adult. The senior choir mainly sings at the 11:00 AM service. New faces are welcome!

Our contemporary choir sings the second Sunday of each month, for the 9:15 AM service. This choir is open to all ages. I would specifically like to invite our youth to sing with us this year! Our existing members would really welcome you! Our first rehearsal will be Sunday, September 10, at 8:30 AM. The first Sunday we will sing will be that Sunday, Sept. 10.

Won't you please sing with one of our choirs this year? God will bless you for the tithe of your time and talent.

Sincerely,

Terry Gamble.

Organist / Choir Director

THE BISHOP SCAIFE GUILD

Saturday, September 16, Kaufmann's stores will be renamed *Macy's*, and to celebrate we will participate in their *Macy's Shop For A Cause* fundraiser. Tickets are \$5 and half of the ticket will be used for drawings—including a \$500 shopping spree. The other half of the ticket will bring discounts of 10 to 20% discounts for most merchandise. All of their stores will be participating, but the Galleria store will have more food and entertainment.

We will be selling tickets after services, or you can fill out an order form—available on the table in the entranceway.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL — Thursday, September 21

We will have an ice cream social with entertainment for the children on Thursday, September 21. Everyone is invited. Watch the St. Bart's "Parish Life" for time and details.

Please be sure to reserve your place by signing the sign up sheet that will be on the table in the entranceway.

The Guild would appreciate donations of items for our display case. If you have a talent and hobby for items that we can sell please contact Marilyn or Bonnie (phone numbers below). Baby items are a best seller—just inform them if they are for sale or for *Bundles for Babies*.

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

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 by the Guild's display case. Diapers are especially needed. These items are taken to the Network of Religious Communities office on Delaware where the bundles are made up.

VESTRY MEETING

There was no regular scheduled meeting in August.

THEREFORE,



THERE IS NOW NO CONDEMNATION FOR THOSE WHO ARE IN CHRIST JESUS.

ROMANS 8:1

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

43 bags of food were taken to the Food Pantry in August, including one cash donation. They send their many thanks.

The Food Pantry is still in desperate need of 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, pasta, etc. They also continue to express their gratitude to the people of St. Bart's for 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 THE NEWLYWEDS!

On Saturday, July 22, 2006, Megan (Toth) and Brent Haren exchanged vows. Fr. Ward presided, assisted by Fr. Commins.



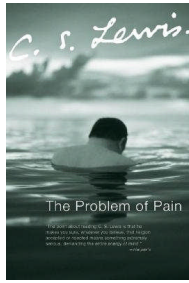
MORE WEDDING BELLS!

On Saturday, July 22, 2006, Laina (Gamble) and Angelo Morgante exchanged vows. Fr. Ward presided, assisted by Fr. Commins.

C. S. LEWIS BOOK CLUB

Please join us on Thursday evenings at 7 PM, starting September 14. We will be reading "The Problem of Pain," followed by "A Grief Observed."

For more information contact Susan Tobin or David Curtis.



ANGLICAN COMMUNION NETWORK PINS AVAILABLE!



Order forms are on the table in the main entrance of the Church. Pins are \$3 each. See Lee Hilliker for more information.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP RESUMES SEPT 5

When Jesus chose his twelve—He selected imperfect men. (Mark 3: 13-19) One had a history of shady business practices, others had violent tempers. Jesus looked past their imperfections and instead focused on their potential. That is how Jesus sees you!

Come and experience St. Bart's Men's Fellowship on Tuesday evening September 5, at 6:30 PM and the love of Jesus Christ. For more information, please call Gary Wisniewski at 694-9154.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP/BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Do you ever feel "stressed out?" Not enough time to relax? Did you know there is "good stress" and "bad stress?" How can our relationship with Jesus Christ help us with the stresses we all face in our daily lives? If you have answered yes to feeling stressed out—then God's Word has something for you!

Please join us on Tuesday September 5, at 7 PM for our new Bible study entitled "Surviving the Storms of Stress." We will delve into many powerful topics that you will not want to miss.

We will meet every other Tuesday, at 7 PM until December 12. We would love to have you join us! Please contact Elaine Henzler at 836-6725 if you have any questions.

**ARE YOU READY?
ARE YOU PREPARED?**



If there were a disaster—how prepared are you and your family? On Friday, September 15, at 7 PM, the St. Bart's FFF is hosting Daniel J. Nyquist from the American Red Cross to speak on this subject. Mr. Nyquist will address readiness for evacuation, as well as planning ahead for those with special medical needs and more.

Please join us for this special event, which is preceded by a "covered dish dinner" at 6 pm. Mr. Nystrom's presentation will be from 7 to 8 PM. For more information—please call Craig or Diane Heer at 692-3649.

Missionettes

I hope that everyone has had a great summer. Some of the Missionette girls met for a play date at different parks throughout the summer. We brought our own picnic lunch and had a lot of fun playing in the very hot sun!

Missionettes will begin meeting again on September 20. We are a Christian girls club that meets on the first and third Wednesdays of each month. We have two different age groups: The "Prims", ages K-third grade which meets at 6:45pm and "Stars" ages fourth--sixth grade which meets at 7:00pm. If you are interested in becoming involved in this ministry, please contact Kathleen Ward 623-0507 or Carolyn Rudin 875-6462. Please check out St. Bart's website for more information and pictures.



AUGUST WEDDING BELLS!

On Saturday, August 5, 2006, Pamela (Storey - Matteliano) and William Austin exchanged vows. Fr. Commins presided.

"See what love the Father has given us,



that we should be called children of God."

1 John 3:1