
The Bells of St. Mary's



ASH WEDNESDAY

February 22, 2012

FEBRUARY 2012

Our Mission: "To Know Christ and to Serve Him"



It is amazing how time seems to fly by. Just a few months ago we were preparing for Thanksgiving, only to be followed by Christmas and then the New Year. Now with the end of January approaching we can look forward to **LENT! ARE YOU READY FOR LENT?**

Throughout my years I have found that people seem to make plans for a spiritual time by fasting and giving up things. In my experience these things are usually set aside. We slip away from fasting. We find that the things we give up are at times too simple or shallow. What good is it to give up chocolate or ice cream? Perhaps it will be a better Lent if you consider the following.

Instead of fasting why not TAKE ON things. Perhaps daily Morning and Evening Prayer. Instead of fasting why not begin to read a book in the Bible. Perhaps the Gospel of John or an Old Testament book (Perhaps Genesis, or Isaiah or Jeremiah, or Kings. Another suggestion is to pray for people of the world. Pick a country or an area that is in difficulty. Why not write notes to people who are shut in or perhaps visit once a week. Another thought would be to attend weekly worship. The Thursday Eucharist or the Wednesday Soup and Supper are great opportunities to meet brothers and sisters in the church. Why not pray for the Search Committee and for our next Rector.

Finally remember Lent is a time for growth, education, spiritual development, and spiritual preparation. This year let your spiritual life grow and your faith become strong.

Peace and Blessings,

Fr. Augie+



Fr. Jim's three month terminal sabbatical ended on January 31st and he officially retired on February 1st. Many of you were fortunate enough to attend his retirement luncheons after the services on October 30th. We thank him for 10 wonderful years of service as our rector and pastor and wish both Fr. Jim and Glenda the best in the years ahead.

The Vestry meeting of January 17th opened with prayers and prayer concerns for those hospitalized or otherwise in need or in distress. Prayers were also offered for guidance as we continue our search for a new rector.

The Vestry unanimously and enthusiastically approved our agreement with Fr. Augie to be our Interim Rector beginning on February 1, 2012. Fr Augie will be conducting all the Saturday and Sunday services as well as the Wednesday evening services and soup suppers that we traditionally have during Lent. He will do the hospital visitations and other pastoral calls, probably with the help of some lay members.

For the past three months we have been very fortunate to have had wonderful supply clergy conducting our Holy Eucharist services on Saturdays and Sundays. Fr. Joe Sitts was with us the longest including the Christmas services. Fr. David Hoag served us on some of the other Sundays in November and January and on most of the Saturdays in January as well. Mother Carolyn Biggs conducted the Saturday services in December. Fr. Tom Downs conducted services on one of the Sundays in November and Fr. Bob Anderson conducted our first Saturday service in January. We are grateful for the fine work of these wonderful priests.

In addition to our supply clergy, St. Mary's is blessed by wonderful volunteers, clergy and staff who have truly risen to the occasion and worked tirelessly to attend to our church and church family in our transition period. Many of our members have no idea of the time and efforts that these servants of our Lord put in to making the operation of the church seem effortless. It is neither as simple nor as effortless as it seems and we truly owe a debt of gratitude to all that give of their time and talents to St. Mary's. We all come in contact with at least some of these fine people. Please express your appreciation for all that they do.

The other notable action by the Vestry this past month was the unanimous approval of the church budget for 2012. This was presented at the Annual Parish Meeting and posted in Palmer Hall.

At the Deanery Meeting in January, Fran Dunn was elected President of the Deanery. In that position she will have a seat on the Diocesan Board. Please offer Fran your congratulations when you see her. She is truly dedicated to our church and to our Lord.

The question has come up again about the use of Palmer Hall by groups from outside our parish. Until we have a new permanent rector in place that is prepared to consider such issues and possibly plan for additional church ministries, we will not entertain these requests. At some time in the future, after we complete our search and call a new rector, we may consider establishing a policy for the use of our facilities. I expect that would be sometime in 2013 at the earliest.

Our Search Committee is up and running. They had a joint meeting with the Vestry and Canon Bennett followed by an organizational meeting on January 10th and their first real working meeting on January 19th. There will be ongoing Committee reports here in the Bells and elsewhere as the search progresses.

Our next Vestry meeting is February 21st at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned with the service of Compline led by Bob Kunding.

Chip Hamilton, Senior Warden

St. Mary's Episcopal Church Treasurer's Annual Report

	Actual 2011	Budgeted 2012
Income		
Contributions	267,322	261,580
Special Services	6,065	5,900
Other Income	39,367	15,000
Total Income	312,754	282,480
Expenses		
Outreach	47,526	42,533
Clergy & Staff	210,843	171,070
Music/Service Related	5,114	4,400
Christian Education	159	250
Other Church Programs	6,388	1,700
Other Church Costs/Expenses	7,047	5,977
General Office	11,221	10,850
Building & Lawn	40,259	45,700
Total Expenses	328,557	282,480
Net		
	(15,803)	-

2011 Year-End Report

The year ended with expenses exceeding revenue by \$15,803.

- * However, 93% of the pledge commitment was realized.
- * Expenses for 2011 were 19% below the budget projections.
- * The Flower Guild revenue was 17% higher than expenses.
- * Coffee Hour revenue was 6% more than the related expenses.

2012 Budget

Similar to the development of the 2011 budget, the 2012 budget was developed using historical and actual financial data.

- * The budget is balanced.
- * Revenues are projected to be 10% less than the 2011 level.
- * Expenses are projected to be 14% less than those in 2011.

The financial health of St. Mary's remains sound. We expect some additional "belt-tightening" in the coming year; but also expect additional opportunities for financial growth. Thank you for your continued support!

Respectfully submitted, Jack Evans, Treasurer



Search Committee update. By the time you read this, the Search Committee will have already met several times to begin the process of finding our next rector. The focus of our current efforts is to develop a parish profile that will be used to interview our prospective candidates. An important part of this effort will be a parish survey that every member of the church should complete.

It is important to remember that during the search process, all of us have the responsibility to continue to do our part to support the ministries of St. Mary's. We should not be holding back or waiting to see what is going to happen. We are not defined solely by our rector but predominantly by our people. St. Mary's is a family that still needs all of us to continue our support and prayers. The Search Committee will be putting together a survey over the next few weeks and will be working to present the survey to you by e-mail, paper, and face-to-face. You can do your part by being willing and ready to participate. If all of us work together, we can make sure that we find the best rector for St. Mary's.

As a reminder, here is a list of names for our committee: Robert Kundering, Fran Dunn, Jamie Musselwhite, Danielle Rogers, Anne Evans, Frank Gummey, Franklin Paige, Debbie Gray, Kim Reiter, Bob Scott, Jr.

Feel free to approach any of the Search Committee members if you have any questions or comments.

Thank you for your support, Robert Kundering



New St. Mary's Pictorial

In upcoming months our resident photographer, Steve Underwood, will embark on a new project of gathering photos of all our members. After the services each Sunday Steve will be in Palmer Hall taking photos and checking names, addresses, and phone numbers, in an effort to bring our church database up-to-date and create a photo directory of all parishioners. For your convenience, a sign-up sheet will be posted in Palmer Hall or you can just catch Steve on any of the Sundays in February. Those who attend our Saturday service, Steve will schedule two different Saturdays so that he can take photos after the 5:00pm service. So if you want to be included in this directory, please add your name to the list on the bulletin board, or give the office a call and request that your name be added to the list. This project will take several months of preparation but our hope is to have our Parish Directory updated and ready for distribution in early Summer.

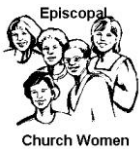


REMEMBER... **Sunday, February 5th**, is the first Sunday of the month, which means... **BRING A CAN TO CHURCH!!!**



St. Mary's Book Group

The Book Group meets the second Saturday each month at the Olive Garden in Ormond Beach on A1A. The selection for February (2/11) is the Language of Flowers by Vanessa Diffenbaugh. In March the selection is the Faith Club by Ramya Idliby



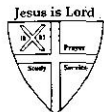
Episcopal Church Women

February 7th will be our 1st meeting of the year. We will meet at 10 a.m. in Palmer Hall. A discussion will be on the budget and possible fashion show. Our speaker this month will be Mary Corliss. Mary will be speaking on her trip to our companion church in Honduras. ALL women are members and we would love to see you. Bring a sandwich to share.



Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministry Supervision will be held on Sunday, February 26th, at 12:15pm. This meeting is for all three classes. It is important to attend the supervision meetings even if you don't have a care receiver at this time.



The Brotherhood of St. Andrew

Future meetings will be announced in the Saturday/Sunday Bulletins.



Daughters of the King

Business meetings this month are on Wednesday, February 1st at 7 pm and Tuesday, February 14th at 10 am. Both meetings are held in the library. The Wednesday night group will continue its study on the Book of Genesis preceded by Evening Prayer and Lectio Divina. During Lent we will close our meetings with a special Daughters of the King devotion using the Anglican Prayer Beads that many of us made or purchased last year. Any of our St. Mary's ladies are welcome to come to our meetings and join us in our mission of prayer, study, and service.

Again we want to remind our Daughters that the Self Denial Fund Ingathering is February 5, 2012. Sacrifices that deny self help support the missionary work of the Daughters of the King. Other parishioners may make a donation as well. If you desire to make a contribution, please make your check payable to St. Mary's Episcopal Church with the notation on the check "D.O.K. Self-Denial Fund". Put the check in a separate envelope marked in the same fashion and drop it in the collection plate or mail or deliver it to the office at 216 Orange Avenue, Daytona Beach, FL 32114. But be sure to remember to mark that it is for the Daughters of the King Self-Denial Fund.

Our Rise 'N Shine Shoebox Ministry is ongoing and in need of your help. Please continue your support by placing whatever you can in the box on the Palmer Hall stage. Items we need are: shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, toothpaste, tooth brushes, skin care lotions, lip balm or chap stick, shaving cream and razors, powder, bar soap, body wash, wash clothes, hand towels, feminine hygiene products, combs or brushes, socks, or any other item that you know would be enjoyed but are not affordable to many. These gift bags are distributed periodically to various organizations in our immediate area and have been well-received with grateful appreciation. Again many thanks for your assistance.

The love and sympathy of the St. Mary's family is extended to the Family and Friends of:

Warren Mead, Emily Mucklow, Charles Ellis

† Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord; And let light perpetual shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. †

LENT

we affirm the Lordship of Christ in our lives.



A Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper will be held Tuesday, **February 21st** from 5pm to 7pm. Come to Palmer Hall and enjoy all the pancakes you can eat.



Ash Wednesday is just around the corner, **February 22nd**. There will be imposition of ashes and Holy Eucharist at a 7pm.



Wednesday Night Soup Supper will be held on Wednesday evenings during lent. We will gather at St. Mary's Altar for Evening Prayer at 6pm followed by Soup Supper and Compline in Palmer Hall. Watch for the signup sheet in Palmer Hall.



Thursdays in Lent will consist of Holy Eucharist with Stations of the Cross at 10am. Lenten Bible Study at 11am.

Canterbury Retreat and Conference Center offers A Lenten Retreat, Anointed by the Spirit featuring the teaching of The Rt. Rev. John W. Howe February 24 & 25, 2012. Join us for a rich time of teaching, worship, spiritual reflection, renewal and great fellowship on the peaceful and restful Canterbury campus. Bishop Howe did his soon to be published doctoral dissertation on the anointing of Jesus and the manifestation of the gifts of the Holy Spirit in His earthly ministry. Retreat Details: Costs: Lodging Rate \$110.00 per person/double Occupancy - (a few single occupancy rooms are available at an increased rate) SPACE IS LIMITED so early registration is recommended.

Commuter Rate \$75.00. These fees include all sessions, meals and 24/7 hospitality. For more details or to register contact Sue Grosso at Canterbury 407-365-5571 or by email sue@canterburyretreat.org

F.A.I.T.H.
Fighting Against Injustice Towards Harmony

FAITH Justice Ministry **Please note the following important dates.**

2/6 Justice Ministry Network Meeting in Palmer Hall at 6:30PM.

3/5 RALLY at 6:30PM St. Peter's Catholic Church, 359 W. New York Ave. Deland,

3/26 Action at 6:30PM First Baptist Church, 118 N. Palmetto, Daytona

5/7 Celebration/Investment Drive Kickoff at 6:30PM , Location TBA

You are cordially invited to participate in the Dedication of Louttit Hall.

In memory of The Right Reverend Henry I. Louttit, Sr.

February 5, 2012 at 3:30 p.m.

at

WESTMINSTER CANTERBURY

229 S. Ridgewood Avenue

Daytona Beach, FL 32114

(Public parking is available on Palmetto St.)

Ushers 8am

P. Taylor, J. Taylor, C. Epting, G. Theriault

Coffee

Feb. 5 J. Feeley, F. Feeley
Feb. 12 S. Gummey, F. Gummey
Feb. 19 N. Cunningham, V. Nespor
Feb. 26 D. Kauffman, N. White

Gifts

Feb. 5 C. Maher, V. Tedesco
Feb. 12 N. May, B. May
Feb. 19 N. Cunningham, V. Nespor
Feb. 26 K. Millen, R. Ramsey



- 1 Kay Bielick
Anne Glantz
- 2 Joseph Guzzo
Suzanne Log
Peggy Phillips
- 6 Dave Thomas
- 7 Art Wadsworth
- 8 Isabella Guzzi
Hal West
- 10 Julian Parker
- 12 Ruth Greenwood
Jack Lawley
- 13 Miguel Berrios
Kenneth Log
- 15 Deannie Davis
Chris Hawkins
- 16 Gene Gerlach
- 19 Karen Guida
Olivia Dawson
- 20 Dennis Mulberger
- 21 Lillian Harry
Gail Wooten
- 22 Jacqueline Block
Ruth Sattich
Ronnie Dawson

- 24 The Rev. Robert Sellers
- 26 Cathleen Weaver
- 27 Patricia Haas



- 1 Clara & Wade Fowler
- 4 Ann & Larry Shaffer
- 5 Peggy & John Taylor
- 11 Anne & David Stokes
- 14 Trish & Jim Brotherton
Cecilia & Kenneth Nunnelley
- 15 Stovette & Rupert Williams
- 27 Peggy & Dexter Phillips

For Calendar of events, go to home page and click on Calendar.

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The Bells will no longer be mailed out. You can now get it on the web at www.stmarysdaytona.org You can also see us on Facebook at <http://facebook.com/stmarydb> or on Twitter at <http://twitter.com/stmarysdb>. We will provide copies for those that do not have a computer in the back of the church, on the Tract Rack in Palmer Hall, and in the church office.

Just a reminder if you are in or going into the hospital.

Please do not forget to call the church office (255-3669) so we'll know you are there. The church office after hours you can leave a message .

Clergy and Staff of St Mary's Episcopal Church

The Reverend August L. Sorvillo, Interim Rector;
The Reverend Joseph A Maher, Assistant;
The Reverend Donald Wanstall, Deacon; The Reverend Sybil Meheux, Deacon;
Kathy Carty, Parish Administrator; Eileen Francis, Church Secretary; Virginia Tedesco,
Church Secretary; Caroline Laubheimer, Organist/Choirmaster
Dennis Mulberger, Sexton

Vestry of St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Chip Hamilton, Senior Warden; Shiela McKay-Vaughan, Junior Warden;
Fran Dunn, Clerk of the Vestry; Pete Corliss, Bob Kunding, Nedra Morris,
Jamie Musselwhite, Jeff Schuh, Darlene Stodtko,
Jack Evans, Treasurer; Jacqueline Block; Recording Secretary

Office Hours: Closed Monday, Open 9 - 4, Tuesday through Friday