



SENTINEL

*From
Our
Rector*

Visits With the Bishop

As many of you know, the Diocese of Washington is beginning the search process for the next Bishop of Washington. The "short list" will be published on 31 March 2011, the election will be held in June and on 14 November 2011 the next Bishop of Washington will be consecrated at National Cathedral. Until then, however, the Rt. Rev. John Bryson Chane remains the spiritual leader and ecclesiastical authority of our diocese. We will have two opportunities this coming autumn to visit with the Bishop—one at Saint John's and the other at our Cathedral.

On 10 October 2010 at a single service at 10:00 (the Bishop prefers a combined service for his visitations), Bishop Chane will make a regular visitation to Saint John's. This visit will likely be the last one to our parish during his episcopate. Please make that date on your calendars—easy to remember 10/10/10 at 10:00. The Bishop will spend time with present and past lay leaders of the parish the week before his visitation and will meet with the rest of the congregation on his Sunday visitation. I hope that as many of our congregation as possible will be present to see and hear the Bishop as well as to wish him well as he prepares for his own transition process. Bishop Chane has been a strong and influential leader within the bounds of our diocese and beyond, and his visit will afford all of us an opportunity to thank him for all that he and his wife, Karen Chane, have given to us and to so many others.

Less than one month later, on Saturday 6 November at 10:00 at the National Cathedral Church of Saint Peter and Saint Paul, there will be a service of Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation. It is at that time that the Bishop will confirm those who wish to make a mature commitment of their faith and service in Christ's name that was begun with their baptism. The Bishop will also



lay hands on those who may have been confirmed in another denomination not in communion with the Anglican Church who wish to be received into our denomination. Reaffirmation is offered to any confirmed or received member of the Episcopal church who may wish

to rededicate their lives to mission and ministry in Christ's name. The canons (rules) of the Episcopal Church assert the expectation that all adult members of the Episcopal Church will be confirmed or received by a Bishop in communion with the Episcopal Church.

For any members of Saint John's who wish to participate in that moving service at the Cathedral on 6 November, there will be Inquirers Classes held in the fall on Saturday, 25 September and Saturday, 9 November. Both classes will meet from about 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Together we will explore and discuss the basics of our faith including: the Bible, the Book of Common Prayer, the history of the Church, the history of the Anglican Communion and the Episcopal Church, the sacraments of the church, and what it means to be an Episcopalian today. While these classes are designed for those seeking confirmation, reception, or reaffirmation, all are welcome to attend. In addition many of our Adult Forums (held on Sundays at 10:00 a.m.) will focus on the Anglican Church--yesterday and today and on The Book of Common Prayer. By far, most of the requests that were received from parishioners sought for these topics to be addressed. All members of Saint John's who have not been confirmed or received are urged to consider doing so prayerfully. If anyone has specific questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. We hope to take a large contingent of folks of all ages from Saint John's to the Cathedral for this important milestone ceremony witnessing to the importance of Jesus Christ and work in his name in our lives.

Many blessings and safe summer travel to you all,

Albert+



Church Mouse Chit-Chat...

Births



John Holt Colquitt Watson was born on June 15 to Jena and Eric Watson.

Baptisms

Margaret Skimin Smith; Zara Miriam Moore Pegues; Mason William Ellis; William Bryant Chesnik

July Birthdays

Timothy Allen; Paul Brabant; William Bucha; John Cameron; Rich Cameron; Marion Henry; Steve Hodskins; Jaimie Hoops; Laura Ivey; Leopold Kristinus; Colleen Markham; Stephen McLeod; Avery Mocek; Lily Moriarty; Digges Pennington; Sam Raymond; Elizabeth Talbot; John Van Wagoner; Louisa Weindruch; Frances Wilkinson; Miles Wilson

August Birthdays

Elizabeth Bankoff; Joan Bristol; James Boyle; Baratt Dewey; Ron Ivey; Matthew Kress; Jocelyn Partridge; Rebecca Sandler; John Moorman; Georgina Warren

Marriage

Stephanie Howlett and Eric Okimoto

Anniversary

Kevin Eckstrom and Grant Montgomery will celebrate their 4th anniversary on July 8th.

House Tour update

The figures on the 2010 House Tour (as of 1 July) are: Gross Revenues: \$143,810. Expenses: \$15,435 — this is half of what was expected.

Thanks go out to the many parishioners who gave contributions toward the House Tour, either financially or in-kind. Due to their support, House Tour was once again a successful fundraiser and event.

Locking doors behind you

When you enter or leave the building Monday through Saturday, please double check that the door you use is locked behind you. Safety needs to be a top consideration for those in the building and for the property when no one is here. The above-mentioned repairs will include updated door locks and handles to insure our doors lock automatically—until then, please double check that the door has latched securely behind you.

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July is a big birthday month for the Mocek/Miller family: Clark will be turning 6 on July 11 and Aves will be turning 9 on July 14.

James Boyle turns 7 on August 5th.

Annabelle, John and Henry Cameron wish their daddy, Rich “Happy Birthday” on July 21st.

John Moorman’s birthday is August 24th

Atrium repairs will soon begin

Repairs to the damage caused by the February snow storm will soon begin in the Atrium and the landing to the balcony and Preschool. There will continue to be times when the Atrium entrance will not be available. Please use the main doors to the church or the Potomac Street entrances.

The gutter above the Potomac Street door will also undergo repair in the near future. We need to time these repairs so both of these entrances are not blocked off at the same time (fire code).

Preventative measures, such as a snow melt system and/or snow guards will be installed to prevent this type of damage to recurring.

Thanks goes out to our Junior Warden Merle Thorpe for the countless hours he has spent with contractors to make sure the repairs are done correctly and conform to the historic nature of our buildings.

Sunday Brunch *Sign up in Blake Hall*

This summer, through Labor Day weekend, we will have one combined service at 10 a.m. followed by a breakfast in Blake Hall hosted by parishioners.

To host a breakfast, please call the parish office 202-338-1796 or contact our Parish Life Liaisons Julie VanSteenwyk julesavan@aol.com or Jaimie Hoops jaimie.hoops@itt.com. This was a HUGE success last year and we hope to get the same response this year.

Movie Night *July 24h (Saturday)* *at 5:30 pm*

A movie has not yet been selected. If you have a favorite family-friendly movie to suggest, please call the Parish Office (202-338-1796) or Julie or Jaimie.

As we did last month, this will be a Potluck Dinner, so please bring something to share. Parking will be available at the Hyde School.

To suggest a movie and/or attend, please contact Julie van Steenwyk julesavan@aol.com or Jaimie Hoops jaimie.hoops@itt.com or 703-405-5765.

Preschool Book Fair *October 22-25*

While summer is in full swing, we are already working on fall planning ...

The preschool book fair committee seeks input from congregation families for some classic titles to add to our list for the fair this year. We are particularly seeking some suggestions for older children from the congregation.

One of the things that makes our book fair unique and successful is the well curated list of titles we assemble that are not always the obvious choices at Barnes & Noble and Amazon. In keeping with that, we wanted to make the 2010 book fair the "Year of the

Classic" by bringing back some old favorites in addition to recent favorites and award winners.

Thus, we ask you to send us a list of three to five (or more) titles of books that you loved as a child and/or currently enjoy reading to your child. We are looking for titles appropriate for pre-school age children through age ten (picture books to chapter books). Please send your suggestions to Marion Henry at mcwhmd@yahoo.com.

Many thanks for your time and input, Hannah Isles, Carolyn Butler, Maggie Hedges and Marion Henry

Saint John's Annual Greens Sale

Saturday, December 5th

Our Annual Greens Sale is one of our largest fundraisers of the year and we are looking for a chairperson to make it happen again this year. To streamline the organization of this event, Robin Jones - last year's chairperson - has put together a customary, outlining all that is involved to plan another spectacular Saint John's Annual Greens Sale for 2010! Please see Father Albert to volunteer to take on this fundraising effort on behalf of the community of Saint John's.

Altar Guild

Volunteers are need to chair and to serve on The Altar Guild. If interested, please contact Jane Volkema at 202-338-1786.

Bishop Search/ Nomination meetings

The Search/Nominating Committee for the 9th Bishop of Washington invites everyone to Participate in the Search Process.

The purpose will be to gather input from all as to the strengths and challenges of the diocese, and skills and qualities we seek in our next bishop.

The listening session in our area will be held at Saint Alban's, 3001 Wisconsin Ave. NW on July 28, 7-9 p.m. The format is like a town hall meeting

An on-line survey is also planned. The Committee's intent is to hear as many voices as possible during this process.

Prayer for Search for New Bishop

Everliving God, you brought your people through the wilderness to a land of plenty, enlivening them with hope: Send down upon your holy catholic Church and our Diocese of Washington the comfort of your Spirit in this time of transition. We pray especially for those who have given themselves to your service in this search for our next bishop. Rekindle in us the fire of love, justice and peace; give us the grace to seek your wisdom, and the determination to draw all people into the unity of your kingdom. And draw our hearts to you, that in all our works we may glorify your Name. We pray this through your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

New Life for The Sentinel— Online

The Sentinel begins a 'new life' as a predominantly online publication with the next issue, due out in September. This shift will save Saint John's \$5,000 a year in printing and mailing costs, a move that is part of the overall focus in this and other parishes – not to mention state and federal entities - on controlling budgets.

Everyone on our Parish Email Listserv will receive an email containing *The Sentinel* for you to view directly from that email. You will also be directed to our Parish website if you prefer to read it from there.

If you do not currently receive the Weekend Update email from Father Albert each Thursday, then you are not on our listserv. Contact Kimm Bates, receptionist at the church's office at 202-338-1796, or email kimm@stjohnsgeorgetown.org. to have your email added to the Parish Email Listserv.

The Sentinel will continue to be printed in modest numbers, with copies available at church. You can pick one up when you come to services or any other time.

Further, for those who wish to continue receiving their customary hard-copy issue of *The Sentinel*, we will send issues to you monthly through what is now quaintly known as 'snail mail.'

To get your name on the 'snail mail' mailing list, YOU MUST BY AUGUST 15 give your name and address to Kimm Bates, receptionist at the church's office. Call her at 202-338-1796, or email kimm@stjohnsgeorgetown.org.

Saint John's Vestry Officers & Assignment

Trisha Parson, *Senior Warden*
Merle Thorpe, *Junior Warden; Property*
Laura Rodman, *Treasurer*
Kevin Eckstrom, *Register, Outreach/Mission*
Jaimie Hoops, *Parish Life & Newcomers*
Jim Johnson, *Stewardship & Planned Giving, chair*
Landis Jones, *Outreach Grants, chair; Archives*
Liza Lowe, *Christian Youth Formation*
Peter Morici, *Stewardship & Planned Giving, vice-chair*
Joyce Schneider, *Outreach Grants, vice-chair*
Julie VanSteenwyk, *Parish Life & Newcomers*
David Wolf, *Adult Christian Education*

Summer Worship Service Schedule

Sundays
10:00 am ~
Holy Eucharist Rite II
We will alternate between the 9 o'clock
and 11 o'clock styles of worship.

Saint John's Parish Clergy

The Rev. Dr. Albert Scariato, *Rector*
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July Calendar

July 10 ~ Saturday

Internment in columbarium 5 pm

July 11 ~ Sunday

10 am Holy Eucharist

(9 am style)

July 18 ~ Sunday

10 am Holy Eucharist

(9 am style)

July 24 ~ Saturday

Movie Night 5:30 pm

July 25 ~ Sunday

10 am Holy Eucharist

(11 am style)

Bishop Search/Nominating Meeting

Saint John's, Beltsville, MD,
July 27, 7-9 p.m.

Bishop Search/Nominating Meeting

Saint Alban's, Washington, DC,
July 28, 7-9 p.m.

August Calendar

August 1 ~ Sunday

10 am Holy Eucharist

(9 am style)

August 8 ~ Sunday

10 am Holy Eucharist

(11 am style)

August 15 ~ Sunday

10 am Holy Eucharist

(9 am style)

August 22 ~ Sunday

10 am Holy Eucharist

(11 am style)

August 29 ~ Sunday

10 am Holy Eucharist

(9 am style)

Summer Sunday Service is held at 10 am

We will alternate between the

9 o'clock & 11 o'clock style of worship.

Ushers/Greeters

July 11	Landis & Arnita Jones
July 18	Kate Tabor & Wilbur Wright
July 25	John Dussault & Susan Sanders
Aug 1	Mike & Cathy Applin
Aug 8	Sandra & Harry Wilbur
Aug 15	Landis & Arnita Jones
Aug 22	John Dussault & Susan Sanders
Aug 29	Kate Tabor & Wilbur Write
Sept 5	Tim and Mary Jane Bennett

Acolytes / Crucifer

July 11	Hadley Flanagan, Natalie Thorpe, Stephanie Hood
July 18	Jasper Flanagan, Charlie Cameron, Max Panker
July 25	Kevin Eckstrom
Aug 1	Christian Osborn, Aves Mocek, Bunny Cameron
Aug 8	John Wise
Aug 15	Natalie Thorpe, Stephanie Hood, Jasper Flanagan
Aug 22	John Van Wagoner
Aug 29	Charlie Cameron, Max Panker, Emma Sutherland
Sept 5	John Dussault

Minister of the Word

July 11	George Stutteville
July 18	Jocelyn Dyer
July 25	Harry Wilbur
Aug 1	Avery Miller
Aug 8	Mary Bird
Aug 15	George Stutteville
Aug 22	Grant Montgomery
Aug 29	Suzon Cameron
Sept 5	Susan Sanders

Intercessor ~ 11 am style service only

July 25	James Warren
Aug 8	Jim Johnson
Aug 22	Harry Wilbur
Sept 5	Susan Sanders
Sept 5	John Wise

Vestry Notes

June 28, 2010

Kevin Eckstrom, Register

BUDGET REPORT: Pledge offerings YTD are down. Expenses for Outreach and Buildings & Grounds is comparable to last year; utilities are higher YTD than in 2009 because of an especially cold winter.

FINANCIALS: Father Albert and Endowment Committee Chair Joan Bristol informed the vestry that the endowment's former manager at Ariba Asset Management, Peter Gilsey, has died suddenly and his business partner John Feduketudy resigned from Ariba. Father Albert and Joan have had preliminary discussions with Bob Long at Ariba, but asked the vestry for direction on the future of the Saint John's endowment at Ariba. After considerable discussion, a motion was made to keep the endowment funds frozen at Ariba until the Sept. 11, 2010 vestry meeting, at which point the vestry will review recommendations from the endowment committee on possible alternative investment counselors. An executive committee (consisting of the wardens, the treasurer, the Rector and vestry member Jim Johnson) will make interim decisions in light of change-of-status at Ariba or in the account. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN: Father Albert updated the vestry on initial progress toward launching a capital campaign to help fund a new organ and sanctuary renovations. James D. Klote and Associates has been retained as the campaign consultant, following direction of the May 17 vestry meeting. A motion was made to increase the total amount of a Bank of Georgetown loan (to fund the capital campaign consultant) from \$100,000 to \$120,000.

OUTREACH: Outreach Grants Committee Chair Landis Jones reviewed recently approved grant requests, including \$3,000 to ANERA and \$3,000 to DC Volunteer Lawyers. Grants approved with a decreased amount from 2009 were made to Georgetown Ministry (\$5,000); Bright Beginnings (\$5,000); Bishop Walker School (\$2,000); and, Seafarer's and International House (\$500). Previous grantees that are no longer funded include Washington Literacy Council (\$2,000) and Miriam's Kitchen (\$2,500).

A motion was made to: Eliminate funding for Episcopal Senior Ministries (\$3,000) and redirect the funding to the Bishop Walker School; direct Landis Jones, Joyce Schneider and Joan Bristol to work with the Outreach Grants Committee to solicit more detailed/ accurate/ updated financial information from the Georgetown Seniors Center, Jubilee Jobs, Manna, Cornerstone and Grate Patrol before those grants would be approved. Landis, Joyce and Joan will report back to the vestry with more detailed information.

CHRISTIAN YOUTH FORMATION: Liza Lowe briefed the vestry on the Christian Youth Formation Committee's progress, including a plan to address nine program areas of Sunday activities; Teen mentoring and confirmation prep; acolytes and readers; liturgical events; children's music; outreach; family programming; parent programming; adult participation. Liza said parent and adult participation will be key to growing children's programming – especially teachers who are needed to teach Sunday School. Liza presented a draft calendar of events and programs.

A motion was made to Eliminate the \$7,800 paid position for a Christian Youth Formation director. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

PROPERTY/FACILITIES: Junior Warden Merle Thorpe reviewed recent committee action, including:

- interviewed two architects for renovation work to organ/sanctuary.
- Moving forward on repairs from winter storm damage (gutters and exterior water damage); all of the damage will be paid for by insurance, except for three doors.
- Soliciting bids on partial painting of exterior walls, exterior door replacements, a landscape survey and a proposed budget for ongoing maintenance needs.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS: A motion was made to reaffirm the vestry's action from May 17 to conduct an audit or financial review in 2011 of FY 2010, under the auspices of the Endowment Committee, the wardens, treasurer and Rector. In addition, the vestry directs Saint John's to pursue the possibilities of joining a diocesan-wide reduced-priced group audit option, as soon as the program becomes available. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Laura Rodman reported progress in discussions with the Preschool, with an eye toward increasing the assessment charged to the preschool. Laura requested that the vestry (and the wider church) reorient the relationship between the parish and preschool from a mission or charitable outreach of the parish to a self-sustaining joint venture. Laura recommended that an increase in the preschool assessment be dedicated to building/capital needs that will benefit both the parish and the preschool.

The next vestry meeting is scheduled for July 25.

Once approved, complete sets of the minutes of the vestry can be found in the Parish Library.

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Special Solo and Instrumental Music Sundays at 10 am

Samuel Carabetta, Organist and Choirmaster



- July 11 Michael Weinberg, baritone
A Simple Song from Mass by Leonard Bernstein
- July 18 Michael Calmés, tenor
Traditional Spirituals and Poulenc
- July 25 Matthew Irish, baritone
Traditional Spirituals and Vaughan Williams
- August 1 Samuel Carabetta, organist
Handel, *Music for the Royal Fireworks*
- August 8 Samuel Carabetta, organist
Music of Johann Sebastian Bach
- August 15 Claudia Powell, soprano
Music for the Feast of Saint Mary the Virgin
Ave Maria, Franz Schubert
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What's in a name?

From the beginning of time, the power to name something has been the key to understanding it. According to the second chapter of Genesis, God created man, then paraded every living creature before him in a ritual of naming. And man thereafter will "have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth."



Most of us know something about naming the animals, by the names we have selected for our pets. I have two pets: my cat Joseph, born on August 1st the Feast day of Joseph of Arimathea; and, my dog Wilson who many of you see on a regular, if not, daily basis at Saint John's.

Recently there has been some confusion in the Parish Office by the renaming of Wilson to Harold. I have been asked to explain.

Of all the pets I have had over the years, it has often taken me several weeks to decide on a name. I was quite

surprised when I settled with the name Wilson just an hour after I had adopted him in October 2007, and for the past 2 ½ years I have always felt I hadn't carefully thought through his "naming."

This past May 29th, what would have been the 80th birthday of my father, Harold Volkema, I learned that my nephew and his wife are considering the name Wilson for the child they are expecting in August. As a gesture to my nephew and, to eliminate the possibility of having two Wilsons in the family, I decided to re-name Wilson after my father.

My father died when I was 10 years old, and I felt a tribute to him was long over due. What perfect timing that on my dad's 80th birthday Wilson was officially renamed Harold.

If you forget and call him Wilson, no problem, he will still respond. He will also respond if you call him *elevator*, since he prefers riding the elevator to taking the slippery stairs.

So what's in a name? What is in a name is the story, the story as to how the name was chosen, and this is Harold's story.

Jane Volkema
Liturgical Associate & Acolyte Director

Save these dates

Renewal Sunday

Sunday 12 September

We will return to two services on Sunday: 9 a.m and 11 a.m. as we look forward of another year full of new hopes, new joys and new possibilities here at Saint John's.

Christian Education program begins

Sunday 19 September

Our Sunday School will host an Open House in the Rectory where all parishioners are invited to see the Sunday School rooms.

In The Chapel of the Carpenter our first Adult Forum will be held, beginning around 10:10 a.m.

Bishop's Visit 10/10/10

Sunday 10 October 2010

10 a.m. service

Save the Date. One Service at 10 am. This will be Bishop Chane's last visit to Saint John's before his retirement.

Parish Action Committee Night (PAC Night)

Tuesday, 21 September 6:30 pm

Don't miss the first PAC Night of the program year. We will begin with a supper at 6:30 pm, followed by open mic, committee meetings and end the evening with Compline. Please note, PAC Night has moved to Tuesdays. Our second PAC Night will be held on 16 November.

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*Deadline for the September 2010 Sentinel
will be Friday, August 20th*