Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Once again, we greet Whitsunday with a profound Happy Birthday! It is truly the birthday of God's Holy Church, for it was on the Feast of Pentecost that the Holy Spirit descended upon the people of God. Those who were there experienced sounds like a “driving wind, a noise which filled the whole house.” And they saw “flames like tongues of fire”. Those flames of fire came to rest on each one who was there. Dramatic and powerful imagery is used to describe the Day of Pentecost, a day in which God's people gathered “in one accord” to do His will. These two things are vital in the work of the church: first, we must be of one accord in seeking to do God's will; second, we must always do our best to discern God's will. It is, after all, God's will that must be done and not simply our own.

Whitsunday is the second most important festival in our church year. This surprises people. Many think that certainly Christmas or Epiphany or the Ascension might be the second most important festival. Perhaps even Trinity Sunday. But it is appropriate that we celebrate Whitsunday or the Day of Pentecost, giving it the prominence it rightly deserves. It is on that particular day that the Holy Spirit, the third person of the Trinity, descended to God's people and gave birth to His church on earth. It is a reminder to us all that we are part of God's life here on earth; our participation in His Holy Church involves us in a very real and tangible way with His life and work.

I often wonder what people regard as the most important dates in their lives. What, then, would be their second choice? Birth, marriage, the birth of children and ordination come to mind. Each of these might qualify for a first or second choice. The determining factor in all this might be: which serves God most prominently and which is most pleasing to God. Perhaps another way to look at those most important days is to ask: how has God's will been reflected in the most important days of my life?

Over the past several months, we have been very involved in the life and work of God's church in important ways. While we are always hoping to discern God's will in what we do, the election and consecration of bishops is one of the most important series of events in the life of God's church. We have been privileged to witness the consecration of two bishops during the past...
month. Both were consecrated to serve the Diocese of the Northeast, the Anglican Church in America and the Traditional Anglican Communion. The process of electing and confirming a bishop is very time-consuming. It is purposely so. God's church must be as certain as possible that the men who are elected to episcopal office are truly called by God to the Apostolic ministry. It may take well over a year for men to receive the necessary consents, evaluations and affirmations necessary before proceeding to their consecration. During this time of discernment, many questions are asked of the men put forward for this office. They may be "poked and prodded" ceaselessly. Such a process is not for the faint-hearted! But it is a necessary tempering process, a necessary process of discernment to ensure that God's will is done.

Elsewhere in this edition of the Northeast Anglican, there are pictures and articles about the consecration of the Rt. Rev. Owen Rhys Williams and the Rt. Rev. James Randall Hiles, bishops in the church of God. At the time of their consecrations, Bishops Williams and Hiles received the laying on of hands by bishops of the church. This signified the descent of the Holy Spirit to these men and a symbol of their assumption of the episcopal ministry. Just as Jesus commissioned his apostles through the laying on of hands, so has God's church affirmed the episcopal ministries of these men. As Bishop Michael Gill mentioned in his sermon at the consecration of Bishop Hiles, the bishop is a slave, not a dictator; a servant of the church, not its emperor.

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We pray that these men will be afire in the spirit of the Lord for the upbuilding of God's church.

And as we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost, may we also joy in the coming of the Holy Spirit into our own lives. And may we seek always to discern God's will for each of us in the one accord we can only find in faithful service to Him.

Your Brother in Christ,
+Brian

Notes from the Secretary

Nearly all of the 2012 diocesan parochial reports have been submitted – thanks.

A reminder that your 2013 National Church support contribution (due by year-end) is $30 times the number of voting members as stated on your 2012 parochial report. Your parish should have a copy of the report but I'll be glad to provide that number if needed. The diocesan tithe of 12.5% plate and pledge is separate from the national church and is used to support the operational costs of the diocese.

A couple of items not included on the report form are needed for updating the diocesan records. Please send me the names and contact information (email addresses, mailing addresses, telephone numbers) of current vestry officers and 2013 DNE synod delegates, and keep me up-to-date on any changes in clergy, vestry or delegates. If you have already sent this information to me, thanks!

The 2013 Diocesan Synod, hosted by St. Matthias, will be held in Mystic, Connecticut, October 3-5, and you will soon be receiving detailed information. Deacon Merrill Perkins has been doing an outstanding job planning and organizing the event and keeping costs to a minimum. The meetings will be held at the Quality Inn in Mystic. Rooms have been blocked at the Quality Inn and hotel reservations are your responsibility. Mention that you are from the Diocese of the Northeast to ensure the group rate of only $59.00 + tax per double room (one or two persons). What a bargain!

The Diocesan Summer Youth camp is scheduled for August 4-10 at Camp Ashmere, Hinsdale, MA and is open to all ACA youth. Please visit the diocesan website and click on the link for St. Luke’s Camp for applications and information. Applications are due by June 30th. Volunteers are always needed and there are ample opportunities for giving your time and using your talents to help enrich the spiritual lives of our youth. Camp Director, Fr. Rich Dibble, may be contacted at diakonio@windstream.net or by phone at (315) 725-3745.

Congratulations to our new Diocesan Suffragans, Bishop James Hiles and Bishop Owen Williams! May God bless and guide them in the years ahead.

Thanks once more to all of you for your prayers for my health during the last few months. I’m doing great and look forward to seeing you at Synod!

The next Standing Committee meeting is scheduled for June 1st.

——Peace and a Happy Summer, Linnea

Two New Bishops

At the last Synod, perceiving a need, both in this diocese and in the National Church, Bishop Marsh proposed two men to be made Suffragan Bishops of our diocese.

These were the Rev. Dr. James Randall Hyles, rector of Saint Paul’s Church in Brockton MA; and the Very Rev. Owen Rhys Williams, rector and dean of Trinity Procathedral in Rochester NH.

That day both men were elected overwhelmingly by the Synod, and now the time had come. All the approvals had been received: from the Standing Committees of the other dioceses, from the House of Bishops of ACA, and from the College of Bishops of the international Traditional Anglican Communion, and their consecrations could proceed.
Arrangements were made for the two ceremonies to occur separately, but in the same week: Williams at Rochester on Thursday, and Hiles in Brockton on Saturday. Both churches worked hard to prepare for the events, and arrangements had to be made for the visiting bishops. There would be a total of 11 bishops present (13 when both consecrations had been finished). There were miters and purple shirts everywhere one looked!

Bishop Marsh, as Presiding Bishop of the national church was chief consecrator for both, each of whom had seven co-consecrators, six of whom served both times:

++Walter Grundorf, Presiding Bishop, Anglican Province in America
+Stephen Strawn, Missouri Valley, ACA
+John Vaughn, Eastern US, ACA
+Juan Garcia. Puerto Rico, ACA
+George Langberg, retired, ACA
+Michael Gill, Anglican Church of Southern Africa
Also for Bishop Williams:
+Shane Janzen, Anglican Catholic Church of Canada

and for Bishop Hiles:
+Edward MacBurney, Retired Bishop of Quincy, one of the stalwarts from the old days of the Episcopal Church.

Present besides these consecrators were at least two more bishops:
+Craig Botterill from Canada
special guest ++Mark Haverland, Primate of the Anglican Catholic Church, OP.
A hand carved fish from a parishioner to a fisher of men.

Archbishop Mark Haverland of ACC attended in Brockton as observer and special guest. At the luncheon afterwards he gave a talk on the state of Anglicanism.
In the Lenten edition of the NEA newsletter I was able to tell you that as of that February we had received no snow. Well, Nature made up for lost time! At times we thought we'd never see the leaves on the trees again. But spring has sprung and the tulips have bloomed and we all come out of winter hiding.

St. Augustine began its Lenten season this year with a Shrove Monday pancake breakfast at a local restaurant. As usual, we had a very good turnout for the breakfast and were able to socialize and discuss issues that matter to us.

We were able to use our Lenten season in study mode. Father LaMarre generously came every Sunday and, at the end of coffee hour, taught us how to use the Book of Common Prayer in praying the Daily Offices. We were led, step by step, through the prayer book and the requirements of Morning and Evening Prayer to include the Lectionary. Father LaMarre was very generous with his time. Several people were interested enough to obtain copies of the Peoples Anglican Missal, the prayer book that includes the additional prayers said by the priest or deacon during the Service.

Father LaMarre was also available for us on Easter Sunday to celebrate Mass. We were very well attended on Easter, which gives us, as a Mission church, hope that we have people interested in meeting their spiritual needs with us. The service was a beautiful celebration of our Lord's resurrection and the highlight of our Christian year.

We had a very busy April. The week after Easter, Bishop Marsh came to confirm our two Sunday School students and also two of our new members who came to us from the Lutheran faith. Brothers Antonie and Jean-Pierre Guillerault received the laying on of hands after much study and an excellent effort in their learning. Jane Haugen, our organist, and her husband Roy were also confirmed by the bishop.

We've had a letter from Robin Donarumo, our contact person for our Bikes for Foster Kids project last Christmas. She thanked the people of St. Augustine for all of their help, interest and support for the children in our area. She compliments us by saying, “The sincere desire you have to help kids indeed is a treasure and I will never be able to express how you have touched the lives of those children who benefited from your kindness.” Robin continues to thank us with, “What you've done for our foster kids in need goes far beyond any thank-you I could offer...” During a recent visit to a local store she says, “...my mind went back to those lucky children that received their new bikes because of ... St. Augustine's Church.”

Our Bikes for Foster Kids project is already under way for this coming Christmas. We are hopeful that we will be as successful with our fund raising this year as we were last year so we will be able to again give a gift to a child who might otherwise not receive a gift for Christmas. This is one of our big projects and we pour our hearts and souls into it and know, from Robin's letter, that the effort is deeply appreciated not only by the adults involved, but, more importantly, by the children that receive the anonymous gift.

Our summer promises to be very busy. We will be holding our third annual bottle drive for the homeless early in July. This event helps to support our backpacks for homeless children project and our donations to the homeless shelter and the local thrift shop for the needy. Later in July, thanks to the special efforts of Jane and Roy and our own Sub-Deacon, David Brennan, we will be holding our first Christmas in July event in the park in Old Orchard Beach. This is something Jane and Roy experienced at their previous church and we hope it will be a successful
outreach project that we can repeat again and again.

We are now looking forward to a fruitful Trinitytide. We will have more to report on our summer activities in our next NEA report to you. In the meantime, we hope you have a blessed summer and we will share again in the fall.

——-Pax, Sister Mary Raphael, O/OSB

Amherst NH
St. Luke

Our Tuesday night Bible Study began the study of the epistles of John on 12 February 2013. Saturday morning Bible Study is working on the Gospel of John.

On Saturday, 2 March Fr. Webb began our Lenten program "Spiritual Gifts and You" which was a wonderful opportunity to get a closer understanding of the depths and benefits of God's message to us. The program ran for four weeks and was very well attended.

Holy Week began with our Palm Sunday service and moved through the week with the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday. We were also involved in an Ecumenical Biblical Way of the Cross held at St. Patrick's Church in Milford. Saturday marked the Great Vigil of Easter culminating with two services on Easter Sunday. It was wonderful to see so many people filling our church and newcomers have returned on following Sundays.

Our annual cleanup was held under clear skies on Saturday, the 4th of May and the church and grounds look wonderful. Flowers have poked up their heads in our memorial garden, which gives us a great indication that summer is on its way! Thanks to all who participated in this endeavor.

Looking forward, we are preparing for participation in the annual Amherst 4th of July celebration where we offer games, refreshments, and the opportunity to make our presence known in the community. Annually there is a great turn out and we always look forward to being there.

——-Submitted by Lee Garre

Conway NH
St. Margaret of Scotland

Hello from St. Margaret's.

Well “spring is sprung, the grass is riz, I wonder where the birdies is”. Not exactly grammatically correct, but you get the idea. Spring has finally arrived in our beautiful Mt. Washington Valley. Snow is still visible on “the rock” as we call Mt. Washington, but the tulips are up as well as the crocuses, and everything is greening.

Before getting to our spring news, I’d like to insert a few notes from the winter, as I was unable to submit a February article due to being seriously down with the flu. Our Christmas season was lovely, with both a high Mass Christmas eve, and a low Mass Christmas day, as well as a service of Lessons and Carols on the 30th of December. Rebecca and Jim Harrington hosted a Christmas party during the holidays at their home for church members, and I heard that a grand time was had by all.

Richard Legault proposed organizing a small group of parishioners with the goal of recruitment and retention of parish members. As everyone knows, church attendance is down nationally, and down considerably in the northeast. Dr. Legault presented a stunning array of facts, figures and strategies around recruitment and retention issues to the parishioners. A committee was formed consisting of Dr. Legault, Mr. Greg Davis, and (Mrs) Maureen Ferguson. The committee has met several times, and one or two strategies have been implemented. A particular obstacle in our area is the tourist economy, which requires many local people to work weekends. There simply are not that many 9 to 5 jobs such as one would find in the city. However, we are hopeful that with continuous effort, outreach, marketing, and increased community visibility, we will reach our projected targeted numbers.

The Vestry met in January, and we held our annual meeting in February, and elected our slate of vestry members. Several were reelected and several new faces were added.
The current Vestry:
Kathy Kropac,
Rebecca Harrington, ( Treasurer)
Allison Bergeron,
Dr. Richard Legault,
Loretta Steward-Whitehead ( Clerk)
Andrew Ferguson ( Junior Warden) and Peter Thomas ( Senior Warden). Missing is Harriet Johnson. Retiring members were John Kropac, Rosemary Grigorovich-Barsky, and Maureen Ferguson. Each of these individuals brings their own talents and abilities, and we are grateful for their willingness to serve.

Fr. Monroe and Linda were on Vacation for two weeks in February, and Fr. Frank Bartlett graciously agreed to fill in for him. We are always pleased to welcome Fr. Bartlett to St. Margaret’s, as well as Fr. LaMarre who also fills in on occasion.

Once again in March, St. Margaret’s hosted a St. Patrick’s Day dinner, with the usual offerings of corned beef, cabbage, stout potatoes, carrots, and all the rest which make up the traditional Irish meal. Rebecca and Jim Harrington again worked tirelessly, Jim doing the cooking, and Rebecca the major organizing and securing of the many raffle prizes which are always a hit. There was a full house at both seatings, and the evening concluded with the singing of traditional Irish songs.

As always, palms were distributed on Palm Sunday, and two Maundy Thursday services were offered. Good Friday noon Mass and Stations of the Cross were conducted, as well as Tenebrae at 7:00 p.m. The lighting of the new fire service was offered on Holy Saturday, and on Easter Sunday a parish breakfast of scrambled eggs, sausage, rolls, juice and coffee and tea was prepared and served by several men in the parish, among them, John Kropac, Andrew Ferguson and Jamie Bergeron. Easter finery was at its best, with several of the women sporting traditional Easter bonnets. Those of us ladies of a “certain age” remember when hats at church were “de rigueur”, so it’s fun to revive the old customs occasionally and adds to the joyous feelings of Easter when we celebrate the risen Christ. Can you imagine taking an early morning stroll on that long ago morning and seeing Jesus Christ himself walk out of the tomb? What an occasion to celebrate!

In April it was decided by a majority of the parishioners to schedule the Mass at 10:00 rather than 9:30. Many of our folks come from a distance, some 30 or more miles, so we decided to try it, and see if it is a good fit for the parish. We are also considering an early 8:30 A.M. Mass for the summer if there is enough interest.

Once again, choir member Jim Harrington performed a lovely solo on May 5, “I Will Bring You Home”. Mr. Harrington is a trained vocalist. St. Margaret’s is delighted to have his talents, as well as the other wonderful voices in the choir, such as Corinne Page, Wendy Kropac, Rebecca Harrington, and Christine Atherton, all led by our choir director and organist, Tracy Gardner.

St. Margaret’s has made a commitment to support some of our churches in Africa. When our Senior Warden, Peter Thomas was there last year, he visited some, and they were extremely needy, although not in spirit. Therefore we are donating items from Yorkie’s closet as well as other gently used items which will be enthusiastically received. Some material has already shipped, and the Ladies Guild will meet June 1, to pack up the remainder.

Upcoming events at St. Margaret’s include a Korean War Memorial dedication on June 1 at 4:00 P.M. Fr. Monroe remarked “We can never forget the sacrifice our veterans made in that war, and all others, for our freedom.” Veteran’s groups are invited to participate formally in the event.

We at St. Margaret’s wish all our friends a spring of renewal and awakening, as well as a safe and funfilled summer.

-----Maureen Sparti Ferguson

More from St. Margaret’s

Spring has finally come to the White Mountains and St. Margaret’s has had a busy winter. Christmas saw one of the largest attendances at service in recent years. We also saw over 30% growth last year with new members joining us after moving into the area, or in some cases returning.
Also, in cooperation with American Legion Post 46 of Conway and Post 95 of North Conway, we dedicated a memorial to Korean War Veterans at a special Saturday Prayer Service at 4:00 PM on June 1st in Conway, NH. The memorial is a specially constructed case containing a Bronze Star, Korean War Medal and United Nations Korean Service Medal given by the family of a Korean War Veteran. Veterans groups were invited to participate formally in the event. A reception followed at the American Legion Hall, Post 46, on Tasker Hill Road after the service.

The Korean War was a conflict between Communist and non-Communist forces in Korea from June 25, 1950, to July 27, 1953. An armistice agreement was signed on July 27, 1953. Casualties in the war were heavy and U.S. losses were placed at over 54,000 dead and 103,000 wounded, while Chinese and Korean casualties were considerably higher.

As summer unfolds, our Senior Warden Peter Thomas and his wife Mary will celebrate 50 years of marriage at a renewal of vows service at the church, followed by a reception.

---------Linda Mallik

Brooklyn NY
St. Joseph

Greetings in the name of the Lord from St. Joseph’s Anglican Church in Brooklyn, NY.

I am writing to you on behalf of the congregation of St Joseph’s Anglican Church. The following is a quick listing of some of the events that have transpired during the last few months.

In February we celebrated the birthday of a few of our parishioners: Mrs. Morgan and Mr. Mahon, both pictured here with Canon Brathwaite relaxing and enjoying the day. Recently Mrs. Morgan was admitted to the hospital but has recovered enough in order to be moved to a rehabilitation facility. I visited her lately and she appears to be in good spirits. Hopefully, in God’s time, she will be back with us at the parish.

Also celebrating birthdays that month were Archdeacon Alan Koller, George and Greg Banner and Mr. Mahon. They are pictured to the right receiving prayers from Canon Brathwaite and our very own Deacon, Reverend Mr. Herby Rodney.

In the beginning of May Ms. Eartha Morris, sister of our Choirmaster and Organist Mr. Earl Morris, passed on after suffering for many years under the ravaging affliction of Multiple Sclerosis. In the past, when possible, Mr. Morris would arrange to bring Eartha to attend our service and the room would light up with her smile and her very presence. Her funeral was in the middle of May and during the reading of her obituary, we learned that before the disease entered her life, she was quite accomplished in all her endeavors having multiple degrees and being quite the musical genius. If it wasn’t for her refusing to play the piano / organ for her brother, we would not have the benefit of Mr. Morris’s skill set adding to our congregation. She will be missed by all who were blessed to have her in their lives.

Mother’s Day came this past weekend and our very own Mrs. “Moms” Savory won the oldest member present. You can see her (far right) with Archdeacon Koller flanking Mrs. Mae Daly and Ms. ReJaun Heusner who are presenting her with a gift bag.

My, doesn’t she look surprised.
Also present is Mrs. Iris Jones. Her birthday fell on the exact day of Mother’s Day this year. Does that make her extra special?

According to her loving husband, Mr. Roy Jones, you bet. He informed us, during repast, that they have been together for over 60 years and, judging by the look on her face, especially since she just turned 35, she must obviously have found the Fountain of Youth. We wish you, and your husband, a great many more years to come.

With that being said, the Vestry and Congregation of St. Josephs wish all a happy and healthy Pentecost and Trinity Season.

——Sincerely submitted, Mark Black, Subdeacon, Postulant & Webmaster.

Webster, NY
Holy Cross ACA

History Nugget: The first official Sunday service for our church was on June 4, 1978. Many features of the original 100-year old school house still remain, such as the bell we ring each Sunday morning and the original chalk trays.

Bea Cone and Helen Scott, two of the founding mothers of our church, were the first Sunday School teachers. The curriculum had been purchased from Dorothy and Tom Teal (The Teals - Authors and Publishers, Inc. Copyright - 1967, 1969). Helen Scott continued on for many years and taught the Confirmation Classes. Cindy Ayers was assisting Helen in 2003 with several children, including the children of Linda Bowen and Laurel Collins, who grew up under Helen’s tutelage.

Kate Chamberlin established the “Joyful Noise Sunday School” and based the curriculum on “The Purple Puzzle Tree”. The Summer sessions were based on “The Chronicles of Narnia” and the second summer on “God Rocks”. In subsequent years, she wrote curriculum integrating the existing resources into the NEST Family Video Series of Bible stories. Lyn Miller and the children’s parents rotated in and out to assist with the classes. Every other Sunday, Fr. Jim Ayers would come down to the classroom after Communion to work with our students.

Linda Bowen and Catherine Shutt have taken over the position of Sunday School Teacher, using the David Cook Curriculum. The teachers and children are enjoying the newly renovated basement area. It had been a labor of love by many parishioners and much appreciated, not to mention needed.

Paula Mahoney has recently joined forces in our downstairs classroom. This spring, we anticipate 2 Confirmands when the Bishop visits in June.

Events Up-Date: LENTEN LECTURE SERIES: Aaron James, our organist, kicked off our Lenten Series on Sunday, February 17 with an historic over-view of the hymns we sing and don’t sing. Ron Furrer, our Sub-Deacon, led the next 9:00-9:45 AM session with a discussion of The Lord’s Prayer. Rev. Martin Mahoney explained how important healing was in Jesus’ ministry. Fr. Mahoney shared his views on “Healing” and has seen the results during his Chaplain residency at Strong Memorial Hospital. Stu Hotchkiss addressed the daunting topic of “Easter - Facts and Fantasies”. Marjorie Osterhoudt rounded out our Lenten Lecture Series with an over-view of “Christ in the Psalms” based on her studies of Reardon, Lewis, and others.

FARE-WELL LUNCHEON: It saddened us to learned that our Sub-Deacon, Ron Furrer, and his wife, Sueanne, would be leaving our area to live in Kansas City, MO to care for Ron’s ageing parents. We then did what we do best: We sponsored a fare-well luncheon in their honor on Sunday, April 28. To show our appreciation for their more than a decade of service, Ron was presented with a monetary gift and Sueanne was given a copy of St. Martha’s Guild cookbook.

ENGLISH TEA: Each year, St. Martha’s Guild sponsors an English Tea for our congregation and surrounding community. Traditionally, it is held on the Saturday before Mother’s Day. Elsbeth Howland spearheaded the event this year and, although, it is a lot of work, everyone pitches in and the rewards are great. This is a major fund raiser for SMG and this year we had the added bonus of being able to sell our own cookbook, In St. Martha’s Kitchen, Tried and
Once upon a time there were 2 sheep, Lucky and Lucky Too, who had been rescued as lambs from the slaughter auction by a teacher and her husband. They led a beautiful, spoiled life with this family for 5 or 6 years at which point the people decided they were too busy and the sheep were taking up room in the barn that could be used as a work area for the man. We were contacted to take the sheep as a permanent retirement home. Many e-mails later the sheep arrived. We talked with the people for 2 hours or more and they left. No sooner did they get home than they called to see if they could have their sheep back. They felt horrible about what they had done, like they had “sent their child off to college”. They and the horses looked at the empty stall space that the man only a short time ago had coveted, and they felt an emptiness that they never thought possible. Of course, we said for them to come and take them home. We told them that they were part of their family. They had never really looked at things that way before. The man said he had learned a lot of lessons that day. ...A teacher we once knew said, “We are all teachers and we are all learners if we are humble enough for either position.” That day the “dumb” sheep taught a human a lesson and he was humbled enough to receive the message...We never know what we have until it is gone....our health, our loves, our life, our faith. We live in a very fast paced world and take many things for granted. Thank God that Jesus is always there, just waiting for us to slow down enough to see Him in everything around us.

The Rescue has been able, over the winter to help save 11 horses from the slaughter trucks by working with the owners of these old animals to help find retirement homes or other solutions for them. We live in a disposable society, babies, children, the elderly are deleted when inconvenient as are animals. We, here, do what we can for the animals as our small space and finances allow. We are grateful to those that help us....God Bless You.!!

-----Sr. Mary Francis

St. Johnsbury VT
Christ Church

Warmest greetings to all our ACA family from Christ Church, St. Johnsbury, VT. After a long winter we welcomed our “summer Vermonters”, the Whites, back from California, and also the McFarlanes who returned from the far reaches of Canada. It is always a joyful occasion.
to have everyone back together again to unite in prayer and communion.

We shared a St. Patrick’s Day brunch and caught up all the happenings in our lives.

Easter was a joyous time of celebration for the parish with nearly all of us gathered together. After service we enjoyed a sumptuous meal.

Father Art Bennett recently informed us that he would be needing more surgery on his shoulder. It is scheduled for mid-June. Please keep him and our church in your prayers. We are trying to work out a plan for services in his absence.

We wish everyone a long and warm summer.

-----Marlene Steelman

Ellsworth ME
St. Thomas

Greetings from St. Thomas!

Thanks to all who mourned with us at the passing of our rector Fr. Granville Henthorne.

Rev. Mr. Ian Dunn has been appointed as Deacon-In-Charge and Fr. Frank Gray celebrates Holy Communion for us three Sundays a month. Deacon Dunn leads us in Morning Prayer once a month on Sunday Morning. We are grateful for their service to our parish.

Much more work has been done on our tower, with the first floor finished and the second floor nearly finished. The first floor serves as our sacristy, and is much larger than our old sacristy. The old sacristy now functions as a coat room. The second floor will serve as our parish office when completed. Fr. Henthorne's altar on the first floor will be used, as the first floor will also be used as a side chapel. We also have an organ which we hope to sell or to donate to another parish in need of an organ.

Our vestry meeting took place on May 5. Topics discussed were related to outreach in the community, possible fundraisers, church finances, and charitable donations.

As summer comes we look forward to welcoming our summer residents.

--------Kevin A. Kelly

Rochester NH
Trinity Procathedral

The Twenty-fifth on the Twenty-Sixth

The year was 1988. To borrow from Dickens Tale of Two Cities, "It was the worst of times. It was the best of times." We had walked away from the secular changes imposed by the Bishops and leaders of the Episcopal Church, and in doing so had abandoned our beautiful church buildings and grounds on Wakefield Street. How could things be any worse? We soon discovered that our courage in standing firm in the faith of our fathers would result in the establishment of Trinity Anglican Church. Our motto was "Faith continued to the Glory of God". We were 90 in number, we were determined to keep our faith, and we worked in unity to build our church. There were constant challenges and excitement. Yes, these were the best of times, and God favored us with his blessings. Every Sunday the entire parish family would attend services. There was too much going on at church to miss a Sunday. Trinity Sunday was the next Sunday when we filed incorporation papers with the State of New Hampshire so we took the name "Trinity Anglican Church". This coming Trinity Sunday marks our 25th Anniversary.

We will celebrate "High Mass". Mr. Dean Warden has composed a setting for the Choir based on Psalm 150. The Saville Organ will be blessed and dedicated.

We will break bread together, with a Parish Picnic – Weather co-operating.

We will dedicate a tree to mark the occasion.

While 25 years have come and gone the reality is that 25 years is not very long in terms of the age of a church. We are still a young church with much hard work being required to ensure our continued success.

________Kirby Wood
Ascension Day greetings from Saint Nicholas’ Anglican Church on the Niagara Frontier. We continue in ministry by the Grace of God, looking continuously for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon our work and in our lives.

At this writing Saint Nicholas Anglican Church will have completed the installation of a new maize grinding mill at Saint James Church in Mwanza, Tanzania. Fr. Kahene and his parishioners now will be able to generate modest income for mission to those committed to their care. It is our hope that one day we will be able to visit Fr. Kahene’s congregation and see what God has done through the willing hands of so many supporters and volunteers in aid of this cause.

At the suggestion of some of our newer (millennial) parishioners, Saint Nicholas launched an organizational page on facebook in conjunction with our website in order to reach those with mobile ipads, ipods and all the latest in social networking gear. We also started an ad campaign on facebook and now actively seek people of many age groups in predetermined demographics. It’s been quite a learning curve, but I think it is well worth it.

On Easter Sunday we hosted ten new people who, we are very hopeful, will return to join our group. At the same time we welcomed back some of our ‘snowbirds’ from their hiatus in sunny Florida. Easter saw a growing population of congregants from an average Sunday of 24 to a ‘whopping’ Easter Sunday of 49 including four brass musicians who skillfully enhanced our worship of the Risen Christ.

Also on Easter Sunday, the Buffalo News carried a front page story about Healing and Prayer. Included in the article was an interview with Fr. Ed and his long time work in the field of spiritual healing and a mention of Saint Nicholas Church in West Seneca, NY.

In May, Saint Nicholas hosted our annual Rummage Sale that was visited by literally hundreds of WNY bargain hunters. We also had a soup and salad bar where we provided some homemade goodies and treats for the shoppers. Net total was well over $1,300 which we felt was a resounding success.

In April Fr. Ed Ihde and Warden Jim Siebold traveled to New Hampshire and Massachusetts to witness the consecrations of two new bishops in the Diocese of the Northeast. They are Bishop James Hiles of St. Paul’s, Brockton, MA and Bishop Owen Williams of Trinity Cathedral, Rochester, NH. It is an exciting time for the Continuing Anglican Churches and bodes well for the future of the ACA.

While in New England, we had the opportunity to stop at the bombing location in Boston, MA. It was a humbling and prayerful experience to see all the memorials that well wishers, from all over the world, had sent to support the survivors and in memory of those who were killed in that horrific event.

--- Fr. Ed Ihde

Lebanon NH

Trinity Anglican Church

Bp. Marsh conducted the third a series of studies on the foundations of Anglicanism centered on tenets of the Chicago-Lambeth Quadrilateral. This penultimate session focuses on the Creeds, especially the Nicene, Apostles’ and Athanasian Creeds. The vestry had originally perceived this study series as a vehicle to promote parish growth in the local Lebanon community. While we have had some success in that goal, it has become apparent that the series has also had
Mystic CT
St. Matthias

During the service on Sunday, February 3, Chuck Wonneberger (who with his wife, Cathy, has been attending St. Matthias for several months) was presented with a Lay Reader's License, and joined Richard Hamar in this ministry at St. Matthias Anglican Church. Not long afterward, Chuck and Cathy's grandson, Sean, began to be trained as crucifer and acolyte. It is wonderful to have two members of the same family ministering before the Lord!

During Lent, and into Easter-tide, we conducted an after-church book discussion group, on "Christian Primer - Adult answers to basic questions of the Christian Faith" by Louis Cassels. The series was very well received by those who participated, and we plan to have another such study in the near future.

Two people have indicated their desire to be confirmed, and Deacon Perkins has begun to instruct them in preparation for Bishop Marsh's visit to St. Matthias on July 14.

Plans are well along for Synod, which St. Matthias will be hosting on October 3, 4, and 5; information and registration paperwork for clergy and delegates will be forthcoming soon.

Once again, if your summertime travels bring you to "Mystic Country", be sure to come by and join us for worship!

Yours in the faith,
Deacon Merrill Perkins

Logos House

Things have been busy for Fr. Monroe. As the new President of Logos House, he has been focused on student work and getting the administration transitioned over to the library office.

With the great help of Valerie and Mike McCadden of St. Thomas Church, everything was moved from Fr. Henthorne’s office to the library. The seminary office is now up and running with their tremendous support.

-----Linda Mallik

From the Waterfront
Maritime Chaplaincy

Dr. Nash Garabedian has stepped down as the Chaplain for the Port of Portland and Fr. Monroe has been providing some support as needed there. He continues to serve on Secretary Napolitano’s National Maritime Security Advisory Council as Chairman, the only Chaplain to do so.

Yorkie’s Closet

St. Maraget’s in Conway houses and supports Yorkie’s Closet and in April, with the permission of Bishop Marsh, we packed and sent to our African Churches through Bishop Gill three large boxes for material that we packed and shipped to Brockton for Bishop Gill to take on his flight home. The shipment included priest’s vestments (4 sets), choir vestments, 4 chalices, ciborium, 6 sets of cruets and trays, cassocks, surplices and over 20 stoles for priests and deacons. Other parishes that contributed included St. David’s in Vermont and St. Gabriel’s in Cal-
ifornia, along with several individuals. Loretta Stewart Whitehead administers the program for the national church.

-----Linda Mallik

Charlestown, NH
Anglican Church of the Good Shepherd

Whitsuntide blessings on all our friends in the Diocese of the Northeast. Aare Ilves and Fr. David and Jeanne Moody were honored to be present at the consecrations of both our new suffragan bishops at the end of April. Jeanne also attended a meeting of the National Executive Council in Brockton, Mass. The altars of both Trinity Rochester and St. Paul’s Brockton were ablaze with the red vestments of seven bishops filled with the Holy Spirit, as shown in the beautiful pictures on the DNE website.

Our Bible Study group recently completed its study of the Apostles Creed based on an excellent set of video presentations by noted theologians, such as Dr. N.T. Wright, Bishop of Durham; Dr. Alistair McGrath, Wycliffe College, Oxford; and Dr. Kallistos Ware, Bishop of Dioskeia, Oxford. We highly recommend this program to any study group wishing to deepen their understanding of this fundamental statement of the Christian faith. Copies of “The Apostles’ Creed” DVD may be obtained at http://www.christianbook.com/ in both a 17-session version and an abbreviated 2-hour version. We are now launching a study of the Book of Jonah to be followed by the Acts of the Apostles.

In mid-May, Fr. David returned to the Fort at No. 4 in Charlestown as an 18th century clergyman conducting the Office of Morning Prayer and Sermon from a hand-bound reproduction of the 1743 edition of the Book of Common Prayer. This year Jeanne Moody is accompanying him in period dress as the pastor’s wife.

Enjoy God’s blessing of the spring sunshine as did Senior Warden Steve King, Judy King, and postulant Scott Chase on a recent Sunday in our churchyard.

Finally, we are looking forward to participating in a Fourth of July parade and rally with many other churches in the Springfield, Vt. and Charlestown, N.H. areas.

The rally will gather Christians of many denominations together as one body of Christ to let the world know that Jesus is alive and well and to share the Good News of the Gospel.

-----Submitted by The Rev. David W. Moody

Concord NH
All Saints

Jesus Christ is Risen, Alleluia! As the Paschal Season comes to an end we reflect upon the glorious Mystery of Redemption, and All Saints embarks upon the great season of growth in Trinity-tide, in which the Parish still holds a busy schedule.

All Saints celebrated the Eastern Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified with Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church in Manchester. Father Robert Smolley hosted and cooked a wonderful meal for All Saints in a reception held after the service. The two congregations mixed freely and shared the beauty of Catholic tradition, uniting East and West for an evening, a foretaste of the Unity Christ wished for His Church. The sharing of prayer and social events among the congregations has formed a bond between the clergy and faithful who feel welcome at each other’s parishes and events that make the two Catholic churches truly One in heart and faith.

The majestic ceremonies of the Triduum were performed with the usual precision and splendor at All Saints. The great Paschal Vigil was celebrated with the assistance of Fr. Robert Smolley and Br. Francis of Protection of the
The beauty of spring is here in all its glory at St. Elizabeth’s! Flowering trees, shrubs and blooms abound and bright green leaves cover once-barren trees. Spring warms our hearts and reassures us that our magnificent Almighty God is surely in control, as we see awesome beauty and new life springing forth all around us. How great Thou art, how great Thou art, indeed!

It’s hard to believe that over six weeks have passed by since we joyfully celebrated Easter Sunday. Preceding Easter Day, we once again shared Christian fellowship with neighboring churches during our community’s Lenten ecumenical services. During Holy Week, several services at St. Elizabeth’s offered time for prayer and meditation as we reflected on Jesus’ ultimate sacrifice for our sins. The day before Easter our annual Easter egg hunt was well attended by enthusiastic neighborhood children who happily headed home with lots of goodie-filled eggs.

Our annual spring flower sale on Mother’s Day weekend was a resounding success! Our loyal and faithful supporters showed up in full force once again. We completely sold out even though there are loads of flowers available everywhere at supermarkets and numerous other retailers within minutes of St. Elizabeth’s. We are so blessed to have such wonderful support.

Our next big event is a giant lawn sale on the parish grounds on May 25th and 26th of Memorial Day weekend. St. Elizabeth’s parishioners
and many of our other neighbors have been generously donating lots of great items for us to sell. Special kudos go out to Betty Langberg and Dot Schmidt who are the organizers and co-chairs of this event. They have spent endless hours sorting and pricing donated items in preparation for the sale. We’re hoping for a great turnout and pray that this will prove to be a significant fund-raiser for our congregation.

Two other happy occasions are forthcoming at St. Elizabeth’s. On June 30th, seven of our Sunday School students will be confirmed. The children have been hard at work with studies to prepare them for this significant milestone in their Christian lives. We pray that the Holy Spirit will fill their hearts and protect and guide them as they serve God and others in the years ahead. On July 13th, we will host a thank-you recognition celebration for the wonderful and generous supporters who donated the funds that made it possible for us to undertake and complete a major restoration project at St Elizabeth’s in 2012. More news about these joyous occasions will follow in the next NEA issue.

Several participants are currently attending the Alpha Course on Wednesday evenings at St. Elizabeth’s. The course runs for several weeks and offers attendees the opportunity to examine their Christian faith and its significance in their lives. The Alpha Course has been widely used by many Christian churches for several years. It provides insightful forums for reflecting on one’s faith through informative films, readings, and group discussions. We encourage you to consider conducting the Alpha course in your parishes. The course is very relevant, thought-provoking and helpful for all Christians, whether at a “new, mature, or in-between” stage in one’s life-walk of faith.

In closing, all of us at St. Elizabeth’s send our best wishes and we pray that God will bless all of you with a safe, healthy and happy summer.

——Ingrid Magar

**Easter Hats**

**at St. Margaret’s**

Here are Rebecca Harrington and Maureen Ferguson with Fr. Jeffrey Monroe at Easter at St. Margaret’s.
Portland ME
ST. PAUL’S ANGLICAN CHURCH
CELEBRATES ITS 250th ANNIVERSARY

We all know that First Parish Church was the first church established in the colony that became Portland (dates for its establishment run from 1660 to 1727) and that it was a Puritan Church. There is evidence that the Puritans established other churches in the area very early on – 2nd and 3rd parishes are mentioned. However the earliest non-Puritan church established in Portland was St. Paul’s in 1763.

The first colonists in Portland, then known as Casco, were English but not Puritan but by 1660 many were attending the Puritan Churches as their only choice. By 1763 there were more non-Puritan English living in the colony now known as Falmouth. One of the new families in town was the Tate family. George Tate was the new mast agent in Stroudwater. They had come from England and were members of the Church of England. Tate and other non-Puritan English wanted to establish a Church of England parish here. Some members of the Preble family were also interested. A local man, John Wiswell, was sent to London to attend Seminary and returned an Anglican priest, and St. Paul’s was established in 1763.

They built a wooden church on a street off of Middle Street, still known to day as Church Street, on a lot that is today a small parking lot. This first church was burned in the British Bombardment of 1775. A second church was built on that space in 1787. The reason for the break in time is that when the Revolution started members of Church of England Parishes were considered Tories and spies for Britain and the church went underground. In fact that original priest, John Wiswell, had obviously become enamored of the Empire when he studied in London, and was a Tory and sailed away with the British fleet after the Bombardment.

After the peace treaty with Britain is signed a new priest is found and the church re-emerges, and is legal. A larger church building was built in 1802 on Pearl Street, on a lot behind the F. O. Bailey building. That building burned in the Great Fire of 1866, and that space is also a parking lot today. It was then that the existing church was built in 1868, a 12th Century Gothic Revival building at the corner of Locust and Congress streets where it is today, along with a Gothic Revival rectory.

A serious smallpox epidemic developed in the chaos after the Great Fire and an infectious disease hospital was created where patients were taken. The priest of St. Paul’s at the time, N.R. Taylor Root, started making frequent visits to that hospital to comfort the patients. He acquired smallpox and died there in 1872.

The members still worship using the Book of Common Prayer, which was first published by the Church of England in 1549, and most recently revised in 1928. From the sixteenth through the eighteenth centuries the Church of England was under great pressure from her Puritan wing, under the influence of continental Protestants, to de-catholicize her liturgy, but in the nineteenth century what is called the 'Oxford movement' led to a revival of Catholic principles in her worship. The movement was strongly embraced in the United States, and Saint Paul's is the leading representative of Anglo-catholic worship in Maine.

Parish news: The parish Yard Sale is June 8 from 9am- 2pm. The ordinations of Ian Dunn and Ed Kalish are scheduled for July 6

Elizabeth NJ
Iglesia Anglicana San Agustin

St. Augustine’s was very pleased to receive a visit from Bishop Garcia of Puerto Rico along with Father George and Deacon Tony from P.R., and our own Bishop Marsh and Fr. Bob Ley. It was a special day in the life of the parish.

Fr. Davis Burial

The mortal remains of the Rev. James Herbert Davis, faithful priest of the Diocese of the Northeast, will be buried at the Nashotah House cemetery on June 18, 2013. The Nashotah House cemetery, which contains the remains of many notable leaders of Anglican and Episcopal Churches, is made available as final resting place for any graduate.
WANTED !

STUBBY ALTAR CANDLES
&
OLD PALM BRANCHES

Are You wondering what to do with those old palm branches that have accumulated over the years in your home or parish? What about that box or drawer of stubby altar candles that are no longer of use? The Benedictines at Our Lady of Seven Sorrows Priory in Raymond, Maine will take care of these in a reverent and appropriate manner. Just get them to us, and we’ll do the rest!

They may be dropped off at Synod in October and Fr. Kevin can take delivery of them from any of the Diocesan clergy who will be attending. You can also drop them by at the Priory. Please call ahead before you visit. Tel: (207)-655-4441.

UPCOMING EPISCOPAL VISITS

BISHOP MARSH

BISHOP LANGBERG
Bishop Langberg has been scheduled to visit the following parishes and missions: Holy redeemer, St. Lucy, St. Thomas of Canterbury, Trinity, Rochester.

BISHOP WILLIAMS
Bishop Williams will visit the following parishes and missions: Holy Trinity, All Saints, St. Margaret, St. Elizabeth.

BISHOP HILES
Bishop Hiles is scheduled to visit the following parishes and missions: St. Paul’s, Portland; St. Luke, Christ Church, St. David.

Gluten Free Wafers
Part 2

We ran an article last issue on this subject. There’s been a little discussion on this important issue, as a result of which I’ve been asked to add some comments this time.

The first is to bring assurance that, while receiving in both kinds, as was done at the Last Supper, is the preferable way of Communion, it is entirely valid and acceptable to receive, when one must, in one kind only. There is no lack of sacramental grace in receiving only the Host or only the Cup, inasmuch as the risen and ascended Christ is not divided. One receives Him whole and entire in either form. Thus those dealing with either alcoholism or with celiac disease and thus not able to take either the Host or the Cup, can be entirely confident that they have fully partaken of the Sacred Banquet in receiving what they can.

However, there are good reasons of some spiritual depth for wanting to participate in the fullest possible way. For that reason the church has made great effort to provide, as much as possible, for those with such needs. In doing so, we have to be very careful, though, not to depart from what Our Lord Himself instituted. He used bread and wine. We aren’t free to use another beverage (not even unfermented grape juice) in the cup, nor are we free to use bread that is not made from wheat. Don’t despair. There is a solution for celiacs. There has been a process developed in which bread (hosts) can indeed be made from wheat, but without a detectable level of gluten. These can be purchased from

Congregation of Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration
Altar Breads Department
31970 State Highway P
Clyde, Missouri 64432
Phone: 1-800-223-2772
http://www.altarbreadsbspa.com/lowgluten.php

Unfortunately, after investigation it turns out that the wafers mentioned in the last issue, provided through Almy’s, being made from rice and potato, are not suitable for Eucharistic use, but these certainly are.

———editor
Musical Notes

Pentecost in Down Ampney

Tourists in the west of England do not usually stop in the village of Down Ampney. They have no reason to, since the town (pop. 526) is not on any major highway and doesn’t have any especially famous landmarks to attract foreign visitors. Yet “Down Ampney” is known to churchgoers throughout the English-speaking world as the name of the tune for one of the most beloved Pentecost hymns, “Come down, O love divine” (Hymnal 1940, #376). The composer Ralph Vaughan Williams, who wrote the hymn tune, was born in Down Ampney and named the tune as a tribute to his birthplace. The text and tune have been popular worldwide since their publication in the English Hymnal of 1906, edited by Vaughan Williams (who, with characteristic modesty, listed the tune’s composer as “anonymous”).

Theologians and church musicians have acclaimed “Come down, O love divine” as a masterpiece of hymn writing, a perfect match of text and tune. Yet its tune name immortalizes an almost unknown English village in the Cotswolds, and its text was written by an obscure fourteenth-century monk named Bianco da Siena: little is known of his life, and the Italian religious poems that he wrote were forgotten for hundreds of years. Bianco would probably be very surprised to learn that his poem, written in Italian for the use of his fellow monks, would achieve its widest popularity as an English hymn centuries after his death.

On reflection, however, the obscure origins of this Pentecost hymn may be highly significant. The story of Pentecost reminds us that God’s work is not accomplished through our own unaided talents, but through the Holy Spirit working in us. Bianco’s poem is insistent that the Spirit’s power exceeds even our ability to imagine or describe: it “shall far outpass the power of human telling; / For none can guess its grace, / Till he become the place / Wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.” As each verse of the hymn insists, it is only through our transformation by the Spirit that we are equipped to do God’s work, as our own selfish desires are turned “to dust and ashes in its heat consuming.” It thus seems oddly appropriate that the hymn expressing this Pentecostal message should have been named after an almost unknown English village; it reminds us of God’s ability to do great things using seemingly insignificant people.

In its original version, the hymn includes a third verse which the editors omitted from the 1940 hymnal (sung after our verse 2):

*Let holy charity
Mine outward vesture be,
And lowliness become mine inner clothing;
True lowliness of heart,
Which takes the humbler part,
And o’er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.*

It is not difficult to imagine why this stanza might have been omitted – the idea of weeping with loathing over our shortcomings is unwelcome to many people. Yet these sentiments are no more alarming than the words of our own Prayer Book, which invites us each week to confess that the remembrance of our sins “is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable.” The entire Book of Common Prayer is constructed around this cycle of penitence, grace, and reconciliation; again and again the liturgy brings us face to face with the reality of our failings and our need for forgiveness, and then assures us that our sins have been forgiven through Christ. This is why, at the climax of the Eucharistic order, the Prayer Book brings us up short with the Prayer of Humble Access, in which we say that “we are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table,” before we are welcomed to that very same table as honoured guests. This is why the Church insists that its greatest festivals should be preceded by fasting, including the seasons of Advent and Lent as well as the Rogation Days before Ascension. This is also why Bianco’s hymn is not complete without its penitential third verse, reminding us that “true lowliness of heart” is a prerequisite to receive the “holy flame” of the Spirit. In its original form, the hymn brings us back to the cycle of confession and forgiveness that is at the heart of Anglican worship. It reminds us that the Holy Spirit’s gifts are offered to the humble and penitent, and that a seemingly insignificant village like Down Ampney might not be the worst place to wait for the Spirit’s presence.

*by Aaron James (the editor apologizes for neglecting to credit him in the last issue.)*
Guide Dog Chronicles: 
Anticipation – Again

By Kate Chamberlin

“What can the dog do that you can’t do now?” A lady at church asked me.

Where should I begin? How can I explain that it isn’t just a matter of increased independent mobility to go for the mail or even the bathroom, to be able to safely return to volunteer tutoring and mentoring in the elementary school, as well as go for healing walks?

A guide dog can break the downward spiral of depression, isolation and obesity. A dog can be the constant, uncritical companion. She’s there for you when you can’t reach out. She supplies a person’s need to be needed and sense of responsibility.

At times, being totally blind is overwhelming and quite intimidating. It requires a push to re-open doors, restore confidence and bring new love into a person’s life.

Freedom Guide Dogs, Inc. has notified me that I’ve been accepted into their program. I feel anxious about being able to commit to another dog. My high expectations from my very successful eight years with my first dog Future Grace a 60-pound Golden Retriever (Guiding Eyes for the Blind, Inc.), and my 9-years with my recently retired 60-pound Yellow Lab Peyton Grace (Upstate Guide Dog Association), are tempered by my memory of the emotionally devastating mismatch with my fourth guide dog, Joey, an 95-pound Black Lab. I know my new guide will be a female, about two years old and either a Yellow or Black Lab, but I won’t know her name until we actually start training. You can bet your bippy her middle name will be Grace.

The really neat part about home training with a guide dog is that my husband can go on several walks with us and the trainer will coach him on when to speak up and when to shut up, which will bode well for the future of our marriage!

I am grateful to the many wonderful folks who have offered me their elbow and escorted me to and fro after Peyton Grace’s retirement, but there is nothing like picking up that harness and stepping out by myself.

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Tulip Grace has arrived and we are beginning to learn each other. When the official ten days of home training are over, it will take another three to six months of working together to become a true team. I still need your help. Don’t be shy about telling me if you’re holding the door open, or if we’re approaching stairs, or letting me know what is on my right or left.

Please remember that when my trainer, Ryan Thomas and I are out walking with Tulip Grace in harness, she is on duty and may not socialize with you. My safety depends on your not distracting her by talking, petting or feeding her even though she is a beautiful, 60-pound Black Lab and may give you that dole-full, pleading look as her tail wags a mile a minute.

We’re both concentrating on getting from here to there in one piece, but if you speak up saying, "Hi, Kate." and then your own name, we’d love to stop for a chat.

NOTE: Freedom Guide Dogs, Inc., 1210 Hardscrabble Rd., Cassville, NY 13318; Phone: (315)822-5132; info@freedomguidedogs.org.

Come Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire.
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.

Thy blessed unction from above
Is comfort, life, and fire of love.
Enable with perpetual light
The dullness of our blinded sight.

Anoint and cheer pour soiled face
With the abundance of thy grace.
Keep far our foes, give peace at home;
Where thou art guide, no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And thee, of both, to be but One;
That, through the ages all along,
This may be our endless song:

Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
DON’T MISS OUT!

St. Luke’s Camp is running from August 4-10, 2013 in Hinsdale, MA. Cost is $275 per camper. Come make new friends as you draw nearer to God and learn about the faith. Our theme this year is “RENEW, KEEP, REDEEM!” Ages 7-15. Lift up your heart with us! We have great new stuff in store, and old favorites. Download your application at stlukescamp.com. Hurry - the deadline to have applications in is JUNE 30! Questions? Contact Father Dibble at diakonio@windstream.net or 315-725-3745. We have a great bunch of volunteers working to make this a great experience for you!

GOD BLESS AND HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Saint Luke’s Camp
August 4-10, 2013
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This year’s theme:
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Plan on sending kids age 7-15 for a week of growth in Christ and FUN!

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315-725-3745
Parishes and Missions

Connecticut

Mystic: St. Matthias—Sun 10.30
(at Old Mystick Village, Coogan Blvd.)
Mail to: P.O. Box 293, Mystic, CT 06355
Dcn Merrill Perkins (860) 391-2497

Deblois: St. Francis
Fr. James Dumond 1069 Rt 193 (207)638-2441

Ellsworth: St. Thomas—Sat 3pm, Sun 10am
(373 Bangor Rd., Rt. 1A) (207)667-2001.
Fr. Frank Grey, Dcn Ian Dunn

Old Orchard: St. Augustine of Canterbury—Sun 10am , (Cathedral Pines Chapel, 156 Saco Ave), Deacon Allen Ryan, (207)229-8700.

Portland: St. Paul
Sun 8 & 10 am (279 Congress St.)
Fr. Samuel Logan
Fr. Amos Mihoodna, Dcn Bro Ignatius, Dcn Al Ryan, Dcn Michael Cupoli, Fr. Joseph Bizimana

Raymond,: Our Lady of Seven Sorrows Priory—Sun 8am (May through Nov.) (4 Shaw Road) (207)655-4441 Rev. Prior Kevin LaMarre, OSB

Rockland: Resurrection Mission—Sun 10am (at members’ homes.) (207)236-2421. Fr. Frank Gray.

Waterville: Holy Trinity—Sun 10am (chapel, Sacred Heart RC, 70 Pleasant St.)
Dcn Ed Kalish (207) 989-2117, Subdcn Richard Spears (207) 443-4638

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Massachusetts

Belchertown: occasional services at the bishop’s oratory (1 Main Street) contact Bishop Marsh (413)323-7869

Brockton: Saint Paul's - Sun 8 & 10.30
(701 Pleasant St.) 508-588-7285
Fr. James R. Hiles, Dcn. Czarr Freeman

New Hampshire

Amherst: St. Luke - Sun 8 & 10am
(3 Limbo Lane) (603)672-6054.
Fr. Alexander H. Webb

Charlestown: Good Shepherd - Sun 9am
(20 Summer St.) (413)552-1580.
Bishop Brian Marsh.
Fr. David Moody

Concord: All Saints’ - Sun 10am
124F Hall Street (603)545-9079
Fr. Christian Tutor OSA.

Conway: St. Margaret of Scotland - Sun 10am
(85 Pleasant St.) (603)447-2404
Fr. Jeffrey Monroe, Dcn Harry Wellsman

Rochester: Trinity - Sun 8 & 9.30am
(180 Rochester Hill Road) (603)332-4121
Fr. Owen Williams

Lebanon,: Trinity—Sun 11am
28 Maple St. (413)323-6445.
Bp Brian Marsh, Dcn. Robert Philp

New Jersey

Elizabeth NJ: St. Augustine—Sun 10am
(55 Jefferson Ave.)
Fr. Luis Aguilar, 786-342-5841

New York


Canandaigua: Holy Redeemer -Sun 10am
(4575 Rte 364 - East Lake Road).
Fr. James Ayers. (585)334-3512,
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Glendale (Queens): St. Augustine
Fr. Neville Braithwaite (718)756-1258

Tuxedo: St. Elizabeth - Sun 10am
(38 Chapel Turn, Eagle Valley)
Bp. George Langberg. (845) 753-2580
Fr. Robert Ley (973) 962-6849

Webster: Holy Cross - Sun 10am
(615 Bay Road) .
Fr. Martin Mahoney (585) 236-7190

West Seneca NY: St. Nicholas.
(2783 Seneca St.) , Fr. Edward Ihde 716-609-1919

West Winfield: St. Lucy (10265 US Rte 20)
(315)725-3745. Fr.. Richard Dibble

Vermont

St. Johnsbury: Christ Church—Sun 10.10am
(54 Southard St.—SDA church) Fr. Art Bennett cell 603-504-5631

Wells: St. David—1st Sun 9.30am. A house church, usually at 18 Mountain View Court.
Call Fr. Alexander Stringer (802)645-1962

Associated Anglican Parishes

Halfmoon (Clifton Park), NY: St. Thomas of Canterbury—Sun 10am (242 Grooms Road )
Fr. Richard Dibble (315)725-3745
Clergy Anniversaries

My list is woefully incomplete and probably inaccurate. Please help me get it right. ed.

Jun
07 - Fr. James Ayers, P 2003
11 - Fr. James Ayers, D 2000
13 - Fr. Owen Williams, P 1998
14 - Bp George Langberg, P 1986
15 - Fr. Alexander Stringer, D 1952
17 - Fr. Alexander Webb, D 1978
18 - Bp Robert Harvey D 1956
19 - Fr. David Ambuske, P 1963
21 - Fr. Robert Ley, birthday
25 - Dcn William Morrill, D 2000

Jul
06 – Dcn Merril Perkins, birthday
11 - Bp George Langberg, C 1998
14 - Fr. Alexander Stringer, birthday
16 – Dcn Merrill Perkins D 2011
23 - Fr. James Dumond, P 1992

Aug
01 - Dcn Joel Alligood D 1993
08 - Fr. Jeffrey Monroe P 2009
14 - Dcn. Michael Cupoli D 2010
14 - Dcn. Allen Ryan D 2010

Supplement

The following reports arrived just barely too late to be included in the print edition. I wish I had waited one more day. At any rate, there still is time to append them to the online edition, as follows:

Canandaigua NY
Holy Redeemer

Echoing the popular radio show host, it’s been a quiet time in Canandaigua.

We have transitioned into Spring, after a moderately snowy Winter. Trees and flowers are bursting into blossom, displaying wherever one glances the beauty of God’s earth. A foolish mother cardinal chose shrubbery about three feet from our front door to establish her nest, and of course every time we went out the door, she flew away amidst an explosion of wings, feathers and sharp criticism.
On Sunday, April 28, Fr. Jim and Cindy, on the occasion of their 29th anniversary, renewed, at Holy Redeemer, their wedding vows. The occasion was splendid, touching and joyful. Congratulations to the happy couple. They neglected to tell us where they were honeymooning.

We will celebrate Memorial Day by carrying, in Sunday morning’s procession on June 2, the national flag, and we will celebrate Flag Day on Sunday, June 16, once again carrying Old Glory in procession. Despite differences of opinion, we have so very much to be thankful for in these United States.

On Monday, May 13, Diane Jones’ father’s ashes (he died in December at age 95) were committed to final rest at a national cemetery near Tampa, Florida. Her father was a proud World War II veteran of the Army Air Corps, having served during the difficult times on the Pacific islands of, among others, Tarawa, Iwo Jima, Guam, and Tinian (there watching the Enola Gay land on August 6, 1945). Military honors were rendered, by an Air Force honor guard, with taps and distant rifle volleys. All of the children and several of the grandchildren were able to attend, together with a number of other relatives. Cameron Jones, 11 year old grandson, who was determined to play at his grandfather’s ceremony, surprised his “Grum” (grandmother), and most of the others attending, by playing the Star Spangled Banner and Amazing Grace for his “Pa”. Cameron is new to the saxophone, but after much struggle, he learned the music and he nailed it at the ceremony. Now, a wonderfully good man, and another member of the Greatest Generation, has gone to be with the angels.

We look forward to a visit from our Bishop in June. And we wish you all a safe and delightful summer.

-----Walter W. Jones Jr.,
secretary to Diane S. Jones

Thanks to Chancellor Jones for stepping in for his wife on short notice during a particularly busy time.

When I prepared the account of the consecrations, I had attended in Rochester, but for Brockton had only second-hand information and a few pictures to work from. Chancellor Jones provided me with first-hand notes to use in preparing the following supplement:

Consecration in Brockton

It was a beautiful sunny day in Brockton, Mass, with hardly a cloud in the sky. There were several bishops on hand, all in full regalia, including the principal consecrator, Rt. Rev. Brian R. Marsh, with Fr. Alexander Henderson Webb serving as bishop’s chaplain. The bishops were from many different places, including two from Canada, two from Diocese of Puerto Rico, one from South Africa, Bishop Vaughn, Ordinary of the Diocese of the Eastern United States, Bishop Strawn, Ordinary of the Diocese of the Missouri Valley, and of course our own Ordinary/Presiding Bishop. It is estimated that the event was attended by some 400 people (the church building was packed).

The service lasted more than 1 ½ hours. Bishop Gill of South Africa preached a challenging sermon and we were glad that he and his wife had come so far to celebrate with us. At the service’s end, the newly consecrated Bishop Hiles, in vestments and mitre, was escorted up and back by two other bishops; Bishop Hiles was well composed but he was obviously deeply moved by the day’s proceedings as he began to give his first Episcopal blessings.

After the service, a catered lunch was served to about 75 guests—this affair was in a tent set up on church grounds adjacent to the church buildings—champagne toasts offered and drunk, and an address by Archbishop Mark Haverland of the Anglican Catholic Church, O.P.

St. Paul’s is a wonderfully ethnically diverse parish, reminding us that we are all one in Christ, having been called out of every nation and race and tongue to serve Him.