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Christ Church Youth on Mission in Syracuse



Left: Youth from Christ Church and Zion St. John's Lutheran share a meal with members of the L'Arche community. Center: Kristin Ratliff, Becca Odell and Sara Lauterbach hard at work weeding the L'Arche gardens. Right: Nathan Searles and Nate Miller take a break from washing windows at the L'Arche community house. See Page 5 for more information about the mission trip.



From the Rector's Study

Our son Philip has gotten much easier to live with over the past two months. Early in the summer it wasn't clear whether he was an infant or a toddler. He could say some words, but he often couldn't speak clearly enough to make himself understood. He didn't know the words for many things he wanted to talk about, and his emphatic grunts weren't very pleasant for any of us. He could walk, but not steadily enough to keep from falling down repeatedly, often just when he was preparing to pick up something or turning a different direction.

Now he speaks and walks much more easily. He understands much more about the world around him, and he laughs and smiles all the time. He seems more comfortable with himself, more confident and secure. Those who research church growth and administration often find that in churches, too, there are some stages and sizes that fit more naturally, while others that leave congregations feeling uncertain and frustrated. Some church leadership writers talk about "the 200 barrier," a mark our average Sunday attendance is soon approaching, as the most important of these stage markers.

Churches whose average Sunday attendance is between 75 and 125 are comfortably sized small churches. They tend to be tight-knit communities in which all the parishioners know and care for each other. The rector of a church this size is a very important figure who puts his or her stamp clearly on parish life. The rector can usually manage leading all the services, providing all the pastoral care and coordinating most of the activities with relative ease. Churches with average Sunday attendance over 225 are comfortable in their identity as large churches. They are more focused on offering a variety of programs, and parishioners are comfortable connecting primarily with those fellow mem-

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bers who are worship at the same services and take part in the same programs that they do. They don't expect to know everyone else in the congregation, or to have the pastor present to help them with every question. Churches of this size can often afford several pastors, or other paid staff to manage programs between them.

Churches that fall between these two sizes, with Sunday attendance between 125 and 225 are called "transitional" and they often find themselves, like Philip in early summer, in a much less comfortable place. They are often excited to be adding new members and new programs. They tend to be places full of activity and energy. But some of their members worry about not knowing newcomers, feeling less unified than "we used to be." Members often complain that the clergy seem unavailable, and some are not open to turning to fellow lay people for support and help. Transitional churches have difficulty knowing how to arrange their staff with too many needs and not enough budget income to pay for them. They tend to burn out pastors, who are often pushed to the limit by competing demands. Until attendance "breaks the 200 barrier"—until they grow into large churches, transitional sized churches are likely to face plenty of frustration and difficulty.

Christ Church currently finds itself squarely in the "transitional" camp. Over the past year, we have grown from an average Sunday attendance of 125 to 180. We have added numerous new programs and activities, and have delighted in welcoming many new members. Many of you have talked about how excited you are about our congregation—how you have been longing and praying for this growth for many years. But we face

plenty of challenges as well. Our experience with Emily this past summer proved that additional pastoral staff would be a great help—especially as we try to reach out in mission and draw new people into our congregation. We also need to work at integrating our newer members into parish life, finding opportunities for them to continue to grow and to use their gifts in God's service. Developing stronger small group ministries and training lay people for more active leadership will also be important, as we work to develop a system that provides compassionate and supportive pastoral care when the rector cannot always be available.

Your vestry will be focusing on these kinds of leadership challenges at our retreat on October 9, led by Rev. David Born, who works as a consultant for parishes seeking to become more active and fruitful in mission. We will be working especially on designing a staffing plan that will be more effective in promoting our parish mission. I have also been interviewing the rectors of other parishes of our size and situation to gain more insight about leading congregations through these times of growth and change.

We will present forums about these issues in the Parish Hall on October 24 at 11:30 and October 31 at 9:00 and 11:30. Based on I Corinthians 3:6-9, the program will be entitled "Working Together in God's Field." It will provide opportunities for you to learn more, to ask questions, and to offer your own feedback about this exciting, but challenging time in our parish life. The topics discussed at these forums will also play an important role in our planning for 2011 and in the Annual Stewardship drive and pledge appeal. Pray for your vestry and for me as we discern the way forward and seek to answer God's call to pursue the mission before us.

Thanks for Your Help!

We thank all who have shared their gifts to enrich our common life, especially at this time:

- **Georgia Meeter** for her hours of work reorganizing our Children's Sunday School program and training new teachers and helpers.
- **Jackie Spooner** for teaching our new Pre-K and Kindergarten class
- **Terry Alessandri and Katy Snell** for conducting our annual financial audit.
- **David and Karin Svahn** for reorganizing our Parish Archives and moving them to a new location in the Center Upstairs Room in the Parish Hall
- **Richard and Pam Scurry**, for donating a new sofa for the Parish Hall waiting area.
- **All who supported the Dinner and Raffle for Leia Bailey Coffin, especially Sandy Thorne, Nancy Pfau and Linda and Amber Van Cleef** who donated or secured raffle donations, and **John Mason**, who sold the raffle tickets.
- **Alton and Linda Van Cleef and their crew of helpers** who organized, prepared and served the Habitat for Humanity Beef Stroganoff Dinner. Over \$800 was raised to start a Habitat Home in Otsego County.

Christ Church Welcomes Nine New Members



The newest members of our Parish. Row 1: Emily Leonardy, Sal and Florence Amato, Elizabeth Rowe, Mandy Robinson and Joy White. Row 2: Todd Dibble, Ann and Paul Hager

We were delighted to welcome nine new members into the fellowship of our congregation on Sunday, August 1. All nine have transferred into our parish from other Episcopal churches and are taking an active role in Parish life.

Salvatore and Florence Amato recently moved to Elm Street in Cooperstown from Queens. Sal is retired from the financial industry, and they are enjoying having more time to spend with their daughter, Gabrielle Tafuro and grandson, Ben, both of whom are part of our Parish Family. Devoted Mets fans, the baseball associations of the village are an added draw for the Amatos. The Amato's former parish was St. Luke's, Forest Hills, which was served for many years by The Rev'd Canon Thomas Blomquist, formerly an assisting priest at Christ Church and the husband of Doris Blomquist.

Todd Dibble has deep family roots in the Hartwick area and some his-

toric family connections to Christ Church, but he only recently moved back to our area. A former salesman, Todd is now studying at Mohawk Valley College in Utica to become a substance abuse counselor. His mother Cathy worshipped with us also throughout the summer, but has now returned to her offseason home in Florida.

Paul and Ann Hager recently moved to a home on Goodyear Lake from Northern Virginia. Paul recently retired as an administrator at the Madeira School, a girls' private school near DC. Ann is a nurse and is continuing to work part time at the hospital in Herkimer. The Hagers are originally from our region, and grew up in Bainbridge and Sidney. Paul has begun singing with the Parish Choir and also leads Evening Prayer on Mondays.

Emily Leonardy served as our summer intern. A second year seminarian at Duke Divinity School

in Durham, North Carolina, Emily is a native of Ohio. Christ Church is serving as her sponsoring parish in the process leading to priestly ordination in the Diocese of Albany. Emily will hopefully be returning to serve with us again in the summer of 2011. In addition to her classroom work, Emily will also be interning this school year with the chaplaincy office at Duke Medical Center, where she will work with an end of life care program called, "No One Dies Alone."

Mandy Robinson and her family have been worshipping with us here for some time, but she recently transferred membership from her hometown parish in Skaneateles, New York. Mandy is a French teacher at CCS and lives with her husband, Dean and children, Julia and Ian, in Fly Creek. Julia occasionally sings with our choir and Ian is an acolyte.

Elizabeth Rowe and her fiancée Rocco "Rocky" Abbondandolo recently moved to the Cherry Valley area from Long Island. Elizabeth, who goes by "Ziya" is working at Fox Hospital in Oneonta. She and Rocky are to be married on October 2, 2010.

Joy White and her husband Alfred "Bo" live in Springfield Center, where they have operated bed and breakfast inns for the tourist trade. Joy is also an avid gardener and a great lover of horses. Here at Christ Church, she helped with Vacation Bible School and is training for service as a Lay Eucharistic Minister and on the Altar Guild..

New Life in Holy Baptism



On August 15, we shared in the baptism of **Sofia Jane Yastrzemski**, shown at left with her family. Her parents are Adam and Dara Yastrzemski and sisters are Emma and Addison "Addie" and brother is Aleksander. The Yastrzemskis live in Cooperstown Dorothy St. John is her proud great grandmother.

On September 12, **Henry Robert Ramsey**, shown at right, was baptized at the 8:00 Eucharist. His parents are Benjamin Ramsey and Marianne Benet. The family lives in Brooklyn, but often visits with us, as Carolyn Mook is Henry's loving grandmother. Tess Hennigan, Eric Hill's granddaughter, was also baptized on August 8.

Vestry Notes

At their August 8 Meeting, the Vestry took the following actions:

- **Designated official signatories** for our contract with Manning Napier, our new investment advisor
- **Decided to remove the Parish Hall water fountains**, as they have not been used in some time and cannot be repaired.

At their September 13 Meeting, the Vestry took the following actions:

- Appointed Terry Alessandri and Katy Snell as the **Audit Committee**.
- **Approved a Position Description for Parish Administrator**. This new post will replace the Parish Secretary post on 10/12. An expanded job, it adds to the parish secretary's duties some volunteer coordination, web-based communications work, financial correspondence and payroll accounting. The parish administrator will work 25 hours per week and will be compensated at the rate of \$14.50 per hour. The current parish secretary will be invited to apply for the position.

- **Approved Amendments to the Personnel Policy**: changes included use of Parish Administrator language, regularization of holidays and vacation accrual between different positions, and revision of the health insurance benefit in accordance with national church canons, so that every employee working 30 hours or more per week must be provided full health insurance coverage, while employees working under 30 hours a week will have no health insurance benefit. Current employees will retain their current benefits.
- **Approved the purchase of a Paschal Candle Stand and Candle for the Chapel**, at \$1000, to be crafted by Bill Ralston. The Candle Stand is to be given in memory of Dorothy Chase and funded by memorial contributions made by her friends.
- **Approved a Heating Oil Contract** with Bruce Hall Corporation, securing a cap price rate of \$2.79 per gallon.
- **Authorized David Vaules to serve as a Temporary Assistant Treasurer** while both of the assistant treasurers are incapacitated. David may serve until October 15.

Wedding Bells at Christ Church



Justin Ross and Suzanne Stack were married at the Sunday morning service on September 12. They are shown here with flower girl Kara Gildea and ring bearer Colin Ross. The service was followed by a festive reception for the whole parish family. We also congratulate Matthew and Hanne Walker Rush, married at Christ Church on September 18, as well as Rocco Abbondandolo and Elizabeth Rowe and Jonathan Leinhart and Angela Eldred, who will be united in Holy Matrimony here in October.

Caring Coins

The Outreach Committee invites you to participate in our Caring Coins project by placing your loose change in the offering plate on Sunday mornings. Each month, funds collected will support a ministry associated with that month's outreach focus. In August, \$76 was collected for Otsego County's latest Habitat for Humanity project. This month's focus is our Dominican Republic Scholarship program. All coins collected will help fund a scholarship for students at the Santa Domingo School. In October our focus will be Friends of Recovery of Delaware and Otsego County. Caring Coins will support The Turning Point Recovery Community Center in Oneonta. The Outreach Committee and Audrey Murray, Caring Coins coordinator, welcome and encourage your participation and suggestions!

Youth on Mission in Syracuse

Six youth from Christ Church and Zion St. John's Lutheran Church in Seward joined Fr. Mark and Pastor Allison Michael on a mission trip to Syracuse in August. The group worked at three different L'Arche homes, mostly helping with yard work and cleaning out garages. The mission team also shared a meal with residents of the L'Arche home and spent time talking with the residents about their experiences of community life. Those on the team from Christ Church were Nate Miller, Becca Odell and Kristin Ratliff.

Learning more about L'Arche and its ministry to the vulnerable was an important part of the trip. L'Arche is a ministry designed to support developmentally disabled people by forming Christian communities based in family homes. Founded by Canadian Roman Catholic layman Jean Vanier, L'Arche reflects a deep belief in the dignity of all human life and that all people are blessed by God with gifts to contribute toward building a more humane society. L'Arche communities are designed to foster meaningful relationships and to provide a kind of stability and deep engagement not often possible in more traditional institutional settings.

Each L'Arche house we visited had between 3 and 5 "core members" and a similar number of resident "assistants," who devote a year or more to life in the community. The house residents share meals and daily worship together, and gather weekly with the residents of other houses for common worship and recreation activities.

In addition to spending time at the L'Arche community, the mission team also learned more about the ministries of Atonement Lutheran Church, an inner city Syracuse parish that serves an economically deprived neighborhood. We talked with Atonement's pastor and intern about the church's preschool and low-income housing ministries, and took a tour of the neighborhood to learn more about the challenges of life in the inner city. The team also attended a production of one-act plays presented by a community theatre program sponsored by the parish. We slept on the floor of the Chapel and shared in worship services at the Church as well as a series of reflection times and common prayer.

The trip closed with a fun trip to the Syracuse Zoo and the final of several stops for ice cream during the hot, muggy three days. We hope to make another joint trip next summer if not before, and to learn more about how to serve others in Christ's Name.

"Every child, every person needs to know that they are a source of joy; every child, every person, needs to be celebrated. Only when all of our weaknesses are accepted as part of our humanity can our negative, broken self-images be transformed." Jean Vanier, founder of L'Arche

Remembering 9.11.2001



Celebrating Recovery in October

By Betty Currier

** Once you have no hope, no goals or no dreams, you're just waitin' to die.*

** God gives you the means to get clean and sober, now what you gonna do with that life?*

--Voices of recovering addicts in New York City

These words could have been spoken by hundreds of individuals in Otsego County. Many with alcohol, other drug or other addictive disorders report quitting their use of alcohol, other drugs or problem behaviors such as gambling because they wanted a better life. The road of recovery is the path to a better life but a challenging and stressful path for most. And it is one best not traveled alone.

Sunday October 10th will be Recovery Sunday at Christ Church. At both the 8:00 and the 10:00 services the topic "Recovery is Contagious," presented by Betty Currier, will speak about rise of communities of recovery and the important

role they play in helping individuals and families develop meaningful and sustained recovery. Christ Church supports The Turning Point, a recovery community center in Oneonta operated by Friends of Recovery of Delaware and Otsego Counties (FOR-DO). This year we contributed \$2000 to establish a telephone link program to support people in recovery.



CELEBRATE RECOVERY

At 9:00 am, Betty and other members of FOR-DO will have a powerpoint presentation on The Turning Point and the programs and service available. There will be time for discussion during the presentation.

Celebrate Recovery! will continue on October 15th when Friends of Recovery will host a dinner in the Parish Hall from 4 to 7 pm. The menu will be ham and scalloped potatoes, plus seasonal vegetables, and dessert. A contribution of \$10 per person is requested; children 8 and under - \$2.00. Members of Friends of Recovery will be serving.

Call to Mission in the Dominican Republic

By Kelly Segit

Our annual mission's trip to the Dominican Republic is quickly approaching us once again. And I just have to say that I feel so lucky to be a part of a church that makes mission outreach a priority and that we keep this trip going year after year. In the Gospel reading with Lazarus we see how the rich man overlooked all of his opportunities to help Lazarus, a man in great need. And here we have these missions trips that come about year after year that are one of the many great opportunities that our church offers to reach out to people in need, so I want to encourage everyone to not overlook this awesome opportunity to step into your calling of God's plan and to be a part of something bigger than yourself.

When we have speakers up here talking about Stephen Ministry, Stewardship, or Outreach it can be so easy to just say "maybe next year I'll get involved", "maybe someday", or to just ignore it and blow it off completely. This year though I want to strongly encourage everyone to spend some time in prayer and listen to what God is asking of you. There are so many ways you can get involved and be a part of this trip even if you don't want to actually travel. Financial assistance is always appreciated, along with having volunteers to work our pancake dinner fundraiser on Shrove Tuesday, and prayers are always needed as well.

Please speak to Mike Page soon if you think you may be interested in joining us this year or if you want more information about how to get involved. Thank you all for your continued support!

Oaks Church Missionaries to Visit in November

Greetings to the saints in Coopers-town!

“The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives....to grant to those who mourn in Zion ... the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit: that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he may be glorified” (Isaiah 61:1, 3).

We'd like to tell you about Oaks of Righteousness, a ministry in Troy under the Diocese of Albany that has been entrusted to us. The desire God has ignited in our hearts is to see college students and the poor of the city of Troy formed – by the power of the Holy Spirit – into a community dedicated to following Jesus.

We're both transitional deacons assigned to this work. In early September, we moved into an apartment near the campus of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, and we're working toward beginning Eucharistic Sunday worship services out of our home on Oct. 3 (prayers appreciated!). We also plan on beginning small discipleship groups around the same time – both to build up current followers of Jesus in their faith and to invite seekers to experience what Christian community is like.

At the same time, we're working to make inroads in North Central

Troy, a neighborhood roughly a mile from campus that is plagued with unemployment, addiction, crime and a lack of hope. Our desire is to begin small groups in that community as the Lord leads in the coming months. The long-term vision is to see college students and the residents of North Central united by the love of Christ as one worshipping body.

Both of us are missionary tent-makers – we're working part-time secular jobs and also raising funds to support this ministry. We have already been greatly blessed by the generosity of the saints of God in supporting this work.

Fr. Michael has graciously invited us to visit all of you at Christ Church on Nov. 14. We are excited to meet you and to share more about what the Lord is doing in Troy.

Your servants in Christ,

Deacons Christina Vance and Hannah Mudge

We plan to take up a special collection for the new Oaks Church plant when Christina and Hannah visit with us on November 14. We will also be presenting them with an Altar Cross and Processional Torches for use in their new church.



Deacons Christina Vance and Hannah Mudge

Safeguarding God's Children Program to

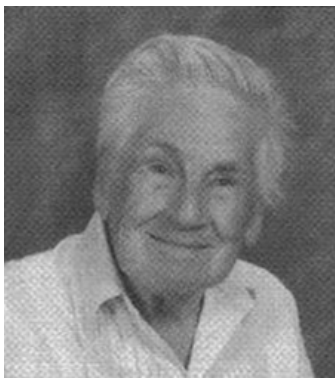
By Linda Van Cleef

Safeguarding God's Children, a program developed by Praesidium Religious Services and sponsored by Church Pension Group and the Episcopal Diocese of Albany for the protection of children from abuse will be presented by Irene Parker and Linda Van Cleef on October 31, 2010 from 11:30am to 2:30pm. Lunch will be provided. All Sunday School Teachers, Nursery helpers, Vestry members and parents as well as teens who wish to baby sit are encouraged to attend this comprehensive course. This course is required attendance for anyone having contact with children of any age within the confines of the church.

“The program is based on the philosophy that if every adult can protect just one child, they will forever change one life. If we can all change one life, together we will make a difference in this generation of children.”

Please let us know if you plan to attend so that we can have the necessary materials prepared and food available. A sign-up sheet will be placed on the Parish Hall Bulletin Board. If you have any questions or concerns please call Fr. Mark Michael or Linda Van Cleef (547-8756).

Fall Events Coming Soon



The changing leaves also bring with them a few exciting opportunities for worshipping God, sharing in fellowship, and growing in our relationships with Christ. Mark your calendars this October and November for the following:

October 1-2: **Fall Rummage Sale**, Parish Hall. Donations and volunteers are needed for this seasonal event. All proceeds support global outreach (the Sisters of Saint Margaret in Haiti and the Dominican Republic Mission Trip).

October 3, 4:00: **Saint Francis Evening Prayer and Blessing of the Animals**. This service gives thanks to God for the witness of Saint Francis of Assisi and asks his blessing on the animals he has given for our care. The short service will be held outside behind the Chapel, or inside the Chapel in case of bad weather. Pets of all shapes and sizes are welcome (so long as they are kept on a leash). Pictures of pets may also be brought for a blessing. Saint Francis pet medals will be distributed for animals who did not receive one last year. This service will take the place of the regular monthly healing service.

October 6, 8:30: **Requiem for Dorothy Chase**. We will observe the anniversary of the death of this important parish leader with a special service on Wednesday morning in the Chapel. The service will include the blessing of the new Chapel Paschal Candle Stand given in memory of Dorothy by her friends.

October 8: **Laser Tag and Pizza** at

the Rectory, 6:00-9:00. We are bringing back this popular event from last fall. All children and youth and their families are welcome to join us. RSVP by Oct. 6

October 24, 11:30-2:30: **DEAR Mark Quiet Day**. This simple Quiet Day, led by the High School Sunday School class invites you to "Drop Everything and Read Mark"—the shortest and most straightforward of the Four Gospels. Janet Rigby will lead a discussion session afterwards. Free, bring a packed lunch.

November 2, 7:00: **All Souls Requiem Eucharist**. This annual service of prayer for the faithful departed will be held in the Chapel. A prayer list will be available for several weeks beforehand to list departed loved ones for whom you would like prayer. We will also pray the Parish Necrology, a list of departed leaders and benefactors.

November 7: **Annual Fall Clean Up Day**. Wear your old clothes and bring rakes with you for our annual Clean-Up Day. Workers are welcome to help out after all services, and Teri Barown is coordinating a hot lunch to be served when the work's all done. See her if you can help provide some grub for the helpers.

November 21, 7:00; **Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service**. This annual celebration of thanksgiving will be held at the Methodist Church. Rev. Jim Atwell, Quaker minister, will speak and an Ecumenical choir will perform.



Music Notes

By Roberta Rowland-Raybold

Autumn is a busy time for the musicians in our church. We welcome back the Adult Choir and new members who have joined us. We look forward to the opportunity of Choral Evensongs and of course, the seasons of Thanksgiving and Advent. Yes, we are already learning the English carols that will make up our Christmas Eve concert. If you are interested in singing with us for these special seasons of the year, please join us in rehearsals in the newly-reorganized "Music Room" on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. On Oct. 27 the choir will be coming to rehearsal with scary masks to enjoy treats – not tricks!

Several concerts will take place this fall. On October 24, Fly Creek United Methodist Church celebrates their 175th anniversary with a concert given by members and friends of the Oneonta American Guild of Organists. Both our organist, Eleanor MacDougall and Yolanda Sharpe, as well as other local musicians will be participating in that event. Join in this celebration at 3:00 p.m. at the Fly Creek church.

Our annual fall organ recital will take place on Sunday, November 14 at 12:00 noon following our Coffee Hour. You are invited to gather in the sanctuary to hear the new repertoire prepared by our organist. This is an opportunity to invite an unchurched friend who enjoys music. Roberta will also be performing at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, downtown Schenectady on the following Sunday, November 21, for a 4:00 p.m. recital. This is an annual event at St. Joseph's in celebration of the Feast of St. Cecelia.

Join the Feast!



Are you uncertain what to do for Thanksgiving this year and don't want to cook a whole meal? Will your own gathering be very small? Then please plan to spend Thanks-giving with a group of folks from the community who have discovered the fun of sharing their favorite dish with others at a friendly gathering in the parish hall dining room of Christ Episcopal Church, Cooperstown. We meet at 1:00pm Thanksgiving Day for a meal of everything that we all bring for the buffet plus turkeys, hams, stuffing, beverages and gravy prepared by some of the group. We'll even have leftovers for those who would like them.

There is no charge (just that favorite dish to pass); we provide dishes and table service; and those who can are encouraged to either help set up the day before, or to help clean up after the meal and conversation are over.

Come join us for an old fashioned community feast and fun, reminiscent of the first Thanksgiving! If you would like to volunteer, or to let us know that you are planning to come, please call the Van Cleef's at 547-8756 for details. If you will need transportation and you are within 5 miles of Cooperstown, please let us know so we can get a ride for you.

See you at the Feast!

From the Parish Library:

Rowell, The Vision Glorious

Many of you will have read of Pope Benedict's recent visit to Britain, the first by the Roman Catholic Church's leader in many years. The spiritual highlight of his visit was the beatification of Cardinal John Henry Newman, a former Anglican priest and theologian who became a Roman Catholic and exerted great influence on his second church as well.

Newman was an integral figure in what is known as the Oxford Movement, a Catholic revival within Anglicanism touched off by John Keble's Assize Sermon of July 14, 1833. The movement was a turning point in the history of Anglican Christianity, and came to assert great influence far beyond the academic setting of its birth. John Keble, John Henry Newman, and Edward Pusey, its initial leaders sought to reclaim the early Church's emphasis on the sacramental life, the ordained ministry and personal holiness to awaken the stale, lax and conformist Church of England of the 1830's.

The Oxford "apostolics," as they came to be called, circulated their ideas in a controversial series of documents called the Tracts for the Times. They soon gained many followers, who applied their insights to the life of the church in different arenas, including liturgical change, church architecture, the missionary movement, the re-founding of religious orders, the challenge of the urban poor and the search for the unity of the Church. The Movement spread around the world, and deeply influenced many Anglican churches, including our own.

Geoffrey Rowell's The Vision Glorious: Themes and Personalities of

the Catholic Revival in Anglicanism, written as part of the celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the Movement, is the most important modern history of the Oxford Movement. A wide-ranging study, its author has a great gift for synthesis, and distills the essence of the theology of the Oxford reformers and the major fruits of their work in subsequent Anglican (especially English Anglican) life. His treatment of the vision of Keble, Newman and Pusey is especially good, and he shows their clear indebtedness to the Greek Fathers. He also does a fine job of describing the context of the slum priests and missionary leaders who sought to take the new vision of Anglican Christianity to the masses of industrial society and to the unconverted throughout the growing British Empire. Rowell, now Bishop of Gibraltar, writes with an instinctive sympathy for his subject, being among the most prominent leaders in Catholic Anglicanism today (he is also the bishop who confirmed your rector). He has an eye for the telling anecdote and the pithy quotation. Parts of the Movement's story go untold, especially its strong influence on the American Church, but the volume remains the single best introduction to the subject, perfect for enlightening the mind and moving the spirit to pray for such renewal today.

Birthdays, Anniversaries, Prayer List

October Birthdays

- 1 Stephanie Christensen
- 2 Jackie Spooner
Felicia Blum
Alexander Shields
- 4 Jennifer Hubbell
- 7 John Freehafer
- 8 Carla MacMillan
- 9 Marley Wright
Craig Morrow
- 11 Rebecca Miller
Justin Hobbie
- 12 Julie Costanzo
- 13 Helen Decker
- 14 Teresa Drerup
Alicia Johnson
Abra Striesse
Erik Mebust
- 15 Jenny Richman
- 16 Jack Odell
Peg Walrath
- 17 Trenton Cooper
Peter Hochbrueckner
- 18 Nancy Pfau
Keith Lamberson
- 19 Archie Williams
Mary Cooper
Alton Pleitez
- 20 Jen Clark
Caitlin Polus
- 21 Heather Pleitez
- 22 Amy VanKampen
- 23 Marshall Thorne
- 25 Jeanne Clow
28 Emily Tillapaugh
Amanda Lionetti
Elliot Higgins

November Birthdays

- 1 Stephanie Rich
- 6 Charles See
Peter Wright
George Landon
Jay Niedzialkowski
Jim Yourno
- 7 Janet Rigby
Ben Spooner
- 8 Roger MacMillan
- 10 Martha Vaules
- 11 Derek Hochbrueckner
- 12 Elna Dickison
- 13 Frank Rollins
Karen Grover
Julie Ratliff
Bunny Hamilton
- 15 Tess Hennigan
- 16 Ann McMahan
Brian Williams
Vivian Allison
- 18 Harvey Eckler

- 19 Kirsten Hennigan
- 20 Suzanne Ross
Ted Mebust
- 21 Ann Brown
Evan Guiney
Lucas Niedzialkowski
- 22 Marly Miller
- 23 Ralph Snell
- 25 Kristen Busse
- 29 Meg Tillapaugh
- 30 Herman Bridger
Kyleigh Wentworth
Max Ofer

October Anniversaries

- 7 Teresa & Kurt Ofer
- 8 Susan & Robert Schneider
- 9 Heather & Javier Pleitez
- 11 Pamela & Richard Scurry
- 14 Cindy & Glenn Hubbell
Melissa & Brian Williams

November Anniversaries

- 3 Pat & Ken Higgins
- 21 Alice & Harvey Eckler
Julie & Tony Costanzo

October Memorial Flowers

- 3 Robert Mackie
Lidie Mackie
Charlotte Adams
- 10 Laurel Murphy
- 17 OPEN
- 24 George Hyde Clarke
- 31 OPEN

November Memorial Flowers

- 7 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY
- 14 OPEN
- 21 Gretchen Farmer
Edward T. Farmer
- 25 THANKSGIVING DAY
- 28 OPEN

October Candle Memorial

- 7 Agnes C. Lamberson
The Rev. William Staton
- 10 OPEN
- 17 Miriam Roth
Jules Roth
- 24 Paul Emerson Southworth
- 31 Wayne Eric Kukenberger
Pauline C. Geurtze

November Candle Memorial

- 7 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY
- 14 James A. Robinson
- 21 Stuart Forbes MacMillan
Mary Elizabeth MacMillan

- 25 THANKSGIVING DAY
- 28 The Rev. William & Eunice Staton

Let us pray for

- Doris Blomquist
- Ruth Druse
- Elna Dickison
- Carol Niedzialkowski
- Gertrude Worrall
- Betty Kukenberger
- Jim and Anne Atwell
- Helen Decker and family
- Andy
- Frank Buck
- Dolores Petersen
- Deacon Faye Vandermark
- Muriel Dickison
- Toni Ludlam
- Patrick Baker
- Alfred and Joy White
- Mike Luby
- Barbara Landers
- Peter Hatcher
- Amanda
- Bunny Hamilton
- Leia Bailey Coffin
- Philip Welker
- Angela Klinker
- *Mary Bellew
- *Sheila
- *Gerry Wilson
- *Charlie Paley

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- Michael LeBron
- William Mason Sanford
- Eric Liston
- Will Rigby
- Esmeralda LeBron
- Matthew Cummings
- Drew Jones
- Morgan & Mollie Buckland
- Theodore Staubly
- Daniel Hodd
- Suzanne V. Demirel
- Gregory Eaton
- Scott Dunn
- Matthew Feahy

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26 Pentecost XVIII 7:30–Morning Prayer 8-Eucharist 9-Lectionary Study 10-Family Eucharist 7-Youth Group	27 8-Morning Prayer 5:30-Evening Prayer	28 8-Morning Prayer 7-Prayer Group	29 St. Michael & Angels 6– Men’s Group 8-Morning Prayer 8:30 Eucharist 10-Sisters in Christ 5:30-Evening Prayer 7-Adult Choir	30 8-Morning Prayer 12:15—Feasting on the Word Class 5:30-Evening Prayer 7-Stephen Ministers 7:30-Xianity Explored	1 Rummage Sale 8-Morning Prayer 5:30-Evening Prayer	2 Rummage Sale 8-Morning Prayer 9-Building and Grounds Committee 9-Stewardship Comm.
3 Pentecost XIX 7:30– Morning Prayer 8-Eucharist 9-Family Eucharist 9:45-Children’s SS 10– Choral Eucharist 4-St. Francis Pet Blsng	4 8-Morning Prayer 5:30-Evening Prayer 7– Financial Planning	5 8-Morning Prayer 7-Prayer Group	6 Requiem: D. Chase 6-Men’s Group 8-Morning Prayer 8:30 Euch. arist 10-Sisters in Christ 5:30-Evening Prayer 7-Adult Choir	7 8-Morning Prayer 11:45-Senior Meal 12:15—Feasting on the Word Class 5:30-Evening Prayer 7:30-Xianity Explored	8 8-Morning Prayer 5:30-Evening Prayer 6-9: Laser Tag & Pizza at Rectory	9 8-Morning Prayer 9-4: Vestry Retreat
10 Recovery Sunday 7:30– Morning Prayer 8, 10-Eucharist No Children’s SS 10– Choral Eucharist 7-Youth Group	11 Columbus Day <i>Church Office Closed</i> 8-Morning Prayer 5:30-Evening Prayer 7-Vestry Meeting	12 8-Morning Prayer 10-Outreach Comm. Mtg. 7-Prayer Group	13 6-Men’s Group 8:30-Morning Prayer 10-Sisters in Christ 5:30-Evening Prayer 7-Adult Choir	14 8-Morning Prayer 12:15—Feasting on the Word Class 5:30-Evening Prayer 7-Praise Band Rehearsal 7:30-Xianity Explored	15 8-Morning Prayer 4-7: Friends of Recovery Ham Dinner 5:30-Evening Prayer	16 8-Morning Prayer
17 Pentecost XXI 8, 10— Eucharist 9– Lectionary Study 9:45-Children’s SS 10-Choral Eucharist	18 St. Luke 8-Morning Prayer 4-Lord’s Table 5:30-Evening Prayer	19 8-Morning Prayer 4-Lord’s Table 7-Prayer Group	20 6-Men’s Group 8-Morning Prayer 8:30 Eucharist 10-Sisters in Christ 5:30-Evening Prayer 7-Adult Choir	21 8-Morning Prayer 12:15—Feasting on the Word Class 5:30-Evening Prayer	22 8-Morning Prayer 2-Eucharist, Woodside Hall 5:30-Evening Prayer	23 St. James of Jerusalem 8-Morning Prayer 10-2 Christianity Exp. Quiet Day 5– Leinhart/Eldred Wedding
24 Pentecost XXII 8, 10--Eucharist 9-Lectionary Study 9:45-Children’s SS 11:30-Planning/Growth Seminar 12-DEAR Mark	25 8-Morning Prayer 5:30-Evening Prayer	26 8-Morning Prayer 7-Prayer Group	27 6-Men’s Group 8-Morning Prayer 8:30 Eucharist 10-Sisters in Christ 5:30-Evening Prayer 7-Adult Choir	28 SS Simon & Jude 8-MP 12:15-Class 2-Eucharist, Thanksgiving Home 5:30-Evening Prayer 7-Praise Band 7:30-Xianity Explored	29 8-Morning Prayer 5:30-Evening Prayer	30 8-Morning Prayer

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31 Pentecost XXIII 8,10-Eucharist 9, 11:30-Planning/ Growth Seminars 11:30-Safeguarding GC	1 All Saints 8-Morning Prayer 5:30-Evening Prayer 7-Financial Planning	2 All Souls 8-Morning Prayer 7-All Souls Requiem Eucharist	3 Richard Hooker 6-Men's Group 8:30- Eucharist. 10-SIC 5:30-Evening Prayer 7-Adult Choir	4 8-Morning Prayer 5:30-Evening Prayer 7-Stephen Ministers 7:30-Xianity Explored	5 8-Morning Prayer 5:30-Evening Prayer	6 8-Morning Prayer 9-Building and Grounds Committee
7 All Saints Sunday 7:30- Morning Prayer 8, 10-Eucharist 9-Family Eucharist 10-Children's SS Parish Work Day 4:00-Healing Svc.	8 8-Morning Prayer 5:30-Evening Prayer 7-Vestry Meeting	9 8-Morning Prayer 7-Prayer Group	10 Leo 6-Men's Group 8-Morning Prayer 8:30- Eucharist 10-Sisters in Christ 5:30-Evening Prayer 7-Adult Choir	11 8-Morning Prayer 7-Praise Band Rehearsal 5:30-Evening Prayer 7:30-Xianity Explored	12 8-Morning Prayer 5:30-Evening Prayer	13 8-Morning Prayer
14 Pentecost XXIV 7:30- MP 8-Eucharist 9-Lectionary Study 10-Choral Eucharist 11:30-Outreach Comm. 12-Organ Recital 7-Youth Group	15 <i>Veterans Day (Ob)</i> <i>Church Office Closed- Chronicle Articles Due</i> 8-Morning Prayer 5:30-Evening Prayer	16 8-Morning Prayer 7-Prayer Group	17 Robert Grossteste 6-Men's Group 8-Morning Prayer 8:30 Eucharist 10-Sisters in Christ 5:30-Evening Prayer 7-Adult Choir	18 8-Morning Prayer 12:15-Feasting on the Word Class 5:30-Evening Prayer 7-Stephen Ministers 7:30-Xianity Explored	19 8-Morning Prayer 2-Eucharist, Woodside Hall 5:30-Evening Prayer	20 8-Morning Prayer
21 Christ the King Pledge Ingathering 8, 10-Eucharist 9-Family Eucharist 9:45-Children's SS 7-Ecum. Thanksgiving Svc-Methodist Church	22 8-Morning Prayer 4-Lord's Table 5:30-Evening Prayer	23 8-Morning Prayer 4- Lord's Table 7-Prayer Group	24 6- Men's Group 8:30-Morning Prayer 10-Sisters in Christ 5:30-Evening Prayer 7-Adult Choir	25 Thanksgiving 8-Morning Prayer 11:30: Community Thanksgiving Dinner 5:30-Evening Prayer	26 8-Morning Prayer 5:30-Evening Prayer	27 8-Morning Prayer
28 Advent I 7:30-Morning Prayer 8-Eucharist 9-Lectionary Study 10-Family Eucharist 11:30-Advent Wreath Workshop 5-Choral Evensong	29 8-Morning Prayer 2-Eucharist, Thanksgiving Home 5:30-Evening Prayer	30 Andrew 8-Morning Prayer 7-Prayer Group	1 Charles de Foucauld 6- Men's Group 8-Morning Prayer 8:30 Eucharist 10-Sisters in Christ 5:30-Advent Evening Prayer & Potluck 7-Adult Choir	2 8-Morning Prayer 11:45-Lunch Share 12:15- Feasting on the Word Class begins 5:30-Evening Prayer	3 8-Morning Prayer 5:30-Evening Prayer	4 8-Morning Prayer