

Coffee Hour Lite for the Summer!

Sign up now in the parish hall for Coffee Hour 'Lite'. Now through Labor Day. Bring just an item or two for folks to munch on with coffee after the 9:00 service. It's a no pressure, no mess, and definitely no fuss happening!

Nets Working !

An ongoing effort by the Outreach Group during the summer (mosquito) months is to raise enough money to purchase 100 "Nets for Life" as part of Episcopal Relief & Development 2010 campaign. Each net is \$12. Make your check payable to St. Johns Church with a memo line of "Nets for Life". There is a vase in the Parish Hall or give your check to Marge in the office at your convenience. Thank you.

FROM THE WARDENS:

??? The next Rector of St. John's ???

Search Committee Formation Process

If you feel a calling to this work and wish to offer your name for consideration, please speak to the wardens or email them at the addresses on the bulletin. For those who may be shy, have someone else put your name forward.

This is difficult but rewarding work. It is often time consuming as the process moves to conclusion. We are trying to build a representative group of faithful people to answer this call.

Please pray about this and carefully consider what your role might be. Your wardens are available to speak with you.

Mark your calendars – Please save this date & participate:

Sunday, September 19 – A Single Eucharist at 9 A.M.

The Rev. Cynthia Hubbard from the Office of Transition Ministry of the Diocese will be with us. She will preach and commission the Search Committee. After the service she will lead the parish in a process called Appreciative Inquiry. From this process our parish profile will be created. It is your opportunity to participate in the formation of our future life together. We expect to complete this program by 12 Noon. Please plan to be a part of this important work.

Many thanks,
Carol McKenzie & Rick Britton

Enriching our common life is the work of us all at St. John's. Please remember to share with the Wardens, or members of the Vestry your suggestions for and your ways of assisting in enriching our ministry and witness.

Pledge payments may be made by using either **Visa or MasterCard**. Payments may be made in the Parish Office or by executing a payment authorization form found on the information table in Parish Hall I or in the Parish Office.

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July 25, 2010

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

St. John's, Gloucester

Offertory Hymn 340

Post Communion Hymn 300

Readings: Hosea 11:1-11—Psalm 85—Colossians 2:6-15—Luke 11:1-13

Gospel Hymn

Lowry

God of ea - ger con - ver - sa - tion, ev - er woo - ing us to prayer
 En - er - giz - ing life with - in us, feed - ing us es - sen - tial bread,
 God of lav - ish af - firm - a - tion, "Seek," you say, and we will find,
 as the prim - al lov - ing par - ent close be - side with con - stant care,
 re - con - cil - ing life a - mong us, trac - ing mer - cy's com - mon thread,
 so we seek, and in the seek - ing see the depth of love's de - sign—
 though we leap in - to a mys - t'ry, still we re - cog - nize you there...
 or - ches - trat - ing life be - yond us so the Realm of Life is spread.
 you in us and with us work - ing, God and hu - man heart a - ligned.

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Communion Hymn 711

please take this up to communion and sing!!!

Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the king - dom of God And His right - eous - ness;
 Ask, and it shall be giv - en un - to you; Seek, and you shall find.
 And all these things shall be add - ed un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
 Knock, and it shall be o - pened un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia. al - le - lu - ia. al - le - lu - ia. al - le - lu - al - le - lu - ia.

Organ music today are settings of "Vater Unser in Himmelrich" by Diderik Buxtehude 1637-1707. Danish by birth and having lived most of his life in Germany he had a great reputation inspiring Bach to journey many miles in his youth to study with him.

PLEASE take this INSERT home or recycle it! Thank you.

Participating in the Liturgy

Presiding
Lectors
Eucharistic Ministers
Intercessor
Acolyte
Ushers
Greeters

The People of God gathered in St. John's Church

Matt Kruger
Bob Stains, Jill Jackson
Paul McGeary, Dave Prentice
Gwen Kopka
Fiona Prentice
Rory McKenzie, Bob Stains
Martha Whitney, Carole Secrest

Preparing for the Liturgy

Altar Guild
Flower Guild
Bread bakers

Janie Brown, Jean Dyett
Cherie Everett
Kim Prentice, Janet Williams

Lite Coffee Hour hosted today by Elizabeth Redmond and Liz Parillo

St. John's Intercession List:

Short term: Margaret Dunn, April Letteney-Smith, Janet Williams, Rick Wolfe, Gwen Bartley, Mary Muller, Anne Gillis, Andrea, Charlie Currier, Charlotte Britton, Max Ball, Joel MacDonald.

Long term: Dane Van Sand, Fred Hugel, John Muller, Frank Spain, Bess Vickery, Dick Melanson, Ian, Henry, Peter Chick, Peggy Chick, Edie Niemi, Elizabeth White, Millie Oliver, Lis Gordon, Jane Segar, Rebecca Doyle, Amy Dangler, Roger Corbin, Burgie, Helen L., Earle Greenwood, John Mullen, Jean Bryant, Monique Doyle Spencer, Charlie Bishop, Sr., Frances Everett, Marilyn Prentiss, Anne Brantley Betts, Susan McShane.

CALENDAR FOR JULY 25th to AUGUST 1st

Sunday — The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
7:30 p.m. Sunday and Sober AA — *Parish Hall*

Monday — SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE 379

9:00 a.m. Ms. Fixit's
11:30 a.m. Centering Prayer — *Rector's Office*

Tuesday — William Reed Huntington, Priest, 1909

5:00 p.m. Harvest Meal Program — *Parish Hall* (until 7:00 p.m.)

Wednesday

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Reflection — *Rector's Office*
7:00 p.m. Fish City AA — *Parish Hall*

Thursday — Mary and Martha of Bethany

Friday — William Wilberforce, 1833

Saturday — Ignatius of Loyola, 1556

9:00 a.m. Flower/Altar Guilds
9:00 a.m. Yard Sale to noon
8:00 p.m. Saturday Big Book AA — *Parish Hall*

Sunday — The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
7:30 p.m. Sunday and Sober AA — *Parish Hall*

PARISH NEWS AND NOTES

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THE SANCTUARY LAMP burns this week in memory of Michael Parillo given by Elizabeth Parillo.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are in memory of Jean and Francis Thomas given by Lynn Runnells.

SECOND QUARTER PLEDGE STATEMENTS are in the parish hall today for pick-up.

FOOD BANK ITEM FOR NEXT SUNDAY: *Cereal*

CHURCH PICNIC TODAY!: at 113 Ocean St., Manchester, 11:00 on.

- Provided by the house: beer, wine, soft drinks, nibbles, watermelon; chairs available for elderly.
- you bring luncheon food, beach chair, towels, etc. Be sure to have sandals or like for swimming as rocky beach below sand line.

YARD SALES! Save the dates! This year's sales will run on 3 consecutive Saturdays. Please check your calendars and see if one or more will fit your schedule. We need volunteers on **July 24, July 31 and August 7** from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. or any portion of that time. A sign-up sheet is in the Parish Hall or you may call Martha Whitney at 978-283-9843.

We are also still accepting donations for the yard sale and a rummage sale (clothing, accessories, linens, etc.) that will be scheduled in September. If you have items too numerous or bulky to deliver yourself, you may call Martha at the number above for assistance.

MUSIC

Offertory Hymn 340 is by Dr. I-to Loh. He received his M.Div. from Tainan Theological College in Taiwan and Ph.D. from the University of California at Los Angeles. Dr. Loh is the former President of Tainan Theological College and Seminary where he also served as the Department Head of Church Music and Professor of Worship, Church Music and Ethnomusicology. He currently serves as Adjunct Professor of Church Music and Liturgy at the Southeast Asia Graduate School of Theology, a consortium of over twenty seminaries in Asia. Dr. Loh has compiled and edited several hymnals and praise collections including *New Century Hymnal* (PCT, 2002) and *Sound the Bamboo: CCA Hymnal 2000* (Taiwan Church Press, 2000). He has also written articles for *Theology and The Church* and is a member of the Center of Theological Inquiry in Princeton, NJ.

PSALM SINGING

For most of the rest of the Summer, the congregation will **hear** a refrain to **repeat** and to **sing** between the verses. The organ will play "drones" which you are welcome (but not required) to hum along with. The BELL will signal the breath and the time to sing the refrain. This is inspired by the "Paperless Music" tradition. Go to youtube.com and search "music makes community".