

July/August,
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CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

The Canticle

THE
EPISCOPAL
CHURCH
WELCOMES YOU

From The Dean...

I recently had the good fortune of spending an afternoon in England's centuries old, Bath Abbey. Newest among the many artistic treasures of this noble place is a series of 35 diptychs by artist Sue Symons that interpret different episodes in the life of Jesus from the Annunciation to the Ascension.

Each diptych consists of a needlework tapestry paired with a calligraphied passage of scripture. I was so taken by this monumental effort that the Rector gave me a set of photographs of them that I will have displayed on one of the Cathedral bulletin boards this summer.

During my time at the Abbey, I was reminded of several of our own recent artistic endeavors including the stunning needlepoint cushions at the cathedral and chapel altar rails, our redesigned interior space, the bicentennial vine and branches in Stuart Hall and the silver Philander Chase Processional Cross.

It strikes me that one of the most important ways to enter into the Christian story is to interpret some aspect of it within our individual imaginations. Some are trained and talented enough to do this on a professional level, yet everyone has the ability to create. I invite you to give it a try this summer. Choose a passage from scripture that is meaningful to you and take some time to let it play in your imagination; after awhile take a paintbrush, markers, or even your Ipad drawing app, and simply create, just for you and God. You may be surprised at the holy artist inside of you.



Real Presence

~an encounter with the sacred

Real Presence is an alternative, contemplative twilight service for those seeking a spiritual home. Real Presence celebrates the mystery of God's grace through worship that engages the heart, the mind and the senses.

Invite a friend to attend this informal service with you.

The Cathedral Office will be closed on Monday July 4 in observance of the Fourth of July holiday.

The 12:15 PM mass will be celebrated as scheduled in the Chapel that day.



LECTIONARY TEXTS
(Sunday Readings)

July 3

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67
Psalm 45:11-18 or 145:8-15 or
Song of Solomon 2:8-13
Romans 7:15-25a
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

July 10

Genesis 25:19-34
Psalm 119:105-112 or 65:(1-8)9-14
Romans 8:1-11
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

July 17

Genesis 28:10-19a
Psalm 139:1-11, 22-23 or 86:11-17
Romans 8:12-25
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

July 24

Genesis 29:15-28
Psalm 105:1-11, 45b or 128 or
119:129-136
Romans 8:26-39
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

July 31

Genesis 32:22-31
Psalm 17:1-7, 16 or 145:8-9, 15-22
Romans 9:1-5
Matthew 14:13-21

August 7

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28
Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b or 85:8-13
Romans 10:5-15
Matthew 14:22-33

August 14

Genesis 45:1-15
Psalm 133 or 67
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
Matthew 15:(10-20), 21-28

August 21

Exodus 1:8-2:10
Psalm 124 or 138
Romans 12:1-8
Matthew 16:13-20

August 28

Exodus 3:1-15
Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c or 26:1-8
Romans 12:9-21
Matthew 16:21-28

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I publish the Banns of Marriage between Mary Francis McCuaig and Stephen Wilber.

I publish the Banns of Marriage between Nadia Azizza Shaaban and Douglas Joseph Knutzen.

If any of you know just cause why they may not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, you are bidden to declare it.

- *The Very Rev. David duPlantier, Dean*

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From the Theologian in Residence...

THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION PROBLEM

A RECENT ISSUE of *The Christian Century* [May 12, 2011, pp. 32-34] contained a well-written article by Ronald Wells, *Episcopal Future: Is Anglican reconciliation possible?* He says that the American Episcopal Church made right reforms in the wrong way, and should now--short of retreat--do what it can to be reconciled with the rest of the Anglican Communion.

HIS VIEW is widely shared. Many see us--along with Canada and Scotland--as the bad boys of Anglicanism, because we became impatient and destructive in our zeal to redefine our views about human sexuality. On the other hand, there were ample reasons for the impatience: traditional views about homosexuality have been found to be grounded in some serious misapprehensions of reality, and to have done grave damage to many people, including many of our own members. And refusing to do right because some will object is a betrayal of the Gospel.

A NEGLECTED ELEMENT in Mr. Wells' discussion is the character of the Anglican Communion. It is easy to become enamored of the idea of it as a benign and loving assemblage of the diverse children of the Church of England who have pledged to stick together through thick and thin. The reality is often rather different.

THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION began as a by-product of the British Empire. Where the Empire went, the Church of England also went. When the Empire faded, the Church was left behind, somewhat independent, but also deeply embedded in the bureaucracy of the Established Church. The Communion was slow to seize the opportunity offered to it to become an appropriately self-governing world-wide communion. Indeed, some have called it 'the last remaining vestige of the British Empire'. The British crown still appoints the Archbishop of Canterbury, its ex-officio center of unity. Each province (national church) elects or appoints its own bishops and archbishops according to widely differing polities. How the polities differ often affects how issues are viewed and handled. Some parts of the Anglican Communion include the laity in all decisions, as the American Church does; others are governed by the bishops acting alone. Communication is poor. There is no effective way of resolving differences, and no common idea about how much different-ness is tolerable. Distance used to be a buffer, but no more. The internet has put everyone in everyone's face. Daily tantrums are now a standard feature of Anglican life. All that has helped bring about the present divided state of the Communion--a fact recognized by the proposal for an Anglican Covenant, which seems, however, to be a bureaucratic response to complex and passionate divisions.

THE AMERICAN CHURCH tried to get the Communion to study--as distinct from merely passing resolutions about--sexuality for more than forty years, without much success. The idea that the issue is a communion-breaker has been assumed uncritically, first by British evangelicals angling for control of the Church of England, and later by prelates seeking a redistribution of power. The resultant schism is fraudulently billed as a fight about the authority of scripture. Actually, it is about the interpretation of scripture in different cultural contexts.

IT MAY BE TRUE, as Mr. Wells says, that the American Church has gone about its reforms in the wrong way. However, it is also true that the Anglican Communion did not provide a right way--and reconciliation is a two-way street.

William Morris+

Submissions for the Canticle are always welcome.
The **deadline** for articles is the middle of each month.

***Items for the September issue are due
August 15.***

Please e-mail submissions to lauriebailey@cccnola.org

Sunday bulletin announcements should be submitted
before noon on Tuesdays to
lauriebailey@cccnola.org and copied to
suzettefollette@cccnola.org

Join the Choir this Summer!



Organist Choirmaster
Jarrett Follette is
issuing an open
invitation for
interested folks to
try out the choir this
summer. Gather in
the choir room at 9:15
a.m. to go over the
morning's hymns and
then take part in the
service - it's that easy. Not to mention fun!

REGISTER TODAY to attend the
Diocesan's Men's and Women's Silent Retreat

www.solomoncenter.org

When: September 23-25, 2011 (begins Friday with supper at 6:30 pm and ends with lunch on Sunday)

Where: Solomon Episcopal Conference Center

What: *Creating a Personal Rule of Life*

A Rule of Life is to bring order to our life and remind us who we are. It is a map, course, reminder that helps us discover the difference between doing the "right thing" and being transformed.

Your Personal Rule of Life will be created in a 'notebook' form (materials will be provided for each participant). Your chapters will be about different aspects of your life. Sample Chapters may include: gratitude, friendship, creativity, environment, work, play, mischief, humor, justice, social life, work, Sabbath, silence, simplicity, peace, service, education....

Through guided meditations and time for reflection; you will be reminded who you are: God's beloved, and you will be encouraged to remember where you are: in God's hands. As God's beloved, we come to be transformed, not to fill a responsibility or "do the right thing".

Who: The Leader for this retreat will be Linda Nelson. Linda has served many as a spiritual director more than 30 years working with 160+ ordained and laypersons of seven mainline denominations. She is a consultant trainer/workshop leader with 35 years of proven ability to train, teach, inspire, challenge and lead individuals. Linda is now the Director of Advent House "A ministry of Christ Church Cathedral" in New Orleans, LA. She has been married to William "Mike" Nelson for 45 years. Together they are the parents of three grown children, in-laws to two and grandparents of seven.



Should you attend?

If you can arrive on Friday evening at the beginning of the retreat and leave on Sunday morning at the end of it;

If you can give up communication with your business associates, friends, and family for a weekend;

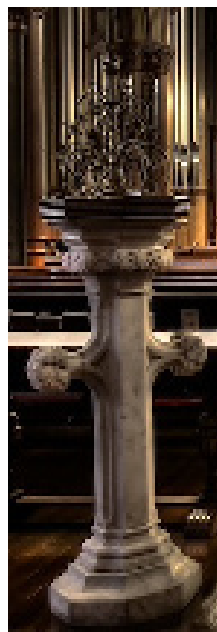
If you can leave your work at home and focus on 'being' with God;

Then you should consider attending.

Celebrate Your Baptism!

It is good to remember baptisms with a special celebration. In an effort to help us all remember our baptism, we print a list of baptismal anniversaries monthly. Like the birthday list, our records may not be complete. If the anniversary of your baptism isn't listed, please call the church office and let us know the date.

Parents, a baptismal anniversary is a great time to celebrate with your children. Pull out pictures, their baptismal candle or towel and talk about what happened on that special day. You might burn their baptismal candle during a special family celebration.



Butch Carriere II 7/3

Jerry Allen 7/10

Troy Buttone 7/11

Vicki Moreland 7/13

Claiborne Beary 7/18

Philip Lazich 7/18

Melissa Spencer 7/23

Jacqueline Crabtree 7/27

Gary Lloyd 7/27

Page Beary 8/2

Bianka Dadukian 8/2

Louise LeGardeur 8/4

Anna Fariss 8/5

Julia Allen 8/6

Leiland Fultz 8/6

Piper Harp 8/6

Skyler Harp 8/6

Sarah LaBauve 8/6

Zachary LaBauve 8/6

Thomas Perschall 8/6

Liam Richert 8/6

James Teed 8/6

Mimi O'Leary 8/7

Daphne Fahrenholt 8/9

Brice Brigance 8/10

Carter Burwell 8/14

Eliza Nelson 8/14

Annabelle Browning 8/15

Caroline Dodson 8/15

Katherine Lee 8/15

Susan Wallace 8/19

Ronald Nichols 8/24

Trevor Best 8/26

Leo Justice 8/29



We wish a very Happy Birthday to all those born in July and August. If your name isn't listed, we don't have your date of birth in our records. Please call the church office and we'll be sure to wish you a Happy Birthday next year.

July Birthdays

Beth Adams
Ron Akers
Bertha Barfield
Claire Beary
William Bisso V
Wyatt Blankingship
Becky Buckley
Sam Buckley IV
Tom Bullock
Ingrid Bush
Troy Buttone
Gregory Curtis

Elizabeth Finley
Jesse George
Susan Kartzke
Cathy Kirkwood
Matthew Kirkwood
Harry Leche III
PJ Lewis Jr.
Gary Lloyd
Judy Martin
Kelly McCartney
Judson Mitchell
O'Hara Pejic
Matthew Perschall
Norbert Schmidt
Tali Schwaner
Christian Shofstahl
William Taylor
James Teed
Emily Tillman
sara Wallace
Will Whitehouse
Harriet Williams

August Birthdays

Kristin Barrios
Bill Becker Jr.
Ann Crabtree
McKenzie Cummins
Peter Dorsett
Barbara Ellis
Julian Figueroa
Boyd Fink III
Jessie Finley
Olive Forman
Bill Forman
Phoebe Fortenberry
Sasha Freddie
Liz Glidewell
Will Goforth
Betty Guillaud
Krysta Henry
Ashley Huffman
Chris Kirkwood
Harvey Koch Jr.
Alex LaBauve
Pam Lanaux
Isabella Landry

Meg Leche
Michelle Lee
Barbara Muller
Arthur Nead
Linda Nelson
Elsa Nichols
Gordon O'Leary
James O'Leary
Amelie Perschall
Caroline Perschall
James Perschall
Pudney Pointer
Winston Purvis
Rick Rhodes
Kenneth Riddell
Steven Roberts
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Catherine Schmidt
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Christina Thompson
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Grace Williamson

CHRISTIAN FORMATION THIS SUMMER

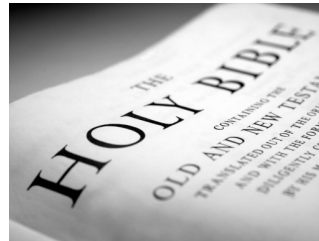
*Adult Scripture Study Class
meets at 9:30 a.m. in the
Martin Room
All are welcome.*

Coffee Hour Class

*Submit topics for upcoming classes on
July 3 & 10 in Stuart Hall during Coffee Hour.*

Children & Youth Classes resume on September 11.

Bible Study will not meet while Canon Roberts is on sabbatical.



Christian Yoga

Mondays 5:45 p.m.

Good Shepherd Atrium (downstairs)

Treat yourself to an hour of gentle stretching and meditation.

Please use the St. Charles office door to enter the building. For more information contact lauriebailey@cccnola.org or 895-6602.

EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY GROUP BEING CONTINUED AT CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

Bill Forman is seeking members for the Education for Ministry Group to begin here in September at Christ Church Cathedral. The Group is open to all denominations.

EfM is a four-year study program sponsored by the Louisiana Episcopal Diocese and the School of Theology of the University of the South. EfM provides an opportunity to develop a greater understanding of Christian theology from the Old Testament to the present. The program also gives one a perspective to consider the possibilities of various ministries. EfM is thirty-seven years old and has thousands of graduates worldwide.

The group will meet for two hours each week from September until May. For further information, please call Bill at 891-0524.



Coming Soon at the Solomon Episcopal Conference Center

Diocesan Recovery Mixed Weekend ~ August 5-7, 2011

The Addictions Recovery Ministry (ARM) of the Episcopal Church helps recovering Christians find a home within the Church with their 27th annual weekend for women and men. ARM seeks to provide education, guidance, and support for families struggling with, or wishing to learn more about addiction. Our desire is not to be dogmatic or exclude anyone in their spiritual search, but to live out the acceptance and love taught by Jesus. The weekend begins with supper at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, August 5th and ends after the Eucharist on Sunday, August 7th about mid morning. To register, go to www.solomoncenter.org

Diocesan Men's and Women's Retreat ~ September 23-25, 2011

Retreats sponsored by the Diocese of Louisiana follow the traditional model of silent, meditative retreats with it beginning on Friday, September 23, 2011 with supper at 6:30 and will go through lunch on Sunday, September 25, 2011. During the weekend there will be several meditations. In addition, private spiritual direction sessions may be scheduled. Retreatants are free and encouraged to take full advantage of the scenic grounds of the Solomon Center for walking, meditating, meditative (quiet) fishing, reading, and relaxing. Attendance at meditations, voluntary spiritual direction, and all aspects of the Retreat is optional. *(For more information about the retreat topic, see page 4 of the Canticle.)*

Rooms for *Personal Retreats* may be available during the week and occasionally on weekends. Please feel free to call in advance for more information at 985-748-6634. To register, go to www.solomoncenter.org

Solomon Episcopal Conference Center, 54296 Hwy. 445, Loranger, LA 70446





Coffee Hour Ministry

Keep up our reputation for surpassing hospitality by volunteering for Coffee Hour.

Please check the sign up sheet in Stuart Hall and grab a date before they are all gone! You can always work with a couple of friends and host together to defray the cost. Or perhaps you don't want to provide food but you could help with setting the food out on the tables; that's a ministry as well. So is giving money! For additional information/volunteer, contact Kathy Boyd, 891-1360 or kboydaj@yahoo.com.

Coffee Hour hosts for June:

Jennifer Buckley, Daughters of the King, Lyn Gladney, Kathy Boyd, Bob Carrow, Adrian Suarez, and those who assisted with Steven's wedding reception.

Many thanks to all!

Altar Flower Donations

Please help us make our worship spaces even more beautiful by ordering flowers for your special dates - to memorialize (remember) or honor your loved ones.

If you would like to order flowers, you can either fill in the sign-up sheet or call Sue Blankingship at 885-0773

or send an E-mail to wyattpump1@aol.com.



ANNOUNCING: THE START OF A CHAUTAUQUA LIFELONG LEARNING PROGRAM IN NEW ORLEANS FOR PEOPLE OVER 50.

In the fall of 2011, we will have our inaugural term for this program featuring some beloved instructors from the city. (The Rev. William Barnwell will present a course looking at faith in fiction using the short stories of Flannery O'Conner.) We would like to tell you about what's designed for the future, introduce you to some of our potential teachers and share with you our philosophy of building educational community for mature adults. We are also looking for teachers, students and volunteers to help with the creation of what will be a fun and vibrant opportunity for New Orleans.

We are planning three information teas at which you can learn about the program. Bring your curiosity, creative ideas and wisdom. The teas will be:

Latter Library, 5120 St. Charles Ave. Saturday, July 16, 10:00 a.m. – noon

Rayne Memorial United Methodist Church, 3900 St. Charles Ave. Tuesday, August 2, 4:00pm - 6:00pm

Trinity Episcopal Church, 1329 Jackson Ave. Wednesday, August 17th, 4:00pm-6:00pm

Any questions can be addressed to Dr. David O'Donaghue: 473-7194 or druben2@hotmail.com

PAJAMA COLLECTION UPDATE

The Angel's Place event is an annual event at Easter that collects pajamas for the patients at Children's Hospital in New Orleans. Angela Kellum, a pharmacologist there and also in our EfM group, told me about the project and I sent out an email then Laurie printed an article in the Canticle. Before we knew it, many friends, family, and church members started contributing, then HRM, Inc. called from downtown as they had collected over 100 pair. Thus far, we have collected over 300 pair and they still keep coming in. The pajamas are distributed at the Cancer wing but we are making arrangements through Dr. Annette Figueroa to have some distributed at the Emergency Room too.

~ Bill Solieau

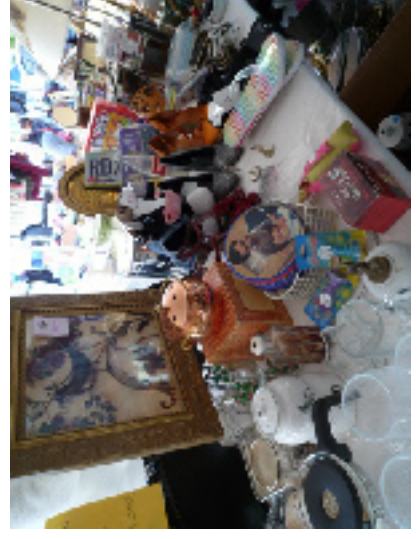


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Thrift Sale Approaches

The CCC Annual Thrift Sale will be held on Saturday, October 8th, and we will start a weekday merchandise donation schedule around Labor Day. However, if you have treasures you want to bring in before then, we have made arrangements for you to bring them-- **ON SUNDAYS ONLY. Please take your donations directly to STUART HALL.** We store items behind the tall screens in the back of Stuart Hall. We don't have any staff to help carry things on Sunday morning, so please pack things so that you can carry them yourself. If you have questions, call the Thrift Sale Chairperson, Diane Piret at 504-394-1227 (email: dapiret@aol.com) or Alice Hopkins at 512-0696 (email: grits736@hotmail.com.) Also, if you can pack your items in boxes that would be greatly appreciated since they are easier to handle and can be stacked. Also, it's not too early to let us know you'd like to volunteer to help that week too. For more information, see Diane or Alice. Thanks!!



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