

THE PARISH

SEPTEMBER 2010
CELEBRATING 175 YEARS

HISTORICAL NOTES
FOR THE ANNIVERSARY YEAR...

FROM THE ARCHIVES

During this 175th Anniversary Year of All Saints each issue of The Parish will contain a brief note on some aspect of All Saints history, its buildings and artifacts, or its liturgical life.

New Testament Window

The stained glass window in the north transept ("liturgical south") was designed and made by G. Owen Bonawit of New York and kept in his studio there as an example of his artistry. It was originally one great pane of glass and was celebrated enough in its time to be featured in *Life* magazine, April 3, 1939, in an article on the renaissance of stained glass in America. Bonawit was already well known for his work at Yale, especially his stained glass panels in the Sterling Memorial Library there.

Bonawit based the style and the content of the window on an "early mosaic period" window from the 13th century at Chartres Cathedral. It contained no symbolism, only the simple subject matter, "to evoke the spirituality of old glass." Its coloration was intended to look best at twilight, when it would appear most luminous.

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ALL SAINTS CHURCH
175th Anniversary

FROM THE RECTOR

Although stewardship involves fundraising for stated needs, operating fiscally sound budgets, and planning for the support of future, as well as ongoing ministries of the church—stewardship is also much more than these activities. It is about valuing all we are blessed with: our relationships, our energies, our gifts and skills, and our material goods—and connecting these, and offering them back to the Giver of all this. Such an understanding of stewardship connects all our life with God, and honors that relationship, that presence, by sharing with others as we live out our faith and values, and by holding in trust—as stewards—the well-being of important entities larger than ourselves, such as our families, our church and community, and the earth itself. God accepts our giving back to God, not because God wants our gifts, but because God wants us as givers. God wants us.

A colleague of mine, Jep Streit, describes how his attitude toward giving has changed by comparing two ways he encounters food when with others. He states that for much of his life, his feelings toward giving are best described as being at a restaurant with someone asking for a taste of his dessert. He'd said yes, of course. He was glad to give them a taste, but he secretly hoped they wouldn't take too big a bite; and he hoped that others at the table wouldn't then also ask for tastes. He was honestly glad to let others have a taste, but he was also eager to eat most of the dessert he'd ordered.

Like Jep Streit, my giving has been like this for much of my life. I don't want to think of myself as ungenerous. I'm happy to support individuals, or institutions or causes that feel important, but my giving comes from a place of keeping, of not wanting to give too much away. The amount I've given has been very much related to my giving enough so I don't look or feel like a miser, but also of being aware of not giving too much away.

But in the past few years I've felt a change, even with the financial obligations I've had (especially on the educational front). I can more identify now with Jep Streit's other food comparison as a model for giving, namely the potluck supper, which feels very different from having dessert at a restaurant. As Streit puts it, "When you arrive at a potluck dinner with your contribution, you hope that everyone wants some, and you are eager to give as much of it as you can. At a potluck dinner some people bring fancier food than others, some bring more food than others, but in the end everyone has a great meal. Everyone is glad to contribute what they can, and since everyone is sharing, there is always abun-

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SEPTEMBER AT ALL SAINTS—Services and Activities

Wednesday, September 1

7 Holy Eucharist,
breakfast & bible study
8:15 Opening Day "Spirit of
Knowledge" Charter School

Thursday, September 2

10:30 Prayer Shawl meeting
7 Children of Eden rehearsal
7:30 ASC Alliance

Sunday, September 5

7:45 Holy Eucharist
9 Family Eucharist
9:40 Church School
9:40 Ch. Sch. Parents mtg.
9:40 Adult Forum
10:30 Holy Eucharist
12 175th Service meeting
2 Children of Eden rehearsal

Monday, September 6

Parish office closed

Tuesday, September 7

7:45 Morning Prayer
10:30 Staff meeting
7 Kairos

Wednesday, September 8

7 Holy Eucharist,
breakfast & bible study

Thursday, September 9

5 Altar Guild meeting
7 Children of Eden rehearsal

Friday, September 10

4:30 Afternoon Tunes
6 Fun/Fab Friday

Sunday, September 12

7:45 Holy Eucharist
9 Family Eucharist
9:45 Procession from City Hall
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
12 Worship Committee
2 Children of Eden rehearsal

Monday, September 13

4:45 Feeding Ministry (at
Jeremiah Inn)
5:30 Emmaus Planning mtg.
6 LEM/LR Dinner meeting
7 Centering Prayer

Tuesday, September 14

7:45 Morning Prayer
10:30 Staff meeting
12 CREW meeting
7 Children of Eden rehearsal

Wednesday, September 15

7 Holy Eucharist,
breakfast & bible study

Thursday, September 16

4:45 Feeding Ministry
(at Vet's Shelter)
6:30 Youth Confirmation
Class

7 Children of Eden rehearsal
7:30 Finance Committee

Friday, September 18

4:30 Afternoon Tunes
6 Fun/Fab Fridays

Saturday, September 18

9 Kairos Retreat
5 Young Families Supper
Group

Sunday, September 19

Blood pressure screenings
7:45 Holy Eucharist
9 Family Eucharist
9:40 Church School
9:40 Adult Forum
10:30 Holy Eucharist &
Baptism
12 Lay Pastors meeting
2 Children of Eden rehearsal

Monday, September 20

7 LGBT Planning Meeting

Tuesday, September 21

7:45 Morning Prayer
9:30 Pastoral Care Team
10:30 Staff meeting
7 Children of Eden rehearsal

Wednesday, September 22

7 Holy Eucharist,
breakfast & bible study

Thursday, September 23

7 Children of Eden rehearsal

Friday, September 24

4:30 Afternoon Tunes
6 Fun/Fab Fridays

Saturday, September 25

4 Anniversary Celebration
Service & Reception

Sunday, September 26

7:45 Holy Eucharist
9 Family Eucharist
9:40 Church School
9:40 Adult Forum
9:45 Early Communion Class
10:30 Holy Eucharist
12 EYC meeting
2 Children of Eden rehearsal

Monday, September 27

9:30 Prayer/Study Group
7 Vestry meeting

Tuesday, September 28

7:45 Morning Prayer
9 Pastoral Care Team
10:30 Staff meeting
7 Children of Eden rehearsal

Wednesday, September 29

7 Holy Eucharist,
breakfast & bible study
7 Adult Inquirer's class

FROM THE ARCHIVES, *continued*

When Bonawit was about to close his studio in 1941, due to lack of work in wartime, Donald Robb, partner in the Frohman, Robb and Little firm which had rebuilt the destroyed All Saints Church, saw it there and thought it might be adapted for the triple lancet window in the north transept at All Saints. It would need only minor alterations to convert it from a single panel to three lancets. In an unsigned letter of March 16, 1942, Dr. Richard Greeley Preston, rector, asked that a panel showing the Flagellation of Christ be replaced with one of the Resurrection, and that the unnecessary elements removed from the windows' original configuration be boxed and sent to Worcester.

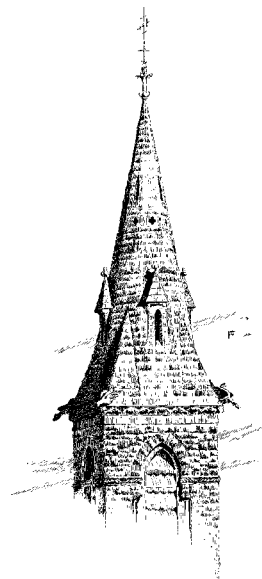
The cost of the window, \$1,000 including reinforcing bars, with a further \$486 for alterations, was borne by Paul Morgan, who gave the window as a memorial gift. It was dedicated on May 10, 1942.



Youth Confirmation Class

Confirmation class will begin with a blessing for the confirmands on Sunday, September 12 in the 10:30 service. Our first class will be on Thursday, September 16, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. The confirmation program is open to any young person in the 7th grade and older. The class will meet from September 2010–November 2011, when the Bishop will come to All Saints for the service of Confirmation. Classes will be held on first Sundays, from 12-1 p.m., and third Thursdays, from 6:30-7:30 p.m., and will be taught by Nancy Elder-Wilfrid and Charlie Garniewicz. The class is an opportunity for young people to learn more about our Christian tradition and heritage, what it means to be a Christian and to grow more deeply in their faith and their relationship with God. If you have not yet registered and are interested, please contact Nancy Elder-Wilfrid as soon as possible.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH



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dant food. I always come away from potluck dinners happily stuffed to the gills."

I have come to see that giving can be like this, and it should be like this, like a potluck dinner—sharing without worrying, knowing that in the end there is abundance for all. At the heart of it is knowing that giving generously does not mean that we will suffer, but just the opposite, that we will be connected to an experience of grace. I am grateful to all the people who are a part of the All Saints congregation who understand this, and live it out as they are able.

Kevin D. Bean



FALL 2010 KAIROS OFFERINGS

More information about these and other Kairos offerings is available on the Kairos bulletin board opposite the first floor rest rooms.

Centering Prayer

All are invited to gather for a time of Centering Prayer on Monday September 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the library. The evening begins with a time of quiet conversation and reflection, which leads us into a time of deeper quiet and prayer.

"Living with God: Saints for Our Time"

A 9-month program building spiritual community through shared prayer and reflection in on-going small groups; we will use "contemporary saints" to guide our prayer and reflection. Led by Nancy Elder-Wilfrid, Susie Allen and Nancy Small (hospice chaplain for the VNA and spiritual director), with groups meeting monthly in Boxborough, Holden and Worcester. First meeting: September 18; tuition for the year is \$200. *Registration deadline September 10.*

"Resting in God: A Time for Prayer and Retreat"

Friday, October 15–Sunday, October 17

Join us for the 5th annual Kairos fall retreat: a gift of spacious and gentle time, as we gather at the beautiful wooded retreat setting of the Barbara Harris Center in Greenfield, N.H.! The retreat begins with supper on Friday and ends with lunch on Sunday. Led by Nancy Elder-Wilfrid and Susie Allen, associate pastor at UCC Boxborough and musician). Cost for the retreat is \$300; if you register by September 1, \$290.

September Adult Forums

from 9:40-10:25 a.m. in the Guild Room

September 5 *Conclusion of Our Summer Series:* Bible Studies focused on the assigned lectionary readings

September 12 **No Forum**

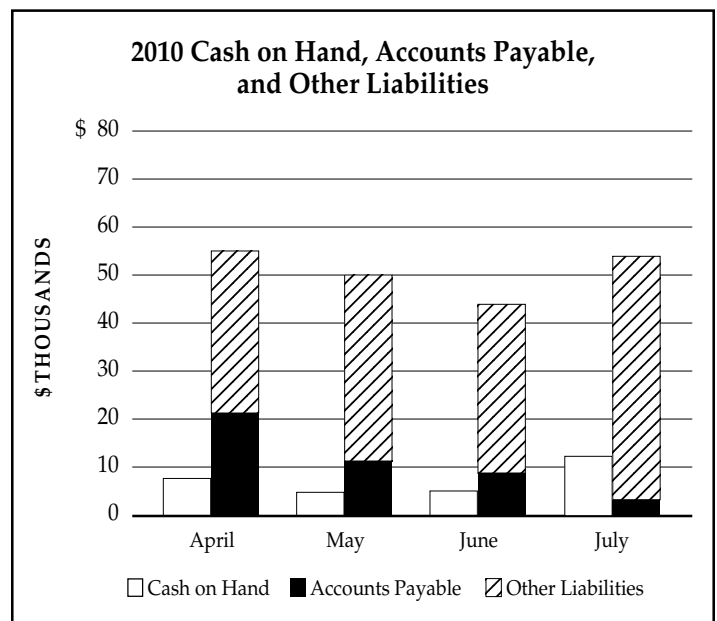
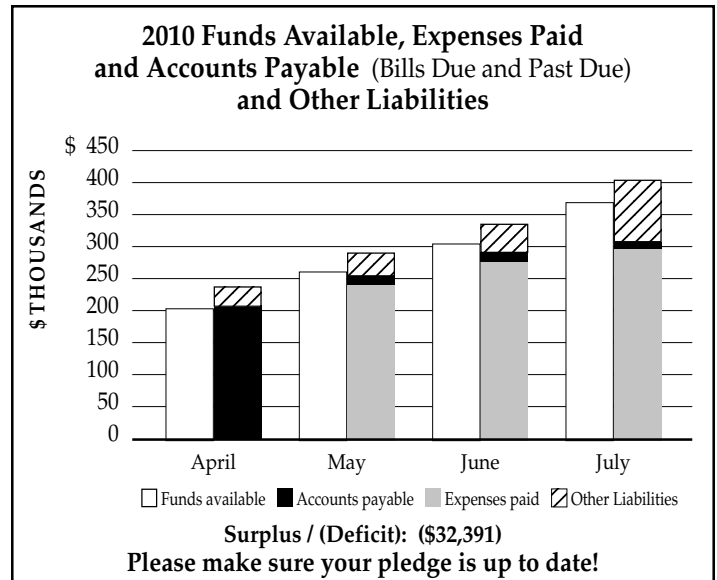
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The All Saints Archives group will bring archival pictures and memorabilia to tell the story of the past 175 years of the ministry of All Saints.

September 26 *"The Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion: Issues and Concerns for Today"*

Led by the Rt. Rev. Mark Beckwith

These are challenging times for the Anglican Communion, and for us in the Episcopal Church, as the union between the different



dioceses and communions is brought into tension around the ordination of women and homosexuals, and same gender blessings. The Rt. Rev. Mark Beckwith, former rector of All Saints and the bishop of the Diocese of Newark, will offer his perspective and insight into these and other issues facing the church on an international and domestic level.

Children's Spiritual Life

September 5—This is the last Sunday of 9 o'clock Family Service in the courtyard (weather permitting). "One Room Schoolhouse" will be held in Vinton Hall after the 9 o'clock. The 10:30 Children's Program will be held in Choir Room.

September 12—No Church School after the 9 o'clock service. Children and families invited to join the All Saints Procession as part of our 175th Celebration. The 10:30 Children's Program during the sermon will be held in the Choir Room.

September 19—Church School classes begin at 9:40! Church School classes will take place in two second-floor classrooms and Vinton Hall. We will be using the *Living the Good News* curriculum. Baptisms at 10:30 service; no 10:30 Children's Program.

September 26—Regular schedule.

175th Events in September

Sunday, September 12—All Saints Procession!

Join the procession from City Hall to All Saints Church, as we walk to each of the sites All Saints has called “home” during the past 175 years. All able walkers are asked to meet across the street from City Hall, in front of the Sovereign Bank, at 9:45; or walkers may gather on the Irving Street steps of the church at 9:30 to walk together to City Hall. We will pause for prayers at 340 Main Street and 55 Pearl Street and arrive back at 10 Irving Street in time for the processional hymn! (*Please note: In case of rain, the procession will be cancelled—so hope for sunny skies that morning!*)

Saturday, September 25—175th Celebration Service

Join us for this special service of worship as we welcome former clergy and celebrate the ministry we have shared. The service will be at 4 p.m., and a reception will follow. Members of the congregation are asked to contribute sweet or savory finger foods to the reception; a sign-up sheet is in Huntington Hall.

An Invitation to Cottage Hill

Attention “Pajamas and Slippers at Christmas” participants : Cottage Hill Academy, in Baldwinville (near Gardner), has extended an invitation to us to visit the school from 1-4 p.m. on Sunday, September 19. The girls will serve us dinner at this special reception for churches, and we will be offered tours of the beautiful campus. We should RSVP a week ahead. Please call if you would like to go, and need, or can offer, a ride. I will leave directly from All Saints about noon. It is about a 45-minute drive. Janet Jones (jones.jan@charter.net, 508-829-5606).

LEMs and Lay Readers Meeting

On Monday, September 13 at 6 p.m. We will gather for a light supper and discuss scheduling and upcoming events. Please make every effort to attend. Questions, speak to Coralie O'Connor or Sharon Weeks.

Young Families Supper Club

The Young Families Supper Club meets on Saturday evenings in the Guild Room from 5-8 p.m. Bring the family and your favorite dish to share. We always have lots

of fun! A sign-up sheet is placed in Huntington Hall before the gathering. The dates for this year will be: September 18, October 16 and November 20. If you have any questions regarding this group please contact: Colleen Congdon (cmcongdon@gmail.com) or Carol Conti (lcmcd7701@charter.net)

All Saints Supper Groups

Would you like to gather with other parishioners once a month for supper, starting in September? Our Supper Groups are forming for next year. This past year there were 3 groups, each with approximately 10 people in them. The groups included both couples and singles. The new groups will be a mixture of seasoned supper group members and new supper group members. One of the experienced members will have the first dinner in September. Each group meets monthly at the homes of different members of that group. There will be a sign-up sheet in Huntington Hall. If you have any questions feel free to call Mary Garniewicz (508-753-0638).

To Those Heading Off to College

Our prayers are with all the young people who are heading off to college, especially those who are just beginning this new stage in their lives. We offer them our blessings and prayers as they settle into all the new experiences college offers.

ASC Alliance

The All Saints Alliance, a group of LGBT parishioners and newcomers along with interested and supportive members will begin its series of monthly meetings on Thursday, September 2. Our meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month in the Guild Room at 7:30 p.m., with discussions and fellowship during the meetings on topics of interest to the community and church. At the first meeting we will be talking about our participation in June's Boston Pride Parade as well as preparing for Worcester Pride. We will also be discussing the Adult Forum series to be presented during October on LGBT issues and stories. All interested people are warmly welcomed to attend. Refreshments will be served. Please let Patrick or Robert Hunt know if you would like to be on our email listing of upcoming topics and reflections.

Next Baptismal Dates Scheduled

Our next dates for scheduling baptisms are on the following Sundays: September 19 and November 7. Please contact Kevin Bean (508-752-3766, ext.13, kevin@allsaintsw.org).

Ministry Showcases

Each Sunday a different All Saints ministry team will be “showcased” during the coffee hours. Come and learn more about these exciting ministries and how you might participate. If your ministry team would like to have a ministry showcase, please contact Kevin Bean (508-752-3766 x13, kevin@allsaintsw.org).

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FALL AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH 2010

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

7:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist

9 a.m. Family Eucharist

9:40 a.m. Church School classes

9:40 a.m. Sunday Forum

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, full choir

(including a children's class during sermon)

Tuesdays: 7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer

Wednesdays: 7 a.m. Holy Eucharist followed by breakfast and Bible study.

WORSHIP

The worship of God is at the very heart of our life together. Every Sunday we offer a diversity of styles, formal and informal, contemporary and traditional. In all, we offer the best we have, we experience the mystery of God, hear and wrestle with God's words, share Christ's presence in the sacrament, feel God's love in community, and leave strengthened to live and serve in the world.

All Saints Choirs

The All Saints Choirs begin the new singing season on September 12 at the 10:30 a.m. service, continuing the flexible rotation of girls singing one week, boys the next, alongside our dedicated adults. You are invited (now as all throughout the year) to pass our brochures and otherwise spread the word of people you know who may be interested in the girls and boys program. Adults with musical skills are also encouraged to inquire about the choirs. Regular weekly rehearsals resume the week of September 6. Rehearsal times are posted on our website www:allsaintsw.org.

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175th EVENTS COMING UP THIS FALL

Sunday September 12th: All Saints Procession

Join the procession through the places All Saints has called "home" over the past 175 years, as we walk from City Hall to 340 Main St. (Brimley Hall) to Pearl Street to 10 Irving St. The procession will begin across from City Hall at 9:45 and enter All Saints at the 10:30 service

Saturday September 25th at 4:00 p.m.: 175th Celebration Service

A celebration of the life and ministry of All Saints Church as we welcome returning clergy.

October 22nd-24th: "Children of Eden"

Don't miss this wonderful musical production! Performances are at 8:00 p.m. on the 22nd and 23rd, and 2:00 p.m. on the 24th.

Saturday November 20th at 11:00 a.m.: Celebration of our Episcopal Heritage and Mission in Worcester County
The Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, Dr. Katharine Jefferts Schori will preach and preside in this celebration service.

Sunday December 12th: Anniversary Year Finale
Special coffee hour after each service, and African processional for the 9 and 10:30 services.

EDUCATION

Sunday Forums beginning September 5 (9:40-10:25 in the Guild Room):

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October 3: *"Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace": The Life and Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi.* Today we celebrate the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi with the blessing of animals and the glorious music of the *Missa Gaia*. St. Francis is known for his prayer and for his passionate love for God's creation. How else might St. Francis speak to us today?

All God's People: A four-week Series on the Church and LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender) Concerns

October 10: *"The Bible Tells Me So...or Does it?"*

What does the Bible really say about homosexuality? Does it really speak to the issues facing us as a church today? What can we learn from scripture about what it means to be gay and Christian? Led by Kevin Bean.

October 17: *"Stories of Our Lives"*

Gay and lesbian couples who are members of All Saints will lead this session, talking about what it has meant to them to be able to be legally married, and how policies such as DOMA affects their lives. Led by Bob and Pat Hunt, Donna Loconte and Lisa Hassler, and Ben and Charley Labonte.

October 24: *"Our Place in the Church: Being Gay and Lesbian in the Christian Community"* The All Saints Alliance, the LGBT group at All Saints, will talk about the importance of the

Alliance, the culture of All Saints and how they experience the “radical welcome” that we claim to offer here.

October 31: “Issues within the Community of Faith”

We will have an update on the “family fight” within the Anglican Communion concerning the ordination of LGBT bishops, and on the response of other denominations to issues of who can be ordained. Some churches allow open ordination, others require ordained clergy to be either married or celibate; what does this mean for those who live in states that do not allow same gender marriage? Is this an issue of justice for the church and what are the implications for the Christian community of the vast difference between us around the issue?

Youth Confirmation Program

We will be offering a confirmation class for young people (7th grade and older) beginning in September. The class will meet from September 2010 – November 2011, when the Bishop will come to All Saints for the service of Confirmation. Classes will be held on 1st Sundays, from 12-1, and 3rd Thursdays, from 6:30-7:30, and will be taught by Nancy Elder-Wilfrid and Charlie Garniewicz. The class is an opportunity for young people to learn more about our Christian tradition and heritage, what it means to be a Christian and to grow more deeply in their faith and their relationship with God. Please contact Nancy if you are interested in learning more about the class, at 508-752-3766 x19 or nancy@allsaintsw.org

Fellowship of All Saints Informational Dinner

On Tuesday, October 5th beginning at 6 p.m. you are invited to join with Bishop Gordon Scruton and the Fellowship of All Saints for a reception, supper and conversation. The Fellowship of All Saints is a group of parishioners who have chosen to live a common “rule of life” for the purpose of deepening their desire for God, and as a guideline for daily practice. For more information, contact Beth Baldwin (774-253-9815) email lizzieab@charter.net Sign-up sheet in Huntington Hall.

Inquirer’s Class: Practicing the Faith at All Saints—Four Mondays, October 4, 11, 18 and 25, from 7-8:30 p.m.

Come discover what it means to be an Episcopalian/Anglican. Wherever you are on your journey of faith, this is a class that aims to both welcome your seeking and deepen your discipleship. Classes will be led by The Rev. Kevin Bean. Join him and others to discuss the beliefs of the Church, the Episcopal/Anglican ways of practicing the Faith, the Biblical and Sacramental understandings of the mission and ministry we share as followers of Christ. This is a great class for those who would like to refresh their relationship with the church, and especially those who wish to be confirmed or formally received (from another denomination) by the Bishop of Western Massachusetts, Gordon Scruton at the time of his Visitation.

- October 4 What do we believe as a Church?
- October 11 People of the Book(s) – how we use the Bible, Book of Common Prayer and Hymnals in our life together
- October 18 The Episcopal Church: Its Roots
- October 25 Sacrament and Mission – Worship and Ministry

Prayer/Study Group

Mondays from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the library beginning on September 27th. This group begins with prayer, usually reading Morning Prayer together, and then reflects on a portion of the study book. Week by week leadership is shared by the members. New participants are always welcome. We will be reading, *Made for Goodness*, by Desmond and Mpho Tutu. Copies of the study book will be available in early September.

Wednesday Bible Study and Breakfast

On Wednesday mornings following the 7 a.m. Eucharist in the Chapel, one of the clergy leads a discussion on the upcoming Sunday lectionary texts. Group members rotate providing a continental breakfast as they break open the texts. We end by 8:30 a.m. so that you may get to work!

**Children’s Spiritual Life at All Saints Church
Fall 2010 Calendar**

September 5 - Last Sunday of 9 a.m. Courtyard Family Service (weather permitting.)

"One Room Schoolhouse" will be held in Vinton Hall after 9 a.m. service

10:30 Children's Program will be held in Choir Room.

September 12 - No Church School after the 9am service -

children and families invited on the All Saints Procession as part of our 175th Anniversary celebration.

10:30 Children's Program during the sermon will be held in the Choir Room.

Sunday Christian Formation Schedule for Children & Youth will be as below unless otherwise noted.

September 19- Church School Classes Begin at 9:40! Church School classes will take place in two second-floor classrooms and Vinton Hall. We will be using the *Living the Good News* curriculum.

Baptisms at 10:30 Service- No 10:30 Children's Program

September 26- Regular schedule

October 3- Celebration of St. Francis

Blessing of the Pets at 9:00 Family Service- Church School will be held. Celebration of Creation at 10:30 Service, Children's Program will be held.

October 10- Regular schedule

October 17- Regular schedule

October 24- Regular schedule

October 31 - Celebrating All Souls Day- candle-lighting in memory of loved ones at all services.

Sunday after All Saints Day- November 7-

Baptisms - Regular Schedule for church school;
No 10:30 Children's Program today.

November 14- Regular Schedule

November 21- Regular Schedule

First Sunday of Advent- November 28- Advent Wreath-making in Huntington Hall between 9:00 & 10:30 services and after the 10:30 service (any parishioner may order an Advent Wreath kit through Celia Demers in advance.)

December 5- Second Sunday of Advent

December 12- Third Sunday of Advent

December 19- Fourth Sunday of Advent - CHRISTMAS

PAGEANT after 9 a.m. service

Friday, December 24- Christmas Eve services

Saturday, December 25- Christmas Day

December 26- Regular Schedule

Required for Church School teachers: CORI check, Basic Safe Church Training every 3 years - contact Celia Demers at 508-752-3766 x22 or celia@allsaintsw.org

EYC Youth Group (Episcopal Youth Council)

Leaders: Clarrissa Belcher and Veronica Harthorne (staff resource person - Celia Demers)

September 26th at 12 Noon - First meeting in the Guild Room to plan our fall activities. We need to plan our trip to Six Flags!

Kairos Spiritual Life Center - Fall Offerings

Friday Oct. 15 – Sunday Oct. 17: “Resting in God: A Time for Prayer and Retreat”

Join us for the 5th annual Kairos fall retreat: a gift of spacious and gentle time, as we gather at the beautiful wooded retreat setting of the Barbara Harris Center in Greenfield, NH! The retreat begins with supper on Friday and ends with lunch on Sunday. Led by Nancy Elder-Wilfrid (Clergy Associate at All Saints Church and Director of the Kairos Spiritual Life Center) and Susie Allen (Associate Pastor at UCC Boxborough and musician).

Cost for the retreat is \$300; \$290 if registered by September 1st.

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First meeting: September 18th; tuition for the year: \$200.00

Saturday November 6: “Enneagram Advanced Workshop: A Day of Discovery”

Herb Pearce, a leading expert in the Enneagram, will review the 9 Enneagram types, and help us to learn more about the type most basic to our motivation, thinking and behavior. He will then introduce us to the subtleties between them while we learn more about how to develop each of the nine types in ourselves.

All Saints Church, 9:00 – 12:30; \$25.00

On-going Kairos programs will include:

Centering Prayer: most 2nd Mondays of the month, 7:30 – 9:00, at All Saints: September 13, October 4, (November: to be announced), December 13, January 10.

First Friday Films (1st Fridays of the month, 7:00 at All Saints; \$3 donation)

October 1: Little Buddha (a quest to find the reincarnation of a great Buddhist teacher)

November 5: Arranged (the friendship between an Orthodox Jewish and a Muslim woman, both in process of going through an arranged marriage)

December 3: The Color of Paradise (an Iraqi film about a blind boy and his family)

For more information or to register for events, please contact the Kairos Spiritual Life Center at 508-752-3766, ext. 19 or kairoscenter@allsaintsw.org.

MISSION

Fall Feeding Ministry

We will prepare and serve dinner at Jeremiah’s Inn in Webster Square on the second Monday of every month; and the Mass. Veteran’s Shelter on Grove Street on the third Thursday of every month. There are many ways to serve. You can bake, help with the shopping for food, join us there between 3:30 p.m. and 4:45 p.m. to help prepare and set up to serve, or just join us at 4:45 p.m. to help serve. If you would like to help, please contact Kevin Mulcahy at kbulcahy@townisp.com or call him at: (h) (508) 842-1976.. If you want to bake, you can leave your cupcakes, brownies, cookies, or easy-to-serve dessert at the Church Office and we will pick them up.

Neighborhood Ministries – Fun & Fab Fridays

Fun Fridays is a program open to children kindergarten through 6th grade. Fab Fridays is a program for youth in grades 7-12. These programs are open to children of the neighborhood and the parish. Registration Day- Friday, September 10th from 6-7 p.m. Programs will begin on Friday, September 17th. Watch *The Parish* newsletter for more details on the program and volunteer needs.

Afternoon Tunes

Afternoon Tunes begins its second year this fall and **will run from 4:30-6 p.m. on Fridays prior to the Fun/Fab Program**. During this time, advanced high school and college level musicians will give lessons to children between the ages of 6 and 15 from the Fun and Fab Friday program. The teachers will work under the guidance of the program’s professional consultant, Worcester violinist Sheila Reid. Orientation for interested students and families takes place on Friday, September 10. Lessons start on Friday, September 17. The program will offer private lessons on piano, violin, flute, clarinet, guitar, saxophone, and drums, as well as group recorder lessons. Afternoon Tunes will provide students with the instruments, music, and supplies. The instruments have been donated to the program by Robinson Music and David French Music in Westborough and by individuals. We hope to acquire different instruments, and offer more lessons, over the course of the fall. If you are a student interested in volunteering as a teacher with Afternoon Tunes, or working with our leadership team, or if you are interested in donating an instrument, music, or

supplies (stands, metronomes, etc), please contact Elizabeth Butterworth at 508-873-3128.

All Saints Supper Groups

Would you like to gather with other parishioners once a month for supper, starting in September? Our All Saints Supper Groups are forming for next year. This past year there were 3 groups, each with approximately 10 people in them. The groups included both couples and singles. The new groups will be a mixture of seasoned supper group members and new supper group members. One of the experienced members will have the first dinner in September. Each group meets monthly at the homes of different members of that group. There will be a sign-up sheet in Huntington Hall. If you have any questions feel free to call Mary Garniewicz at 508-753-0638

Young Families Supper Club

The Young Families Supper Club meets on Saturday evenings in the Guild Room from 5-8pm. Bring the family and your favorite dish to share. We always have lots of fun! If you have any questions regarding this group please contact Colleen Congdon at cmcongdon@gmail.com or Carol Conti at lcmed7701@charter.net. A sign-up sheet is placed in Huntington Hall before the gathering. You can also find us on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=66248236778>. **The dates for this year will be: 9/18, 10/16, 11/20.**

FALL PARISH FUND RAISER

SAVE THE DATES – Friday evening, December 17th, or Saturday afternoon December 18, 2010

Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" at the Hanover Theatre

All Saints Church is participating with the Hanover Theater for the Performing Arts to bring Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" for two of their six performances. A pre-show reception on December 17 will be held at the Church. Tickets for the reception and show will be on sale through the Church beginning November 7 (signup sheets will be out earlier). We are also seeking donors to enable all the Fun and Fab Friday children and youth to attend. Please visit the Church's website <http://www.allsaintsw.org/> or call the Parish Office for additional information.

MUSIC HIGHLIGHTS

Saturday, September 25 at 4:00 p.m. 175th Anniversary Celebration Service and Reception, with former All Saints Clergy and the Bishop of Western Massachusetts

Sunday, October 3 at 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. Missa Gaia The St. Cecilia Choir and Adult Choristers, joined by members of the Worcester State College Chorale and Chorus, sing excerpts from Paul Winter's *Earth Mass* in celebration of St. Francis Day, with instrumental ensemble.

Sunday, October 3 at 5:00 p.m. Choral Evensong sung by the All Saints Choir of Men and Boys, joined by the Choir of Men and Boys from Trinity Church on the Green, New Haven. Preceded by Afternoon Tea at 4 p.m. in the Guild Room.

Friday, October 22 at 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 23 at 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 24 at 2:00 p.m.

Children of Eden

A fully-staged musical based on the Book of Genesis by Stephen Schwartz (composer of *Godspell* and *Wicked*), accompanied by organ and instruments in the All Saints Nave. (\$10 all tickets, all unreserved seating)

Sunday, October 31 at 10:30 a.m. Mack Wilberg's Requiem (excerpts) in traditional Service of Remembrance, with organ and chamber orchestra.

Sunday, November 7 at 5:00 p.m.

Choral Evensong for All Saints, sung by the Choir of the Church of the Advent, Boston. Preceded by Afternoon Tea at 4 p.m. in the Guild Room.

Saturday, November 20 at 11:00 a.m. Celebration of our Episcopal heritage and witness in Worcester with the Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori, Presiding Bishop and Primate of the Episcopal Church, along with the Episcopal Churches of Worcester and the region. With combined area choirs, singing 'Sanctuary Doves' composed for our 175th Anniversary by Peter Stoltzfus Berton.

Sunday, December 5 at 5:00 p.m.

Advent Procession of Lessons and Carols sung by the combined All Saints Choirs.

Friday, December 24 at 10:30 p.m. Candlelight Christmas Eve Prelude (prior to 11 p.m. service) with the All Saints Choirs and Alumni. Music also at 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. services.



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