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## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Palm Vigil, March 31st 5:00pm Liturgy of the Palms & Holy Eucharist Palm Sunday, April 1st Liturgy of the Palms & Holy Eucharist 10:00am Monday, April 2nd 7:00am Holy Eucharist Tuesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> 7:00am Holy Eucharist Wednesday, April 4th h 7:00am Holy Eucharist 5:30pm "Call him Savior" Lent Program Maundy Thursday, April 5th 7:00am Holy Eucharist Soup Supper [parishioners bring sandwiches to share] 5:30pm 7:00pm Maundy Thursday Liturgy, Eucharist & Stripping of Altar

7:00am Holy Eucharist (pre-sanctified)

Good Friday, April 6th

Stations of the Cross with Taizé Chants 12:00pm

7:00pm Good Friday Liturgy

Saturday, April 7th 7:00pm The Great Vigil of Easter [at Christ Church, Binghamton]

Easter Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup> 8 & 10:00am Festival Holy Eucharist of the Lord's Resurrection

Egg Hunt for children follows the 10 am service!

### Palm Sunday Weekend Liturgy on March 31st & April 1st begins with a Procession and the Journey Continues Using Projected Images and Drama

On Palm Sunday Jesus began his Passion by a triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Come and join the choir and church school in the singing of "All Glory Laud and Honor" as we process around the church.

Throughout the service paintings and artwork depicting Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem and the Passion will be projected on to the wall of the chancel. After the Collect and lessons from the Old and New Testaments, Prayers of the People, the Peace and Offertory, the reading of the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark will begin. When the Passion reading reaches the Last Supper, we will pause to celebrate Holy Communion surrounded by depictions of the Upper Room. Following Communion the dramatic reading of the Passion will conclude. The liturgy will end with a solemn blessing and dismissal from the Book of Occasional Services. Thanks to Bob Steber for helping with the Power Point projections for this special liturgy.



#### Special Offerings of Holy Week and Easter

#### Good Friday Offering for the Church in Jerusalem

"Pray for the peace of Jerusalem." -Psalm 122

For 90 years the Good Friday Offering has been designated for the support of the Anglican Communion in Jerusalem. This offering symbolized our unity with and passionate concern for those who witness to Christ throughout that region – especially in Nablus and the West



Bank. The offering translates into operating funds for hospitals, schools, orphanages, and other necessary programs. Offering envelopes for this designation will be placed in the bulletins for Good Friday services at All Saints', or you may send a check or place a check in the offering plate make payable to All Saints' Church with Good Friday Offering marked on the memo line at any service during the month of April.

**Easter Offering envelopes** will be included in an Easter Letter from the Rector to be mailed to homes at the end of March. Please remember that your special offering on Easter helps the continued work of the church. You must include your name or envelope number on any offerings of Holy Week [\*Maundy Thursday, \*Good Friday, or +Easter Sunday] in order to receive credit on your pledge record. Loose offerings on Easter Day are designated to Episcopal Relief and Development.

\*Special envelopes to be provided in the bulletins of the day

+Easter Offering envelope to be mailed to homes in Parish Easter Letter

#### **No Confession During Easter?**

O the joy of being Anglican! There's a rubric and reason for every liturgical season. It has become a custom of the Church to omit the confession during the season of Easter (Easter-Easter7). Dr. Marion J. Hatchette explains, "Confession is the obverse of thanksgiving; to give thanks for redemption is to acknowledge one's sinfulness." On the great festival days of the Church year, when it may be more appropriate not to make explicit acts of confession, this is allowed by the rubric, "On occasion, the Confession may be omitted." "(pg. 342, \*Commentary on the American Prayer Book\*, referring to pg. 359, Book of Common Prayer, 1979) The Sundays of the Easter Season are the "great festival days of the Church year. In some ways, this is a return to the practices of the early church where there was no confession in the liturgy and one acknowledged one's sinfulness by giving thanks to God, in the Eucharistic prayer, for redemption. Confession was added to celebrations of the Eucharist during the late Middle Ages. This is a long way of saying, IT'S OKAY TO TAKE COMMUNION WITHOUT CONFESSION DURING THE EASTER SEASON!

# Experience the Great Vigil of Easter at Christ Church, Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM



The Great Vigil of Easter is one of the oldest liturgies in the Church. It is a graceful and meandering service that around a "liturgical campfire" gathers the faith community in the Easter Light of Christ to tell the story of salvation history and celebrate the first Easter with baptisms or renewal of baptismal vows and Holy Eucharist. This year the host parish is Christ Church, Binghamton. Our District Dean and Deacon, The Rev. Dorothy Pierce will be singing the Exultet! You are invited to join the people of our district for this ancient celebration of our Lord's resurrection. Come to the Vigil and get an early start on Easter! An "Ice Cream Reception" will follow the vigil.



# Preparations for

#### Holy Week and Easter

The Property Committee has scheduled a work party for Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup> for all able bodied participants who wish to help beautify/fix up the church in preparation for Holy Week. Come help us do odd cleaning and maintenance such as washing windows, painting, outside work (weather permitting). We will start at 9 a.m. and work until 2 p.m. Lunch [soup and sandwiches with our community guests] will be provided so come early and stay late! If you have questions or wish to volunteer at other times, speak to Lee Grabowski or Gary Zurn. Many hands make work light!



### Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday, April 8th

All children are invited to participate in All Saints' Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup> after the 10 AM Festival Celebration of Holy Eucharist. Come and search high and low on the church grounds (weather pending) for chocolate and candy eggs as well other treats and prizes. There will be special large eggs with appropriate filling for our toddlers with toddler friendly food inside. Who will find the most eggs? Who will find the prettiest eggs? Come and find out while enjoying a casual coffee hour sponsored by Christian Ed!



## Save the Date: Easter (5) Brunch at the Rectory on Sunday April 15<sup>th</sup>

In a blatant attempt to have higher attendance numbers the weekend of Easter 2 on April 15<sup>th</sup>, all are invited to an Easter Brunch at the rectory following the 10 AM service.—approximately 11:30 PM. (This means that you can attend the Saturday Vigil for Easter 2 at 5 PM and still come for the Brunch on Sunday at 11:30 AM!) A spring feast of "mock soufflé," asparagus, salad, fruit, breads and dessert will be offered. Come for food, fellowship and fun! Come play with Alphege, on her best behavior, as the older and wiser Becket figures out how to get more treats that Alphege. Come! All are welcome! Sign-up in the narthex to assist with food planning.



#### **Volunteers Needed!**



The Soup and Sandwich program has passed another anniversary! It doesn't seem possible, but we have been offering our community free meals for 5 years!! All of us are to be commended for our generosity in time, talent, and treasure. Although there have been obstacles, we continue to feed God's people on a weekly basis.

As with all programs, volunteers are the backbone. Life changes over time, and some of our most trustworthy people have had to retire. Can you help? We are looking for some new faces, especially on the Fourth Saturday team. Please consider this with a prayer in your heart. The service you offer is a blessing to many...and a great way to get to know your fellow parishioners.

Many thanks to all the volunteers who have sustained the Soup and Sandwich program. Simply put, you are wonderful.



#### Film and Food: "The Help" and Southern Food—April 21st 4-9 PM



Come and join us while we learn about Southern Cooking on Saturday, April 21, 2012 from 4-9 PM. You will be making this meal under the watchful eye of the chef, David Pierce, with his recipes. He'll show you how to create this wonderfully classic Southern meal: Southern Fried Chicken, Cheesy Grits, Collard Greens, Black-Eyed Pea Salad, Corn Bread, Chocolate Pie. Then we'll eat it and watch the movie "The Help". Cost is \$15.

The movie is about an aspiring author during the civil rights movement of the 1960s decides to write a book detailing the African-American maid's point of view on the white families for which they work, and the hardships they go through on a daily basis. Two Academy Award nominees are in this movie! Sign up in the Narthex!

#### Life Goes On This Month

Life Goes On will hold their April luncheon meeting on at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at the Ground Round Restaurant in Johnson City. Please phone Arlene Foley at 797-2111 if you are planning to attend so that she can make adequate reservations.

# Book Club to Meet Thursday April 26, 2012 at 5:30 at the Rectory to Either Continue C.S. Lewis' Screwtape Letters or Begin T.B.A

When the Book Club meets on Thursday, April 26th, 5:30 PM at the Rectory, it is continuing its study of C.S. Lewis' classic *The Screwtape Letters*. Please plan to have read through the end by then. As the back cover of the book states:

"Screwtape is an experienced devil. His nephew Wormwood is just beginning his demonic career and has been assigned to secure the damnation of a young man who has just become a Christian. In this humorous exchange, C. S. Lewis delves into moral questions about good v. evil, temptation, repentance, and grace. Through this wonderful tale, the reader emerges with a better knowledge of what it means to live a good, honest life." Interested? Come! The cost is \$10.85.

If through grace we all have finished *The Screwtape Letters* in March, the Book Club will begin a new book—yet to be determined. Stay tuned. If there is a new book, it will be available in the Narthex before April 26<sup>th</sup>

### District Confirmation to be Held April 22nd

"Via Media" – AKA Confirmation Classes began on February 22<sup>nd</sup> and will continue at 9 AM on Sunday mornings through April 22<sup>nd</sup> (skipping Easter Sunday)! District Confirmation is scheduled for April 22<sup>nd</sup> at St. Mark's, Chenango Bridge at 2 PM. Mother Chris will be presenting Darlene Byarley and Andrew Hickey for Confirmation, and Johanna Kiley for Re-Affirmation. Please mark the time and date on your calendars and plan to attend the service!





#### **Dollars & Cents**

All Saints' 2012 budget is a balanced budget! Thanks to our parish making generous pledges! In 2012 a monthly income of \$ 14,244 will be needed to balance the expenses. Please try to keep up your pledges. Truely, with "God all things are possible" (Mt. 19:26)

As *Crossways* goes to press before the end of the month, the financial information below is for the most recent completed month. In this case, it's the month of February 2012 or about 16.6% through the year.

Income	Actual January, 2012	Annual Budget 2012
Offering & Pledges	\$24,413	\$ 155,389
Fundraising	\$ 100	\$ 7,200
Other Income	\$ 1,037	\$ 8,342
Faith Income	\$ 0	\$ 0
Total Income	\$25,550	\$ 170,931
Total Expenses	\$31,679	\$ 170,931
Profit (Loss)*	(\$ 6,129)*	\$ 0

<sup>\*\*</sup>In the first quarter of the year there are many expenses that are either paid at the beginning of the year or at the beginning of the quarter (pension, health insurance, other insurance, etc.) that result in a temporary deficit. In addition, All Saints' utility bills have been significantly higher than last year. Nancy Elwood who works at NYSEG is looking into this.

Questions? Ask Treasurer, Barb Freed, or a Warden or a Vestry member.

# Our Upcoming Fund Raising Events! Mark these dates on your calendars and watch for sign-up sheets and other ways you can help!

### Bon Ton Community Days Friday, April 27th & Saturday, April 28th

Buy your shopping coupons today! Your \$5 donation per coupon booklet gives you \$10 off a single purchase plus eight 20% off coupons. The \$5 donation stays with our parish, plus the Bon Ton remits a shared amount of the sale receipts to each organization participating in selling at least 25 coupon books.

First Chicken Barbeque on Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup> Joy Kasmarcik, Vestry Chair

Second Chicken Barbeque, on Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup> Bob Steber, Vestry Chair

Doug's Fish Fry, on Friday, July 27th





#### ~ Community Events ~

#### Let's Help Those Who Help Us

The Poverty Awareness Coalition is a group of Binghamton University students who have dedicated themselves to educating their fellow students and the community at large on issues of being poor. As part of their mission they have been volunteering twice a month in our Soup and Sandwich Saturday program. Their attitude is one of enthusiasm...no job is too menial or hard for them to do. I know that the team members they serve with are very grateful for their service.

On April 12th at 6:00PM, the Coalition will be hosting an art auction in the lobby of BU's Fine Arts Building. The proceeds of the auction are going to Partners in Health, a charity that provides medical facilities and resources to impoverished nations. There is no admission cost. Bidding will be written in the silent auction style. All are welcome.

If you happen to be an artist, or have some art you would like to donate, the Coalition will be taking donations through April 11. Art work does not need to be framed. Pick-up will be at All Saints'. Please consider supporting this organization that has been supporting us. It is a good and wonderful thing to see college students trying to make a positive impact in the world.

— Debbie Thorpe

# Funraiser for the Samaritan Counseling Center – Lunch with Amy Dickinson Amy Dickinson presents "Second Chances & New Beginnings"

Author - "The Mighty Queens of Freeville"

Columnist - "Ask Amy"

NPR Quiz Show Personality - "Wait! Wait! Don't Tell Me"

Amy's book will be available for purchase from RiverRead Books at this lunch and book-signing event

When: Saturday, April 21, 2012 11:30am – 2:00pm

Where: Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 701 West Main Street, Endicott

Tickets: \$25 per person - Advance Tickets Only

Phone 607-754-2660 or Toll-free 1-877-825-0678

Seating is limited -- Check, Cash, VISA, MC, Discover accepted

Proceeds benefit the Samaritan Counseling Center

(A non-profit organization with offices in Endicott, Owego & Windsor)



Remember to check the bulletin boards for community events that arrive after *Crossways* is published!



# Celebrations in April

#### **Birthdays**

- Joyanne Kasmarcik
   Martin Kasmarcik
- 3 Linda Barkman Don Brewster
- 7 Arlene Huyck
- 9 Steven Avery
- 11 Megan Labosky
- 12 Chieyann Grabowski
- 19 Ryan Avery Andrew Hickey
- 22 Sarah Harrison
- 25 Addisyn Macarak Annabella Macarak
- 26 Cecile Gleis
- 27 Vincent Finta Ann Sholtes

#### **Anniversaries**

- 19 Matt & Colleen Labosky
- 21 David & Eileen Patch
- 23 Herbert & Deborah Lake

#### Sanctuary Candle

April 1 – [Palm Sunday] is given by Sally Cole in memory of Kristin Greco; by Marilyn Doersam in memory of her husband, Art Doersam; and by Colleen, Matt and Megan Labosky in thanksgiving for the birthday of Colleen's mother, Gloria Anderson.

**April 08**– [Easter Sunday] is given in thanksgiving for the birthday of her son, Charles S. Smith.

**April 15**– is given by Roberta Steflik in memory of her grandfather, George F. Stone.

April 22- is given by Marilyn Doersam in memory of her parents, Amelia & John Bennett; is given by Colleen, Matt & Megan Labosky in memory of Colleen's father, Garold Lee Anderson; and is given by Lonna & David Pierce in memory of Lonna's mother, Mary Suchowiecki

**April 29** - is given by Lonna & David Pierce in memory of David's father, Lowell E. Pierce.

#### **Altar Flowers**

April 1 – [Palm Sunday] are given by the Sally Cole & the Cole Family in memory of Kristin Greco; are given by Marilyn Doersam & Howard Haas [Art's University of Michigan roommate] in memory of Art Doersam; are given by Ralph & Pat Holloway in thanksgiving for their grandchildren, Brian & Megan Holloway; and are given by Ardis Rogers in memory of her husband, Ray Rogers.

**April 8 – [Easter Sunday]** Easter Memorials & Thanksgivings received by Lent 5, March 25<sup>th</sup> will be listed in the Easter Sunday bulletin.

**April 15** – are given by Marilyn Doersam in thanksgiving for the 10<sup>th</sup> birthday of her granddaughter, Madison Wolfinger.

April 22 - open

**April 29** — are given by Marilyn Doersam in thanksgiving for the 15<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of her children, Lynda and David Doersam

#### From the Parish Records

Deaths-

Caroline Grace Labosky, died March 5<sup>th</sup> — service at All Saints' on March 8<sup>th</sup>





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#### Service and Education Schedule for April 2012

Saturdays: 5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist Sundays: 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Nursery Program for infants and toddlers/pre-schoolers: every Sunday

9:45 a.m. Christian Education Class for ages 5 and above: April 15

Wednesdays: 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist [No service on April 4<sup>th</sup>]

Lent Program 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays in Lent — April 4<sup>th</sup>

Special Services of Holy Week — April 1st through April 8th are detailed on Page One

