

Crossways

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Feast of (King) Alfred the Great, 899

Dear Friends in Christ,

King Alfred the Great is a bit of a paradox. He was a warrior King who defeated the invading Danes, united Anglo-Saxon England and converted his foes to Christianity. Lest that sound as if Alfred offered the Vikings and Danes the choice of death or Christ, he usually used argument and persuasion to win souls to Christ.

He was the youngest of five sons of King Aethelwulf, King of the West Saxons (Wessex). Alfred reigned for 28 years after the deaths of three of his older brothers who each ruled in succession after his father's death. Through battles, strategies and diplomacy Alfred united the southern and midland regions of England—quite an accomplishment in the 9th century. Then he turned his attention to bringing in scholars from Wales and the Continent to teach parish clergy and provide translations of theology and history.



The chaotic state of the seven Anglo-Saxon kingdoms of England and the threat of Viking and Danes invasions of the 9th century might have led any king to be insular, miserly and pessimistic. But Alfred saw the possibilities of peace, economic growth, the arts and learning in unifying the southern and midland regions of England. He also saw the power a unified Anglo-Saxon England would have in repulsing the Danes and Vikings. For all of the above King Alfred of Wessex is remembered as “Great” and commemorated as a saint.

King Alfred lived and reigned based in the theology of abundance with thanksgiving. In modern parlance one might say that Alfred saw the world as a glass half-full and shared that glass with the world. He's a role model for the theology of abundance and stewardship that even can be applied to our 21st century world. In the year 2012 it's easy to look around and see only division, scarce resources and little hope. However every weekend at our celebrations of Holy Eucharist we proclaim, “Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.” By doing so we express Christian hope. By doing so we confess that we follow Christ by our words and deeds. It's a three-phrase sound-bite of our Baptismal Covenant. Let's take King Alfred the Great as an example of following Christ and living into abundance, thanksgiving and stewardship.

Faithfully,

The Rev. Christine J. Day
Rector

DOLLAR\$&CENTS — September 2012

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. It really helps All Saints' cash flow. Truly, 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 September 2012 or 75% through the year.

Income	Actual September 2012	Annual Budget 2012
Offering & Pledges	\$ 116,343	\$ 155,389
Fundraising	\$ 11,067*	\$ 7,200
Other Income	\$ 6,190	\$ 8,342
Faith Income	\$ 0	\$ 0
Total Income	\$ 133,600	\$ 170,931
Total Expenses	\$ 123,208*	\$ 170,931
Profit (Loss)	\$ 10,392**	\$ 0

*The last expenses (approximately \$2,000) for JC Field Days were not yet included. **These will reduce the net for JC Field Days and reduce the profit in September to approximately \$8,392.

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

Rebuilding All Saints' for the 21st Century Pledge Drive 2012 Tops \$16,000!

Many thanks to those who have already responded to *Rebuilding All Saints' for the 21st Century* (RAS) 2012 Pledge Drive! As of October 24th, 16 individuals and families have pledged or given \$16,124!



Thanks goes out to the following for their generous pledges and gifts to RAS 2012: Barbara Barton, Doris Brink, Clark & Darlene Byarley, Dennis & Cindy Cole, Paul & Patti Donnelly, Arlene Foley, Barbara Freed, Ruth Furman, Judy & Dave Horton, Tom & Sandy Johnson; Dick & Lois Kimble, Paul Labosky, Shirley & Werner Lipman, Sue & Steve Mahon, Ardis Rogers, Jane & Don Sturdevant, and Roberta Szwalla.

Pledges are still being received. If you wish a pledge card or have mislaid yours, replacements can be found at the Usher's Desk in the narthex.



Bon-Ton Community Day Parish Fundraiser

Bon-Ton Community Days Booklets are now available for \$5 each. Each booklet contains coupons for discounts on purchases Friday, November 9th and Saturday, November 10th. Your \$5 donation is a fundraiser for the parish

Christmas Angels Needed! Christmas Angels Needed!



Once again, All Saints' will be joining with Calvary's Love Church and helping to provide Johnson City school children with Christmas presents this year. On November 10th Judy Horton will pick up the names and suggestions from Calvary Love. Then look in the Library for the "Stockings" with children's "names" pinned on them. Choose one, two or many names, unpin them and write down on the sheet which one(s) you have selected. This year there may be slightly different instructions, so make sure you pick-up a set of those instructions when you make your choice. Need more information, see Judy Horton before November 17th when she makes her trip down south or Linda Barkman or Barbara Freed.

Jail Ministry Request from our Deacon



The Council of Churches, Jail Ministry Clothes Closet is seriously low on sweatsuits for men and women who are being released from jail. You have been very generous in the past, and I ask if you could make an appeal to your congregations for help once again. I will pick up any sweatsuits you are given. Please make sure they are marked as Sweatsuits for Jail Ministry. The most popular sizes tend to large and extra-large. Very gently used sweat suits are okay too. The people who receive these are always very appreciative. I am very grateful on behalf of the persons going back home after jail for your kindness and gifts to them. Thanks for all you do to help in this ministry!

Love to all,
Deacon Dorothy

Life Goes On Planning

There will **not be** a November luncheon this month, as our normal third Wednesday meeting falls the day before Thanksgiving. The December Meeting will be on the **first Wednesday** of December — December 5th at the Park Diner on Conklin Avenue in Binghamton. You are asked to bring an inexpensive gift (\$5 or below) to exchange. Please call Arlene Foley at 797-2111 if you are planning to attend.

CHOW Walk Update

Thank you again All Saints' for your generous support. I was able to raise \$200.00 for CHOW from the support I received from 14 sponsors at All Saints'. It turned out to be a beautiful day for a walk at Binghamton University. *Austin Steber* And from our CHOW Pantry Coordinator: many thanks to all who support our weekly food requests and to the multiple people who supported my participation in the day! *Ida Taft*

A new Cancer Survivor Support Program At The YMCA.

The Broome County YMCA has been given a grant from the LIVESTRONG® foundation to start a program called LIVESTRONG at the YMCA. This is a program offering FREE mind, body and spirit support for cancer survivors in our community. LIVESTRONG at the YMCA programming includes specialized exercise classes, individual and group support because "we believe that in the battle with cancer knowledge is power, unity is strength and attitude is everything." The first 12 week session of LIVESTRONG will start November 12, call the YMCA for details.



Open House
at the New Diocesan Office!
Monday, December 3rd
3:30 - 6:30 pm
(Bishop's Blessing at 5:00 p.m.)

Our address is new ...
1020 7th North Street, Suite 200 Liverpool

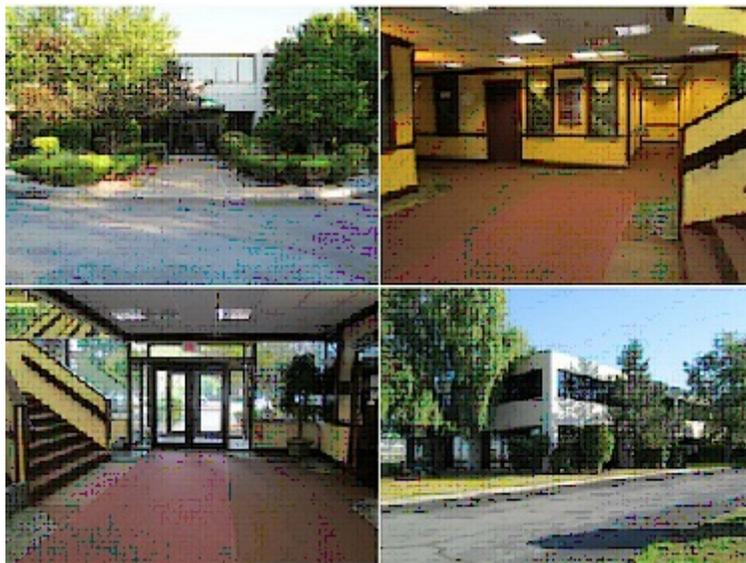
**easy access to Thruway & Route 81*
**ample free parking * elevator in lobby*

Our email domain is new ...
@cnyepiscopal.org
...but our phone and fax are the same!
315-474-6596 (phone)
3150478-1632 (fax)

Just can't wait to see the new space?

Stop by before Convention for a tour!

(We're within view of the Holiday Inn!) Friday, November 16th from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.



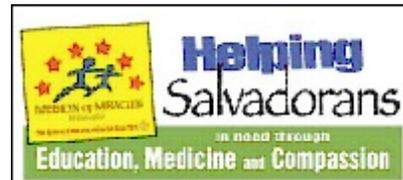
Collection for the Mission of Miracles in El Salvador at Convention:
Please Bring in Medical Supplies

The Mission of Miracles program is again collecting medical items for the 2013 mission. Items will be gathered at All Saints' narthex for delivery to the Mission of Miracles table at the Diocesan Convention November 16-17, 2012 in Liverpool, NY.

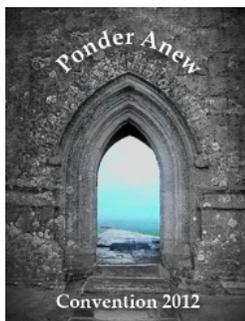
The following over the counter items are greatly needed: (most can be found at dollar stores)

Tylenol or acetaminophen any doses, especially Tylenol arthritis

- anti-fungal cream
- hydrocortisone cream
- arthritis rubs such as Ben Gay
- nasal saline nose spray
- reading glasses of any strength



Thank you in advance from the Mission of Miracles Committee!



Diocese Convention is Friday November 16th
and Saturday November 17th

Keep our Delegates in your prayers!

Mother Chris, Sandy Johnson and Bob Steber will be representing us at convention.

“COMMITMENT”



As I sit down to write my Stewardship Thought, I think back to 1918 when my grandfather and grandmother, Sam and Florence Lewis, along with a group of other men and women, decided to make the COMMITMENT to organize our parish known as All Saints' Episcopal Church.

There have been many changes over the years, but the one thing that never changed was the COMMITMENT of the people who made up our congregation. All Saints' has always had a core group of people who were willing to roll up their sleeves and do what was needed to support the parish with their Time, Talent and Treasure.

Throughout the nearly 50 years that Dave and I have been married, we've felt loved and supported by everyone in our church. When we were first married we tried other churches around the area, but when our daughter was 5 years old we decided that All Saints' was the parish for us. At that time, we made a COMMITMENT that we would support All Saints' to the best of our ability. In the early days it was a struggle, but we kept at it. We found out the biggest hurdle was just making up our minds that we were going to do it. It is not the dollar amount that you pledge or the amount of time you donate, rather it is just the fact that you put forth the effort to make and keep regular COMMITMENTS.

You will find that donating time results in gaining strength and support to face the trials that we all face. You are not alone and should never feel it is wrong to ask for help. God has given each of us different talents, so if someone asks you to volunteer for something, please consider saying "Yes". You will receive much more than you give as you work along side of other members of our church. A parish family is no different from any other family. It takes the help and COMMITMENT of everyone to succeed. Also, please take time to pray for guidance before making a pledge of your Time, your Talent, and your Treasure.

If you have any questions about pledging, please feel free to speak to Mother Chris or anyone on the Vestry. Remember, everyone at All Saints' is important! Love and Peace, *Judy Horton*



November 18th
Pentecost 25

All Saints' Stewardship Committee presents a special version of the good old story "Stone Soup" during the worship services on Saturday, November 10, at 5 pm and Sunday, November 11, at 10 am.

Our very own Lonna and David Pierce will use their God-given Talents to offer what promises to be a fun, inspirational, and tasty story for people of all ages.

Invite your family and friends to join us at All Saints'. Our doors are open to everyone.



CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP...

*is a way of living in which we recognize that
Everything we have belongs to God and is a trust from God
to be used in His Service and His Glory.*



On or about November 5th the annual All Saints' Stewardship letters and pledge cards will be mailed to our church members and friends.

November 18th has been designated as Stewardship Commitment Sunday. On that day we bring our completed pledge cards with us to church to place in the alms basin during the offertory.

The results of our generosity in the three areas of Time, Talent and Treasure are, without a doubt, very important and necessary to maintain the daily life and continue the ministry of All Saints' church during 2013.

That being said, making a pledge commitment and working throughout the year to keep that commitment is important to us as individuals. Why? Because deep down inside each of us is a real need to repay our God for Everything he has given us. Sharing with others through All Saints' helps us fulfill that need.

During the coming days, will you please take time to contemplate, pray, and plan ahead so that when the special mailing comes to your home, you will be ready to commit to a pledge that will be both meaningful for you and sustaining for the vital work of All Saints'.

**All Saints' Parishioners Are Making a Difference ...
One Pledge at a Time!**

All Saints' Stewardship Committee

Prayer List beginning November

Policy reminder: Submitted names are placed on the short term list for four weeks and then moved to long term by request of the person submitting the name, or by need known by the Rector.

Short Term: Tom Tinder, Nan Grabowski, Ida Taft; William Schaal, Jr.; Jim; Doris McKinnon;

Gina Rea; Terry Danek; Mary-Hunter Kennedy Daily; Ardis Rogers; Jane Chomyszak;

Long Term: Micha Moore; Larry Pesko; Heather Mathews; Annalynn McMannus; Kelly See, Justin Hoover;

Lee Grabowski; Lucy Grabowski; Nan Grabowski; Wilma Nauerz; Derry Ann; Mary Green; Andrea and Kaylee Haus; Eileen Philbin; Clark Byarley; Marion Tower; Marcia Tinder; Karen; Elizabeth Barborer; Jim Terenzi; Lou Chergosky; Jeannette Cook; Barbara Wort; David Pierce; Tom Johnson; Larry Nickerson; Eleanor Genthner; Sue Thomas; Ray Lerche; Eileen Pepper; Jack Root; Ryan and Shaun Small, Debbie Peters; Jessie Snyder; Clare Meyer; Werner Lipman; Kristen Stroup; Marnie Ward; Amanda, Evelyn, Hayley & Nate McGinnis; Steve Mahon; Norma & Daniel Samson; Lisa Estelle; Ken Barkman; Robert Gillmer; Steven & Sarah Johnson; Michael & Sarah Johnson; Phil, Corrine, Thomas & Ryan Rea; Dana Nauerz





Saturday December 1st at 5 PM

Canterbury Choir sings at the Celebration of Holy Eucharist

Sundays, December 2, 9, 16, 23 at 9 AM

Advent Program

Sundays, December 2, 9, 16, 23 at 11:30 AM:

Christmas Pageant Rehearsals

Wednesdays, December 5, 12, 19 at 5:30 PM:

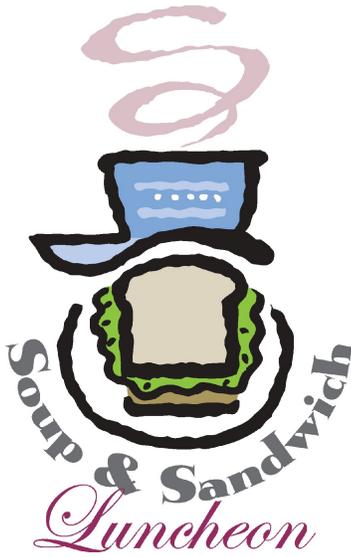
Advent Program Redux, Supper and Taizé Eucharist

Saturday, December 8th 2 PM

Great Cookie Exchange and Shut-in Baskets

Sunday, December 16th at 12 noon

Christmas Tree Decorating and Soup at the Rectory



Kitchen Update

Reminder to our Soup and Sandwich Teams!

Our Soup & Sandwich Saturday Lunch program will be closed following the lunch on November 10th (2nd Team) so that the necessary demolition can be done for the new stainless steel-three-bay sink, stainless steel dish-tables and the Jacson dishwasher. The existing, "old" 2-bay stainless steel sink and cabinet will be relocated to take the place of the not-up-to code porcelain sinks and cabinet next to the refrigerators.

The Soup & Sandwich Program will re-open on Saturday, December 1st (1st Team)

Parish Reminders

Because of the kitchen renovation that will begin the second week of November and continue through the month, there will be no Thanksgiving Day Dinner this year.

Mother Chris will be taking additional days of vacation during Thanksgiving week, so there will be no Wednesday Holy Eucharist on November 21st or Thanksgiving Day Holy Eucharist on November 22nd.



Book Club to Meet the 4th Wednesday of the Month at 5:30 PM

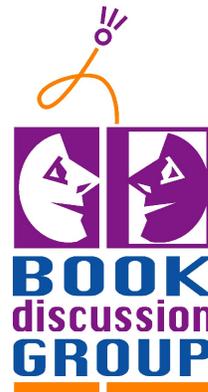
at the Rectory: November 28th

The Book Club will meet next on Wednesday, November 28, 2012 at 5:30 PM at the rectory. We'll be finishing P.D. James' *Original Sin*, which was made into a series on the BBC. The publisher gives the following synopsis:

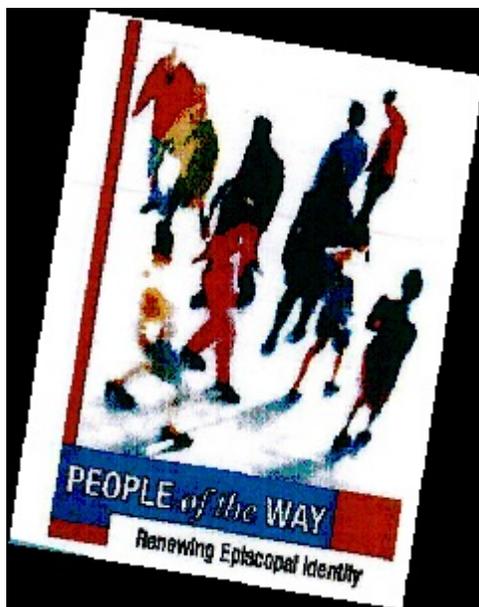
"Innocent House is a mock-Venetian palace occupied by Britain's oldest book publisher, Peverell Press. After a spate of malicious pranks, the ruthless managing director, Gerard Etienne, is found dead, the office mascot, a stuffed snake, jammed in his mouth. Who wanted Etienne dead? Just about everyone on staff -- and several authors, too.

"Commander Adam Dalgliesh and his team are confronted with a puzzle of extraordinary ingenuity as they begin to probe the dark, private tragedies of Etienne's mistress and colleagues. But the mystery at Innocent House may prove too deep, too old, and too evil to stop at just one death...."

The cost of the book is \$14.02. Interested in joining Book Club? Speak to Mother Day and then pick up a copy of the books!



The Missional Challenge: A Province 2 Workshop in 2 Parts: Thursday, November 29 – Friday, December 1 Binghamton, NY



Thursday, November 29 – Friday, November 30, 2012

Part 1: Being missional in a culture of uncertainty

This part is for clergy. It begins with registration and dinner at Christ Church on Thursday, Nov 29.

Keynote address is by The Rev. Dwight Zscheile, who has written two books about how the Episcopal Church can reach out in these times.

Friday, November 30th – Saturday, December 2, 2012

Part 2: Being Anglican in a culture of uncertainty

This part focuses on how clergy and laity can recover the strengths and resources of our tradition.

It begins with a dinner at 6 p.m. The Rev. Dwight Zscheile will do another keynote.

Both parts of the workshop will include small group activities and worship. The cost is \$100 for both sessions and \$60 for only one session. Scholarships are available from Mother Chris if you would like to attend. More information can be found at the Province II

website: www.Province2.org.





Celebrations

Birthdays

- 01 Thomas Rea
- 04 Christy Finta
- 07 Megan Cramer
- 09 Leslie Polhamus
Trent Zimmer
- 14 Shirley Lipman
Prahlada Milligan-Cuffee
- 17 Mary Green
Sarah-Jo Sites
Donald Thorpe
- 18 Juanita Lougher
- 19 Elle Budrick
Rachel Perry
- 28 Missy Avery
- 29 Lorraine Szwalla
Gary Zurn
- 30 Patricia Holloway

Anniversaries

- 23 David and Judith Horton — 50th Anniversary

Sanctuary Candle

November 4th – given by Roberta Steflik in memory of her grandfather, George F. Stone.

November 11th – given by the Cole Family in memory of Alfred V. Cole, Jr.; and given by Marilyn Doersam in memory of her grandmother, Mary S. Hahn.

November 18th – given by the Cole Family in memory of Margaret Cole; and by Mildred L. Wood in memory of her mother, Myrtle O. Phillips.

November 25th - given by Marilyn Doersam in memory of her father, John H. Bennett.



Remember to set your clocks back on Saturday, November 3rd before going to bed! Daylight Savings Time ends at 2 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 4th

Altar Flowers

November 4th – given by Marilyn Doersam in thanksgiving for the 19th birthday of her grandson, Trevor Gasdaska; and by David & Judy Horton in thanksgiving for the birthday of their granddaughter, Leslie Polhamus;

November 11th – given by Doris Brink in thanksgiving for the birthday of her grandson, Justin Freed; by the Cole Family in memory of Alfred V. Cole, Jr.; by Marilyn Doersam in thanksgiving for the birthday of her son; David Doersam; by Ardis Rogers in memory of her husband, Raymond Rogers and her father, Frank Satterlee; and by Barbara L. Smith in memory of her husband, Richard L. Smith.

November 18th – given by the Cole Family in memory of Margaret Cole; by Arlene Foley in memory of Jacqueline Foley; by Barbara Freed in thanksgiving for the birthday of her son, Justin Freed and in memory of her grandmother, Florence Linaberry; by the vestry in thanksgiving for the 50th wedding anniversary of David and Judy Horton; and by Mildred L Wood in memory of her mother, Myrtle O. Phillips.

November 27th – given by Marilyn Doersam in thanksgiving for the birthday of her daughter-in-law, Janet Shelley; and by Tom and Sandy Johnson in thanksgiving for the birthday of their granddaughter, Taylor Johnson.

Memorials for Christmas
will be available for review
at the Memorial Desk beginning
Pentecost Last – November 25th .
Please review the list for accuracy and notify the office of errors. Additional names should be submitted on a Flower Fund form [found at the Memorial Desk or tract rack] and leave the form and your donation in the office door mailbox.

From the Parish Records ~

Bishop Adams Visit on October 28th

Baptism: Kelly See
Justin Hoover

Confirmation: Cody Grabowski
Justin Hoover
Jeanne Preston
Kelly See





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Service and Education Schedule for November 2012

Saturdays: 5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist [Evening Prayer on November 17th]
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: November 11th
Wednesdays: 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist [November 7th, 14th, and 28th]

