

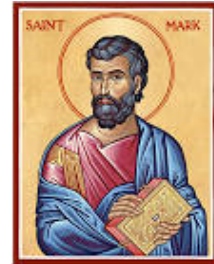


# Crossways

The Newsletter of All Saints' Episcopal Church, Johnson City, NY

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April 25, 2018, Feast of St. Mark the Evangelist



Dear Friends in Christ,

The Feast of St. Mark the Evangelist is engraved in my memory. It was the day in 1986 that William Christopher Konzen, my middle godson, was baptized at the then St. Paul's Cathedral in Syracuse. He was baptized in the chapel on that day, a weekday, because his father was a church organist at a Presbyterian church and he knew the then organist at St. Paul's; St. Paul's was the only Episcopal Church in Syracuse that had a Eucharist on a weekday; his parents and I were Episcopalians; and because my late husband would probably not live until June when Christopher's father would have a Sunday off.

So St. Mark's Day it was. It was a marvelous day. Spring had finally arrived in Syracuse. Christopher's 6 year-old brother, Andrew, helped the Rev. Canon Elizabeth Gillette pour the water into the fount. Brian was able to hold Christopher at the fount. His mom and I read the lessons and prayers. The lessons seemed to be perfect for Christopher's baptism: Isaiah 52:7-10, Ephesians 4:7-8,11-16 and Mark 1:1-15, the beginning of Mark's Gospel and Jesus' baptism. St. Mark's Day April 25, 1986 was perfect for Christopher's baptism for all of the above reasons.

As we approach Pentecost, May 20<sup>th</sup>, think about baptism: your baptism, your children's, grandkids', godchildren's baptisms and your Baptismal vows. For on Pentecost, May 20<sup>th</sup> we'll have a chance to renew our Baptismal Covenant. Sure there will be red, red streamers and we'll hear the story of the first Pentecost and hear about the gift of the Holy Spirit. But it is also a time to celebrate that we are the Body of Christ in the world; God's children; inheritors of the Kingdom of God; and have received forgiveness of sins and new life in the Holy Spirit. Wear red and let the Spirit do its work!

Faithfully yours,

The Very Rev. Christine J. Day  
Rector



On behalf of all those who prepare the Saturday lunches, and all those who benefit from the nutritious tasty food -Thank You. Once again, the generosity of the congregation at All Saints is overwhelming.

Approximately \$750 was donated to the Soup and Sandwich Saturday program this Lent. This is the main fund raiser for the program, and this money goes a long way in helping us fulfill our mission of nurturing all comers. If you have planned on giving a donation, it is not too late. Again, thank you.

*Don and Debbie Thorpe*



### **REPORT ON A BRIDGE TO INTERFAITH MEETING AND UPCOMING BLOOD DRIVE**



On Sunday April 15 a truly wonderful event took place at All Saints. Speakers Rabbi Esserman, Khaula Reman of the Amadiyya Mosque, and Deacon Dorothy Pierce each presented a talk on their faith and how all three religions respect and honor all people regardless of their religious affiliation. The purpose of the gathering was to promote peace through fellowship. To paraphrase what Rabbi Esserman said, no one person can solve the problems of the world, but each individual can support and help their neighbor.

Since this was the first event that our interfaith group has held we were overwhelmed with the response-about 80 people attended. People from four Episcopal churches, two Roman Catholic churches, a Lutheran church, a Methodist church, and the Mosque listened and then joined together in the Great Hall to share food and socialize with people whom they may never have met before. The spirit of the Lord certainly seemed to be among us. Some suggestions were made by participants about what they might like to have happen next- we are open to all ideas.

The next event planned by our group is a second blood drive. The date will be on June 30 from 9:00am-2:00pm. Because of Soup and Sandwich, it will be held at Christ Episcopal Church in Binghamton. More information will follow.

**Mother's Day is Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Give thanks for all women who have been an influence and blessing in your life!**



**APRIL WAS OUR COLLEGE LOVE BOX COLLECTION TIME!**

I thank all who contributed to our Spring College Love Box Collection! Thank you for helping with this meaningful ministry! It is appreciated.

*Lonna Pierce*



**VESTRY MEETING MAY 9<sup>th</sup> AT 6:30 PM**



**SAFE CHURCH TRAINING:  
TUESDAY MAY 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 PM  
AT ST. PAUL'S, ENDICOTT**

Father John Martinichio will conduct a Safe Church Training to be held at St. Paul's Church, 200 Jefferson Ave, Endicott on Tuesday, May 22 at 6:30 PM. You are more than welcome to bring dinner or a snack. To register please contact the office at St. Paul's by calling 607-748-8118 or email at [stpaulschurch@stny.rr.com](mailto:stpaulschurch@stny.rr.com).

All members of All Saints' are encouraged to participate in Safe Church Training. The more informed and aware we are, the safer our churches will be for all children and adults. Individuals who complete the three-hour Safe Church Training workshop are awarded a certificate. Certification is valid for five years and may be renewed by attending the workshop again or completing Safeguarding Online. (To do Safeguarding Online please let Mother Day know and she will make arrangements for you with the Diocese.)

**The following individuals are required to have up-to-date Safe Church certificates:**

- Clergy
- Vestry members
- Parish employees
- Worship Leaders, Lay Ministers & Eucharistic Visitors
- Anyone volunteering or working with children in any capacity



**DWELLING, LISTENING AND  
NAMING GOD’S ACTIVITY:  
GOD SIGHTINGS!**

All Saints’ Learning Community Team has been *Dwelling in the Word* every Sunday at 9 am as they and others in the parish dwell with Acts 16:6-15 in a variety of translations. Each time sharing thoughts about the text: what caught one’s imagination, what question was raised, and what one thinks the Spirit might be saying. Interested? Come on Sundays at 9 am.

Listening to each other is an essential practice for learning to ask different questions. As we listen to each other well, we also increase our capacity to hear what God might be saying to us as well. In April the Learning Community Team began the “Listening to Another’s Story” process by doing so at the April 11<sup>th</sup> Vestry meeting. Since that time the Learning Community Team (Mother Christine, Deacon Dorothy, Nancy Elwood and Linda Barkman) has been talking to members of All Saints’ and asking if they might listen to that member’s story. They have been asking others to share a time when that person was most spiritually engaged and energized in their experience

- Where might they have seen God working in their lives?
- What was happening in their life during the time they felt most spiritually engaged?
- What energized them most during this time
- How did the church play a role in this experience in their life?

In May the Learning Community Team, and others as so moved, are invited to “walk” your neighborhoods (where they live, where they work or go to school, where they play, where they shop, etc) and to take pictures or notes about what they think God might be doing in their neighborhood. Check out the Learning Community Initiatives bulletin board to see “God Sightings!”



## PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION OF THE SOUTHERN TIER

The Preservation Association of the Southern Tier is co-sponsoring with The New York Landmarks Conservancy a Sacred Sites Open House on Sunday May 6, 2018 at various times between 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (For All Saints' we will be open 11:30am-3:00pm). This state-wide event is **free and open to the public**. A listing of the twenty- two Sacred Sites open in the Southern Tier, Binghamton, Johnson City, Endwell and Endicott can be picked up in the Narthex. For specifics for that day concerning religious sites, this is the web address: [SACRED SITES OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY](#). The theme this year is Sacred Sounds and Settings. Some locations will have organ or choir concerts during their open houses. This is an opportunity for the public to see the interiors of these magnificent buildings.

**Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**Serving 11 AM until sold out**



**Full Dinner: \$9.00**

**[1/2 chicken, baked beans, cold slaw and roll]**

**Half Chicken: \$5.50**

A big THANK YOU to everyone who helps, year after year, on these important fund raisers. The vestry has scheduled our two Chicken Barbecues for May 12<sup>th</sup> and June 16<sup>th</sup>. Please reserve these dates, we need your support to make these BBQs successful. When you are out shopping please pick up charcoal to help reduce the cost of the BBQ.

**Bake Goods are needed for May BBQ: Please bring Cookies, Cupcakes, Breads to church on either Friday May 11<sup>th</sup> or before 10 AM on Saturday May 12<sup>th</sup> for Sale at our May 12<sup>th</sup> BBQ. Our bake sale is always popular and increases our profit. Any questions please give Judy Horton a call at 729-2794.**

If you can't work as many hours on the BBQ as you would like, this year there is another way you can help make this fund raiser more successful. The cost of the chicken and other food for the 2 BBQs is about \$2,500, If you would like to donate to help defray the cost and increase our profit, please make your check out to All Saints' and put Chicken BBQ in the memo line.

The sign-up sheets are posted. The BBQs are always a good time for fellowship and the more help we have the easier it is for everyone.

If anyone has any questions, contact the chairpersons of the BBQ: May 12<sup>th</sup> Matt Labosky and June 16<sup>th</sup> Linda Barkman and Barbara Freed.

Many hands make it light work. It doesn't need to be an all-day commitment. If you can give an hour so someone else can have a half shift that helps. It really does. Thank you for your help in advance.



**COME TO THE 2018  
MINISTRY FAIR,\* ARMS OPEN WIDE  
ON SATURDAY, MAY 12<sup>th</sup>  
THE ONLY "REAL REASON"  
TO NOT BE AT  
THE MAY CHICKEN BBQ!**

Our communities are changing around us. What faithful response does God have in mind for the Church? This year's Ministry Fair, *Arms Wide Open*, will give you the tools, skills, and practices to embrace God-driven change in your congregation. Come on Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>\*, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. to the Holiday Inn Convention Center, Liverpool for the Ministry Fair, *Arms Wide Open*. Something for everyone! Come: be inspired, be renewed. (\*Please note the Ministry Fair is the only excuse not to be helping out with All Saints' May 12<sup>th</sup> Chicken BBQ!)

The program will begin at 9:00 a.m. with opening prayers and remarks from Bishop Duncan-Probe, followed by our keynote speaker Dr. Catherine Meeks. Dr. Meeks is an author, community wellness activist, and Executive Director of the Absalom Jones Episcopal Center for Racial Healing in the Diocese of Atlanta. She is the editor of *Living into God's Dream: Dismantling Racism in America*, a collection of personal stories and theoretical and theological reflections on the work of dismantling racism and healing communities. Dr. Meeks' keynote address will highlight stories and methods to encourage and inspire the dismantling of racism in our churches and communities.

After the keynote address, there will be three sessions of 20 hands-on workshops for a faithful, transforming church including:

- The Daring Way (TM)
- Using Data for Ministry Discernment
- Photos from the Heart
- Stewardship as Spiritual Practice
- Invitational Evangelism
- ...and more!

Here's the schedule:

8:30 a.m. Check-in and continental breakfast

9:00 a.m. Opening prayers and remarks from Bishop Duncan-Probe; keynote address from Dr. Catherine Meeks

11:15 am Workshop Session I

12:15 p.m. Lunch

1:00 p.m. Workshop Session II

2:15 p.m. Workshop Session III

REGISTER NOW \$25 person: [ministry-fair-2018.eventbrite.com](http://ministry-fair-2018.eventbrite.com)



We have a missing item from the counters' room. We are missing a printing calculator that was in our counters cabinet. There were two there and the newer one is gone. This has happened the week after Easter. All counters have been questioned. I have placed a notice on the bulletin board in the vestibule and also on the table in the room we share with the Junior League. Please put a notice in the next newsletter or even in the announcements. This is not an expensive item but hinders our work on Sundays. My notice stated that this item was missing-asks if anyone has any information and if so they should contact the office, Judy Horton, Barb Freed or me. This item was purchased by me as the other printing calculators (ones with tape) were so old we cannot replace the printer part so the tape can be read. Any further questions please call me. Marilyn Doersam



**PENTECOST WEEKEND**  
**SATURDAY, MAY 19<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM**  
**SUNDAY, MAY 20<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM**



### **LIFE GOES ON MEETING IN MAY**

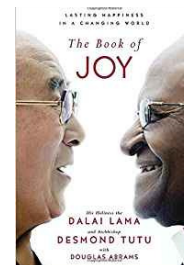
The May meeting will take place at 12:30pm on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. If you are planning to attend, please phone Arlene Foley at 797-2111 to aid in planning the group's reservation.



### **BOY SCOUTS FLOWER & PLANT SALE**

This is a reminder about the flower pick-up. Flower pick up will be the morning of the BBQ (May 12) in the upper lot from 8:00am – 11:00am.

**BOOK CLUB IS READING DALAI LAMA'S AND  
BISHOP DESMOND TUTU'S  
THE BOOK OF JOY—ALOUD!  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 23<sup>rd</sup> AT 5:30 PM  
AT THE RECTORY  
ALL ARE WELCOME**



Back on their long lives to answer a single burning question: How do we find joy in the face of life's inevitable suffering. They traded intimate stories, teased each other continually, and shared their spiritual practices. By the end of a week filled with laughter and punctuated with tears, these two global heroes had stared into the abyss and despair of our time and revealed how to live a life brimming with joy. This book offers us a rare opportunity to experience their astonishing and unprecedented week together, from the first embrace to the final good-bye.

Each page of the book offers multiple insights on being a human. The Book Club decided the best way to really hear what they are saying is to read it aloud. So come on Wednesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 pm at the Rectory and experience the Dalai Lama's and Bishop Tutu's wisdom for yourself!



All Saints' 2018 budget is a deficit budget that will require using \$4,450 from reserves unless the budgeted line item "Faith Income" is achieved. Although this gap is the result of having fewer pledges, 49 pledges for \$118,230 in 2018 and 54 pledges for \$126,963 in 2017, it also assumes "Other Special Offerings" will be achieved as they did in 2018.

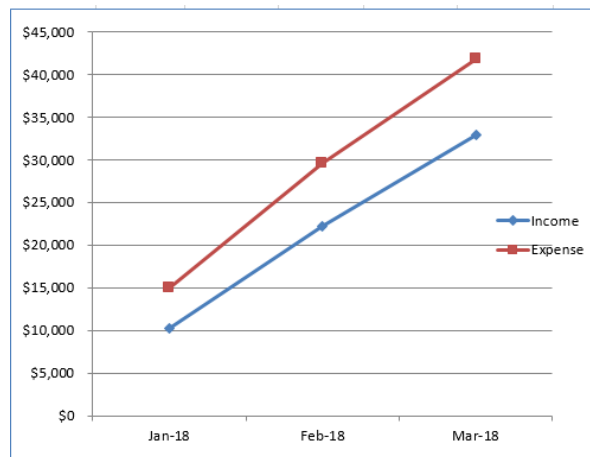
In 2018 a monthly income of \$ 14,369 will be necessary to meet operating expense cash flow. Given All Saints' major fundraising events and fundraising income occur during May, June, September and November, it will be important to keep one's pledge up-to-date and to make additional gifts if possible. Otherwise your Vestry will need to approve taking money from investments in order to pay monthly expenses.

Truly, with "God all things are possible" (Mt. 19:26).

	Actual March 31st 2018	Annual Budget 2018
Offering & Pledges	\$28,151	\$133,493
Fundraising ✘	\$729	\$19260
Other Income	\$3,993	\$15229
Total Income	\$32,873	\$167982
Total Expenses	\$41,807	\$172432
Profit(Loss)	(\$8,934)	(\$4,450)
Income Needed from Equity Surplus	<b>\$8,934</b>	<b>\$4,450</b>

Questions? Contact Treasurer Barb Freed ([BarbF305@aol.com](mailto:BarbF305@aol.com)) or a Vestry member!

✘Most All Saints' Fundraising happens later in the year: at Chicken BBQ in May and June; JC Field Days in September and the Cabaret in November!



	As of March 31, 2018	Total Mar 2018
Cash and Cash Equivalents		
Petty Cash	\$400	
<u>All Saints' Checking</u>	\$439	
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$839	
Savings Accounts		
Soup & Sandwiches Savings	\$5,848	
Designated Funds	\$11,599	
Rebuilding All Saints'	\$2,949	
Total Savings	\$20,396	
Total Cash & Savings		\$21,235
UIF Investment Funds	\$29,113	
Total Cash, Savings, Investments		\$50,349

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## Prayer List Beginning May

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:** Luther Chergosky, John and Sharon Morley, The Cramer family, The Amaya family, Marilyn Doersam, Patti Donnelly, Tracy Shepherd, Noelle Benson, Janis Ross, John Reith, Elaine McBride, Sue Lundin, Dorothy Pierce, Andy Pierce, Alexis Lane, Kaysie and Jeffery Lane, Cynthia Blair, Tiernan, Bonnie & John Mando, Betty McCurry, Jim & Margaret Isaminger, Cooper Bush, Libby Anderson, Cindy Anderson, and Sarah Harrison-Pautard.

**Long Term:** Mother Joelle Szachara, Father Don Mathews, Louise Pierce, Nan Grabowski, Lucy & Lee Grabowski, Chieyann Grabowski, Bella LaMaine, Joy Kasmarcik, Phillip Kasmarcik, Jayden Kasmarcik, Louise Rogers, Sam McMullen, Eli Pierce, Jessica Mc Bride, Lori Szwalla, Tony Szwalla, Ralph Holloway, Bob Gillmer, Nanette McIntosh



**Military:** Ben Holbus, Curtis Sholtes, Robert Preston, Joe Gentile, Steven Serbun, Justin Gillmer, and Michael Lake

**Home Bound:** Doris Brink, Clark Byarley, Jane Chomyszak, Joseph Dotolo, Ruth Furman, Eleanor Genthner, Shirley Goetz, Patricia Holloway, Shirley Krum, and Ardis Rogers

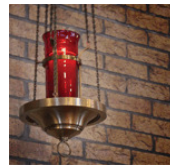


## CELEBRATIONS IN MAY!



- 03 William Lawson
- 04 Darlene Byarley
- 08 David Pierce
- 13 Margaret Vollrath
- 15 Sally Cole
- 16 Lonna Pierce  
William Trowbridge
- 17 Lee Grabowski
- 19 Ceil Cwikla  
Addison Grabowski
- 23 Adrianna Finta  
Christopher Lake
- 25 Stacy Davie  
Conner Hrebin
- 27 Tucker Hollenbeck
- 30 Isabella LaMaine

10 Larry and Ida Taft



### Sanctuary Candle

#### *Sanctuary Candle*

**MaMay 6** — None

**MaMay 13** — given in memory of Jane B. Day by Rev. Christine Day; given in memory of Susan Pierce-Nickerson by Lonna & David Pierce and given in memory of Iva Chamberlain by Linda Barkman,

**MaMay 20** — given in memory of her father Bruno Suchowiecki by Lonna & David Pierce

**MaMay 27** — given in memory of Bill Barkman by Linda Barkman and given in memory of all Veterans by Allen & Carol Motsko



**Altar Flowers**

### ***Altar Flowers***

**May 6** – given in thanksgiving of David Pierce and Dylan McKeon's birthday, given by Lonna & David Pierce

**May 13** – given in thanksgiving on Sally Cole's birthday by Marilyn Doersam; given in thanksgiving of Lonna Pierce's birthday by David Pierce and given in memory of Brian M. Israel and Jane B. Day by the Rev Christine Day

**May 20** – given in thanksgiving of Adrianna Finta's birthday by Ida and Larry Taft

**May 27**– given in thanksgiving of the birthday of their granddaughter Adabelle Jimenez by Lonna & David Pierce

**The Deadline for the combined June/July issue of *Crossways* is May 23<sup>rd</sup>**



### **WANTED ALTAR FLOWERS!**

Altar flowers in thanksgiving are a perfect way to celebrate a birthday, anniversary or the birth or adoption of a new child. They are a perfect gift for “those who have everything.”

Altar Flowers, given in memory, are a wonderful way to remember one’s parents, spouse, siblings and friends.

If you’d like to make a gift for either Altar Flowers (\$10 per name) or the Sanctuary Candle, (\$6 per name) it’s simple to do. Complete a “Flower” or “Candle” form (found in the rack by the pew in the Narthex or on our website under “Quick Links”) giving the date you wish.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>May 2018</h1> 						
† By a date indicates that the Rector is away for all or part of the day. <b>Office Hours: 9:00am to 3:00pm Tuesday – Thursday</b>		1	2	3 7:15pm Choir	4 <b>Office Closed</b>	5 12 noon Soup & Sandwiches 5:00 pm HE
<b>6 Easter 6</b> 9:00 am <i>Dwelling in the Word Bible Study</i> 10:00am HE 11:30am-3:00pm – Sacred Sites Open House	<b>7 Office Closed</b> 6:00pm-8:00pm Cub Scouts	8 † 3:30 pm Rector/Wardens' Mgt 6:30pm Boy Scouts	9 6:30pm Vestry Mtg	10 <b>6:00pm – Pit Set Up</b> 7:15pm Choir	<b>11 Office Closed</b>	12 8:00am-11:00am Scouts flowers pickup 11:00am -Sold Out Chicken BBQ 12 noon Sandwiches only 5:00 pm HE
<b>13 Easter 7 †</b> 9:00 am <i>Dwelling in the Word Bible Study</i> 10:00am HE 2:30pm HE Bridgewater	<b>14 Office Closed †</b> 6:00pm-8:00pm Cub Scouts	15 6:30pm Boy Scouts	16 † 1:00pm Learning Communities Initiative 6:00pm Jr. League Board Meeting	17 7:15pm Choir	<b>18 Office Closed</b>	19 † 7:00am – Bus Trip to NYC St. John the Divine 12 noon Soup & Sandwiches 5:00 pm Evening Prayer
<b>20 Pentecost</b> 9:00 am <i>Dwelling in the Word Bible Study</i> 10:00am HE	<b>21 Office Closed</b> 6:00pm-8:00pm Cub Scouts	22 † 6:30pm Boy Scouts	23 12:00pm Clericus 5:30pm Book Club at the Rectory 12:30PM Life Goes On	24 † 7:15pm Choir	<b>25 Office Closed</b>	26 12 noon Soup & Sandwiches 5:00 pm HE
<b>27 † Trinity</b> 9:00 am <i>Dwelling in the Word Bible Study</i> 10:00am HE 3:00 pm HE Susquehanna	<b>28 Office and CHOW Closed Memorial Day</b> 	29 † 3:00 pm HE at Hilltop 6:30pm Boy Scouts	30 10:00am HE + Healing	31 † 2:30pm HE Ideal Sr. Living 7:15pm Choir		