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Service Schedule

-Sunday-

Holy Eucharist 8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m. Rite I at 8.30, First Sundays; Healing Service at 8.30, Third Sundays

> -Wednesday -Holy Eucharist

oly Eucharis 6.00 p.m.

-Friday-

Prayer & Meditation 5.30 p.m.

Holy Days as announced.

Calendar

Friday, 14 June Memorial Service for

This Week & Weekend at St Andrew's

Wednesday, 12 June Holy Eucharist for the Feast of St Barnabas

at 6.00 p.m.
A.A. for Women at 7.00 p.m. (Great Room)

Thursday, 13 June

A.A. at 7.30 a.m. (Parish House)

Parish Office open 10.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.

Al. Anon. at 7.00 p.m. (Vestry Room)

Friday, 14June Memorial Service for Arlene Ackerman Potter at 11.00 a.m.

Prayer & Meditation at 5.30 p.m.

Saturday, 15 June Choir Rehearsal at 9.30 a.m. (Nave)

Sunday, 16 June

Holy Eucharist at 8.30 a.m. (with Healing)

Bible Study at 9.30 a.m. postponed until 16 June.

Choir Rehearsal at 9.30 a.m. (Nave)

Holy Eucharist at 10.30 a.m.

Coffee & ... at 11.30 a.m. (Parish House)

Kent Singers Concert at 3.00 p.m. J.S. Bach's *The Passion According to St John* (St John's, New Milford)

Tuesday, 18 June
Parish Office open 10.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.

Wednesday, 19 June

Holy Eucharist for the Wednesday in Pentecost II at 6.00 p.m.

A.A. for Women at 7.00 p.m. (Great Room)

Tara's Ordination

Arlene Ackerman Potter at 11.00 a.m.

Sunday, 16 June

Bible Study postponed until 23 June at 9.30. a.m. (Library)

Saturday, 22 June

NW Region Convocation (Trinity Conference Center, West Cornwall) 10.00 a.m. - 3.00 p.m.

Sunday, 23 June

Bible Study at 9.30 a.m.
(Library)
Vestry Meeting at Noon
(Library)
Choir Picnic at
Marty's & Tom's House
at 12.30 p.m.

Sunday, 30 June
Iced Tea & Cookies
replace Coffee & ...
at 11.30 a.m.
until after Labor Day
Setting-Up of the
Tag Sale
at Noon

Monday, 1 July Donations to the Tag Sale begin to be received.

Saturday - Sunday
26 - 27 October
Diocesan Convention
Connecticut
Convention Center
(Hartford)

Twelve Step Groups

Wednesdays

7:00 p.m. A.A. for Women (Great Room)

Thursdays

A.A. at 7.30 a.m. (Great Room) Al-Anon. at 7.00 p.m. (Vestry Room)

Parish Staff

The Revd Roger B. White, Rector

Thomas W. Holcombe, Organist & Director of It is a pleasure to be able to announce that

Tara Shelpey,
our Seminarian Intern last year,
is to be ordained a
Deacon
in Christ's Holy Catholic Church
on
Saturday, 29 June

Saturday, 29 June at 3.00 p.m. at Christ Church Cathedral, at the corner of Church & Main Streets, in Hartford.

All are invited!

From George Potts, Our Webmaster

Dear Friends and Members of St Andrew's Parish,

As most of you know, our new parish website can be found at www.standrewskentct.org. It contains a great deal of information regarding St Andrew's!

In an effort to make sure the new site is both straightforward and responsive to the Parish's needs, we want to make sure that the most important information you may need there is available quickly & easily.

A couple of weeks ago, you received an email with a link to a very brief online survey -- along with instructions regarding how to submit your responses. The 10 questions will take no more than 2 to 3 minutes to complete, and your answers will be used as the basis for future website improvements.

Please note that you will not need to share any personal information in order to complete the survey; all of your responses will be received and tabulated anonymously.

We would greatly appreciate it if you could complete the survey's questions as soon as possible. Once the results are reviewed, we will let you know of the changes we have made in a future edition of *The E-pistle*.

Respectfully,

George Potts

To date, more than 50 members and friends of the parish have taken the survey, and we are most grateful for their help! If you have not yet taken the survey, there are still a few more days in which to do this before George Potts begins to process the results.

Choirs

Margie O'Brien, Director of the Children's Choir

Heather Scofield, Parish Administrator

Joan I. Cassel Financial Secretary

> Bill McLaren, Sexton

Randy Osolin, Verger

From the Rector

Dear Friends,

Many thanks to so many of you for wearing something red on Pentecost and also for praying the Lord's Prayer in a language other than English: I know that we heard it in French, German, Italian, Latin and Spanish, and I think that were a couple of other languages in the mix as well. It was a bit of a confusing babble, which is what that first Pentecost almost surely was

And it is noteworthy that the first gift of the promised Holy Spirit is the ability to speak in languages not native to the various disciples; for, they are to proclaim the Gospel of repentance and forgiveness and Resurrection through the Christ to *all* people. Their audiences are to be strangers and foreigners in addition to their near neighbors, and they are to be Gentile as well as Jew.

All of which invites us to remember that in the first account of the Creation of the world (Genesis 1), all things, all creatures, come into being through the words of God --'God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good.' And in the second, very different, account of the Creation (Genesis 2), God and human beings (Adam, soon also Eve as well) communicate with words: indeed God invites Adam to give names to all of the creatures with the assumption that Adam will name one of them 'partner'. And when it turns out Adam cannot name a partner, God creates Eve, whom Adam at once recognises for whom she is.

Words, speech, and names are theologically powerful: words are creative, and so also destructive. On the first Pentecost, the disciples receive the commission to use words God's love and purposes, to remake the Creation, to draw everyone and everything once more closer to who and what they were intended to be. Jesus himself has already warned them that if they use words in anger, to be cruel or vicious, they are guilty of nothing less than the destruction of God-given life, of murder [Matthew 5.22]. The disciples therefore need to know, to remember, what words --what speech and naming-- can accomplish.

And so the Feast of Pentecost and the long season of Pentecost that the feast begins are reminders to all of us to remember the power of our words and therefore to choose them ... with care

Faithfully, Roger+

A Request from *FISH* 'Friends in Service Here'

FISH provides rides for those needing to keep local medical appointments, local hair appointments, and to do local grocery shopping, and

VOLUNTEERS ARE VERY MUCH NEEDED, IN PARTICULAR DRIVERS! The sudden death of Jim Lovelett has left FISH very short-handed

Please call Edith Altvater (860.248.0316) if you can help!

SUMMER CAMP at CAMP WASHINGTON

The summer camping season is not all that far away, and Camp Washington has published their calendar for 2019.

Children's Camp (ages 7 - 12) will be from 30 June - 7 July & from 4 - 16 August. The one-week camp costs \$575 and the two-week camp \$1300.

Mini Camps (ages 5 - 10) will be from 14 - 16 July & from 17 - 19 July for \$275. There will be a Mini Day Camp from 15 - 19 July for \$300.

Please visit the Camp's website for more information and to register: www.campwashington.org or call 860.567.9623.

A Prayer for Change

This prayer has been used several times since this summer at Eucharist and several of you have asked that we reprint it again. It was developed by The Women's Prayer Circle of St John's Church in North Guilford, as a reflection on the state of the world and how to bring God's love. Their hope is, as more people and churches use and share it, the prayer will create an energy that will be a force for loving change.

A Prayer for Change

Loving God,
You have made the whole of human life in your image;
each one of us shaped in love.
Your goodness is ever-present within us all.
But, there is so much evil and pain in our world,
it comes at us from every direction.
Teach us how to rediscover Your love within us,
to use that love as a force for good.
help us to turn our hearts toward the world in hope,
Praying for each other, regarding each other as treasure.
Join us all together in prayer, that we might be the light which
darkness can never overcome;
through Jesus Christ we pray.

Amen.

The Homily from The Day of Pentecost

Please click on the link below in order to hear or read the Randy DiPentima's Homily for 9 June HOMILY for 9 June

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Trinity Sunday
The Second Sunday of Pentecost
16 June

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Proverbs 8.1-4, 22-31
Psalm 8
Romans 5.1-5
John 16.12-15

Volunteers for Coffee & ... after the 10.30 liturgy

Those who have signed up to provide light refreshments for Coffee & ... in the next few weeks are

16 June George Potts and Melissa Schipul

23 June Randy DiPentima, Bill Dillon & Jeff West

From 30 June through Labor Day, we will once again be having iced tea and cookies after the 10.30 liturgy, and donations of cookies will be gratefully received. Please leave them on the pass-through into the kitchen!

The Annual Reports for 2018

The Reports presented at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, 21 January, are available in hardcopy form in the narthex or in the Parish Office, and may be

view online by clicking on

Annual Report 2018

St Andrew's Crafters

With the Annual Christmas Bazaar fewer than six months away, the St Andrew's Crafters will next meet on

Monday, 1 July in the Parish House

and will continue to meet on the First Monday of the month through November.

Needed by The Kent Food Bank

This month, The Kent Food Bank is especially in need of coffee, tea, sugar, nuts, hot & cold breakfast cereals, canned soups, canned or bottled fruit juices.

Please remember that the Food Bank accepts pet foods as well!

Also: the Bank is interested its selections for personal care including supplies for adult incontinence, soaps, toothpastes, feminine products, etc.

Donations may be dropped off in the basket in the narthex, to the left of the doors. And please: do try to make certain that the 'Best by ...' dates are not past!

Announcements

The Bible Study will meet

... on Sunday, 16 June, at 9.30 a.m. in the Parish Library.

A request from those who count the collection monies:

The counters ask us to help them by tagging our cheques so that they are certain as to how to receive them: as Pledge, as donations to the Capital Fund, donations to the Discretionary or Mission & Outreach Funds, etc.

Please remember that the loose offering on the first Sundays of the month

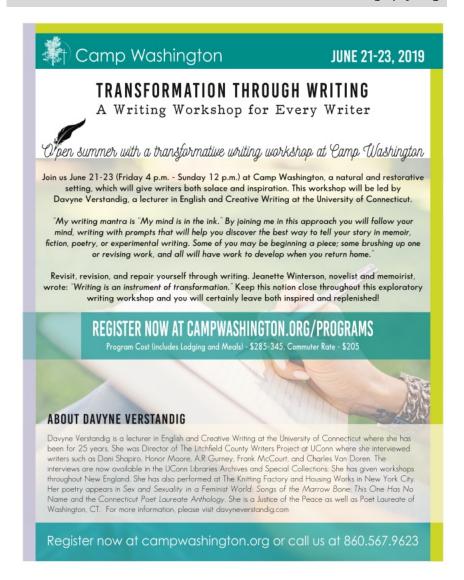
... is given to the Parish Discretionary Fund for those in any kind of need.

The Quality Thrift Shop

... at The First Congregational Church is very much an effort of the whole of our community to provide affordable clothing and household necessities to those who need them. Members of St Andrew's Parish and of Sacred Heart Church help out there, and more help is urgently needed! Whatever hours you can give will be appreciated, and so please call 860.927.3287 if you are able to assist!

At nearby Camp Washington

190 Kenyon Road, Lakeside campwashington.org 860.567.9623



SECOND SUNDAYS at Camp Washington

at 4.30 p.m.

Guest clergy will offer a short program, followed by worship and then a simple meal, at Camp Washington on the second Sunday of the month. Those interested are asked to make reservations at 860.567.9623. and a \$10 donation for the meal is welcomed.

Further information is available at campwashington.org



Music in the Nave

THE SHERMAN CHAMBER ENSEMBLE

Summer Concert Series

Fridays 9 August & 30 August 8.00 p.m.