

# Crossways

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## Rector's Address & Report

As Jesus walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' Immediately they left their nets and followed him. (*Matthew 4: 18-20*)



Most of us know something about fishing. While this far inland, none of us do this professionally, many fish for sport and sometimes for food. And if we do not personally fish, we all have observed fishing if only from inside a car passing anglers in a stream or river. I have only very limited experience, but I know the process.

In 2014 one uses a fishing rod, baits a hook, casts the rod and waits for the fish to take the bait and hook itself. Whereupon the one fishing reels in the fish, perhaps assisted by a net and the fish is caught. What happens then depends. If the fish is for sport, it is released. If the fish is for food, it dies, is filleted, cooked then served. In the first century, one used a net to fish. At least on the Sea of Galilee there was no sport fishing: they fished for food. After the catch, all the fish in the nets would be food. Some of the catch was for local consumption and sold as fresh. The rest of the fish helped to feed other parts of the Roman Empire and therefore was preserved by salt, boxed and shipped out.

So what exactly did Jesus mean when he said to Peter and Andrew, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people?" There is no evidence that Jesus meant them to literally net people and to prepare them for eating. He, of course, meant the "fish for people" part metaphorically. I am sure though that he meant for Andrew, Peter and us to actually follow him. Following Jesus is not a game of "Simon Says." Rather it is a way of life which we enter into by our baptism. In our baptism we promise to follow Jesus and to:

- Continue in the Apostles' teaching, fellowship, prayers and in the breaking of the bread;
- Persevere in resisting evil and to repent and return to the Lord;
- Proclaim the Good News of God in Christ by word and example;
- Seek and serve Christ in all persons and love one's neighbors;
- Strive for justice and peace among all people and respect the dignity of every human being.<sup>1</sup>

Likewise All Saints' Mission Statement outlines how we as the Body of Christ follow Jesus as a parish:

"We are members of the family of God who gather for prayer, worship, and service, together we commit ourselves:

- To love and care for one another;
- To learn and grow in faith throughout our lives;
- To share our resources in the furthering of God's work; and
- To serve our community and the world as God calls us.

We, the people of All Saints', carry out our mission through the ministries of all our members."<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> *Book of Common Prayer, 1979*, Pg. 304ff (paraphrase)

<sup>2</sup> All Saints' Mission Statement

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That's how we, in the 21<sup>st</sup> century follow Jesus on this corner in the village of Johnson City, New York: weekly we gather to worship; we pray; we welcome; we love and care for one another; we grow in faith through Christian formation classes, programs and events; we support the work of ERD (Episcopal Relief and Development Fund); we bring food for All Saints' CHOW Pantry; and we feed those who come to our door once a week.

But how do we fish people for Christ? Do we bait people? Do we trap people? Do we reel people in? We certainly don't fillet, season and cook people. Nor do we fish people for sport. No, how we as followers of Christ fish for people is far more intimate and personal. There is no bait or hook. Rather there is communication by word and deed of the Good News of God in Christ. We do this by one-on-one conversations with family, friends and neighbors. We do this by what we do as a parish by how we feed our community by means of our CHOW Pantry and Soup & Sandwiches Saturdays. We do this by how we welcome our community: Girl Scout Troop 829, Cub Scout Pack 100, Boy Scout Troop 110, Junior League, the Welsh Society, the Summer Savoyards and others. We do this by how we welcome newcomers and new families.

We also fish for people by praying for our church family and for others. We have for years prayed by name in the Prayers of the People for members of All Saints'. But I would like to offer the opportunity for all of us to pray individually for another parishioner throughout the year in our private prayers. Sometimes this is called having a "prayer buddy." To that end, please write your name on the inside of "fish" you received with the bulletin. If you have children include their names as well. Then hand in the "fish" when the baskets are passed. As you return from Communion, please take a "fish" to receive the name of your "prayer buddy."✚

Now onto the numbers:

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Average Sat/Sunday Attendance	80.7	85.7	87.8	86.58	85.78	91.4
Easter	125	151	154	200	147	129
Weekend Number of Holy Eucharists/Morning or Evening Prayer	113	103	98	115	126	140
Weekday Eucharists	67	64	70	65	68	75
Private Eucharists	41	44	59	40	44	35
Marriages	3	0	2	0	3	2
Burials	5	8	8	5	6	7*
Baptisms	4	9	7	13	3	5
Confirmation/Receptions	5	2	0	3	4	1

\*And of the 7 burials, only 2 were "Communicants in Good Standing"

✚If you were unable to attend church the week of the annual meeting, you may still participate in having a "prayer buddy." Simply find a fish cut-out at the Usher's Desk and fill out the prayer request. Then put the "fish" in the basket by the Usher Desk. "Fish"/prayer buddies will be exchanged again in a few weeks.

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Now some of the other numbers:

YEAR	"Average Weekend Attendance"	# Pledges	Amount Pledged	Average Pledge
YE 2014	??	57*	\$129,782	\$2,276.88
YE 2013	91.4	67	\$140,068	\$2,090.57
YE 2012	85.78	70	\$137,436	\$2,051.00
YE2011	86.58	70	\$126,952	\$1,814.00
YE 2010	87.81	74	\$132,535	\$1,791.00
YE 2009	85.71	74	\$124,424	\$1,676.00
YE 2008	80.65	75	\$133,642	\$1,787.00
YE 2007	84	89	\$140,013	\$1,573.00
YE 2006	106	92	\$135,162	\$1,458.00
YE 2005	101	88	\$130,855	\$1,487.00
YE 2004	95	93	\$117,432	\$1,263.00

\*as of 1/20/14

These are interesting numbers. Of course the day when Christmas/Eve falls can influence number of "weekend" verses "weekday" liturgies as can the number of Sundays in a year. All Saints' weekend attendance has crept up. This is probably due to the baby boomlet. (Nursing Home Eucharists have been the same since 2011 so that's a wash!) It would seem that Saturday evening services are working for many people. However we still are down in comparison to 2005. All Saints' average age has dropped nearly 20 years! This is because we have as many members who are under 10 years old as we have members 80 and older.

The amount pledged to date is worrisome. Although Tom Johnson, as Finance Chair, will enlighten us further, the amount pledged will create a deficit of about \$15,000 in 2014. Which because everything is so bare bones, may mean in the future either no gas/electric or no organist or a 1 day a week parish administrator or moving me to ¾ time. Oddly this may be cyclical. In 2005 and 2008-2011 (the height of the recession) our pledged amounts were this low. But what is troubling is the number of pledges: to drop from 67 pledges to 57 pledges in one year. It may be that non-pledge offerings may compensate for the loss of pledged income, but we will not know this until the end of 2014.

It's interesting to look at the bottom line of our budgets. Our budgets have ranged from a low of \$154,699 in 2005 to a high of \$177,058 in 2012. Meanwhile the budgets have been either a "balanced budget" or a modest deficit budget with a "faith income" ranging from \$10,438 to \$1,309 (approximately 6% - .07%). This is how the budget bottom lines have played out from FY 2005-2013:

YE 2013	(\$6,803)
YE 2012	\$9,836
YE2011	\$7,041
YE 2010	(\$4,935)
YE 2009	\$4,416
YE 2008	(\$7,140)
YE 2007	\$4,144
YE 2006	\$6,106
YE 2005	(\$7,239)
TOTAL 9 YEARS	\$5,426

Over these past 9 years, All Saints' is \$5,426 to the good! Perhaps we may live into an attitude of gratitude for God's abundance.

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At last year's Annual Meeting the following were prioritized as goals for 2013 (votes in parentheses):

1. Stewardship of All Saints' Finances & Resources (total 170)
  - Repay the UIF (Diocesan held finds) Unrestricted Reserve Fund up to \$30,000 ASAP (108)
  - Keep parish informed on how we are doing managing our money (ex. Quarterly graphics of Budget; Reporting about RAS and UIF repayment in *Crossways*)(40)
  - Balance the 2012 & 2013 Budgets (Both were balanced)(22)
2. Stewardship of Parish Life and Parish Growth (total 188)
  - Monthly potluck dinners and other events in the Great Hall(87); more fellowship opportunities; Bring Neighborhood children (and adults) in for seasonal activities (e.g. Easter Egg Hunt, Halloween)
  - Maintain and grow parish members by better signs and publicity(53)
  - Create a Memorial Garden: a sacred resting place for cremains as an alternate to a cemetery (48)
3. Stewardship of Adult Christian Education (30); Adult Forum presentations about Church Finances; Adult Forums; Community Building and Awareness
4. Stewardship of Mission (25); Soup & Sandwiches Saturdays; ERD; Rescue Mission; CHOW

As a result of most of the first goal being accomplished by the financial folks with oversight from the Vestry and goals three and four being of a less priority, we concentrated on the Stewardship of Parish Life and Parish Growth. To that end the following subcommittees or work groups were formed: 1) Publicity Committee; 2) Facebook; 3) Memorial Garden Committee; 4) Hospitality & Fellowship.

We have accomplished much:

- \$25,399 has been "repaid" to our UIF Unrestricted Cash Reserve (\$20,692 in UIF and \$4,707 in RAS savings account)!
- The Memorial Garden has been designated and we have 8 "reservations"
- All Saints' webpage has been updated and All Saints' Facebook page is active
- A grant for a new outdoor sign is being pursued
- 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday/Sunday Potlucks were begun and the next ones are scheduled for March 2014.

Knowing that there would be a rebellion if the dreaded "dots" appeared at this Annual Meeting, the Vestry has been doing planning. All Saints' does have some capital needs which were discussed at Coffee Hour forums during the summer. Needless to say the planning on these capital needs are in the very, very, very early stages and I am sure you will be hearing more about that planning and prioritizing of All Saints' capital needs throughout the year. Informed by the Mutual Ministry Review questionnaires, the Vestry has also been working on some non-financial goals: 1) recruit more church school teachers; and 2) photo directory.

This started me thinking. Recruiting church school teachers and even a new photo directory really means developing leadership/discipleship among all of our parishioners. For that's the way to recruit not only teachers, but altar guild members, choir members, Eucharistic ministers, Vestry members, Soup & Sandwich and CHOW volunteers, etc.

There are many ways to do this. There are a variety of programs available. But in almost every approach to developing leadership/discipleship there are the same key points:

- Person-to-person invitations and conversations;
- Thoughtful and purposeful mentoring or shepherding those who are younger and/or newer;
- Involvement of entire parish in the process.

The above sounds like another name for fishing for people. The first step, or casting of the net or fishing rod, is prayer which we have begun with the "fish." Let's follow Jesus and start fishing for people.





## **New Photo Directory:**

### **Schedule Your Photo Shoot February 21-22, 2014**

It has been 9 years since All Saints has had a Photo Directory published. The Vestry has been in discussion about the need for an updated directory. We have made arrangements for a new directory to be printed with Lifetouch Photography. We have scheduled photos to be taken on February 21st and 22nd. We will be having sign ups to have the photos taken at church during day and evening on Friday and until 5 pm on Saturday. We encourage you to invite family and friends to come and have a professional portrait taken. Lifetouch has a program that includes reminder calls about your appointment so you do not miss your appointment. Mark your calendars and plan to be a part of our new directory. If you have a pet and want it included in the photo that is okay. We just ask to make sure the pet is in a crate or on a leash at all times. See you on Sunday to make your appointment.

Judy Horton

## **Save the Dates**

### **Lent Fundraiser**

Gance's Complete Catering returns in 2014 for Fish Fry Fundraiser on Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup> from Noon to 6:30 pm. Advance sale tickets [which give the church a greater percentage of profit] will go on sale in February. Watch Sunday and email announcements for details.



### **5<sup>th</sup> Weekend Supper/Lunch**

Mark your calendars for our next 5 weekend meals. On Saturday March 29<sup>th</sup> after the 5 PM service we will have a pot luck supper. Please bring a dish to pass and plan to stay for some fellowship. On Sunday March 30<sup>th</sup> we will have a pot luck lunch. Any questions, please give Judy Horton a call. You do not have to sign up, just come.

## **All Saints' T-Shirts: Order Now or Going, Going....Gone!**

Our Shirt sale is drawing to a close. I will be placing the order the week of February 12<sup>th</sup>. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board inside the front door if you would like to have a new t-shirt, polo shirt or sweatshirt. The shirts should be in by the last week in February and the money will be due on delivery. Any questions call Judy Horton at 729-2794

## **Life Goes On Meeting in February**

The February meeting will take place at 12:30 pm on Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at Piccolos, Main Street in Binghamton. If you are planning to attend, please phone Arlene Foley at 797-2111 to aid in planning the group's reservation.



## **Coffee Hour Needs You! Support Coffee Hour**

There was an extensive discussion concerning our budget for the current year. Since we did not receive the income needed for our total expenses, the people in attendance felt some cuts should be made. One of the areas that was over budget for 2013 was the line item for fellowship. For as long as I can remember our church has provided the beverages for coffee hour. Since the donations received on Sunday do not cover the cost of the coffee, creamer, sweetener, and juice for the children, it was suggested that donations of those items or money marked fellowship be solicited. We have had a very small number

of people sign up to clean up after the fellowship time. Everyone seems to enjoy the fellowship after the 10 AM service as it gives newcomers a chance to get to know the parish. I would love to have any suggestions on solving this problem, please see me on any Sunday.



Scouting News

## February Is Scout Anniversary Month: Pinewood Derby, Blue & Gold Luncheon, Baked Ziti Dinner and Scout Sunday!



Scouting News

Each year, the Boy Scouts of America celebrates the anniversary of the founding of the Scouting movement. The official birthday in February 8, and the entire month of February is designated as Anniversary Month.

This is a time for each Cub pack and Scout troop to encourage its youth members and adults to celebrate what it means to be in Scouting and to show the public that Scouting is alive and well. To that end there are a number of events in which All Saints' Cub Scout Pack 100 and Boy Scout Troop 110 will be participating.

The Pack 110 Pinewood Derby was held on January 19<sup>th</sup> in the Great Hall. On February 1<sup>st</sup> the Pack and Troop will be participating in the Oakdale Mall Scouting Expo where they will staff an information table and participate in demonstrations and the Expo's Pinewood Derby. On Saturday February 8<sup>th</sup> the Cub Scouts' Blue & Gold Luncheon and Award Ceremony will be held. The Cub Scouts will be giving out awards for the Pinewood Derby, Friendship Award, John Meskunas Award and rank awards.



On February 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM until gone, Boy Scout Troop 110 is holding a Baked Ziti dinner. Cost is Adult \$8.00 Children 5 to 12 \$4.00 & Children under 5 free Please support this fund raiser for our Scout Troop

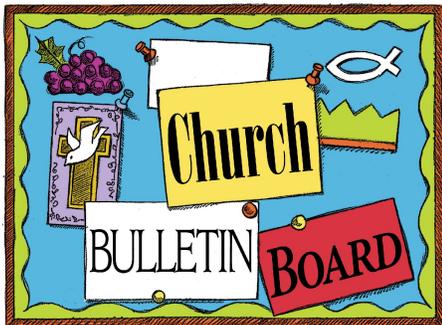


On Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, All Saints' will celebrate the 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany as "Scout Sunday." Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts will participate in the service as ushers, acolytes (led by Austin Steber) and as readers. Don Perkins, chaplain for Troop 110 will lead the Prayers of the People. Professor Christian C.

Day, Associate Dean of the Syracuse University College of Law and Co-Director of the Law in London Program, Rector's brother and Eagle Scout will give the address at both the Saturday at 5 PM, February 15<sup>th</sup> and Sunday February 16<sup>th</sup> services. Please greet the Scouts as they join us for worship!



**BOY SCOUT SUNDAY**



**Remember to check the church bulletin boards at our main entrance and Christian Education wing hallways for news that arrives after newsletters are printed!**

**Activities and news about our Scout Troops can be found on the Scouting News Board in the hallway of our Third Street stairwell.**

## Thoughts on Stewardship



### STEWARDSHIP FOCUS

I have been a member of All Saints' Episcopal Church since I was a young teenager. As I reflect on how the church has positively impacted my life I am reminded of the many individuals who supported me on my personal journey from adolescence to adulthood. Through parishioners' attendance at high school events like musicals, concerts and graduation to correspondence during college through the College Love Boxes I always felt supported and connected to All Saints' Episcopal Church.

As an adult I continue to see that nurturing spirit alive and well in our congregation; through member's attendance in support of church events like the Chicken BBQ's, Cabaret and Christmas Pageant. Our congregation's strong sense of fellowship is apparent at potluck suppers, coffee hours and celebrations like weddings and baptisms. These events provide opportunities for church members to connect and strengthen relationships both new and old.

These many examples illustrate the special sense of community that is uniquely All Saints' Episcopal Church. It is through this strong community that our church continues to survive and overcome the challenges that face so many churches in 2014. Events do not happen without people. It is our parishioners' donation of their time, talent and treasure that enable these opportunities for fellowship to occur.

I am proud to be a member of All Saints' Episcopal Church because of its strong sense of community and generosity. I am hopeful that through our congregations' continued support All Saints' Episcopal Church will continue its mission into the future inspiring the next generation of parishioners as it has done for me.

*Johanna Hickey*

## Book Club to Meet Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 Pm: Reading Mitch Ablom's *the First Phone Call from Heaven*.

Having finished discussing the latest Julia Spencer-Fleming's book, *Through the Evil Days* at the January meeting, the Book Club will meet next on Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM at the Rectory to discuss Mitch Ablom's newest book, *The First Phone Call from Heaven*. Books have been ordered and should be arriving soon: cost \$15.15. Pace of reading of the book is determined by the group.



Here's the publisher's blurb:

*"The First Phone Call from Heaven* is a page-turning mystery and a meditation on the power of human connection: a virtuosic story of love, history, and belief.

"One morning in the small town of Coldwater, Michigan, the phones start ringing. The voices say they are calling from heaven. Is it the greatest miracle ever? Or some cruel hoax? As news of these strange calls spreads, outsiders flock to Coldwater to be a part of it.

"At the same time, a disgraced pilot named Sully Harding returns to Coldwater from prison to discover his hometown gripped by "miracle fever." Even his young son carries a toy phone, hoping to hear from his mother in heaven.

"As the calls increase, and proof of an afterlife begins to surface, the town—and the world—transforms. Only Sully, convinced there is nothing beyond this sad life, digs into the phenomenon, determined to disprove it for his child and his own broken heart.

"Moving seamlessly between the invention of the telephone in 1876 and a world obsessed with the next level of communication, Mitch Albom takes readers on a breathtaking ride of frenzied hope."

Interested? Pick up a book and come on Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>.



## Vestry: The More Things Change, the More Things Stay the Same

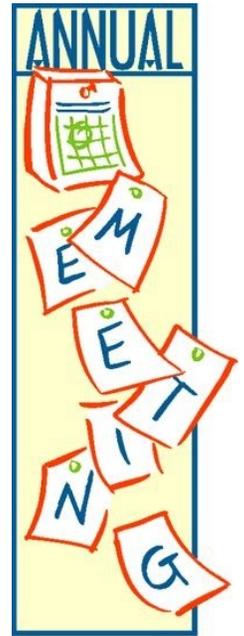
Elected by acclamation at the 2014 Annual Meeting of All Saints' to the Class of 2014 were:

Lee Grabowski, Warden (two year term)  
Darlene Byarley, Vestry (three year term)  
Linda Barkman, Vestry (three year term)  
Barbara Freed, Vestry (three year term)

On the Vestry they will join:

Bob Steber, Warden Class of 2013  
Johanna Kiley Hickey, Vestry Class of 2012  
Tom Johnson, Vestry Class of 2013 (*completing remaining term of Bob Steber, who moved to warden*)  
Erik Heden, Vestry Class of 2013 (*Completing remaining term of Bobbi Zurn*)  
Nancy Elwood, Vestry Class of 2013  
Judy Horton, Vestry Class of 2013  
Juanita Loughter, Vestry Class of 2013

Much thanks goes to exiting Vestry Members Paul Donnelly, Richard Hrebin and Joy Kasmarcik. Lee Grabowski completed a two year term as Warden (Class of 2012) and was eligible to run for a second term.



## Bon-Ton Community Days Parish Fundraiser

Bon-Ton Community Days Booklets are now available for \$5 each.

Each booklet contains coupons for discounts on purchases Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup>. Your \$5 donation is a fundraiser for the parish

## New Duty Rosters for February, March, April, and May

New Duty Rosters are now available for pick up at the rack by our main entrance. Please remember that if you are not able to serve when scheduled, it is your responsibility to find a replacement and notify the office of the change.

## Prayer List beginning February



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. We remind you that the December/January Crossways notified all that the Long-Term List would terminate on December 31<sup>st</sup> and that it was your responsibility to update your names on both lists..

*Short Term:* Shelly Mones; Werner Lipman; Jane Sturdevant; Clark Byarly; The Sawchuk Family; Larry Pesko; Connie Whalen; Ruth Furman; Joanne Edwards; Ellie Doersam; Sue Thomas; Brittany Polhamus and her daughters, Megan & Lilian; Louise Rogers; Lorraine Szwalla;

*Long Term:* Arthur Cuffee; Lucy Grabowski; Nanette McIntosh; Marcia Tinder and Ardis Rogers



## Laura Nancy Kennedy Celebrates 35 Years as Organist and Choir Director at All Saints'

Laura Nancy Kennedy celebrated her 35th Anniversary as All Saints' Organist and Choir Director on Sunday February 2, 2014 with the choir singing Roland Martin's "Nunc Dimittis" and with cake and flowers at Coffee Hour. She is retiring this June which will enable her to spend more time with her family in Princeton, NJ. At 35 years, she has served longer than most rectors of All Saints! She has served under The Rev. Peter Wood, The Rev. Ken Chumley, The Rev. Jack Barrett, The Rev. Christine Day and a few interims!

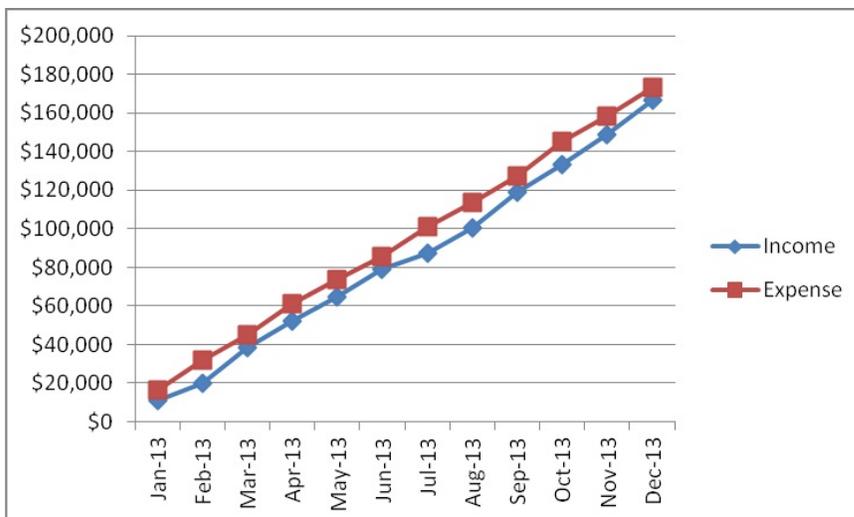
There will be a gala luncheon to continue to celebrate her 35th anniversary and her retirement on Sunday, June 1, 2014 after the 10 AM celebration of Holy Eucharist. Please mark your calendars for this special day and invite past choristers and musicians who have worked with Laura to attend.

## DOLLAR\$&CENTS NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2013

All Saints' 2013 budget was a balanced budget! In 2013 a monthly income of \$ 14,372 was needed to balance the expenses.

Income	Actual November 30th 2013	Actual December 31st 2013	Annual Budget 2013
Offering & Pledges	\$132,729	\$149,600 ⌘	\$155,818
Fundraising	\$9,075	\$9,093	\$9,000
Other Income	\$6,786	\$7,872	\$7,650
Faith Income	\$0	◆(\$6,803)	\$0
Total Income	\$148,590	\$166,565	\$172,468
Total Expenses	\$158,214	\$173,368	\$172,468
Profit (Loss)	(\$9,624)	◆(\$6,803)	\$0

⌘While pledge fulfillment in 2013 was the highest in years (\$139,194 was received from pledges of \$140,148 or 99.32 percent!) much less was received in 2013 in "Other Offerings" (memorials, special designated gifts) than what was budgeted (\$4,579 received versus \$11,750 budgeted or only 39 percent of budgeted). This shortfall was the primary cause of the ◆(\$6,803) operating deficit for 2013.



On to All Saints' 2014 budget—it is not a balanced budget. The 2014 budget is once again a “faith-based” budget. In other words, it will require faith to create \$15,217 more income for 2014 for operating expenses than budgeted. The need for \$15,217 in “Faith Income” for 2014 is primarily due to having only 57 pledges for a total of \$129,782. Compared to the actual for 2013 of 67 pledges for \$139,194 there are 10 less pledges (57 pledges for \$129,782). In 2014 a monthly income of \$14,300 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)

Income	Annual Budget 2014
Offering & Pledges	\$ 138,682
Fundraising	\$ 9,000
Other Income	\$ 8,700
Faith Income	<b>\$ 15,217</b>
Total Income	\$ 171,599
Total Expenses	\$ 171,599
Profit (Loss)	\$ 0

CASH SAVINGS AND INVESTMENT FUNDS AS OF 12/31/13

	December-13	December 2013 Total
Cash and Cash Equivalents		
Petty Cash	\$577	
All Saints' Checking	\$6,657	
<u>Total Cash and Cash Equivalents</u>	<u>\$37,074</u>	
Savings Accounts		
Soup & Sandwiches Checking	\$3,754	
Designated Funds	\$12,754	
Undesignated	\$2,591	
<u>Rebuilding All Saints'*</u>	<u>\$4,707</u>	
Total Savings	\$23,806	
Total Cash & Savings		\$60,880
UIF Investment Funds*	\$33,153	
Total Cash, Savings, Investments		\$94,033



**Annual Statements for Year 2013 are available in the narthex.**



## Thank You to All Who Have Already Have Pledged or Requested Envelopes for 2014!

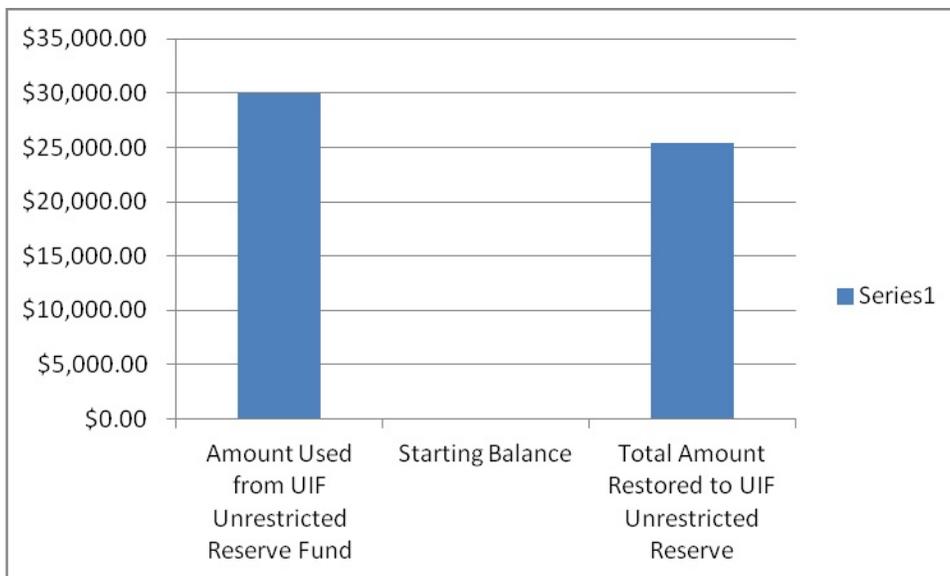
Much thanks to all who pledged or requested envelopes for 2014! Pledges give us the ability to plan and manage the budget for the coming year and thoughtfully carry out our mission in Christ. As you are able, please help All Saints'. Every committed pledge is important. As noted in "Dollars & Sense" column above we have a "faith income" or deficit operating budget for 2014 of approximately \$15,000. If you have not yet turned in your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible. Blank pledge cards are available at the Usher's desk in the Narthex.

Thank you:

Linda Barkman, Don & Sandy Brewster, Doris Brink, Darlene Byarley, Jane Chomyszak, Dennis & Cindy Cole, Robert Cole, Sally Cole, Jeanette Cook, Ceil Cwikla, Christian & Ann Day, Christine Day+, Marilyn Doersam, Paul & Patti Donnelly, Nancy & Art Elwood, Richard & Cheryl Escott, Don & Charlotte Fargo, Christy & Rob Finta, Arlene Foley, Barbara Freed, Ruth Furman, Dave Ganter, Lucy & Lee Grabowski, Nan Grabowski, Rebekah & Erik Heden, Johanna Hickey, Ralph & Pat Holloway, Judy & Dave Horton, Rick & Bonnie Hrebin, Arlene Huyck, Charlene Jacques, Sandy & Tom Johnson, Joyanne Kasmarcik, Larry & Nancy Kiley, Dick & Lois Kimble, Matt & Colleen Labosky, Paul Labosky, Debbie & Herb Lake, Jean Lawson, Shirley & Werner Lipman, Juanita Lougher, Susan & Steve Mahon, Bob & Betty McCurry, Allen Motsko, Don & Wilma Nauerz, David & Eileen Patch, David & Lonna Pierce, Lauren Kiley Saleeby, Sara-Jo Sites, Bob & Pam Steber, Roberta Szwalla, Larry & Ida Taft, Don & Debbie Thorpe, Kim & Bill Trowbridge, Bill & Margaret Vollrath, John Watkins, Gayle Whittier, Bobbi & Gary Zurn. (1/20/2014)

## Repayment of the Unified Investment Fund (UIF) Unrestricted Reserve Fund

In 2012 All Saints' used \$30,000 from its Unrestricted Reserve Fund held as part of the Diocesan Unified Investment Fund (UIF). The Vestry is committed to restoring the \$30,000 as quickly as possible. As a result, funds received towards this purpose and towards Rebuilding All Saints' (RAS), will be transferred to the Unrestricted Reserve Fund as soon as the cash flow allows. As of January 2014 \$22,899 was transferred into the UIF Unrestricted Reserve Fund and \$2,500 is held in a designated savings account. This brings the total amount restored to the Unrestricted Reserve Fund up to \$25,399!



# Fun for All Ages!

## LOVE TREATS

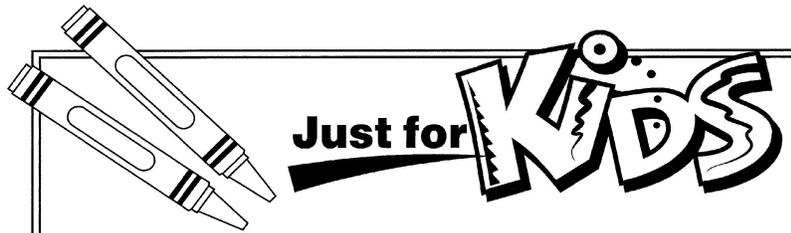
Show others love by baking them a lovely treat!

What you need:

- ♥ An adult to help
- ♥ Refrigerated cookie dough (sugar or chocolate chip)
- ♥ Jar of red jam (raspberry or strawberry)
- ♥ 1 or 2 heart-shaped cookie cutters. (If you use 2, make sure they are different sizes.)
- ♥ Powdered sugar
- ♥ Sifter
- ♥ Knife

What you do:

1. Follow the cookie dough directions for rolling out the dough.
2. If you are using one cookie cutter, cut out the heart-shaped cookies and transfer to a baking sheet. Try to have an even number of hearts when finished.
3. If you are using two cookie cutters, cut out the large hearts. Take half of the hearts, and cut out a small heart window in the center with the smaller cookie cutter. Now you have a heart inside another heart.
4. Have an adult help you bake the cookies according to the dough directions.
5. After baking, place the cookies on a cooling rack.
6. When the cookies are cooled, make cookie sandwiches by spreading jam onto the flat side of half the cookies, and then placing another cookie on top of each one. (If you made cookie windows, use those for the tops.)
7. Sprinkle powdered sugar over your heart sandwiches with a sifter.
8. Share the cookies with the people you love.



## But the Greatest of These Is LOVE!

God shows love to us every day and in many ways. Fill in the blanks below with the missing letters to see how God loves us perfectly!

“For God so lo \_ \_ ed the world,  
that he g \_ \_ ve



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So \_ \_ ,

\_ \_ hat whosoever  
believeth \_ \_ n Him



should \_ \_ ot perish,  
but have \_ \_ verlasting life.

—John 3:16, KJV

Answer: valentine



# Celebrations in February

## Birthdays

- 03 Marion Volk
- 05 Kayleigh Heden
- 07 Stephen Mahon  
Ardis Rogers
- 12 Susan Mahon
- 13 Ruby Karaim
- 16 Scott Cramer
- 18 Ann Day
- 19 Jaidyn Ericksen Hrehor
- 21 Rhae Ann Hawkes
- 23 Jeanette Cook
- 24 Patricia Donnelly
- 27 Anna Harrison-Ayers



## Anniversaries

- 12 Jane and Don Sturdevant
- 19 Pam and Bob Steber
- 26 Kim and Bill Trowbridge



## Sanctuary Candle

February 2 – open

February 9 – is given by the Rev. Christine J. Day in memory of her husband, Brian M. Israel.

February 16 – is given by Jeannette Cook in memory of Donald Hawley; and by Paul & Patti Donnelly in memory of Patti's Grandmother, Tessie Ayers.

February 23 – is given by Marilyn Doersam in memory of her grandfather, James G. Hahn; and by Colleen, Matt & Megan Labosky in memory of Emily Ann Labosky.

### Open Dates for March Sanctuary Candle:

March 2, 9, 23,

### Open Dates for March Flower Fund:

March 30.

Note that effective January 1, 2014, the donation per commemoration for the Sanctuary Candle was raised from \$5 to \$6 and the donations per commemoration for Altar Flowers was raised from \$6 to \$10. Forms with the new prices are available in the narthex and on our website.

Please leave completed forms in the office door with your donation.

## Altar Flowers

February 2 – are given by Jeanette Cook in memory of her grandmother, Nellie Hawley; Marilyn Doersam in thanksgiving for the birthday of her daughter, Lynn Alexander.

February 9 – are given by the Rev. Christine J. Day in memory of her husband, Brian M. Israel.

February 16 – are given by Marilyn Doersam in memory of her husband Arthur's aunt, Nora Howard

February 23 – are given in memory of her son, George Cook by Jeanette Cook.

## From the Parish Records

### Baptisms~

December 29<sup>th</sup> — The 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Christmas  
Scarlett Alice Caroline Rea

[daughter of Phil and Corrine Rea]

January 12<sup>th</sup> — The Baptism of Our Lord

Jamie Lynn Lockwood-Pickney

[wife of Andrew J. Pickney, III]

Alyssa Marie Lockwood

[daughter of Jamie]

Zachary Orion Lockwood [son of Jamie]

[Zachary is also a member of Cub Scout Pack 100]

Elijah Joshua Williams

### Deaths~

Barbara L. Smith died December 24<sup>th</sup> , buried from All Saints' January 2<sup>nd</sup>

Nicholas Sawchuk died January 6<sup>th</sup> , buried from All Saints' January 13<sup>th</sup> .

## Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>

is the deadline for the March issue of *Crossways*.





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**Service and Education Schedule for February 2014**

Saturdays: 5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist

Sundays: 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

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

Christian Education for School aged 12 years and above [February 23]

Wednesdays: 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

