

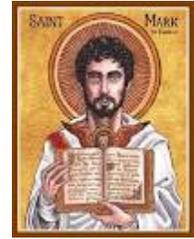


Crossways

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Feast of St. Mark the Evangelist



Dear Friends in Christ,

My Pastoral Theology professor, the Rev. William Doubleday, now a priest in the Diocese of New York, reported on Facebook that he had a dream in

which St. Thomas asked him to not preach on Sunday on St. Thomas (always the Gospel for Easter 2), but rather preach on St. Mark, whose saint's day is April 25th. Every year we hear about St. Thomas on Easter 2. St. Mark only gets a hearing if one's church is St. Mark's or, I suppose, if one has a dream about it.

For me, St. Mark's day is always remembered because it is the anniversary of the baptism of my "middle" godson, William Christopher "Chris" Konzen at the then St. Paul's Cathedral, Syracuse in 1986. As Chris' father was an organist in another denomination, Chris was baptized at the Weekday Eucharist at St. Paul's rather than on a Sunday. The readings for St. Mark's feast day are excellent for a baptism: Isaiah 52: 7-10; Ephesians 4:7-8, 11-16 and Mark 1:1-15. The passage from Isaiah sets the tone both for St. Mark and a baptism: "How beautiful upon the mountain are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation..." The passage from Ephesians names the gifts of the Holy Spirit: "...some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists..." Finally, the Gospel, which proclaims, "The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God..." and which includes the Baptism of Christ! The readings for St. Mark's day were just perfect for Chris' baptism. They are also perfect for all of us to remember St. Mark and to remember our own baptisms.

Easter was rather late this year so the season of Easter lasts all the way through May! Each week we will hear of a different experience of the Resurrection, ponder how the first disciples lived into the Resurrection and ponder how we live into the Resurrection in the 21st century. Meanwhile All Saints' Church calendar marches on: 1st Chicken BBQ on May 13th, Vestry, Choir rehearsals, Church School, Life Goes On, Soup & Sandwiches Saturdays, Book Club...So come and continue the celebration of the Resurrection!

Faithfully yours,

The Very Rev. Christine J. Day
Rector

**THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU
FOR A GLORIOUS HOLY WEEK
AND EASTER!**

Thank you to Gary & Bobbi Zurn, Linda Barkman, Sue Mahon, Dave Horton, Mother Chris, Dennis Cole, Dave Horton and the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts who helped clean up the church for Holy Week and Easter. Thank you to the Altar Guild who polished brass and silver, decorated for Easter and washed all the linen! The church was beautiful for Easter! Thank you to Barri-lyn Polhamus and Christian Ed helpers for the Palm Sunday

Workshop, Easter Egg Hunt and for celebrating the return of the Alleluias with great Gusto! Thanks to all readers, ministry assistants, ushers and acolytes for their devoted service during Holy Week and Easter. Thanks to John Isenberg and his small but mighty chorister for wonderful music for Holy Week, Easter Vigil and Easter. Thanks to Christ Church Choir and acolytes, readers, district clergy and Judy & Dave Horton for a super Easter Vigil. Thanks to Matt Labosky for the Easter Fire Pit. Thanks to everyone who came!



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 \$900 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



Mother's Day is Sunday, May 14th

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



VESTRY MEETING MAY 10th AT 6:30 PM

**ALL SAINTS' HAS RECEIVED AN
AED FROM THE JOHN MACK FOUNDATION**



Thanks to the efforts of Juanita Lougher who wrote the application and shepherded it through the process, All Saints' has received an AED. An automated external defibrillator (AED) is a portable electronic device

that can treat certain life-threatening cardiac arrhythmias and tachycardia through the application of electrical therapy which stops the arrhythmia, allowing the heart to reestablish an effective rhythm. It will

be contained in a cabinet in the Narthex and available for use in an emergency. At the present time, All Saints' has five members who are trained in the use of an AED.

All Saints' has received the AED from the John Mack Foundation. The John Mack Foundation is named for John Mack, 17-year old junior at Binghamton High School in New York State whose life tragically ended on November 30, 2006. During a club lacrosse game, John collapsed in full cardiac arrest after a stick check to his chest. It took 19 minutes to get a defibrillator to the field to restart John's heart. John suffered irreparable brain damage and was removed from life support three days later and became an organ donor. Following John's death, a benefit was held by family and friends. The money raised was used to purchase 21 AEDs – 21 was the number John wore on his lacrosse jersey. In the years since John's death, the Foundation has purchased and donated hundreds of AEDs for lacrosse clubs and non-profit organizations including churches throughout the United States and Canada.



LIFE GOES ON MEETING IN MAY

The May meeting will take place at 12:30pm on May 24th at Apple Hill's Café at 131 Brooks Road, Binghamton. If you are planning to attend, please phone Arlene Foley at 797-2111 to aid in planning the group's reservation.

Saturday, May 13th
Serving 11 AM until sold out



Full Dinner: \$9.00

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

Half Chicken: \$6.00

A big THANK YOU to everyone who helps, year after year, on these important fund raisers. The vestry has scheduled our 2 Chicken Barbecues for May 13th and June 17th. 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 needed for May BBQ:

Please bring Cookies, Cupcakes, Breads to church on either Friday May 12th or before 10 AM on Saturday May 13th for Sale at our May 13th 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.

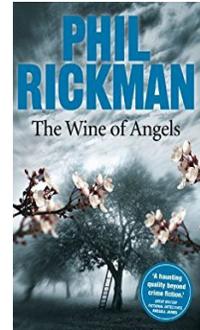
The sign-up sheets are posted. The BBQs are always a good time for fellowship and the more help we have the easier it is for everyone.

If anyone has any questions, contact the chairperson of the BBQ.

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.

BOOK CLUB TO MEET ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 24th AT 5:30 PM: READING MORE MERRILY WATKINS!

As the April meeting of the Book Club will happen after the May *Crossways* goes to press, this is only a wild guess: Book Club will be reading a book in Phil Rickman's Merrily Watkins' series. The Book Club began reading the first of the series, *The Wine of Angels* for the April meeting. Since the pace of the



reading is set by the members, *The Wine of Angels* may still be being read for the May meeting. If not—his mysteries are real page turners—the Book Club may move on to the second in the series, *Midwinter of the Spirit*.

Here's the publisher's blurb for *The Wine of Angels*:

“This is the first in the historically rich, atmospheric mystery series featuring female exorcist Reverend Merrily Watkins. The new vicar had never wanted a picture-postcard parish—or a huge and haunted vicarage. Nor had she wanted to walk into a dispute over a controversial play about a 17th-century clergyman accused of witchcraft, a story that certain long-established families would rather remained obscure. But this is Ledwardine, steeped in cider and secrets: A paradise of cobbled streets and timber-framed houses. And also—as Merrily Watkins and her teenage daughter, Jane, discover—a village where horrific murder is a tradition that spans centuries.”

Here's the publisher's blurb for *Midwinter of the Spirit*:

“Reverend Merrily Watkins finds herself replacing a retiring exorcist who is determined to make the transition as unpleasant as possible. Diocesan Exorcist: a job viewed by the Church of England with such extreme suspicion that they changed the name. It's Deliverance Consultant now. Still, it seems, no job for a woman. But when the Bishop offers it to Merrily Watkins, parish priest and single mother, she's in no position to refuse. It starts badly for Merrily and gets no easier. As an early winter slices through the old city of Hereford, a body is found in the River Wye, an ancient church is desecrated, and signs of evil appear in the cathedral itself, where the tomb of a medieval saint lies in pieces.”

Interested? The Book Club will meet next on Wednesday, May 24th at 5:30 PM at the rectory to discuss either *The Wine of Angels* or *Midwinter of the Spirit*. Copies of the books are available in digital format \$7.99-9.99 or paperback at \$14.98. Come and join the fun of reading!

June 4th IS PENTECOST—WEAR RED!

Red is the traditional color of the Holy Spirit. Pentecost is the Feast which celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit to Christ's first followers in Jerusalem. Pentecost is also the birthday of the Church. So, come, wear red and be prepared to celebrate the Holy Spirit.



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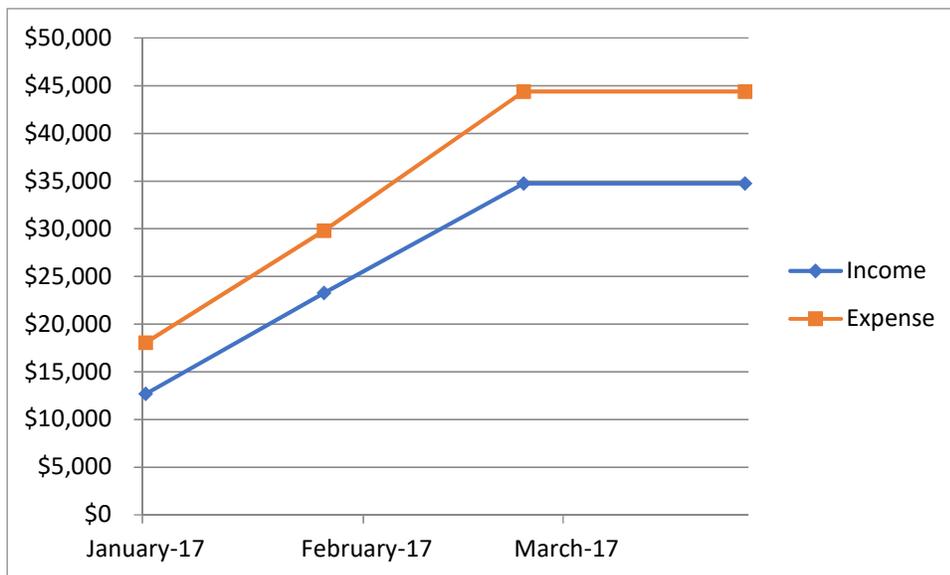
All Saints' 2017 budget is a deficit budget that will require using \$10,973 from previous years' income equity surpluses and/or special gifts to balance the budget. Some of this gap is the result of having fewer pledges: 56* pledges in 2017 and 59 pledges in 2016. (New pledge received in March!) The rest is due to small increases in expenses.

In 2017, a monthly income of \$ 14,702 will be necessary to meet operating expense cash flow. This will be difficult to do as the projected income is only approximately \$13,000 per month and All Saints' major fundraising events and fundraising income occur during May, June, September and November. It can be expected that the Vestry will decide to use available surplus funds from other years for cash flow.

Therefore, it will be more important than ever to keep one's pledge up-to-date and to make additional gifts if possible. Truly, with "God all things are possible" (Mt. 19:26).

	Actual March 31st 2017	Annual Budget 2017
Offering & Pledges	\$31,636	\$138,563
Fundraising ✘	\$1,330	\$19,800
Other Income	\$1,787	\$7,090
Total Income	\$34,753	\$165,453
Total Expenses	\$44,397	\$176,425
Profit(Loss)	(\$9,644)	(\$10,973)
Income Needed from Equity Surplus	\$9,644	\$10,973

✘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, 2017	Total March 2017
<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u>		
Petty Cash	\$400	
<u>All Saints' Checking</u>	<u>\$2,077</u>	
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$2,477	
 <u>Savings Accounts</u>		
Soup & Sandwiches Savings	\$4,974	
Designated Funds	\$9,868	
<u>Rebuilding All Saints'</u>	<u>\$2,983</u>	
Total Savings	\$17,825	
Total Cash & Savings		\$20,302
 UIF Investment Funds	 \$27,933	
 <u>Total Cash, Savings, Investments</u>		 <u>\$48,235</u>

The following are from “The Joyful Noiseletter”

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil and Jeff Keane



“I forget. Do we do things for YOU on Mother’s Day, or are you s’posed to do things for US?”

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“Last four digits of your social security number?”

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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: Tom Johnson, Ardis Rogers, Lee Grabowski, Wayland Alexander, Will Dodge, John Watkins, Mrs. Litinsky, Gina Rea, Louise Pierce, The Kariam family, the Nauerz family, Karla and Dennis Cole, Billy Blackman, Gerry Spirito, Sarah-Jo Sites, the McMullen family, Nancy Westbrook, Libby Anderson, Cindy Anderson, Doris Brink, Cheyanne Rae Westbrook, Cooper Bush, David Pierce, Laura Harman, Connie Rita, Ruth Furman, Jim Isaming, Father Don Matthews, Elizabeth Holt, Ryan Lane, Rev. Joell Szachara, and Sarah Harrison-Pautard

Long Term: Joseph Dotolo, Phillip Kasmarcik, Joy Kasmarcik, Alicia LaMaine, Jaden Kasmarcik, Bella LaMaine, Lucy Grabowski, Nancy Grabowski, Chieyann Grabowski, LaVonne Zdimal; Sam McMullen, Eli Pierce; Dreux Cook, Jane Chomyszak, Louise Rogers, Jessica Mc Bride, Lori Szwalla, Luther Chergosky, Tony Szwalla, Dick Kimble, Kayleigh Mahon, Ralph & Patricia Holloway, Bob Gillmer, Clark Byarley, Nanette McIntosh, and Megan Gillmer



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



CELEBRATIONS IN MAY!

*Anniversaries
and Birthdays*



- 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



Sanctuary Candle

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MaMay 7 — given by Colleen Labosky in memory of Colleen's goddaughter Elizabeth Quinn Hawthorne

MaMay 14 — given by Linda Barkman in memory of Iva Chamberlain

MaMay 21 — None

MaMay 28 — given by Marilyn Doersam in loving memory of her niece Patty Bennett, given by Allen and Carol Motsko in memory of all military veterans, and given by Linda Barkman in memory of Bill Barkman



- 10 Larry and Ida Taft
- 30 Rob and Christy Finta



Altar Flowers

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May 7 – given by Ralph & Patricia Holloway in thanksgiving of their son Scott Holloway, and given by Carol Mastroe in memory of Myrtle Phillips her grandmother

May 14 – given by Amy and Steven Kelly in memory of Connie Whalen and in thanksgiving of Doris Brink, given by Marilyn Doersam in thanksgiving of Sally Cole's birthday, given by David Pierce in thanksgiving of Lonna Pierce's birthday by David Pierce, given by Lonna Pierce in thanksgiving of the birthday of her son Dylan McKeon, and given by Shirley Lipman in memory of Werner Lipman

May 21 –given by Don & Debbie Thorpe in thanksgiving for the wedding anniversary of their children, Stephanie & Ben Holbus and given by Larry & Ida Taft in thanksgiving of the birthday of their granddaughter Adrianna Finta and given by Arlene Foley in memory of her parents Sarah and Richard Rath

May 28– given by Lonna & David Pierce in thanksgiving of the birthday of their granddaughter Adabelle Jimenez

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



EASTER BRUCH AT THE RECTORY SUNDAY EASTER 6, MAY 21st FOLLOWING THE 10 AM SERVICE

In a blatant attempt to raise attendance on a Sunday Late in the Easter Season and spread out Easter joy and chocolate throughout the Easter season, all are invited to an Easter Brunch at the rectory following the 10 AM service on Sunday, May 21st. A spring feast of “mock soufflé,” asparagus, salad, fruit, breads and dessert will be offered. Come for food, fellowship and fun! Come play with young Thomas, on his best behavior, as the older and wiser Alphege figures out how to get more treats than Thomas. Come! All are welcome! Sign-up in the narthex before May 17th or RSVP to allsaintsjcny@aol.com.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>May 2017</h1> 						
	1 Office Closed † 5:00-9:00pm Boy Scouts & Cub Scouts	2 † 1:00pm Tai Chi 6:30pm PB&B 6:30 Jr..League mtg	3 †	4 1:00pm Tai Chi 7:00pm Choir	5 Office Closed	6 12 noon Soup & Sandwiches 5:00 pm HE Rite II
7 Easter 4 10:00am HE 3:00-5:00pm Patrol mtg. 6:30pm Troop mtg.	8 Office Closed † 5:00-9:00pm Boy Scouts & Cub Scouts	9 1:00pm Tai Chi 3:30pm Rector/Wardens' mgt. 6:30pm Boy Scout Leader mtg.	10 † 6:30pm Vestry Mtg	11 1:00pm Tai Chi	12 Office Closed	13 11:00am -Sold Out Chicken BBQ 12 noon Soup & Sandwiches 5:00 pm HE Rite II
14 Easter 5 † 10:00am HE 2:30pm HE Bridgewater	15 Office Closed 5:00-9:00pm Boy Scouts & Cub Scouts	16 †	17 †	18 7:00pm Choir	19 † Office Closed	20 † 12 noon Soup & Sandwiches 5:00 pm HE Rite II
21 Easter 6 10:00am HE Easter Brunch at Rectory	22 Office Closed 5:00-9:00pm Boy Scouts & Cub Scouts	23 †	24 † 12:30PM Life Goes On Apple Hills, Brooks Rd, Vestal 5:30pm Book Club at the Rectory	25 7:00pm Choir	26 Office Closed	27 12 noon Soup & Sandwiches 5:00 pm HE Rite II
28 Easter 7 † 10:00am HE & Baptism Ethan Musuta 3:00 pm HE Susquehanna	29 Office Closed Memorial Day 	30 †	31 10:00am HE + Healing	†By a date indicates that the Rector is away for all or part of the day Office Hours: 9:00am to 3:00pm Tuesday – Thursday		