

The Eagle

March 2013

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday, March 24 Blessing of Palms and Holy Eucharist 8:00 am

Blessing of Palms shared with neighboring

congregations beginning on 6th Street,

Procession and Holy Eucharist 10:15 am

Maundy Thursday, March 28

Meal, Footwashing, Holy Eucharist 6:00 pm

"Watch" at the Altar of Repose 8:00 pm

Continuing until 10 pm

Good Friday, March 29 Good Friday Liturgy 12:30 pm

at Chapel of the Good Shepherd

610 Meridian Street, West Lafayette

Easter Eve, March 29 The Great Vigil of Easter

With Baptisms 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday, March 30

Holy Eucharist 8:00 am

Festival Holy Eucharist

with Brass Quintet 10:15 am

Easter Monday, April 1 Parish Offices Closed

The Chapel of the Resurrection is open for private prayer or meditation Monday-Friday 8 am – 4:30 pm

Maundy Thursday Service By Amy Paget

We invite all St. John's Parishioners and guests to join us for the Maundy Thursday service and meal on Thursday March 28, 6 pm in the Commons. Sign-up sheets for the service will be in the Commons during March so we can plan for the number who will join in. Attendees are asked to consider bringing bread or a salad sufficient to serve 6 to share.

Here's a 'Beginners guide to Maundy Thursday" courtesy of Time magazine!

"Maundy Thursday marks the beginning of the three-day Easter celebration, and you may also hear it referred to as Holy Thursday, Sheer Thursday, or, intriguingly, Thursday of Mysteries.

"The meaning is less of a mystery — it's the Christian holy day that falls before the commemoration of Jesus' passion, death and resurrection that occurs from Good Friday through Easter Sunday. The liturgy is held in the evening, and initiates this Easter period as a tribute to the day of the Last Supper.

"Why "Maundy"? It comes from the Latin word mandatum, which means "commandment." This specifically refers to the commandment Jesus gave to his disciples at the Last Supper, once Judas had scuttled off, which was "That you love one another, as I have loved you, that you also love one another."

"Jesus also washed his disciples' feet on this occasion, and the symbolism of this act as a ruler serving their subjects was taken literally in Britain up until the death of King James II, when the monarch would wash the feet of a selected few poor people every Maundy Thursday in Westminster Abbey."

The service at St. John's includes a meal and service concluded by foot-washing by those who wish to participate.

A Brief Note from Fr. Bradley

Several of you have asked about what I prefer to be called. I invite everyone to call me "Bradley", which is my usual preference. If you prefer to use a title, then Fr. Bradley would be great. When I need something, I will pull out "The Rev. Dr. Bradley Pace"!?! At any rate, I am not terribly fussy about that sort of thing.

Next Eagle Deadline

The deadline for submissions for the April Eagle will be Monday, March 18. Email to eagle@stjohns-laf.org or place items in The Eagle mailbox on the porch.

AED Coordinator Needed By Tony Bailey

St. John's is very fortunate to have 3 Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) on site. Do you know where all 3 AEDs are located?

To receive them, we had to have 5 people trained per AED. Since that time some people have moved away or no longer attend St. John's. Plus there is a need to have refresher training for the original people and anyone else that is now interested. Jay Mermoud was instrumental in helping us get them and was the on-site coordinator but he has moved - we need a new coordinator!

The overall time commitment would be minor. This person would help arrange the training (locate professional trainers, dates/times, etc.), coordinate other technical checks and maintenance and maintain the list of those certified. The Property Committee replaced the pads about a year ago, so they are good for about 1 more year. The green flashing light and alarms to the AED boxes are already checked/tested during the monthly church inspection by the Property Committee.

So, do you know where the 3 AEDs are located? One is in the hallway between the Outreach Room and Food Pantry, one is in the Commons near the sitting area outside the Chapel and the last one is in the Watson House hallway near the office and downstairs restroom. They should be located where one is accessible for any group at any time that uses our building. Hopefully they collect lots of dust over the years and are never used but in the off chance it is needed, take a few minutes and know where they are located.

If you have any questions or are interested in serving as coordinator, please contact Tony Bailey at 463-7263 or tktbailey@earthlink

The Rector's Thoughts By Bradley Pace

How is it going so far? For my part, so far, so good! Now as I'm writing this, I have only been with you about a week, and a week isn't a large enough sample of time for a definitive statement. But I can say that your welcome and your graciousness to my family and to me have given me a good feeling. Thank you to everyone who has brought us food, opened their homes for a Lenten home Eucharist, showed us around town, offered directions, or simply welcomed us with a hug or a hearty handshake. Thanks to the search committee for bringing me to St. John's and for a wonderful coffee hour reception on my first Sunday. Thanks to the vestry for a great February meeting and to Sally Hastings our senior warden for organizing the transition. Thanks to Teresa Lohrman our Parish Administrator and to Michael Bennett our choir director for trying their hardest to bring me up to speed. Thanks to Maggie McClure and Dennis Sorge for orienting me to worship at St. John's and to those who served on my first Sunday for their tolerance and graciousness. I would also like to specially thank Lloyd Brewer and the C.H.O.R.U.S. group (that's the "Committee to Help Our Rector Understand Stuff") for organizing a great welcome and for getting me situated.



Obviously, I will need a fair amount of time to get to know my way around the greater Lafayette area. I will need a fair amount of time to get to know my way around St. John's—both the building and the church community. And I will need a fair amount of time to get to know you all by sight and by name. Feel free to introduce yourself or re-introduce yourself as many times as you like (I won't be offended and you just might save me some embarrassment). But I am a relatively quick study, and I hope to have a pretty good footing before too long.

The trick is that we don't have a lot of time. By the time you read this, we will be almost three weeks into Lent. By the time you read this, Easter will be just around the corner. I have arrived just in time for the Church's "Easter rush". As St. Paul said to the church in Corinth: "I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short..." (1 Corinthians 7:29). There's

lots to do, so I don't have a lot of time. Teresa, Michael, and I are already scurrying about the office in preparation for Holy Week and for Easter.

And what's true for St. John's is true for the larger Church. There's lots to do. In his letter, St. Paul goes on to say:

[F]rom now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away. (1 Corinthians 7:29-31).

Since the Kingdom of God is at hand—something made incredibly palpable each year at Easter—"the present form of this world is passing away." That means we are called to be about the work of the Kingdom. That means we are called to be about the work of repentance and forgiveness. That means we are called to serve those in need. That means we are called to die to ourselves, to take up our cross daily and to follow Christ. God's Kingdom is at hand; "the appointed time has grown short."

Therefore, sisters and brothers, let us to the Church's work, let us to the work of proclaiming the Good news of God's Kingdom, to repentance and forgiveness, to serving those in need, to taking up our cross, and to following Christ.

I hope you will make a special effort to attend Holy Week services this year. In particular, the Triduum—the three services of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil—are vitally important moments in the life of the Church. They remind us of Christ's passion and of God's redeeming work in the world—the very work that culminates in God's Kingdom. Please make a special effort to attend those services. The schedule for Holy Week is included in this month's *Eagle*.

Thank you for calling me to be your new rector. Thank you again for your welcome and hospitality. But thank you for the ministry that you have been doing all along and for the ministry we will do together.

March Lunchtime Concert By Michael Bennett

Plan to attend the March 13 Lunchtime concert! Jefferson High School's Varsity Singers will perform a varied program of music including two African American spirituals, a Russian setting of the "Ave Maria" text, and a wonderful South American folk setting. The 48-member chorus will fill the nave with glorious sounds; don't miss it!



Ordination Congratulations!

St. John's own Jenny Hulen was ordained February 3, 2013 at Trinity Episcopal Church in Indianapolis. We love you Jenny!







March Book Group By Mary Campbell

Ahhh! A good mystery!

Some of us enjoy few things as much as settling down to a good book of detective fiction. What?! All that murder and mayhem? Not really. Dame P.D. James (a master of the genre) has written that detective fiction "fundamentally is concerned with the bringing of order out of disorder and the restoration of peace." (Talking about Detective Fiction, p. 13). No wonder, as she suggests, detective/ mystery books are especially popular in times of societal and personal uncertainty and stress!

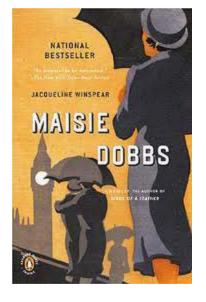
The St. John's Book Discussion group has a tradition of exploring one detective fiction author each season. This season, our author is Jacqueline Winspear, born and raised in England but now living in California. She is writing a series of mystery books featuring Maisie Dobbs of London, England. Maisie is a former housemaid who attended University and then served as a field nurse in World War I. The novels take place starting in 1929 when she has just opened her own detecting agency.

In most of the books, Maisie's experiences in the War are critical to the events happening in her present. It's very helpful to start the series with the first one - Maisie Dobbs (2003) - in which we get the thorough back story of her early life and war service.

We will meet Wednesday, March 20, at 6:30 in the Commons. Please join us! Enter through the garden gate. Call Mary Campbell at 426-5541 for more information or for help with transportation.

Please Welcome

Dotty Gist who recently transferred her membership to St. John's from First United Methodist Church in West Lafayette.



United Thank Offering By Mary Lou Davis

UTO - What does that mean? We are UNITED (all individuals- young, middle aged, older, single, married, alone or in a family) and are able to give THANKS daily to God for the many daily ordinary and special blessings we receive. We give THANKS with prayers; also we can support grants of the UTO with gifts of coins or bills in our Blue Boxes.

Did you know all monies received by UTO are used only for grants to help around the world with education, construction, childcare, health services, transportation, individual parish needs, regional support of larger issues, support of missionary clergy and missionaries. What was once a women's ministry has become a world-wide program of support of daily prayers and offering of financial support to creach world-wide needs by all Episcopalians.

December Financial Report By George Moore

OPERATING BUDGET INCOME AND EXPENSESa MONTH ENDING December 31 2012

A. Income	Current Month	Total 2012	% of Budget
1. Pledge Income	\$27,308.46	\$293,245.80	98.99%
2. Operating Income	\$11,869.67	\$ 44,472.60	122.46%
3. Non-Operating Income	\$ 0.00	\$ 9,556.06	31.85%
4. Transfer Income	\$20,000.00	\$ 56,576.50	80.82%
TOTAL INCOMEb	\$ 59,178.13	\$403,850.96	93.38%
B. EXPENSES			
1. Outreach	\$ 4,582.16	\$ 57,111.97	72.46%
2. Program	\$ 2,882.66	\$ 16,690.73	76.92%
3. Administration	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,754.90	62.68%
4. Personnel	\$18,723.54	\$219,735.90	93.00%
5. Office	\$ 2,923.89	\$ 23,902.63	101.20%
6. Property	\$ 7,898.21	\$ 67,038.15	96.66%
TOTALEXPENSES	\$37,010.46	\$386,234.28	89.29%
Net Income (Loss)	\$22,167.67	\$ 17,616.68	

- (a) This is a summary report of the operating income and expenses for the indicated reporting period. Detailed description of these items are available for review from members of the Finance Committee.
- (b) This operating summary does not include \$ 17,205.00 received for our Extraordinary Stewardship Effort.



Easter Reception

On Easter Day many people enjoy bringing special food for a reception after the 10:15 service. Easter is on March 31, and if you enjoy our festive reception, please bring a special dish to contribute. This year the Great Vigil of Easter is at St. John's on Saturday evening at 8:00 pm and there will be several baptisms at that service. We will have a celebratory reception following the Vigil service and invite all in attendance to bring a special treat to add to the celebration.



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We celebrate the life of

Elizabeth Schaible

who died February 12, 2013

