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The Legate

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St. Alban's Episcopal Church

Dear Parishioners

April brings us the highest and holy season of Easter. We begin Holy Week with Palm Sunday. We greet our king with hosannas and palms as he enters the holy city of Jerusalem. Not long after we find ourselves invited to the Last Supper on Maundy Thursday. The commandments are given to love and serve one another and "do this in remembrance of me." We turn our attention to the crucifixion on Good Friday and what it means not just for us but what God has done because of his love for us. We then move to the first celebration of Easter as we move through the Great Vigil of Easter and then Easter Day.

We have been waiting. We have been preparing. We are looking forward to celebrate, give thanks and worship our God for the marvelous things he has done. Are we ready? Is our faith renewed? Have we repented and ready to accept his grace? Is this a reality for us or a fantasy?

We cannot really answer those questions without having experienced Holy Week. I hope you will make every effort to join us for the celebrations this week offers us. On Palm/Passion Sunday we will have the procession of the Palms and the Passion Gospel. We will offer the Eucharist on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week at 6:00 p.m. We begin Maundy Thursday with our Seder Dinner sponsored by our Ultreya Group. I want to thank them for all the hard work that they do to prepare for this event. Please see Monica if you have not made your reservations. Following our Seder Dinner we will go to the Church to celebrate the "Lord's Supper" and the stripping of the Altar. The Altar of Repose will be set up

in the Chapel for us to respond to the question our Lord directed at his sleepy disciples in the Garden of Gethsemane, "Can you not watch with me for one hour?" The sign up list is available in the entrance and you are always welcome to spend some time in the presence of our Lord. Please enter in by the glass door by the Altar Guild Sacristy. On Good Friday we will have Stations of the Cross at Noon and the Good Friday Liturgy and Mass of the Pre-Sanctified at 6:30 p.m. At The Great Vigil of Easter we light the new fire and light the new Paschal Candle representing the Light of Christ. We listen to God's Word of salvation history and then move into the first Eucharist of Easter. Easter Day Eucharist schedule will be 7:30 am with a said Eucharist, 9:00 am with a sung Eucharist and 11:15 sung Eucharist with incense. I hope you, your families, and friends will join for the queen of feasts, the celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord.

I would like to thank in advance our Altar Guild, Flower Guilds, Choirs, Ushers, Organist and Choir Director, our Parish Secretary and staff and all who make these celebrations special and worshipful. I greatly appreciate all your hard work and devotion to make these celebrations reverent, holy and special.

I want to thank you for your generous giving for our parishioner, Bonnie Black. We were able to give the basic needs with dishes, pans, towels, flatware, bedding, bedroom suit, clothing and a host of other items. We also gave over \$1300.00 to go towards items we did not provide. Thank you for your quick and generous response to one of our own in need.

I would like to also express my gratitude for the response of the parish. With parishioners adding to their pledge, pledge cards being received from those who had not turned in one as of that time, and new pledge cards received we are about \$10,000.00 above last year's pledges. We have had to send out new forms to be signed if you wish to allow us to use your Capital Campaign Funds if we are in need of them. The old form had 2008 instead of 2009 and would not be valid. So far this year we have not had to use any funds from our Capital Campaign for Operating expenses. We will keep you informed if and when this happens. It appears that God has indeed blessed us once again.

Our Capital Campaign continues to bring us improvements around our facilities. Last week our trees were trimmed. It appeared they had not been trimmed for a very long time, if ever. We now have sunlight coming through allowing grass to grow and plants to

flourish. It also removed many branches that were hanging on the new roof. The Vestry at their past meeting has approved a bid for our new pews. One pew will be taken in order that the company can match our old pews as closely as possible. There will be a slight change in that we will have several places available for those in wheelchairs. The pew will be shorter and allow those who are in wheelchairs to remain in their chair if they desire. These areas will be about the 3rd or 4th pew and the last pew. We will also add a design to the end caps mimicking the arch in the Sanctuary and around the doors. It will take up to four months for all the new pews to be made.

The Development Committee is continuing to move forward with looking into the costs of an elevator to allow access to all the upper classrooms. They are looking into the costs of refurbishing the Altar/Flower Guild Sacristy--something that is desperately needed. If you take a look, plaster is falling off the wall, stove has almost stopped working, finish on the cabinets is in very sad condition and the countertop is showing its long term use. Our Altar and Flower Guilds need a place that is not falling apart. Other items our Development Committee are looking into procedures and costs for the new parish hall, landscaping the west end of the church, and perhaps a new sign for St. Alban's in that endeavor. I am proud of our committee members. They are being excellent stewards in their thoroughness and investigation of companies, costs and material before moving ahead. If it seems like it is taking a lot of time, it is! But they are doing a fantastic ministry for St. Alban's.

The Marsee Garden will be finishing up its first phase this month. As I write this they are building the brick walls and gateway. The rod iron has been ordered and will be installed in the near future. We will see great progress taking place. We will need more help if we are to landscape and finish this project. You will also note that the Organ Fund is continuing to go forward. More pipes have been ordered and the Organ Builders have come and measured for the new case. Our new case and pipes, as I have reported before, will be installed during the summer months.

It is with sadness and with hopeful joy that I must let you know that Fr. Matkin, Melisa, and baby Maddy will be leaving us in May. Fr. Matkin will become the Vicar of Comanche and Dublin. Fr. Matkin has been with us for about 4 1/2 years and has been an invaluable priest. He came to St. Alban's during some difficult times and helped lead St. Alban's with his spiritual direction and

ministry. He has endeared himself to us and we all love his great sense of humor. Yes I think many of us will miss his quiet strength and his intelligence. I know I will miss all his help and devotion to our Lord. But we cannot think only of our sadness. Fr. Matkin needs to continue to grow in his ministry and priesthood. Fr. Matkin needs our love and prayers to help him in his ministry to others. While it is difficult for any parish to see one of their priests move on we must remember it is a call from God. Fr. Matkin, Melisa and Madeline are called to a new and exciting ministry in Comanche and Dublin. We will have a going away celebration on Sunday, April 26th following the 10:30 Eucharist. Please mark that day on your calendar and come let us give them our love, our prayers and our hopeful joy as they begin a new life in Comanche.

I look forward to seeing you all during Holy Week and Easter. May God Bless and Keep you. And finally I may say once again, Alleluia! Christ is Risen! The Lord is Risen Indeed. Alleluia!

God Bless and Keep You!

Fr. K+



Pictured (left to right): Brooke Wagoner, George Meek, Madison Bowen, Sara Cannon

Announcements and Coming Events

St. Alban's Bookstore and Gift Shop is well-stocked with books, gifts and cards for Easter giving. Whether you are looking for Bibles, books and bookmarks, or rabbits, chicks and ducks, come by to browse and shop. We have also recently received a new stock of Anglican rosaries from an artist/vendor in Dallas that feature the use of olive wood, fossils and stones. Hours are 10:00 to 3:00 Tuesday through Thursday and the first Friday of each month as well as between morning services on Sunday. The Bookstore will be closed the week following Easter Sunday. Thank you for your support!

Daughters of the King – St. Teresa of Avila Chapter has begun a study class for new members on Saturdays at 9:15 a.m. in the Conference Room. Regular meetings will be on the second Saturday of each month as usual, but at the new time of 9:15 a.m. Call Gloria Lawley at 817 261-8507 if you have questions. You can also email her at tlawley@sbcglobal.net.

Easter Egg Hunt — Join us, rain or shine, following the 9am service for our annual Easter Day Egg Hunt, for your children, grandchildren, and godchildren, sponsored by our Youth. *Each child should bring one dozen, plastic, filled eggs for the egg hunt.* **Note:** *Drop the eggs off in the Parish Hall prior to the 9am service.*



Note From the Editor

Easter is my absolute favorite season of the church year. The music, the liturgy, and the general atmosphere are filled with so much joy that I'm almost bouncing off the walls with the excitement!

This issue is full of news so don't forget to read the whole thing!

Thank you for the positive feedback and suggestions. Again, suggestions and feedback via email to newsletter@saintalbans.org are always welcome. As always, the newsletter is viewable as a PDF on the St. Alban's website.

Yours in Christ,
Anna Sparkman — Editor



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- Please refrain from using all caps.

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Music Corner

Tales From The Loft:

Remember this is the International Year of the Organ and now is the most holy time in the liturgical year. The following is a listing of some of the area musical events::

Monday, April 6, 12:15PM Lenten Series at Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth

Tuesday, April 7, 12:15PM Lenten Series at Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth

Wednesday, April 8, 12:15PM Lenten Series at Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth

Thursday, April 9, 12:15PM Lenten Series at Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth

Friday, April 10, 12:15PM Lenten Series at Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth

Thursday - Sunday, April 16, 17, 18 (all 8PM) and 19 (2:30PM) Mary Preston and the Dallas Symphony Orchestra at the Meyerson Symphony Center, Dallas

Friday, April 17 - 7:30PM St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, Fort Worth

Friday, April 17 - 8PM Organ with Dallas Symphony Orchestra at the Meyerson, Dallas

Saturday, April 18 - 8PM Organ with Dallas Symphony Orchestra at the Meyerson, Dallas

Sunday, April 19 - 2:30PM Organ with Dallas Symphony Orchestra at the Meyerson, Dallas

Sunday, April 19 - 5PM St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Arlington

Sunday, April 26 - 7PM Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth

Sunday, May 3 - 6PM St. Vincent's Cathedral, Hurst

Sunday, May 3 - 6PM All Saint's Episcopal Church, Fort Worth

Sunday, May 3 - 6:30PM St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Arlington

The Organ Fund's total is currently \$75,445. We are getting closer to being able to sign a contract for the ensemble trumpet. We still need \$3,760.75. I will announce when the work will begin when I know. Remember all contracts we sign before the work begins saves us 10 percent on that contract. Keep the money coming.



Charlene Polivka Dorsey
Organist Emerita

Christian Education Calendar

April 5th – Palm Sunday – Classes meet

April 12th – Easter Day – No class - Easter Egg Hunt

April 19th – Classes meet

April 26th – Classes meet

May 17th – SAVE THE DATE: 10:30am Youth Sunday ~ Teacher Appreciation ~ HS Graduates Recognition



Pictured (left to right): Logan Huffstetter, Connor Wichterich, Reagan Hosea, Emily Head, & Madison Wichterich

Sunday School Corner

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light; Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and that all things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
Easter Vigil ~ BCP p 291

As I was reading today, I came across some notes from a lesson on Jacob. The lecturer stated, “The world with *need* doesn’t want to see people (Christians) who have ‘got it all together’, rather they want to see one who *needs* God, is relying on Him’. Like Jacob, after wrestling with God in the hard things, we will come away with a ‘limp’, but raised up, made new. Alleluia! In this Easter season, may we go and tell with our lives and voice how God has freed us

from a life of darkness and despair. And, as we learned in our Lenten study, start by simply going to worship God with the body of Christ, a silent witness that we rely on Him. And go one step further...come an hour early or stay an hour longer if you attend 8am, and study together in our Christian Education classes. Adults may attend a study of *The Fruits of the Spirit* in the Library or “Living the Good News” in Room 4. On April 19th, Fr. Duncan will add a new study using the book, *Swear to God*, for ages ‘20 & 30 Something’ in Room 10.

Classes meet on Palm Sunday, April 5th, but not on Easter Day, April 12th. Join us, rain or shine, following the 9am service for our annual Easter Day Egg Hunt, for your children, grandchildren, and godchildren, sponsored by our Youth. *Each child should bring one dozen, plastic, filled eggs for the egg hunt. **Note:** Drop the eggs off in the Parish Hall prior to the 9am service.* Classes resume April 19th and 26th.

Also, on Easter Day, children and families may return their Lenten offering boxes which were received in their Sunday school classes. Place them in the baskets at the altar rail during communion.

Thank you to our faithful volunteer teachers, and for keeping this ministry in your prayers. Please prayerfully consider giving the gift of teaching our children and youth next year. We need a minimum of 3 teachers per class.



Warmly yours in Christ,
Susie Wheaton
Christian Education Coordinator

Marsee Memorial Garden

Hopefully you have been watching the progress being made on the Memorial Garden on the north side of the church. We have selected the brick and are still working on selecting the columbarium niches and the signage. I will be contacting those who have donated to make sure we have correctly noted who they want to have remembered. The contract for this phase is for \$70,000 and we are making payments to the contractor from that amount.

As of the end of January we have an additional \$4,602.53 in the account which will be enough to complete the iron fencing and gate. We need approximately \$20,000 to \$25,000 more to complete the lighting, all the plants & trees & add the benches. We are hoping to raise the funds and have the Memorial Garden completed this spring. Please consider making a donation in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving for God's blessings in your life. The rendering is at the north exterior door that opens to the Garden. This will be an inspiring and functional addition to St. Alban's and it is so exciting to have it finally underway.

Thank you to all those who have contributed to make this a reality. Donations should be sent to the church designated for the Marsee Memorial Garden. Call Judy Marsee, 817 469-7596, with any questions.



Judy Marsee

Youth and Young Adults

20s & 30s Ministry:

On Friday, April 17th at 6:30pm *Caritas* will gather at the Canterbury House for a Spring Cookout. People are invited to bring sides and drinks to share. The Church will provide everything for Hamburgers.

Looking ahead to the Summer, beginning on Trinity Sunday, June 7th, *Caritas* will host a study of Scott Hahn's book *Swear to God: The Promise and Power of the Sacraments*. In his book Hahn guides us through a study of the sacraments. We'll learn about how sacraments relate to the Old Testament idea of covenant and how they're powerful for our lives today. We will gather for the study at 9:00am in Room 10, and begin with some social time, followed by the study.

Youth Groups:

Teenage Youth Group: The Teenage Youth Group will continue to meet on Sunday evenings from 6:30pm to 8:15pm in Room 12. The Youth Group also has some special activities lined up for the next few months. Below, you'll find just a few of the upcoming youth events. Please contact me if you would like more information about any of these activities:

Thursday, April 9th – The Youth Group will meet at the Church, after the Maundy Thursday Liturgy, for a “Watch-In.” As part of the “Watch-In” we’ll stay up all night until Good Friday morning. We’ll have the opportunity to get to know each other, and explore what Maundy Thursday and Good Friday really mean. The evening will also include a viewing of Mel Gibson’s *Passion of the Christ*.

Saturday, May 23rd – We’re planning a Youth Group trip to Six Flags, with a tentative date of May 23rd. We’ll need to know, in advance, how many are planning to come so please contact me if you’re interested.

June 7th – June 13th – Come join youth from across the diocese in the St. Michael’s Conference, at Camp Crucis. Much more than a ‘Church Camp’, St. Michael’s Conference is a 7-day conference where an intentional community of prayer, support, and education helps to form young Christians to be witnesses to the world of the Saving Power of Jesus Christ. If these reasons weren’t enough, yours truly, Fr. Duncan, will be teaching the Scripture Classes at this year’s conference.

Junior Youth Group: The Junior Youth Group had a great time learning about the traditions of Lent and the Stations of the Cross during March. Here are some upcoming Junior Youth Group events to mark on your calendars:

Saturday, April 18th – The Junior Youth Group will be going on a trip to Ripley’s Believe it or Not in Grand Prairie. We will plan to leave from the Church at 9:00am, and return in the afternoon. Please contact me for further details.

Sunday, April 26th – Junior Youth Group will gather for their usual meeting after the 10:30am mass.

Now that Spring is here registration for Camp Crucis summer sessions has begun. There are camps for nearly all ages, so please contact me or Susie Wheaton if your child is interested in attending one of the diocesan camps. This is an important ministry of the diocese so let’s try to get as many St. Alban’s kids out to camp as we can.



Fr. Duncan+

Saints for April

1 Frederick Denison Maurice, Priest, 1872

2 James Lloyd Breck, Priest, 1876

3 Richard, Bishop of Chichester, 1253

5 Palm Sunday

8 William Augustus Muhlenberg, Priest, 1877

9 William Law, Priest, 1761

11 George Augustus Selwyn, Bishop of New Zealand, and of Lichfield, 1878

12 Easter Day

19 Alphege, Archbishop of Canterbury, and Martyr, 1012

21 Anselm, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1109

25 Saint Mark the Evangelist

29 Catherine of Siena, 1380

Agnus Day

WAIT! WAIT!
THESE TWO
DON'T THINK
THAT JESUS
IS THE
MESSIAH?



WELL—
NO. THEY
HOPED HE
WOULD BE,
BUT THEN
HE DIED.



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Sunday Scripture Readings for April

Apr. 5 — Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

Isaiah 45:21-25

Philippians 2:5-11

Psalm 22:1-11

Mark 1:9-13

Apr. 12 — Easter Day

Isaiah 25:6-9

Acts 10:34-43

Psalm 118:14-17, 22-24

Mark 16:1-8

Apr. 19 — The Second Sunday of Easter

Isaiah 26:2-9, 19

1 John 5:1-6

Psalm 118:19-24

John 20:19-31

Apr. 26 — The Third Sunday of Easter

Micah 4:1-5

1 John 1:1-2:2

Psalm 98:1-5

Luke 24:36b-48



Holy Week & Easter Service Schedule

Monday in Holy Week	6:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist
Tuesday in Holy Week	6:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist
Wednesday in Holy Week	6:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist
Maundy Thursday	8:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist Stripping of the altar Watch begins after the service
Good Friday	6:30 a.m. Morning Prayer 12:00 noon Stations of the Cross 6:30 p.m. Mass of the Pre-Sanctified
Holy Saturday	8:00 p.m. The Great Vigil of Easter <i>with incense</i>
Easter Sunday	7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist <i>with incense</i>



Cristo crucificado — Diego Velázquez

When I Was Sick, You Visited Me

Jesus said: "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me"

Matthew 25:34-40

Are you a little "ray of sunshine on a cloudy day" as the TV character House says? If you are interested in becoming a "ray of sunshine" *please* volunteer to be a hospital visitor. All it requires is a call to the Church office to see if anyone is in the hospital and a 30 minute visit just once every other week. You will find this a most rewarding ministry. Please call Keith Higham (817 460-0579) for more information.

If you have someone in the hospital or know of a parishioner that has been hospitalized, please call Sharon in the Church office – 817 274-7826.



Seder Dinner

The ceremony of the Passover Dinner grew out of God's commandment to the Jews that the exodus from Egypt and its meaning shall be remembered and told from generation to generation. "On the night in which He was betrayed" our Lord, Jesus Christ, celebrated the Passover with his disciples; however, the Jewish meal was to be changed completely because of what our Lord would do and say at the "Last Supper". It was at this meal, the Passover Seder, that Christ first instituted the Eucharist. He took the bread and wine, blessed them, and gave them to his disciples saying those words we still hear each time we receive the bread and wine of the Eucharist.

The Seder Dinner is but one of the events on Maundy Thursday. It is an instructed meal that was written with the help of a former parishioner from a Jewish background who helped to make this an authentic experience. At the meal the connection between the Seder and our Eucharist is explained. At the conclusion of the meal we move to the church and celebrate the Maundy Thursday liturgy that includes the stripping and washing of the altar. Then comes the watch at the Altar of Repose in answer to Christ's question, "Can you not watch with me one hour?" (Matthew 26:40)

On Thursday, April 9, 2009, please plan to attend our Seder Dinner here at St. Albans. It will be held at 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall. As the Lenten season draws to a close, this is a great way to wind up your Holy Week and prepare to usher in the Easter season. Make your reservations early because seating in the Parish Hall is limited, and it usually sells out. Nursery care will be available if enough people need it.



*May you always have work
for your hands to do.
May your pockets hold always
a coin or two.
May the sun shine bright on
your windowpane.
May the rainbow be certain to
follow each rain.
May the hand of a friend
always be near you.
And may God fill your heart
with gladness to cheer you.
~Irish Blessing*

Eastern Deanery Meeting Report

The St. Alban's Diocesan Convention delegates, along with the clergy, meet on Tuesday, February 17th at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Hurst for the quarterly Deanery Meeting. Fr. Cray opened the meeting with prayer and asked from representatives from the various diocesan committees to report on their recent activity.

- The Mission Committee reported that the new mission in Alvarado under Fr. Christopher Culpepper is meeting regularly.
- The Commission on Ministry approved two candidates, Jeff Stubbs and Chris Guptill, for ordination to the diaconate.
- The Standing Committee is dealing with the issues of parishes desiring separation from the diocese under Canon 32. As of the meeting 4 parishes had been released and 2 more will be upon the fulfillment of their financial encumbrances with the diocese. The Committee endorses our participation in the convention of North American Orthodox Anglicans in June.
- The Finance Committee reported that the diocese ended the fiscal year in the black.
- The Diocesan Altar Guild informed all present of the Annual Altar Guild Meeting upcoming.

After covering our regular business Bp. Iker addressed those present. He reminded us that our job is keep about doing the work of what is most important: worship, evangelism, and outreach in the name of our Lord.

The Bishop announced the meeting June 22-25 of orthodox Anglicans at St. Vincent's. The purpose of this meeting will be to continue the work of creating a new Province in North America. Based on membership numbers, the Standing Committee has approved the formula for determining the diocesan representative to this assembly. Using average Sunday attendance FW, can expect to send 5 clergy delegates, 5 lay delegates, and 2 bishops.

The Bishop is working on plans for a special diocesan convocation in May where leaders of the North American Orthodox Anglican group will be able to meet with diocesan convention delegates and with clergy to clarify and answer questions about this new group.

The bishop then reported on the state of the Diocese

- On any given Sunday, the average attendance at the orthodox churches is approximately 5800. While we have lost 6 parishes

and 2-3 missions, we are in conversation with St. Mathias and St. Francis, Dallas parishes, who may desire joining our diocese under the Dallas Plan. The loss of the above congregations has hit the diocesan budget and is being addressed by the Finance Committee.

- Nashotah House Seminary is on firm ground with over 100 students in the residential program and more in their distance-learning program. Ft. Worth sends 2-3 candidates per year to begin the program and is usually able to place all that graduate and are ordained.
- In the area of church planting, the desire for a church in Eagle Mountain Lake area is being explored. In addition, the diocese is also investigating the possibility of planting a mission in the Glenrose area; however numbers do not yet show it could be supported financially
- The diaconal discernment program continues to meet. To date, 2 people have determined they will pursue this program and 2 others have decided not to go further.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Yarger & Rilla Altman



Pictured (left to right): Carter Ranton, Natalie Ranton, Haley Bowen

Just a Reminder

Don't forget that during the season of Easter we will begin the Sunday 10:30am mass with the sprinkling of holy water or "Sprinkling Rite" just as we did on the Sunday of the Baptism of Jesus. In this ritual the celebrant sprinkles the altar, church, and people with holy water cleansing our church and helping us prepare to celebrate the Holy Eucharist. This ceremony is also a reminder that it is only because of our baptism, our adoption as sons and daughters of God, that we are able to join in offering the Holy Eucharist.

When we use this ceremony in Easter Season you'll hear the choir sing a special Easter anthem, taken from Ezekiel 47 and Psalm 118. It's a joyful and festive reminder of Jesus' words, when speaking of his body, "Destroy this temple and I will raise it up in three days." It is through the water and blood that flowed from Jesus' pierced side that we receive forgiveness and healing. Thus, in the Easter Season we rejoice that from God's holy temple, his only son, we receive the waters of baptism, the water of healing and forgiveness, as we hear these words:

"I saw water, proceeding out of the temple, on the right side thereof, Alleluia: and all they to whom that water came were healed every one; and they say, Alleluia, Alleluia. O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth for ever. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen. I saw water..."

After the water is sprinkled, the celebrant will stand at the altar and pray that God will send his holy angel, from Heaven, to guard and watch over us as we worship in his holy temple. Then we will continue mass as usual, but we will continue in the confidence that Holy Baptism has brought us out of death into life, and that God is always ready to rain down grace upon us, and to take our souls, dirtied by sin, and sprinkle them clean.

-Fr. Duncan+



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EASTER!

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Annual Income	Weekly Income	Tithe	Upper Range of Giving				Middle Range of Giving			Lower Range of Giving		
		10%	9%	8%	7%	6%	5%	4%	3%	2%	1%	
\$25,000	\$481	\$48	\$43	\$38	\$34	\$29	\$24	\$19	\$14	\$10	\$5	
\$30,000	\$577	\$58	\$52	\$46	\$40	\$35	\$29	\$23	\$17	\$12	\$6	
\$40,000	\$769	\$77	\$69	\$62	\$54	\$46	\$38	\$31	\$23	\$15	\$8	
\$50,000	\$962	\$96	\$87	\$77	\$67	\$58	\$48	\$38	\$29	\$19	\$10	
\$60,000	\$1,154	\$115	\$104	\$92	\$81	\$69	\$58	\$46	\$35	\$23	\$12	
\$70,000	\$1,346	\$135	\$121	\$108	\$94	\$81	\$67	\$54	\$40	\$27	\$13	
\$80,000	\$1,538	\$154	\$138	\$123	\$108	\$92	\$77	\$62	\$46	\$31	\$15	
\$90,000	\$1,731	\$173	\$156	\$138	\$121	\$104	\$87	\$69	\$52	\$35	\$17	
\$100,000	\$1,923	\$192	\$173	\$154	\$135	\$115	\$96	\$77	\$58	\$38	\$19	
\$110,000	\$2,115	\$212	\$190	\$169	\$148	\$127	\$106	\$85	\$63	\$42	\$21	
\$120,000	\$2,308	\$231	\$208	\$185	\$162	\$138	\$115	\$92	\$69	\$46	\$23	
\$140,000	\$2,692	\$269	\$242	\$215	\$188	\$162	\$135	\$108	\$81	\$54	\$27	

Participation Statistics in our Parish

		<u>Dec.</u>	<u>Jan.</u>	<u>Feb.</u>
Average Sunday	2007	264	228	317
Attendance	2008	235	281	245

		<u>Budgeted Receipts</u>	<u>Actual Receipts</u>
Financial	Dec.	\$65,576	\$75,597.87
Giving for	Jan.	\$38,616	\$42,424
2008	Feb.	\$ 39,162	\$ 51,464

Resources for Church News

It is very important for all Christians to know what is going on in their church. As it can sometimes be confusing to sort through all of the information available, the following is a list of resources, magazines and blogs that should be of help. This list is sorted alphabetically and is intended for informational purposes only. The vestry, clergy, and staff of St. Alban's do not officially endorse any views held by the organizations on this list.

Also, if you can think of a resource that should be included on this list please contact me at newsletter@saintalbans.org and I will be happy to consider including it. Please note that personal blogs (ie: one author) are generally not included with the exception of local clergy, and must contain clean language.

News

Anglican Communion News Service:

<http://www.anglicancommunion.org/acns>

Anglican TV: <http://www.anglicantv.org/blog>

BBC: <http://news.bbc.co.uk>

Church Websites

Anglican Communion:

<http://www.anglicancommunion.org>

Diocese of Ft. Worth:

<http://www.fwepiscopal.org>

St. Alban's: <http://www.saintalbans.org>

Organizations

Anglican Communion Network

<http://www.acn-us.org>

GAFCon: <http://www.gafcon.org>

Remain Faithful:

<https://www.remainfaithful.org>

Magazines

Christian Challenge:

<http://www.challengeonline.org>

The Living Church:

<http://www.livingchurch.org>

Blogs

Canon Heidt (Transfiguration):

<http://fatherjohnheidt.blogspot.com>

EpiScope: <http://episcopalchurch.typepad.com/episcope>

Fr. Matkin: <http://timotheosprologizes.blogspot.com>

GAFCon Photoblog:

<http://gafconphotoblog.blogspot.com>

Stand Firm: <http://www.standfirminfaith.com>

Titus 1:9: <http://www.kendallharmon.net/t19>

Sowing Seeds

Our team for 2008, 2009 has been assembled, though we will always look forward to welcome new participants. Please reference work schedule below for your information.

You may either e-mail your particular task request to “Sowing-Seeds@saintalbans.org” or simply call the Church office and request to be contacted by sowing seeds.

Please make sure to include:

Your name.

Home address.

Home phone #.

Cell phone # (if any).

Brief description of task(s) you need help with.

A member of our team will contact you to obtain more information regarding your request.

Sat., Apr. 04, 2009, SCHEDULED

Sat., May. 02, 2009, SCHEDULED

Sat., Jun. 06, 2009, SCHEDULED

Sat., Jul. 11, 2009, Summer vacations (no work to be scheduled).

Sat., Aug. 01, 2009, OPEN

April Anniversaries

6 Chris & Kathy Wichterich

19 Trace & Theresa Hailey

April 2009

20 Lenny & Carol Tieman

22 Father Ed & Lynn Kresowaty

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St. Alban's

April Birthdays

1 Logan Huffstetter	8 Amanda Harris	21 Fr Timothy Matkin
1 Robert Whitebread	9 Steve Romero	21 Georgann Spears
3 Angela Dashfield	13 Sue Hogg	23 Jane Blackburn
4 Elizabeth Duncan	13 Sharon Baldwin	23 Molly Dalton
5 Betty Higham	13 Todd Fiddelke	24 Caren Maneikis
5 Walter Poindexter	14 Allison Gittiban	25 Gavin Berry
5 Victoria Salem	16 Deacon Claire Linzel	25 Rebecca Roark
6 Elizabeth Chamberlain	17 Steve Cavender	26 Floreen Henry
7 Mike Franke	19 Mark Hopper	28 Jessica Kresowaty
7 William Johnston	19 Stephanie Nicholson	28 – Emma Kinser
7 Glenda Hatton	20 Hyon Do Kim	29 Martha Lightner
8 Diane Hartley	20 Sue Yarger	29 John Walker

Intercessions

First names will be listed for a three month period and then automatically dropped off. In order to continue prayers for everyone who needs them, you will need to fill out the yellow card in the pews.

Jim	Diane	Jeanne
Scott	Clay	Vicki
Jane	Gay & CW	Kaitlyn
Robert	William	Jeff
Victoria	Dan	Stephanie
Evelyn	Linda	Melanie
Hedy	Graciela	James
Jack & Jeanne	Jade	Bonnie
Frank	Betty	Jean
John & Gina	Gary	Lillian
Philip	Richard	Greg & Marilyn
Renato	Jonathan	Mary
Sandra & Don	Todd	Judy
Everitt	Michael	Gary & Cindy
Deborah	Mark	Scarlett
Paul	Bobbye	Josephine
Edna	Donald	Dillin
Jean	Phil	Sean
Ciara	Shirley	Helen
Julio	Theresa	Gaither
Margarette	Polly	Jessica
Michael	Randy & Pat	Iris
Mark	John	Bill
Matthew	Bill & Oma	Bud
Carl	Betty	Carol

Esther	Mona	Doug
Georgann	Tricia	Larry
Nancy	Linda	Jan
Annie & Eric	Harvey	Bishop Iker
Leigh	Sandy	William
Rachel & John	Barbara	Betty
James	Joan	Sondra
Laura	Nell	Danny
Susan	Dan	Mary
Gene	Patty	Lorraine
Dean	Steve & Diane	Francis
Tim	Jim	Collin
Robert	Ethan	Edd & Family
Jeanette	Jennie	Glenn & Family
Pete	Susan	Kynan
Emma	Sloane	Diane
Caroline & Jim	Janet	Anne
John	Mae	Nick
Julie	Danny	Pete & Bernetta
Christopher	Theresa	Brandy & Jeremy
Ralph	Robert	Faith
Wanda	Ann	Edna
Gilma	Charles	Connie
John & Judy	Mary Joyce	Martha
Marilyn	Tucker	Rachelle
Shirley	Drew	Ben & Family
Scott	Candi	Jeff & Mirna
Crystal	Mike & Kim	Bonnie

Our Military

Pray for the Military of the United States, especially those listed below:

Michael Root USArmy
 Aaron Haggard USArmy
 Joe Douglass USMC
 Cole Hatton USNavy
 Jeremiah Johnson USArmy
 Dustin Hanson USAF
 Chris Lamb USMC
 Justin Grimes USMC
 Bruce Holland USArmy
 Robert Lundy USAF
 Chris La Valley USArmy
 Chris Naler USMC

Josh Pierce USArmy
 Michael Hetrick USArmy
 Jordan Granberry USMC
 Charles Reed USArmy
 Hank Skorija USAR
 Brett Meadows USAF
 Dr. Shawn Garcia USNavy
 Tim Hartman USAF
 Geoffrey Miera USArmy
 Randy Tindale USAF
 Anthony Lovato USArmy
 David Bowers USArmy

Greeter Schedule

	<u>8:00 a.m.</u>	<u>10:30 a.m.</u>
Apr 5	J. Wills/C. Patton, Sr.	D. & K. Jones
Apr 12	7:30 a.m.: M. Mathis/ B. Ferbend	9:00 a.m TBD 11:15 a.m.: TBD
Apr 19	R. & M.J. Fausneaucht	R. Thornton/A. Gittiban
Apr 26	K. Higham/S. Romero	H. & C. Ekholm

Usher Schedule

	<u>8:00 a.m.</u>	<u>10:30 a.m.</u>	
Apr 5	Jerry Wills Charles Patton, Sr.	Sean Sparkman Jim Swann Jim Meek Marilyn Huff	
Apr 12	7:30 a.m. Mel Mathis Bob Ferbend	9:00 a.m. Nick Garefalos Donald Garefalos Lexi Garefalos Bud Fritz	11:15 a.m. Harry Ekholm Paul Nelson John Berry George Roark
Apr 19	Ray Fausneaucht Mary Jane Fausneaucht	Bryan O'Hara John Berry Steve Altman Darrell Glidewell	
Apr 26	Steve Romero Keith Higham	Chris Chamberlain Darin Cyphers Jim Meek Marilyn Huff	

Parish Register

Transfers in: Steve & Rebecca Hillery from St. Luke-in the-Meadow, Fort Worth; Elizabeth Duncan from St. Luke's Episcopal, Durham, North Carolina; Joseph Fortier from Trinity Episcopal, Arkansas City, Kansas; Samuel Andrews from St. Timothy's, Fort Worth.

Transfers out: Nash, Evan and Kathryn Baughman to Christ Episcopal, Charlotte, North Carolina; Wade & Marcia Scott to St. Laurence, Southlake.

Births: Alexa Faith Kino, 3-07-09, daughter of Paul and Staci Kino

Deaths: Francis Eckert, 03-12-09, husband of Marcelline Eckert

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Sunday Worship

Morning Prayer and the Holy Eucharist (said)	8:00 a.m.
The Holy Eucharist (sung)	10:30 a.m.
Evening Prayer and the Holy Eucharist (said)	5:30 p.m.

Weekday Liturgies

Mon - Fri	Morning Prayer	9:00 a.m.
Monday	Holy Eucharist (Chapel)	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday	Holy Eucharist (Chapel)	9:30 a.m.
	Holy Hour, third Wednesday, Sept—May (Church)	6:00 p.m.
Thursday	Holy Eucharist (Chapel)	6:30 a.m.
Saturday	Reconciliation (Confessional)	9:15 a.m.
	Holy Eucharist (Church)	10:00 a.m.
	Holy Rosary (Church)	11:00 a.m.

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8:30 a.m. to noon and 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday

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