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The Legate

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St. Alban's Episcopal Church

Dear Parishioners

November is always an exciting month. It is the one month of the year that we begin with a feast day, All Saints' Day and end with a feast day, Christ the King. It is also when we begin the holiday season.

On All Saints' Sunday, we had a great celebration. Our Bishop was with us and we had six Baptisms and 13 Confirmations into the one, holy, catholic and apostolic church. This was an exciting day, not only to have our Chief Pastor with us, but also to see parents offering the life of their children to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. It was also joyous to see young adults and adults fulfilling the vows made at Baptism.

Kountry Kitchen is again having their wonderful feast of salad, soup and cobblers. I want to thank Ginger Capaccioli who has worked so hard in recruiting and preparing for this great fundraiser for Outreach. The proceeds from Kountry Kitchen this year will go to support A Wish with Wings, Inc. This is the group that makes wishes come true for Texas children with life threatening diseases. Thank you to the many volunteers who help cook, bus tables, serve, collect funds, hand out plates and take tickets, made cobblers and the host of other activities involved with Kountry Kitchen. You are truly a blessing.

The second weekend in November will see a number of our parishioners at Cursillo. Cursillo has been around the Church for quite a number of years. It was developed to renew and deepen our life in Christ and in the parish. Please pray for our participants and team members on this Cursillo.

Diocesan Convention comes on the Friday and Saturday of the third weekend. As everyone knows, it will be at this convention that we decide whether or not the diocese removes itself from under the authority of General Convention and places itself under the authority of the Southern Cone. As this approaches, we will have a novena available for your use at home. We will then gather on Tuesday, at the Compline and Praise time to conclude our prayers together for the Convention. On Sunday, November 16th our Eucharist will begin with the Penitential Rite. As I told the Vestry last month, no matter how the vote turns out, I am sure there has been enough sin to go around in thought, word and deed. How will this vote affect us? We will continue to be St. Alban's. We will still be using the same Prayer Book. We will still have the same Eucharist and music. We will still be Episcopal. We will still continue just as we always have. One thing that will change is that some may remove themselves from St. Alban's to become a faith community associated with TEC. It saddens me that this is a choice that has to be made by some and that we will all be diminished by it.

The 23rd and 30th of November will be our ingathering for our stewardship for 2009. I know there is a lot of fear and anxiety about the economy and our retirement accounts. The fear of a recession and the fear that we will not have enough to continue with our plans to retire or keep the level of living we are accustomed to having. The commentators on the economy state that we are in a time when we will have to wait for confidence to return. While there may be real reason to question our trust and confidence in government and the economic systems we have, the question needs to be asked, Is there reason to have for us not to have trust and confidence in our Lord and Savior? Please pray about your stewardship. Place your trust and confidence in our Lord's promises. After you have seriously prayed about it, then (and only then) fill out your pledge to God for his ministry and work at St. Alban's. Again please return your pledge card on one of the two ingathering Sundays.

On the 26th of November we will have our Thanksgiving Eucharist at 6:30 p.m. in the Church. I would encourage everyone to join us as we give thanks to God for the bountiful blessings he has bestowed upon each of us and our country. It is always a good thing to give thanks to God, before we dive into our turkeys, dressing, and cranberries as well as our favorite football games.

Please remember that we are collecting food items and funds for our Advent project during this time. The number of people in

need that we can help is proportional to the amount of food and funds raised. I ask that you support our outreach into our Arlington community.

Fr. Matkin will be going on vacation starting the 16th of November. He and Melisa will be waiting for the birth of their first child, Madeline (unless Madeline surprises them and comes early.) Please keep them in your prayers and for a safe birth and a healthy baby.

I want to thank our Development and Building Committee, our architects and interior designers that have been so devoted and helpful in all the insurance claims and moving forward with Capital Campaign projects. They have indeed given a great amount of time, talent and energy in preparing and seeing many projects to completion. As I write this article, they are putting up the scaffolding on the north side of the church to start on our new slate roof for the church building. By the time you receive this newsletter, it hopefully will be finished. We are also starting on our new electrical system for the church---soon we will have more light! I give thanks to God for the insurance we have which is paying for the new air conditioners/heating units for some classrooms, the new roofs, and the new floor in the entrance. Also I give thanks for our Capital Campaign which is allowing us to paint the outside of the buildings and have new lighting for the Church. While we are being renewed and refreshed on the outside and inside of our buildings, I pray that we may be renewed and refreshed to carry on God's work of ministry, mission, outreach and stewardship for the new year.

Yes, November closes with the beginning of the New Year for the Church. Our season of preparation to celebrate our God becoming incarnate begins on the 30th of November. Mark your calendars for Lessons and Carols on December 7th , followed by a potluck meal together as we prepare our hearts, minds and souls to receive God's only begotten Son, Jesus Christ.



Announcements and Coming Events

Monday Book Club: Mass will be held at 10am in the Chapel, followed by a book discussion in Room 10 until noon.

Continuing this month: Unveiling Islam by Ergun and Emir Caner (Now available in the St. Alban's Bookstore.)

Also, in January, we will be listening to the audio book of the second novel in Anne Rice's *Christ the Lord* series, Road to Cana. In Lent, we will turn to Henry VIII's book, Defence of the Seven Sacraments, for which he earned the title "Defender of the Faith."

Youth Group: The Youth Group (teenagers) will meet every Wednesday night, from 6:30pm – 8:00pm in Room 12. Snacks will be provided.

Canterbury Ministry for the UTA community and all young adults is meeting at 7pm every Sunday in the Canterbury House at the corner of S. Davis and Fourth Street for "Christianity 101." All are welcome. Dinner is provided. Our website is utacanterbury.blogspot.com.

Kountry Kitchen and Christmas Gift Show:

Please join us November 3rd - November 7th, 2008 for food, fellowship and shopping! Once a year our Parish Hall is transformed into a full service restaurant, serving homemade soups and cobblers, and offering the best salad bar in town. The purpose is to support our Bookstore, as they host their Christmas Gift Show. Lunch is served each day of that week from 11:30 - 1:30 each day and the Bookstore is open from 10:00 a.m - 3:00 p.m each day for your shopping pleasure.

Come and see the Christmas Wonderland the bookstore will be changed into. You can shop before lunch or after lunch for meaningful gifts for your family and friends. As always proceeds for Bookstore Sales and Kountry Kitchen will support many community projects. This year we will be raising money for A Wish With Wings, Inc., making wishes come true for Texas children with life-threatening diseases.

We need volunteers for Tablebussers, Beverage Servers, Hostesses, Salad Bar and Soup Servers, someone to plate up Cobblers each day, kitchen helpers to prepare bread and cut vegetables, etc.. Volunteers need to be there at 10:30 each day through 2:30.

Come, bring a friend, or your bible study group, bridge group, or please help us to tell others in the Arlington Community about us. We need customers!

Let us pray that God will once again bless us that we may be a blessing to others, because when it has all been said and done, you share a special lunch with family and friends and shop at the Bookstore and give to others in need.

If you are new to St. Alban's, volunteering can be a great way to help you feel a part of the family and make some new friends. It is a very special ministry of our church and a very worthy cause.

Please call Ginger at 817-277-6671 if you would like to volunteer.

Daughters of the King – St. Teresa of Avila Chapter is a prayer and service group of women at St. Alban's. We have been active for about two years. All members are enthusiastic about their calling. We meet on the second Saturday of each month at 11:30 a.m. in the conference room. You are invited to visit our meeting anytime. We will also be starting a class for new members November 8.

Our services, at present, include keeping white vestments clean and a prayer shawl ministry. A new activity that we are beginning is the Encouragement Card. You will find in the pews a blue card for you to send a message of encouragement to someone in the church. Just put your card in the alms basin and we will send it on. Thanks to Peggy Pate and Sara Beall for this new ministry.
—Gloria Lawley, President



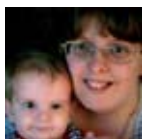
The new Narthex floor

Note From the Editor

Thank you for the positive feedback and suggestions. A new development this month is the Thanksgivings section. Again, suggestions and feedback via email to newsletter@saintalbans.org are always welcome.

The Legate will continue its makeover in the next few months, so keep your eyes peeled for new developments. As always, the newsletter is viewable as a PDF on the St. Alban's website.

Yours in Christ,
Anna Sparkman
Editor



Submission Guidelines & Obligatory Legal Info

- Submission Deadline is the **13th of the month** prior to publication. New submissions will not be accepted after this date.
- Deadline for corrections and updates should be submitted no later than the 20th of the month prior to publication.
- Please be aware that images containing text will not be included if the text is unreadable at a small size.
- I will not accept PDF files to be included. If you would like to submit a flyer, please send it in MS Word format (.doc).
- Please refrain from using all caps.

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Music Corner

Tales From The Loft:

As I write this at the end of the first week in October we are beginning the International Year of the Organ. There will be a

greater number of organ recitals in the coming months. The third week this month finds North Texas University in Denton with many concerts and performances around the newly completed Wolff organ, a three manual, 83 rank instrument.

I had planned on playing a program at St. Alban's, but the interim that I am doing at Annunciation, Lewisville, is taking more time than I thought it would. So, the program will have to wait until we get our new case installed with the new ranks that have been contracted. There is still no time line as to when all of this will begin happening, but I think it will be between Christmas and Easter. We now have \$63,368. in the Organ Fund. I have called Ross and asked that a contract for the Gedeckt 16' (our 6th new rank) be sent to the office. We are now collecting the funds for the Flute 4'. We still have a long way to go to completely fill the new south case with pipes. But remember you can honor or memorialize someone when you make a contribution. Just put a note in the memo section of your check.

Listed below are the recitals and programs in the metroplex that I know of in November:

November 3 - 7:30 - St. Vincent's Cathedral, Bedford - Faure Requiem

November 7 - 7:30 - All Saint's Episcopal, Fort Worth - Dong-ill Shin

November 9 - 6:00 - St. Mark's Episcopal, Arlington - Hymn Festival

November 16 - 4:30 - Ridglea Presbyterian, Fort Worth - Wayne Foster

November 16 - 6:00 - All Saint's Episcopal. Fort Worth - Evensong

November 17 - 7:30 - University Park United Methodist, Dallas - Carole Terry

November 23 - 7:00 - St. Stephen Presbyterian, Fort Worth - TCU Concert Chorale

Charlene Polivka Dorsey
Organist Emerita

From the Music Ministry:

Music at St. Alban's, while always important to our service, takes on a special significance as we enter the season of Advent and progress to Christmas Eve. Perhaps it is because we have but a few weeks per year to enjoy some of the most wonderful music of our liturgy, or simply because of the memories that much of this music

evokes. For me and many others we encounter some of our favorite music during this time of year. As you plan your busy calendars for December, I would like to invite and encourage you to pencil in our annual Advent Lessons & Carols Service scheduled for Sunday, December 6.

The service of Lessons and Carols was first held on Christmas Eve 1918 at King College, Cambridge. The liturgy for the service was planned by Eric Milner-White, Dean of King's college in a quest to bring more imaginative worship to the Church of England. The Advent Service of Lessons and Carols (which is what we do at St. Alban's) was designed in 1934 in the same spirit of the original. Both services are adaptations of an order drawn up by E.W. Benson, later Archbishop of Canterbury, for use in his cathedral in Truro, England on Christmas Eve 1880. As Dean Milner-White pointed out, the strength of the service derives from readings, not the music. 'The main theme is the development of the loving purposes of God ...' seen 'through the windows and words of the Bible'. The Advent version of the service emphasizes the themes of Advent and in general strives to show the progression "from darkness into light" from the fall of man to the coming of the Messiah. This year at St. Alban's, we will welcome four professional wind players (flute, clarinet, oboe, and bassoon) to join us in this service. I hope that their contribution to this service will help to enhance our worship and provide inspiration for reflection on the readings and themes of this service.

Update on our Choral Scholars

I hope you had time to read the article in last month's Legate concerning donations received by the Music Ministry and our plans to start a Choral Scholar program at St. Alban's. We have already received a second donation of \$1000 which brings us half way to meeting the matching challenge of \$2000 proposed by our original donor. Please consider a donation of any amount to this fund as we work to start this new ministry that will enhance our worship and help to sustain the Anglican Music tradition for years to come. Ultimately, I have a personal goal of \$8000 per year which will allow us to offer Choral Scholarships to four local singers. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions concerning this program or any aspect of the Music Ministry at St. Alban's.

In Christ –
Thomas J. Rinn, Director of Music

Christian Education Calendar

- Nov 2 — Children's classes meet - Teachers escort children to PH for refreshments. Reception for Confirmands and Bishop Iker. Youth and Adult classes recess to attend reception
- Nov 9 — Classes meet
- Nov 16 — Classes meet
- Nov 23 — Classes meet
Early/First Communion Celebration 9:15am, Rm8, and 10:30 Service
- Nov 30 — All Classes meet in the parish hall at 9:15am for the Family Advent Event – Thanksgiving Weekend Holiday

Sunday School Corner

He took bread; and giving thanks to God in the presence of all, he broke it and began to eat.

Acts 27:27-44

Giving Thanks...in everything...especially for the unknown 'life' that proceeds from difficulties is a mystery that only God, through his Word, by the power of the Holy Spirit could help me realize. I am so thankful to Him for this blessing. It quite overwhelms me, actually. I'm sure you know what I am talking about. It makes my heart sing to realize 'streams in the desert'!

As we approach Thanksgiving Day and the happenings in the life of SAEC this November, the celebration of our Early/First Communion class is foremost in my mind. The invitation to 'come to the table with Jesus' for these young Christians is the prize! Through the years, and even now, they will come to know His Presence there, with all the saints and in their every moment. Don't miss sharing this special feast with them on November 23rd. Many thanks to Ginger and Mitzi for 'passing it on' in the ministry of teaching this course. Parents and Godparents, please note that there will be a special gathering November 23rd in Room 8 at 9:15am for these children.

Blessings to our Adult and Youth confirmands who at the time of this publishing are celebrating their Confirmation on

November 2nd. We hope each of you will join future CE classes on Sunday mornings as you continue to integrate into the life of the parish. Thank you to those of you who helped in this course including Sharon, who covers many details on behalf of our newly confirmed. Don't forget to visit our Bookstore for wonderful gifts for Confirmation and First Communion.

Senior High students are encouraged to register now for the next Happening, November 14-16, at St. Francis in Dallas. See: <http://www.episcopalrenewalcenter.org/> for applications which are due November 7th. Cursillo applications for the February 5-8th weekend may also be found there. Ask our clergy about these great opportunities for yourself and/or your students.

Thank you for your continued prayers for our volunteer, Sunday morning teachers and for the ministry of Christian Education at St. Alban's. Our clergy, Walt, Melisa, Carol, Sara, Bettina, Jeanette, Ginger, Mitzi, Grant, Cathy, Gretchen, Ada, Doug, Carolyn, Vincent... you are GREAT! Also, thank you to Jim Ray for sharing his musical gifts with our PreK class this semester.

Warmly yours in Christ,
Susie Wheaton
Christian Education Coordinator

Marsee Memorial Garden

We should have the roof on the sanctuary complete and finally be able to break ground on the Memorial Garden by the 1st of November .. The contract is signed for \$70,000 and we have \$73,117.53 in the account. We will need an additional \$25,000 to \$30,000 to complete the Memorial Garden which will cover the iron fencing and gate, lighting and all of the plants and trees. Please consider making a donation in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving for God's blessings in your life. The rendering is in the Narthex - - this will be an inspiring and functional addition to St. Alban's.

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.

Thank You

Dear St. Alban's family,

Thanks for the cards, books, blankets, outfits, gear, giftcards and all the other things that were given to me. I'm the best-read, best-dressed and well-prepared baby in all of Texas!

Thank you for welcoming me with open arms and for being a support for Mom and Dad during this busy time. I'm looking forward to getting to know all of you and hope that we will be great friends! Please keep introducing yourselves to me, as I'm not quite ready to read nametags, even though Mom says I'm very advanced!

See you soon and thanks again!

Love,
Bennett Duncan
(and Mom and Dad)



Saints for November

1 All Saints' Day

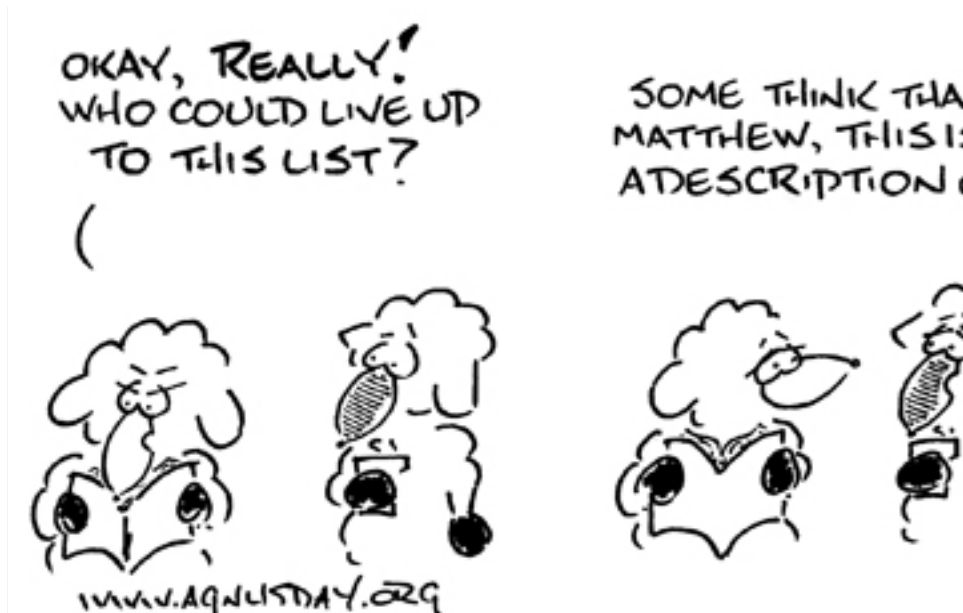
- 3 Richard Hooker, Priest 1600
- 6 William Temple, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1944
- 7 Willibrord, Archbishop of Utrecht, Missionary to Frisia, 739
- 10 Pope Leo the Great, 461 [Veteran's Day]
- 11 Martin, Bishop of Tours, 397
- 14 Consecration of Samuel Seabury, First American Bishop, 1784
- 16 Margaret, Queen of Scotland, 1093
- 17 Hugh, Bishop of Lincoln, 1200
- 18 Hilda, Abbess of Whitby, 680
- 20 Edmund, King of East Anglia, 870

27 Thanksgiving Day (Mass Nov. 26)

- 25 James Otis Sargent Huntington, Priest and Monk, 1935
- 28 King Kamehameha and Queen Emma of Hawaii, 1864, 1885

23 St. Andrew the Apostle

Agnus Day



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Sunday Scripture Readings for November

Nov. 2 — The Twenty Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Micah 3:5-12

1 Thessalonians 2:9-13, 17-20

Psalm 43

Matthew 23:1-12

Nov. 9 — The Twenty Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Amos 5:18-24

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Psalm 70

Matthew 25:1-13

Nov. 16 — The Twenty Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

1 Thessalonians 5:1-10

Psalm 90:1-8, 12

Matthew 25:14-15, 19-29

Nov. 23 — Christ the King

Ezekiel 34:11-17

1 Corinthians 15:20-28

Psalm 95:1-7

Matthew 25:31-46

Nov. 30 — The First Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 64:1-9a

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

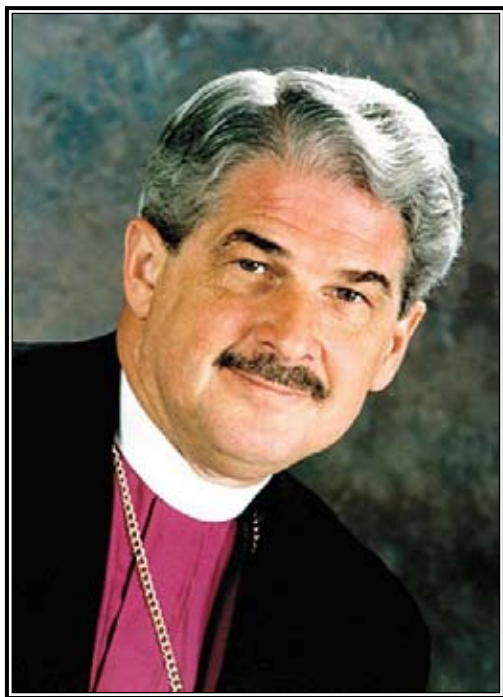
Psalm 80:1-7

Mark 13:(24-32)33-37



The Beginnings of a New Roof



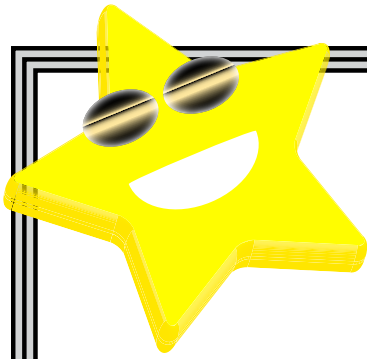


Confirmations

The following people will be confirmed Sunday, November 2 when Bishop Iker comes to St. Alban's.

Sara Cannon
Jessica Kresowaty
George Meek
Salina Owens
Michael Seaton, Jr.
Brooke Wagoner

Sara Boland-Taylor
James Cagle
Chad Chisholm
Julieanne Owens
Thomas Rinn



Your STAR Business could Be listed here!

The Legate will now include a special advertising section for parishioner and non-parishioner businesses. Whether you have a couple of lines of text or an interesting graphic or logo, we would love to advertise it! Donations are welcomed but not required and will be used to offset the cost of print and postage for The Legate. Please contact newsletter@saintalbans.org for more information. Submissions for advertisements follow the same deadlines as article submissions.

VITAS Innovative Hospice Care is preparing a Fall Class for Clinical Pastoral Education and openings are still available.

If you are interested in learning about end-of-life issues, deepening your spirituality, enhancing your pastoral care skills, then the Clinical Pastoral Education Program may be for you.

More information can be obtained by reviewing our website devoted to CPE: www.cpevitas.com

The class is forming now so a prompt response is essential. Please contact our local CPE supervisor, Joe Gross at jegross@classicnet.net or call him at (972) 771-0477.



The Bookstore at St. Alban's
is proud to announce the

44th Annual Christmas Gift Show

Monday, Nov. 3rd through Friday, Nov.
7th
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Come and bring a friend!
Stay for lunch at Kountry Kitchen.

Bookstore proceeds support local
community service organizations including
Meals on Wheels, Arlington Life Shelter, the
Women's Shelter, the USO at DFW, Tarrant
County AIDS Outreach, Arlington Literacy
Center and more.

Kountry Kitchen proceeds will support A
Wish with Wings.



A Thanksgiving Prayer

Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we beseech thee, faithful stewards of thy great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and :

—BCP



Have a happy and safe Thanksgiving.

Thanksgivings

A few months ago, Deacon Nancy Weaver suggested in a sermon that in addition to prayer requests, perhaps the *Legate* should include thanksgivings for answered prayers. We are now including such a section. Please email thanksgivings to newsletter@saintalbans.org and I will be happy to publish them.

The Duncans give thanks for the birth of their son and for the support received from the St. Alban's family.

The Sparkmans give thanks for their new home.

Be sure to send in your thanksgivings!

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 does 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>

The Episcopal Church:

<http://www.episcopalchurch.org>

Organizations

Anglican Communion Network

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

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

North Texans Remain Episcopal:

<http://www.northtexansremainepiscopal.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>

Youth Ministry

Our new youth and family ministries are off to a great start. We've had five meetings so far of our Teenage Youth Group, which meets every Wednesday at 6:30pm. We've begun each meeting with snacks, and time for sharing about our week and what's going on in our lives. We've also been discussing the theology of the popular cartoon the Simpsons, watching different episodes that deal with faith and spirituality and discussing those episodes in light of the Christian Faith. Through these episodes we've been able to discuss topics such as the soul and its relationship to our life, prayer and its place in spirituality, and finally why we attend Church and the importance of sacred space. Each of our meetings we've ended with the night-time prayer service of Compline. The Youth Group has also taken part in the Instructed Eucharist and a Spiritual Gifts Assessment. On a lighter note, we had a great time at our first of many Youth Group Outings on Oct. 15th, at Putt-Putt Golf.

Our new Junior Youth Group (Ages 8-12), which meets on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, at 12:15pm, has had three meetings so far and at each meeting, we've had more children than the previous meeting. We usually begin with lunch and have a lesson or discussion sprinkled with activities including games, crafts, and the occasional paper ball/airplane war. We have currently been discussing prayer. At our first meeting we talked about the different types of prayer (adoration, confession, thanksgiving, supplication)

and how our life of prayer parallels our relationships with friends. At our next meeting we built bridges and discussed how prayer was our bridge to God, and how in spite of it being sometimes shaky we should always work on our bridge. We also talked about the role of our Guardian Angels in helping us with our bridges to God. At our last meeting we took a walk through the church and talked about all the different saints we found there and how they can relate to our prayer life. If you are looking for a way to help with the youth program, we are currently in need of regular volunteers for the Junior Youth Group that meets on the 2nd and 4th Sundays. It would also be great to have parents volunteer to provide lunch for one of our Sunday meetings.

St. Alban's has now also launched Caritas, our new 20s and 30s ministry. We had our first meeting at Abuelos Mexican Food Embassy on Saturday, Oct. 11th. We had a great turnout of 14 young adults and we had a wonderful time of food, drink, and conversation. The group has decided to meet monthly and we will be having a Thanksgiving themed potluck meeting in November and a Christmas Party in December. Keep your ears open for the dates of those events to come.

There are some exciting things happening at St. Alban's and many more to come. Please consider how you or your children might want to take part in these new ministries. At the time you are reading this we will have just finished up with Trunk N' Treat, and though I'm writing this weeks before the event, and cannot read the future, I'm certain it will be a great success. Also, as you are reading this, many of our youth and young adults will have just publicly reaffirmed their Christian Faith and received the Sacrament of Holy Confirmation for the strengthening of their spiritual lives. Please keep all of them and our new ministries in your prayers.

Fr. Duncan



A Guide for Giving

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>Aug</u>	<u>Sept.</u>	<u>Oct.</u>
Average Sunday	2007	286	311	263
Attendance	2008	300	271	266

		<u>Budgeted Receipts</u>	<u>Actual Receipts</u>
Financial	Aug.	\$47,085	\$42,773
Giving for	Sept.	\$45,506	\$35,700
2008	Oct.	\$39,748	\$31,812

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., Nov. 01, 2008. SCHEDULED.

Sat., Dec. 06 2008. Christmas Holiday (no work to be scheduled).

Sat., Jan. 10, 2009. OPEN.

Sat., Feb. 07, 2009. OPEN.

Sat., Mar. 07, 2009. OPEN.

Sat., Apr. 04, 2009, OPEN.

Sat., May. 02, 2009, OPEN.

Sat., Jun. 06, 2009, OPEN.

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

Sat., Aug. 01, 2009, OPEN.



November Birthdays

1 Rebecca Kane	10 Christopher Hamilton	20 Bonnie Morris
2 Elly Ferbend	10 Margaret McMurtry	20 Emily Zimmet
3 Allison Roark	10 Pete Stankosky	23 Sara Pfister
3 Hunter Wagner	11 Jan Eden	24 Theresa Gilmore
4 Don Duke	11 Jack Hardaway	24 Donna McPherson
4 Porky Hogg	11 Tracy Philpot	25 Arlene Smith
7 Monica Cyphers	11 Gary Williams	26 Andrew Dobbie
7 Mary Clark	14 Cristy Duke	27 Robert Dobbie
8 Faith Blanchard	15 Shawn Gieser	27 Bryan Philpot
8 Jeannette Hamilton	17 Jessica Kane	27 Grant Mathews
8 David Weaver	18 Jack Gorman	29 Linda Garner
9 Harry Ekholm	19 Chris Wichterich	30 Edward Maneikis

November Anniversaries

4 Forrest and Teresa Stegall	19 Gene & Edna Brock
12 Bill & Theresa Gilmore	21 George & Jane Kane
13 Stephen & Ann Cavender	21 Christian & Ethel Momah
13 Steve & Lisa Glasgow	22 Dudley & Kathy Jones
16 Turo & Rebecca King	25 Mike & Melinda McPherson
16 Del & Wanda Menger	28 Christopher & Elizabeth Chamberlain
17 Porky & Sue Hogg	

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	Julie	Barbara
Scott	William	Michele
Jane	Dan	Buck
Robert	Linda	Phil
Victoria	Graciela	Shirley
Evelyn	Jade	Theresa
Hedy	Betty	Stephanie
Jack & Jeanne	Gary	Brittany
Frank	Richard	Harold
John & Gina	Ross	Polly
Philip	Emily	Randy & Pat
Renato	Ryan	John
Sandra & Don	Jonathan	Bill & Oma
Everitt	Todd	Betty
Deborah	Michael	Jeanne
Paul	Mary	Vicki
Edna	Martha	Kaitlyn
Bryan & Lillith	Althea	Jeff
Ciara	Mark	Alison
Julio	Bobbye	Eric
Margarette	Donald	Janene
Michael	Carol	Midge
Mark	Charlotte	Randal & Meredith
Matthew	Pat	Melanie
Diane	Stevi	Stephanie
Carl	Tim	Karyn
Lois	James	Herman

Laura	Luke & Vicki	Robert
Larry	Heather & Jaxson	Jeanette
Jona	James	Scott
Ron	James & Beverly	Mike & Dottie
Jeff & Sandy	Christian	Shelby
Vicki	Alan & Mandy	Pete
Bonnie	Mae	Emma
Jean	Virginia	Jon
Lillian	Dillin	Corbin/Fanning Family
Jay	Lon	Gladys
Mike & Nikki	Tawnya	John
Anne	Gaither	Julie
Marcia	Jean	Christopher
Susan	Joe & Marsha	Ralph
Charles	Tiffany	Wanda
Angela	Georgann	Jim
Mary	Rachel	Nev
Judy	Annie & Eric	Nancy
Cecil	Rachel & John	Matt & Alex
Dean	Joe	Arturo
Flo	Laura	John & Judy
Gary & Cindy	David	Iris
Scarlett	Gene	Allan
Josephine	Dan	Bob
Marla	Susan	Stegall Family
Kristin	Tye	
Robert	Mike & Kim	

Our Military

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

Michael Root USArmy	Josh Pierce USArmy
Aaron Haggard USArmy	Michael Hetrick USArmy
Joe Douglass USMC	Jordan Granberry USMC
Cole Hatton USNavy	Charles Reed USArmy
Jeremiah Johnson USArmy	Hank Skorija USAR
Dustin Hanson USAF	Brett Meadows USAF
Chris Lamb USMC	Dr. Shawn Garcia USNavy
Justin Grimes USMC	Tim Hartman USAF
Bruce Holland USArmy	Will Meek USArmy
Robert Lundy USAF	Geoffrey Miera USArmy
Chris La Valley USArmy	Randy Tindle USAF
Chris Naler USMC	Anthony Lovato USArmy

Greeter Schedule

	<u>8:00 a.m.</u>	<u>10:30 a.m.</u>	<u>5:30 p.m.</u>
Nov. 2	B. Ferbend/M. Mathis	S. & R. Altman	D. Mullins
Nov. 9	R. Allen/ R. Fausneaucht	D. & K. Jones	J. Howard
Nov. 16	C. Patton, Sr/J. Wills	A. Hagan	R. Jentgen
Nov. 23	K. Higham/ D. Dorsey	J. Short/P. Capehart	J. Howard
Nov. 30	R. & M. Fausneaucht	K. & C. Dobbs	T. Gilmore

Usher Schedule

	<u>8:00 a.m.</u>	<u>10:30 a.m.</u>	<u>5:30 p.m.</u>
Nov. 2	Bob Ferbend Mel Mathis	Chris Chamberlain Marilyn Huff Bill Welling Julio Welling	David Mullins
Nov. 9	Richard Allen Ray Fausneaucht	George Roark Bud Horton Mickey Tryon Bryan Philpot	Jerri Howard
Nov. 16	Charles Patton, Sr. Jerry Wills	David Morgan Bud Frtiz Jim Meek John Berry	Reuel Jentgen
Nov. 23	Keith Higham Don Dorsey	Will DeShone Nick Garefalos Donald Garefalos Lexi Garefalos	Jerri Howard
Nov. 26	Thanksgiving Eve Service	6:30 PM TBD	
Nov. 30	Ray Fausneaucht Mary Jane Fausneaucht	Darrel Glidewell Paul Nelson Grant Mathews Jim Swann	Theresa Gilmore

Parish Register

Transfers out: Jeff & Stacy Lashbrook to Trinity Episcopal, Marble Falls, TX.

Marriages: Marsha Brown & Jacob Neal, 10-04-08

Deaths: Carol Ann Stegall, 10-09-08, wife of Gene Stegall.

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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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