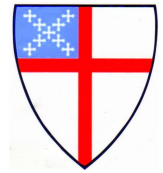




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November 2010 Newsletter



New Service Schedule

9:30 A.M. - Holy Eucharist
10:30 A.M. - Coffee and Fellowship
11:00 A.M. - Christian Education
12:00 Noon - Sancta Eucaristia

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MINISTRY

Bishops:

Rt. Rev. James M. Stanton
 Rt. Rev. Paul E. Lambert

Vicar:

Rev. Dr. David Petrash

VESTRY

Sr. Warden: Jim Woods
Jr. Warden: Sandy McClane
Vestry Persons:

John Burgin
 Mary Donaldson
 Mary Ann Sherman

Clerk: Chris Greene
Clerk Emeritus: Reva Arnett
Treasurer: Shirley Jasso
Secretary: Dennis Moore



Lay Eucharist
Ministers

If you are homebound or in the hospital, Fr. Petrash or a licensed lay Eucharistic minister can serve communion from the Reserved Sacrament. If anyone is in need of this ministry, please contact Fr. David at 903-816-3010 or the Church Office (972-932-4646) on Mon, Wed, or Fri, or leave a message on the answering machine.

PRIEST'S CORNER;

Pledge Sunday – October 31

October 31 will be a big day at our church. Besides being Pledge Sunday, the Last Sunday Lunch will feature two smoked turkeys in celebration of another good year for our church. Treasurer **Shirley Jasso** will have the pledge cards ready for the service, and they will be prayerfully put into the alms basins during the offertory, and will be blessed at the altar.

Then there will be an atmosphere of celebration in the Last Sunday Lunch. Families who are absent, or who decline to make a pledge on Sunday will be able to do so on November 7.

Making a financial commitment to Our Merciful Saviour is part of leading a Christian life. It is very important to serve our church in many ways, such as singing in the choir, teaching Sunday school, serving on the Altar Guild, or assisting with physical plant maintenance and improvements. However, nothing takes the place of giving money to the church.

Shirley Jasso will have 2010 giving statements available at the Last Sunday Lunch. As we think about 2011, it is important to fulfill our financial commitment to 2010. However, especially in this economy, there may be situations where families cannot fulfill the commitment they made a year ago. In these situations, arrangements can be made with Shirley to reduce the pledge made last year to fit the current situation.

We will always put our treasure where our heart is. But sometimes we deceive ourselves about just where our heart really is. All we have to do is review how we spend our money. In times past, we might say to just look in our checkbook. But today, many people do not have checkbooks – just computers!

All of us love Our Merciful Saviour. For us to move forward as a congregation, it is necessary to be systematic in our giving. Paying for needed improvements when they come up will keep a congregation in a maintenance mode, not a growth mode. We all have to ask ourselves what we want our church to be like in the future. We will begin to shape that future on October 31!

Faithfully, your priest,
 David+



Prayers of the
People

For Healing and Guidance

....we pray especially for;
 Patrick M., George A., Geneva C., Claudia B., Ray M., Stacy M., Judy W., Bonnie R., Troy E., Frances D., Linda B., Justin L., Don and Jean W., Sarah G., Marilyn S., Jim T., Cindy C., Eva H., Pam E., Gary S., Johnny C., Wade and Nicole Ballew, Brianna O., and Walt F.

....and for our Military;

Joshua, Matthew M., Amy, David, Randy, Alayna, Mike, Preston, John, Jeremy, Matthew R., Kevin, Dylan, Tony, Richard, Don, Cody, Lawrence, John, Dewayne, Mike B., Mike V., and Shad.

And our troops all over the world, especially in Iraq and Afghanistan.



Sunshine and
Get Well

Birthday, Anniversary, Get Well, Sympathy, and other cards are sent each month. The cards are in the Parish Hall to be signed by all. If you need an address or phone number, or know of anyone who is ill or in need, please call the Church Office. 972-932-4646

November Server Schedule

9:30 Service	Nov 7 th	Nov 14 th	Nov 21 st	Nov 28 th
Altar Guild	Billie Morgan	Donnie Munson	Wendy Taylor	Carol Ann Walther
Acolyte	Laura Petrash	John Richie	Layne Greenslade	Scott Edwards
Chalicer	Mary Ann Sherman	Laura Petrash	Tina Floyd	Judy Friedel
Chalicer	Judy Friedel	Sharon Langlais	Mary Ann Sherman	Laura Petrash
Crucifer	Layne Greenslade	Layne Greenslade	Layne Greenslade	Layne Greenslade
Lector	Wendy Taylor	Tina Floyd	Mike Sherman	Mary Ann Sherman
Greeter	Cheryl Wynne	Tina Floyd	Wendy Taylor	Jean Greenslade
Prayer for Priest	Tina Floyd	Wendy Taylor	Jean Greenslade	Sandra McClane
Usher	Fred Schneider	Fred Schneider	Fred Schneider	Fred Schneider
Usher	Davis Griffith Cox	Davis Griffith Cox	Davis Griffith Cox	Davis Griffith Cox
Hostess	Cheryl Wynne	Chris Greene	Elaine Howard	LAST SUNDAY
Hostess	Edna Wilkins	Charlotte Schneider	Sharon Langlais	BRUNCH
12:00 Service	Nov 7 th	Nov 14 th	Nov 21 st	Nov 28 th
Acolyte				
Chalicer	Tina Floyd	Tina Floyd	Tina Floyd	Tina Floyd
Lector				

Offering Counter	Sandra McClane	Mary Ann Sherman	Jim Woods	Sandra McClane
Offering Counter	John Burgin	Chris Greene	Mary Donaldson	John Burgin

..THIS MONTH..



Birthdays:

11/02 Joseph Lalumia
 11/07 Mike Sherman
 11/25 Martha Butler
 11/28 Cheryl Wynne



Wedding Anniversaries:

None this month

VESTRY NEWS

Election of Bishop's Committee (Vestry) Members

It is time to be thinking about Vestry members for election at the Annual Meeting in January.

The Vestry will nominate candidates at its regular meeting on November 18. Additional nominations from the membership will be accepted from November 18 until December 16, at which time the nominations will be closed.

It is important to give prayerful consideration to possible nominees. As mentioned in the nomination form, they must be at least 18 years of age, a confirmed communicant in good standing and giver of record for at least one year prior to the election. One would also expect leaders of our church to be regular in their attendance and persons seeking a closer relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

After the Vestry nominees are announced next month, church members are encouraged to nominate others who are qualified, using the Vestry Nomination Form, available in the Parish Hall.

Forms should be given to the church office or the Senior Warden, Jim Woods.

Upcoming Activities:



Mark your calendars

The OMS Golf Tournament has been rescheduled for Nov. 20th at 1:00 PM due to rain on Sept 25th.

We have made \$1300 in hole sponsors and donations. The budget was planning on making \$1200, so we are already ahead and have not even played golf. There is plenty of time to get those donations in. The Golf Tournament Committee requests help in recruiting hole sponsors.

If you want to participate, but don't play, get your company or organization to sponsor a hole for \$100. If you can not sponsor a hole by yourself, ask someone to join you, and together the hole will have a sponsor. Forms are available in the parish hall for teams to sign up or for hole sponsors.

There is no limit as to how many holes you can sponsor. Team play is \$200/\$50 individuals. If you don't have a team but want to play, we will put you on a team. Let's make this event even more successful this year.

Any questions or suggestions contact; Chairperson Chris Greene.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS



Beginning on November 7th, the Adult Christian Education Class will be doing an interactive study of the book of "The Letter of Paul to the Church in Rome".

So far, nine people have signed up.

You are invited to join us at 11A.M.

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING



On Saturday, October 2nd, Sandy McClane and Yolanda Moore participated with the Diocesan chapters Fall Assembly.

The Assembly was led by President Pat Hind at St. John the Apostle Episcopal Church in Pottsboro.

We began our morning with coffee and goodies. We had our Business Meeting before we began our Quiet Day, which was led by The Rev. Ally Perry, Vicar. It began in the sanctuary with prayers and Bible readings; then we had quiet time for prayers, meditation and writing in our journals. We walked the beautiful grounds, sat and meditated outdoors. It was a peaceful, sunny day.

We then broke for a delicious luncheon, toured the premises, and returned to the sanctuary for The Holy Eucharist. The Celebrant was Bishop Lambert.

An observation was made of a young boy, 8 or 9 years old, who was the Crucifer. He followed the service in the Prayer Book and did not fidget, laugh, or look out into the nave at the people. He was totally focused on his assignment. We were impressed.

"For His Sake",

Yolanda Moore, Chapter President of St. Therese of Lisieux

Helping Hands



**REQUESTED
PANTRY ITEMS FOR**

**November;
Bread, Crackers, or
Toilet Paper**

The Kaufman Christian Help Center has asked for continuing donations of **dry beans, rice, and peanut-butter.**

A collection basket is in the Sanctuary.



Altar Flowers

There is a signup sheet in the parish hall for those wishing to remember someone or some event. Please write "flower fund" on your check or envelope.

A \$40 donation is requested for floral arrangement purchases.

Message from Diocese

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I am pleased to announce that the October edition of *Esprit* is ready and available online. Here is the direct link to the online magazine:

<http://content.yudu.com/A1pbo0/Esprit/>

You may also access this via the homepage of the Diocesan site at <http://www.dallasdiocese.org>

We are also in the process of delivering hard copies to your church. We are delivering fewer hard copies this quarter based on the digital availability of the publication. Therefore, we are asking that you include this link in your email communications to your congregation, or forward this link to the *Esprit* directly to your members in a separate email. Thank you for your help in the distribution of our Diocesan magazine, we hope you enjoy this edition.

Also, please feel free to help us promote our Diocesan iPad/iPhone app "EDOD Mobile." This edition of *Esprit* is currently available through this app as well.

In Christ,
Bret Williams
Missioner for Communications
Episcopal Diocese of Dallas

.....Funny of the Month.....

Shirley & Marcy

A mother was concerned about her kindergarten son walking to school.

He didn't want his mother to walk with him. She wanted to give him the feeling that he had some independence but yet know that he was safe. So she had an idea of how to handle it.

She asked a neighbor if she would please follow him to school in the mornings, staying at a distance,

So he probably wouldn't notice her.

She said that since she was up early with her toddler anyway, it would be a good way for them to get some exercise as well, so she agreed. The next school day, the neighbor and her little girl set out following behind Timmy as he walked to school with another neighbor girl he knew. She did this for the whole week.

As the two walked and chatted, kicking stones and twigs,

Timmy's little friend noticed the same lady was following them as she seemed to do every day all week.

Finally she said to Timmy, 'Have you noticed that lady following us to school all week?

'Do you know her?' Timmy nonchalantly replied, 'Yeah, I know who she is.'

The little girl said, 'Well, who is she?'

'That's just Shirley Goodnest,' Timmy replied, 'and her daughter Marcy.'

'Shirley Goodnest? Who the heck is she and why is she following us?'

'Well,' Timmy explained, 'every night my Mum makes me say the 23rd Psalm with my prayers,' cuz she worries about me so much. And in the Psalm, it says, 'Shirley Goodnest and Marcy shall follow me all the days of my life', so I guess I'll just have to get used to it!'

From the Editor

Do you have contributions or suggestions for the next newsletter? Articles and news items are welcome.

[Articles may be edited].

All submissions will be approved by the vicar or Wardens prior to publication. Please email your articles and/or pictures to the editor by the 25th of each month.

(schneiter3@gmail.com)

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<p>Deadline for December newsletter will be; Wednesday November 27th_</p>
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November 2010 Events Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>31. 9:30 A.M. – Holy Eucharist <i>Choral Eucharist;</i></p> <p>10:30 A.M. -Coffee & Fellowship Last Sunday Brunch & Pledge Sunday</p> <p>12:00 Noon - Sancta Eucaristia</p>	<p>1. Fr. Petrash's day off.</p>	<p>2.</p>	<p>3.. 5:30 P.M. <i>Prayer Group</i></p> <p>7:00 P.M. <i>Choir Practice</i></p>	<p>4.</p>	<p>5.</p>	<p>6. 9:00 A.M. <i>Daughters of the King Meeting</i></p>
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