

# The St. Barnabas Banner

*Declare among the nations and proclaim,  
set up a banner and proclaim, do not conceal it. Jeremiah 50:2*

May, 2005

## *Worship Schedule*

Sundays

8:00 a.m.

Rite II Holy Eucharist

10:00 a.m.

Rite II Choral Eucharist

Sunday School

11:15 a.m.

Coffee Hour

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Month

8:00 p.m. (in the Church)

Sung Compline

Wednesdays – (in the Chapel)

10:00 a.m.

Rite II Holy Eucharist

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of month

includes Service of Healing

## *Strawberry Festival Time!*

*Saturday, June 18*

After a long, hard winter, can you believe that it's time to start talking about the Strawberry Festival? Well, June 18 will be here before we know it, and plans for this wonderful community event are already underway.

If you are new to our community, this year will mark the 55<sup>th</sup> annual Strawberry Festival, our largest parish-wide event that raises money for outreach projects (even the 50% that goes to the Property Committee is reserved only for projects that benefit the greater community using our spaces) But what's even more spectacular about this event is that it brings together more people from our church family than anything else we do, except maybe Christmas and Easter services! The Strawberry Festival is a day filled with fun, food, and festivities of all kinds. Grilled chicken (the smell alone is heavenly), hotdogs, lobster rolls, watermelon, and of course strawberry shortcake with fresh whipped cream make up the mouth-watering menu. Of course we will have our traditional Jewelry Table, Book Table, Plant Table, Elegant Elephant Table, Strawberry Jam Table, and lots of games and face painting for the children. This year, we also are hoping to expand what we offer. Our own Randolph James is working on organizing a musical event to be held inside the church so that more of the community might be drawn inside to enjoy the beauty that we enjoy every Sunday. We may even have a special wood carving exhibition and perhaps even a flower show inside the Chapel! Most of all, this event is a time to come together and share God's love with the community around us. And we are reminded of that purpose when the banner is hung in Church that says: "*Strawberry Festival – to the glory of God!*"

How can you get involved in the fun? There are 25 different committees that need your help before, during, or after the Festival. If you would like to join in this glorious adventure, please call one of the table chairs, or call the Festival Chair, Doris Weeks at 508/548-6671.

## *Reminder:*

*May 15 is*

*Pentecost Sunday*

*Wear your reds!!*

*Strawberry Festival - To The Glory of God*

*From the Rector*  
*“I’ve Been CREDO’d”*

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I flew out of Green Airport, Providence early Monday morning, April 11, 2005 heading for Orlando, Florida and the Canterbury Conference Center in Oviedo, Florida. I was going to a CREDO event, underwritten by our Episcopal Church of the United States of America through the Church Pension Fund. CREDO conferences have been offered since the late 1990’s with the hopes that eventually every Episcopal deacon, priest and Bishop will have such an opportunity. Mine was to be the 75<sup>th</sup> CREDO Conference. What awaited me? I had no idea.

CREDO is an acronym for Clergy Reflection, Education, and Discernment Opportunity. Their Mission Statement reads, “To provide opportunities for clergy to examine significant areas of their lives and to discern prayerfully the future direction of their vocation as they respond to God’s call in a lifelong process of practice and transformation.” Obviously, this is something which clergy ought to be doing all the time. However, rarely is there the chance to step back and do it. So, last April (2004) when I received the invitation, I signed up ... and so began a year of preparation. There were questionnaires to fill out, financial worksheets to prepare, personal reflections on health, health activity journals to keep, spiritual reflection questions to respond to, and life line exercises on significant moments in my life and my ministry. I needed to have a physical, make certain my will and health proxies were up to date, and access records from Social Security, the Church Pension Fund and the IRS. Then there were also online materials which I had to fill out: a Biographical Information Survey, A Financial Survey, a Health Risk Assessment, and a Clergy Vocational Profile. Finally, there were passages from scripture on which to take time for meditation and there were journal articles with information for reflection. It felt a bit intimidating to be dealing with so much information myself let alone sharing it with others. Still, it provided the data and the context for the time I would spend at the conference itself. Even more, it allowed me to look at my life in its totality rather than in the segmented way I usually face whatever is most demanding at a particular moment.

CREDO’s faculty members are especially competent in helping those attending to examine the four major life areas: Spiritual Health, Physical Health, Financial Health and Vocational Health. What I learned was how integrated these different aspects are. What I also appreciated anew was how God’s presence is involved with each of these parts of my life, and that if I am not paying attention to or taking care of a particular aspect of my life, I am doing a disservice to the whole of my life. For eight days, we (some thirty priests who were fifty-five or older) were challenged to look more closely at our health (the goodness with which God has blessed us) and to become more committed to nurturing patterns which will help our lives be better for ourselves, for those we love and for those with whom we minister. We were also encouraged to set goals for our selves and our ministry over the year and years ahead. I returned on April 18 relaxed, refreshed, energized and enthused. My CREDO experience will benefit both me and us, and I am thankful for the opportunity which our Church has made possible.

## *From The Associate Rector*

For those of you who were not able to be with us during our annual Bishop visitation, with Bishop Bud Cederholm, let me share with you some of that glorious day! We were blessed with the opportunity not only to worship as one community but to gather and talk about our church family, and the stories were wonderful to hear.

Bishop Bud began the morning meeting with 14 of our newcomers, as well as members of the Newcomers Committee and the clergy. This was an opportunity for all of us to hear what it feels like to be a newcomer to our parish. (After we have been around for a while, we sometimes forget what it feels like to walk through our doors for the first time!) Bud asked each person to share a little about what brought them to St. Barnabas. And the stories were ever so heartening. Did you know that many who are new to St. Barnabas find us to be a wonderfully welcome and warm group of people? Many thanks go to our Newcomers Committee who have worked hard to help us become more aware of the importance of “entertaining strangers in our midst”.

Then Bud joined us for a combined worship service with a vast representation of both our 8:00 o'clock and 10:00 o'clock congregations. The church was wonderfully packed! As Bud mentioned later, the music was fabulous (those of us who enjoy our choir's leadership every Sunday already knew that – but it's a good reminder from an objective visitor. Thank you Randolph and choir members for lifting us up in such a joyful way!) And the voices from the pews were strong and hearty, even when the Bishop's Chaplain forgot to add the “Alleluias” to the end of the Dismissal. Having the children join us at the Peace, present a hand-print stole to the Bishop (reminding us that “Christ has no hands now on earth but ours) and then leading us in song during the Peace brought the gathered community together in an incredible mix of all generations sharing the love of God with each other. Now *that* was a sight to behold!

The Town Meeting was a heart-felt open conversation, focusing largely on our desire to find ways to share our joy in worship with our children and youth. Yes, we still have a way to go with that but the very passions that were expressed remind us how much we value our families and the children among us! Parents take heart: the needs of you and your families *are* being heard. We were all so heartened to listen to Megan Reichel (a member of the Diocesan Youth Council and one of our Deanery Youth Representatives) as this articulate teen expressed her joy in finding a way to be actively involved in her faith journey and seeking the parish's commitment to continue to look for ways to welcome the younger members of our parish. And the feast that was prepared for us by Jane Hinckley and the Hospitality Committee was just spectacular!

The Vestry and chairs of our many ministries gathered after the Town Meeting to share lunch (superbly organized by our “hostess with the most-est”, Jeanne Platt) and some heart-felt conversation with the Bishop. Each one of us had the opportunity to reflect on the energy we celebrate and the challenges we face within our parish community. What a joy to hear so many people share so much about what they value as members of this parish!

I walked away from this day with a profound sense of thanks for the ways in which God is at work among us. My prayer for this parish is that we continue to listen for what connects us, while appreciating that which differentiates us. Perhaps, then, we can take this attitude of oneness with us into the world. Give blessings, share joy, live in gratitude!

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*Lisa DiNunno,  
Interim Banner Editor*

## *Vestry News*

### *Summary from the Minutes (unapproved) of the April 11 Vestry Meeting*

As part of our **Opening Meditation** time, the Vestry is reading a book entitled, "From Survival to Celebration", by Howard Hanchey as a way to deepen our understanding of how to be celebratory leaders within the church. Lisa DiNunno led the conversation with an introduction of the first chapter. One of the book's main points is that too often we are caught up in thinking about the issues surrounding the work of the church itself – its building, populations and programs ("maintenance-minded") -- and forget about the church as the place where God is already at work in and through us and in the world ("mission-minded"). Maintenance-minded churches are often so worried about how to pay for something or keep the youth or attract and keep newcomers that they forget the wonderful work of identifying and celebrating God. This should be an interesting book and stimulate some lively discussions.

After some debate around last month's notes on reclaiming our space from the Cape Cod Child Development Program, the minutes of the March 14<sup>th</sup> meeting were amended and accepted.

As we looked at ways in which God is at work among us, Lisa gave a report on the **Christian Formation Forum** held on April 10. Those who attended were invited into conversation about a variety of formation options, many of which seemed to resonate. The most intriguing possibility was the idea of organizing a spiritual retreat, with several parishioners suggesting a parish-wide, fun-oriented retreat (possibly at the Barbara C. Harris Camp and Conference Center). Lisa and Joyce Harrington will review the feedback and proceed with plans to form an oversight Christian Formation Committee. Kim Strohm reported on the discussion group that happened at the same time with parents, staff and others who met to talk about the needs of families with children and to express the reactions to the transition from three services to two.

This was followed by a discussion on continuing the envisioning process that began last summer, specifically the importance of **communication**. In this vein, each member of the Vestry was asked to adopt at least one ministry/committee within the church and to serve as liaison between that committee and the Vestry, reporting regularly to each constituency the relevant activity of the other.

Doug Greetham gave the **Treasurer's Report**. After 3 months (25%) of 2005, we've spent on average almost 29% of the annual budget and have received almost 29% of the income. In the first 25% of the year, we've spent 50% of the property management budget. A fair amount of conversation followed this disclosure. During a brief discussion of stewardship, Vestry agreed that a personal note of appreciation should be sent to members who increased their pledges, after our plea for help at the Annual Meeting.

The Episcopal Mission in Mashpee and the Memorial Garden committee were each granted money from the **Behren's Fund**, the former to continue the process of exploring establishing a mission church in Mashpee, and the latter to begin professionally renovating the Memorial Garden.

Several issues face the **Property Committee**, including maintaining the electrical service switchgear for the entire church complex, removing trees impinging on the garage space, maintaining the parking lot surface and striping, monitoring storm damage to the fence behind Creighton House, and how to keep expenditures within the budget.

Final preparations were made for the Bishop's Visit on April 24.

**Old Business:** 1) we reminded ourselves that a subcommittee needs to be formed to work with the Rector with the purpose of continuing the conversation with the Cap Cod Child Development program staff to determine the steps needed to reclaim our space in the downstairs of the Parish Hall.

**New Business:** 1) A reminder to our investment management that we are a community of faith and that we hope our investments are in line with our mission statement. 2) Strawberry Festival is coming up. A major setback was encountered when the Strawberry Banner layout disks disappeared when the Enterprise employee left. Committee heads will meet soon. 3) A Cape-wide Teen Rally will take place on April 22 at St. Barnabas. 4) Reiterate a need for follow-up with families whose children get baptized.

Full minutes of this meeting will be available on the website after they are approved at the May Vestry meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Dicky Allison, Clerk

## *Outreach News*

### ***Overnights of Hospitality***

The next Bridgeport meeting will be **May 15 at 7:00 pm** in the Parish House. By then the applications for receiving housing in the new Bridgeport apartments will be closed (April 30). This meeting will bring together all faith communities in Falmouth to continue the conversation about the next steps for this endeavor to provide housing for our homeless guests who have been participants in the Overnights program

### **Mentors**

An important part of this meeting will be matching mentors to potential residents. Approval for residency is dependent upon the applicant being matched with a mentor. Profiles describing the needs of each applicant will be available, allowing us to make appropriate choices. Anyone from our congregation who is interested in becoming a mentor needs to be at this meeting. We need both men and women.

### **Furnishings:**

It is the policy of the Falmouth Housing Corporation to provide all of their units with new furnishings. The units are small at Bridgeport. The Housing Authority has looked into the matter and thinks a furniture grade fold-out futon, table, lamp and curtains will be provided new. These items will make the apartments fresh looking and inviting. The residents can then personalize their decorations and we can help with that.

This is a remarkable endeavor. The love and support that we have provided for the Overnights ministry is the same love and support that will make Bridgeport a success.

Ellie Shaver

### ***Falmouth Service Center***

A special THANK YOU to all who brought bags of food for the Falmouth Service Center during the month of April. We didn't keep track of the number of bags, but the basket that is always at the back of the church for this purpose was more than overflowing each week! Your generosity and care is greatly appreciated.

### **FSC Community Garden Gets Ready To Sprout!**

Did you know that the Service Center has garden plots available to anyone who wishes to plant vegetables? Maybe you are an avid gardener who doesn't have yard space for a garden. Call the Service Center to find out how you can take part in their Community Garden. All they ask is that part of your harvest goes to the Service Center so that their clients might enjoy fresh vegetables – a luxury many of us take for granted!

As the blizzard of 2005 is a fading memory, the Service Center is preparing for the current growing season. The FSC garden steering committee met in early March to review garden plot rules and procedures. Although the past three growing seasons have yielded significant produce for the gardeners and our clients, FCS hopes to increase productivity. Additionally, as his Eagle Scout Service Project, Peter Swain, a Life Scout in Troop 40, developed an architectural sketch, ordered materials, and with the help of over a dozen scouts erected the second phase of our garden fence. This project has established a new community section to our Garden. FSC hopes to network with Barnstable County Extension to develop educational out-of-school opportunities for youth to plant, grow and harvest a garden. In early April, garden plot applications were published in the Enterprise and can be accessed on our web site. If you have questions about how you can get involved in the garden, the farm stand, or the kitchen, please contact Jenna, FCS's AMERICORPS garden coordinator, or leave a message for her at FSC 508-548-2794.

## *Ministries and Groups News*

### *Episcopal Church Women (ECW)*

The Women of the ECW will be meeting in the Parish House at noon on Tuesday, May 24. This is the final luncheon of the year. The program will be announced in the Sunday bulletin but as always we invite you just to come, relax and enjoy each other's company. If you are new to the parish, this is a great opportunity to make new friends!

The ECW is open to all women of the parish. Spouses and friends are always welcome.

Doris Weeks and Jeanne Platt

### *Episcopal Church Men (ECM)*

The ECM will *not* be meeting in May since our regular Saturday is during Memorial Day Weekend. We look forward to beginning again with a whole new set of programs in the fall.

Bob Jenney

### *Prayer Shawl Ministry*

The Prayer Shawl Ministry continues to buzz with joy and creativity. And the stories we share the second Wednesday of each month about the connections made through these gifts of love will hearten the hearts of anyone! Any women who would like to knit – or learn how to knit – are invited to join us in the Parish House on Wednesday, May 11 from 6:30-8:00 pm. Come spend a relaxing evening with us.

Debbie Gentile and Lisa DiNunno

### *Food Ministry*

The Food Ministry provides a meal for parishioners returning home from a stay in the hospital or experiencing other kinds of needs. We work in teams and are always in need of additional helping hands. If you have some space in your freezer and could keep an extra casserole on hand, why not consider joining us? We never know when the kindness of a meal might be the very thing that brings God's presence into someone's life. Looking out for each other is just what we do.

Gwyneth Packard

### *Newcomers Committee*

All newcomers are invited to join us for our third **Newcomers Social Gathering** on Wednesday, May 4 from 7:00-8:30 pm in the Parish House (that's the small stone building to the right and just behind the church). We will have representatives available to chat about the Strawberry Festival, the Memorial Garden, and the Food Ministry. A few of the Vestry and the clergy will join us as well. Most of all, this is just a time to get to know some faces and names a little better. If you are new to our parish family within the last year and have not received a written invitation to this event, that just means we don't have you on our address list! Come join us anyway! Transportation and child care will be provided if you let us know of your needs.

Joan Stephenson and Lisa DiNunno

### *Memorial Garden*

Have you seen the wonderful face-lift that has been given to our Memorial Garden? If you haven't checked it out yet, come and see! The Memorial Garden is located to the right of the Chapel by the large stone cross that looks out over the water. The stone plaques that have been placed in memory of loved ones who have died have all been re-set within a border and the area in between the plaques has been filled in with stone. It's just lovely! Our thanks go to parishioner Keith Dickenson, whose wife Paddy was laid to rest there two years ago this month, and to the Memorial Garden Committee and the Property Committee who all showed us how to see a vision and work together to find a way to help God's glory shine even brighter among us! More work on landscaping is being planned. For more information about the Memorial Garden, please contact Committee Chair, Debbie Gentile.

# Christian Formation News

## Children and Youth

### ***Summer Camp spaces are filling up quickly!***

Our Diocesan Summer Camp is located on the shores of Otter Lake in New Hampshire with campers staying in modern cabins accommodating up to 10 people each (with bathrooms *in* the cabin!) Go to [www.bchcenter.org](http://www.bchcenter.org) to see pictures and descriptions! Camp sessions are one week long and run through July and August.

Diocesan-camp is an intentional Christian community structured around a small-group environment. The focus is on making formation ***fun*** through age-appropriate Bible study and high-energy, interactive worship. A variety of summer activities are included as well such as swimming, kayaking, canoeing, high and low ropes courses, hiking, camping, music, drama, art, crafts, nature, soccer, basketball, volleyball, and archery. What better way is there to spend a week of the summer? Brochures and application forms are available from the Associate Rector. Financial assistance is also available. Apply early! Camper slots are filling up!

### ***Youth Group            May 15            4-6 pm*** ***“Bowling and Such”***

Given that our regular Youth Group Sunday (the second Sunday of each month) falls on *Mothers Day*, we are changing our get-together to May 15. You asked for bowling, so that’s what we will do! But we need to know numbers so that we can reserve lanes. So when Derek or Joyce calls you, please be ready to say yes – and bring a friend!

### ***A note of thanks for the Teen Rally***

We would be remiss if we didn’t tell you about the wonderful Cape-wide Teen Rally held at St. Barnabas on Friday, April 22. Led by the fantastic contemporary Christian singer Texas John, and his drummer Pete, we had both teens and adults on their feet singing to the glory of God! While our numbers may not have been what we hoped, those who joined us (from as far away as Orleans!) had a wonderful time. Our thanks to all of the adults who chaperoned. And a ***very special thanks*** to Megan Reichel, mom, Sandy, and Kate Green (St. Mary’s, Barnstable), who put so much energy, time, and faith into organizing this event. We hope to bring Texas John back again in the near future.

## Adults

### ***Christian Formation Forum***

We will devote more space to the events that took place during the Christian Formation conversation that took place after church on April 10. We are still reviewing the comments we received! Joyce Harrington (junior warden) and Lisa DiNunno are organizing an oversight committee (what has been called the Christian Formation Committee) that will envision the overall focus for our formation/education programs. Subcommittees will help plan and implement the age- and content-specific programs.

For parents who took part in the small group conversation about the needs of families with children, please know that your voices *are* being heard. The Sunday School teachers met the following Thursday to de-brief and talk about where we are, both with worship and with Sunday School. The staff and Vestry also are continuing the conversation to find ways to strengthen our offerings for you and your children.

In addition to some interest in providing either Bible Study or Clergy Forums (or both!) after church on Sundays, one of the more wide-spread requests came in the form of a parish-wide retreat – a get-away focused on fun and community building. Now *that* sounds intriguing!

Stay tuned. And if you are interested in joining the Christian Formation Committee, or have other ideas that may feed us, please speak with Joyce or Lisa.

### ***Spiritual Direction Opportunities***

Certified spiritual director, Wendy Wilkinson, has scheduled several sessions with parishioners interested in one-on-one conversations on Monday, May 2. Meetings will be held at St. Barnabas once a month. These individuals will be privately exploring where God is in their lives with Wendy once a month and she has time to take more directees. If you would like to meet Wendy and find out what spiritual direction is all about, please contact Lisa for more information.

## *Episcopal Church News*

### *House of Bishops adopts 'Covenant Statement'*

The House of Bishops of the Episcopal Church adopted, by nearly unanimous vote, "A Covenant Statement" that includes "a provisional measure to contribute to a time for healing and for the educational process called for in the Windsor Report" (full text of Covenant Statement follows below). The bishops have widely praised the spirit of collaboration and collegiality that marked their framing of the Statement.

The House of Deputies, to which clergy and laity are elected, and the House of Bishops together comprise the General Convention, the chief legislative body of the 2.3 million-member Episcopal Church. The General Convention, which meets every three years, will next convene in June 2006 in Columbus, Ohio. General Convention's work is carried out between triennial meetings by the Episcopal Church's Executive Council, to which representatives are elected from both the House of Deputies and the House of Bishops.

### *A Covenant Statement of the House of Bishops*

We have received the Windsor Report as a helpful contribution to our relationships with Anglican brothers and sisters across the world. We recognize its recommendations as coming from a broadly representative commission inclusive of bishops, clergy, and laity and as an attempt to speak as equals to equals. We experience it as being in the best tradition of autonomy within communion and as helpful in our efforts to live into communion. Likewise, we appreciate receiving the communiqué from the February meeting of the Primates and take seriously the perspectives and convictions stated therein.

It is our heartfelt desire to be responsive and attentive to the conversation we have already begun and to which we are being called and as a body offer the following points.

1. We reaffirm our commitment to the Chicago-Lambeth Quadrilateral of 1888 and each of its individual points. We reaffirm our earnest desire to serve Christ in communion with the other provinces of the Anglican family. We reaffirm our continuing commitment to remain in communion with the Archbishop of Canterbury and to participate fully in the Anglican Consultative Council, the Lambeth Conference, and the Primates' Meeting, and we earnestly reaffirm our desire to participate in the individual relationships, partnerships, and ministries that we share with other Anglicans, which provide substance to our experience of what it is to be in communion.
2. We express our own deep regret for the pain that others have experienced with respect to our actions at the General Convention of 2003 and we offer our sincerest apology and repentance for having breached our bonds of affection by any failure to consult adequately with our Anglican partners before taking those actions.
3. The Windsor Report has invited the Episcopal Church "to effect a moratorium on the election and consent to the consecration of any candidate to the episcopate who is living in a same gender union until some new consensus in the Anglican Communion emerges" (Windsor Report, para. 134). Our polity, as affirmed both in the Windsor Report and the Primates' Communiqué, does not give us the authority to impose on the dioceses of our church moratoria based on matters of suitability beyond the well-articulated criteria of our canons and ordinal. Nevertheless, this extraordinary moment in our common life offers the opportunity for extraordinary action. In order to make the fullest possible response to the larger communion and to re-claim and strengthen our common bonds of affection, this House of Bishops takes the following provisional measure to contribute to a time for healing and for the educational process called for in the Windsor Report. Those of us having jurisdiction pledge to withhold consent to the consecration of any person elected to the episcopate after the date hereof until the General Convention of 2006, and we encourage the dioceses of our church to delay episcopal elections accordingly. We believe that Christian community requires us to share the burdens of such forbearance; thus it must pertain to all elections of bishops in the Episcopal Church. We

recognize that this will cause hardship in some dioceses, and we commit to making ourselves available to those dioceses needing episcopal ministry.

4. In response to the invitation in the Windsor Report that we effect a moratorium on public rites of blessing for same sex unions, it is important that we clarify that the Episcopal Church has not authorized any such liturgies, nor has General Convention requested the development of such rites. The Primates, in their communiqué "assure homosexual people that they are children of God, loved and valued by him, and deserving of the best we can give of pastoral care and friendship" (Primates' Communiqué, para. 6). Some in our church hold such "pastoral care" to include the blessing of same sex relationships. Others hold that it does not. Nevertheless, we pledge not to authorize any public rites for the blessing of same sex unions, and we will not bless any such unions, at least until the General Convention of 2006.
5. We pledge ourselves not to cross diocesan boundaries to provide episcopal ministry in violation of our own canons and we will hold ourselves accordingly accountable. We will also hold bishops and clergy canonically resident in other provinces likewise accountable. We request that our Anglican partners "effect a moratorium on any further interventions" (Windsor Report, para. 155; see also 1988 Lambeth Conference Resolution 72 and 1998 Lambeth Conference Resolution III.2) and work with us to find more creative solutions, such as the initiation of companion diocese relationships, to help us meet the legitimate needs of our own people and still maintain our integrity.
6. As a body, we recognize the intentionality and seriousness of the Primates' invitation to the Episcopal Church to refrain voluntarily from having its delegates participate in the Anglican Consultative Council meetings until the Lambeth Conference of 2008. Although we lack the authority in our polity to make such a decision, we defer to the Anglican Consultative Council and the Executive Council of the Episcopal Church to deliberate seriously on that issue.

The bonds of affection are not ends in themselves but foundations for mission. Therefore, we re-commit ourselves to work together throughout the communion to eradicate HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria, and other diseases, to achieve the Millennium Development Goals, and to address the other efforts mentioned by the Primates' Communiqué (para. 20). We dedicate ourselves to full and open dialogue in every available venue through invitations for mutual visitation, intentional exploration of the theological perspectives and spiritual gifts that our diverse cultures offer, and collaborative partnerships for the purpose of shared mission in Christ.

### *National Church Offers Resources for End-of-Life Issues*

While the Episcopal Church's General Convention did not specifically address the situation of Terri Schiavo -- the Florida woman who suffered severe brain damage in 1990 and relied on a feeding tube to keep her alive until her death last month -- several resolutions have been passed regarding end-of-life issues. These include a 1991 resolution regarding prolongation of life.

Copies of this resolution are available from the Associate Rector for those who are interested.

A helpful resource for Episcopalians seeking to understand end-of-life issues is: **Faithful Living, Faithful Dying: Anglican Reflections on End of Life Care** by *The End of Life Task Force of the Standing Commission on National Concerns* (available from Morehouse Publishing, \$15.95).

What do faithful living and faithful dying mean as we near life's end? With all the technology and choices available to us today, making decisions about the end of life grows ever more difficult. As a result of all the theological and ethical issues that have arisen around the dying process in recent years, the 72nd General Convention of the Episcopal Church created a task force to study and report on these concerns. This is the report of the End-of-Life Task Force. In it, the Task Force responds to the broad range of theological, ethical, pastoral and policy issues that are generated by the need to provide loving and fitting care at the end of life.

## *May Birthdays*



May 1 Ruth Fairbanks

May 2 Hilda Knapp  
Matthew Winalski  
Eva Schlitz  
Adam Gaudet

May 3 Arthur Pina  
Sherrie Tobia  
Jake Wrigley

May 5 Jackie Moore  
Bill Smith  
Julie Small

May 6 Rod Walz  
Joseph Allen  
Christopher Porter

May 7 Maidee Moor  
Sally Ferreira  
Donna Lyndsl

May 8 Benjamin Duncan  
Alexandra Good

May 10 Gerri Nickerson  
Lois Ferreira  
Kirk Wrigley  
James Marr  
Romi Lebherz

May 12 Marcia Schroeder  
Marcia Simonds  
Rosita Lacey  
Sam Terra

May 13 Frankie Gototweski

May 15 Lockwood Rianhard  
Jean Johnson  
George Liles

May 16 Connie Martyna  
Bill Dumas  
Kaitlyn Payne  
Tyler Barron

May 17 David Baldic  
Jakob Good

May 18 Patricia Demarest

May 19 Audrey Perry

May 20 Pamela Tremarche  
David Adams  
Sam Shapiro  
Dillon Mansfield

May 21 Fredrica Thompsett

May 22 Winifred Liles  
Paul Gentile  
Mindy Hall  
Scott Tynell  
Mark Tobia

May 23 John Rogers

May 24 Carol Bissonnette  
B. Lincoln Scaife  
Elizabeth Goldberg

May 25 Ronald Lynds

May 26 Harriett Vernon  
Luana Peterson  
David Palmer  
Rudy Hunter

May 27 Maryanne Wilsterman  
Susan Bint

May 28 Anna Adams

May 29 David Fritz

May 30 Anne Steele  
Ron Parker  
Jane Hinckley

May 31 Terry Smith  
Lynda Gaudet  
Andrew Reichel

## *April Lectionary*

- 1 May – Sixth Sunday of Easter  
*First Lesson:* Acts 17:22-31  
*Psalm:* 148  
*Second Lesson:* 1 Peter 3:8-18  
*Gospel:* John 15:1-8
- 2 May – Sts Peter and James, Apostles  
*First Lesson:* Isaiah 30:18-21  
*Psalm:* 119:33-40  
*Second Lesson:* 2 Corinthians 4:1-6  
*Gospel:* John 14:6-14
- 5 May – Ascension Day  
*First Lesson:* Acts 1:1-11  
*Psalm:* 47  
*Second Lesson:* Ephesians 1:15-23  
*Gospel:* Luke 24:49-53
- 8 May – Seventh Sunday of Easter  
*First Lesson:* Acts 1:1-14  
*Psalm:* 68:1-20  
*Second Lesson:* 1 Peter 4:12-19  
*Gospel:* John 17:1-11
- 14 May – Pentecost  
*First Lesson:* Acts 2:1-11  
*Psalm:* 104:25-37  
*Second Lesson:* 1 Corinthians 12:4-13  
*Gospel:* John 20:19-13
- 22 May – Trinity Sunday  
*First Lesson:* Genesis 1:1-2:3  
*Psalm:* 150  
*Second Lesson:* 1 Corinthians 13:5-14  
*Gospel:* Mathew 28:16-20
- 26 May – Corpus Christi  
*First Lesson:* Deuteronomy 8:2:3  
*Psalm:* 34  
*Second Lesson:* Revelation 19:1-2a, 4-9  
*Gospel:* John 6:47-58
- 29 May – Second Sunday after Pentecost  
*First Lesson:* Deuteronomy 11:18-21,  
26-28  
*Psalm:* 31  
*Second Lesson:* Romans 3:21-25a, 28  
*Gospel:* Mathew 7:21-28
- 31 May – Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
*First Lesson:* Zephaniah 3:14-18a  
*Psalm:* 113  
*Second Lesson:* Colossians 3:12-17  
*Gospel:* Luke 1:39-49

## *What is a "lectionary"?*

Truth is, most of us don't sit down and read the Bible in our free time, the way our ancestors did. So, in order for us to be able to hear the stories that have shaped our faith, the Church created a "lectionary", a table of appointed scripture to be read throughout the year.

There are actually *two* tables: one for the Sunday Eucharist (as well as special Feast Days) and one for the weekday daily office (for those people who like to use Morning Prayer during the week). The Eucharistic lectionary table of readings that we print each month and use in our Sunday/Wednesday services helps us hear a substantial portion of the Hebrew Scriptures and almost all of the New Testament over a three year-period.

While you can find this table of readings in the back of the Book of Common Prayer, we print the upcoming month's Eucharistic lectionary for the convenience of those who like to ponder the wonders of scripture in tune with our corporate worship time together.

## *Music News*

### *Compline*

## **Contemplative Prayer For the Close of the Day**

**Sunday, 22 May  
8 o'clock in the evening**

**Saint Barnabas Church**

**Sung by the Saint Barnabas Schola  
Randolph S. James, Director**

## *Staff*

Rector	Bob Appleyard	540-3634
Associate Rector	Lisa DiNunno	457-0233
Organist/Director of Music	Randolph James	540-7196
Administrative Assistant	Kathe Rabbitt	548-3863
Sextons	Edson DeMoura	778-5726
	Alex DeMoura	548-3863

## *Vestry*

Senior Warden	Paul Gentile	539-6962
Junior Warden	Joyce Harrington	564-4833
Treasurer	Don Johnson	548-4031
Asst Treasurer	Doug Greetham	457-1333
Clerk	Dicky Allison	548-4971
	Bill Borden	548-1305
	Dick Boyden	477-4014
	Joe Day	495-3939
	Helen Gordon	563-2457
	John Mason	564-6102
	Sandy Reichel	477-7440
	Ellie Shaver	548-2984
	Kim Strohm	457-4637
	Derek Sutton	548-6659
Youth Reps	Allison Deyo	
	Caitlyn O'Brien	

### *St. Barnabas Mission Statement*

The mission of Saint Barnabas Episcopal Church is to follow the way of Jesus and to show his compassion, forgiveness and love to others. The center of our life together is Holy Eucharist. Nourished by our worship, we are committed to spiritual growth, mutual support, witness and service in our daily living.

### *Deanery Representatives*

Marcia Donovan	548-5738
Mimi Frank	548-3996
Helen Gordon	563-2457
Andy Payne	540-8149
Megan Reichel (Cape youth rep)	
Ellie Shaver	548-2984

## *Ministries and Group Contacts*

### *Buildings and Grounds*

Memorial Garden	Debbie Gentile	539-6962
Property	Bob Peterson	540-1639
Historian	Jeanne/Bill Platt	457-0023

### *Christian Formation*

#### *Lisa DiNunno*

Christian Formation Committee	Lisa DiNunno	457-0233
	Joyce Harrington	564-4833

#### Education

Adult	Lisa DiNunno	457-0233
Children	Lisa DiNunno	457-0233
	Elizabeth Goldberg	539-3172
Youth Group	Lisa DiNunno	457-0233
	Tina Gomes	540-9039
	Joyce Harrington	546-4833
	Derek Sutton	548-6659
Librarian	Mary Heard	548-5462

### *Fellowship*

#### *Bob Appleyard*

Coffee Hour	Ingrid Frank	548-5647
ECM	Bob Jenney	563-1041
ECW	Doris Weeks	548-6671
Fellowship/Social	Stasia Palmer	548-4858

### *Finance*

#### *Vestry*

Finance	Bill Smith	540-3566
Stewardship	(vacancy)	

### *Inreach/Outreach*

Hospitality Committee	Jane Hinckley	548-8928
Newcomers Committee	Joan Stephenson	495-9970
Outreach Committee	Annie Holden	495-1886
Overnights of Hospitality	Ellie Shaver	548-2984
Prayer Shawl Ministry	Debbie Gentile	539-6962

### *Pastoral Care*

#### *Bob Appleyard*

Hospital visits/ Home visits on request	Bob Appleyard	540-3634
	Lisa DiNunno	457-0233
Lay Eucharistic Visitors	Lisa DiNunno	457-0233
Prayer Chain	Brenda Reardon	548-6486

### *Strategic Planning*

Committee	Paul Gentile	539-6962
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### *Worship*

#### *Bob Appleyard*

Acolytes	Lisa DiNunno	457-0233
	Page Franson	540-1389
Altar Flowers	Eileen Bergstrom	548-2953
Altar Guild	Pie Smith	540-3566
	Pat Cowan	540-7074
Lectors	Kathe Rabbitt	548-3863
	Lisa DiNunno	548-3863
Lay Eucharistic Ministers	Kathe Rabbitt	548-3863
	Lisa DiNunno	548-3863
Music/Choirs	Randolph James	548-3863
Ushers	Terry Smith	540-5269

## *Remember These Dates*

<b>4 May</b>	<b>Newcomers Social Gathering</b> 7:00 pm – Parish House	<b>15 May</b>	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b> Wear something red!
<b>8 May</b>	<b>Mother's Day</b> Pray and give thanks for all mothers!		<b>Youth Group (note date change)</b> 4:00 pm – Leary's Bowling
<b>May</b>	<b>Vestry</b> 7:00 pm – Parish House	<b>20 May</b>	<b>Vestry Social</b> (with spouses) 6:00 pm – Joyce Harrington's home
<b>10 May</b>	<b>Prayer Chain Meeting</b> 5:15 pm – Chapel	<b>22 May</b>	<b>Compline</b> 8:00 pm - Church
<b>11 May</b>	<b>Newcomers Committee Meeting</b> 5:15 pm – Parish House.	<b>24 May</b>	<b>ECW Luncheon</b> noon – Parish House
	<b>Prayer Shawl Gathering</b> 6:30 pm – Parish House	<b>30 May</b>	<b>Memorial Day</b> Office Closed



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