

The Herald

August 14-21, 2011

Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary & the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

From the Rector: Of Church and World

In the nineteen fifties in the Episcopal Church the term for the church was coined by then presiding bishop Henry Knox Sherrill that the church was a "hospital for sinners"....a sad coinage, but understandable following the catastrophic human disaster called World War Two in which seventy million people were killed....churches filled to capacity during the fifties for comfort and solace, seeking to make sense of the violence and evil in our world. Some perhaps boldly asking the eons old question: where were you God? But those were the days in which for most, other than the theological academy, we allowed God to remain aloof from our questioning.... agnosticism, a dirty word. Inside the red doors of our churches we said our creeds, prayed our prayers, heard sermons about the love of God and the sin of man, and continued to stay out of the brute business of the world around us. Many felt the church should keep to itself (as some still do), a sacred shelter from the storms of the profane... That world no longer exists.

Through the activism and upheaval within and of the socio-economic and political order of the sixties, the Episcopal Church and others have changed. Many churches awoke to the needs of the world around them and spoke out for civil rights for African Americans, for the rights of women, for a just society in which the poor and disenfranchised were given a chance at dignity. Diana Butler Bass writes that the old hospital for sinners paradigm is dying...that seekers of God and truth not only want meaning but relevance too, and agency for our world; that the believer in the so-called emerging church is not believer only but one who lives a life that changes the world for the better, agency....The church no longer the guardian of an ensconced belief system...but a gathered and growing fellowship that seeks to enact in our world the Gospel imperative of taking care of our least, bringing about a society, which is now via post-modern technology, a global enterprise....bringing about a society that is just and nonviolent in which the rubric for human life is dignity and well-being.

I was thrilled to see that Archbishop Rodi of the Mobile archdiocese, the Roman Catholic bishop in Birmingham, Henry Parsley, bishop of the diocese of Alabama and William Willimon, the Methodist bishop of Alabama filed a lawsuit challenging the legitimacy of the recently passed immigration law, dubbed, "the toughest in the country." Being a resident of Florida our own bishop's signature is not on the complaint, however he is exploring possibilities as to how he can officially endorse the action. And this is just one aspect of the pervasive injustice of our world. The recent passage of the U.S. budget was a sad commentary on the lack of imagination in our government.... political brinkmanship in lieu of statesmanship the order of the day.

The reality is that it will be the least fortunate of us, the poor and the marginalized who will bear the brunt of the political dysfunction in our country, as they always have. Enlightened voices must be heard by those who make the decisions which affect the futures of generations to come. The recently passed budget bill does very little to solve the mess we're in....too few cuts, and not enough revenue....as one political pundit put it "we're just kicking the can down the road"....Is this any of the church's business (and I mean the business of all people of faith)? You bet it is! because we are the stewards of God's gracious dream for our world; we bear the vision of God's commonweal of collaboration and equality....We are taught about this way from Sunday to Sunday and we strive to practice such a life in the daily grind. We are no longer just a hospital for sinners, but advocates of the dream...We are stewards of the vision of a world at peace in which dignity and well-being are shared by all...We must demand that of our leaders, in the streets if necessary... because if not us....who?

On the Calendar:

Wednesday, August 10

9:15am L'Arche (Chapel)
12N Holy Eucharist (chapel)
6:00pm 15 Place Board Meeting
7:00pm Adult Choir Practice

Thursday, August 11

12N Al-Anon
7pm AA

Saturday, August 13

10:30am PFLAG

Sunday, August 14

8am Holy Eucharist
9am Breakfast
9:25am Adult Christian Ed
10:30am Holy Eucharist
Reception honoring Catherine Mackey

Monday, August 15

6pm Vestry meeting

Wednesday, August 17

9:15am L'Arche (Chapel)
12N Holy Eucharist (chapel)
7:00pm Adult Choir Practice

Thursday, August 18

9am Food Share preparation
12N Al-Anon
7pm AA

Friday, August 19

5:30pm Food Share packing

Saturday, August 20

7:30am Food Share distribution
9:00am Family Promise Board
Retreat (Smith Room)

Sunday, August 21

8am Holy Eucharist
9am breakfast
9:25am Adult Christian Ed
10:30am Holy Eucharist
Reception following

This is a two-week Herald!

The reception after 10:30 church this Sunday will be in honor of Catherine Mackey and in her appreciation for her faithful service as Director of Youth Ministries. Catherine is not leaving All Saints, but has become employed full-time now. We wish her the best in all her endeavors. Please join us in the Walter K. Smith room!

Food Share weekend will begin with:



unloading the Food Bank truck on Thursday morning, Aug. 18, around 9am. Anyone who can help then is encouraged to come to Stirling Hall.

Everyone is also welcome to help pack food on Friday, 8/19, at 5:30pm in Stirling Hall and/or to help distribute the food on Saturday, 8/20. Distribution begins at 8am, but we need you here at 7:30 if possible. Thanks in advance for your help!!

New address: Hubert Tate has moved to Little Rock and is enjoying his new job as weekend news anchor on a local TV station there. He asked that we put his new address in The Herald for those who want it: 5500 Highland Drive, Apt. 733, Little Rock, AR 72223.

Transportation needed: Abraham Kuol needs a ride to Atlanta on August 31, so that he can take oral and written citizenship tests at the U.S. Immigration office on September 1. If you can help, please call Martha Harris at 342-4458.

Mark your calendars for the annual Ministry Fair, to be held August 28 between services and after the 10:30 service in Stirling Hall. You won't want to miss it!

The Race Relations Committee of Mobile United will sponsor **Pizza and a Movie** on Sunday, August 28. Pizza begins at 5:30pm and the movie begins at 6. A 56-minute segment entitled *In Sickness and In Wealth* of the health documentary, *Unnatural Causes*, will be shown and a discussion will follow. Everyone is invited to attend!

Prayers of thanksgiving are offered for the safe return of Daniel Robert and T. J. Sherman from their deployments.

Spotlight on Ministry

Our Ministry Fair is scheduled for August 28th. Here are descriptions of more of the ministries in which All Saints participates: *Parish Hospitality*, *Bayou Bash*, *Addiction & Recovery*, *Golden Circle*, *Refugee Committee*, *Integrity*.

Parish Hospitality hosts the receptions after the 10:30 service each Sunday. They organize and provide for other special parish events and social gatherings.

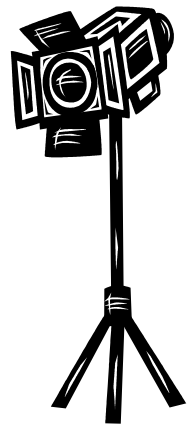
Bayou Bash is a gala, but informal, evening of great food, great music and great fun to raise money for Community Ministries which funds the outreach of All Saints. The Bash features a silent and live auction, with all net proceeds going to Outreach.

Addiction & Recovery supports Al-Anon and AA groups that meet at All Saints and provides information regarding addiction.

Golden Circle provides a luncheon for seniors once a month in Stirling Hall during the school year.

Refugee Committee provides support and assistance to aid refugees in becoming stable members of our community.

Integrity All Saints is a Proud Parish Partner of Integrity U.S.A., a national organization of the Episcopal Church that supports and affirms the ministry of members of the GLBT community.



Sunday Lectionary, August 14 Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary

[Isaiah 61:10-11](#)

[Psalm 34 or 34:1-9](#)

[Galatians 4:4-7](#)

[Luke 1:46-55](#)

Lay Ministers for Sunday, Aug. 14

Altar Guild: Barbara Evatt, Bill Evatt, Barbara Caddell,
Kathy McKenzie

Flower Guild: Carol Mackey, Kathrine Butler

Breakfast: Carol Mackey, Valerie Case, Betsy Schneider,
Woody Hannum

Reception: Beth Hardaway, Kim Gray

8:00

Lector: Steve Powell

Intercessor: Larry Hallett

Chalice bearer: Mark Taylor

Ushers: Joe Basenberg, Bill Case

Greeter: Renee Dillard

10:30

Lectors: 1) Richard Coarsey 2) Diana Nichols

Intercessor: Tressa Presley

Chalice bearers: Nancy Lancaster, Skeeter Robertson

Acolytes: Darrel Williams, Sarah Frances Greene,
Emily Doyle

Ushers: Ricky Bradford, Thomas Locke, Marion
Elledge, Henry Brewster

Music for Sunday, August 14

Voluntary Herbert Howells *Psalm Prelude, Set 1, No. 1*

Processional Hymn 437, *Birmingham*

William Mathias S-278 *Gloria in excelsis Deo*

Richard Webster *Psalm 34:1-8*

Sequence Hymn 258 *Psalm 86*

Offertory Dale Adelmman *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*

Presentation Hymn 278 *Rustington*

William Mathias S-128 *Sanctus and Benedictus*

Mason Martens S-152 *Christ our Passover*

Communion Hymn 268 *Julion*

Motet Jacob Arcadelt (1505-1568) *Ave Maria*

Post Communion Hymn 620 *Land of Rest*

Processional J.S. Bach *Fugue on the Magnificat, BWV 733*

Sunday Lectionary, August 21 10th Sunday after Pentecost

[Exodus 1:8-2:10](#)

[Psalm 124](#)

[Romans 12:1-8](#)

[Matthew 16:13-20](#)

Lay Ministers for Sunday, Aug. 21

Altar Guild: Barbara Evatt, Bill Evatt, Barbara Caddell,
Kathy McKenzie

Flower Guild: Elizabeth Doyle, Charlotte Hall

Breakfast: Katharine Flowers, Kim Gray, Renea
Greene

Reception: TBA

8:00

Lector: Pete Wilson

Intercessor: Serena Willcox

Chalice bearer: Albert Lilly

Ushers: Harold Dodge, Pete Mackey

Greeter: Renee Dillard

10:30

Lectors: 1) Lillian Carsten 2) Valerie Mitchell

Intercessor: Melanie Petithory

Chalice bearers: Marion Elledge, Henry Callaway

Acolytes: Ben Foster, Brendan Williams

Ushers: Andy Mitchell, Hank Caddell, Jim Ayres,
Skeeter Robertson

Music for Sunday, August 21

Voluntary J.S. Bach *Allein Got der Hüh sei Ehr, BWV 717*

Processional Hymn 518 *Westminster Abbey*

William Mathias S-278 *Gloria in excelsis Deo*

Derrick Cantrell *Psalm 124*

Sequence Hymn 576 *Mandatum*

Offertory William Harris *Behold, the Tabernacle of God*

Presentation Hymn 443 *Salem Harbor*

William Mathias S-128 *Sanctus and Benedictus*

Mason Martens S-152 *Christ our Passover*

Communion Hymn 254 *Wyngate Canon*

Motet Gabriel Fauré *Tu es Petrus*

Post Communion Hymn 521 *Chelsea Square*

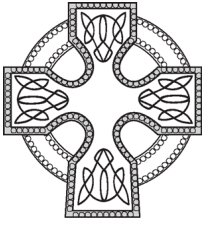
Processional Dietrich Buxtehude

Toccata in F Major, BuxWV 156

Please keep in your prayers...

✙ For healing for: victims of severe weather, Butch Boyington, Sybil Wilson, Dan Allums, Starr Boatwright, Steve & Jared Hicks, Laurie Bailey, Gregg Pounds, Evina Valera, Ed Givhan, Devon Booth, Gary Hamilton, Iris Prosch, Hugh Mauldin, Linda Coarsey, Jerry, Martha Mason, Richard Melton, Martha Murdock, LaNiece Bland, Lamar Elledge, Sharon Cleverdon, Mike Downing, Celeste Taylor, Cheryl Peach, Patsy Childress, Laura

✙ For those who serve in the armed forces, especially Spencer Abbot, Matt Abbot, Glenn Foster, Jr., Haley Jones, Daniel Taylor, Charlie Taylor, Wes Parks, Scott Tanos, Kyle Metcalf, DeMario Snead



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Darrel Williams

All Saints Committee Chairs

Acolytes: The Rev. Mary Robert
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Choirs: Jeff Clearman
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Community Ministries: Matt McDonald
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Episcopal Youth (EYC): Catherine Mackey
Finance Committee: Clark Kelly, treasurer
Flower Guild: Katharine Flowers
Food Share: Mark Taylor, Burl Ratcliffe
Golden Circle: Laura Rutherford, Wylly Stirling
Hospitality & Events: Jean Tucker
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Lectors & Chalice Ministers: The Rev. Mary Robert
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Parish Development: Clark Kelly
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Refugees: Martha Harris
Ushers: Bill Evatt, Louie Wood
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Service Schedule

Sundays	8:00 am Holy Eucharist
	9:00 am Breakfast
	9:25 am Christian Education Classes (during school year)
	10:30 am Holy Eucharist
Wednesdays	12 Noon Holy Eucharist (Chapel)