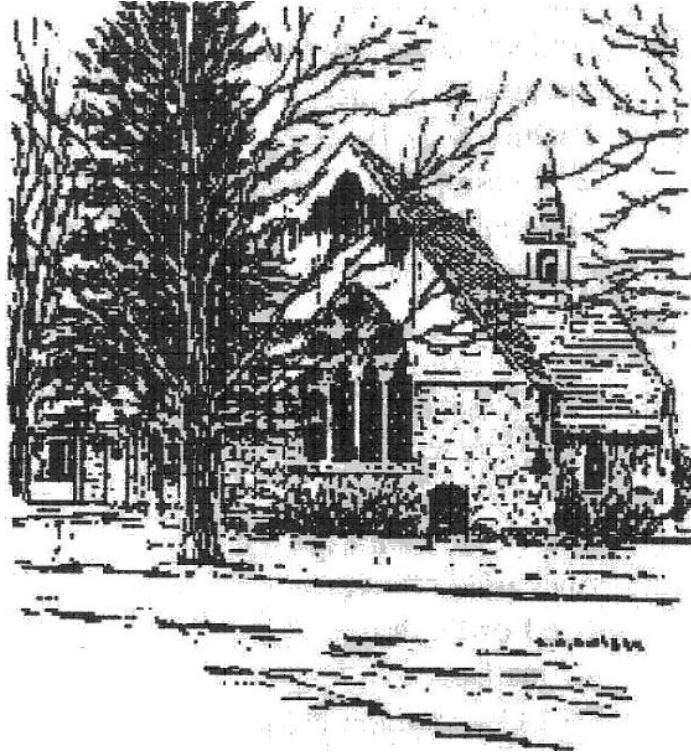


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VESTRY'S VIEWS

By the time you read this, Our Saviour will have had our triennial visit from Bishop Love. We always look forward to his visits and know that Our Saviour has a special place in his heart. His thoughtfulness and guidance will help the vestry and the church during this time of transition. Also, the visit with Beth Strickland from the Diocese will assist us in finding a priest who can serve the needs of Our Saviour. Deacon Lukas has been doing a wonderful job of bringing the word of our Lord and has several interesting ideas for outreach into the community. More on that in a later issue of the *Trumpet*. Don't forget that on May 23 at 4:00 p.m. there will be a celebration service and BBQ to honor Father Dugger in his retirement. As we go about our busy days, let us always keep Our Saviour in our hearts and prayers. Rejoice and be glad in the day that our Lord has made.

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The newsletter deadline for the June issue will be ***Friday, May 15th***. If you have any news to share, please send it to Susan Darcy at susan@darcy-systems.com, Kris Smith at pioneer03@aol.com or leave a note in the "Trumpet" mailbox in the church office.

PRAYER CONCERNS

The United States Government
President Obama
Governor Cuomo
Supervisor Benson
Presiding Bishop Katherine Jefferts Schori
The Right Rev. William Love, Bishop
David Ball
Daniel Herzog
Deacon Rev. Randolph Lukas
Pastor Jim
Brother Bill
Fr. John
Deacon Peter
Pope Francis

Jake Franchi	U.S Military and families
Spiritual Life Center	Kylie White
Chad Field	Ann DeVost
Kimberly Harrington	Eva Helen Egan
John & Teri Koepf	Richard Jones
Roberta Page	Kristen Thompson
Michelle Kowalczyk	Wayne Vincent
Edgar LaCombe	Melissa
Vince Flanigan	Sue Frew
Sue Bull	Tiffany Flowers
Jane & Wayne Garnsey	The Rev. Christian Agunwamba
Mindy Case	Margie & Steve
Lois Johnson	Daeson Warne
Fred Desnoyers	Mike & Annie Delaney
Peter Guiler	Al & Jean Mayer
Robin	Ray Garrison
Lou Amendalora	Nancy Mills
Florence Stock	Virginia Moore
Doug	Barbara Felter
Marie	Nathaniel
John Doris	Malina
Beth	Michael
Sharon	Tina
Linda, Mike, Pat & Bob Gluckman	Pat Ruby
People of Iraq and Sudan	Sabina Terrades
Betty Hicks	James Cross
George Ertel, Jr.	Heather Kromer
Hank Gallucci	Dusty and Carol
Ayden Maguire	Rose G.
Kathy Lepore	Church of Our Saviour Parish
Clint & Ginny Dugger	Benjamin Morrell
The Shupe Family	Ruth Grundstrom
Brenda Darcy	Tim Laraway
Lauren Stone	Sandra Tilander

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-IN:

Florence Stock
1055 Route 3
Malden Bridge, NY 12115

MAY BIRTHDAYS

5 – Madelyn Teachout

12 – Steve Smith

MAY ANNIVERSARY

6 – Vincent and Laurene Teachout

- If you know of a birthday or anniversary that we haven't included in past newsletters, please leave a note in the church secretary's mailbox in the office.
- Email Kris Smith at pioneer03@aol.com with your birthday or anniversary date so that we can update our list.

Thank you!

DOLLAR\$ AND \$ENSE

I did a short seminar down in Stamford over the weekend and was thrilled to see everything in bloom and the greenest grass lawns. On the drive home early Sunday morning, I was sort of feeling sorry for myself since we seemed to be so far behind for spring and then God did it again!

While I was in Connecticut, He gave us daffodils (yes, I know amid some leftover snow) and crocus and lots of greening grass. There are even buds on the trees!

Of course today as I struggle to decide how many layers to put on with the dampness and coolness, I am remembering God answers all our prayers – and He keeps His promises to us. So today amid the yucky cold, damp rainy weather, I thank God for this day and knowing that He will bring us blue skies, sunshine and all the beautiful flowers of spring behind this rain. We just have to believe in God and His love for everyone.

Join us at services as we welcome spring back and thank God for all He has given us.

We are blessed so much every day in every way.

Susan Darcy

IN THE MAIL

Dear Members of the Church of Our Savior,

At the end of June I have been blessed with the opportunity to travel to Northern Ireland with an incredible group of young people. Two years ago I was able to join the Northern Ireland Youth Mission Trip as a student, and this year I am so excited to be going as a leader. On this trip we will be joining hundreds of youth from across Ireland in a festival called Summer Madness, as well as going on to perform community outreach with a program called Street Reach.

On the trip we will first fly to Belfast where we will stay in a student's center. There we will begin our journey experiencing some of the beautiful attractions that Ireland has to offer. After this we will travel to Glenarm Castle where Summer Madness is being held. We will be camping in tents and will be placed a bit out of our comfort zone- sleeping in a sheep pasture and paying for showers- but we know that God is going to use that to provide us with an incredible experience. After we have been completely filled with the spirit of the Lord at Summer Madness, we will continue on to Londonderry for Street Reach. This is a community outreach program that will allow us to go out into the neighborhoods of this city and help its residents in any way we can.

The trip to Northern Ireland is one that I know is going to be an incredible experience for myself, the other leaders, and especially the students going. I ask that as we continue to prepare for this adventure, you keep the group in mind. Prayer is so powerful and will be essential for the months leading up to the trip, as well as once we begin the journey. I also ask that if anyone feels compelled to donate financially, to myself personally or to the group fund that they pray about it. The vestry has generously decided to match any donations made by members of the congregation. Thank you so much for your continued support in all that I do on my ongoing walk with the Lord.

God Bless,

Katie Gallucci

Please note:

Because the Vestry and the Church of Our Saviour feel so blessed to have Katie as part of our parish family and follow in this ministry, we voted to match all donations made by the parish for Katie. This is in addition to the donation from the Church itself. Please mark on any donations that this is for Katie's ministry to Ireland.

Thank you for helping in God's calling to Katie -- God blesses us so much with Katie and her mission.

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

Worship

Randy and Eric are leading Morning Prayer every Monday at 6:15 a.m.. Eric leads Morning and Evening Prayer as his schedule allows.

Confirmation Development

Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m.

Community Bible Study

We continue to meet on Thursday evenings, from 7:00 to 8:00 in Fellowship Hall. Anyone who is interested is invited to participate, with no long term commitment, e.g. to finish a certain book of the Bible or topical study, so this is a good opportunity for a visit. You will be warmly welcomed.

For more info, please contact Sally Langendorf or Deacon Randy.

Summer Camp

Applications for Beaver Cross are available in Fellowship Hall. Scholarships are available. Forms for Church of Our Saviour are also in Fellowship Hall.

Call to Diocesan Convention

June 5th – 7th. “Three Persons, One God – Three Streams, One Church”. Applications are available online and are due May 29, 2015.

Mission Updates

The Helping Hands committee at Berlin Elementary School would like to thank you for donating to our school food pantry. We are serving 10 families at this time. We send home food every Friday; and Thursday and Friday if it is a vacation week. We try to have enough food to cover 2 breakfast, 2 lunches and dinners. (More for the longer breaks). We appreciate all your help. We can always use juice boxes, cereal, oatmeal, can chicken, tuna, peanut butter, pasta, fruit and vegetables. Thank you again for all of your help.

Charlie's' Pantry continues to need nonperishable food items to assist those in need in our area.

The **Women's Shelter for Columbia and Greene County** is always grateful for donations. The empty box is in the back of the sanctuary and awaits new donations of toiletries.

A Special Thank You to:

Eugene Browning who fixed the door lock on the kitchen door.

VESTRY – 2015

Senior Warden	Elizabeth Sheffer	(01/2016)
Junior Warden	Mary Young	(01/2017)
Vestry Members	Eric May	(01/2016)
	Susan Darcy	(01/2017)
	Richard Dauchy	(01/2018)
Clerk	Eugenia Browning	
Diocesan Delegate	Eric May	

MAY CALENDAR

Sunday, May 3 -	
8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
Monday, May 4 –	
6:15 a.m.	Morning Prayer
Thursday, May 7 -	
7:00 p.m.	Community Bible Study in Fellowship Hall
Sunday, May 10 -	<i>Mothers' Day</i>
8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
9:00 a.m.	Vestry meeting
10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
Monday, May 11 -	
6:15 a.m.	Morning Prayer
Thursday, May 14 -	
7:00 p.m.	Community Bible Study in Fellowship Hall
Friday, May 15 -	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE!
Sunday, May 17 –	
8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
Monday, May 18 –	
6:15 a.m.	Morning Prayer
Thursday, May 21 -	
7:00 p.m.	Community Bible Study in Fellowship Hall
Saturday, May 23 -	
4:00 p.m.	Celebration Service followed by barbecue

Sunday, May 24 - 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist Sunday School
Monday, May 25 – 6:15 a.m.	<i>Memorial Day</i> Morning Prayer
Thursday, May 28 - 7:00 p.m.	Community Bible Study in Fellowship Hall
Sunday, May 31 - 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist Sunday School



A Mother's Love

There are times when only a mother's love
Can understand our tears,
Can soothe our disappointments
And calm all our fears.

There are times when only a mother's love
Can share the joy we feel
When something we've dreamed about
Quite suddenly is real.

There are times when only a mother's faith
Can help us on life's way
And inspire in us the confidence
We need from day to day.

For a mother's heart and a mother's faith
And a mother's steadfast love
Were fashioned by the angels
And sent from God above.

- Author Unknown