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The mission of the Church of Our Saviour is to spread the Gospel and inspire a renewal and commitment to living the Christian life through the love of Jesus Christ as expressed by His People.



*The Joy of Easter -
Springtime - Daffodils!*

Our Risen Lord brings joy to our lives along with the springtime flowers. Let the sunshine and the new green bring you all the blessings of God's abundant Love.

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EASTER SEASON 2007

The sun has risen; the children are searching for their eggs; we are on our knees in thanksgiving for the Risen Christ.

Our hearts should be joyous and happy that we have kept a good Lent. We rejoice with the whole of the Christian world, that many years ago an event happened that impacted the life of every human being on this planet, and their lives for many years to come. CHRIST AROSE.

It is not just in believing that this is true, it is a recorded fact that will continue to bear fruit for generations to come. So enjoy the children; enjoy the Alleluia's; and the life you have to serve Christ Our Saviour.

A Blessed Easter to all.

Fr. C.G. Dugger



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PRAYER LIST

As Christians we use prayer to communicate to God regarding our concerns, hurts and thanksgivings. The Bible says where two or three are gathered together the Lord is in their midst. Group prayer is just that, bringing many voices to the Lord.

Would you like to have prayer given by the group for yourself or someone else? You may call (518-794-7538) or write Mary Young a note, with the person's name you would like to have on the prayer list. Please include your name so that she can get back with you every thirty days or so to check on the person you added.

Some prayers are needed for a long time, some a short time, plus it is nice to know how the people we pray for are doing, one of the best Thanksgiving prayers is to thank God for answered prayers.

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Youth Corner

When Bishop Love visited us, our young people not only served on the altar but they shared their talents with everyone by singing and playing their instruments. We are blessed with our young people and their joy and enthusiasm in the Lord.

Please join us on June 24 at our 10:00 AM service and at coffee hour when we celebrate the completion of our Sunday School year. The young people will share their many gifts at the service and at the coffee hour.

We thank our wonderful Sunday School teacher, Debi Gallucci, for sharing her veru special gifts and love with our young people.

Jumble -- Find the word in the scrambled letters. The "block" letters are then used to solve the scrambled saying on the last line.

"Keep Going" Jumble

1. CRIDNSEO _ _ □ _ _ _ _
2. PCATCE _ □ _ _ _
3. FGYORIL _ _ _ □ _ _ _
4. TIMLEAAR _ _ _ _ _ □ _
5. ATSINS _ _ _ □ _ _
6. RCRUSPITE _ _ _ _ _ □ _ _
7. MNERIA _ □ _ _ _
8. ASPRIE _ _ _ _ □
9. MDCOENN _ _ _ □ _ _

"May the God who gives □□□□□□□□□□ and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus." (Romans 15:5)

Crucifixion and Resurrection (cont'd)

6. How was Jesus mocked just before the crucifixion?
 - A. Many in the crowds claimed that they were God too
 - B. Soldiers put a thorny crown on our Lord
7. What event occurred to the world when Jesus was crucified??
 - A. It stopped rotating for one hour
 - B. A great darkness came to the world from noon until three.
8. Who were the first people to realize that Jesus had risen?
 - A. The Romans
 - B. The disciples
9. To whom did Jesus first appear after His resurrection?
 - A. Mary Magdalene
 - B. His mother, Mary
 - C. Peter
10. How many times did Jesus appear to his brethren after the resurrection?
 - A. Eleven
 - B. Two
 - C. Three



Thoughts from the Senior Warden

As we approach Pentecost and the birthday of our church, we should reflect on the blessings that birthdays and other special events have in our lives. Through the church we are gifted with the Gospel, with songs of praise, with a family in communion with each other and with Christ. What better way to celebrate the traditions and rites of our family than with a celebration. On May 27 we will join together for one service at 9:00 AM, followed by a pot-luck brunch to celebrate the birthday of our church and the birthday of one of our dear family, Joanna Adelberg.

The family of Church of Our Saviour was honored to host Bishop Love on April 29. I was unable to attend the service due to work commitments and a car that passed out on the Patroon Island Bridge as I was heading to the vestry meeting that Sunday afternoon. I understand that the children were engaging and wonderful and brought much joy to the 10:00 AM service. The meeting that the vestry had with Bishop Love after the reception was honest, forthright, and gave us information about the Diocese that cleared up many questions that we have had regarding the Anglican Communion and the financial status of the Diocese. Bishop Love gave us his vision for the future of the Diocese and I am pleased to report that it is a healing vision and one that will provide growth.

The vestry has been busy planning so many wonderful events for us to partake. There will be a parish meeting after the 10:00 AM service on June 3. The vestry will provide the luncheon and beverages and will update the parish on events. There will be a brief report on the meeting we had with Bishop Love and an update on the care of our parish home. We will also be asking for your thoughts on varying the services in the coming months. Please think about our services and share with us what you like about both services, what you would change, if anything, and what your thoughts are about combining services a few times a year. This is a topic that the vestry will be discussing over the next few months. The other events we have planned are the annual Opportunity Sale and an ice cream social in July.

Our missions are continuing and the support that Church of Our Saviour gives to Youth For Christ is bringing the word of God and Christ to the youth in our community. Bishop Love was indeed grateful and happy with the work that we do with our youth. They are our future and should be nourished and fed the word of God.

There is so much good that you all bring to our family. Let us continue to worship as one and praise our Lord in the fellowship that is Church of Our Saviour. As Father Dugger directs us at the end of each service, "Go in peace to love and serve our Lord."

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Another View of Stewardship

When we hear the word, Stewardship, we probably immediately think of money but isn't Stewardship more than just money? Isn't Stewardship taking care of one another and being one of the wardens, vestry or altar guild members, greeters, readers, acolytes, chalice bearers, or the organist at a service? How about when someone hosts a coffee hour, brings the ingredients for a Lenten meal or works on a Church project? Stewardship doesn't stop at the Church property line. We're also stewards when we call someone who is ill or maybe take them to an appointment, shopping or for a coffee. We're stewards when we pray for one another. As stewards we share both the good times and the bad -- sharing the joy and giving comfort. This doesn't mean money isn't an important part of Stewardship -- but sometimes we forget all the other things that are part of our call to be good stewards in Christ's name.

OPPORTUNITY SALE UPDATE

The Episcopal Church Women of the Church of Our Saviour are again planning the Opportunity Sale to be held rain or shine on Saturday, June 16 with Phyllis Howard as Chair. Although this is organized by the ECW, it really is a fun Church of Our Saviour event. And we need help from all the members of our parish.

First, we need lots of stuff to sell – clean, usable articles, such as books, clothing, household utensils, jewelry, games, toys, furniture (please no couches, TV's, computers or large appliances). We also need baked goods and new items for our boutique table.

Second, we need workers before, during and after the Sale.

Third, we need customers – the Sale will be held, no matter what, on June 16 from 9AM to 2PM, so please tell everyone you know to come!

If you have any questions or need to arrange to have something picked up? Call Phyllis Howard at 733-5397 or the Church at 794-8702 and leave a message.

Snippets and Bits

Have you ever been just sitting there and all of a sudden you feel like doing something nice for someone you care for? THAT'S GOD talking to you through the Holy Spirit.

Have you ever been down and out and nobody seems to be around for you to talk to? THAT'S GOD wanting you to talk to Him

Have you ever been thinking about somebody that you haven't seen in a long time and then next thing you know you see them or receive a phone call from them? THAT'S GOD. There is *no such thing as coincidence.*

Have you ever received something wonderful that you didn't even ask for, like money in the mail, a debt that had mysteriously been cleared, or a coupon to a department store where you had just seen something you needed, but couldn't afford? THAT'S GOD knowing the desires of your heart.

Have you ever been in a situation and you had no clue how it was going to get better, how the hurting would stop, how the pain would ease, but now as you look back on it... THAT'S GOD passing us through tribulation to see a brighter day.



May and June Event Calendar At a Glance

May 2007

Thursday	May 3	7:00 PM	Bible Study with Simple Supper (6:30PM)
Saturday	May 5	10:00 AM	Episcopal Church Women - Friendship Hall
Sunday	May 6	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
		10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist & Sunday School
Wednesday	May 9	7:00 PM	Vestry Meeting
Sunday	May 13 Mother's Day	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
		10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist & Sunday School
Sunday	May 20	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
		10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist & Sunday School
Sunday	May 27 - Pentecost & Church Birthday Celebration	9:00 AM	Combined Services Holy Eucharist & Sunday School
			Celebratory Potluck Brunch to Follow

June 2007

Saturday	June 2	10:00 AM	Episcopal Church Women – Friendship Hall Cleanup Church Grounds – Contact Tom Stone
Sunday	June 3	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
		10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist & Sunday School followed by a Parish Meeting with Lunch provided by the Vestry
Thursday	June 7	7:00 PM	Bible Study – (Bring a sandwich at 6:30PM)
Sunday	June 10	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
		10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist & Sunday School
Thursday	June 14	7:00 PM	Vestry Meeting
Saturday	June 16	9 AM - 2 PM	Opportunity Sale – Setup Hours Below
Sunday	June 17 Father's Day	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
		10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist & Sunday School
Thursday	June 21	7:00 PM	High School Baccalaureate Service
Sunday	June 24	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
		10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist & Last Sunday School Sunday School Program and Celebratory Reception

Mark your Calendars for these Future Events

Monday to	June 11-15 – Opportunity Sale Setup & Drop Off – Times to be announced
Saturday	June 16 – Last Minute Setup 7AM – Cleanup after 2PM
Sunday	June 17 – Father's Day with a Guest Priest
Sunday	July 29 – Community Ice Cream Social – 3PM



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Remember these Important Dates

Date	Subject
May 27, 2007	Combined 9:00 AM Service & Church Birthday Celebration and Brunch
June 2, 2007	Cleanup Church Grounds 10:00 AM
June 3, 2007	Parish Meeting after the 10:00 AM Service and Lunch
June 16, 2007	Opportunity Sale, 9:00 AM -- 2:00 PM
July 29, 2007	Community Ice Cream Social -- 3:00 PM

These are the Every Month Important Dates

1st Saturday - Episcopal Church Women Meeting - May 5 & June 2

1st Thursday - Simple Meal (Bring a Sandwich) and Bible Study - May 3 & June 7

Vestry Meeting - Wednesday May 9 & Thursday June 14

Answers: Know Your Bible 6. B (the thorny crown mocked His title as "King of the Jews") 7. B 8. C (they found the stone to the tomb rolled away, the sepulcher empty and an angel who told them that Jesus had risen from the grave) 9. A (on the morning of the resurrection) 10. A (in forty days.)

Keep Going Jumble - 1. CONSIDER 2. ACCEPT 3. GLORIFY 4. MATERIAL 5. SAINTS 6. SCRIPTURE 7. REMAIN 8. PRAISE 9. CONDEMN Overall Answer: May the God who gives ENDURANCE and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus." (Romans 15:5)