

St. Paul's Parish Highlights



May, 2016

The tempo of parish life continues to ramp up despite the fact that this has historically been the slow time of year. Come to think of it, there hasn't been any down time lately. What's happening is that the creative juices of this parish are flowing from the Spirit and directed toward deepening our life in Christ and our relationships with each other. I want to thank Children's Ministries for their efforts to present the wonder of God to our young ones; to Dana Kronherth and Priscilla Bradley for bringing us a delightful and profitable evening; to Dana again for spearheading the new directory; to Ken Brown for introducing us to a magical web designer; Mike King and Jack Smack for bringing enormous improvements to the physical plant; Nancy Porter, Gloria Brittain and crew for their Backpack Ministry; Jayne Roxey, Art Wittig, Mary Ellen Boynton and crew for Safe Nights, Safe Sundays and Holidays. Joel Davis and crew for Food Distribution. Good Lord! I know I've forgotten so much but isn't it wonderful that we have so much going on that things can be missed?

We are so busy, isn't it wonderful? We are in the midst of change, isn't it wonderful? We're running ragged, isn't it fun? We are becoming a vibrant and diverse community filled with possibility!

Joanna

CAREGIVERS Discussion Group Saturday, June 18th at 9:30.

Discussion and Continental Breakfast. This is open to anyone who is even remotely a caregiver. I will be contacting individuals but if I fail to connect you with caregiving, please self-identify.

Joanna

PRAYERS:

CRITICAL LIST AS OF 5.1:

Kevin Brawley, Richard Van Y, Robin Henshaw, Marilyn Tarr, Robert Chalmers, Barbara Stinnett, John & Felice Holmes, Laura Marchand, Phillip Cahill, Kathy Bristow, Greg Quinn, Julie Keesee, Tom Rymer Jr., Cheryle Holmes, Ellen Quinn, Joan Columbo, Wesley Hall, Jeff Youngblood, Rev. Karen Lovelace, Stovy Brown, Satoma Hostetler, Ed Patton, Kenneth Wilson.

LONG TERM LIST AS OF 5.1:

Bill & Susie Boss, Terry Schreiber, Heather Cook, Gene Edward, Abby Leach, Ruth Stange, Les Pratt, Audrey Evans, Jack Corey, Vivian Due, Audrey Drennen, George Edsall, Christine Appel-Bucierka, Sherry Santana, Mary Evelyn Pineault, Sandy White, Hunter Gray, Daniel Armiger, Marlane DeMara, Susie Hance-Wells, Gus Rotelle, Bill Bonwit, Tim Roxey, David Porter, The Bowie Family, Bud Shields, David Spaulding.

We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop, our own Bishops Eugene & Chilton and The Diocesan Staff.

We pray also for the Vestry and The Staff of St. Paul. We pray for Barack our President, Larry our Governor and all those who serve the common good.

We pray for all members of the Armed Forces, especially Drew Beard, Rachel & Jacob Berry, Graham & Landon Cheban, Julia Croft, Ryan Croft, Michael Freimarck, Jesse Howell, Paris Jones & Jason Duncan, Shiraz Kahn, Alan and Clare Linley, Michael Overfelt, Pete Santos, David Spalding, Danny Wilkins, James Wold, Brian Woolsey, and Katy Broom.

We pray for parents-to-be Tonya (Tarr) & Will Aguilar.

We hold hope for all places at home and abroad where there is violence and suffering. We pray for the people in the Middle East who are fleeing the conflicts.

Mark Your Calendars

1. **May 1** – Combined Sunday School class
2. **May 5-** Champions for Children Awards at Tom Wisner Hall in Kings Landing Park in Huntingtown, MD from 5 pm – 7 pm.
3. **May 8** – Tile Painting for Sunday School
4. **May 15** – Last day of Sunday School, Cross and Crown, and Pentecost Party.

Reading Camp

The next planning meeting for Reading Camp Calvert 2016 will be held on Monday, May 2 at 6:30 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Prince Frederick. All are welcome to join us as we share ideas and current plans. In addition, we are still seeking volunteers to help us in a variety of different ways. Please join us as we help struggling readers increase their reading skills and develop a passion for reading. For further information, please email Deb Shupe at deb_shupe@comcast.net or call her at 410-231-8150.

From the Desk of the Parish Administrator

Did you know that the Red Cross holds CPR training several times a month in the Great Hall? Did you know that we can also send two parishioners for FREE? If you are interested in taking one of the classes please let the office know so we can get you signed up for it.

Tammy

Gift Cards

The office is in need of gift cards of any denomination (not greater than \$25). Safeway is best as people can get gas or food, but we are not picky. If you are able to give one or two, we would be most appreciative as would the person(s) who will receive them. Also, if you put the cards in the offering plate, please be sure to attach your name in some way so that you will receive credit on your giving statement. Thank you!

Milestones-

May Birthdays: Greg Brittain, Jr. (05/02), Pru Canham (05/03), Nova Meridian Dryo (05/04), Walter Boynton (05/05), Jack Smack (05/05), Bill Boss (05/05), Amari Witt (05/11), Marcia King (05/11), Mary Evelyn Pineault (05/11), Kristen Stantiff (05/11), Kellen Cundiff (05/14), Josh Upton (05/16), David Porter (05/18), Wendy Wood (05/18), David Brown (05/23), Carolyn Witt (05/24), Madyson Jones (05/25), Mariah Glasscock (05/27), Dana Krohnert (05/28), Grayson Cundiff (05/28), JoAnn Bowen (05/29), Gwen Klein (05/29), Sky Woolsey (05/30).
May Anniversaries: Bill & Linda Santiff (05/07), Daniel & Maribeth Wilkins (05/08), Carolyn & Tammy Witt (05/20), Jack & Judy Smack (05/21), Joel & Vicki Signor (05/30).

H2O at Home Party-Hosted by Joanne Upton

On Saturday, June 25th at 10:00 am in the Great Hall, I will be hosting an H2O party. Please come and experience these chemical and toxin free cleaning and personal products. I feel confident that once you see them for yourself, you will be hooked. My sister-in-law Elizabeth will be our consultant. Quite a few of her before and after pictures are from my own house and they are truly amazing (as well as slightly embarrassing).

There will be absolutely no pressure to buy anything. Feel free to bring a friend. Light snacks will be served. Last, but certainly not least, I would love to see all of you!! Please RSVP to joanneupton@hotmail.com.

Joanne

Friends of Calvert County Seniors (FCCS) is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for qualified Calvert County seniors by providing funds which assist them to remain independent. FCCS is currently searching for a treasurer and board members. The treasurer position works on a monthly report and is not required to complete tax paperwork. If interested, individuals should contact Susan Justice at the Office on Aging at 410-535-4606 or 301-855-1170.

Thanks,
Jan Gibson

Better late than never should be the title of this report but it concerns the February 14th invitation to lunch and information at the mosque in Prince Frederick.

We were the first to arrive and were greeted at the lower level door in the back (beside parking area). We were ushered into a lovely room set up with tables and chairs with lovely table cloths and candles on each one. And we were offered tea or other beverages and conversation after introductions. As others began to arrive it was obvious that part of the group were together and well acquainted as they all sat together. One other couple sat with us.

We were introduced as a group to those providing the program and were treated to a lovely reading from their book- I believe it was the Koran. The young lady who did the reading did a wonderful job as she read in their language and then translated what she had read. Then a film was shown giving much detail about the Moslem Faith- many things were covered that I did not know. I cannot give all the details but would love to see St. Paul's obtain this and have most of our congregation be able to view it as I think it brought out how much alike our religion and theirs really is. It also cleared up many misconceptions about the Muslim Faith.

After the film we were served a lunch which had as it's basic part- the universal food- pizza! But also had other items as well which were delicious. After the meal there was a discussion period with questions and answers about the film and also about the hope of world peace.

Then we were taken up to the main floor of the mosque. I am sure that many persons going past tend to feel that it will be a highly decorated and elegant interior. Not so- it is very plain. No seats as they pray on their knees. It was explained that hands and feet must be washed before prayers (there is an area in the restrooms where feet can be washed) and no shoes worn in the prayer area. That included us, of course. There was a divider so that women with children could have a private place for their prayers. The windows were up high near the top of the building bringing in lovely sunlight. The group was invited to share addresses and take part in other such events and we all left with a feeling of having been very welcomed.

Maureen Donn

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Saturday, May 21, 2016
12:00 p.m.
St John Vianney Catholic Church
The Vianney Room
105 Vianney Lane
Prince Frederick, MD 20678
Luncheon to follow
RSVP Barb Estes at 410-474-2911
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Pictures



Our Listeners

