

# The Missioner

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## WELCOME TO DONNA FEITHEN!

We welcome our new Parish Administrator/Secretary, Donna Feithen.

Donna is in the office Tuesday through Thursday from 9:00 AM until about 2:00 PM.

Donna is becoming acquainted with the way we do things here, as well as learning the names of all the people

If you have a chance, stop in and introduce yourself to Donna.



We are still in need of office volunteers on Mondays and Friday mornings, answering the telephone, bringing in the mail and various office jobs.

### **Important Dates to Remember**

- Jan 2** ..... Christmas lessons & Carols
- Jan 9** ..... Epiphany at 9:15 AM
- Jan 10** ..... Daughters of the King
- Jan 12** ..... Vestry Meeting
- Jan 15** ..... Annual Reports Due
- Jan 21 & 22** ..... Leadership Retreat
- Jan 30** ..... Annual Meeting
- Jan 31** ..... Daughters of the King
- Feb 6** The Music & Magic of Tim Hannig

Season's Greetings,

As I write my monthly letter to you I am making a true effort to look "Ever Forward". The Christmas season is passing again. Susie and I have been blessed with a holiday season focused on our family, but especially our grand children Morgan and Mason. These two children are treasures in our lives and we spend much time either babysitting or accompanying our daughter and son-in-law as they seize their opportunities to be great parents. We feel very fortunate to be included in many of the planned family activities.

As I think of my family, I am reminded that as God's children we are always invited to walk with him and experience "family" activities with Him. We only need to accompany Him when we are called to live a life of love. St. John's has certainly lived a life of love during these holidays and many people outside our church family (as well as some within) have been blessed through the generosity and love of our members. We have shared in the joy of the season by helping others to feast on the goods collected for food baskets. We have purchased presents for children so they might experience a sampling of the joy God offers us each day. I am truly grateful to be part of such a giving church family.

So much preparation and prayer went into Advent and Christmas liturgies. We prepared ourselves for the gift of God's son. He has arrived and is in our midst. Although he is only a babe, Baby Jesus is here and a promise is fulfilled. Christmas is a time when dreams become reality. I have often heard of the "magic of Christmas" when talking with others about the holiday. Most often this is related to Santa and the magic of his annual trek across the world bearing gifts and spreading good tidings. And like most families, my family enjoys the secular Christmas celebration and excitement we can enjoy, especially with children.

But, I hope we each take a moment (even in retrospect) to reflect on the magic and holiness of God's generosity. He gave us His son so we might know Him. Why did he do this? To share and provide us with the sustenance we need; His perfect love! Let that love embrace and support you as you venture into the upcoming year. Each of us will have many obstacles to overcome, but we have God's perfect love and the gifts he has given us to guide us through whatever challenges we may face. We also will have many opportunities to share our faith and our love with others. Seize each of these opportunities with a sense of purpose and resolve that we as Christians are called to act on God's behalf!

May you fully experience the love of God in your life and recognize that the love you receive from others is part of the many gifts our Lord has bestowed on you in your lives!

Happy New Year and God Bless You!

Bob



## Treasurer's Report for November 2010

### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Generally, monthly expenses exceeded income resulting in a negative monthly cash flow of One Thousand Four Hundred Sixteen and 17/100 Dollars (\$1,416.17). Monthly payables were met on time. Pledge income was slightly under budget at 92.4% or \$745.00 under projected income. General Plate Income was over budget at 260.2% or \$1,468.57 over budget.

### BALANCE SHEET

Balance sheet totals indicate a near 0.0% change from the previous month. Total Liabilities & Equity are Eight Hundred Forty Five Thousand One Hundred Seventy Three and 95/100 Dollars (\$845,173.95)

### ADDITIONAL REPORTING

The negative cash flow reported above is primarily due to the roof repairs done to the church building in the amount of \$1,300.00. The expense was paid out of general operating revenues. William Volling was the contractor.

Respectfully submitted this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2010  
Gregory M. Messer - Treasurer



## Parish Staff

Transition Pastor The Rev. Terri Heyduk  
Deacon ..... The Rev. Roberta Molony  
Deacon ..... The Rev. John Whennen  
Director of Music ..... Thomas Secor  
Sexton ..... John Glasscock

### **Vestry**

Sr. Warden ..... Robert Meehan  
Jr. Warden ..... Allan Luzbetak  
Treasurer ..... Greg Messer

### *Vestry Members*

Clark Davis ..... Jerome Jezuit  
Dave Kapitanek ..... Greg Messer  
Beth Paulsen ..... Kenneth Porter  
Mark Secor ..... Todd Sheetz  
Patricia Steiner ..... Marc Worst  
Susan Meehan ..... Clerk

### **Parish Ministry Contacts**

Sacristan ..... Lora Messer  
Daughters of the King ... Wendy Stewart  
Education ..... Elizabeth Paulsen  
.....or ..... Dale Lundy  
Episcopal Ch Women .... Susan Meehan  
Helping Hands ..... Pamela Carter  
Hospitality Guild ..... Lillian Hensley  
Membership .....  
Men's Club ..... Todd Sheetz  
Newsletter ..... Main Office  
Outreach Ministry ..... Deacons Molony  
& Whennen  
New Building ..... Todd Sheetz  
Senior Choir ..... Thomas Secor



### **IMPORTANT NOTE**

ALL REPORTS FOR  
PUBLICATION IN THE  
ANNUAL MEETING EDITION  
OF *THE MISSIONER* MUST BE  
SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE  
NO LATER THAN  
SATURDAY  
JANUARY 15, 2011



## Attendance

*Have you been worshipping with us regularly?*

It is easy to fall into the habit of not nourishing our spiritual lives. Don't let this happen to you! The table below represents attendance during the month of December.

Average Sunday attendance in 2010 was 68. 2009 average attendance was 106 and 2008 average attendance was 99.

**Please make sure you take care of your spiritual life.**

	2010	2009	2008
<b>December 5</b>	59	100	108
<b>December 12</b>	63	111	105
<b>December 19</b>	86	123	94
<b>December 26</b>	65	102	104
		94	84
<b>Total</b>	273	530	495

*After services take time to greet our many visitors. Give them a warm "Welcome!" Some of us are here to seek relief from heavy pressures. Others are reaching out for comfort in sorrow. Still others are here to thank God for recent or ongoing blessings. What we all have in common is a great desire to know God and to be enabled to do God's will.*



**We extend our deepest sympathy to . . .**

- The Barto and Watts family and friends on the death of Wanda Barto Barker.
- The Suva Family, on the death of Jenny's father, Richard Reed.
- The Anderson family on the death of Melanie Anderson.
- The Hutchings family on the death of Mary Hutchings.

May the souls of all the departed rest in peace.



*January 11th for the February, 2011 Edition of the Missioner*



The Power of Prayer . . .  
Pray for those who are ill or in any need, especially:

Marjorie	Arthur	Carol G	Phyllis B
Gabriel D	Tristan	George E	Bernice
Beverly	Velma L	Dave	Frank F
Nicolas	Rusty	Karen	Jean F
Joan	Anne	Donna	Evonne C
Robert	Dina	Liz	Lillian B
Kathryn	Dorothy	Elizabeth J	Alice B
Linda	Ed	Skip L	Bruce C
Doris	Nicole	Chris	Jillian
Anita	Marvin	Julia S	Ronda
Paul	Corrine	Char M	Mary Beth R
Elsie	Craig	Bob	Joe A
Anna Belle	Stephen	Ron B	Kathy A
Helen	Diana	John A	Sandy J
Royleen T	Mark K	Erick B	Scott R
Marquerite	Maryann	Brian R	Art T
Betty	KJ	Vic T	Bill A
Connie	Rita	Jim H	Evangeline M
Pearl R	Elaine B	Sam R	Paul R
Gail B	Brian S	Damian K	Mary F
Grier	Tiffany S	Jeanne R	Haley R
Amy	Billy C	Randy R	Betty K
Deana	Peter	Ernest	Bobbie M
	Doug	Greg W	
	Gary J	Galaye-dion	

**T**his is another day, O Lord. I know not what it will bring forth, but make me ready, Lord, for whatever it may be. If I am to stand up, help me to stand bravely. If I am to sit still, help me to sit quietly. If I am to lie low, help me to do it patiently. And if I am to do nothing, let me do it gallantly. Make these words more than words, and give me the Spirit of Jesus. **Amen.**

**In the hospital recently . . .**

- Mary Beth Ruphard
- Kathy Arient
- Bobbie Molony



**DON'T FORGET TO SEND CARDS or make a visit! This means a great deal to those who are sick.**

**AND** *January 15th* for the Annual Reports that will go into the Annual Meeting Edition

## Notice of St. John's Annual Meeting and Request for Annual Reports:

PLEASE BE PROMPT and ASSIST US AS WE PREPARE FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING!

**Annual Meeting - Sunday January 30th after the 10:30 AM worship.** All parishioners are encouraged to attend to elect new Vestry Members and for the presentation of the 2011 budget.

Annual reports for the annual meeting should be submitted no later than January 15th. We need the reports early enough so that we have the information ready for this meeting. Please make every effort to submit your report as soon as possible.

### Reports needed include:

Attendance Report  
Senior Warden Report  
Physical Operations Report  
Hospitality Report  
Deacons' Reports  
Outreach Committee Report  
Altar Guild Report  
Membership Report  
Worship Statistics  
ECW/UTO/CPC Reports  
Daughters of the King  
Christian Education Re[prt  
Prayer Shawl Ministry Report  
Usher's Report  
Others

These reports can be submitted electronically or by paper copy. You can submit reports to the church email account, [office@stjohns-lockport-il.org](mailto:office@stjohns-lockport-il.org) or to me at [meehan201@comcast.net](mailto:meehan201@comcast.net). I appreciate the leaders of each of these important ministries timely attention to this request. Any questions please contact me at cell 815-228-4098 or at home - 815-524-339

Faithfully,  
Bob Meehan, *Senior Warden*

## Vestry News . . .



*At the December 15, 2010 meeting, the Vestry...*

Heard...

- From Doug Tierney on the progress of the search committee. The various parts of the parish profile are written and in the process of being compiled into one document.
- That the finances are in good shape.
- That the pledge drive committee is reasonably satisfied with the results of the drive.
- That the finance committee met to develop the budget; the income side of the budget is complete, and improvements were made on the accounting procedures done by the counters.

Took action to...

- Commit to the diocesan request and pledge the amount of \$20512 to the Diocese of Chicago for 2011.
- Approve a contract with GoDaddy.com to fix the web page and have web support for two years at a cost of \$1729.93.
- To authorize the expenditure of funds not to exceed \$20,000 for improvements on the buildings
- Support Mark Kowalski for his deposit and the cost of the course for Clinical Pastoral Education totaling \$425.
- To pay the balance of the budgeted "seminary support" divided between Pastor Terri's seminary (General Theological Seminary) and the Bishop of Chicago's seminary fund.

Scheduled the Leadership retreat for January 21-22, 2011 at St. Charles Borromeo Pastoral Center. This retreat is open to the vestry, search committee and all church members in leadership positions in the church.

*The next meeting is January 12, 2011 beginning at 7:00.*

## Annual leadership Retreat

January 21 and 22 - Leadership Retreat at the St. Charles Borromeo Pastoral Center in Romeoville. Pastor Terri will lead the retreat. All Vestry Members and parish leaders are invited to attend. Please sign up on the sheet in the back of the church to advise us if you are staying overnight and what food you might bring to share. There is no cost to participants. If you have questions, please contact Bob Meehan at [mmehan201@comcast.net](mailto:mmehan201@comcast.net) or call at cell# 815 228-4098 or at home - 815-524-3396.

## From Deacon Molony

A wise person once told me that whenever someone bothers me, I should pray for healing - IN ME - of the qualities expressed by that person!

That seems really confusing at first glance. For instance, why on Earth would I pray for healing of anger in me, if where the real problem lies is in the anger expressed by John or Jane Doe - towards me? Come on people! Let's get it straight. My real problem is that John or Jane always seems to be mad AT ME!

That seems to be correct on a logical level, so why should I take it on myself to look any further? I am going to propose here that we take a short journey into the illogical.

If we can accept the illogical idea that the world, or even the universe, reflects our own areas of concern back to us, so that we can take a closer look at some of these issues, then it is an easy step to this next idea.

The world and the universe functions as a mirror of sorts. Not the kind of mirror that we are used to looking into, the mirror that helps us put on our makeup or comb our hair for the day, but a mirror that reflects the status of our souls.

Hmmm. Does this mean that if everyone in my life seems to be struggling with anger, then just maybe I need to take a look at my own anger? Why, I might not even know that I am angry! Or - if it seems that everyone I come in contact with seems to have spending issues, maybe I should look at my own spending habits, my own budget? Or, this is a good one, everyone I come in contact with has real control issues! Wanting to control and direct everyone else into doing what they want! Does this mean that I might have control issues of my own that need looking at? Who, me? (you're supposed to laugh here!)

Or, on a more positive note and on a certain day, everyone I talk to seems to be very kind.

Now, back to the original thought - "heal in me what needs to be healed in person X, Y or Z." This is not such an irrational prayer after all. When I pray that prayer, I am acknowledging the universe's image in the mirror, and asking for change in myself, my own soul. Kind of like that last look in the physical mirror before I go out the door, and scraping that little piece of spinach off of my teeth!



Here is the prayer again - "Lord, please heal in me what needs to be healed in (name)" and then let it go. Let go of the control and let God take care of it.

Then we can start changing our own lives, and by changing our own lives, and no one else's, we can make a huge change in the world.

We can be the change that we want to see in the world, and not spend all of our time thinking about how Joe, or Jane, or anybody else should change.

Because that's what it's all about, changing ourselves, so that we can see the world differently and in a better light. And one by one, as everyone changes their own attitudes, the world will change too.

In peace,

Deacon Bobbie

### Prayer for Social Justice

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*BCP pg. 823*

### Save the date:

**Feb 6th at 3:00 PM**—The Music and Magic of Tim Hannig will be our next featured event in the Concert Series. Children are definitely encouraged to attend. The reception following the event will be an Ice Cream Social!

# EpiscopalLife weekly

Fourth in a series

## THE SAINTS OF GOD: *Holy Women, Holy Men*

In July 2010 the Episcopal Church's Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music launched a year-long open forum on *Holy Women, Holy Men*, the first complete revision of *Lesser Feasts and Fasts* in 40 years. "More than 100 new commemorations were approved at the 2009 General Convention," SCLM notes on its blog, [liturgyandmusic.wordpress.com](http://liturgyandmusic.wordpress.com).

"We invite you to join us in this prayer each day, whether by worshipping with a congregation or by including the commemoration in your personal devotion," SCLM continues. "Then tell us about your experience."

The online survey to assist in gathering feedback became available on July 1 and will close on June 30, 2011. After compiling the data from the survey, SCLM will prepare a comprehensive report for the 77th General Convention, meeting in 2012 in Indianapolis.

### New commemorations for November and December

(Year listed in each case is the date of death)

#### JANUARY

- 2 **Vedatayagam Samuel Azariah**, bishop of Dornakal (Madras, India), 1945. The Anglican church's first Indian bishop was an advocate of ecumenism and church unity.
- 3 **William Passavant**, prophetic witness, 1894. A Pennsylvania Lutheran pastor, he believed in practical application of the gospel, and founded many charitable organizations.
- 4 **Elizabeth Seton**, founder of the American Sisters of Charity, 1821. Seton's new community concentrated on education, social ministry and religious formation.
- 16 **Richard Meux Benson**, religious, 1915, and **Charles Gore**, bishop of Worcester, of Birmingham, and of Oxford, 1932. Both are remembered for their role in the revival of Anglican monasticism in the 19th century.
- 26 **Silas**, companion of St. Paul, Silas, along with Timothy and Titus (who share this feast day), accompanied the apostle Paul in his missionary work.
- 27 **Lydia, Dorcas** and **Phoebe**, witnesses to the faith. Lydia hosted St. Paul in Philippi and was his first European convert. Dorcas, a faithful disciple in Joppa, was raised from the dead by St. Peter. Phoebe, of Cenchreae, is the first person in Paul's list of beloved associates in Romans 16.
- 29 **Andrei Rublev**, monk and iconographer, 1430. Generally acknowledged as Russia's greatest writer of icons.
- 31 **Juan Bosco**, priest, 1888. An Italian educator, Bosco founded the Salesian Order, which stressed education, especially for the poor and working people.
- 31 **Samuel Shoemaker**, priest and evangelist, 1963. Shoemaker, who advocated the empowerment of the laity, founded Faith at Work, for personal witness in the workplace, and is considered the spiritual mentor of Alcoholics Anonymous.

#### FEBRUARY

- 3 **The Dorchester Chaplains: Lieutenants George Fox, Alexander D. Goode, Clark V. Poling and John P. Washington**, 1943. These four U.S. Army chaplains (Methodist, Jewish, Dutch Reformed and Catholic, respectively) saved the lives of hundreds of sailors on the torpedoed transport ship *Dorchester* by stemming panic and supplying life jackets. The four remained on the ship and died when it sank.
- 5 **Roger Williams**, 1683, and **Anne Hutchinson**, 1643, prophetic witnesses. Both were early champions of religious liberty in what is now the United States.
- 11 **Frances Jane (Fanny) Van Alstyne Crosby**, hymn writer, 1915. Blinded by illness in infancy, Crosby was the most prolific writer of hymn texts and gospel songs in the American evangelical tradition of the late 19th and early 20th centuries.
- 12 **Charles Fretter Andrews**, priest and "Friend of the Poor" in India, 1940. Andrews dedicated his life to relief and justice for the oppressed and poor in India and around the world. His Indian colleagues gave him the name *Deenabandhu*, "friend of the poor."
- 16 **Charles Todd Quintard**, bishop of Tennessee, 1898. After the Civil War, Quintard was instrumental in bringing together the divided Episcopal Church, and in rebuilding the University of the South, which was destroyed during the conflict.
- 20 **Frederick Douglass**, prophetic witness, 1895. An outstanding orator — and a former slave — Douglass advocated for the abolition of slavery in the United States, and for the integration and mutual respect of all races.
- 21 **John Henry Newman**, priest and theologian, 1890. A founder of the Oxford Movement, Newman converted from the Anglican to the Roman Catholic church in 1845.
- 22 **Eric Liddell**, missionary to China, 1945. Born in China to missionary parents, Liddell competed in the 1924 Olympics — a story told in the 1981 film *Chariots of Fire*. He returned to China as a missionary, and died in a Japanese internment camp.
- 25 **John Roberts**, priest, 1949. Roberts, born in Wales, became a missionary among the Shoshone and Arapahoe Native Americans in Wyoming.
- 26 **Emily Malbone Morgan**, prophetic witness, 1937. Morgan founded the Society of the Companions of the Holy Cross, an order of Episcopal laywomen.
- 28 **Anna Julia Haywood Cooper**, 1964, and **Elizabeth Evelyn Wright**, 1904, educators. Cooper was the fourth African-American woman to receive a doctorate, and was president of Freylinghuysen University. Wright founded the Denmark (South Carolina) Industrial Institute, now the Episcopal Church-affiliated Voorhees College.
- 29 **John Cassian**, abbot at Marseilles, 433. Cassian established the Benedictine monasticism that became the basic spirituality of the Western Christian church.

To participate in the survey, visit [www.psychdata.com/s.asp?SID=136205](http://www.psychdata.com/s.asp?SID=136205). Comments may also be sent to [scdm@episcopalchurch.org](mailto:scdm@episcopalchurch.org)

## St. John's Christian Education Quarterly Vestry Report

After a successful and fun Parish Picnic, which was also the kick-off for the start of the Christian Education program, the new Christian Education staff and helpers are settling into their new roles! This is the first year without Sue Drake, but she has been advising and helping out as needed. We are preparing for Solemn Communion in April this year. With Ellen Hill heading this up, she is consulting with Sue Drake and Pastor Terri as needed. Grace Church in New Lenox has not returned our calls to have the Solemn Communion sessions, so we will try to contact St. Dennis if needed.

Due to the snow storm on December 12<sup>th</sup>, the Cookie Walk was cut short and will be done on December 19<sup>th</sup>.

On the agenda for January, February, March:

Staff Meetings: January 16, February 6<sup>th</sup>, March 13th at 11:30 AM (after church)  
Epiphany Celebration on January 9<sup>th</sup>  
Valentines Bake Sale February 13th  
Finish the Kids Corner in Montgomery Hall

Thank you to all for your support and generosity to grow our Christian Education Program!

Peace Always,

Beth Paulsen  
Director, Christian Education

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## A Note from the FISH Food Pantry

The demand for food items from so many different types of clients was hard to imagine at times. The tears running down the cheeks of many so grateful that they were able to obtain food items was at times overwhelming for all of us. In the last 3 years our clients have increased from approximately **140** families a month to a record this year of **346** families a

month an **increase** of **235%**. The month of December

2010 we served **346** families which represents **1,128** individuals. Hopefully the new year will bring us better times with our shattered economy and loss of jobs. Words can not express how thankful we are of having neighbors in our community that care so much helping people in need.

God Bless,  
Bruce Davis  
President  
FISH

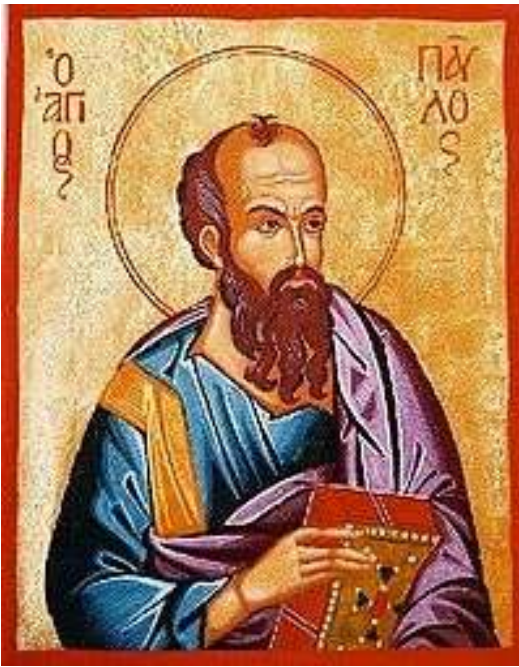


Remember  
F I S H P A N T R Y

*Every Sunday is*  
*a PANTRY SUNDAY*  
PLEASE BRING SOMETHING TO  
SHARE .

## Conversion of St. Paul

January 25



Paul, or Saul as he was known until he became a Christian, was a Roman citizen, born at Tarsus, in present-day Turkey. He was brought up as an orthodox Jew, studying in Jerusalem for a time under Gamaliel, the most famous rabbi of the day. Describing himself, he said, “I am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin” (Romans 11:1).

A few years after the death of Jesus, Saul came in contact with the new Christian movement, and became one of the most fanatical of those who were determined to stamp out this “dangerous heresy.” Saul witnessed the stoning of Stephen. He was on the way to Damascus to lead in further persecution of the Christians when his dramatic conversion took place.

From that day, Paul devoted his life totally to Christ, and especially to the conversion of Gentiles. The Acts of the Apostles describes the courage and determination with which he planted Christian congregations over a large area of the land bordering the eastern Mediterranean.

His letters, the earliest of Christian writings, reveal him as the greatest of the interpreters of Christ’s mind, and as the founder of Christian theology. He writes, “I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me” (Galatians 2:20).

Paul describes himself as small and insignificant in appearance: “His letters are weighty and strong,” it was said of him, “but his bodily presence is weak, and his speech of no account” (2 Corinthians 10:10). He writes of having a disability which he had prayed God to remove from him, and quotes the Lord’s reply, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore, Paul went on to say, “I will all the more gladly boast of my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest upon me” (2 Corinthians 12:9).

Paul is believed to have been martyred at Rome in the year 64 under Nero.

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O God, by the preaching of your apostle Paul you have caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world: Grant, we pray, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may show ourselves thankful to you by following his holy teaching; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The most famous person associated with Tarsus in religious history is [Paul the Apostle](#). Paul was born a Jew of the tribe of Benjamin in Tarsus about AD 10 and spent his early years here. His father was a Roman citizen; Paul inherited that citizenship and its rights.



Church of St. Paul

## Diocesan Council Report for December 2010

Diocesan Council met on December 11, 2010 at St. Paul's by the Lake in Chicago. Bishop Lee was present and reported that the Presiding Bishop's visit was a good one. He noted that we got good press coverage for this as well as for Caroline Reese being appointed Anti-violence Coordinator for Stroger hospital. Robert Sherman, an atheist activist, complained about public spending for clergy, but the bishop noted that this is the reason for her title rather than Chaplin. He reported that St Edmund's Redevelopment Corporation is doing \$65 million in renewal work in the St Edmund's neighborhood. B&T has approved \$8 million for renovation work at St. James Common. There will be new connector to the cathedral and the capacity of Burrill Hall will be doubled. Elevators and HVAC work will be significant. To do all the needed work would require 15 to 18 million. They are looking for a \$5.5 million bridge loan for this work.

At convention "energy audits" were discussed and on December 14 Lisa Lee will be meeting with the Deans to discuss how to do these in individual parishes. Bishop will be doing three ordinations in the next two weeks. He noted that he is doing these individually in the candidate's home parish. He will be working with CREDO on the reorganization of the Diocesan staff. There will be a conference call on this on 12/16.

The Bishop emphasized the need for prayer for peace in the Sudan as the vote on independence on January 9 approaches. All Saints Ravenswood and the Cathedral are holding prayer vigils now. Convention was discussed and we will be at the Westin for one more year. Peace and Justice Committee want the Convention moved to a "union" hotel in the future. The effort to go paperless was met with mixed success as it was difficult to read the projection screens. Next year free Wi-Fi will be provided so people with laptops can have the info right in front of them.

David Skidmore reported on the Calendars available on the Web site. There is a Google calendar which local parishes can add events to. All that needs to be done is get a person at the parish approved by David to add material. St John's should take advantage of this. There are two other calendars on the web site, but none of the calendars is all inclusive. The Treasurer reported on the finances and we continue to shrink. The only significant action taken was the approval of the MDG Task Force's recommendations on distribution of the 0.7% of budget distribution for 2010. The following were approved:

Diocese of Southeast Mexico	\$6,750
Diocese of Renk in Sudan	\$6,750
Diocese of N'Zara in Sudan	
Wells Project Sudan for Internally Displaced Person	\$5,000
St. Vincent's School, Haiti	
Prosthesis Shop	\$5,000
World Bicycle Relief	
Bicycles for Educational Empowerment Program	\$5,000
TOTAL	\$28,500

Council will not meet in January.

John Larson, representative to Diocesan Council

### Need a gift idea?

Well, Well, Well.....

Bishop Lee has challenged us as a diocese to provide 50 wells in countries where there is no safe water to drink. Each well will cost approximately \$5,000.00.

Once again, we are inviting you to participate. You can make a donation to the project in any amount and/or give a gift to someone by making a \$15.00 donation in their name. A card is available for you to send and let them know you've made this gift for them.

*Cards are available from the deacons or church office.*



**JANUARY**



01	Elsie Edburg	17	Antonine Megger	13	Thomas & Konstantina Gogerty
03	Doris Mitrovich	18	Ronald Broud	17	Jeffry & Chris Peterson
	Colette Raimondi		Ashley Lindstrand	25	Thomas & Susan Drake
04	Danielle Williams	19	Scott Hall	26	Kenneth Porter & Catherine Baker
05	Patrick Gabel	21	Sharon Laskowski		
	John Sample	24	Stephanie Benson		
06	Robert Suva		Jacquelyn Williams		
07	Bailey Kozbiel	25	Patricia Darin		
09	Lora Messer	28	Hannah Hill		
10	Patricia Graham		Kathryn Kupchek		
	Allan Luzbetak		Elizabeth Raimondi		
11	Jeffry Peterson	29	Mary Alyce Polich		
14	Susan Kapitanek	30	Brandon Raimondi		
16	Pam Carter				
	Roy Stewart				

**THIS MONTHS LESSONS**

Date	1st Lesson	Psalm	2nd Lesson	Gospel
January 2	Lessons and Carols			
January 9	Isaiah 42:1-9	Psalm 29	Acts 10:34-43	Matthew 3:13-17
January 16	Isaiah 49:1-7	Psalm 40:1-12	1 Corinthians 1:1-9	John 1:29-42
January 23	Isaiah 9:1-4	Psalm 27:1,5-13	1 Corinthians 1:10-18	Matthew 4:12-23
January 30	Micah 6:1-8	Psalm 15	1 Corinthians 1:18-31	Matthew 5:1-12



# January 2011

## St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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						1 10:30 PM H.E. The Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ New Year's Day
2 8:00 AM H.E. 9:15 AM H.E. & C.S. 9:15 AM Choir 10:30 AM H.E. [Vedanayagam Samuel Azariah]	3 8:00 PM NA [William Passavant]	4 9:00 AM Morning Prayer and Book Study [Elizabeth Seton]	5 8:30 AM Prayer Shawls 9:30 AM Morning Worship 7:00 PM Evening Worship	6 Epiphany	7 7:00 PM N/A Meeting 11:59 PM NA	8 [Harriet Bedell]
9 8:00 AM H.E. 9:15 AM H.E. & C.S. 9:15 AM Choir 10:30 AM H.E. Baptism of our Lord [Julia Chester Emery]	10 10:00 AM Daughters of the King 8:00 PM NA [William Laud]	11 9:00 AM Morning Prayer and Book Study	12 8:30 AM Prayer Shawls 9:30 AM Morning Worship 7:00 PM Evening Worship 7:30 PM Vestry Meeting [Archie of Swains]	13 7:00 PM Search Committee [Hilary of Poitiers]	14 7:00 PM N/A Meeting 11:59 PM NA [Richard Meux Benson and Charles Gore]	15
16 8:00 AM H.E. 9:15 AM H.E. & C.S. 9:15 AM Choir 10:30 AM H.E. 11:30 AM Christian Ed Staff Meeting	17 8:00 PM NA Martin Luther King, Jr. [Antony of Egypt]	18 9:00 AM Morning Prayer and Book Study Confession of Saint Peter the Apostle	19 8:30 AM Prayer Shawls 9:30 AM Morning Worship 7:00 PM Evening Worship [Wulfstan]	20 [Fabian]	21 7:00 PM N/A Meeting 11:59 PM NA [Agnes of Rome] 5:00 PM Leadership Retreat	22 [Vincent of Saragossa]
23 8:00 AM H.E. 9:15 AM H.E. & C.S. 9:15 AM Choir 10:30 AM H.E. [Phillips Brooks]	24 8:00 PM NA [Ordination of Florence Li Tim-Oi]	25 9:00 AM Morning Prayer and Book Study Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle	26 8:30 AM Prayer Shawls 9:30 AM Morning Worship 7:00 PM Evening Worship [Timothy, Titus and Silas]	27 7:00 PM Search Committee [Lydia, Dorcas and Phoebe]	28 7:00 PM N/A Meeting 11:59 PM NA [Thomas Aquinas]	29 [Andrei Rublev]
30 8:00 AM H.E. 9:15 AM H.E. & C.S. 9:15 AM Choir 10:30 AM H.E. 11:30 AM Annual Meeting	31 10:00 AM Daughters of the King 8:00 PM NA [Juan Bosco (John Bosco) and Samuel Shoemaker]					



**Welcome  
To  
Worship**

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**SUNDAY**

8:00 AM. Holy Eucharist  
9:15 AM. Children & Family  
Eucharist  
and Church School  
9:15 AM. Choir Rehearsal  
10:30 AM. Holy Eucharist

**WEDNESDAY**

9:30 AM. Morning Service  
7:00 PM. Evening Service



**2011 Sign Ups Needed!**

It is that time of year again when the new year's Altar Flower and Sanctuary Charts are put up. If there are special dates which you would like to have flowers at the altar or a sanctuary candle burning in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving for a birthday, anniversary, or other important event,

**PLEASE** sign-up!  
(Suggested donation Flowers  
\$25.00, Candle-\$10.00)

Friends of St. John's are invited to sign-up too!

Simply drop us a line with the date you would like to set aside and the purpose. Envelopes may be found in the back of the church.

**Thank You!**



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