

The Net

St. Andrew's Anglican Church

Sunday • October 14, 2012

Vestry nominations due by Oct. 18

On Sunday, Nov. 4, the Parish will elect four members to serve three-year terms — from 2013 to 2015 — on the St. Andrew's Vestry. Vestry's overall responsibilities include visioning, overseeing the direction of the Parish, and promoting our purpose and mission. If you're interested in serving your parish on Vestry, please pick up a Vestry candidate form in the Narthex, or download the form from the Member Connection of our website, and return it to **Fr. Ron Baird**, rbaird@standrewspolaris.org, or any current member of the Vestry. You may also enter another parishioner's name into nomination, provided you have their prior permission.

Candidate forms must be filled out and returned to the parish office no later than Thursday, Oct. 18 to allow the forms to be prepared and distributed to the parish at least 10 days prior to the election.

For further information, please contact Fr. Ron at the address above, or 614-548-5112, ext. 1, or talk with a current Vestry member. Further details are available on the Member Connection of our website.

Stephen Ministry there in a crisis

How many times have you, a family member, or a friend gone through a difficult time and needed someone to talk to. That is the perfect time for a Stephen Minister to step in.

Stephen Ministers are there when people are going through a crisis, such as a serious illness, job loss, divorce, hospitalization, long term illness, empty nest, etc. Stephen Ministers are available to listen, to pray, to care. They have had 50 hours of training to hone those skills and are prepared to give Christian care to those who need to have someone to be there for them. Confidentiality is a cornerstone of Stephen Ministry, so there is never any chance of a Stephen Minister divulging what a care receiver has shared.

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Blessing of the Animals

It was a perfect fall day for our 2012 St. Francis Day Blessing of the Animals on Oct. 6, which featured not only our usual menagerie of cats and dogs, but one guinea pig, and...two alpacas, two turkeys, a goat and a zebu! Thanks so much to **Jeff Schramm** of Circle G Alpaca Ranch in Alexandria for bringing these special animals to us. You can see all of the fun at www.standrewspolaris.org, and in next week's "Net."



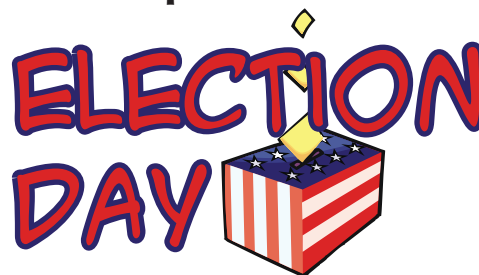
St. Andrew's to extend Election Day hospitality to Orange Township voters

Election Day is almost here, and it promises to be a large turnout. St. Andrew's will once again serve as a polling place, and we'll be welcoming voters by providing a hospitality table. More than 400 voters came through our doors for the Primary Election, and Bonnie Freeman, who as a member of the Daughters of the Holy Cross is organizing the hospitality table, expects close to 800 voters on Nov. 6.

"Your generosity in past years has earned us a wide reputation of putting out a welcoming feast for the voters. On more than one occasion our table has encouraged people to come vote, just to taste our goodies on their way home," Bonnie says.

Bonnie is asking for three people to volunteer for a two-hour period of time. Polls open at 6:30 am and close at 7:30 p.m. She place to be at the church at 5:30 a.m. to start the coffee. For most elections we have had people lining up at 6 a.m. waiting for the polls to open.

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Call goes out for Christmas voices

It's time to begin thinking about this year's "12 Voices of Christmas" presentation. Easter was such a success that we are looking into expanding Christmas. **Laurie Darke** (our very talented organist) is working on a score to augment Woodrow Kroll's monologues. This is very exciting!

We have two single women characters this year: Anna and Elizabeth. The group is "The Angels," which will be both male and female. Please begin praying about offering yourself to this ministry. God is truly working through us to expand this Christmas blessing beyond our congregation. Please join in this ministry; you will be blessed! Contact Nanci **Mother Nanci James**, njames@standrewspolaris.org or 614-895-0144 for information.

Election Day hospitality

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If your schedule does not allow you to come help out on Election Day, then perhaps you'd like to support this effort by donating items for the hospitality table. Everything from Granola Bars, oranges, candy, home-baked cookies, cupcakes, and small sandwiches are always welcome. We also need soda pop donated. Individual cans work best as they are easier for people to drink from.

Just bring your goodies to the church on Sunday, Nov. 4 and put a note on them that they are for election day. You may also bring them to the church on Monday night from 6:30 to 8 p.m., or drop them off on Election Day.

"I am so proud of our church for welcoming these voters these past years," Bonnie says. "I am sure one of the reasons for our high voter turn out is because of our hospitality table. Thank you in advance for all your help!"

To volunteer to serve on Election Day, or to contribute goodies, please contact Bonnie at 614-885-8003. If she's not there, please leave a voice mail message.

THE DAILY LECTIONARY

Week of the 20th Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 23) • Oct. 14-20

Sunday, Oct. 14 — Psalms 146, 147/111, 112, 113; Micah 6:1-8; 1 Corinthians. 4:9-16; Matthew 15:21-28

Monday, Oct. 15 — Psalms 1, 2, 3/4, 7; Micah 7:1-7; Acts 26:1-23; Luke 8:26-39

Tuesday, Oct. 16 — Psalms 5, 6/10, 11; Jonah 1:1-17a; Acts 26:24-27:8; Luke 8:40-56

Wednesday, Oct. 17 — Psalms 119:1-24/12, 13, 14; Jonah 1:17-2:10; Acts 27:9-26; Luke 9:1-17

Thursday, Oct. 18 — Psalms 18:1-20/18:21-50; Jonah 3:1-4:11; Acts 27:27-44; Luke 9:18-27

Feast of St. Luke the Evangelist — AM: Psalm 103, Ezekiel 47:1-12, Luke 1:1-4; P.M.: Psalms 67 & 96. Isaiah 52:7-10; Acts 1:1-8

Friday, Oct. 19 — Psalms 16, 17/22; Ecclesiasticus 1:1-10, 18-27; Acts 28:1-16; Luke 9:28-36

Saturday, Oct. 20 — Psalms 20, 21:1-7(8-14)/110:1-5(6-7), 116, 117; Ecclesiasticus 3:17-31; Acts 28:17-31; Luke 9:37-50

Next Sunday, Oct. 21 — Psalms 148, 149, 150/114, 115; Ecclesiasticus 4:1-10; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; Matthew 16:13-20

Note: *Except where noted, the first set of Psalms and readings are intended for the morning, and the second set for the evening.*

NEXT SUNDAY'S LESSONS

21st Sunday in Pentecost (Proper 24) • Oct. 21

- Collect: BCP 183 (8 a.m.); BCP 234 (9:30 & 11 a.m.)
- Preface of the Lord's Day: 345 (8 a.m.); 378 (9:30 & 11 a.m.)
- Job 38:1-7, (34-41)
- Psalm 91:9-16 (BCP 720)
- Hebrews 5:1-10
- Mark 10:35-45

Youth to begin study of book of Revelation

The Sunday Youth Bible Study group that meets at 11 a.m. in Room 103 will begin a study today on the book of Revelation and the end times. "I am the Alpha and Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." (*Revelation 22:13*)

Silent auction for 'Gaither Homecoming' tickets

St. Andrew's will conduct a silent auction for two tickets to "A Gaither Christmas Homecoming" on Friday, Nov. 30 at 7 p.m. at the Schottenstein Center on campus. The tickets, graciously donated to us by **Didi Loeth**, are aisle seats (Section 207, Row B, Seats 1 & 2) with a face value of \$80 for the pair. We'll be starting the auction at \$50. Watch for details on our website, www.standrewspolaris.org.

Stephen Ministry

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If you, a family member, or a friend is in need of a Stephen Minister, you may contact either of our Stephen Ministry Leaders: **Kathy Summers**, 614-939-1649 or ktsummers@sbcglobal.net, or **Sarah Fabian**, 614-562-6139 or sarah@standi.com for further information or to receive a Stephen Minister.

Stephen Ministers care!

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH

Following the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, please pray today for **Archbishop the Hon. Dr. John Holder**, Primate; for the bishops, clergy, and people of The Church in the Province of the West Indies; and for the clergy and people of the Diocese of Barbados, West Indies. Self-governing since 1883, the province includes two mainland dioceses and six island-based dioceses: Barbados, Belize, Guyana, Jamaica and the Cayman Islands, Nassau and the Bahamas and the Turks and Caicos Islands, North Eastern Caribbean and Aruba, Trinidad and Tobago, and the Windward Islands. Please pray especially for those who minister to, and share the Gospel with, those in isolated islands or remote forests.

Following the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, please pray for **Deacon Cynthia** and **Erik Olson**.

Following the Parish Cycle of Prayer, please pray today for the **Sylvester Family**; for the **Wednesday Bible Study**; and for the **Staff Support Team**.