

The Net

St. Andrew's Anglican Church

March 11, 2012



Into the Word!

Val Bowser, Children's Ministries director, leads children in a review of their Bible memory verses last Sunday. Sunday School students are memorizing Scripture by working their way through the alphabet. In addition, children are learning the promise God has for us that is found in each verse, and how it applies to their lives. Students are also working together on a class project, and for each verse they learn, earn a bead with the letter for that verse, which they put on a bracelet or necklace. The continue this week with the letter "T."



Special Lenten projects encourage alms-giving

Many Christians adopt a four-fold discipline of prayer, study, fasting and almsgiving in Lent. This year, several special Lenten projects provide parishioners with ways to fulfill the discipline of almsgiving. Read about these projects below, and consider if Christ is calling you to serve others in either of these ways!

Half Pint Library donations

As a simple way of alms-giving during Lent, if you have gently used (or even new) children's books, please bring them to church during March for the annual Half Pint Library book drive sponsored by Half Price Books. They will match each donation, book for book.

All books will be given to Columbus area non-profit organizations, sharing the love of reading with children and their families. What a wonderful way to show we care! Books can be placed in the designated boxes in the Narthex. Please call **Robin Field**, 614-895-8204, if you have any questions.

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GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES

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Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not unto your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct your paths.
(Proverbs 3:5-6)



Welcoming voters

From left, in the top picture at right, **Bonnie Freeman, Jack Reeks and Corinne Miller** welcome Orange Township residents who voted at St. Andrew's in last Tuesday's Ohio primary election; and bottom picture, Bonnie helps a child who came to the polls with her mother select a goodie. Thanks to Bonnie; members of the Daughters of the Holy Cross who set up the hospitality table Monday night; and to Bonnie's team of volunteers who welcomed the 241 voters, including Jack and Corinne, **Judy Baird, Alex Seyerle and Jim and Jackie Menke**, for serving our community in this way!



Sunday morning groups welcome new members

Looking for an adult small group? We have three that meet on Sunday mornings, and all are welcoming new members!

The "Early Birds," whose members are mostly parishioners who attend the 8 a.m. service, meet after that service, at about 9:30 a.m. Their identity is based on the Scripture, "So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing, by the Word of God." (Romans 10:17) They find that "The Early Bird gets the Word!"

Ann Schnapp also invites you to try out the Sunday Morning Apostles small group, which meets at the church on Sundays, from 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. in Room 103. This group is especially convenient for those who may have a hard time getting out frequently, or who live far away and want to stay after the 9:30 a.m. service for some deeper study.

There is also a small group Bible Study for adults at 11 a.m. in Room 104, which is led by **George Girard**.



SMALL GROUP CORNER

Prayers for the Church

Following the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, please pray today for **Archbishop Dr. Paul Kwong**, Primate, and the bishops, clergy, and people of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui (Anglican Church in Hong Kong, China) and for the clergy and people of the Diocese of Hong Kong Island. Anglicans, although numbering only 30,000 in 40 congregations in a total population of seven million, exercise a major impact as they are the second largest education provider and third largest social welfare provider in the area. One church alone, St. James, annually provides food, education, healthcare, daycare, and elder care to some 700,000 people. Please pray especially for the on-going work to the church in evangelism. Following the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, please pray today for **Fr. Scott Souders**, **Deacon Steve Wewer**, the **Rev. Cynthia Olsen**, and the people of Church of the Holy Spirit; and for **Fr. Rick Leone** and **Deacon John Robinette** and the people of Church of Our Glorious King, Huntington, Illinois.

THE DAILY LECTIONARY

The Week of the Third Sunday in Lent · March 11-17

Sunday, March 11 — Psalms 93, 96/34; Genesis 44:1-17; Romans 8:1-10; John 5:25-29

Monday, March 12 — Psalms 80/77, [79]; Genesis 44:18-34; 1 Corinthians 7:25-31; Mark 5:21-43

Tuesday, March 13 — Psalms 78:1-39/78:40-72; Genesis 45:1-15; 1 Corinthians 7:32-40; Mark 6:1-13

Wednesday, March 14 — Psalms 119:97-120/81, 82; Genesis 45:16-28; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13; Mark 6:13-29

Thursday, March 15 — Psalm [83] or 42, 43/85, 86; Genesis 46:1-7,28-34; 1 Corinthians 9:1-15; Mark 6:30-46

Friday, March 16 — Psalm 95 [for the Invitatory], 88/91, 92; Genesis 47:1-26; 1 Corinthians 9:16-27; Mark 6:47-56

Saturday, March 17 — Psalms 87, 90/136; Genesis 47:27-48:7; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; Mark 7:1-23 **Feast of St. Patrick** — Psalm 97:1-2,7-12; Ezekiel 36:33-38; 1 Thessalonians 2:2b-12; Matthew 28:16-20

Next Sunday, March 19 — Psalms 66, 67/19, 46; Genesis 48:8-22; Romans 8:11-25; John 6:27-40

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 Lectionary readings · March 18

- Collect, BCP 167 (8 a.m.), 219 (9:30 & 11 a.m.)
- Preface of Lent, BCP 346 (8 a.m.), 379 (9:30 & 11 a.m.)
- Old Testament Lesson: Numbers 21:4-9
- Psalm 107:17-22
- New Testament Lesson: Ephesians 2:1-10
- Gospel: John 3:14-21

St. Andrew's to serve at Common Ground March 17

St. Andrew's will serve at the Common Ground Free Store in Delaware next Saturday, March 17, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and your help is needed! We need seven people to serve as greeters, check-in people, warehouse workers and kitchen staff, to folks to provide food. To volunteer, please contact **Ginny Ribbans**, our Common Ground ministry coordinator, at 614-330-5304 or vribbans@sbcglobal.net. Read more about the Common Ground ministry on our web site, www.standrewspolaris.org.

Lenten Study Program off to a great start!

The parish-wide Lenten Study and Soup Supper program for adults, teens and children is off to a great start, with 76 in attendance the first week, and 78 the second week! The program, being held at the church on Wednesdays from 6:15 to 8 p.m., through March 28, takes a look at the five types of sacrifices required by God of the Jews in the Old Testament, and how Jesus fulfills each of them. If you weren't able to join us for the last two sessions, please feel free to come next Wednesday...we'll make room for you! You may sign up in the Gathering Area, or on the Member Connection of our web site.

Special Lenten projects

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Easter cards for women in prison

This Lent, the Daughters of the Holy Cross invites you to join us in sending Easter Cards to more than 400 women in prison. Help us to share the Good News of Christ's love for each of us!

We will be signing cards after the 9:30 a.m. service today, and next Sunday, March 18. Many hands will make this loving task go quickly!

Want to help, but don't have the time? Then consider supporting this wonderful outreach project by donating from five to seven stamps — or more — to the project. Simply place them in the offering plate. You may also write a check payable to St. Andrew's, with "DOHC Stamps" in the memo section, to help with the mailing. With your generosity we will have those 400-plus stamps in plenty of time to mail the cards out for Easter.

Please contact **Bonnie Freeman**, 614-885-8003, for information.