

# The Net

St. Andrew's Anglican Church

Easter Sunday • April 8, 2012

## He is risen! Alleluia!



**T**he long journey through the wilderness of Lent is finally over. We have journeyed with our Lord to Jerusalem and on to Calvary. We have felt the anguish of the death of Love in the person of Jesus Christ, the

Son of God. We have waited in the tomb as the silence of the death we deserve consumed him.

But death has not had the final word! The gates of death and Hell have been broken loose and flung wide open! As the hymn says, "Death is conquered, we are free; Christ has won the victory!"

But the best news is that it is not just an event that happened to Jesus some two thousand years ago. It is a victory that empowers us to taste real life. Life in a whole, loving relationship with God our Father and Creator. Life more abundant has been bestowed upon us in this life and a promise of more to come in the next.

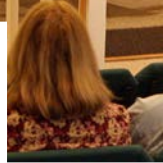
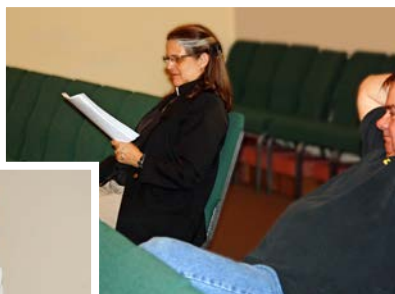
The great Feast of Easter is not only for this one Sunday. It is for 50 days! A feast for the community of the Resurrection. We are that community. And the feast will last for 50 days until the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

Alleluia! The Lord is Risen! Alleluia! We are Risen!

The Lord is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

— *Easter reflection by Fr. Ron Baird*

The Maundy Thursday presentation of "The Twelve Voices of Easter" was a highlight of our Holy Week observance. See inside for details and more pictures.



## *'Voicing' the Easter story*

Before they performed for us on Maundy Thursday, the presenters of "The Twelve Voices of Easter" rehearsed in a nearly empty sanctuary. Before we heard the first-ever musical setting to the Easter drama, organist/pianist **Laurie Darke** spent hours composing the score; and before the choir sang their haunting melodies and shouted "Crucify him! Crucify him!," they ran their lines over and over. Clockwise, from top, **Steve Darke**, as the main spokesman for "The Mob" shouts his accusations, first at rehearsal last Tuesday, and then before

the congregation on Thursday; **Randy Smith**, as Caiaphas, whispers to an empty chair, then engages more active listeners; Laurie Darke gives the choir and presenters their cue; **Mother Nanci James**, director of the drama that has become an annual tradition at St. Andrew's, follows along with the script as the presenters rehearse, while Randy Smith relaxes after running his lines; Steve Darke looks over his script before rehearsal; and members of the choir take their places as "The Mob."



On the front, from top, **Steve Darke** incites "The Mob," members of the St. Andrew's choir, on Maundy Thursday, then describes how an innocent man was crucified; **Mike Schroeder**, as Pilate, washes his hands of responsibility for the crucifixion of Christ; and **Randy Smith**, as Caiaphas, asks the congregation, "What could I have done?" This page, clockwise from upper left, **Mike Schroeder** demonstrates how Jesus carried his cross; Laurie Darke plays her original musical setting to this year's drama; **Randy Smith**, as Caiaphas, and soloists **Lesley DeBella** and **Tom James** rehearse; **Pat Carpenter** and **Austin Stout** sing on Thursday night; **Chris Bryant** mics Steve Darke before Thursday's presentation; and Mike Schroeder rehearses the role of Pilate, and, center, watches others rehearse.



### Eggs-tra thanks!

A big thank-you to the Sylvester family, who stuffed all of the Easter eggs for Saturday's Easter Egg Hunt, and to all who provided goodies.

### Thank-you to '12 Voices' participants!

A huge thank you goes out to all who participated in this year's "The Twelve Voices of Easter," especially to **Laurie Darke** who composed the music which integrated and blended our three voices into Maundy Thursday's memorable experience, **Lesley DeBella's** creativity and attention to detail was displayed in the costumes, and her musical ability in her solos and participation in our Greek Chorus. **Michael Schroeder** was commanding as Pilate. **Randy Smith** sang his way into our hearts as Caiaphas and **Steve Darke** spoke for those lost in the frenzy of "The Mob." What a wonderful job they did this year, changing their characters from soliloquy to interaction with the Greek Chorus, mob and each other.

**Pat Carpenter, Austin Stout, Lesley DeBella** and **Tom James** were the soloists, giving melody and voice to the thoughts inside the actor's heads and leaving us with the final, and most important thought: "Jesus died to save us all." The Greek Chorus came from our St. Andrew's Choir. They stretched themselves by adding movement and gestures to their harmonies; doing a wonderful job. Thank you **Kay**

## This Week

TODAY • APRIL 8

**Children will celebrate the Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord with their families in the Sanctuary.** Our regular Sunday School schedule will resume next week.

**Local Mission Offering:** Canned goods (Meat, fish, vegetables, fruit and soups.)

TUESDAY • APRIL 10

**Staff Meeting,** 10:30 a.m., Parish House.

**Stephen Ministry,** 7 p.m., Room 103.

WEDNESDAY • APRIL 11

**Holy Eucharist & Brown Bag Bible Study,** 12 Noon., Parish House. Join Mother Nancy Stanton for Holy Communion, followed by Bible Study. And bring your lunch!

**Private Piano Lessons,** 2:30 - 5:30 p.m., Sanctuary.

**Contemporary Worship Team Rehearsal,** 7 p.m., Sanctuary.

**Youth Group Bible Study,** 7 p.m., Room 103.

THURSDAY • APRIL 12

**Finance Team Meeting,** 11:30 a.m., Parish House.

**Choir Practice,** 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary.

FRIDAY • APRIL 13

**Prayer in the Morning,** 8 a.m., Sanctuary. All are welcome to this informal time of prayer. Come and stay as long as you can — 30 minutes, 45 minutes, or even an hour.

## Coming Up

SUNDAY • APRIL 15

**Christian Formation for Children,** 9:30 & 11 a.m., Rooms 101, 102, 106 & 107.

**Adult Bible Study,** 9:30 a.m., Room 103; 11 a.m., Room 104

**Youth Bible Study,** 11 a.m., Middle School & High School, Room 103.

**Sunday Morning Apostles Life Group,** 11:45 a.m., Parish House.

**Local Mission Offering:** Paper products (Paper towels, toilet paper, napkins & tissues.)

SATURDAY • APRIL 21

**Eagle Scout Ceremony,** 3 p.m., honoring Stephen Haines.

FRIDAY • APRIL 27 - SATURDAY • APRIL 28

**Youth Group's 30-Hour Famine.** Watch "The Net" for details.

SATURDAY • MAY 12

**S.A.L.T. Leadership Conference for Ministry Leaders,** 10 a.m., Sanctuary. Watch "The Net" for details.

SATURDAY • MAY 19

**Rummage Sale,** 9 a.m. Watch "The Net" for details.

**Violin Recital** by students of Ann Schnapp, 2 p.m., Sanctuary.

## Worship Attendance

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8 a.m. ....	34	Total.....	228
9:30 a.m. ....	144	Average YTD .....	187
11 a.m. ....	50	Uncion.....	6

## Rummage Sale May 19

St. Andrew's will have a spring Rummage and Bake Sale on Saturday, May 19. The date, sandwiched between Mother's Day and Memorial Day, was chosen to take advantage of the traffic that will be generated by the various Orange Township community rummage sales taking place that day. Details will be announced later, but we wanted to let you know now of the drop-off times for April so that you can bring your donated items to the church as you do your spring cleaning. They are:

- Tuesday, April 10, 4-6 p.m.
- Sunday, April 15, 12 - 3 p.m.
- Friday, April 20, 4-6 p.m.
- Saturday, April 21, 12-3 p.m.
- Monday, April 23, 5-7 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 25, 5-7 p.m.
- Saturday, April 28, 12-3 p.m.

In addition to baked goods, we will also sell ice cream and soft drinks that day. To volunteer, please contact **Julie Baldwin** at 740-803-7000 or jlbaldwin@cs.com.

## Thank-you

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**Cline, Donna Gough, Rich Landberg, Bob Seyerle, George and Brenda Spradling, and Julie Worthington.**

We also had some of the Mob scattered among the congregation, these were: **Dick Busick, George Carpenter, Jim Menke, Alex Seyerle and Mary Templeton.** Lastly, but very important to the success of this effort, was **Chris Bryant**, our technical wizard, who we challenged by adding overheads at the last minute. Thank you all for making this year exciting. I know God has blessed your efforts.

With a happy heart,  
Nanci+

*Editor's Note: Please join us in extending special recognition to Mother Nanci James, who as director did an exceptional job bringing us this year's "Voices of Easter!"*

## 'Early Birds' to begin meeting at Parish House

Effective April 15, the Early Bird Bible Study Group that meets Sunday morning after the 8 a.m. service will be meeting in the Parish House. This gives us more room to add anyone who wants to join the group, and will be a lot quieter. We are presently studying 1 Corinthians, with **Jim Reeves** leading the group. We invite you to join us next Sunday!

## Marriage Encounter dates announced for May

Looking for ways to enrich your marriage? If so, mark your calendar now for May 18-20, when there will be two Marriage Encounter Weekends in Central Ohio. A Baptist Expression weekend will be held in Westerville, and a Catholic Expression weekend in Newark. Watch "The Net" for more information, or contact Larry and Patti Cooper, 740-369-0832 or lawrence\_d\_cooper@yahoo.com

**Please see the Member Connection of our web site — standrewspolaris.org — for The Daily Lectionary, which normally runs in this spot, as well as the lectionary readings for next Sunday.**