

# The Net

St. Andrew's Anglican Church

November 6, 2016



A crusader's helmet from the Middle Ages; Darth Vader's mask from a galaxy far, far away; and a gladiator's shield from the first century all made for handy candy serving vessels during the annual children's All Saints Procession last Sunday.

## Vestry election, pledge offerings today

At all three services this weekend, we will lift up to God our pledges for the coming year. Materials for the 2017 Stewardship Campaign were mailed to active families. We hope you've taken time to read through the stewardship booklet, and have prayerfully considered what God is calling you to give toward his work in this place in the coming year.

*Read more inside*

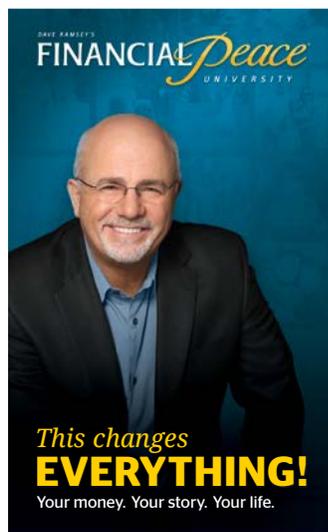
## Operation Shoebox deadline next Sunday

Time is running out, but you may still fill a Christmas shoebox for a child in need. Boxes and instructions are available in Gathering Area. Just remember they need to be back by next Sunday, Nov. 13!



## Financial Peace University begins January 8; sign up now!

Millions of people have gone through Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University (FPU) and learned God's ways of handling money. They've worked a plan, rewritten their stories, and changed their futures.



We're pleased to be bringing this life-changing program to St. Andrew's on Sundays, Jan. 8 through March 5, at 6:30 p.m. Financial Peace University consists of a nine-week curriculum taught by financial expert Dave Ramsey, and will be facilitated by Ryan Weiser. It incorporates small group discussions that help encourage accountability and discipleship. Groups meet once a week for 90 minutes, and the course is just as fun as it is practical!

Registration and course materials are required. Please contact Rachel Cherubini at [rcherubini@standrewspolaris.org](mailto:rcherubini@standrewspolaris.org) or 740-548-5112, ext. 2, for additional details or to register.

For more information regarding the Financial Peace University course please check out [www.daveramsey.com/fpu/preview/](http://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/preview/)

# The Daily Lectionary

Week of the 25th Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 27) Nov. 6-12

**Sunday, November 6** — A.M.: Psalm 93, 96; P.M.: Psalm 34; Ecclesiasticus 51:13-22; 1 Corinthians 14:1-12; Matthew 20:1-16

**Monday, November 7** — A.M.: Psalm 80; P.M.: Psalm 77, [79] Joel 1:1-13; Revelation 18:15-24; Luke 14:12-24

**Tuesday, November 8** — A.M.: Psalm 78:1-39; P.M.: Psalm 78:40-72; Joel 1:15-2:2(3-11); Revelation 19:1-10; Luke 14:25-35

**Wednesday, November 9** — A.M.: Psalm 119:97-120; P.M.: Psalm 81, 82; Joel 2:12-19; Revelation 19:11-21; Luke 15:1-10

**Thursday, November 10** — A.M.: Psalm [83] or 23, 27; P.M.: Psalm 85, 86; Joel 2:21-27; James 1:1-15; Luke 15:1-2, 11-32

**Friday, November 11** — A.M.: Psalm 88; P.M.: Psalm 91, 92; Joel 2:28-3:8; James 1:16-27; Luke 16:1-9

**Saturday, November 12** — A.M.: Psalm 87, 90; P.M.: Psalm 136; Joel 3:9-17; James 2:1-13; Luke 16:10-17(18)

**Next Sunday, November 13** — A.M.: Psalm 66, 67; P.M.: Psalm 19, 46; Habakkuk. 1:1-4(5-11)12-2:1; Philippians 3:13-4:1; Matthew 23:13-24

Next Sunday's Lectionary · November 13 (Pentecost 26, Proper 28, Year C)

**First Reading:** Isaiah 65:17-25

**Psalm 98** (BCP 728)

**Second Reading:** 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

**Gospel:** Luke 21:5-19

## Prayers for the Church

Following the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, please pray for Bishop Jose de Pina Cabral and the priests, deacons, religious, and laity of La Igreja Lusitano Catolica Apostolica Evangelica (The Lusitanian Church Catholic Apostolic Evangelical), Portugal.

The establishment of a constitutional monarchy in Portugal in 1834 granted limited religious toleration to non-Roman Catholics, and consequently led to the opening of an Anglican chapel in the capital, Lisbon. A second chapel was opened in 1868. The Anglican mission coincided with the growing influence of the Old Catholic movement in Portugal. Congregations were created from Catholic priests and laypeople who refused to accept the dogmas of the infallibility and universal ordinary jurisdiction of the Pope, as defined by the First Vatican Council in 1870.

Church of Ireland bishops and the American Episcopal Church organized the Lusitanian Church in 1880. The Church consisted of Roman Catholic Priests who formed congregations in and around Lisbon using a translation of the 1662 English Prayer Book. A Lusitanian Bishop was consecrated in 1958 and in the early 1960s many Provinces of the Anglican Communion established full Communion with the Church in Portugal. Full integration occurred in 1980 when the Church became an extra-provincial diocese under the metropolitan authority of the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The Church now numbers 5,000 members in 14 parishes and additional missions.

Please pray especially for ongoing evangelism and outreach to youth.

Following the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, please pray for Fr. David Smith and the people of Westside Anglican Fellowship, Cleveland, Ohio.

Following the Parish Cycle of Prayer, please pray for Bob and Debby Wilson; Jeff Wilson; Monique Winkelman; the Women's Bible Study; and the Outreach Ministries. Please also pray for those in government: may they remember that God has established their authority on this earth.

## Encouragement for your prayer time with God

When it might seem that God won't help anymore: "For troubles without number surround me; my sins have overtaken me, and I cannot see. They are more than the hairs of my head, and my heart fails within me. Be pleased to save me, Lord; come quickly, Lord, to help me." (Psalm 40:12-13) "In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans." (Romans 8:26) — *From the St. Andrew's Prayer*

## Mid-week Prayer

### Services Nov. 8, Nov. 23

There are many spiritual forces at work; so we must continue to pray for our country, as well as other concerns. Come for the mid-week Prayer Services on Wednesday, Nov. 9 and Wednesday, Nov. 23, from 12 to 1 p.m. in the Sanctuary. "For our fight is not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, and against spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places." (Ephesians 6:12)

## November Birthdays

Caroline Sylvester  
John Baird  
Nancy Renshaw  
Mother Nanci James  
Ben Tranchina  
Jana Lilly  
Julie Worthington  
Dave Johnson  
Jim Menke  
Meg Spanos  
Diane Bobay  
Marilyn Barnes  
Adelaide Kilbourne  
Connor Darke  
Eric Whitehead  
Larry Baldwin  
Christie Carter  
Patrick Nelson

## November Anniversaries

Mike & Karen Brust  
Tasso & Becky Spanos  
Jodi & Steve Moehring  
Samuel Waitthaka & Sarah Muriu  
Ed & Kathy Summers  
Alan & Christie Carter

## Vestry election

*Continued from the front*

A line item budget is also available at the Information Desk in the Narthex.

If you did not receive a stewardship packet, copies are available in the Narthex today, as are extra pledge cards.

Also this weekend we'll be electing members to the Vestry. Candidates are Karen Osmond, Burt Otani, Steve Sattler, and Jon Wallace. Four members will be elected three-year terms. Candidate profiles are available in the Narthex.

# *In communion with the saints*

By Fr. Ron Baird

Feast of All Saints and the Feast of All Souls are celebrated in the Church on Nov. 1 and 2, respectively. It is fitting, then, that we take a look today at what the Church teaches about the Communion of the Saints.

Many people ask why it is that we pray for the dead. Their questions often include, "Isn't it already too late for them?"

This reveals a narrow understanding of Salvation. Anglicans do not believe that Salvation is merely an endeavor to get into Heaven as some sort of reward! Rather, it is the all encompassing immersion into life and health that is full relationship with God, our Creator. Eternal life is not a destination. It is real, abundant, joyful life that begins in our baptism into Christ and never ends.

St. Paul tells us that nothing, not even death, can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ. Therefore, just as we pray for one another and those whom we love who are present to this world — who are growing deeper and deeper into the eternal life that is theirs in Christ — we pray for those who have died to this world and this mortal body, because we know that their life in Christ is not ended. It has been transformed into a celestial body and now continues on in that form until the end time.

In Christ, all Christians are gathered into one Body, the Church. The separation of those Saints who have died and gone before us from those who remain is only a physical one, not a spiritual one. In Christ, at his Holy Table, in the communion that is

the Eucharist, we are one with them forever! Therefore, we pray for their continued growth in the Lord and we ask through Christ for them to continue to pray for us.

Again, a common misunderstanding about Anglicans is that we pray to the Saints. We do not pray to them. In prayer, we ask them to pray for us, just as we pray for them. Prayer is directed only to God. But as we and the Saints are one in Christ, through our prayers to God we can communicate with them!

We often adopt a patron (or favorite) Saint because their life has served as an example to us of what faith in Christ is really about. As we ask them to pray for us, a large part of the request is that God will engender in us the strength of faith that our favorite Saint has exhibited!

We are all one in Christ. In Christ we have all died and we have all been raised into eternal life. That includes those of us who live in this worldly existence, and those who have died and gone before. In prayer we are connected in Christ Jesus, One Body, One Church.

Pray for those who have died and seek their prayers for us as we all seek to grow into the full stature of Christ in the communion of the Saints.

*We give thanks to the Father, who has made us worthy to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.*

— *Colossians 1:12*

Today we remember parishioners who have died since last All Saints Day. We also remember family members and friends submitted by parishioners. May their souls and the souls of all the Saints rest in God's peace, and may light perpetual shine upon them until that day when we are reunited with them in the Kingdom of God.

## **Members**

Robert Eugene Lindemann, January 13, 2016; husband of Polly Lindemann

Georgiana L. Thomas Marasek Pearson, January 21, 2016

Valerie P. Reynolds Serback, June 18, 2016

Hilda Barnes, July 8, 2016

## **Family and Friends**

Shirley Baldwin, December 17, 2015; mother of Larry (Julie) Baldwin

Tom Walsh, January 1, 2016; friend of Pat Carpenter

Susan Whitehead, January 13; mother of Eric (Tally) Whitehead, and grandmother of Taylor, Baxter, Keever and Sommer Whitehead

Larry Harper, January 13, 2016; former member

Dr. Arthur J. Cloran, March 8, 2016; father of Wini Cloran and grandfather of Emelie Deslauriers

Presit Lohseri, March 15, 2016; adopted brother of Pat Carpenter

David Baumgartner, March 16, 2016; father of Ann Schnapp

Wahneta Greiner, March 16, 2016; former member

Patricia Ann Brill, May 5, 2016; mother of Dan (Christine) Brill

Mary R. Brown, July 10, 2016; mother of Didi Loseth

Marilyn Baumgartner, September 17; mother of Ann Schnapp

Tim Reed, October 25, 2016; co-worker of Pat Carpenter

Jacqueline E. Reeks, October 26, 2016; family of Jack Reeks



*Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.*

— *Book of Common Prayer, p. 245*

*If we inadvertently missed a loved one in this list, please contact the Parish Office at 740-548-5112 or Judy Baird at [jbaird@standrewspolaris.org](mailto:jbaird@standrewspolaris.org).*



Fr. Ron Baird with quite a cast of characters at the 9 a.m. service, above; and the 11:15 a.m. service, at right, last Sunday.



At left, top, three spooky sparkly witches, all in purple, including one to her tippy toes; and bottom, a Futbol Club Barcelona player with his shoebox to fill for Operation Christmas Child.



## Angel Tree program deadline Sunday, Nov. 20

St. Andrew's is participating in the Angel Tree Program sponsored by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew's for the Common Ground Free Store. Gifts will be distributed at the "Miracle on William Street" event on Dec. 3, where St. Andrew's own Santa Claus/St. Nicholas will make an appearance.

Common Ground is asking that gifts (cards or packages) be around a \$20 value and suggestions are on the back of each card. You are not limited to these ideas, however. Gifts are not to be wrapped, and may be placed under the Christmas tree in the Gathering Area with tag attached. Please give any gift cards to either Diane Bobay or Marty Scott. Gifts and gift cards are to be at St. Andrew's no later than Sunday, Nov. 20.-

## Bishop Jackson to visit St. Andrew's Nov. 19 & 20

We're pleased to announce that the Rt. Rev. Dr. Ronald Jackson, who was consecrated as the second bishop of the Anglican Diocese of the Great Lakes in April, will make his first official visit to St. Andrew's on Saturday, Nov. 19, and Sunday, Nov. 20.

It is appropriate that all baptized Christians make a mature profession of faith in Jesus Christ. Adults and mature youth who have not yet been confirmed are invited to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation when the bishop visits. In addition, members who have joined St. Andrew's in the past year (or any member) who would like to renew their baptismal vows before the Bishop are invited you to do so. (See information about rehearsal for the service in the article below.)

If you desire to be confirmed, received into the Anglican Church, or wish to renew your baptismal vows, please contact the parish office at 740-548-5112, or mail@standrewspolaris.org.

### Confirmation rehearsal for youth and adult confirmands Nov. 13

The final session of the youth confirmation class will be Sunday, Nov. 13, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the church. Fr. Ron Baird also asks adults interested in being confirmed or received, as well as those who wish to reaffirm their baptismal vows, when Bishop Ron Jackson visits on Nov. 20 to attend this class, as well. The class will feature a discussion of a rule of life for Christians, and there will be a rehearsal for the confirmation service.

### 'Celebrate Marriage' anniversary dinner Nov. 19

The Celebrate Marriage Small Group will host a dinner on Saturday, Nov. 19, for all members of St. Andrew's who celebrated wedding anniversaries this fall (August through November). The event will be held in the Gathering Area following the 5 p.m. Saturday service. Watch "The Net" and our website for further details!