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## The Outrider

July 2010

#### **Announcement from our Senior Warden**

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

I have some exciting news to share. On Tuesday, June 8th, I was able to share with the Vestry our selection of The Rev. Norman MacLeod as our Interim Priest. In my presentation to the Vestry, there were so many things that excited me about Norman. He is energetic, passionate about the Episcopal Church and its liturgy, has strong communication and preaching skills and even wants to learn Spanish! Norman is excited about St. John's and what we do. He has strong managerial skills to help us continue our great work while we carry out the process of searching and selecting a permanent priest. We are working out the details of Norman's arrival July 7th and look forward to sharing those details with you soon..

#### About our Interim Priest



The Rev. Norman MacLeod comes to St. John's-on-the-Green as our Interim Priest after 2 years as the Interim Priest, of St. James Episcopal Church, Keene, NH. April, 2008 to June 2010. Prior to that he served more than ten years as Rector of Christ Church, Guilford, Connecticut. During that time, Christ Church had significant growth in membership, the Sunday School, stewardship and outreach. For the six years prior to his pastorate in Guilford, he served as Vicar of St. Augustine's Church in Kingston, Rhode Island, and as the Episcopal Chaplain at the University of Rhode Island.

He graduated from Yale Divinity School in 1989. Norman graduated with a degree in theatre from Clark University and received a Master's degree in education from Adelphi University, specializing in Waldorf education. Before going to divinity school, he worked in the fields of journalism and education.

His place of birth: Southington, Connecticut

Norman is married to Elizabeth C. Stevens. Elizabeth has a doctorate in American Studies from Brown University. Her dissertation was a biography of social activists Elizabeth Buffum Chace and her daughter Lillie Chace Wyman. The former was chosen as the first woman to be honored by a statue at the Rhode Island State House. Elizabeth's book was published in March, 2004. Children: George, 27 (Bowdoin College, 2005); Jessie, 23 (Yale University, 2008), and Emily, 19

•(Vassat College; 2012).

#### PASTORAL CARE

During this time of change, before St. John's has an interim priest, if there are any needs of a pastoral nature, i.e., hospital visits, counseling, confidential conversation with a priest or help of any kind, parishioners may contact Father Armando Gonzalez (cell phone: 1-860-202-5736), the senior warden, Scott Moore (cell phone: 203-232-0996) or the office (203-754-3116). Several priests, active and retired, have offered to be available to St. John's parishioners for pastoral needs and we also have our regular crew of Lay Eucharistic Ministers who visit the homebound or hospitalized. Please don't hesitate to call - your privacy will be respected and all requests will be confidential.

Padre Armando Gonzalez, Scott Moore, Sue Cromwell and Harriet Fotter

### Worship and Celebrate In the Close

#### Two summer celebrations you won't want to miss!

Combined Outdoor Worship Service at 11:00 am Barbecue Picnic to follow Bring your favorite picnic recipe to share. Bring a friend or two.

#### Sunday July 25 - Holy Smoke! It's a Sizzling Sunday!



Service in the Close. Enjoy the outdoors with old friends and make new ones. Invite your family members and friends to worship together and then enjoy a **sizzling** barbecue.

Don't keep St John's a secret, share this day with a friend.

#### Sunday August 22 - Friendship Festival Sunday Worship and Picnic

What is this event all about? It is about evangelism made easy. It is about making it is easy to get to know others. It is about fun, food, and friendship. Mingle with old friends. Greet church members you have never talked with before.

Bring a friend to worship and celebrate with.



FRIENDSHIP FESTIVAL SUNDAY





Confirmation was held on June 5 at 4pm here at St. John's with the Rt. Rev. Dr. Laura Ahrens, Bishop Suffragan of Connecticut. Our Confirmands are (left to right) RJ White, Brandon Decarolis, Brittany Clarkson and Olivia McDonald. Missing from the photo is Marie Gomes

## **Chorister Academy News**

Sunday, June 06, 2010 'We Learned How to Sing the Meaning of Music'

In this day and time it seems very hard to keep friends close forever. Just like Jim Bradley: he will be missed, but we have to move on with our lives knowing that things will get better here. As you can see today is Mrs. Coffin's last day of being our choir teacher. As the head chorister, I want to say that you will be missed. We appreciate all those six years that we got to enjoy with you. I can just remember my first time coming into choir. I wasn't really interested, but something about it made me come back for more. I really didn't know how to sing. To be honest, I didn't even know how to hold a piece of music paper. But look at us now. Our voices changed, and we learned how to sing the meaning of music. Music is my passion, and it always will be. Mrs. Coffin, you will not be forgotten. Your love and support have been appreciated. Please know that you will always be in our hearts and in our prayers. We want to wish you the best in life. I wish you could stay with us but it was your decision to move on with life, and we all accept it. The choristers will miss you a lot. You are one of a kind.

We love you, Mrs. Coffin, and we wish you the best.

-Diana Hernandez, Head Chorister



#### 2010 FALL TAG SALE

Are you doing summer - fall cleaning? St John's will be having a Tag Sale Saturday September 11 - 9am to 2 pm, set up 9am to 7pm, Thurs September 9 and 9am to 9pm Friday September 10. We need lots of help so please consider any time you can give. Items may also be dropped off Monday to Friday before 11:00 am and on Sundays. We are taking all items, misc household, furniture, jewelry etc. Empty groceries bags are also needed. If you have any questions call 203-706-2293. Thank you, Mike Clarkson.

PLEASE no computers, car seats or linens.

#### ESTA CAMBIANDO LA VIDA DE LA FAMILIA? (F. Armando González)

La vida de la familia cambia. Algunas veces los cambios son de forma. Otras veces son de contenido. Los cambios ocurren cuando hay cambios en la forma en que la sociedad vive. Esto se puede observar cuando individuos o familias cambian de un medio socio-cultural a otro diferente.

Por ejemplo, las familias que se desarrollan en países de America Latina, típicamente son más numerosas, son más unidas y solidarias, y tienden a preservar sus tradiciones. Los cambios que ellas experimentan son muy lentos y se dan mayormente en áreas urbanas.

Un ejemplo dramático es el que ofrece una familia o individuo que emigra de un área rural a una ciudad. En el campo la familia experimenta una dependencia de los frutos de la tierra que la misma familia produce, y la contribución de animales domésticos. Los hijos son criados y educados un poco por la escuelita rural, pero mayormente por la fuerza social de las costumbres y tradiciones religiosas. En la ciudad la familia va a iniciar una fase de aprendizaje, reconociendo el medio ambiente y aprendiendo a desarrollar nuevas habilidades que el medio urbano le ofrece. Por ejemplo: trabajar como vigilante, trabajar un jardín, limpiar zapatos, limpiar carros, vender productos por las calles, limpiar casas, trabajos en la construcción, en el transporte de carga, los alimentos, etc., son las nuevas posibilidades que se le presenta a la familia.

Ese cambio de ambiente, crea en la familia nuevas formas de vida que usualmente no acostumbraban en su antiguo medio social. Cambian sus ideas acerca de su propio futuro, y en forma inevitable su vida social se vuelve mas activa en defensa de sus intereses. Tratan de mejorar su educación, de tener menos hijos, y de buscar nuevas oportunidades.

Otro ejemplo no menos dramático es cuando emigramos de un país de America Latina a un medio cultural diferente; especialmente si en ese medio cultural el idioma es diferente. Este podría ser nuestro caso. Ser familia emigrante de primera generación implica rápida adaptación de cada uno de sus miembros, asimilando idioma, costumbres y formas de vida. También hay emigrantes de primera generación con hijos que nacen aquí. Para estos dos tipos de familia, la clave para la superación progresiva es el dominio del idioma.

Cuanto más rápido se domine el idioma, mas rápido será el progreso. Los datos revelan que los niños que experimentan con programas bilingües atrasan su progreso, en comparación a otros que no participan de ese programa. La lengua materna en el hogar es importante y los padres pueden dedicar tiempo para estar con sus hijos y al mismo tiempo enseñarles su idioma.

Además, los niños en un medio como este, se convierten en verdaderos e insustituibles recursos para que los padres puedan aprender o mejorar no solo el idioma Inglés sino también el conocimiento que ellos tienen como traductores para los padres, o como usar la Internet, los teléfonos celulares con todas ventajas. Por eso el "Urban Dictionary tiene una frase que describe esa situación: *Child assistance*, "niño ayudante de adultos". Si usted tiene a su hija/hijo que va a la escuela y tiene servicio de Internet deje que sea su guía en ese campo. Usted se asombrará.

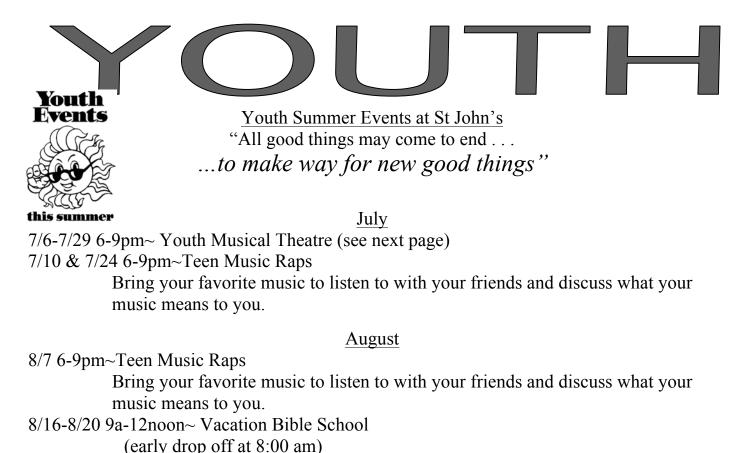
Aquí en nuestro medio la familia Latinoamericana, esta cambiando. Y debemos trabajar mucho más para que esos cambios sean para el mejor futuro de nuestros hijos. Eso requiere esfuerzo y sacrificio. Además, piense por un momento que no estamos solos en esa tarea. Dios esta con nosotros.

#### THE LIBRARY

The librarian is on vacation until the end of September. Please save books you wish to donate until the fall. You may still borrow books over the summer. Please write the title and your name in the log book on the library cart. Thanks and happy summer reading.

Marcia Holroyd

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8/29 1pm~ Rock Cats Baseball Game – "Faith and Family Day" (see ad below)

<u>September</u> 9/1 6:00~ 7:30 pm First Youth Group Meeting 9/12 9-10am~ First Church School – "Meet and Greet"





# HAPPENINGS

#### <u>St. John's</u> Youth Musical Theatre

Hey guys, this summer we're gonna try something brand new! Do you like singing, dancing, and acting? Join us for our own rendition of



It's an upbeat musical comedy about a boys band whose mission is To spread the Word of God. It's got pop, rock and roll, Latino, and hip hop music!

Don't let the name fool you, it's not just for boys. We need boys and girls of all ages and backgrounds. You can ask your friends, too. The only requirement is You're ready to work, you're committed, you sign the contract, and you have FUN!

Rehearsals will be in the evenings during specific days in July. Two Thursday evening performances will be on July 15<sup>th</sup> and 29th.

> Rehearsals will run from 6–9pm at St John's Church On the following dates:

#### SESSION 1:

<u>REHEARSALS</u> - July: 6, 7, 12, 13, 14

SHOW – Thursday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 7-8pm; followed by a light reception

SESSION 2:

<u>REHEARSALS</u> – July: 19, 20, 22, 26, 28

SHOW – Thursday, July 29th, 7-8pm; followed by a light reception

For more detail contact Angela White at afwhite09@gmail.com or 860-584-0781.

June 6

Picnic

#### SECOND COLLECTIONS

#### Did you know...

#### St. John's Episcopal Church has raised **\$410.00**

on OneCause

#### **Five Summer Tips for Cause Supporters**

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Onecause is a way of shopping online and having them donate a portion of your purchase to St. John's. It doesn't cost the shopper anything. If you haven't joined Onecause yet, its easy. Please pick up one of the flyers that are in the back of the church or on the hallway table.

The team at OneCause wishes you a happy and safe summer vacation. We hope you have plenty of time to renew and reconnect with family and friends. Before you take off, we just have a few ways you can continue to help St. John's Episcopal Church during the summer months.

- 1. Start your travel purchases at OneCause You'll find all of your favorite travel merchants offering the latest deals at OneCause. Plus, shop Delta now to earn a 2% contribution!
- 2. Remember to shop our seasonal gift guide You'll find gifts for everyone on your list, and you'll earn contributions on every purchase.
- **3.** Get books (or e-books!) for summer reading Whether reading Kindle, NOOK or a good old fashion book, you'll find plenty of literary escapes among our books and magazines merchants. If you want to go digital, Barnes & Noble.com is now offering a free \$50 gift card when you buy the NOOK eReader (expires 7/3/2010).
- 4. Post a link to OneCause on your Facebook profile If you're on Facebook, post a link to OneCause and encourage your friends and family to support St. John's Episcopal Church.

#### Check it out at onecause.com

#### PRAYER LISTS AT ST. JOHN'S

- July 4 Linda & Edward Snyder & Family, Julio & Yecenia Soto & Family, Ana Sousa & Joseph Kullberg, Laura Spagnuolo & Family, Ray & Audrey Sperring, Dwight & Karin Steisel & Family, Jane Steisel, Michael & Robin Stokes & Family, Christine Stolfi & family, Pam Strassner & Family, Albert Strobel
- July 11 Keith Sullivan & Carrie Zimyeski, John Svehlak & family, Deborah Taylor Sweeney, Barbara Sylvestro, Gail Szantyr, Mark & Ann Tabaka, Greg & Erin Tani & Family, Celia Tapia & Maria Delgado & Family, Larry & Kathleen Tapley & Family, Montgomery & Renee Taylor, Peter & Sharon Taylor
- July 18 Nelson Tchakirides, J. Peter Tchakirides, Mary Terrell, Leo & Josephine Thibodeau, Mary Beth Thompson, Leoncio Tineo & Danef Pichardo & Family, Monica Tiso, Shawn & Susan Tittle & Family, Angela Tolomeo, Tyler & Kendra Tompkins & Family, John & Melissa Torrance & Family
- July 25 Carmen Torres & Family, Juan & Anna Torres & Family, Sandy Totoritis, Joseph & Michelle Tournas & Family, Cenetta Trotman, Kathleen & Robert Trowbridge & Family, Elizabeth Trzcinski & Jennifer Moniello, Harvey Udell

#### Training in Martial Arts Can Change the Futures of At-Risk Youth Lives

Why do I consider Martial Arts a part of life at Saint John's? Martial Arts training is not only self-defense. It is a structured environment and involves discipline both emotionally and physically while teaching self-awareness to young minds. Out of this self-awareness, self-esteem, self-respect and self-control are the byproducts. This translates into insight and tolerance at an age where peer pressures and poor choices can have a lifelong impact.

I have always thought that spirituality is about being self reflective, thoughtful, and tolerant of our fellow human beings, and that is the message I got from Sensei Troy Bond. During my meeting with Sensei Troy he told me the message delivered to his students is work hard, try your best in school and listen to your parents, as well as behave at home and school. Just imagine giving a child who feels that they have no control over themselves and their situation an opportunity to be part of a structured program where unity, peace, danger, caution, strength, loyalty, respect, honor, discipline, self-control, and responsibility are the mission.



While the title of my narrative is "Training in Martial Arts Can Change the Futures of At-Risk Youth Lives" this is a program open to all the youth of Saint John's. Being a parent of 4, I cannot imagine a child in today's world that could not use an environment where self-awareness, self-esteem and self-respect and self-control are taught. Why not share that message with our children in their church? How cool is it that we can let our kids build community amongst themselves and have fun too.

Scott Moore, Senior Warden

When: Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:00PM until 6:00PM. Where: The auditorium at St. John's. Who: Children from 4 to 104! How: Just show up and try it out. Why: Build a better future.

Today is Father's Day as I write. I remember my Dad calling me "a good kid" and today I am calling



you "good kids". For Luke, CCI and myself, I send to Peg Cormack, Monica Tiso, Ted & Pat Bojarski, Doris Hollenstein, Bob Baranoski and so many others, our heartfelt thanks for remembering Luke to CCI. I cannot explain the benefit you have provided for an "exceptional dog and an exceptional disabled person" That is the motto of Canine Companions for Independence and describes perfectly what you have done with your support. I am pleased to tell you that I will be going to CCI Training to get my new friend the first 2 weeks of August. Know that we will not be allowed to socialize with everyone for a few weeks after we return, as we will need to learn all about each other before we can socialize. Perhaps we will be ready by October and then "our" new friend will become a "parishioner" too. May God bless you all for what you have shared in Luke's name.

Jo Plunske

7/1	Eric Beaudoin	7/15	Ena Dover	7/24	Holly Hart
7/1	Ana Halligan	7/15	Johlaye John	7/25	Robert Farina
7/1	Nicholas Mattson	7/16	Lindsey DiBenedetto	7/25	Beth Frazine
7/2	Emily Belury-Matos	7/16	Kim Hunter	7/25	Nathan Lyman
7/2	Riley Belury-Matos	7/16	Zashea Nelson	7/25	Ana Moore
7/3	Ray Barker	7/16	Shelly Perrotti	7/25	Aye'Jha Punter
7/3	Glenn Thompson	7/16	Miley Slattery	7/25	Joaneth Quiles
7/4	Jason Flores	7/17	Lorraine Barker	7/25	Kyla Walker
7/5	Joseph Goulet	7/17	Sharon McDonald	7/26	Alison Jeannin
7/7	Lee Bossio	7/17	Brianna Scognamiglio	7/26	Don Langlais
7/7	Olivia Henderson	7/19	Michael Sims	7/27	Colin Bossio
7/8	Brianna Longo	7/20	Scott Petrosky	7/28	Kaelin Barrionuevo
7/8	Briana Varrone	7/20	Michelle Rivera	7/29	Nicholas Capobianco
7/9	Austin Saindon	7/20	Nelson Tchakirides	7/29	Manuel Cornejo
7/10	Nicolas Longo	7/20	Courtney White	7/29	Nicholas Mastropietro
7/10	Patricia Sari	7/21	Robert Klein	7/29	Martin Miranda
7/11	Rebecca Cipriano	7/21	Nicky Rosa	7/29	Savannah Rodriguez
7/12	Miguel Flores	7/21	Gage Trivaudet	7/29	Betsy Santos Cruz
7/13	Carla Cinquegrana	7/21	Harvey Udell	7/30	Eleanor Urena Ruiz
7/13	Kiana Livingston	7/22	Jason Lewis	7/31	Cy-Airra Desouza
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7/14	George Zucca	7/23	Jo-Anne Plunske		
7/15	Kayla Bellavance	7/24	Peter Gervickas		

Thomas & Kolleen DelGrosso
Andrew & Sarah Mazzei
David & Janet Gurniak
Susan & David Cromwell
Donna Ploski & Donald Anderson
Joe & Rebecca Cipriano
Evanson & Ena Dover
Thomas & Bonnie Flanagan
Don & Linda Pomeroy
Bill & Laura Breslin

#### **Altar Flowers**

St. John's Flower Ministry has modified the way altar flowers are dedicated on each Sunday. Altar flower offerings of nature's beauty are acts of worship that enhance the liturgical seasons, provide beauty to God's altar, and express our love of God's creation in all seasons.

The Flower Ministry has issued an "open call", if you will, for anyone to have altar flowers donated in memory of a loved one, regardless of the amount donated.

On this page are three forms to fill out: one form if you just want to make a general donation to the altar flower fund, a second form for those who wish their loved one(s) to be remembered in the Prayers of the People, and a form for Communion Bread and Wine offerings.

#### Communion Bread and Wine Offering If you would like to have Communion Bread and Wine offered in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving for someone or something, please fill out this form and drop it in the collection plate or mail into the Church Office (Donation is \$10): Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_

In Memory Of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Thanksgiving For: \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday you wish Bread & Wine celebrated for:

#### Prayer List Requests

All names will remain on the prayer list for four weeks. If you need to have that time extended, please contact the church office at 203-754-3116. Names can be added to the prayer list by phone or you can fill out this form and return it to the office.

Please add the following name(s) to the prayer list:

Submitted by:

#### ALTAR FLOWERS

I wish to make a donation to the flower fund:

In Memory Of: \_\_\_\_\_

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In Thanksgiving For:

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#### AUGUST OUTRIDER



The deadline for submitting articles for the August 2010 Outrider is July 9, 2010. Please submit all announcements and articles via e-mail to OUTRIDER@stjohnsonthegreen.org or mail them or deliver them to the church office, attention OUTRIDER. You can also give them to Sue Cromwell.