

THE LION'S PAUSE

With

BARBARA CAMPBELL,

Senior Warden

Dear St. Mark's Parish,

Bill got us safely through Trinity Sunday focusing on the importance of relationships. I have been noting relationships as I tackle my yard with my clippers. Take bittersweet – please!! Its tendrils are everywhere, their graceful sway hooks them onto everything and they wrap so tightly they strangle the support they depend upon. Invasive is an understatement! Trees are defenseless.

I have established a relationship with wild roses. At home the stalks are getting thicker and the blossoms bright red. At the Lake, I've been at it longer and the bush covers one corner of the deck with thousands of white petals. Both bushes are given to sudden growth spurts of four feet or more.

My newest experiment is the upside down tomato plant. Soon the seedlings will be 5 inches tall and ready to be hung upside down. I've seen this done successfully with trees at MASS MOCA in North Adams.

But we started with relationships. Creation holds within it the tension between exuberance for life which bittersweet definitely exhibits and the self-centeredness of that exuberance. I have the feeling God knows creation is both a problematic and a messy process.

Wild roses strike me as being Christ-like. They determine where they will appear. They are ordinary, of uncertain parentage and burst into beauty. They can fit into society unless elitism (or named roses only) reigns, and they have these tremendous growth spurts of outreach.

The upside down tomatoes seem to be leading us outside the box, into new viewpoints, some strange as at MASS MOCA, and maybe, just maybe, my tomatoes will be a good idea – inspired, one might say!

Peace,

Barbara A. Campbell

Barbara Campbell



Summer Music at St. Mark's

Requests are now being taken for your favorite music selections to be used during services this summer. Please contact the office or Ben Gryk (ext. 205) with your requests.

Γ SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Starting July 4th through September 5th

7:45 A.M. Church

9:00 A.M. Courtyard

(Weather permitting 9:00 a.m.

service will be held in the courtyard.)

Beginning Tuesday, July 6th, the Parish Office will be open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Where is the World is Mother Hames

This week we received a postcard from Mother Hames from across the island of Mull, Scotland.

“Traveling back from the Iona across the island of Mull we've experienced exceptional hospitality –
- from farmers inviting us in to tea
- from folks going out of their way to provide us with accommodations
- from the 30 or so parishioners of this lovely little Scottish Episcopal Church (see postcard) out in the country.

Blessings, Pat+”

Look for her postcards on the board in Sacristy Hall!

Watch the Message and bulletin for more postcards from our rector!

4th Annual Walk and Roll

St. Mark's is pleased to be participating in the 4th Annual Mayor's Walk & Roll in Walnut Hill Park, Monday, July 19th. We'll once again be giving away ice cream sundaes, free tattoos, and school supplies. Our prayer table will be set up as well. We are asking for the following supplies to be donated: Pencils, Small rulers, Crayons, Erasers, Small pads of paper, Safety scissors, Glue sticks, Hi-liters, Pocket facial tissues, Pencil pouches.

Shoe boxes are needed as well to box them up in. Thanks in advance for your generosity and kindness.

Stepping-off is at 6:00 p.m. and the band starts at 7:00 p.m. We hope to see you there.

CLASSIC CLUTTER NOTICE

Items have already started to come in and we greatly appreciate everyone's efforts. A reminder though, we cannot take computers, printers, fax machines, cell phones, National Geographic (or any magazine for that matter) Reader's Digest or text books.

We thank you in advance for all your help in making this a success.

Bob, Mary Ann, Betty and Mark

Sunday, June 27, 2010

✠ The Fifth Sunday After Pentecost ✠

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:16-16, 19-21
Epistle: Galatians 5:1, 13-25
Gospel: Luke 9:51-62

Prayers for our Parish families: Juan, Dawn, Dejaun and Jonathan Rodriguez, Maynard and Mary Jo Ronstrom and Nancy Ross.

PRAYER CHAIN: to activate the chain call Barbara Campbell (673-7607), Campbellba@Earthlink.NET.

PRAYER GROUP - Mondays at 7:00 a.m. - Library

NOONDAY PRAYER with intercessions is said each Thursday at noon in the Chapel. All welcome.

If you or someone you know is hospitalized, please inform the clergy or call the office 860-225-7634.

Adult Religious Discovery
Is cancelled for this week June 24th.
We will meet as usual July 1st.

St. Mark's Softball Team Schedule
Games start at 6:30 p.m.

Date	Team	Place
June 28	Holy Spirit	Chelsey #3
June 30	East Berlin	Chelsey #2
July 7	St. Mary	Washington
July 12	El Shadide	Washington

Summertime and The Living Is Easy

Don't forget St. Mark's Church as you travel this summer. Send us a postcard, e-mail or pictures of your vacation and we'll post it on the board for everyone to enjoy!

HIGHLIGHTS

Message Renewal is due
Where in the World is Mother Hames
Summer Worship and Music
Monday, July 19th - 6 p.m. - 4th Annual Walk and Roll
Classic Clutter update

ST. MARK'S MESSAGE

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The Rev. Patricia M. Hames, Rector
The Rev. Hope H. Eakins, Associate Priest
The Rev. William J. Eakins, Associate Priest
The Rev. Leigh Preston, Hispanic Ministry
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ST. MARK'S PARISH SCHEDULE

Sunday, June 27

*6:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.
7:45 a.m.
*8:30 a.m.
*9:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m.
*11:15 a.m.
*12:00 p.m.
*12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
4:00 p.m.
*7:00 p.m.

The Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

Iglesia Refugio - Library
HOLY EUCHARIST - Church
Adult Choir Warm-up - Choir Rm.
Adult Forum - Church
HOLY EUCHARIST - Church
Coffee Hour and Fellowship - Aud.
New Life Church - Gym
Iglesia Refugio - Church
LA SANTA EUCARISTIA
A.A. Regular Meeting - Gym

Monday, June 28

7:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

Prayer Group - Saunders Lib.
Food Pantry Open
Iglesia Refugio - Church
A.A. - BBCC Group - Gym
Light Hearted A.A. Group - Lib.

Tuesday, June 29

9:30 a.m.
3:30 p.m.
5:00 p.m.
6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Staff Meeting
Friends of Bill W. AA - Lib.
Women's AA Meeting - Gym
Iglesia Refugio - Church

Wednesday, June 30

5:00 p.m.
6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.
6:00 p.m.

Getting Better AA Group - Lib.
New Life Church - Auditorium
Adult Choir - Choir Room
Alanon Anniversary Party - Lib

Thursday, July 1

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
12:00 p.m.
6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

Food Pantry Open
Noon Prayer - Chapel
Iglesia Refugio - Church
Adult Religious Discovery - Lib.
Fellowship A.A. Group - Gym

Friday, July 2

6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.
7:30 p.m.

New Life Church - Aud.
A.A. Reg. Group - Gym
A.A. Group - Saunders Library

Saturday, July 3

Sunday, July 4

The Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

7:45 a.m.
9:00 a.m.

2:00 p.m.

4:00 p.m.

HOLY EUCHARIST - Church
HOLY EUCHARIST - Courtyard
Holy Eucharist - Hospital for Special Care
LA SANTA EUCARISTIA

NOTE: *Regularly scheduled events to be repeated on the following Sunday.

KUDOS KORNER: Kudos to the Altar Guild. Each week (and for weekday funerals) members of the Altar Guild are here getting the church ready for services. Their love and devotion to God and St. Mark's shows in everything they do.

Congratulations to Our Graduate!

Elizabeth Giove, granddaughter of Charles and Shirley Rathbun, from New Britain High School.

Lost!

A small digital camera is lost. If you have found one, please call the office 860-225-7634.

It's Message Renewal Time!

Please remember to return your Message Renewal form and payment to the Office.

Santa Eucaristía en Español

Domingo, 4:00 p.m., en el Templo
Teléfono: 860-225-7634 ext. 204

La Reverenda Leigh Preston

