

The Carillon



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My Dear Friends in Christ,

In just a couple of weeks we enter a new church season, the season of Lent. There is a mistaken idea that Lent is a negative approach to life, a time of self-deprecation, what someone has called “a flea hunt for sins.”

This is a completely mistaken idea. The truth is that the purpose of Lent is to help us rediscover our potential, to see how much more we might be, to remember what God expects of us.

The questions we need to face include ones such as these: Do I realize God has created me as a unique work for God? Where am I falling short of the contribution that I might make? What can I do to become more fully the person I might be?

I know of no single thought that inspires me more than the realization (when I can hold on to it) that God has made me absolutely different from every other person. No two of us are alike; if we were, one of us would be unnecessary. When I was born there was also born the work that I was called to do. There is no better prayer I can say, as I begin a new day, than this: “Lord, what is your special work for me today?”

Lent, at its best, invites us to venture into a deeper exploration of both the earthiness of our humanity and the transcendent wonder of God. In seeking to deepen our own spiritual lives and relationship with God, we are asked to poise ourselves on both the brink of God’s future and the edge of our present. In the words of theologian Dr. Don Saliers, “The church’s Lenten journey is a double journey: into the mystery of God’s unfathomable grace and into the depths of our humanity. Both are required.” Since the fourth century, Lent has been a unique time set aside in the life of the church.

Many years ago I found a few lines by Thomas S. Jones, Jr. that seem to embody the spirit of Lent:

“Across the fields of yesterday he sometimes comes to me,
A little lad just back from play - the lad I used to be.
And yet he smiles so wistfully once he has crept within,
I wonder if he hopes to see the man I might have been.”

The point is not only “what I might have been” but also “what I might still be, by God’s grace.” Lent is a time to enter into those spaces of our lives that are neither comfortable nor natural. Lent invites us, as disciples of Christ to construct, review, and revise what we know about ourselves and God through a deep engagement with the Lenten scripture texts and our traditional practices. As we become more honest about our own joys, gifts, doubts, and places of brokenness, we will gain a renewed insight in what an authentic God-centered life feels like. When we travel this journey well, those spaces of doubt and brokenness can open fissures for transcendent hope.

This Lenten emphasis on our unrealized potential seems particularly appropriate in the present day where violence is so much a part of the world in which we live. We need to ask ourselves, how can we make this world a safer place for all people? How can we guide our children to become the man or woman that God made them to be? How can we fulfill our God-given destiny?

How much we need Lent, not only in our personal and spiritual lives, but also in our lives as citizens of this state and nation - as citizens of the world. Don’t miss this unique opportunity that God has given you to realize your potential as citizen and saint.

Together on our Lenten journey,
Cn. Richard

Our Caroline Church Vision Statement:

*To help people encounter the living God together
and live transformed lives for Christ.*



Our Mission Statement

** We, the parishioners of Caroline Church of Brookhaven, are committed to Jesus Christ, to His teaching, His life, death and resurrection, in our call to serve and worship Him, in the tradition of the Anglican Communion.*

** We strive to share our faith and blessings for the furtherance of His kingdom in an environment of love, understanding, and support, through prayer, worship, Christian education, and fellowship.*

Our Anglican Heritage

Absalom Jones

Fr. Farrell Graves

Creatio ex Deo

Neither in some distant coldness
Nor as object that recedes
God engenders proclamation
Word and Being one proceed

The eighth day work recommences
And progresses without stay
After rest bursts vital effort
Life's abundance interplays

No more lacking in distinction
Freed from inert unity
God to God in joy relating
Only then came love to be

In and through us, God creating
Bidding us work in accord
Our salvation lies in others
Where we find the rest of God

Yet the art to face toward God
Grants the power to turn away
Lacking either renders stolid
As before the seven days

When not seized in isolation
Responsibility abounds
In response to one another
Find we freedom's only ground

Through creation was realized
Means for kinship to derive
Partial parting originated
Such that intimacy thrives

Perfect in its imperfection
Points to bond from one was hewn
So we gather us together
Binding self-inflicted wounds

In 1786 the membership of St. George's Methodist Episcopal Church in Philadelphia included both blacks and whites. However, the white members met that year and decided that thereafter black members should sit only in the balcony. Two black Sunday worshippers, Absalom Jones (1746-1818) and Richard Allen (1760-1831), whose enthusiasm for the Methodist Church had brought many blacks into the congregation, learned of the decision only when, on the following Sunday, ushers tapped them on the shoulder during the opening prayers, and demanded that they move to the balcony without waiting for the end of the prayer. They walked out, followed by the other black members. This exodus triggered the establishment of the Free African Society by Jones and Allen in 1787 to aid in the emancipation of slaves and to offer sustenance and spiritual support to widows, orphans, and the poor.

In 1794 Jones and Allen, with the assistance of local Quakers and Episcopalians, established the "First African Church" in Philadelphia. Shortly after the establishment that same year, the African Church applied to join the Protestant Episcopal Church, laying before the diocese three requirements: the Church must be received as an already organized body; it must have control over its own affairs; and Jones must be licensed as lay-reader and if qualified, ordained as its minister. Absalom Jones conferred with William White, Episcopal Bishop of Philadelphia, who agreed to accept the group as an Episcopal parish. Jones would serve as lay reader, and, after a period of study, would be ordained and serve as rector. Allen wanted the group to remain Methodist, and in 1793 he left to form a Methodist congregation. In 1816 he left the Methodists to form a new denomination, the African Methodist Episcopal Church (AME). Jones (ordained deacon and priest in 1795 and 1802) and Allen (ordained deacon and elder in 1799 and 1816) were the first two black Americans to receive formal ordination in any denomination.

The African Methodist Episcopal Church Zion (AME Zion) formed in New York in about 1796 for similar reasons. The two groups were well organized before they heard of each other. The Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, also historically black, was an offshoot in 1870 of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. (The Methodists split into North and South before the War of 1861-1865, and have since re-united.) These three black groups, and the United Methodist Church, and some other denominations of Methodist origin, are committed in principle to eventual union, but bureaucracies move slowly. Meanwhile, the groups are united in doctrine, and members of each are free to worship and to receive the

Sacraments with members of the others.

Absalom Jones continued to be a leader in his community, founding a day school (as blacks were excluded from attending public school), the Female Benevolent Society, and an African Friendly Society. In 1800 he called upon Congress to abolish the slave trade and to provide for gradual emancipation of existing slaves. Jones died in 1818 and his life and ministry is celebrated throughout the Episcopal Church every year on February 13.



Sunday MORNING PRAYER

February 22nd at 11:15am

On Sunday, February 22 at the 11:15 a.m. service, we will celebrate said Morning Prayer. We have been worshipping in this ancient fashion on a quarterly basis. Please join us for this hour of prayer and adoration of Our Lord Jesus as we praise him for the blessings we have received.

Lent: A Journey of Reflection

Join us three Wednesdays at Caroline for a prayerful and reflective Lent. Each gathering begins in the Marco Smith Building at 6:30pm and ends at 8:00pm. Babysitting will be provided, and a special program for children will be offered.

March 4, we will have a soup supper followed by a quiz and presentation about the history and meaning of Lent.

March 11, we will meet for a soup supper followed by a brief reflection and chanted compline to provide some time to be quiet with God, free of excessive information.

March 18, we will again have a soup supper, short reflection, and chanted compline.

Come prepare your hearts for the Resurrection.

February 18th, 2015



Services:

10:00am Holy Eucharist & Ashes

5:00pm Family Service, Holy Eucharist & Ashes

*7:00pm Holy Eucharist & Ashes

**Please note the time change*

Ash Wednesday –February 18

Our Lenten Journey begins on Ash Wednesday, February 18. The use of ashes as a sign of penitence goes back to the Old Testament times and still has special significance for us as we reflect on our lives past and our hope for the days to come. We have all, as the Prayer Book says, “erred and strayed from Thy ways like lost sheep.., we have left undone those things we ought to have done, and done those things we ought NOT to have done.”

Ash Wednesday provides us the occasion to seek to put things right, and to see our lives in the light of God’s eyes, to affirm God’s loving kindness, and to open our lives to God’s healing presence.

So that we, each one of us, may have an opportunity to gather together as a community in “love and faith and true repentance,” our parish will offer three Ash Wednesday services throughout the day. Do plan to attend one of these special Ash Wednesday services of Holy Communion with Imposition of Ashes: 10:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

May this Ash Wednesday prove the beginning of a rich and rewarding spiritual journey, one that will deepen our faith by opening our lives more fully to God’s forgiving and healing presence.

Lent Madness 2015

The Sainly Smack Down

What do you get when you combine a love of sports with holy saints? Lent Madness, of course. Based loosely on the wildly popular NCAA basketball tournament, Lent Madness pits 32 saints against one another in a single-elimination bracket as they compete for the coveted Golden Halo. But it is more than that: Lent Madness is really an online devotional tool designed to help people learn about saints.

Lent Madness began in 2010 as the brainchild of the Rev. Tim Schenck, an Episcopal priest and rector of St. John's Church in Hingham, Massachusetts. In seeking a fun, engaging way for people to learn about the men and women comprising the church's calendar of saints, Schenck came up with this unique Lenten devotion. Combining his love of sports with his passion for the lives of the saints, Lent Madness was born on his blog "Clergy Family Confidential."

Starting two years ago, Schenck partnered with the Rev. Scott Gun, Executive Director of Forward Movement (the same folks that publish *Forward Day by Day*) and Lent Madness went viral, reaching over 50,000 people and getting mentioned in everything from the *Washington Post* to *Sports Illustrated* (seriously). Along the way we've added more celebrity bloggers, a poster-sized bracket, weekly Monday Madness videos, and the *Sainly Scorecard*, an annual publication containing all 32 first round bios, information about how to participate in Lent Madness as a congregation, and an essential Vocabulary List to decipher all things Lent Madness. We've also inspired thousands of people along the way by forming an online community of people who are passionate about taking their faith but not themselves too seriously. Articles and spots about Lent Madness have appeared in the *Washington Post*, NPR, Huffington Post, FOXNews, NBC, and even *Sports Illustrated*.

Here's how it works: on the weekdays of Lent information is posted about two different saints on www.lentmadness.org and then participants vote to determine who goes on to the next round. Each pairing remains open for a set period of time – usually 24 hours – and people vote for their favorite saint. 16 saints make it to the Round of the Sainly Sixteen; eight advance to the Round of the Elate Eight; four make it to the Faithful Four; two to the Championship; and the winner is awarded the Golden Halo. The first round consists of basic biographical information about each of the 32 saints. Things get a bit more interesting in the subsequent rounds as we offer quotes and quirks, explore legends, and even move into the area of saintly kitsch. It's fun, it's informative, it's the saintly smack down!

To win in 2015, will take grit, determination, holiness, and perhaps some good old-fashioned luck. This year Lent Mad-

ness features a slate of saints ancient and modern, Biblical and ecclesiastical including John Keble, Francis, Balthazar, Jackson Kemper, Bede, Fredrick Douglass, Irene the Great, William Laud, Teresa of Avila, and others.

This all kicks off on "Ash Thursday," February 19, and will continue throughout the 40-day season of Lent. To participate, log onto www.lentmadness.org, where you can also print out a bracket and fill it out to see how you fare or "compete" against friends and family members. Like that other March tournament, there will be drama and intrigue, upsets and thrashings, last-minute victories and Cinderellas.

If you're looking for a Lenten discipline that is fun, educational, occasionally goofy, and always joyful, join the Lent Madness journey. Lent needn't be all doom and gloom. After all, what could be more joyful than a season specifically set aside to grow closer to God?

Check out the web site: www.lentmadness.org.



SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

Tuesday, February 17th
6:00pm
MCS building

Shrove Tuesday (*widely known as Pancake Day*) is a day in February or March, preceding Ash Wednesday (the first day of Lent), which is celebrated in many countries by consuming pancakes.

Shrove Tuesday, a moveable feast, is determined by Easter. The expression "Shrove Tuesday" comes from the word *shrive*, meaning "confess". Shrove Tuesday is observed by many Christians, who "make a special point of self-examination, of considering what wrongs they need to repent, and what amendments of life or areas of spiritual growth they especially need to ask God's help in dealing with."

Being the last day before the penitential season of Lent, related popular practices, such as indulging in food that one sacrifices for the upcoming forty days, are associated with Shrove Tuesday celebrations, before commencing the fasting and religious obligations associated with Lent.

Sunday, February 8th

9:30am Service

SCOUTING SUNDAY



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We invite all scouts, boys and girls, to come to church in their uniforms for a special prayer and recognition.



Caroline Book Club

Caroline Book Club will meet next Friday, February 27th at 3:00pm. We will meet at Kate Gilmore's home at 316 Oakwood Rd., Pt. Jefferson. Phone number is 473-6853. The book: All The Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr. All are welcome to joins us. Any questions, call Karl Soderstrom at 751-7234



Prayer

We at Caroline Church are very blessed to have a committed prayer ministry that prays in the front of our church every Sunday after the 9:30 service.

“Where two or three are gathered together in my name, I am there in their midst”.

There is so much brokenness and pain in our lives and our Lord is ready and willing to heal us in body, mind and spirit. Because God shows up there can be a peace and even joy and laughter in the darkest of situations. John Wesley said: “I have often said it is not a sin to be sick or to die, it is however a sin to let sickness or death go unchallenged because there is no one to pray”.

We are here to pray for you. Please let God help you. We realize some may be hesitant to come forward. We are here to bring your needs spoken or unspoken for you or others in prayer to our Loving Father. Be assured that we understand your hesitancy and will endeavor to make you feel at ease.

We pray you will take advantage of our prayer ministers and be blessed.



Sunday, February 1st

Our Youth Group will be collecting money after each of the Services on Sunday, **February 1st** to help those who are hungry. Let's see if we can top last years giving, which was \$440.

Don't forget to bring extra money with you on February 1st.



Liturgical Calendar
January

Baptisms: Avery Madison Potts

Vestry Highlights
January

- Annual Vestry Retreat Feb 7th
- 2014 end of year financials reviewed
- Discussion of possible new curriculum
- Community Service Ministry reported that North Shore Chamber Choir to rehearse in Parish House
- Upcoming March Lenten programs reviewed

Barbara Russell
Clerk of the Vestry

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Our prayer shawl ministry continues to serve the people of our community. We have a devoted group of women who gather regularly on the third Saturday of each month at 8:30am in different people's homes.

Our group is ecumenical and expanding all the time. We represent many different churches and encourage anyone who is interested, to attend and bring a friend. You do not have to be experienced to come. We are willing to teach you!

We open with prayer, discuss patterns and colors, teach others, pray for others, and listen to a short meditation. During a time of silence we focus on God, our knitting, and the clicking of our needles.

We have given away over 125 shawls. The shawls and lap robes have been warmly and graciously received. We trust that the shawls we have created send a message of God's love and compassion to all who receive them.

Our next gathering will be on February 21st at 8:30am. We are looking forward to new members.

Please call for information and locations:
Sue Seel/ 631-689-0683

Coffee & Fellowship
Hour Host/Hostess
Sign up for 2014/2015



Please feel free to sign up for this wonderful time of sharing. Open to families, organizations or individuals who would like to share their 'hostess' gifts. The sign up list is on the clip board in the MCS building. You may either just sign up on the list, call the parish office at 941-4245 or contact Len Calone at 928-2019.



Grief Support Group

Our next meeting date is to be determined. We start at 7:00pm. Anyone who has lost a loved one is cordially invited, even if your loss was years ago. Your attendance may be the spark to help someone else. We follow a basic structure and all sharing or discussions are held confidential.

For additional information, please contact Cn. Richard at the parish office, or Don Muffly at 689-8804.

“Whatever gift each of you may have received, use it in service to one another...” 1 Peter 4:10

Parish Ministry Opportunities

Diocesan Convention Delegate

You can be a Diocesan Convention Delegate. Every year at our Annual Parish Meeting there is a call extended for any parishioners to serve as a delegate from Caroline Church to the annual diocesan convention in November. Caroline Church is apportioned three delegates (and three alternates) and two youth representatives for the convention. This year’s convention, the 149th Convention of the Diocese of Long Island will convene on Friday and Saturday, November 13th and 14th, 2015 at the Marriott hotel in Melville. You could be one of these delegates! Being a Convention Delegate is a great way to appreciate what is going on outside our own neighborhood parish, to meet other Episcopalians (or visit with old friends), and to share our experiences with others.

If you are interested in being a delegate from Caroline Church to our regular yearly diocesan convention in November 2015 please speak with Cn. Richard as soon as possible. The Vestry will appoint the delegates this month.

Food Delivery Volunteer

As you know from the shopping cart of food at the entrance of our church each Sunday, Caroline Church gathers and delivers non-perishable food to those in need within our community. The Coram Ministries closed operations in December. We are now delivering our gathered food to St. Cuthbert’s Episcopal Church’s Food Pantry in Selden. This vital link between our parish and the wider community impacts a great many hungry people. We are in need of a few more parishioners to help out in this outreach ministry. Each week a different volunteer gathers up the food from the cart and takes it over to St. Cuthbert’s E. C. located at 18 Magnolia Place, Selden, on Fridays from 10:00am-1:00pm, 6:00pm-7:00pm. The more volunteers we have the better. Now each volunteer delivers the food about once a month, but we would like to have about eight volunteers so it can be rotated once every two months. Please consider this community outreach as part of your spiritual discipline. Contact Janet in the parish office.



February Birthdays

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- 2/01 Alex Shane
Elizabeth Behnke
Brynn Davenport
- 2/03 Chad Kilmer, Sr.
Michael Russell
Jocelynn Rickey
Nicholas Pisano
Luke McCarthy
Keira Flynn
- 2/04 Beverly Underwood
Janene Timm
- 2/05 Dorothy Galloway
Catherine Minuse
- 2/06 Peter Baigent
Chris Haring
Jeff Dolan
Robert Stevenson
Cassandra Camenzuli
Jaylen DiBartolo
- 2/07 Susan Colleary
Calvin Hazell
- 2/09 Doris Denning
Sarah Funt
Emily Cincotta
Megan Specht
- 2/10 Elizabeth Nguyen
- 2/11 Jennifer Callahan
James Freeman
- 2/12 Connor Nguyen
- 2/13 Danielle Huss
Colleen Cash
- 2/14 Kelly Freeman
Shawn Davenport
- 2/16 Dianne Johnson
Andrew Lockhart
- 2/17 Kathleen Weisinger
Bennett Owens
Cassidy Worrell
- 2/19 Brian Taranto
Samantha Massie
Albert Brayson III
Katy Wueste
- 2/20 Susan Camenzuli
- 2/21 Kathy Rowe
Isabella Remmler
William Davenport
Liam Davenport
- 2/25 Isabella DeRose
- 2/27 Chris Muffly
Stacey Kelly
- 2/28 Molly Russell

OUR “ONCE-A-YEAR” CAROLINE HYMN

by D. Bruce Lockerbie

On Sunday, January 25, 2015—as on the final Sunday of each January for three decades—the choir and congregation were asked to join in singing an unfamiliar hymn not even in our Hymnal. What’s the song’s history? How did it become the “Caroline” hymn? And why don’t we sing it more often?

In the early 1980s, our organist-choral conductor was a gifted young musician named Winston Clark, now with Broadway and off-Broadway credits as a theatrical music director. As the parish approached the 260th anniversary celebration (January 1983), Clark asked the then-Rector, Canon Paul F. Wancura, about commissioning a new work for the choir.

I recall being asked by Winston Clark to suggest texts and offered several by American poets contemporary with the founding of our church (for instance, the Puritan pastor Edward Taylor, whose death in 1729 coincided with the completion of the building and renaming of the parish for Queen Wilhelmina Karolina).

But Mark Hagerty, an Ohio composer now living near Wilmington, Delaware, was chosen to set music to a poem by an Irish pastor named Philip Skelton (1707 -1787). Born in County Antrim, Skelton was a graduate of Trinity College, Dublin. The early churches he served were in primitive Irish villages much like 18th century Setauket; in fact, because of a lack of medical care in Monaghan, Skelton undertook the study of medicine, earning this commendation: “He cured many and killed none, which but few of our doctors can boast!” He never had a wife and actually entitled one of his sermons “How to Be Happy Though Married.”

Philip Skelton wrote 21 books, including a *Book of Hymns* from which came the lyrics of our Caroline hymn. In an era long before “black holes” and “the Big Bang” and Stephen Hawking and “The Theory of Everything,” we do well to note how far beyond the heliocentric theory of Copernicus is the cosmology of Skelton’s poem: He speaks of a universe in which our sun is merely “a spot,” of a “host of stars,” by inference of the light years separating us from those “distant worlds and suns,” and ultimately of the Wisdom and Power “that made and governs all.”

Our current choir director Dallas Garvin has given us a new and more singable setting of Hagerty’s “Caroline” hymn-tune. Now that we’ve been reminded or informed of its origins, perhaps we can also sing it more frequently. It is a hymn of which we can be proud to affirm its message.

D. Bruce Lockerbie has been a member of the Caroline Church choir since 1974, when he and his wife Lory became parishioners.

Brotherhood of Saint Andrew

Our annual Men's and Boys communion breakfast was held on December 13th and hosted by the ECW. A big Thank You to the ladies for the wonderful breakfast, decorations and singing - we had a fabulous time.

Our speaker was John Raney, a senior at Ward Melville and organizer of the Christian club at the high school. John walked us through the many trials and tribulations of forming and keeping his club chartered and viable within the public school system. A very dynamic young man with a very strong faith.

Our first meeting of 2015 was on January 10th at 8:00am. We continued our video series - Faith under Fire with the first of four discussions on: The Relevance of God and Christianity. Our first topic, Must Christianity Change or Die, brought out a rather passionate discussion.

Please keep these dates in your calendar:

- Saturday Feb 14th: (Valentines Day) 8:00am Eucharist and video series
- Date TBD: Women's and Girls Communion Breakfast
- Saturday March 28th: Annual Men's retreat
- Saturday May 30th: Annual Summer Fair

Blessings all
Br. Mark



13th Annual Summer Fair.

Yes it is that time to start thinking and planning this years' fair. Our date for the Summer Fair is May 30th. There are a number of committee openings this year, so we will be looking to fill these positions over the next few weeks.

Please contact me directly or the church office if you are interested. Thank You.

Mark LaSorsa



Sonshine Ministries

The Sonshine Ministry is here for **YOU!** Let us make your life easier as you or a loved one recuperates. Many fellow parishioners are on hand to bring a hot meal to your home. All that's required is to **ASK!** If you, or someone you know is in need of this ministry, please contact Dianne Johnson, 473-7913; Claire Mis 689-1210 or cmis@hotmail.com; or Barbara Delfyett at 751-3658.



Church School News

Sunday school is an active, engaging and fun place for our children to learn about God; through curriculum and creative craft ideas and activities that are part of our program. This environment provides a spiritual education, Christian values and writings that are delivered by our dedicated teaching staff.

We are looking forward to spring. Our Sunday school students will be participating in activities; including St. Patrick's Day events, creating palm crosses for Palm Sunday Mass that will be blessed by Canon Richard; the Easter Egg Hunt and breakfast with the Easter Bunny; and the fifth grade class will be preparing for their First Holy Communion on June 7, 2015. We will be creating Easter Cards with prayers and well wishes, for one of the local nursing homes, to lift up the spirits of the residents.

Caroline Church will be creating a dedicated FaceBook for the Youth Ministries programs; if you would like to contribute pictures or information for future postings contact Debbie Felber. Other goals include securing adult supervision for our nursery during Sunday school on a rotating basis. If you are interested in participating in this program or have questions or concerns, please contact Debbie Felber at 631-255-2929 phone/text or email at debfel@optonline.net.

Caroline CYC Ski/ Snowboard Trip 2015!!!

February 19-22
Mount Snow, VT

Bob and Sue Nalewajk will be hosting us at their cabin in Wilmington. The trip is open to Caroline youth and their friends in grades 6-12. We will leave from the church Thursday afternoon, take the 3:00 ferry to Bridgeport, have the option to ski or snowboard Friday and/or Saturday, and attend church Sunday before returning home.

The cost below reflects transportation, lift tickets, and equipment rentals including helmets. Please mark the items you would like to participate in and return this form with a check made payable to the church by:

Sunday, February 8th

Name(s): _____

Trip with no skiing/boarding:
\$60 _____

Ski/board 1 day with "first or second timer" lesson:
\$175 _____
(only for first or second time learners since it includes a limited lift ticket. Includes equipment rental.)

Ski/board 1 day with "intermediate" lesson:
\$200 _____
(Includes full mountain lift ticket and equipment rental.)

Additional day of skiing (no lesson second day)
\$75 _____

Youth ski/board 1 day no lesson:
\$170 _____
(full mountain lift ticket)

Youth ski/board 2 days no lesson:
\$250 _____
(full mountain lift ticket)

Beginner, Intermediate, or Advanced 2-hour group lessons:
(skied/boarded more than twice)
\$50 _____

Total: \$ _____

Historic and Cultural Artifacts Commission

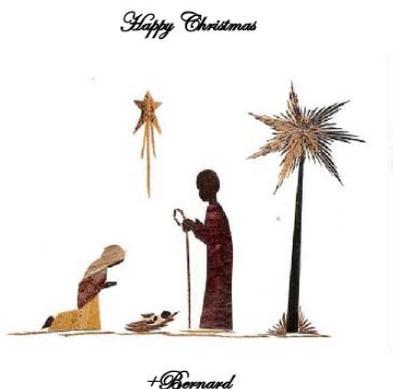
The dedicated individuals of the Historic and Cultural Artifacts Commission have been “preserving the past for the future” over the last eight years. Like silent, soothing “white noise” the Commission has been working on preservation, research and education by applying academic rigor and thoughtful innovation.

This Christmas season the people of Caroline Church (through the conduit of the History Commission) received the following greeting from Bishop Balmoi of South Sudan; Cn. Visconti responded on our collective behalf.

Dear all,

I wish you a happy Christmas and a prosperous and peaceful 2015.

+ Bernard



The “Torit Exhibit” has now been condensed into an album on display in the History Center.

We have added another image to our Rector’s Gallery; come and get acquainted with The Rev. Thomas Moore, 1782-1786. We continue to search for more portraits to complete the display.

The “History of Caroline Church” has been masterfully and insightfully re-worked by team member Bev Tyler and is currently in the process of being proofed and edited. There are many new and interesting details in the publication.

Local geologists have studied the stone artifact purported to be from the Temple of Solomon on display in the History Center. They have elucidated details previously unnoticed, suggested further avenues of study and decidedly not discounted the possibility that this relic may be authentic. The process of authentication is a critical part of historical study and the Commission embarks on this pursuit with both enthusiasm and a sense of responsibility.

Marcia Seaman

Election Results

The Annual Parish Meeting of Caroline Church was held on Wednesday, January 28 at 7:00pm in the Marco C. Smith Building.

We welcome the following parishioners into office:

Donald Muffly	2 year term	Warden
Diane Amato	3 year term	Vestry person
Bruce Cash	3 year term	Vestry person
Maureen Reyes	3 year term	Vestry person

“Saturdays at Six” Concert

The Stony Brook Chamber Ensemble will be performing a special Valentine’s Day concert on February 14th at the next “Saturdays at Six” concert at All Souls’ Church in Stony Brook Village (61 Main Street). The program will include an eclectic assortment of music celebrating love spanning different musical eras. The exciting violin soloist Boris Blagoev will be returning with Natalie Kress to perform acrobatic duos by Henryk Wieniawski. Brass and strings will salute love with Edward Elgar’s Salut d’amour, and the night will conclude with arrangements of Jazz favorites, which may leave you dancing! A picture Boris and Natalie is attached. Please join us for a free memorable night of music (donations welcome) and fellowship in the historic Stanford White-designed chapel and bring a friend or a date. The concert begins at 6:00pm and will include a 15 minute intermission during which refreshments will be served. All Souls’ Church collects food each week to help feed the hungry at the St Cuthbert’s food pantry. Please bring a can of food to donate if you want to help feed the poor in our area. “Lend a hand. Bring a can.” For more information, please call 655-7798.

Don’t Forget.....

**Buy Gift Cards for
Stop & Shop / King Kullen /
Wild by Nature**

At coffee hour on Sunday or
at the church office during the week!

Parishioners buy a \$ 50 gift card,
spend \$50 @ store of choice
Store gives CAROLINE \$\$\$\$



Caring for the Caregiver Support Group

The Caroline Church caregiver support group had a busy December. On December 13th, the group was visited by both AARP's New York State Director as well as a representative from AARP's national office in Washington, D.C. They observed the support group and then used the gathered caregivers to conduct a focus group. There were 21 registered caregivers for the event and there wasn't one "no show." AARP has made a commitment to focus on caregivers and is working on a number of different caregiver initiatives. The focus group was asked to comment on whether or not they felt that the presented ideas had any potential of being effective. The discussion was at times spirited, varied, emotional and funny but always focused on the issue of how best to potentially ease the stresses and burdens of caregivers. On behalf of the support group participants, I can tell you that we were most grateful for having had the opportunity to voice our thoughts to individuals who might be able to constructively incorporate our collective best thinking into program development.

The caregiver support group continues to meet the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month from 9:30 to 11:00 in the Parish House. Note that the support group is non-denominational, non-sectarian, and is not disease specific. It is free and open to all community members.

Virginia Cash
Support Group Facilitator



We would like to remember in prayer, those who are serving in the Armed Forces.

Michael Cardamone, Adam Fullerton,
Roy Raguso, Mike Hanna, Kevin O'Donahue
Kevin LoRusso, Melanie Gonzalez, Don Gonzalez.

**May God protect them, bless them,
and bring them home soon.**

SAVE THE DATE

March 21- 6:00pm

"Songs for the Soul"

An Evening with the Sweet Carolines

ALL SOUL'S SATURDAYS AT SIX CONCERT

All Souls' Church

61 Main St.

Stony Brook, NY

Theophilus Healing Mission

A Chapter of The Order of St. Luke the Physician

Theophilus Healing Mission a Chapter of the Order of St. Luke the Physician will be having our monthly Healing Service Friday, February 6th at 7:30 pm at Bethel AME Church in Setauket. Our OSL Meeting will be February 20th at 7:30 pm.

Our next Healing Service will be March 6, 7:30 pm at Caroline Church.

Four of our THM OSL members will be on the upcoming team of Cursillo #99 weekend in March. Keep them in your prayers. Also in March three of our members will be traveling to The Netherlands with RICM (Renewal in Christ Ministries)

In His healing touch,
Ginny and Ann

20s & 30s Group

Join the 20s/30s for Pub Trivia on Tuesday, February 24th at 8:00 at the Country Corner. RSVP to Lindsay at Lindsay.baldwin.porter@gmail.com



CHURCH FAMILY

Parish Family News

Parishioner News Events: Please send items of interest (weddings, accomplishments etc.) to Maritza Groth at mlgroth@aol.com or Irene Ruddock at peace2429@optonline.net

Whoever Welcomes Children Welcomes Me

(Matthew 18)

The Facts about Child Refugees on Long Island

Background and Causes for the Children Coming to LI

- Their core reason for coming is to escape life-threatening violence in their Central American homelands (Honduras, Guatemala, El Salvador)
- Other motivating factors such as extreme poverty are secondary.
- This crisis started in 2006 with only a few thousand children, increasing each year as horrific drug and gang-related violence (murders, rapes, kidnappings) in these countries escalated.
- The U.S. is not the only destination for these children. Child refugees have also fled to Panama, Mexico, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and Belize.
- Almost half of the children are girls, and many are elementary school-aged kids --some are as young as four years old.

The Actual Presence of the Children on Long Island

- The approximately 2,500 children settled on Long Island year-to-date represent only one-half of 1 percent of the total immigrant population on Long Island.
- Those who stay in shelters stay briefly --2 weeks to 2 months at most.
- Almost all are being reunited with family members. Very few will become wards of the state.
- Congressmen Steve Israel and Peter King have introduced a federal bill that will reimburse school districts experiencing a surge in refugee children up to \$12,000 per child.

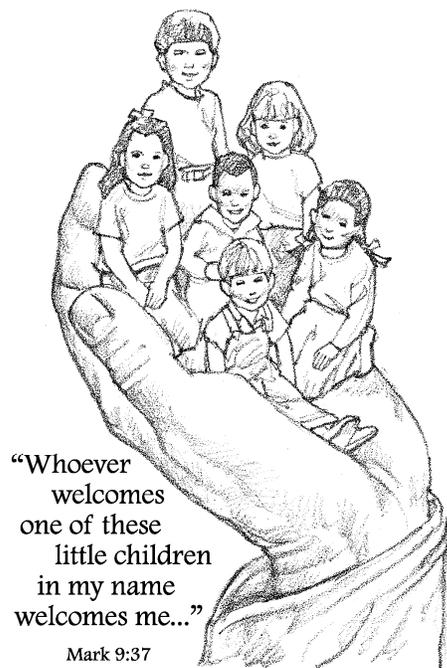
The Children's Legal Situation

- Most are scheduled for immigration court appointments or interviews with Department of Homeland Security within a month of arriving on Long Island.
- Not all will be awarded protected status and allowed to stay. Many will be deported.

Health and Well-Being of the Children

- Social workers visit the home that they are placed in to ensure the living conditions are acceptable, among other matters.
- Every child has been medically examined before being released to Long Island. Most (93 percent) were vaccinated as infants in their home country.
- When they arrive on Long Island they are hungry, hurting, and scared. Yet they are also very happy to be seeing their parents and other relatives after many years.
- They are normal children. They want to go to school, make friends, play sports, and have freedoms they don't have back home.

From Long Island Jobs with Justice



“Whoever
welcomes
one of these
little children
in my name
welcomes me...”

Mark 9:37



FEBRUARY 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:15am Services Soup-er Bowl Sunday - CYC YOUTH SUNDAY 9:30 AM Joyful Noise Choir 11:15 AM CYC Brunch at Fratelli's 4:00 PM EPIPHANY LESSONS & CAROLS 5:30 PM Choir party at rectory (after L & C)</p>	<p>2 10:30 AM Staff Meeting 7:30 PM Home Bible Study in upper parish house</p>	<p>3 10:00 AM <i>Clergy day at the Cathedral</i> 10:00 AM ECW (MB) meets in MCS building 3:30 PM Soup Kitchen at CCUM 6:30 PM No Shore Chamber Choir in upper parish house</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5 10:00 AM Three Village Homemakers 10:30 AM Pastoral Team to Sunrise Asst. 12:00 PM H.E & Healing Service 7:00 PM Sr. Choir rehearsal</p>	<p>6 6:00 PM Confirmation class meets 7:30 PM OSL Healing Service at Bethel AME</p>	<p>7 9:00 AM VESTRY RETREAT at LPF</p>
<p>8 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:15am Services SCOUTING SUNDAY 11:00 AM Joyful Noise Choir rehearsal 4:00 PM Youth Group Meets in the 'Cave'</p>	<p>9 10:30 AM Staff Meeting 6:45 PM 'Explore the Word' Bible study 7:30 PM Home Bible Study in upper parish house</p>	<p>10 10:00 AM DoK meet in Parish House 10:00 AM ECW (MB) meets in MCS building 3:30 PM Soup Kitchen at CCUM 6:30 PM No Shore Chamber Choir in upper parish house</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12 10:00 AM Three Village Homemakers 10:30 AM Pastoral Team to Woodhaven 12:00 PM H.E & Healing Service 7:00 PM Sr. Choir rehearsal</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 8:00 AM Brotherhood of St. Andrew meets 9:30 AM Caring for Caregivers Support Group in Parish House</p>
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<p>22 LENT 1 8:00am, 9:30am Services 11:15 AM MORNING PRAYER CYC SKI TRIP 10:45 AM Teachers Meeting 11:00 AM Joyful Noise Choir rehearsal</p>	<p>23 10:30 AM Staff Meeting 6:45 PM 'Explore the Word' Bible study 7:30 PM Home Bible Study in upper parish house</p>	<p>24 10:00 AM ECW (MB) meets in MCS building 6:30 PM No Shore Chamber Choir in upper parish house 8:00 PM 20s/30s group meet for Trivia</p>	<p>25 7:00 PM Vestry Meeting</p>	<p>26 9:30 AM Collate Carillon 10:00 AM Three Village Homemakers 10:30 AM Pastoral Team to Jefferson Ferry 12:00 PM H.E & Healing Service 7:00 PM Sr. Choir rehearsal</p>	<p>27 3:00 PM Book Club meets 6:00 PM Confirmation class meets 7:30 PM No. Shore Ultreya at Caroline</p>	<p>28 9:30 AM Caring for Caregivers Support Group in Parish House</p>

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