

The Carillon



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My Dear Friends in Christ,

This summer the Episcopal Church will hold its triennial meeting. The 77th General Convention of the Episcopal Church will be held in Indianapolis, IN. from July 5 – 12. This meeting is the legislative arena for the Episcopal Church in the United States. There will be many resolutions presented and voted upon by the House of Bishops and House of Deputies dealing with all aspects of our life and ministry as a church. If you would like to view the various resolutions that will be offered for consideration, you can follow this link - <http://generalconvention.org/gc/gc2012-legislation>.

One of the issues that will be discussed will center on our understanding of who we are as Anglicans within the Body of Christ. This being the case, I thought it would be helpful for me to review how the Episcopal Church developed so that you can have an appreciation for our uniqueness and historicity as identity questions are being considered at this year's General Convention.

One question that is constantly being asked regarding the Episcopal Church concerns our connection to the Church of England and our catholicity. The word "catholic" stems from two Greek words: "kata" and "holo". "Kata" means "according to" and "holos" means "the whole". Put the two together and - Voila! "katholos". Turn that into English and you get "catholic". So for the first thousand years of Christianity there was just the one united Church. The center of it was in Rome. Being islands, Britain and Ireland had their own Celtic identity separate from Europe.

By the year 1,000, the eastern part of the world had developed to where it was as influential as the West. The eastern center was Constantinople (now called Istanbul, Turkey). There were some theological differences between East and West, so, in 1054 the eastern and the western Churches decided to exist separately. That made two branches: the Roman and the Eastern Orthodox both of them catholic. Both kept the historic line of Bishops - dating back to the time of our Lord. Both also maintained the historic worship and practices. England was part of the Roman branch but still with that deep Celtic soul. It had a more independent spirit and a deep sense of God. The Roman notion of organization and chain of command were foreign to the Celtic people.

From about the 500s on, the Roman Church became extremely legalistic and authoritative in its attitude and organization. Total power was centered in the Pope and flowed downhill through the Archbishops, the Bishops and the Priests. The idea of the centrality of Christ became extremely lax. Bishops (sometimes totally untrained) often bought their offices, raised armies, etc. Pardons for sins were bought and sold. Kings and Popes sometimes sent their armies against each other. It was an unwholesome scene. The whole thing had very little of the flavor of Jesus Christ in it. Reformation was springing up all over Europe.

That set the stage for King Henry the eighth of England. He was trained in theology. He was not trained to assume the throne, although he proved to be up to the task when circumstances forced him into that position. His insistence on a male heir was a factor in the development of the Church of England but was far from being the only reason. Henry's high regard for his country and its Celtic heritage, his revulsion at the doings, methods and attitude of Rome, his awareness of what the shape of the Church should be, and his refusal to be dictated to by the Pope were the main factors. Henry never did lead England away from Rome. Instead, a later Pope excommunicated England long after Henry's death. The English Bishops remained in the historic line of Bishops that date back to the time of Christ. The English Church also maintained the historic worship and practices. The presiding officer is the Archbishop of Canterbury, a position that was established in the 600s. The current Archbishop of Canterbury is The Most Reverend Rowan Williams, the 104th

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.*

Archbishop of Canterbury, who will step down from that office at the end of this year.

When the colonies were being settled in America, the Church of England came with the settlers, including the historic line of Bishops and the historic faith and practices and took the name "The Episcopal Church." It is governed by elected representatives who meet as the General Convention. Our presiding officer is called the presiding Bishop (currently The Most Rev. Dr. Katharine Jefferts Schori, the 26th Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; whose term expires in 2015).

All the Anglican Churches throughout the world (Episcopal Church, Church of Canada, Church of South India, Pakistan, Australia, China, Japan, etc.) are in union with, but independent of, the Church of England. There are 38 self-governing member churches in the Anglican Communion. There are around 85 million people on six continents who call themselves Anglican (or Episcopalian), in more than 165 countries.

This quick picture of the Catholic Church I hope gives you some sense of the varied and independent nature the catholic faith is (Anglican, Roman and Eastern Orthodox) and how we as Episcopalians fit into the historic tapestry.

As the General Convention of our Episcopal Church approaches, I would encourage any parishioner who feels strongly about any resolution that will be under consideration at this year's General Convention in July to let your voice be heard by contacting any or all of the clerical and lay delegates (and alternates) that will be representing our Diocese of Long Island. Here are the names of our Diocese's delegates to General Convention.

Clergy Deputies: The Ven. Hickman Alexandre, The Very Rev. P. Allister Rawlins, The Rev. Joseph Jerome, and The Rev. Abigail Murphy.

Lay Deputies: Ms. Valarie Crosdale (Chair), Dr. Frederick Gerbracht, Ms. Janice Commentz, Mr. John Andren.

Alternate Clergy: The Rev. Canon Richard Brewer, The Very Rev. Christopher Hofer, The Rev. Canon Dr. Lynn Collins, The Rev. Donovan Leys,

Alternate Lay: Ms. Melissa Gill, Mr. Frederic Miller, Ms. Buky Campbell, Mr. Neil Raman.

They can be reached by visiting our Diocesan web site - <http://www.dioceselongisland.org/parishesList.php> or this link - <https://www.ecdplus.org>.

Please keep all the delegates to the General Convention in your prayers so that Our Lord may guide their discussions, which will lead to unity, strength and faithful mission.

In the service of Christ,
Fr. Richard+

Summer Service Hours 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. from June 17th to September 9th

Please mark your calendars as we change into our summer service times.

We will continue to have the Thursday
12:30pm Holy Eucharist Service
throughout the summer.

There will also no longer be Tuesday evening
7:00pm Holy Eucharist
services throughout the summer.

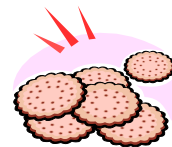
Have a blessed & safe summer.



'Juice & Cookies on the Slype'

It's that time of year again, Summer! With the signs of summer come our Summer Services beginning at **8:00am and 10:00am on June 17th**. Along with that we have our 'fellowship' time outside in the beautiful fresh air on the slype. Fellowship goes so well with refreshments, we are asking that you sign up for a Sunday to serve 'Juice & Cookies on the Slype'. A reminder notice will be sent to your home prior to that Sunday.

Please see the sign up sheet at coffee hour.



Save the Date:

LADIES JULY DINNER

DATE: JULY TBD
TIME: 6:30 PM

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW.



Our Anglican Heritage

St. Columba of Iona

Scion of the most powerful family in the north of Ireland, founder of monasteries, and instigator of missions to the Picts and the English, Columba is undoubtedly the most important saint associated with Celtic churches. Legends about him grew over the centuries, and many of the stories must be treated with caution. One of the more famous paints him as a sort of Christian sorcerer's apprentice, naughtily copying his master's precious psalter by the light of his own hand, and thereby sparking a major battle! So too, hundreds of poems, some quite romantic in their descriptions of nature, others simple devotional verses, were attributed to the saint long after his death. Nevertheless, through the obscuring mists of his legends, it is possible to make out an outline of this key figure in the early Gaelic church. In fact, of all the Celtic saints, he is also the one about whom we know the most historically.

Columba was born of royal stock around 521, in northwestern Ireland's Donegal. Although destined for the church by an early age, his noble birth gave him insight and influence in the political world. Legend tells us that his original name was Crimthann ("fox") and that when he was trained as a priest he changed it to Columb, ("dove"), later known to all as Colum Cille: "dove of the church." It has become something of a tradition in modern times to view the saint through the twin lenses of these names: the astute fox on the make, and the peace-making and peaceable dove. He apparently took part in a battle in 561 between his near and more distant cousins; this led to his exile and even excommunication for a time. Yet his biographer and successor, Adomnán, saw it differently, glossing over his excommunication, and telling us only that: "In the second year following the battle of Cúl Drebene, when he was 41, Columba sailed away from Ireland to Britain, choosing to be a pilgrim for Christ."

Despite the skeletons in Columba's closet, his efforts in Scotland reveal a man who had learned much in his 41 years, enough to establish a string of monasteries in the Inner Hebridean islands off the west coast of Scotland. This monastic system anticipated later orders such as the Cistercians and Carthusians. Iona, a small island off the larger Hebridean island of Mull, was the fertile center of this system. Remote to modern eyes, Iona was at the hub of early medieval sea lanes that brought pottery and perishable goods north from France and the Mediterranean. Still, Iona was intended as a true monastery, a place set apart for Columba and his brethren. Other island monasteries, such as one on Tiree, housed lay-folk serving out penances for their sins. Another is-

land housed older, more experienced monks living as holy anchorites. Iona, however, trained priests and bishops, and Columba's reputation for scholarship was great when he died (though we have little of his own work). From Iona, priests and monks ranged far and wide, founding churches in Scotland and seeking "deserts in the ocean" (lonely, distant islands).

Columba's legends give us a flavor of both the fox and the dove. The *Life of Columba*, by Adomnán, is packed with stories about Columba conversing with angels, sending an angel to rescue a monk falling from a roof, and being whipped by an angel to convince him to ordain God's (rather than his own) choice for king of the Gaelic colony in Scotland. He is seen rapt in contemplation, seeing "with a mind miraculously enlarged ... the entire orbit of the whole earth and the sea and the sky around it." From these visions, he proclaims prophecies, sends monks to help distressed people, or prays to refresh his tired monks laboring in the fields. Columba holds his own with kings. Though he prays for the military success of kings whom God has chosen, he argues with angels over their appointment. He faces down the king of Picts through his power, blasting him with loud psalms, throwing wide his strong oak doors, and besting the magic of the king's druids. He even defeats wild animals: a fierce boar drops dead on the spot, and a strange monster on Loch Ness runs from his power.

Though Columba's power is often depicted in entertaining form, his influence was in fact the key to winning over the kings of Gaelic Scotland, and his legendary powers were famous enough for his monks later to convince the Picts to convert. After his death, Columba's political and military power became a key element in his cult. His relics were taken into battle by minor Irish chieftains and Scottish kings—one of his relics preceded the victorious Scottish army at Bannockburn in 1314. One particular appearance, decades after his death, to the English king of Northumbria was pivotal in the history of Christianity in Britain. That king was Oswald, who had been raised in exile in Iona. As Oswald fought the battle in which he secured his kingship, Columba towered above the field promising victory, as one modern scholar puts it, like Batman over Gotham. In 635, Oswald sent for missionaries from Iona to renew the flagging Christianity of Northumbria with their monastic sobriety and good works.

Columba was a poet, scholar of wide-learning, monastic founder and leader, a visionary churchman. At the time of his death on June 9, 597, he was already celebrated. Though more monk than missionary, Columba established churches in Scotland that went on, in time, to evangelize the Picts and the English. The legacy of the

monasteries he founded, which drew constantly on the inspiration of their patron saint, multiplies many times the influence of the man himself. Fittingly, at the end of the Life, Adomnán has his hero ascend the little hill near the monastery on Iona, and declare; "This place, however small and mean, will have bestowed on it no small but great honor by the kings and peoples of Ireland, and also by the rulers of even barbarous and foreign nations with their subject tribes. And the saints of other churches too will give it great reverence."

One way Columba's influence was felt after his death was the Law of Innocents enacted by Adomnán in 697. This law sought protection for non-combatants (in the midst of a militarized society) and for women (in danger from domestic violence, common abuse, and appalling labor conditions). Adomnán's Law imposed strong punishments against offenders. It is a remarkable landmark in the history of law. Adomnán records many tales of Columba as a protector of innocents, and these tales reinforce the stern message of the Law. In the most famous, Columba is a young boy, studying in a meadow with his tutor. A young girl appears, pursued across the plain by a vicious thug, who spears her at the very feet of the clerics. Appalled, the tutor cries, "How long, Columba, my holy son, will God the true judge let this crime and our dishonor go unpunished?" Columba calls down God's wrath on the killer, who falls dead on the spot.

It is difficult to summarize his accomplishments, but one memorial composed after his death does it better than most: "He was learning's pillar in every stronghold, he was foremost at the book of complex Law. The northern land shone, the western people blazed, he lit up the east with chaste clerics."

We celebrate St. Columba of Iona's life and ministry in the Episcopal Church every year on June 9.

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



Afghanistan:

Michael Cardamone, Adam Fullerton,
Roy Raguso, Mike Hanna, Kevin O'Donahue
Kevin LoRusso

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

The 10th Annual Caroline Summer Fair

Saturday June 16th, 2012
Rain date Sunday June 17th, 2012



This year's Summer Fair is approaching and plans continue to come together.

How you can help:

- ♦ We will have flyers available the first week of June for anyone that can help distribute them to local businesses or places of employment. This is addition to our normal avenues of advertisement.
- ♦ We are in need of set up crews, clean up crews, general help as well as kids craft helpers.

If you can volunteer your time for any of the above, please contact me as soon as possible. With more people helping with this church-wide fundraiser, the less of a burden it would be on just a few. Thank you,

Mark LaSorsa
631-609-0993

Caroline Church Parishioners are Invited to a Potluck Brunch

**In Honor of our
2012 Graduates,
Church School Students and Teachers!**

Sunday, June 10th
after the 9:30am service
in the MCS building

Come join us as we congratulate our 2012 Graduates, show appreciation for our Church School Teachers and hand out awards to our Church School children.

Help us to make this a very special day of appreciation by bringing a pot luck type of food to share. We do not want the teachers to bring anything, so we are counting on you. Please contact me to let me know that you will be coming and what you will be able to bring.

This is a great opportunity for all of us to congratulate our graduates and church school children and to show how much we appreciate all that the teachers do for our children each week throughout the school year.

Thank you!
Mary Doherty
Church School Director

Join Us For the 8th Annual **Camp Caroline!**

What is Camp Caroline?

Camp Caroline is an extension of our school year children's program. During Camp Caroline, your children will have the opportunity to learn more about the Christian faith through stories, arts and crafts, songs, and games.

How does it Work?

Come to church during the summer and bring your children into church with you. Right before the sermon (about 20 minutes into the service), the Camp Caroline teachers will stand up in the aisle.

All children, ages 4 through fourth grade, will be invited to stand up and will be led out of the church into the Parish House where they will participate in a casual, stimulating, fun, hands on summer church program that follows the scripture being covered in church that day.

At the end of church, you can pick up your children in the downstairs Fellowship Room of the Parish House.

When is it?

Camp Caroline will run for 12 Sundays, beginning Sunday, June 17th and ending Sunday, September 2nd.

Remember, starting on June 17th, the usual 9:30am worship service starts one hour later, at 10:00 A.M.

How can you help?

We need both adult and teen volunteers to assist Camp Caroline this summer. Please consider volunteering one Sunday this summer. No experience is necessary. There will be a sign up sheet at coffee hour, or you may call me to let me know what Sunday is good for you. We need only 12 People to sign up. Please give this some thought as you plan your summer schedule. Thank you. For more information call Mary Doherty at 928-9841.

We look forward to seeing you and your kids at Camp!

Graduation Time

God our Father, you see your children growing up in an unsteady and confusing world: Show them that your ways give more life than the ways of the world, and that following you is better than chasing after selfish goals. Help them to face the challenges of life with your steady hand and use the opportunities that are before them as building blocks for a new journey. Give them strength to hold their faith in you, and to keep alive their joy in your creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

One of the prayers for youth in our Book of Common Prayer speaks of children "growing up in an unsteady and confusing world" (page 829). The challenges faced by every high school, college, and postgraduate student are enormous. For a job well done, Caroline Church congratulates and applauds our 2012 graduates.

<u>Student</u>	<u>Graduating From/with</u>	<u>Going for/to:</u>
Tyler Yarema	High Point University Bachelor of Chemistry, Cum Ladue	Dr. of Pharmacy & MBA Duquesne University
Caroline Doherty	New England College Bachelor of Science in Biology	
Lisa Behnke	Stony Brook University Bachelor of Arts in English	Bachelor of Science in Library MLS University of Buffalo
Erica Davis	Pt. Jefferson High School	Suffolk Community College
Emma Johnson	Rocky Point High School	S.U.N.Y., Oswego
Christopher Cash	Stony Brook University Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, Phi Beta Kappa, Summa Cum Laude	
John Lang	Ward Melville High School	
Mary Caroline Rydzeski	Stony Brook University, with honors Double major in Cultural Anthropology and Sociology	

We salute all of these graduates whose hard work has made their achievements possible. We also commend those who have supported them in their educational efforts. I encourage our graduates to worship with us at Sunday Services on June 10th and attend the Brunch in the MCS building immediately following the 9:30am service, in your honor.





10th Annual Caroline Summer Fair Needs Your Help!

Saturday June 16th
Rain date Sunday June 17th

Our **biggest fundraiser of the year** on Saturday June 16th needs your help! We need you to lend your hands to help make our annual fair a success.

Raffle Baskets – Eileen DeRosa from the raffle basket committee would appreciate help from you. They are looking for unwanted new gifts for raffle baskets. In addition, Eileen is requesting donations of any large baskets that you may have. Please contact Eileen at 474-7483 ASAP if you have items to donate.

Sponsors - This year we need your family to sponsor one of the children's game events. With about 10 games, we are asking families for a \$20 sponsorship per game. With each \$20 sponsorship, your family's name will be noted as the sponsor of the game on the day of the Fair. We are also looking for the sponsorship of the pony ride event. If you are interested in sponsoring one of these events or have a business that is interested in doing so, **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED.**

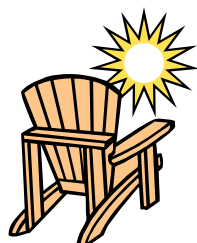
Children's Games - Please volunteer some of your time to help run the wonderful children's games at the fair. Need **VOLUNTEERS** to help, please call Mark LaSorsa at 609-0993.

Barn Sale – Most of all don't forget the Barn Sale. Think of us now while you are doing your spring-cleaning. Donations can be arranged at Church any time by calling the Church Office at 941-4245.

Vendors – Mark LaSorsa is looking for vendors for this coming summer fair. Please contact Mark for an application by calling him at 609-0993.



Watch for more Fair News coming soon!



Adult Education

Bible Studies

The Home Bible Study Group's final meeting for this season will be Monday, June 4th, in the Upper Room of the Parish House. We will be having our End of Year party on Saturday, June 9th beginning at 5:00pm at the home of Barbara Delfyett. Please let Barbara know what 'goodies' you will be bringing.

'Exploring The Word' Bible Study's final meeting for this season will be Monday, June 11th at 6:45pm.

We wish you all a very safe and blessed summer. Please watch the Fall Carillon for the start up dates for both of these Bible Studies.

Adult Education Committee Invitation to the Whole Parish

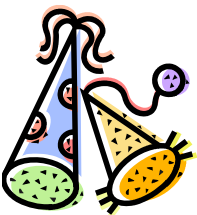
The Adult Education Committee really needs you, your creative thoughts and ideas, your wishes for future formation programs, and your assistance in planning them and carrying them out.

Please give prayerful consideration to this invitation to join in this vital ministry at Caroline. If you find yourself being called in any way, whether you're an idea person, a logistics person, or whatever your gifts may be, speak to Father Richard and he will help get you connected.



Caring for the Caregiver Support Group

The Caring for the Caregiver support group continues to hold meetings at the Caroline Parish House every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month from 7:30-9pm. People who have come to our meetings include, among others, the children and spouses of Alzheimer's patients, cancer patients and a parent caring for a special needs child. Group members offer each other emotional and social support as well as help in problem solving. Resource information is available from the group facilitator. If you are caring for a chronically/severely ill loved one, you are invited to attend our June meetings which will take place on June 13th and 27th. Light refreshments will be served. For further information, please leave a message at the church office (631-941-4245) and someone will get back to you.



- 6/01 Don Muffly
- 6/03 June Athanasian
Jeffrey Homire
Karen O'Dell
- 6/04 Bob Mauro
Vanessa Taranto
Allegra Fils-Aimee
Jennifer Staniloff
- 6/06 Craig Blanchard
Joan Richter
Paige Steffens
- 6/07 Maria Calcagono
- 6/08 Karl Soderstrom
- 6/10 Carole Harvey
Brendan Anderson
- 6/11 Thelma Hall
Linda Morse
Virginia Cash
Russell Winters
Brian Shane
Amelia Callahan
- 6/12 Megan Staudenraus
Lucia Buscemi
- 6/13 Dorothy Gaschott
Barbara Wood
Lydia Cierski
Callie Klasek
- 6/15 Alex Morse
- 6/16 Frank Fallace
Stanley Klasek IV
Matthew Postiglione
- 6/19 Sean Russell
Kristen Bence
Emma Johnson
- 6/20 Elizabeth Granger
- 6/21 Gregory Coutros
- 6/22 Hank Tilden, Jr.
Brooke Volpicella
- 6/23 Carol Burton
Elizabeth Greaf
- 6/24 Marilyn Pisano
Elaine Cash
- 6/25 Erika Laux
- 6/26 Paul Orłowski
Irina Foucher
- 6/27 Neil Markee
Diana Disciafani
- 6/28 Sue Cincotta
- 6/29 Paul Darrigo
Rachel Kelly
- 6/30 Emily Dattwyler
Ryan Lukianchuk

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

Parish Ministries Opportunities

Caroline Church’s Acolyte Guild

One of the most dedicated groups of young people we have at Caroline Church is the teenage boys and girls that make up our acolyte guild. Every week you see them properly attired in their distinctive red and white vestments and reverently ministering at the holy altar. The ministry of acolyte is rooted in holy scripture, “Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Never lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering persevere in prayer.” (Romans 9:12). Being a crucifer, acolyte or server is a ministry of presence and servanthood.

Acolytes are those who feel called to assist the clergy and people of our parish in liturgies of this community gathered together to worship God. It is a privilege to be an acolyte and with that come several responsibilities. Acolytes walk in processions; carry candles, crosses, and banners; assist in preparing the altar for the Holy Eucharist, and teach the congregation through their actions about the norms and customs of liturgical practice.

We are calling for all those currently in the fifth grade and older to join this dynamic group of young people ministering to God at the altar. Our dedicated Acolyte Director Mr. Duy Nguyen helps create a total experience for our acolytes that is focused yet fun. At the end of this and next month, we will have a couple of training sessions to help equip our young people to confidentially carry out their ministry, as they learn more about the church, its tradition, history and liturgy. Each apprentice acolyte will be paired with an experienced acolyte over the summer to acquire some on-the-job training. Several of our acolytes participated in the Acolyte Festival at the Cathedral of the Incarnation last year which was hosted by Bishop Provenzano. Our yearly Acolyte Recognition Day and party will take place in the fall. If you have any questions or would like to register for the training sessions, please call the parish office at 941-4245, or see Fr. Visconti or call Mr. Duy Nguyen at 675-6169.

Annual Summer Fair

We still could use some help setting up and cleaning up at our Summer Fair on the village green on Saturday, June 16. If you can lend a hand, please call Chairperson Mark LaSorsa a call at 609-0993 lasorsam@optimum.net and say you will do your part in helping with this year’s fair. Don’t be surprised if you have a fun time doing so.

Brotherhood of Saint Andrew

Over the last few months the Brotherhood has been quite busy. Our annual retreat during the weekend of Palm Sunday was a wonderful day of prayer, refection and call to Action. During the daylong event at Little Portion Friary, Fr. Jeff Krantz led our discussion on the topic "What do you have that I want?". Sounds interesting? Ask a Brother to explain.

During April we had a day of study. We supported the ECW during their wonderful Spring Fling outreach event. Brother Chuck had our new T-shirts ready in time to support our Brother Reg and Sister Carol in an afternoon of yard clean up. What a difference a few hours can make.

During May we continued our video series "Faith under Fire" with a topic: Is Heaven real?

Blessings to our three new Brothers, Robert Clancy, Mike Massie and Fred Johansen.

Thank You to all the Brothers and Friends of the Brothers for your continued support.

Our June focus is coordinating this years' Summer Fair.

With His love,
Br. Mark



ECW Evening Branch

We had a great turnout for this year's Quiet Day with Kate Jones Calone. She spoke about how our ordinary every day lives are "sacred stories" if we are open to that. The weather was perfect for a reflective walk around the Friary grounds. The day was a relaxed and refreshing experience.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 13th, 7:00pm at Marco Smith. The timing is perfect for creating the gift baskets for the upcoming church fair. If you have any items that might be appropriate for the baskets (as in re-gifting), please bring them. If you use any vendors or services that could give a gift certificate, please call Eileen DeRosa for an official letter and to let her know who the vendor might be. It will be fun filling the baskets, wrapping them in cellophane and bows to get them ready for the fair. Hope to see you there.

Please note that there will be no meeting in July. In August we will have another brainstorming session in my home.

Mirjana

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!



Grief Support Group

The next meeting for June has not been determined at this writing. Keep an eye out in the weekly announcement bulletins for the date. 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 will be held confidential.

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



Sonshine Ministries

In keeping with the teachings of Jesus, "for I was hungry and you gave me food" we, at Caroline Church, have taken these words to heart.

The Sonshine Ministry is an outreach of caring parishioners who provide a dinner to those members of our church family who temporarily need assistance while recuperating from an illness, caring for a loved one, dealing with a bereavement loss or whenever difficulty is present. The dinner provided usually consists of a main course, a vegetable, a starch, a salad and a dessert. It is delivered between 5pm and 6pm and left in a Sonshine Ministry supplied cooler at the front door of the recipient.

Barbara Delfyett at 751-3658, Diane Johnson at 473-7913 and Claire Mis at 689-1210 are coordinating the parish effort. Please telephone any one of them to request a dinner or volunteer to make one.