



## The Rectors Ramble

What are you willing to risk to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with all who come to you? What are you willing to forfeit in the name of the Body of Christ to strengthen it and encourage the Body to action in the world?" These questions were posed in an article of the latest issue of Episcopal Times. It is a reflection on 'hospitality' given by the Rev. Frank Fornaro. These questions were the ones he asked when he first went to St. Paul's Bedford. A congregation that was dwindling, and yet wanted to grow.

I find these to be powerful questions for us to consider. All too often we think of the church as a place to go to get our needs met and our desires tended to. That is not necessarily a bad thing. Why be a part of something that we don't get anything out of? But if we stop there, we have missed a critical part of the Gospel. Church is not only about getting spiritually fed ourselves, it is about *giving away* something precious that has been given to us. Namely, reconciliation with God through Jesus Christ.

Hospitality, in the literal and biblical sense of the word, means being "a friend of strangers". It is not about the quality of coffee hour or a handshake at the door on the way out of church. Now, don't misunderstand, these are important and friendly signs of Christian love and provide *opportunities* for hospitality. But hospitality itself is something more. It is forfeiting some sense of comfort to reach out to a stranger. It is making space for someone else to discover the depths of God's love in Jesus Christ.

I want us to consider how well we practice hospitality at All Saints'. What are the ways we truly befriend the stranger? What are the opportunities we have to reach out to those in our community who need a friend in Christ? What new opportunities can be created? We have good news to share! Let us be boldly hospitable and reach out in love.

See you in Church! Rev. Patti+

## UPCOMING CALENDAR EVENTS

May 5~7	Happening Weekend
May 4~7	Women's Cursillo Weekend. At the Marist House. Closing held at 3pm sharp.
May 6 <sup>th</sup> , 6pm	Annual Service Auction
May 11 <sup>th</sup> , 7pm	Vestry, Open to the Parish
May 14 <sup>th</sup>	Mother's Day
May 18th, 7~9pm	Planning For Growth Meeting, Open to the Parish.

May 20 <sup>th</sup>	Held in the High School classroom. Progressive Dinner. Look for signup sheet on bulletin board in Hall.
May 27 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Plant Sale



## *Parish Information...*

### **All Saints' Parish Service Schedule:**

Sunday:

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite II,  
no music

9:30am Holy Eucharist Rite II,  
traditional hymns, as  
well as contemporary  
music.

Sunday School: ages 0-  
18

Wednesday:

12:00noon: Holy Eucharist Rite II,  
healing service

6:30pm Holy Eucharist Rite II,  
healing service

### **Lay Eucharistic Minister Schedule**

	<b><u>8am</u></b>	<b><u>9:30</u></b>
7 <sup>th</sup>	<i>open</i>	<i>Bull Wallace-Gross</i>
14 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Don M<sup>c</sup>Rorie</i>	<i>Kristin Tingblad</i>
21 <sup>st</sup>	<i>open</i>	<i>Chip Durant</i>
28 <sup>th</sup>	<i>open</i>	<i>Dick Tingblad</i>

### **Prayer Line**

Through the on-going efforts of Kathye Foster, All Saints' Parish maintains a strong Prayer Line. It is through this ministry that prayers and concerns can be lifted up by many persons that participate. If anyone wishes to add a name or concern to the prayer list, or if anyone wishes to join in the praying and would like e-mail copies of the names and concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch with Kathye **(508) 378-4818**, or through E-Mail at [fosterJK@juno.com](mailto:fosterJK@juno.com). Take advantage of this powerful Ministry!

### **Officers of the Church**

Co-Rectors: Revs. Doug & Patti Hale

Wardens:  
Chad Wohlers, Dave Frazier

Treasurer: *{Need Volunteer}*

Asst. Treasurer: Ernest Morgan

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### **Your Vestry:**

Dorrie Bazan (Greene)  
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Marsha Corliss-Beaulieu  
Jack Foster  
Maureen Mahoney  
Ted Putur  
Louise Quilty  
Louise Tingblad  
Dotty Wilhelm

### **Sexton**

Dot Peterson

### **Church Office Hours**

*(781)-447-6106*

*unless preempted by another  
obligation:*

Tues & Fri. 9am-12noon

Weds. 9am-10:30am

### **Senior Youthgroup Leaders**

Dave and Sue Frazier

### **Junior Youthgroup Leaders**

Maureen Mahoney  
Chip and Jolene Durant



## ***Take Notice...what's going on at the Parish.***

### **THE TREASURER'S CORNER**

#### Thank You

The Vestry and Co-Rector's offer thanks for the time Carolyn Adamson has served as treasurer in our parish. She will be sorely missed. *Her leaving means that we are in need of a new treasurer to take on this important ministry.* If you are interested please contact Sr. Warden Chad Wohlers or Rev. Doug as soon as possible.

### **THE STEWARDSHIP CORNER** *(because stewardship is more than once a year)* *Submitted this month by Sue Frazier*

#### Stewardship—Using Your Time, Talents, & Treasures

Part of stewardship is your talents. Using the natural gifts God has given you is part of stewardship. Some people know exactly what their talents are and some think they don't have any. But God has made each of us unique and special at something.

We all know someone who listens well or explains something so we understand it more clearly. There's always someone who can fix anything or bake the most incredible desserts. What about the person who's always willing to give a helping hand to get things done or get someone somewhere. Every time we do any of these, we show God's love to others. By showing our love to our brothers and sisters we are being good stewards to the church.

The Bible tells us in Matthew 25:40 *"I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."*

God calls us to do something. It does not have to be huge. But using our talents to help others shows God's love to them and helps to further His kingdom here on Earth.

Doing what we are good at is part of stewardship. *We should and need to do what we can to be good stewards.* The Bible tells us so.



## CRAFT FAIR 2006

The date for All Saints' Annual Craft Fair is set for **November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2006**, which is a very busy shopping day. It will be held once again at the Whitman Knights of Columbus on Route 18, the same place as last year.

There are some openings on the Craft Fair Committee that need to be filled as soon as possible, if the fair is to be a success (Asst. Chairperson, Bookings, Snack Bar, Treasurer). Don't forget that this is a **major fundraiser for All Saints**. I've said it before. The Parish really needs an infusion of help for these types of projects. It cannot be the same group of people all of the time. It may sound like a lot of work, but it really is not as intimidating as it may seem, as a matter of fact, it is a very rewarding experience to be able to chip in wherever it is needed. Talk to any of the people listed below, or to Rev. Doug or Patti. The Parish really needs your talents!

Where: Whitman Knights of Columbus Hall on Route 18  
When: **November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2006**

Chairpersons *Need Volunteer*, Cheryl Belcher, Marsha Corliss

Publicity Richard Tingblad, Dottie Wilhelm

Bookings *Need Volunteer*

Admissions Maureen Mahoney

Craft Table Richard Tingblad, Dot Peterson.

Bake Table Louise Tingblad, Millie Friberg, Louise Quilty

Raffle Table Pat Eunice, Dottie Wilhelm, Elin Duffy

Santa Pictures (if we do them) Maureen Mahoney

Snack Bar *Need Volunteer*

Setup and Cleanup Jack Foster.

Treasurer *Need Volunteer*

***Praise God for His love which can strengthen our hearts in the toughest of times...Amen***



## *The Fish Net...*

### **“Lead Us Not Into Temptation”**

*Submitted by occasional contributing writer Dave Dyson.*

I’ve said the Lord’s Prayer I don’t know how many times as has all of Christianity, but recently, I have been thinking about the part of it that is the title of this article. After repeating it over and over again in my mind, I became increasingly perplexed about its meaning. Why would God lead me, or anyone else, into temptation? That didn’t make much sense to me if God is my friend, comforter, and redeemer.

I decided to look into what it is supposed to mean and found a treasure trove of information, which didn’t really give me the answer I was looking for. Here is what I found:

“The penultimate petition of the prayer - not to be lead by God into *peirasmōs* - is quite divisive. *Peirasmōs* can mean *temptation*, or just *test of character*, but the traditional reading is to see it as *temptation*. Since this would seem to imply that it is God that leads people to sin, individuals that are uncomfortable with the implication have a tendency to prefer to read it as *test of character*. There are generally two arguments for this reading, the first of which is that it may be an eschatological appeal against unfavorable last judgment, though nowhere in literature of the time, not even in the New Testament, is the term *peirasmōs* connected to such an event. The other argument is that it acts as a plea against hard *tests* that the Bible elsewhere describes the devout as being put through, for example Job, though this would depart heavily from Jewish practice of the time when pleas were typically made, during prayer, to be put through such tests.”

After looking at the first versions available, I saw that the two gospels have different versions of the Prayer. The other two gospels do not include it at all. Here are the two:

#### **Matt. 6**

**Pray then like this:**

**Our Father who art in heaven,  
May thy name be hallowed;**

**May thy kingdom come;  
May thy will come to pass  
As in heaven so also on earth;**

**Our bread for the morrow  
Give us today;**

**And forgive us our debts,  
As we also have forgiven  
Our debtors;**

**And do not lead us into temptation,**

#### **Luke. 11**

**When you pray, say:**

**Father,  
May thy name be hallowed;**

**May thy kingdom come;**

**Our bread for the morrow  
Give us day by day;**

**And forgive us our sins,  
for we ourselves also forgive  
all who are indebted to us;  
And do not lead us into temptation.**



## *The Fish Net...continued*

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**But deliver us from evil (or, the evil one).**

Some versions contain the added doxology that most scholars believe was added later as part of the worship service:

“because thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory for ever.”

As you can see, there is not just a grammatical difference between the two but also a substantive difference. Because they were both written about the same time, it is not known which one came first or which one is the most accurate. A more modern version of this line says “save us from the time of trial”. I guess this was changed for those who felt the “test of character” interpretation is the most accurate meaning.

I find it interesting that Luke does not include the end sentence “but deliver us from evil.” His emphasis is on God not leading us into temptation. So was he more concerned about God doing us wrong than Satan? This led me down another path of reading. What I found as a breakdown goes like this:

There are three major sources of temptation that are being addressed in this line. First, the temptation from Satan or evil. Second, the temptation from within ourselves. And last from God. I will give you an example of each:

Temptation from evil (or Satan) ----- The serpent in the Garden

Temptation of evil from within us ----- Greed, Lust, Etc.

Temptation from God ----- Jesus being driven into the wilderness.

I believe all of these three types of evils can be attributed to God one way or another. The first supposes that evil is a part of God’s creation. The second is because God made us the way we are, and lastly of course, by God just working directly. For example:

“AND JESUS BEING FULL OF THE HOLY GHOST RETURNED FROM JORDAN, AND WAS LED BY THE SPIRIT INTO THE WILDERNESS, BEING FORTY DAYS TEMPTED OF THE DEVIL”.-Lk 4:1,2

Is God tempting himself? Only to the degree that Jesus was being treated to a rite of passage you might say or maybe just being conditioned for the next 3 hard years ahead. God being who he is (I use the masculine designation for the sake of convenience), there was no doubt as to the outcome of this. The possibility of Jesus actually being tempted was not possible seeing he is divine and all that.... maybe just annoyed as if Lucifer was a pesky fly buzzing around his head. This is but one of the many victories Jesus had over Satan. The ultimate victory came with Christ’s crucifixion and resurrection. Evil tried many times to steer Jesus away from his bringing us salvation. This fact steers me to my next question.... If Satan is a fallen angel and God has total control over him and everything else and knows this will never change, why does he even try to resist God’s love?



## ***Memorial Easter Flowers***

Below are the memorials given through Easter Flowers. The list was lost in cyberspace, so it was not printed in the Easter Sunday bulletin.

### **In Loving Memory of**

Baby BeeGee Bazan-Greene, Ernest F. Bazan,  
The Bazan & Greene Family, Esther Goldblatt,  
David Vandervort and Loved Ones

The Bunar Family

Annette Marie Corliss, Walter Morgan and  
Grandsons Scott Meagher and Steven Churchill Sr.

Marion Nelson

William & Virginia Achilli and Della Tirrell

Chester & Agnes Dunbar and Dwight & Elise Reed

John Friberg

Daniel Livrago

The Morana & Ramsey Families

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The Bunar & Mann Families

Marguerite E. & Franklin E. McCorkle

Ella Cady

John & Eunice Raynes

Pete & Thelma Beland

Rev. John & Liza Stair Matteson  
and Guy & Grace Cunningham

### **Given by**

Dorothy, David, Alteira &  
Keara Greene

Al & Nancy Bunar

Herb & Eleanor Corliss

Judy Crawford

Matt & Pat Delaney

Don & Eleanor Dunbar

Mildred & Children

Gerry & Joe Livrago

Maureen Mahoney

Pat Manfredi

Chet & Helen Mann

Otis McCorkle

Eunice McSweeney

Their Children Jadine, Janice & Robert

Jim & MaryAnn O'Hearn

Betty S. Reardon

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## *Memorial Easter Flowers...continued*

The Reeves & Conrad Families	John & Barbara Reeves
Kendrick Rudolph, David Rudolph and Wayne Rudolph	Tom & Jennifer Rudolph
Wayne Rudolph	Gerry, Shannon & Wayne Jr.
William & Eva Stillman and Alberta Poole	Ellen Stillman
Madeline & Arthur Morgan and Sarah & Ernest Frasier	Their Grandchildren
Marion & Herbert Tingblad and “Skiddy” Casoni	Richard, Louise & Kristin
John P. Yaney	Evelyn & John Y. Yaney

### THE ALPHA CORNER...



Our winter Alpha program ended on *April 9<sup>th</sup>*, with a video and discussion on “What About the Church?” The church is an appropriate subject to conclude Alpha. Nicky describes the church as the family of God. Our life in the church is our continuing life in Christ. In the church healing continues, and we grow in spirituality and in knowledge of God as we live our lives in Jesus together. We support each other in our faith and our day by day lives. Thanks be to God for the church and for All Saints’.

The Celebration Dinner to kick off the fall Alpha program will be on *September 17<sup>th</sup>*. Please be thinking about who you might bring to that dinner to learn more about Alpha. We’ll be using updated talks by Nicky on CD in the fall, and will also have shortened 25 minutes talks available for more informal discussion groups.

## *Junior Warden Quick Notes...*

The monthly update...

- Nothing new to report for last month’s activities.

As always, if anyone has any comments, ideas, or concerns, feel free to talk with me.



## PLANNING FOR GROWTH

*Submitted by Jack Foster*

At our April meeting we discussed spirituality and knowledge of God. Each person shared their idea of what spirituality is. Then we listed all the activities at All Saints' that support spirituality. We were surprised at how long and varied the list is, as shown below:

Church School	Reel Theology
Worship	Ultreyas
Bible-based sermons	Purpose Driven Life Course
Cursillo	Eucharistic Visits to Shut-ins
Youth Groups	Prayer Chain
Bible Studies	Funerals
Alpha	Baptisms
Adult Courses	Weddings
Thunky Thinking	Confession
Altar Guild	Pastoral conversations
Women of Faith	Lay conversations
Acolytes	Lay Eucharistic Ministers

At our next meeting on **May 18<sup>th</sup> at 7-9pm** we'll be talking about growth in worship. All are welcome to join us as we talk about the commitment to worship and styles of worship that help our parish grow.

### **Several Ultreyas are scheduled - at least one must be for you!**

**Friday, May 5th at 7:15 PM - Church of the Good Shepherd in Acton** (That's the Friday of the Women's Cursillo weekend)

**Saturday, May 6th from 6:00 to 8:00 PM - All Saints' in Attleboro** (That's the Saturday of the Women's Cursillo weekend) All Saints is located at 121 No. Main Street in Attleboro, MA.

**Ultreyas are open to all Christians, whether or not they have previously attended a Cursillo weekend so don't hesitate to invite a friend who is not a cursillista. Please come and enjoy an evening of Christian Renewal.**

There are even more:

**Friday, May 19th at 7:30 PM - All Saints' in Whitman**

**Friday, May 26th at 7:00 PM - Saint David's in Yarmouth**

**Friday, June 16th at 7:30 PM - All Saints' in Whitman**



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May		June	
3	Richie Spadea	2	Dana Boynton
5	Robbie D'Antuono, Sean Frazier	6	Mary Lynn, Cynthia Armstead, Leah Walbourne,
6	Danny Preach, Barbara Spadea	7	Joe Morgan
7	Jack Foster, Colleen Manison	10	Marsha Boynton
9	Robin Armstrong	11	Nicole Dyson
11	Alex Bunar	13	Kristin Phillips
15	Louise Quilty	14	Judith Veazie
18	Harry Smiley Jr.	17	Dean Kelliher Sr.
24	Ted Putur	20	Charles Birk
25	Karney Eldridge, Lynn Walsh, Catherine Livrago	21	Evelyn Yaney
26	Ronald Brown	26	Ryan Armstrong
28	Kara D'Arrigo, Robert Walters	27	Susan Livrago
29	Geraldine Livrago		
31	Cheryl McDonald		

**“Greetings”  
By Dave Frazier**

Say me to you, “How do you do?  
Do you as good as I?”  
And while I do ask,  
I feel that my task,  
Is one that I cannot let lie.

Impart a smile do I, to catch your eye,  
And cause you to feel so good.  
For if you feel bad,  
Then I truly am sad.  
Return a smile to me if you would.

I greet you, as I meet you,  
And truly from my heart;  
I mean what I say,  
Please have a good day,  
And wear a good smile from the start!

*10-2001 David A. Frazier*

**Groceries**

There's a little old Christian lady living next door to an atheist. Every morning the lady comes out onto her front porch and shouts "Praise the Lord!". The atheist yells back, "There is no God".

She does this every morning with the same result. As time goes on the lady runs into financial difficulties and has trouble buying food.

She goes out onto the porch and asks God for help with groceries, then says, "Praise the Lord".

The next morning she goes out onto the porch and there're the groceries she's asked for, of course she says "Praise the Lord". The atheist jumps out from behind a bush and says, "Ha, I bought those groceries - there is no God".

The lady looks at him and smiles, she shouts, "Praise the Lord, not only did you provide for me Lord, you made Satan pay for the groceries!!"

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