

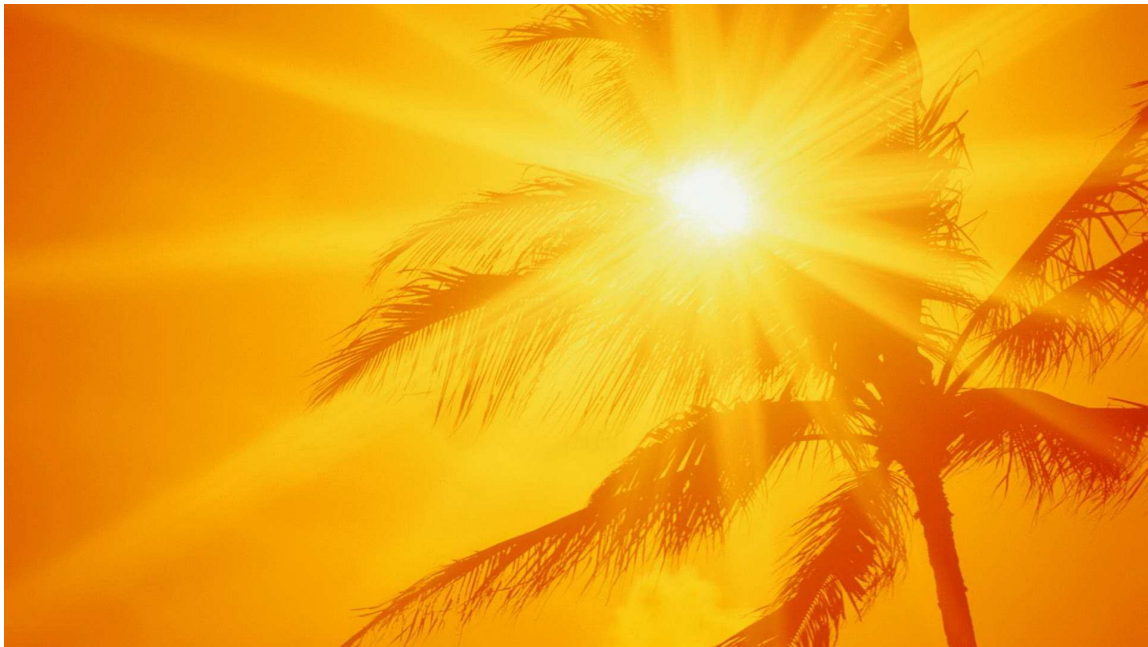
*August 2011 Edition*

**WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

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*To rejoice in the love of God as revealed in Jesus Christ and share that love with all people*

**St. Mary's Mission Statement**

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# Message from the Rector



*The Rev. Sarah D. Odderstol*

## Dog Days

How did dogs come to be so maligned? The hottest, most stagnant days of summer are called Dog Days. The name actually has nothing to do with our beloved pets – no matter how lazy they become or how slowly they move when the temperature rises. The name Dog Days comes from the ancient belief that Sirius, the “Dog Star”, would cause the hot weather when its course through the heavens took it very close to the sun during the summer months. Sirius is called the “Dog Star” because it is the brightest star in the constellation Canis Major (Large Dog). The term Dog Days dates all the way back to the time of Aristotle (4<sup>th</sup> century BCE). The Greeks were the first to call the hottest days of summer Dog Days.

This summer the bite of Dog Days has actually been as bad as the bark: angry storms, tree limbs falling from the sky, and basements flooding. Maybe there is something to the ancient belief that the Dog Days were an evil time when the seas boiled, wine turned sour, cities raged in anger, dogs grew mad, and all creatures became languid!? Growing up, I dreaded the Dog Days. By the middle of August, the water in Minnesota lakes was so warm that the water was green with algae. If you went swimming you’d get a rash... ICK! Production in my mother’s (huge) garden would peak at the same time; I felt like I was constantly shucking peas, snapping beans or canning tomatoes. (My mother tells me this is not so, but this IS my memory!) I was bored, bored, bored and I longed to be back in the routine of the school year.

Summer at St. Mary’s is anything but boring. We have had our own share of storm induced drama to shake us up a bit. Worship gets scaled back a bit during the summer. I enjoy the simplicity of Rite I worship with no music. I look forward to the surprise of guest musicians and “local talent” that Kevin McKelvie invites to participate in worship. A dramatic presentation? Taize in daylight? Sermon props? A virtuoso violinist? One never knows what will turn up! Better still, our lectionary has been leading us through the stories of Genesis – good stuff. The Dog Days are filled with liturgical adventure at St. Mary’s! But still... when we hit the Dog Days, I start longing for a different rhythm.

The “program year” officially kicks off on September 11<sup>th</sup> this year. Given that this is the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of 9/11, we are planning a special service. Sunday school will also begin September 11<sup>th</sup>... more details to follow in the September Messenger! The new rhythm actually gets started on August 21<sup>st</sup>, when we will celebrate the Feast of St. Mary, bless our kindergarteners, AND have a baptism... WHEW!!

Don’t let the Dog Days get you down... there’s always something to look forward to...!

Blessings,

Sarah+

# *Message from the Assistant Rector*



*The Rev. Dan Justin*

## **Telling Stories**

If you have not noticed by now from listening to my sermons...I love telling stories. There really is nothing better in the entire world than either telling or listening to a story. I come from a family of storytellers. This is how we relate to the world. My fondest memories of being a child all revolve around my family gathering at the end of our day at our kitchen table for dinner. We would each tell stories of what happened to us that day. Sometimes we would even hop up and even act them out. It was a time of laughter and joy listening to those stories. Sometimes the stories were not joyful but we listened to those just as intently. We were a family of storytellers and still are to this day. Life is found in the details and if you don't take time to tell stories you may just find life passing you right by.

When I taught public speaking at Lindenwood University I made the students keep a story journal. I am of the opinion that everything you encounter in life can become a great story. The point of the Story Journal was so that the students would get used to living with their eyes open in their lives. If they saw an ad, read a book, tripped on the stairs, had a fight with their significant other, heard a funny saying, talked to a little kid, or found an interesting item in an antique store they would be able to record it in their journal. Every single one of those things could be used in a story somehow and stories make speeches so much more interesting. You never know when or where or what can become just the right story to tell in the right speech. My sermons are usually filled with stories about the simplest things – a toy, a picture, something my niece said, a close encounter with a bird. They all become ways to find God in the details of my life.

I have come to believe that stories are holy things. Stories are the portals we use to allow others access to our lives and our worlds. Jesus tells us that we should weep with those who weep and rejoice with those who rejoice. That is accomplished only when we sit with one who is suffering and allow them to tell their stories. It is through listening to stories that we can truly be in solidarity with a person who is in pain. When traumatic events occur, people need to tell their stories. When someone dies their loved ones need the opportunity to tell the stories of how it happened and where they were and what people said. They need to tell the stories and we need to listen to those stories. It is through telling and listening to stories that we obey the command of Jesus. The same is true with joyful occasions. What ever the event may be, we enter into another's joy by listening to their stories. Stories are holy things.

Stories also allow us to see God's action in the world today. When people tell stories of how their prayers were answered or of amazing events that are those "God" moments we hear stories of how God is involved in our every day lives. We can listen to stories of modern day mini miracles and recognize God at work in the world today.

There are people we encounter all the time that need to hear stories of hope. They need to hear stories in which they can see the actions of God in the world today. Are you telling those stories? Others need people to listen to their stories. Only when we are willing to listen to their stories can we truly suffer along with them or rejoice along with them. Stories are holy things. Stories take courage – courage to tell your story and courage to truly listen to another person's story.

So I encourage you to start thinking about stories in new ways. Think about the stories you tell and how people can begin to see God at work in your world through them. Think about how you listen to other people's stories and how you can truly begin to live in solidarity with another person as they invite you into their lives through the telling of stories. And I think you will begin to see just how holy stories can be.

Blessings,  
Dan+

# *Music at St. Mary's*

By Kevin McKelvie

## **Summer Music Schedule – 2011**

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A great big THANK YOU to all the people and groups who have stepped forward to provide music leadership for the 10 a.m. Sunday Eucharist services throughout the summer – *Bravi Tutti!* Below is the listing for the remainder of this season before we begin our next program year in September.

**31 July** – Ryan Murphy - violin

**7 August** – Barbara Scavone- piano/ Ryan Murphy - violin; (*Can also use a cantor*)

**14 August**- Heidi Meyer - piano

**21 August**- Heidi Meyer/ Kim Sopata-flute

**28 August** – Joe Lill/Cheryl Kreiman

**4 September** – Kaethe Wright Kaufmann – organ (*Can also use a cantor*)

*Don't wait – Don't delay!*

*Fall Music Opportunities are coming soon!*

Yes, I know, the weather is still very warm and there are a good many lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer ahead; but please be thinking about becoming a part of the Music Ministry of St. Mary's for this coming fall. There are so many ways in which everyone can be involved – *The Parish Choir* – *The Gospel Choir* – *Playing an instrument in worship* and the *Treble Choir* for our younger musicians! Please contact Kevin McKelvie at [SMECKevin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:SMECKevin@sbcglobal.net) for more information, to answer any questions you may have, to volunteer or to share a comment.

## *Parish Choir Retreat*

The Parish Choir will begin the season with our annual retreat (at St. Mary's) on Saturday, 10 September from 10 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. – lunch included! This is the best time to become a new or a returning member of our magnificent Parish Choir. Please contact Kevin McKelvie at [SMECKevin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:SMECKevin@sbcglobal.net) for further information.

# Women's Spirituality



Women's Spirituality will begin meeting again on September 12th. For those of you who are new to St. Mary's and those who haven't participated before, this group of women meets the first Monday of each month (except for Sept 12th) for fellowship, light refreshments and lively discussion of the book chosen for that month.

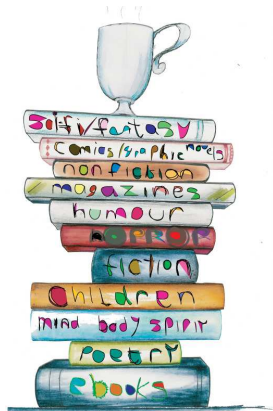
We meet in the Grauer Lounge from 7:00 to 8:30pm. All women are welcome whether you have read the book or not. The book we will discuss Sept. 12th is "The Tenth Parallel: Dispatches from the Fault Line between Christianity and Islam by Eliza Griswold. Through 7 years of daring travel, quiet observation, empathy and gift for observation, Eliza Griswold humanizes and clarifies conflicts in Africa and Asia that are often neglected or misunderstood.

If you have any questions about this, Christina, give me a call. Linda. We are looking forward to another great year and hope to see you there!

Date	Book Author
September 12	<u>10<sup>th</sup> Parallel</u> Eliza Griswold
October 3	<u>Beginners Grace</u> Kate Braestrup
November 7	<u>Kitchen House</u> Kathleen Grissom
December 5	<u>The Arrival</u> Shaun Tan
January 2	<u>Anam Cara</u> John O'Donohue
February 6	<u>Illumination</u> Kevin Brockmeir
March 5	<u>Falling Upward</u> Richard Rohr
April 2	<u>Devil's Ink: Blog from the Basement</u> Jeffrey C. Pugh

*Read and W(h)ine about it!*

**Read and W(h)ine About It!**  
**Summer Reading**



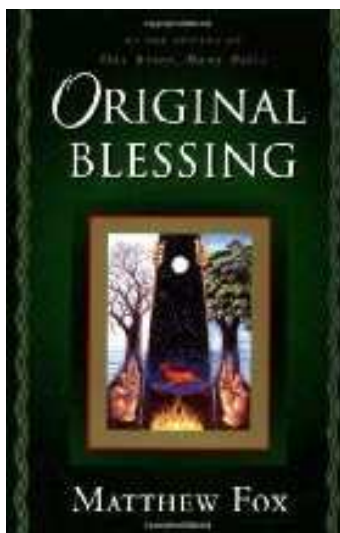
***Read and W(h)ine About It! Summer Reading*** is a new, all comers, summer book club at St. Mary's. **Read and W(h)ine About It!** is one part literary adventure and one part an excuse to gather socially! We gathered in June to discuss Rob Bell's *Love Wins: A book about Heaven, Hell, and the fate of every person who ever lived*. Consider joining us on **Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.** We'll wrestle with Jennifer Haigh's new novel *Faith*. We'll gather in the Courtyard or Grauer Lounge depending on the weather. Please bring wine/a non-alcoholic beverage and/or some nibbles to share. Both books are readily available for purchase in bookstores and online. The Park Ridge library has one copy of *Love Wins* and two copies of *Faith*.

## *Adult Formation!*

# *“Crucial Conversations”*

Information. Meditation. Action.

**Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>. 7pm**



### **ORIGINAL BLESSING BY MATTHEW FOX**

In his best-known work, *Original Blessing*, Fox rejects the idea of our innate sin and inevitable punishment and proposes a creation-centered spirituality — a philosophy of mystical artistry, universal compassion, and the celebration of the divine within each human soul. Creation-centered spirituality blends science (knowledge of creation), mysticism (experiential union with creation), and art (expression of our awe at creation). When *Original Blessing* replaces *Original Sin*, relationships of awe, of passion and compassion, of love for justice and for the earth, are resurrected. Please join us for this most interesting of conversations lead by the Rev. Jay Risk. Reading of the book is not required but encouraged to enhance our conversation.

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For more information contact Christina Rompon

St. Mary's: 847/823-4126 or [parishadmin@stmaryspr.org](mailto:parishadmin@stmaryspr.org)

# *Does Your Garage Overflow with?*

## Happy Summer!

Do you have some excess possessions? With the assistance of Rev. Dan Justin, I will be creating a St. Mary's sharing website. The concept is simple, many of us are blessed with having a surplus of "stuff," new or gently used items now stored in our attic, basement, or garage. In these difficult financial times, many of our fellow Episcopalians are straining their credit cards to buy those same items. To redistribute our abundance within our own community and across other Episcopal churches, St. Mary's will be setting up a proprietary recycling internet group modeled after the website [freecycle.org](http://freecycle.org). (You can Google it to take a look.)

Initially St. Mary's will be twinned with St. Teresa near Midway Airport. The site will act as an electronic bulletin board where people from St. Mary's or St. Teresa's can post items they are willing to give to another family, e.g., old TVs. Members of either parish would also be able to post requests for items, e.g., Needed: twin bed frame. Knowing someone has a specific need for your stuffed moose head could be a powerful motivator for the redistribution of your blessings. We might not want to throw things out because they are still useable, maybe even new. Attempting to sell stuff on line is time consuming, often unsuccessful, and only brings a fraction of an item's value, but if we find out that there is a needy home we might joyfully move our stuff along.

The process is simple. You create a two or three line post in one of two categories, OFFERED or WANTED. E.g. Title - OFFERED: 37 inch standard definition TV with converter box. Description: TV in good condition, but missing original remote. Location: Park Ridge. I will act as moderator clearing all posts to be certain they conform to the specs, and then members of St. Teresa's or St. Mary's are free to respond. There are only a few simple ground rules. 1) Absolutely no money can be exchanged, no solicitations for cash can be made. 2) All items received must be for personal use, not for sale or other purposes. 3) All items must be safe, legal, and appropriate for all ages. 4). No food, animals or medications can be posted. 5) Pick up and transport is the responsibility of the person receiving an item.

I believe person to person contact can be a great motivator for the redistribution of our abundance with a Christian Spirit. What would you be willing to give if you knew someone really needed it? Stay tuned and contact me with any questions (or "OFFERS") as we prepare to go live.

God Bless,

Cynthia Cycon  
cycon@sbcglobal.net

## Worship Notes



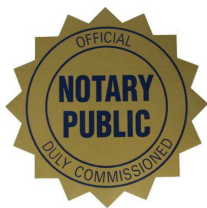
**Altar Flowers** - With the exception of Advent and Lent, flowers are used to dress the altar area each Sunday as we partake in our feast at the Lord's table. Following the 10:00am service, the flowers are delivered to home-bound, hospitalized, or rehabbing parishioners in the area. You are welcome to memorialize a deceased loved one or offer thanksgiving for a blessing by using one of the yellow envelopes in the narthex. Simply complete the information on the outside and enclose either cash or a check made payable to St. Mary's Altar Guild. The cost of the altar flowers range from \$40 to \$60 depending on the occasion or feast. Your offering will be appreciated by those of us able to attend church and those of us who can only be here in spirit! If you have any questions, contact Trish Morris at (847) 698-1014.



**Greeters** - Each Sunday morning as parishioners and visitors enter the church, they are greeted by a parishioner assigned as the official greeter. As well, the greeter makes sure newcomers are introduced to others and invited to coffee hour. Believe it or not, some parishes do not have a like program and greeting is left to chance. Not at St. Mary's – our sign says “All Are Welcome” and the greeters help to make sure that “All Feel Welcome”. If you are interested in becoming a greeter, please contact Stephanie Kitt @ 847-698-9771.



**Sermons on St. Mary's Website** - If you would like to hear one of your favorite sermons again, visit St. Mary's website at [www.stmaryspr.org](http://www.stmaryspr.org)



**Free Notary Public service available to parishioners of St. Mary's Episcopal Church** – Need a document notarized? Contact the parish administrator at 847-823-4126 Monday thru Friday, 9 am to 5 p.m.

# St. Mary's Calendar of Events

~ August 2011 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> 7p.m. Healing Circle, Youth Room	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 9 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Chapel 7p.m. Women's 12 Step Mtg Middle Classroom	<b>4</b> 7p.m. Outreach Strategic Planning Meeting, Grauer Lounge	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> <u><b>Eighth Sunday after Pentecost</b></u> 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite 1, Church 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist Church	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> <u><b>Episcopal Youth Day</b></u> 7 p.m. Prayer Shawl Group, Youth Room 7 p.m. Worship Commission Meeting, Grauer Lounge	<b>10</b> 9 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Chapel 7 p.m. Women's 12 Step Mtg Middle Classroom	<b>11</b> 7:30p.m. Outreach Distribution Meeting, Grauer Lounge	<b>12</b> 7p.m. Read it and W(h)ine about it, Grauer Lounge	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> <u><b>Ninth Sunday after Pentecost</b></u> 8 a.m. Acolyte Breakfast, Beyer Auditorium 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite 1, Church 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist Church	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 7:30 p.m. Vestry Meeting, Grauer Lounge	<b>17</b> 9 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Chapel 7p.m. Women's 12 Step Mtg Middle Classroom	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> <u><b>Tenth Sunday after Pentecost</b></u> <u><b>Feast of St. Mary's</b></u> <u><b>And Blessing of the</b></u> <u><b>Kindergartners</b></u> 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite 1, Church 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist Church	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 9 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Chapel 7p.m. Women's 12 Step Mtg Middle Classroom	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> <u><b>Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost</b></u> 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite 1, Church 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist Church 5 p.m. Sunday School Teachers Mtg, Grauer Lounge	<b>29</b> 7 p.m. Membership Committee Meeting, Grauer Lounge	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> 9 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Chapel 7p.m. Women's 12 Step Mtg Middle Classroom			

# Notes

## **Messenger Newsletter submission....**

If you are interested in submitting material for the September 2011 Messenger newsletter, submissions must be made on or before August 23rd. Submissions received after this date will be placed in the following month's newsletter. Please email to:  
[parishadmin@stmaryspr.org](mailto:parishadmin@stmaryspr.org).

## **Messenger birthday and anniversary list....**

If your name is not located on the birthday or anniversary list for this month, we apologize and ask that you please contact Christina Rompon at: 847-823/4126 or email to [parishadmin@stmaryspr.org](mailto:parishadmin@stmaryspr.org) with your date of birth or anniversary date so that we can place it in all future newsletters and bulletins.

## **Parish Directory Request**

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## **St. Mary's General Notice #1:**

In an effort to update our safety protocols for emergency situations, we would like to request that should there ever be a need to vacate St. Mary's, the procedure would be to exit the building and if children have accompanied you to church, to meet them in the play lot.

# Birthdays and Anniversaries!

~ August 2011 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Dan Justin	2 Steven Hunsader <u>Anniversaries:</u> Ronald and Ellie Gunther David and Joan Grauer	3 Jenna Conway Kate Heyde	4 Lauren May <u>Anniversaries:</u> Joe Tulacz and Tricia Crisafulli Thomas and Marilyn Provencher	5 <u>Anniversary:</u> Scott and Anne Schiave	6 Charles Enblom Carole Pick
7 Matthew Coyne Jeanine Zywiciel <u>Anniversaries:</u> Dick and Joan Chandler Jason and Eileen Aldrin	8 Thomas Conway Carolyn Hallman	9 Veronica Coyne Mark Simpson	10	11	12 Lyn Garbarini <u>Anniversary:</u> Dan and Robbie Dorsey	13 Carter Olson
14 Taylor Dornik	15	16 Jean Forrest Dorothy Byrd	17 John Kreger Robert Poynton	18	19 Audrey Florentine	20 Dotti Ellis Julianna Sunken
21 <u>Anniversaries:</u> Henry and Helen Caldwell Peter and Karen Chrisos	22 Lindsay May	23 Zachary Pierce Alexander Bonk Paige Garbarini Jessica Holler Heather Simpson <u>Anniversary:</u> Roger and Susan Mondlock	24 <u>Anniversary:</u> Ronald and Pamela Piarowski	25 Garrett Kreger Andrew Mital Claret Oulvey	26 Patrick Commins Louis Porter <u>Anniversary:</u> Ed and Jan Biegert	27 Chuck Hannah
28 Lucian Bontumasi Nicholas Espevik	29 Kristin Lahey Adrienne Rozmus	30 Carter Bruce	31 <u>Anniversary:</u> Michael and Jodi Mahoney			

## Recipe of the Month



### *Tropical Lemonade*

#### Ingredients

- 1 1/2 cups freshly squeezed lemon juice (from about 12 lemons)
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 6 cups water
- 2 6-ounce cans pineapple juice
- 1 12-ounce can apricot nectar
- 2 12-ounce cans ginger ale
- Lemon slices (to garnish)
- Ice

#### Preparation

- Place the lemon juice, the sugar, and 1 cup water in a large pitcher. Stir until the sugar dissolves, then add 5 more cups water, the pineapple juice, the apricot nectar, the ginger ale, a few slices of lemon to garnish, and plenty of ice.

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# St. Mary's Ministry Contact Information

**Church of the Advent**— Is our monthly Soup Kitchen Ministry. We feed the homeless in the Logan Square neighborhood every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month during the school year. New volunteers are always welcome! Contact Gabrielle Saylor at [gabrilly2001@yahoo.com](mailto:gabrilly2001@yahoo.com)

**United Power for Action & Justice Core Team**— Our faith inspires us to seek social justice for the most vulnerable. All who have a concern for justice are welcome to join this group who use community organizing methods to work for equitable access to health care, restrictions on crime guns, affordable housing and other issues. Contact Bill Totsch at 847-823-7734.

**Community Christian Alternative (CCA) Academy**— An inspiring and nurturing small school with a track record of successful graduates, CCA gives high school dropouts in the Lawndale neighborhood of Chicago a second chance to earn their diplomas. Volunteer as a classroom assistant, a tutor or in the office. Contact Brenda Whitenack at 847-698-0999.

**The Treasure Chest**— Our resale shop has a long history of providing charitable funding for ministry at St. Mary's in the world. Volunteers run the shop and maintain a lively fellowship among the workers. Contact Mary Redmann at 847-825-2670.

**Parish Choir Does It ALL On Sundays!** — As the New Year begins to unfold with a new budget – the Parish Choir has made some changes! We will no longer be having a mid-week rehearsal. Now is the time to join or re-join the Parish Choir, no more pesky Wednesday night rehearsals. It all happens on Sunday mornings now – one trip to church for the week – like one stop shopping, you can get it all and do it all in one trip. The schedule is as follows: Sunday Mornings from September through May Warm-up call 9:00 a.m.; 10 a.m. service; rehearsal 11:30 a.m. till 12:45 p.m. Every effort will be made to rehearse pieces to be sung several Sundays out; so if you have to miss a Sunday, you will not be out of the loop. Looking for singers in all voice categories, however we really need MEN, especially tenors – come one come all – make this your New Year's resolution! Sing, Sing, SING TO THE LORD A NEW SONG! Contact Kevin cKelvie for more information – [smeckevin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:smeckevin@sbcglobal.net)

**Treble Choir**— An incomparable music education for children starting in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. Our choirmaster trains the trebles to read music, match pitch, sing in an ensemble, and make music expressive. Open to children in the church and the community. Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. Contact Kevin at [smeckevin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:smeckevin@sbcglobal.net)

**Acolytes**— Carrying the cross and candles as the procession enters the liturgy, the acolytes draw our attention to the Light of the Christ who we come to meet in worship. Our excellent acolyte team encourages older youth to train and nurture younger members in the discipline of leading worship. Contact Curt Manning at 847-692-9201 or Dianne Yonkers.

**Altar Guild**— Who prepares our sanctuary for worship with such caring attention? The women of the Altar Guild do. This team of women (along with some husbands too) takes great care in preparing and decorating the church for worship. Contact Barb Bowers at 847-823-0709.

**Prayer Shawl**— Knit and crochet prayer shawls are created for those in need of comfort and solace. Both learners and experienced crafters are welcome at once-a-month meetings. Contact Jessica Holler, 847-222-8038.

**Sunday Altar Flower Delivery** - Nearly every Sunday the altar area of the Church is adorned with two beautiful flower arrangements. As part of their ministry, members of this ministry undertake to deliver the flower arrangements each Sunday to parishioners suggested by the clergy. These parishioners are selected for a variety of reasons. Many of the deliveries recipients of the altar flowers are made to parishioners who are homebound, ill, recovering, or just released from the hospital. Other times, the altar flowers are delivered to parishioners celebrating a birth or some other joyous event. If you would like more information about the ministry, telephone Jim Harbert at 847-692-9245.

**Office Help**— This ministry comes to the aid of office staff who have a heavy work load. No special skills necessary, but those with office or computer experience are welcome. Linda Olson 847-768-9519, will lead this effort, or contact the parish office.

**Layreaders, Lay Eucharistic Ministers, and Chalice Bearers** — Contact the Rev. David Grauer.

**Youth and Children's Formation & Catechists**— Journey with our children ages three to eighteen as they explore and learn about our faith. Adult catechists work in teams; usually responsible for a class twice a month on Sunday mornings. The Catechists are trained and given support. No experience is needed; many adults come and learn with the children. Other opportunities occur throughout the year for special events such as the Christmas Pageant, Vacation Bible School, Advent Family Crafts, and Holy Week Liturgies. Help at all levels is welcome! For additional information, please contact Martha Durham by email at [Martha@stmaryspr.org](mailto:Martha@stmaryspr.org).

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## **Affiliated Clergy**

The Rev. Michael Kitt.....*Associate Chaplain, Canterbury Northwestern*  
Joseph Tamborini Czolgosz.....*Chaplain and Manager, Clinical Pastoral Education*  
The Rev. Clint Moore III.....*Clinical Ethicist-Lutheran General Hospital/Children's Hospital*  
The Rev. James L. Risk III.....*BCC Executive Director, Bishop Anderson House*  
The Rev. Elizabeth Jameson.....*Vice President, Seabury-Western Theological Seminary*

## WORSHIP

**Wednesday** - 9:00 a.m. Eucharist in Chapel

**Sunday** - 8 a.m. Eucharist in Church, Rite I, 10 a.m. Eucharist in Church, Rite II, Coffee Hour following

**Children** - Children's Formation begins at 9:30 a.m. in the Grauer Lounge with a family sing, followed by Sunday School starting at 9:45 a.m. Nursery available, 9:30 a.m. to noon

## CHURCH LEADERSHIP

**Senior Warden** – Curt Manning  
**Junior Warden** – Barbara Needleman  
**Clerk of the Vestry** – Barbara Bowers

### Vestry Members At Large-

Rob Clarke  
Gary Devaney  
Robbie Dorsey  
Carol Johnson

**Youth Representative** – C.J. Yager

### Commissions

**Christian Formation** - Kathleen Hagenlocker  
**Adult Formation** – Bill Haefling  
**Fellowship** – Laura Cella  
**Pastoral Care** – Carole Pick  
**Properties** – Jay Needleman  
**Outreach** – Jackie Combs Nelson & Eric Maurer  
**Stewardship** – By Committee

**Parish Treasurer** – Kathy Mcintyre  
**Assistant Treasurer** – Jim Morris  
**Assistant Treasurer** – Roy Waterman  
**Assistant Treasurer** – Dick Chandler  
**Assistant Treasurer** – Stewart Marshall  
**Altar Guild Directress** – Trish Morris

**Greeters** – Stephanie Kitt

**Ushers** – Dick Chandler

**Acolytes** – Curt Manning and Dianne Yonkers

**Lay Readers** – David Grauer

**Newsletter Editor** – Christina Rompon

**Worship Commission** – Dianne Yonkers

**Treasure Chest** – Mary Redmann and Ellen Zurek