

On Eagles' Wings

Special Dates of Interest

- June 30 Priest Lisa's First Sunday
July 4 Independence Day
Office closed
July 14 Summer Choir
Aug. 4 Baptism
Summer Choir

Check the weekly parish email, bulletin announcements, or the online calendar for a complete and up-to-date schedule of events.

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DEADLINE

August newsletter
articles due Monday,
July 15, 2013.

ON COMMUNITY

BY LISA TUCKER-GRAY



What we learn from the other we learn about ourselves. The honor with which we regard the other unmask our own theology of creation. The way we react to the needs of the other tells us something about our own needs. The attention we give to another exposes our real sense of the breadth and depth of the universe and stretches it beyond ourselves.

We see in others the kind of commitment it takes to go on believing when our own belief falters. We look to others for the kind of vision that expands our own beyond the daily.

We depend on others for the kind of wisdom that exceeds mere answers. We hold on to others to find the kind of love that makes life rich with meaning, certain proof of the everlasting love of a Creator for whom there is no word. We must every day take others into the narrow little confines of our lives and listen to their call to us to be about something greater than ourselves.

Benedictine Sister and author Joan Chittister

By the time you receive this edition of *On Eagles' Wings*, we will have officially begun our ministry together. June was a month of living in two worlds for me. As I transitioned out of my former role on diocesan staff as Canon to the Ordinary, I also began the exciting work of transitioning slowly into God's beloved community here at St. John's. And while packing up books from one office to relocate them here in my new office, I stumbled upon this wonderful quote by prolific author and Benedictine Sister Joan Chittister. It seems to me that this excerpt captures how I would like to begin our journey together; embracing the centrality of building community.

In the days, weeks and months to come we will talk and listen to each other with intention about mission, vision and purpose; we will review results from your recent survey and discern actionable items; we will explore opportunities for new ministry as well as review what is working and what has perhaps reached its natural conclusion; we will learn more about the community we find ourselves in and how we might be better servants meeting the needs of those around us; we will organize, strategize and clarify roles and expectations; but not today. Today is about beginnings.

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PASTORAL CARE

When to request pastoral care:

There are a number of situations that warrant a call for pastoral care:

- Any sort of overnight hospital stay: illness, surgery, etc.
- Substance abuse involving you or a loved one
- Domestic problems of any sort, such as marital or child-related
- Birth of a child
- Marriage (before you set the date!)
- Death – call when a person is dying and at the actual time of death regardless of the hour!
- When you desire spiritual direction.

—2013 BAPTISM DATES—

August 4

November 3

Transfiguration Sunday

All Saints Sunday

Baptism Registration Forms are on the bulletin board outside the Parish Office. Complete the form and place it in Randy's mailbox, directly across from the office.

Anyone requesting to receive one of the sacraments—baptism, confirmation, marriage, or burial—needs to meet with clergy before any action is taken.

2013 MISSION TRIP

The time is growing near: The short term mission trip to Appalachia is fast approaching and we need you to sign-up. We are forming a team of up to eight members to go back to Appalachia July 28 – August 3, for a one-week mission trip. We already have several youth signed up and we REALLY need an adult to go to be a driver and chaperone. If you have questions or would like more information please contact Paul Buckley.



As in the past years, the work camp for the summer of 2013 will again be held at Grace House, just outside of St. Paul, Virginia (this is right on the border between Virginia, Kentucky, and Tennessee). Work campers must be at least rising tenth graders; there is no upper age limit. The work groups interact with local families as they do home rehab work.

Cost per person is \$350.00, which includes food and lodging. There will be some scholarships available to assist with the fees. Accommodations at Grace House are in bunk houses - one for males and one for females - each with bathrooms and showers. It is important to note that NO construction experience is necessary.

You can go directly to EAM's website at: <http://www.visit-eam.org/index.php/mission-opportunities/gracehouse/> for more information about Grace House and the EAM. For more information or to volunteer, please feel free to contact Paul Buckley at 734.416.9231.



American Red Cross

BLOOD DRIVE JULY 15

As summer continues, vacations and warm weather activities are added to our calendars. Don't forget to come July 15 to donate blood during our summer blood drive, taking place in St. John's Parish Hall. Your donation is needed and may give someone another day, another week, another month to spend with loved ones and friends.

Everyone that comes to donate at our drive will be entered to win a pair of Cedar Point tickets.

There is a sign-up sheet on the **SIGN-ME-UP** board, or call Carolyn Setty at 734.469.4080 or carolynsetty1127@yahoo.com to schedule your appointment. Appointments are available from 1:00 to 6:45 p.m. It's not too late to schedule.

The Red Cross and I thank you so much for your donation.

Submitted by Carolyn Setty

SOCIAL GROUP EVENTS

Group Social Events are on hiatus until September. Most of the theaters take the summer off from putting on any productions as people are busy with vacations and various summer activities. Enjoy your summer and we'll have some good events to look forward to in the fall. Thanks for your patronage this past year.

Dick Bass

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Don't forget about summer camp opportunities!

- **July 28-August 3:** Work Camp at Grace House in Appalachia, for those entering 10th grade and up. See page 2 for further information.
- **August 3-6:** Bass Lake Festival (for those entering 9th grade and up). A Christian Music Festival which provides an "outside the box", grace-filled experience of the Christian faith. Through great music, unique learning opportunities, and a relaxed community-building atmosphere, this event shares the Gospel with youth from all backgrounds in a beautiful outdoor setting. See <http://www.elcalivingwater.com/events/bass-lake/bass-lake-music-festival/> for more information.
- **Michi-Lu-Ca** and its sister camp, **Stony Lake**, offer a variety of wonderful camp experiences for elementary through high school campers throughout June and July. Visit their website for more information: <http://www.elcalivingwater.com/summer/>.

SING WITH THE SUMMER CHOIR

This summer, we will offer two opportunities for folks who enjoy singing to get together and sing a special anthem for Sunday worship.

- Who:** Anyone who likes singing! Open to all ages (children should have reading ability). Invite your friends from outside of our parish, too! (This is an easy way to invite a friend, relative, or neighbor to come to church with you).
- What:** Arrive at church at 9:00 a.m. (one hour prior to worship) and learn an anthem to sing in that morning's service.
- Why:** St. Augustine tells us that "To sing is to pray twice". Summer choir is a lot of fun, and it is a great way for friends and families to do something special together.
- When:** Sunday, July 14 and Sunday, August 4

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And before any of those other things can be attended to in earnest, we must know and trust each other. So in the days to come I will be spending time starting the holy task of listening to each of you and sharing a bit about me as we make our way together building community. As a fun way to start here is a short list of things about me that you may not know:

- I am the daughter of an international law professor and an Episcopal deacon.
- I spent a few months every year of my childhood living in a different country with my family as my father studied and taught abroad.
- I have worked as a professional musician, social worker, project manager, macrobiotic food store clerk, encyclopedia sales rep. (Blessedly, the shortest and most painful job of my life!), and equity actor.
- I have recently become a student of the ancient religious practice of iconography, painting in the traditional Byzantine manner with egg, tempera, and gold on hand-prepared gesso boards.
- After 16 years together, my life-partner Kim and I went to New York City this past November and got legally married, and changed all our last names to Tucker-Gray
- In December of this past year, I was finally granted full legal parental rights for our 13-year-old daughter, Taylor Yangxing Tucker-Gray, who has been a part of our family since we brought her home from China with us when she was 11 months old.
- I live in Ann Arbor with my beautiful family including: Kim, our daughter, Taylor, my mother-in-law, Lu Pilgrim and our own menagerie: Four cats, two dogs, and a new beehive. (Well, they are on the far side of our property and don't have house privileges.)

Ask me about any of these things and I will tell you more, and then be prepared to do the same; I look forward to our time together. And as we are building our relationships we will come together each week to worship and be reminded why we gather to be the church. The function of Christian community is to sustain us collectively when we feel alone or weak, to remind us of our ideals and desires to be who God calls us to be, to carry us to the next level of spiritual growth even when we are unaware that we need it, and to give us a strength beyond ourselves with which to attain it. I look forward to this journey we have now begun. May we embrace the daily goal of taking each other *into the narrow little confines of our lives listening to each other's call to be about something greater than ourselves.*

May it be so.

Blessings,

Priest Lisa+

JULY MISSION OUTREACH: GLEANERS COMMUNITY FOOD BANK

July's Mission Outreach Sunday contributions will be going to Gleaners Community Food Bank. Many of St John's members have been helping Gleaners for years by volunteering at the center in Detroit, giving money on previous Outreach Sundays or giving money or food privately. But unfortunately hunger doesn't go away. With fuel and food prices on the rise household budgets continue to be stretched, meaning families are still choosing between putting food on the table and covering other basic needs. As a result, the demand for emergency food remains high.

For more than 35 years, Gleaners Community Food Bank has been "nourishing communities by feeding hungry people." Last year, Gleaners distributed 40 million pounds of emergency food to over 600 partner soup kitchens, shelters and pantries in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Livingston and Monroe counties. Gleaners helped alleviate hunger by providing the equivalent of 85,284 meals per day to people who otherwise cannot afford the food they need. They now have five warehouse distribution centers in the area. Gleaners has programs that feed and educate more than 98,608 children a year through their many programs such as Kids helping Kids, Summer Lunches, Back Pack program and more.

Of every dollar donated, Gleaners uses 94 cents for food and food programs. One dollar provides three meals for a hungry neighbor. So please consider a generous donation in July to Gleaners. Outreach Sunday is July 21st but money for Gleaners will be accepted throughout July. You can write a check to St John's and mark Gleaners on the memo line. Mission Outreach envelopes can be found in the pews.

Please remember in your prayers...

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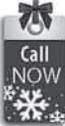
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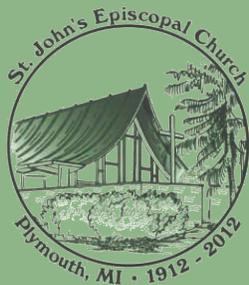
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