

THE QUILL

ST. BEDE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Episcopal Relief and Development Launches Appeal in aftermath of September 11 Disaster

[ENS] Episcopal Relief and Development is responding to the horrific acts on Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2001 which killed and injured thousands in New York & Washington, DC.

"We are profoundly saddened by this tragedy which has devastated the American people," said Sandra Swan, Executive Director. "As we watch the horror unfold, our faith calls us respond to the needs of families and countless others who have been touched and permanently changed by this tragedy."

Episcopal Relief and Development is providing food and drink for 24 hour teams involved in the search and rescue operation. In the next several days and beyond, ERD will offer trauma and grief counseling for those affected.

ERD is currently assisting local dioceses in the affected areas and will continue to support the relief effort in the upcoming days and weeks as needs are identified.

Episcopal Relief and Development's programs are made possible by contributions from individuals and from churches and dioceses throughout the Episcopal Church. Its programs of emergency relief, rehabilitation, and longterm development are geared to strengthen local communities in the United States and around the world.

Contributions for this effort can be sent to Episcopal Relief and Development:

**Episcopal Relief and Development, c/o September 11 Disaster,
Box 12043, Newark, NJ 07101**

FRIENDS OF MUSIC

CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT

Telemann - Buxtehude - Vaughan Williams

Sunday, October 28, 7:00 p.m.

SISTERS OF BEDE VENUES

The Sisters of Bede have announced the Venues which will be for sale at the Party of Parties on Saturday, October 13 (for which tickets are currently on sale):

- 10/21, Victorian Tea, 3 p.m., \$15
- 10/27, "Phantom/Opera", 2:30 pm, \$10
- 11/3, Scottish dinner, 6 pm, \$25
- 11/17, Hollywood Park Trip, 12:30 pm, \$25
- 12/1, Meatloaf Dinner, 6 pm, \$20/\$5
- 12/15, Tree Trimming Party, 10 am, \$5/\$10
- 1/12, Taste of Kauai, 6:30, \$30
- 1/26, English Dinner, 6 pm, \$25
- 2/2, Mardi Gras, 6 pm, \$15/\$10
- 2/23, Italian Dinner, 6 pm, \$25
- 3/9, Eclectic Cabaret, 7 pm, \$15
- 3/23, Medieval Lenten Dinner/Play, 6pm, \$25
- 4/13, Ground Fish Dinner, 7 pm, \$50
- 4/28, First Bloom Party, 3 pm, \$10
- 5/4, Italian Dinner, 7 pm, \$25
- 5/18, Middle Eastern Dinner, 4 pm, \$25
- 6/1, Regency Dinner, 6 pm, \$50
- 6/15, Around the World w/Wine, 4 pm, \$15
- 6/21, Summer Solstice Light Fair, 6 pm, \$15
- 8/18, Summer Garden Festival, 6pm, \$25/ \$15
- 9/7, Nouvelle Southern Luncheon, 1 pm, \$20

Check your calendars and make your plans for the next year. The proceeds will go toward the Second Century Fund. For more information, contact Ina Klem (397-2525)

RENOVATION PROJECTS

Ongoing work:

1. speaker in Luther Hall
2. receiving memorials for special pieces
3. replace of the sign at corner of Charnock/ Grandview
4. other external signage;
5. lights by parking lot entrances and walkway by west wall
6. painting the building
7. Office painting & carpeting

FR. JIM'S JOTTINGS



September 11: That date will be etched into our psyche and history in the way that December 7 is remembered as the attack on Pearl Harbor. We all will remember what we were doing when we first learned of the tragedy in NYC and DC (I will remember Janet Fox calling and telling me to turn on my TV). We are still praying for healing, restoration, and justice; we are grieving with those who have lost family and friends. An my generation, at least, is praying that we carefully measure our response so that we do not get bogged down in a no-win death trap like Vietnam. I do not want to bury teenagers who end up being cannon-fodder for politicians trying to with both a war of weapons and a war of polls.

Stewardship: October is the month that parishioners will share their ideas and feelings about parish stewardship of time, talent and treasure during the services on several Sundays. Our annual collection of pledge cards, etc. will occur at the parish luncheon following the 10 a.m. service on November 4.

FoM & SoB & soon BoB: The Friends of Music (FoM) has just sent out their program for the new season. Please join and help further this wonderful program as it begins its sixth season. The first concert will be on Sunday, October 28. The Sisters of Bede (SoB) will hold the "Party of Parties" on Saturday, October 13 with the chance to purchase tickets at 21 varied events over the upcoming year. I even hear a rumor that there may be a BoB (Brothers of Bede) group in the future.

Personal Note:

My sister and I are appreciative of the prayer & personal support we have received since my mother was diagnosed with the malignant brain tumor. She is back at the Kensington and now in hospice care. We have entered the last, and hardest, period. I know that I will be over there a great deal and I thank you in advance for your support and forbearance.

In Christ,

Jim Newman+

FROM THE RECORDS

Visitors: Heidi Forbes, James Norton, Denis Pariseau,
Bill & Dorothy Funk, Mary DiCesare, Rick Ramon, Ingrid Gilmartin, Roger
& Judith Wilson

Burial: Beverly Hague (9/21)

This is the first column I've written since before leaving for Europe in June, so please bear with me as I mention several topics that are of great importance...

From the on-line column of the Vicar, St. Bede's Church, Manchester, TN:

We all live, to one degree or another, with a fear and distrust of those who are not like us. We justify our fear by exalting what we believe is right and treat it as the absolute truth. Then we feel free to criticize those who are different, cast out those who are different, imprison those who are different, and, ultimately, kill those who are different, without ever questioning what we are doing. Get rid of the threat, that is all that counts.

At the root of all violence is the inability to tolerate differences. And it is true for every one of us everyday.

When we feel contempt for someone who dresses differently than we think is appropriate.

When we snipe at someone because they have different values than we do.

When we talk behind someone's back or curse someone who we think is driving too fast or too slow.

Those are examples of little emotional terrorist attacks, both against other people and against ourselves because they are a denial of what is inescapably obvious about this life. We are all unique. We were created to be different from one another in many ways.

When we attack each other because we are different, we attack the very source and foundation of our existence. The abundant variety so evident in this life is proof of the glorious and unlimited creativity that we are all a part of. When we presume to reduce everything and everyone to our singular point of view we insult God, the Creator, the Divine Spirit. When we insist that our way is the only way and those who are not like us must be destroyed, we set ourselves up as the ultimate authority and that is madness. The same madness that drove the terrorist's responsible for yesterday's [9/11/01] carnage and devastation.

So what can we do to meaningfully exercise our individual power and help the world convert this force of terror into an energy for community and coexistence? We must all learn to recognize, value and appreciate the differences between us.

As a walking, talking prayer, a daily act of practical spirituality, make a commitment that when you catch yourself negating someone because he or she is different from you, you will stop yourself and ask what about the other person are you afraid of? What do you believe about yourself and/or the other person that leads you to feel threatened so that you have to, in some way, wipe the other person out? It is from a lifetime accumulation of the insults and injuries of emotional abuse that terror and rage retaliates with a need to kill.

Understanding one another's unique ways is the only real antiterrorist weapon we have.

Fighting force with force is a necessary regulator. It is imperative that those responsible for this attack be found and summarily punished. No people can permit such ruthlessness to continue in any form.

However, if civilization is to ever bring an end to such indiscriminate violence, we must all learn to open ourselves to listen to the other, those people who are not like us. We have to do so with caution and self-protection. There is no need to be naive. But when we allow that the other person's reality is as meaningful for her or him as ours is for us, we set the basis for transformative dialogue, an opportunity for real listening, real understanding, and real communion of our differences. Once that opening is available, then it may take time, but if we are sincere, we will come to know one another, be changed by one another, and grow through one another toward a mutual wellbeing that is not possible any other way. Only then can there be the peace we all so deeply desire and pray for.



October Birthdays

Micheline Carlstrand, 10/01

Paul Thompson, 10/03

Ray Atwood, 10/10

Pamela Hall, 10/16

Kathleen Boyles, 10/23

Elsie Harter, 10/28

Linda Demer, 10/31

October Anniversaries

Christopher & Kathleen Boyles, 10/03

Carl & Jennine Townsend, 10/07

OCTOBER LESSONS

OCTOBER 7 (Pentecost 18: Proper 22)

Habakkuk 1.1-4; 2.1-4; Ps. 37.1-9;

2 Timothy 1.1-14; Luke 17.5-10

Preaching: Fr. Newman

OCTOBER 14 (Pentecost 19: Prop. 23)

2 Kings 5.1-3,7-15c; Ps. 111;

2 Timothy 2.8-15; Luke 17.11-19

Preaching: Fr. Newman

OCTOBER 21 (Pentecost 20: Prop. 24)

Genesis 32.22-31; Ps. 121;

2 Timothy 3.14-4.5; Luke 18.1-8

Preaching: Fr. Newman

OCTOBER 28 (Pentecost 21: Prop. 25)

Sirach 35.12-17; Ps. 84.1-7;

2 Timothy 4.6-8,16-18; Luke 18.9-14

Preaching: Fr. Newman

NOVEMBER 4 (All Saints' Sunday)

Daniel 7.1-3,15-18; Ps. 149;

Ephesians 1.11-23; Luke 6.20-31

Preaching: Fr. Newman

WEEKDAY EUCHARISTS

10/3 - Proper 21 (JH)

10/10 - Proper 22 (JN)

10/17 - St. Luke (JN)

10/24 - St. James (JH)

10/31 - All Hallow's Eve (JN)

NOTES

***FR. NEWMAN will ATTEND A MEETING in MINNEAPOLIS ON MARITAL COUNSELING, 10/3-6; AT THE CLERGY CONFERENCE in PALM SPRINGS, 10/7-9; & THE QUEST SPEAKER AT A CONFERENCE ON MARITAL COUNSELING in LAS VEGAS, 10/22-23.

***CONSIDER ADOPTING A PARCEL OF FLOWER BED in which YOU MAY WEED.

***SAVE THE DATES:

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS - 10/6

THE PARTY OF PARTIES - 10/13

FRIENDS OF MUSIC CHAMBER CONCERT - 10/28

DEANERY PRE-CONVENTION MEETING - 11/3

(AT ST. BEDE'S)

PARISH LUNCH & MEETING - 11/4

MT. CALVARY RETREAT - 11/9-11

FRIENDS OF MUSIC EVENSONG - 11/18

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & CLASSES

SUNDAYS 8 am, Holy Eucharist (no music)
10 am, Church School & Nursery
10 am, Holy Eucharist (w/choir)
6 pm, Evensong or Evening Prayer (as announced)

MONDAYS 7 pm, Evening Class & Compline (as announced)

TUESDAYS 9 am, Breakfast, Morning Prayer & Bible Study

WEDNESDAYS 7 pm, Holy Eucharist & the Sacrament of Healing
7:45 pm, Adult Class

MONDAY EVENING CLASSES

none in October

BREAKFAST & BIBLE

*A weekly class - beginning with breakfast -
which looks at the lessons for the upcoming Sunday.*

WEDNESDAY EVENING FORUM

Holy Eucharist will be celebrated each week at 7 p.m.

Torah, Torah, Torah

A Study of the 1st Five Books of the Hebrew Scriptures

10/3 - NO CLASS

10/10 - Moses' Second Address (Deut. 4.44 - 28.69)

10/17 - Moses' Third Address (Deut. 29.1 - 32.52)

10/24 - NO CLASS

10/31 - Moses' Fourth Address (Deut. 33.1 - 34.12)

ST. BEDE'S VESTRY & STAFF

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