

# NEWSLETTER

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH & ST. GEORGE'S CHAPEL

Mission statement: The mission of our parish is to help make the love of God more widely known in our community and in the world.

## The Rector's Report

June 2008

## For Everything There is a Season

While I was visiting with a friend recently and discussing his health challenges, he repeated a truism that I often question. He said, "I guess everything happens for a reason." This saying bothers me, as do in reference to calamities the commonly used, "It is God's will" and "God is testing me."

I realize that these sayings can bring comfort to people facing sickness, loss, and the many horrors that life can bring. In our struggles to understand why these things happen, or even how God could let them happen, we assign these seemingly realistic answers. But to me, these statements imply that God is meddling and even cruel and vengeful, which is contrary to my experience and to attributes of God revealed in Jesus Christ and through other faith traditions.

In one of history's most influential books *Man's Search for Meaning*, Austrian psychiatrist and Holocaust survivor Viktor

Frankl described his horrific experiences in a Nazi concentration camp. He recounted various stages of the camp inmates' responses to their torturous conditions which naturally included shock, bitterness and disillusionment. He



All Saints' Church, Rehoboth Beach



St. George's Chapel, Harbeson

concluded that human beings' deepest need is for meaning, and that those people who could find meaning even in the midst of the horrors could thus find a reason to continue living, and even with dignity. He quoted the philosopher Nietzsche's words,

"He who has a *why* to live for can bear almost any *how*."

What I believe is that not everything happens for a reason, but that we can find meaning in the midst of it all. God allows freedom in creation, and both good and bad things happen. God shares in our joys and in our sorrows, especially through the Incarnation and even in the horror of the crucifixion of God's beloved Son. But God does not let horror be the last word, but brings to all of God's people and all of creation God's salvation, redemption, resurrection, fulfillment, everlasting life.

We find our deepest meaning through our faith, in experiencing God's abiding love and mercy. We find our why to live for in being God's servants, in being workers in God's kingdom. And with that why, we can bear almost any how.

The peace & joy of Christ,

*Max*

Father Max Wolf



# CHRIS'S CORNER

By Father Chris Moore

## Is Persistence A Spiritual Virtue?

We think of love and compassion and forgiveness as spiritual virtues. What about persistence? Is persistence a spiritual virtue?

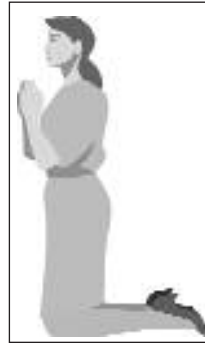
Picture this scene. You are talking with a friend who has been saying that she wants to lose weight and get into shape. She says, "I went to the gym a week ago Tuesday and worked out for 15 minutes. I'm extremely disappointed. I just don't see any difference at all in my physical condition. "Wouldn't you say to that friend, "Come on! You can't do it once or twice and expect to see any results. You've got to do it two or three times a week. Then maybe after a month or two you'll begin to see some results."

You and I recognize the importance of persistence in virtually every human endeavor, from getting in shape to losing weight to saving money to finishing an education to doing well in a job. Why is persistence not equally important in the spiritual life? Why is the spiritual life somehow an exception? Is it simply because it is "spiritual"?

St. Teresa of Avila was one of the great leaders of the church in Sixteen-century Spain. She is one of only two women declared a "Doctor of the Church" because of her pro-

found insight into the spiritual and mystical life. Her two books, *The Way of Perfection* and *Interior Castle*, remain spiritual classics to this day. And yet for 20 years she struggled with prayer. She wrote, "Whenever I entered the oratory I used to feel so depressed that I had to summon up all my courage to make myself pray at all."

And yet she persisted and after 20 years began to receive insights so profound that they became the basis for all her subsequent teaching and writing. In fact, it could be argued that if prayer had been easy for her, if she had been naturally gifted in prayer, perhaps she never would have received the insights she did.



In contrast to Teresa, when we Americans want something, we tend to want it *now*. How many times have you heard an unchurched friend say, "I went to church a couple of times. I didn't really get anything out of it." A couple of times? Try every Sunday for a year! Then maybe you'll begin to "get something out of it!"

St. Teresa is a reminder that the spiritual life is not necessarily easy. And why should it be? Is anything worthwhile in life really easy? It's not that God is trying to make it hard for us. It's just that it takes a while for us to get on God's wavelength and begin to hear that "still, small voice" that is always within us.

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## Parish Register

### Marriages

Nichole Bromley  
& Shelby LaMar  
Lisa Ann Lawson  
& Michael Carl Anthony  
Frances Reinhardt  
& Ted Ota

### Baptisms

Samuel Douglas Hess  
Caroline Alcorn Touhey

### Deaths

Tom McGovern  
Kenneth Michelbach

## Mark Calendar, June 15 As 'Must-Attend' Church

Every Sunday is special at St. George's Chapel, according to Betty Fleming, but **Sunday, June 15** is one Sunday you won't want to miss!



The Rt. Rev. Wayne P. Wright, Bishop of the Diocese of Delaware, will attend service that day, and along with the Rev. Max Wolf will officially "burn" the mortgage for the St. George's parish hall.

"We need to thank Bishop Wright for the low-interest loan that the Diocese provided (we borrowed \$200,000 of which one-third was forgiven through a challenge grant)," Betty continues in a letter prepared for the parish.

She says with the dedication at St. George's Chapel and the support of its parishioners funding was accomplished for building and maintaining the parish hall.

On June 15, people of the parish are asked to bring a covered dish for the reception after the 9:30 a.m. service. Let Helen Abrams and Carol Wells, 945-2368, know what you are bringing.

### Fill The Food Basket

The Cape Henlopen Food Basket needs contributions, especially protein items, at All Saints'. Thanks.

## Important Dates

### June

- 1 -- Vacation Bible School training, 12:30-2:30, All Saints' parish hall
- 5 -- Holy Communion & Fellowship, 2 p.m., Brandywine Assisted Living
- 7 -- Taizé Service of meditative singing and Holy Communion, 6 p.m. at All Saints' Church
- 9 -- St. George's ECW Chapter, 10 a.m., St. George's parish hall
- 9 -- Vestry meeting, 7 p.m. St. George's parish hall
- 10 -- Finance Committee, 3 p.m., All Saints' Church
- 14 -- VBS set up at All Saints' parish hall, from 9 a.m. to noon
- 15 -- Bishop's Visitation, 9:30 a.m. service, St. George's Chapel,
- 16-20 -- Vacation Bible School, 9:30 to 2:30, All Saints' Church
- 22 -- Meet, Greet & Eat, 3-5 p.m., St. George's

### July

- 3 -- Holy Communion & Fellowship, 2 p.m., Brandywine Assisted Living
- 4 -- Parish Office Closed for Independence Day
- 5 -- Taizé Service of meditative singing and Holy Communion, 6 p.m. at All Saints' Church

### Save The Date

- Sept. 12 & 13 -- The Baritones of the U.S. Army Chorus return for their 4th annual concert at All Saints'
- Sept. 14 -- National Cathedral trip

**Deadline For Items In July-August Newsletter: June 15th**

### Help Your Business, Help Your Church

If you have a retail or home-based business, a restaurant, hotel or motel, consider advertising in the program for the parish's 59th Annual Antiques Show, scheduled for **July 31st to August 2nd** at the Rehoboth Beach Convention Center.

Your ad will be seen by over 400 people who attend the Preview Party on July 30th and over 2,000 patrons who attend the three-day show.

Your advertisement will help your business and support the Antiques Show. The proceeds are distributed to children's charities and other outreach ministries both locally and internationally.

For more information on advertising, please contact Ed Zygmanski at 645-8411 or by email at [edzlewes@comcast.net](mailto:edzlewes@comcast.net).

**We Are An  
All-Inclusive  
Church**

# Meditations

**Read:** 1 Corinthians 2: 1-16

*14 But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God; for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.*

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**H**ave you ever met and spoken with an unspiritual person about faith? I grew up in a household with such a person and yet I managed to keep the faith in my heart. It was my stepfather, and he had no belief in after-death or God. He was not a church person and yet his livelihood as a farmer depended on the providence of God. The only time I ever saw him in a church was for a funeral and even then he was completely unmoved by the spirituality. He would often laugh and claim it all to be just nonsense.

Many years later I found that my mother had married him because she believed it would provide a better life for me. She had encouraged me to go to church, but when we had relocated from the city to the country, I lost a few years for transportation reasons.

My Godmother was the best boost for me. She always encouraged me to seek God and when I visited her and her family in New York City, she always made sure I attended church. She encouraged me when I told her I wanted to be confirmed. She gave me my first prayer book,

which I still managed to keep. It was my wife and her family that really got me to return to the church and then our own children.

I do have to admit that I was not a strong Christian and what knowledge I did have seemed to slip away and I really felt that I was very much a hypocrite.

It was later in my life with some good Christian friends, good priests and some good Christian mentors that provoked the spirit in me to come alive through prayers. It was only then that I gained understanding and thirsting for more ever since. How is the spirit in your life?

*Pray: Lord God and creator of all that is good, quicken your Spirit within me and give me understanding that my joy may be complete in knowing you more fully. Help me to have the confidence to go ever forward in faith. Help that I may be a willing servant and use me that I may do all such works that you approve of. This I ask in the name of Jesus Christ my Lord. Amen*

Your brother-in-Christ,  
John Birdsell

## Trip To National Cathedral Slated for September 14

A bus trip to visit the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C. is planned for Sept. 14. The bus is to leave St. George's parking lot at 7:45 a.m. and return at 8 p.m. The service is set for 11:30 a.m. with a reception following. The price is \$19 per person. Dinner is not included, but a restaurant stop is planned. Call Bernie Brown at 945-9156 for more details.



## Meet, Greet, Eat June 22 At St. George's This Year

Mark your calendars. Meet, Greet & Eat is set at St. George's **Sunday, June 22, 3-5 p.m.** Please come and bring your neighbors for grilled hot dogs and hamburgers and all the sides that go with them!

Please volunteer to bring the following: pickles, garden salad (with dressing), potato salad, baked beans, macaroni salad, fruit salad and/or any kind of dessert you want.

The church will provide the meat and beverages. Try your luck at bocce, horseshoes and croquet. There will be sign-up sheets in the parish hall at All Saints', or you can call the office to let us know you are coming and what you would like to bring.

Also, if able, bring your lawn chairs with you. Questions? Call the parish office at 227-7202. We look forward to seeing you there!

## Thanks For Your Support

Thanks to everyone at All Saints' & St. George's for your support of the Zoom-Zoom team during the 2008 Walk for MS. The Walk funds will help find a cure.

## Christmas Fair Funds Build Playground

Thanks to the successful Christmas Fair at St. George's Chapel in December of last year, we were able to support local charities in our outreach efforts.

We were able to fund and install a playground at Crisis House in Georgetown. The swings, ladder and slide have been installed and preparations are being made to install stone pathways and shrubs.

The total playground project is approximately \$2,000. This project was a combined effort by the ECW (Episcopal Church Women) and the newly formed men's club.

Chandler Fox and Carol Wells organized and planned the effort and worked with the able crew of Bill Davis, Helen Abrams, David Risseeuw, Jim Francis and Paul Wells.

Our local charities which benefited from the Fair included Just Sooup, \$500 and the Henlopen Food Basket, \$500.

-- Helen Abrams

## Summer Children's Theatre To Present Four Classics

Rehoboth Summer Children's Theatre will present four classic productions in the parish hall at All Saints' in July and August, including *Peter Pan*, *Snow White*, *Puss in Boots* and *The Emperor's New Clothes*. Tickets are \$8. Call 227-6766 to make reservations. More info? Check their website at [www.rehobothchildrenstheatre.org](http://www.rehobothchildrenstheatre.org).

## Mental Health Ministry Plans Dinner in June

We're planning another dinner to be held in June at St. George's parish hall for the people who live at Taton and Hope Houses.

There are usually 20 guests. We have 10 to 12 people from the parish as hosts for each dinner. Twenty-four people have been involved in serving in this ministry at some time during the past year. New people are welcome to join us in this pleasant evening of fellowship.

Donations of personal care items



and linens in good condition continue to be collected for use in the group homes and treatment centers. These items can be placed in the silver-colored bin at All Saints' parish hall.

Monthly visits continue year-round to the people at Taton House. Thank you for your prayers and support of this ministry. Susan Phillips, Postulant for the Diaconate, 422-3257.

## What Does A Deacon Do?

Deacons are one of the four orders of ministry in the Church together with lay persons, bishops and priests.



Nikki Bailey	June 1
Alex Helsabeck	June 3
Georgia Dalzell	June 4
The Rev. Chris Moore	June 5
Shirley Snyder	June 5
Rich Collins	June 5
Stacey Pizarro	June 6
Robert Emerich	June 8
Ben Winsor	June 8
Kris Hare	June 9
Cameron Hill	June 10
Mac McDermott	June 11
Robert Keller	June 12
Peggy Lingo	June 12
Phyllis Zenorini	June 13
Kyle Joseph	June 14
Alison Bailey	June 15
Geraldine Beckett	June 15
Charles Darling	June 15
Lois Nickerson	June 15
David Carey	June 17
Melissa Jackewicz	June 17
Gene Bayard	June 19
Austin Carter	June 21
Marjorie Mason	June 21
Olly Wolf	June 23
Linda Novosel	June 23
Virginia Seidle	June 23
Joan Fox	June 23
Dottie Peerakis	June 24
Carolyn Walsmith	June 24
Trip Wilkinson	June 24
Frank Meredith	June 25
Russ Morey	June 25
Missy Kenworthy	June 26
Angie Watkins	June 29
Broderick McMahon	June 30
Thelma Rowland	June 30
Marie Le Sieur	June 30
John Van Dyke	June 30

The Catechism in The Book of Common Prayer (p.856) states that the ministry of a deacon "is to represent Christ and his Church, particularly as a servant of those in need, and to assist bishops and priests in the proclamation of the Gospel and the administration of the sacraments." -- Susan Phillips, Postulant for the Diaconate.



O God, your will for all people is health and salvation. Please send your Holy Spirit to comfort and heal these loved ones for whom we offer our prayers, in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Robin Abrams  
Richard Appleby  
Joyce Allen  
Patricia Anderson  
Edith Ayres  
Janis Bardi  
Zachary Barkley  
Jean Beaman  
Geri Beckett  
Cathy Bell  
Taylor Lee Bretl  
Patti Brittingham  
Bob Brown  
Kerry Brown  
Michael Brown  
Julia Bryan  
Cat Cameron  
Will Cathcart  
Buzz Campbell  
Sarah Cecil  
Nathaniel Chapman  
Bev Chifton  
Norm Cochrane  
Fr. Harry Collins  
Henry Wheaton Collins  
Monroe Colvett  
Violet Creighton  
Marcia Davis  
Mary Lou Deakyne  
Jane Dodge  
Dee Dreer  
Karen Edwards  
Deanne Elliot  
Spencer Evans  
Maria Frear  
Nelle Filden  
Richard Fischer  
Mary Fisher

Pam Wampole Fitzgerald  
Marion Fleming  
Paul Flood  
Bro. Dominic Fontaine  
Cindy Foster  
Maureen Gallagher  
Debra Gingrich  
Bonnie Grulke  
B. J. Hall  
Susan Harvey  
Chris Henning  
Charles Hildebrand  
Liz Holmgren  
Charles Horn III  
David Hubbuch  
Jean Hughes  
The Hussein Family  
Tony Jackewicz  
Katherine Johanson  
Andy Johnson  
Sue Jones  
Allison Keck  
Lee Kerin  
Katherine Kielbasa  
Jeff Kihn  
Gregory Kinney  
Donna Dirkpatrick  
Julie Kojock  
Cordell Koland  
Dr. Eileen Kuhns  
Chrissy LaCastro  
Lorraine Lackman  
The Lennox Family  
Cliff & Debbie Leong  
James Lewis  
Barbara Liflander  
Carla Mootz Logan  
Danny Lundy

The Madison Family  
Nancy Martin  
Fran Marvin  
Charles McCabe  
Claudia McCloskey  
Paul McCool  
Matthew "Mac" McDermott  
Warren MacFarland  
Sharon McKane  
Debra McKinney  
Nan Mein  
Leo Menard  
Elizabeth Mercer  
Louise Miller  
Rick Miller  
Bob Mitchell  
Janice Moore  
Terri Murphy  
Erin Muse  
Patty Parsons  
Betty May Patterson  
Susan Paul  
Mari Phillips  
Beth Pile  
Katie Pile  
Gladys Pinover  
Jane Pittman  
Charlie & Jane Proud  
Mary Ann Rania  
Laurie Ramseyer  
Franklin Richardson  
Bob Rider  
Mary Kathleen Rorick  
Cindy Ross  
Olivia Ruggiano  
Joyce Saville  
Barbara Scott  
Mickey Screbs

Linda Showell  
Cheryl Skinner  
Irene Simpler  
Walter Slavin  
Beau Smith  
Jean Smith  
Mike Smith  
Sadie Smith  
Christine Snyder  
Carol Soldall  
Bill & Rebecca Spare  
Will Stoddart  
Lou & Dean Stugis  
The Rev. R. Swartout  
Frank & Bennett Taylor  
Ruth Thursby  
Sean Toner  
Rosemary Vaccalini  
Mary & Wm. Van Wart  
Jeane Vest  
David Vinjamoorie  
Eve Walton  
Lisa White  
Lance Whitlock  
Charlotte Whyte  
David Williamson  
Jordan Wolf  
Nancy & Judy Wolf  
Pat & Tom Wolfe  
Bishop Wayne P. Wright  
Harriet Wright  
Angelo Zenorini  
Ella Mae Zorb  
The Way House  
Habitat for Humanity  
Robert



We commend to your gracious care all the men and women of our Armed Forces at home and abroad. Defend them with your heavenly grace, strengthen them in their trials, give them comfort, grant them a sense of your abiding presence, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Chris Ashinhurst  
Mike Berge  
Charles Bowen  
Bob Burner  
Luis Cancel  
Thomas Chesley  
John Clanton  
Christopher Connors  
William Cooper  
James Diniz  
Duane Duke  
Colin Eaton  
William Ewald  
Neil Ewachiw  
John Fisher  
Stephen C. Flor  
Christopher N. Hall

Lamar Hall  
Amanda Hammond  
Matthew Heil  
Alex Helsabeck  
Gary Hogan  
Randall "Hap" Holm  
Joseph Holt  
Nicholas Imperial  
Andrew Jones  
Joshua Jones  
John L. Kallerson  
Rex Kenyon  
Curtis Kinsey  
Rocky Lackman III  
Steven Levasseur  
Christian TLewis  
Bob McDonald

H.I.B. McNeilly  
Brandon Melvin  
Mariann Miller  
Danny Mosko  
Toby Myer  
Dustin Myers  
Matthew Nall  
Jesse Neace  
Patrick O'Kane  
Cliff Ogea  
Alvy Powell  
Bruce Ritter  
Matt Ryan  
Keith Rybicki  
Scott Schwartzkopf  
Jonathan Seiter  
Jennifer C. Snyder

Justin Snyder  
Alison Sposato-Jones  
David Stevens  
Vincent Street  
Crystal Thompson  
Billy Thompson  
Tim Thornton  
Michael Todd  
John Ulmer  
Karl Wethe  
Nicholas Whitney  
Pete Wilks

We give thanks for the return from Iraq of Heath Folmsbee and Cynthia Garceau



## **Financial Presentation At St. George's June 8**

**St.** George's Marjorie Risseuw will make a financial services presentation in the parish hall at St. George's following the coffee hour on **June 8**.

Her work in the financial services field provides experience in mortgage protection, disability income, life insurance, annuities, college and retirement funding and long-term care.

The seminar is designed to provide a basic understanding of the importance of savings investments and insurance protection with special emphasis on methods for taking control of your money to protect and plan for the future.

If you're unable to attend the June 8 seminar, call the parish office for information on a second session should there be sufficient interest.

## **ECW Works On Crafts For Christmas Shop**

St. George's ECW Chapter meets at 10 a.m. on the second Monday of every month through October (except July). They work on crafts for the Christmas Shop every **Thursday at 1:30 p.m.**

## **Sunday School Trip Set For Saturday, June 7**

The Sunday School trip to Washington, D.C. for a tour of the National Cathedral and a visit to the National Zoo for a picnic lunch is scheduled for **Saturday, June 7**.

All Sunday School children, their parents and grandparents are invited to participate along with any other children or grandchildren of parishioners.

All children must be accompanied by an adult. Cost is estimated to be \$25 for adults and \$10 for children. Plans are to leave St. George's Chapel at 8 a.m. and return at 7 p.m. Call Linda Lewis at 947-4765 after 5 p.m. for more information. Reservations should be made as soon as possible.

## **Volunteer Coordinators For Student Outreach**

The International Student Outreach Program began May 28 and runs through August 27. This year, All Saints' & St. George's will host the LRAC-sponsored weekly breakfasts on Mondays in June and on alternate Wednesdays in July and August with St. Peter's Church.

Volunteers are needed to serve as weekly coordinators (hosts) and helpers. There is an orange-colored book in the All Saints' kitchen with volunteer sign-up sheets. If you have any questions about the program, please speak to Melissa at the parish office or call Sharon Radomski at 226-2652.

## **Thrift Shop**

We have had a fantastic start this month. Things are finally looking up. The new Dollar Stop store has opened and the traffic has increased considerably.

Donations are pouring in, but please keep in mind we do not take computers, printers, keyboards and beds. We have very limited space and so much that comes in is not resalable and gets thrown away.

The shop has a new look. The cashiers area has been moved to the furniture side of the store. We are keeping the other door locked and this enables us to keep better track of merchandise. Also, the workers in the back can help the cashiers if they get backed up.

It is catch-up time for us financially so please bear with us. The new window will be installed next week. I hope to have a meeting with all volunteers sometime in July to see if we should resume the donations to charities or, as some have suggested, start a fund to buy or build our own store. Our expenses are going up all of the time and will increase considerably according to the second year of our lease.

We hope you had a safe and eventful Memorial Day weekend. Sincerely, Carole

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**SUNDAY SERVICES**

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Holy Eucharist . . . . . 8 a.m.  
Breakfast . . . . . 9 a.m.  
Childcare . . . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Holy Eucharist . . . . . 10 a.m.

Holy Eucharist with Healing (Thursday) . . 11:30 a.m.  
First Saturday Taizé . . . . . 6 p.m.

**St. George's Chapel**

**Route 23, Harbeson**

Childcare . . . . . 9:15 a.m.  
Holy Eucharist. . . . . 9:30 a.m.

Bible Study, St. George's parish hall (Wednesday) 10:30 a.m.

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