



AUGUST

BELLS OF ST. MARY'S

2015

Dear St. Mary's family,

As I mentioned in this column in May we have some major projects that need our attention. One is the painting of St. Mary's. In my 64+ years here I cannot remember a time when our beautiful "little white church on the corner" looked so dismal. Walk around and notice the rotting wood and the faded out paint. Our white church looks grey. Our church needs to be restored to her former glory.....We have been trying to hold off due to the road construction, but I don't think we can wait much longer. The north side of Orange Avenue is scheduled to be paved by mid August and then they will start on the south side.

We are currently in the process of getting proposals for the paint job. It appears that the cost is going to be approximately \$25,000. The vestry will select a contractor from the proposals submitted at our August meeting.

SO.....

We have defined the need - the paint has faded and is worn, we have wood decay, we have caulking issues.

We have established a financial goal - approximately \$25,000

We have a time frame for meeting the goal - eight weeks/September 27, 2015

We acknowledge the impact this has on our property - primarily the preservation/restoration of our buildings and presentation of a beautiful worship space to our downtown historic community---to be that beautiful and welcoming "little white church on the corner."

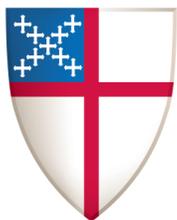
NOW.....



We ask each of you to give prayerful consideration as to how you may be able to help us financially with this mission/project. "HELP US FILL A CAN WITH PAINT." If we are able to raise a significant amount of the required funds we will proceed immediately.

May God guide us on our path,

Fran



The Episcopal Church's Endorsement of Same-Sex Marriage, and the Diocese of Central Florida

*A Pastoral Letter from the Rt. Rev. Gregory O. Brewer,
Diocese of Central Florida, July 18, 2015*

The Episcopal Church has never been very good at being “in the world, but not of the world.” Our tendency is to be in the world at the expense of Biblical faithfulness. I believe that The Episcopal Church's recent decision to change its canons to reflect a gender-neutral understanding of who may be married in our churches and by our clergy is a reflection of that kind of worldliness; and I believe those actions have been taken at the expense of Biblical faithfulness. While our motivation is our desire to care for people, we put ourselves in a spiritually dangerous position when our actions, however well meaning, put us in conflict with the teaching of Scripture. I am not saying that this is an easy or simple issue – it is not. And so, like the writer of Proverbs, I am “crying out for wisdom.”

I feel no need to change my stance regarding my lack of support for the Church approving same-sex marriages, and I plan to uphold the teaching on Holy Matrimony that is reflected both in the Scriptures and in the Book of Common Prayer. That is why I signed the Salt Lake City Statement of the Communion Partner Bishops. [see <http://w.livingchurch.org/salt-lake-city-statement>]. I also want to uphold a call to compassion and care, and for the Church to extend grace, love and mercy to those who are in such relationships.

Both the Holy Scripture and the Book of Common Prayer teach that Holy Matrimony was “established by God in creation,” meaning that our created bodies matter. We are never disengaged from the fact that God made us male and female. Although there are friendships and companionships that we all enjoy, all of those friendships and companionships are distinct from the marital union of husband and wife, which is foundational for continuing the created order of humanity. In other words, Holy Matrimony is God's idea. God created and established it; and it is a way that God chooses to care for and provide for the continuation of the human family.

But while the union of husband and wife is foundational to the temporal and created order, it does not continue into the realm of eternity. Jesus is clear that in Heaven, there is “no marriage or giving in marriage” (Matthew 22:30). Human marriage is not foundational to the Kingdom of Heaven. Instead, through baptism we as Christians, regardless of our marital status, are all eternally united as the Bride of Christ to the one Bridegroom, Jesus Christ. All human relationships, both now and in heaven, are subservient to that one and eternal marriage between Christians and Christ. This means that all human relationships are to be seen in the light of, and in response to, our primary relationship, which is with Jesus Christ whom we call “Lord.”

It is this distinction between marriage as a part of the temporal and created order, and not part of Heaven – where all Christians (single and married) are united to Christ – that

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Informs my comments about how Christians respond to the Supreme Court's decision to legalize same-sex marriage. In that document, I wrote that:

1. Christians, all of whom are eternally bound in the Body of Christ, are called to work together, whether they are for or against same-sex marriage.
2. In the Body of Christ, we are called to make marital status secondary to the call of developing missionary disciples. All Christians, regardless of marital status, are called to serve together for the extension of the Kingdom of God.
3. Children, regardless of who their parents are, should be welcomed, nurtured and, when the appropriate vows are made, baptized into the life of the Church.
4. Holy Matrimony is to be taught and upheld as "the union of husband and wife in heart, body and mind" (BCP, p. 423).

Therefore, in response to actions of General Convention, I am upholding the teaching on marriage found in the Salt Lake City Statement of the Communion Partner Bishops, which coheres with both the Book of Common Prayer and Holy Scripture.

As a matter of diocesan policy, I offer the following:

1. As chief liturgical officer of the Diocese of Central Florida, I am allowing only the services prescribed in the Book of Common Prayer to be used in the celebration and blessing of a marriage. I do not believe the newly authorized rites for trial use uphold the Scripture's teaching on marriage and, therefore, are not appropriate for use in this Diocese.
2. No member of the clergy who is canonically resident in the Diocese (whether living in or outside the Diocese) is permitted to use the trial use liturgies on marriage in or outside of the Diocese. Choosing to use one of these liturgies would be an act of disobedience to one's bishop and against our diocesan canons.
3. No church building within the Diocese, or any building affiliated with the Diocese (such as, but not limited to, Camp Wingmann, Canterbury Retreat and Conference Center, Diocesan schools) may be the location for these trial use liturgies on marriage. This applies to clergy and lay leaders resident both within and outside the Diocese of Central Florida.

While I hope these policies are clear, they do not answer all of the questions that are in front of us. For example, it remains to be seen (and I am in conversation with our diocesan chancellor on this matter) whether our diocesan canons on marriage (though consistent with my policies as bishop) can legally remain intact if they be in conflict with the canonical changes recently passed by General Convention.

There are also pastoral considerations yet unanswered. I give only one example: should legally married same sex parishioners come forward for a blessing at their anniversary when it is the parish's custom to publicly offer these blessings? My answer would be to welcome them and pray for them - so long as the prayers used do not come from the BCP marriage service.

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One prayer for such occasions could be, "O God, we ask that you pour your grace and mercies on N. and N. Guide them with your wisdom, protect them with your love and fill their home with your presence all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

There are plenty of other pastoral and canonical questions. These require prayer, ongoing conversation and discernment. To call Jesus "Lord" means that He, who is Wisdom personified, is the One to whom we turn, asking the Holy Spirit guide to us into all truth (John 16:13). As I do not believe in Episcopal infallibility, I acknowledge that I could be wrong about what I have just written. I am as sinful and fallible as anyone I know. I admit that this and other matters are sending me to prayer like no other time in my life. I would welcome prayerful conversation with my fellow Christians in the Diocese and beyond, as we seek to discern together the mind of Christ.

As I have written in other places, all of our pastoral and moral dilemmas are to be seen in the context of the ongoing missionary purpose of the Church: "that the world may believe in the One whom you have sent, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord" (BCP, p. 255). The Christian life does not call us to withdraw from the world, but engage it as a people who are learning to love God with all of our heart, soul, mind and strength, and love our neighbor as ourselves (Matthew 22:37---38). May God grant us all that we need to be His faithful and missionary people!

Given under my hand on July 18, 2015 in the fourth year of my consecration.

+Gregory O. Brewer

14 But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, 15 and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. 16 All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, 17 so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

4 In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: 2 proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. 3 For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, 4 and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. 5 As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

- 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

OUTREACH MINISTRY REPORT

July, 2015

The St. Mary's Outreach Ministry continues to extend a helping hand to those in need. Our activities this month included the following:

Our fantastic St. Mary's women rose to the challenge of donating at least one nicer ladies outfit to the Women's Career Clothing Drive to benefit single mothers. This will help turn their lives around by preparing to "dress for success" in their search for a new job or by starting a new program. Over \$2,000 worth of this clothing was donated to Family Renew of Daytona Beach to disburse to residents and program participants. Pants suits, blouses, dress casual trousers, sports shirts, beautiful dresses, sweaters, wraps, scarves, costume jewelry, shoes, purses and work clothing of all sorts was donated. The Program Director, Laurie was delighted. Any clothing not utilized will be further within the Family Renew Network. Family Renew is a 20-church Charity to benefit children and families in the Daytona and Ormond Beach area.

For the second year in a row, we are currently collecting for the Teacher's Wish List program to benefit the teachers and children of the Turi T. Small Elementary School here in South Daytona. The Outreach Ministry is requesting boxes of tissue, hand wipes, hand sanitizer, dry erase markers, 3 x 5 index cards, 8.5 x 11 copier paper, new or gently used headsets for computer equipment, zip lock bags of all sizes. The collection will continue until August 17th.

The HUM Bridge of Hope (meals kitchen) and the Food Pantry items for the month of August: Canned tuna, canned chicken, SPAM, canned Ham, jams, jellies and peanut butter.

Baby Collection for the August-September timeframe. **Look for the crib which will be erected** and located in Palmer Hall. Please place **all** things for baby – clothing, diapers, disposable bottles, socks, shoes, booties, pacifiers, mobiles, stuff animals and baby linen/blankets. Clothing items can be new or used, laundered of course. **The Rockabye Baby Collection will be taking place from August 10th- to September 17th.**

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Konkos





HYMNS AN INVITATION

I would like to take this opportunity to invite the members of St. Mary's congregation to submit to me the names of hymns you would like to sing during Sunday morning worship. I will make every effort to incorporate them into the liturgical calendar whenever possible.

Hymns are a very important form of worship and have been used for that purpose since ancient times. The texts and harmonic structure are quite unique in themselves. The texts, in particular, are not found in the scriptures or psalms. They reflect the sentiments, emotions and actions of individuals. That is to say, the vernacular.

Please take a moment and inform me of some of your favorites.

Thank you,

Richard Wright

Organist and choirmaster



The Vestry of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Daytona Beach, Florida adopted the following policy concerning the practices and procedures for assisting persons requesting financial help.

POLICY TO ADDRESS PANHANDLING PRACTICES ON ST. MARY'S PROPERTY

1. Members of the congregation are strongly requested to not give money out to persons panhandling.
2. All monies and other forms of assistance are to be distributed by the rector only.
3. If a member feels called to offer/provide monetary assistance to a person soliciting, they are requested to do so by providing the funds to the rector and the rector will then distribute the money to the designated person.

MEMORIAL/FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

If you wish to have a say in the details of your memorial/funeral arrangements and service, St. Mary's keeps a file just for this purpose. This information is not only helpful to the family who likely will be taking care of details, but it provides a convenience for the priest and office staff who work closely with the family. There are forms for your convenience in the office. Stop by during office hours to request information. There are those too who have previously filled out information who might wish to update their files.



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Thank you for your donations to Annie's Attic and the book sale; please keep them coming. We also need one or two dedicated ladies who are willing to put in some time in Annie's Attic. Both Rosa and Judy are dealing with health issues and we desperately need help. If you have any gift certificates or items to donate to the Chinese Auction, please also bring them in. We now have 10 ladies coming to sell their various craft goods. Just so you know what we have been up to, ECW recently gave \$1,469 toward the repair of the church audio system and another \$1,062 for the Palmer Hall sound system which still needs another part which ECW will pay for. We also gave \$1,400 to local organizations and \$300 to other church causes.

WHEN YOU SUPPORT ECW, YOU ARE ALSO SUPPORTING OUR CHURCH AND THE COMMUNITY

Call Nancy at 756-3831. with questions or suggestions.

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you!

I wish to take this opportunity to thank my dear friends at St. Mary's and my DOK sisters for all your prayers, loving kindness and support during my recent accident. I have been totally overwhelmed by the generosity, help and friendship of my friends everywhere. Thank you one and all. Of course, special thanks to Father Bob. Now it is onward and upward.

Peace and God's Blessings on everyone.

Margaret Tedrick

INSPIRATION: A CORN STORY

There was a farmer who grew excellent quality corn. Every year he won the award for the best grown corn.

One year a newspaper reported interviewed him and learned something interesting about how he grew it.

The reporter discovered that the farmer shared his seed corn with his neighbors.

“How can you afford to share your best seed corn with your neighbors when they are entering corn in competition with yours each year?” the reporter asked.

“Why sir,” said the farmer, “Didn’t you know?” The wind picks up pollen from the ripening corn and swirls it from field to field. If my neighbors grow inferior corn, cross pollination will steadily degrade the quality of my corn. If I am to grow good corn, I must help my neighbors grow good corn.”

So is with our lives...

Those who want to live meaningfully and well must help enrich the lives of others, for the value of a life is measured by the lives it touches.

And those who choose to be happy must help others find happiness, for the welfare of each is bound up with the welfare of all...

-Call it power of collectivity...

-Call it a principle of success...

-Call it a law of life...

The fact is , none of us truly wins , unless we all win.



Submitted by Frederick Aryeetey



REMINDER

DOK MEMBERS

National Dues will be sent at the end of August, There is a new procedure requested of National. Each member is to write their checks to “*National Order of the Daughters of the King*”(DOK) and given to Jackie Block to mail all together. The dues are \$40.00

You may turn your checks in now!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS



The HUM Bridge of Hope needs for the month of August are canned tuna, chicken, SPAM and jars of jams, jellies and peanut butter.



The Lunch Bunch will meet on Monday, August 31, 2015 at 1:00 pm at *Oliv Epicurean G* located at 701 Ridgewood Ave. in Holly Hill.



The Lunch Bunch, 18 strong, met at *Caribbean Jack's* on Monday, July 27, 2015 for a rousing good time of eats and great building of friendships through sharing.

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Remember Bake a Batch of Cookies this Sunday , August 2, 2015



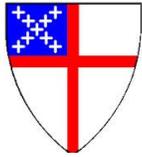
The regularly scheduled meetings will re-convene on Tue. Sept. 8 at 10 am. Marge and Jean will continue with the video *Before Amen* by Max Lucado. The focus is on Prayer and it is in 4 sections: 1) Father You are Good 2) I need Help 3) They Need Help 4) thank You God for Listening All are welcome to attend.



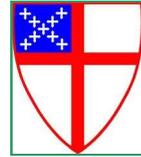
Reminder! If you wish to assist at the nursing home services this month, Contact Tom Farrell. The *Good Sam's service* is Tue. Aug. 4 at 10:am; *Indigo Manor Service* is Wed. Aug.. 12 at 10:30 am.



The Book Group will meet at the Club House Restaurant August 8, 2015 at 1:00 pm. The discussion will continue on "A Man Called Ove" by Fredrik Backman.



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- 1 Ann Yates
- 2 Sarah Kunding
- 3 Dean Nix
- 4 Marge Underwood
- 4 Amy Kunding
- 6 Rachel Ramsey
- 11 Pat Fenner
- 12 Calvert Davis
- 12 Carl Epting
- 13 Lois Groetsch
- 13 Warren Drury
- 14 Vesta Dalia
- 16 Phyllis Lowery
- 21 Fred Beneby
- 23 Trish Brotherton
- 24 John Gallion
- 26 Scott Law
- 26 Alice Smith
- 28 Dorothy Smith
- 29 Madeline Palmer
- 31 Helen Davidson

HAPPY
WEDDING
ANNIVERSARY

- 8 Bill and Connie Cannons
- 8 Frank and Susan Gummey
- 15 Bob and JoAn Macdonald
- 17 Miguel and Carmen Berrios
- 21 Larry and Maria Clifton
- 21 Buck and Brenda Hicks
- 31 John and Sally Cullen



Prayer for the Search Committee

Almighty and ever living God, look favorably upon us, your people of St. Mary's, as we search for a new rector. We pray for the life of our parish, that we may continue to be guided by your love and strengthened in our mission to serve you through ministry, fellowship and worship. We pray for the priest whose name is yet known to you alone, that he or she be responsive to your call. Give us grace to follow where you would lead us, and grant us your peace.

In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 8:30 Holy Eucharist Rite I 9:15 Choir Rehearsal 10:30 Holy Eucharist Rite II	3 Office Closed	4 10:00 Good Sam's Service 	5	6 11:00 Healing Service 	7 9:30 Altar Guild 2 10:30 Flower Guild 2	8 1:00 Book Club At Club House Restaurant 
9 8:30 Holy Eucharist Rite I 9:15 Choir Rehearsal 10:30 Holy Eucharist Rite II	10 Office Closed	11 7:00 Vestry Mtg. 	12 10:30 Indigo Manor Service 	13 11:00 Healing Service	14 9:30 Altar Guild 3 10:30 Flower Guild 3	15
16 9:30 am 8:30 Holy Eucharist Rite I 9:15 Choir Rehearsal 10:30 Holy Eucharist Rite II	17 Office Closed	18 8:30 - 1:30 HUM Feeding 7:00 Search Committee 	19	20 11:00 Healing Service	21 9:30 Altar Guild 4 10:30 Flower Guild 4	22
23 8:30 Holy Eucharist Rite I 9:15 Choir Rehearsal 10:30 Holy Eucharist Rite II	24 Office Closed	25	26	27 11:00 Healing Service	28 9:30 Altar Guild 1 10:30 Flower Guild 1	29
30 8:30 Holy Eucharist Rite I 9:15 Choir Rehearsal 10:30 Holy Eucharist Rite II	31 Office Closed 1:00 					

Ministries for August 2015

Ministry	August 2	August 9	August 16	August 23	August 30
8:30 am					
Lector/LEM	K. Lorenz	S. Law	S. Law	B. Kunderinger	S. Law
2nd Lesson	K. Bielick	G. Johnson	P. Rizzo	N. Moore	M. Skolski
Crucifer/Acolyte	S. Law	S. Law	S. Law	B. Kunderinger	S. Law
Prayers of the People	K. Bielick	R. Terracino	J. Langston	M. Skolski	P. Rizzo.

Ushers: Peggy Hopes, Patricia Knott, Sally Stedman

10:30 am					
LEM/Lector	J. Block	S. Cullen	P. Corliss	K. Lorenz	B. Kunderinger
LEM	P. Corliss	F. Gummey	F. Aryeetey	S. Cullen	F. Dunn
2nd Lesson	J. Macdonald	C. Cann	S. McKay-Vaughan	J. Guzzi	H. Davidson
Crucifer	P. Corliss	F. Gummey	M. Crouse	P. Corliss	B. Kunderinger
Torch	P. Glugover	S. Cullen	P. Glugover	K. Lorenz	M. Crouch
Torch	S. Glugover	J. Block	S. Glugover	S. Cullen	F. Dunn
Prayers of the People	C. Maher	P. Carlin	S. McKay-Vaughan	J. Guzzi	P. Carlin
Oblationers	C. Cann M, Corliss	The Whites	The Cliftons	The Mays	The Feeleys
Altar Guild	P. Hook C. Bennett N. May Marcia Shearer	C. Howell P. Rizzo	S. Gummey P. Carlin B. Jarvis	P. Langtry N. Moore R. Ramsey	P. Hook C. Bennett N. May M. Shearer
Flower Guild	M. Clifton	C. Fowler P. Hook W. Condon	D. Foster S. Gummey	M. Kellington C. Rakestraw	M. Clifton
Counters	P. Knott D. Rogers	W. Condon S, Underwood D. Rogers	J. Block P. Knott D. Rogers	P. Francis D. Rogers	V. Nespor R. Ramsey D. Rogers

Ushers for August: C. Davis (Capt.), W. Condon, C. Cann, F. Aryeetey

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

The Reverend Robert Anderson, Interim Rector

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Our Services

Sunday 8:30 am Rite I

Sunday 10:30 am Rite II



Office Hours: Closed Monday

Open 10 am till 2 pm Tuesday through Thursday

Open 10am till noon on Friday

The mission of St. Mary's is "To know Christ and to serve him"

NOTICE MINISTRIES AND LEADERS

Before scheduling meetings, functions or events for your groups, please check the master calendar in the church office to make sure your date does not conflict with any other events that may be scheduled. Please fill out a **Calendar Request Form** which is available in the office. Events will be approved by the Vestry

REMINDER

If you are in the hospital or scheduled to be in the hospital in the near future, please **inform the church office** so that we will know that you are there. Please leave a message if the church office is closed

VESTRY

Senior Warden:	Fran Dunn
Junior Warden:	Shiela McKay-Vaughan
Secretary:	Jacqueline Block
Treasurer:	Kathy Lorenz
Adult Activities:	Claudia Forrester
Finance :	Jamie Musselwhite
Publicity:	Danielle Rogers
Building and Grounds:	Marge Underwood
Fellowship:	Fran Dunn
Worship:	Jacqueline Block
Evangelism:	Liz Wade
Adult Christian Education:	Kathy Lorenz
Ways and Means:	Shiela McKay-Vaughan
Pastoral Care:	Tom Farrell
Community Service:	Deb Konkos