

# The Cast Net



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The Monthly Newsletter of  
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## The Journey Continues

Last month, I drew the analogy of planning a summer vacation to explain to you some of the planning that your Vestry is doing (remember that under the Canons, the "Vestry" is the Rector, Wardens and the elected Vestry).

My June Cast Net article explained that "when you plan a vacation, or a journey of any kind, you have to make sure the car is tuned up and in good shape, you are well-packed for the journey ahead, you have a good road map, you have your budget set, and you have planned out what you can do in the time you have available (and you can afford to do it!)." *Jesus said: "What person, when planning to build a tower, will not sit down and estimate the cost, to see if he has enough money to complete it?" Luke 14:28.*

During the month of June, we have given a power point presentation on Parish Night (June 3) and again Sunday morning, June 21, entitled "Mapping our Road to the Future." Approximately 100 people now have seen this presentation. Your Vestry is faced with decisions about repairing our facilities and the financing of our mortgage debt that remains from the 2004-05 renovations to our historic Church building (currently \$536,000).

How will we pay for the re-

pairs and tune-ups that we need for our facilities to carry us on this journey? The "Preservation Campaign" of 2004-05 called for a three-year commitment. (Many of our newcomers don't even know what those "blue envelopes" are about.) In July, I hope that all of us will respond to a request for a commitment to a new "preservation campaign," which I refer to as the "Fourth Century Fund." This new fund will take the place of the Preservation Fund, by repaying our existing mortgage debt as quickly as possible, all the while accomplishing needed repairs.

In the coming months, we must accomplish the sealing of the exterior of our Sunday School building. Cracks in the stucco, leaks around the windows, and poor drainage are causing the walls to absorb moisture and to "bubble." To use the analogy of preparations for a vacation journey, the Sunday School building needs a tune-up, and the first thing to do is to stop the car from leaking! Thanks to the dedicated work of our Buildings & Grounds team, we have obtained bids and are hopefully going to have a watertight Sunday School building before September.

I will say again that faith is all about seeing God's handiwork in the rear view mirror to gain confidence that God is in control for the

journey ahead. There has been much accomplished at Old St. Andrew's since it reopened on Easter Day, 1948. There was much accomplished by the amazing renovation in 2004-05. And, there is some work ahead of us as we tune up to continue the journey into our Fourth Century. I hope you are as excited about the journey ahead as I am.

Every month, your Vestry is working hard to prepare us for our journey into the Fourth Century. We are blessed to have such a dedicated group of volunteer leaders, and I am blessed to be your Rector.

I hope you will respond in faith when the letter comes asking you to pledge to the Fourth Century Fund. We need to get the tune-up underway for the journey ahead!

Father Marshall+

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#### Altar Flower Sign-Up

*Honor or remember a family member or occasion*

The following Sundays are available to purchase altar flowers:

August 2, September 13, 27, October 11, 25, November 22, and 29. Please sign up on the flower chart in the Parish House hallway.

## OSA Garden Club

By Joyce Stier



We are pleased to announce the planting of a new seed at Old St. Andrew's. The Community Ministries Committee met and have approved the idea of starting our own OSA Garden Club.

The goal, or mission, of the Garden Club, is to provide home grown produce to the community as an outreach. The property at Old St. Andrew's is rich, fertile, open and sunny land- perfect for the development of a community garden.

To begin, however, the Garden Club, is first going to open its Sunday Morning Farmer's Market this summer. (With your help of course.) If you have a home-grown garden of vegetables, fruits, or flowers that you feel are in abundance, we would like to ask you to donate a small portion to the church each week as your harvest ripens. We will then have a Farmer's Market table at our Sunday Morning coffee hours, and take cash donations for the produce that you can supply. And, if you do not have a garden yourself, you can visit the Farmer's Market and select some home grown fresh vegetables, or fragrant, colorful flowers for your Sunday meals

The funds raised by the Garden Club will then be used to develop our OSA Community Garden for next spring.

The next step is to call and let us know if you have any home grown produce that you can begin to donate to this project. We would like to begin the Farmer's Market in July, so please call soon, so we can plan on what might be available to our congregation by way of produce.

And, if you really like the idea of the Community Garden and would like to serve on the committee to plan and prepare the grounds for our future project, please let me know as soon as possible. You don't need to have a green thumb, just a desire to help plant the seeds, and let the garden grow, to produce the bounty that we hope to share with those in need in our community.

For all questions, inquiries, or to help serve on this project, please call Joyce Stier at 225-9207 or Sylvia Folk at 573-0283.

## Upcoming Bible Study: Downpour

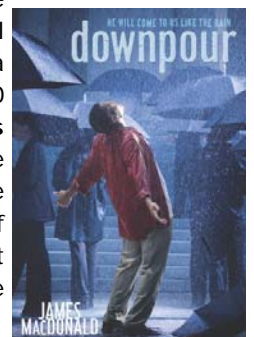
By Rachel Templet

"Let us return to the Lord!" Please join us for the next in-depth Bible study starting June 30 and ending September 8. The study is entitled Downpour and features James MacDonald. For those of you who could not join us for the last James MacDonald study, please consider spending some time with us this summer as we return to one of our favorite teachers. We meet each Tuesday in Gilchrist Hall at 6:30 p.m. for fellowship, discussion, and a video. We usually end no later than 8:30 p.m. Light refreshments are served. **This class will be open to men as well as women.** We will separate for discussion time and then come together in Gilchrist Hall to view the video. If you are interested, please contact Rachel Templet at Rachel.Templet@dhl.com so we can ensure there are enough workbooks.

*(11-week course)*

Starts Tuesday, June 30 at  
6:30 p.m.

Ends Tuesday, September 8



# News from the Churchyard

By Tom & Betsy Johnson

Extreme high temperatures and very wet conditions in the churchyard caused us to cancel our monthly workday, but we hope everyone will join us for these future workdays: July 18 (NOTE TIME CHANGE 10 a.m. to noon), Aug. 15 at 9 a.m., Sept. 26 at 9 a.m., Oct. 24 at 9 a.m., Nov. 14 at 9 a.m., and we will take a break in December.

We wish to extend thanks to the Chapter of St. Mary/St. Agnes for making a donation that allowed us to plant sweetgrass around the Church's historical marker, which has recently been repainted by Jim Hare, the addition of shrubbery in the area of the backflow valve which has recently been protected with galvanized pipes, and autumn ferns and hostas in several beds around the Church and on the driveway at the front walk. Thanks also to the Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts for once again doing such a fine job of keeping our graveyard free of litter and sticks, and to Ryan Stier who has done a tremendous job of spreading chip in the graveyard driveway and trimming shrubbery. There are angels amongst us and one in our presence recently donated many items such as hoses and yard tools, and we thank her. These items will be put to good use!

As we continue the effort of restoring our churchyard we are often in need, and right now we have a need for bricks to be used to border many of the flower beds. If you have bricks around your house that you would like to share, please let us know. Look forward to seeing everyone on July 18 at 10 a.m., and let's pray for cooler weather!

Gardeners in Christ,  
Tom and Betsy

## July Anniversaries

07/02/1994 Philip & Helen Peters  
07/06/1985 William & Lisa Buck  
07/06/2002 Chad & Samantha Amick  
07/10/1982 William & Patricia Hoyt  
07/14/1956 James & Jean Behling  
07/18/1982 George & Janice Sakash  
07/29/1950 Ronald & Jean Gillette  
07/29/1981 William & Elizabeth Betz

# St. Mary/St. Agnes Chapter Update

By Nicole Watts, Chapter Reporter

Our summer luncheon was an excellent event held at the Sunflower Café. There were 12 women of the Chapter in attendance. The next meeting will be on July 20 at 10.30 a.m. when volunteers will be cutting out and sewing new cushion covers for The Bell Choir under the guidance of Betty Rucker. (Remember to bring a bag lunch!)

Plans are already underway for our Annual Card Party and White Elephant Sale which will take place on October 15 and will be organized by Betty Rucker. We will start selling tickets in July at \$12 each and are ready to receive parish donations to The White Elephant Sale which will be run by Karen McCalpin, Marja Hare, Bonnie Leazer, and Patti Blitch. Start clearing out your closets!!

**Save the date...**  
**St. Mary/St. Agnes Chapter Fall Card Party & White Elephant Sale**  
**Thurs., Oct. 15**

# Parish Register

## Births

Connor Warren Osborn  
son of Nick & Laura Osborn  
May 30, 2009

Grant Edwin McKellar  
son of Mark & Andrea McKellar  
June 16, 2009

## Baptisms

Harper Trafford Cannon  
son of Jordan & Katie Cannon  
June 14, 2009

## Marriages

Joseph Alge & Mikah Burns  
June 6, 2009

Ed Inglis & Lori Carter  
June 16, 2009

Michael Ging &  
Katherine Drossos  
June 27, 2009

## Deaths

Lucille Curry McCown  
July 27, 1918 - June 2, 2009

## July Birthdays

July 01	William Hoyt	July 17	Elizabeth Halberstadt
July 01	Denise Harris	July 18	Joseph Farrugia
July 01	Sullivan Smith	July 19	Kip Cooke
July 04	Lorna Espenshade	July 20	Ruth Fortini
July 04	Kateri Dawson	July 20	Gary Norton
July 04	Cameron Drolet	July 21	Michael Harler
July 06	Marion Puckhaber	July 21	Larry Coomer
July 06	Ann Semken	July 21	Thomas Smith
July 06	ToniAnn McDaniel	July 21	Allison Norton
July 07	Ethel Pigott	July 21	Amy Sisson
July 07	Ronald Gillette	July 22	Shelley Warren
July 07	Andy Hartnett	July 23	John Oliver
July 08	Janice Plisco	July 23	Allyson Leach
July 08	Karen Searson	July 23	Riley Bruder
July 08	Craig Crossley	July 25	Debby Baynes
July 09	Lisa McKay	July 25	Mary Elise Marcy
July 10	John Hollis	July 26	Matthew Dawson
July 10	Stephanie Westall	July 26	Patrick Spigner
July 11	Wally Jack	July 27	Larry Roshto
July 13	Logan Plantand	July 27	Debra Gupton
July 13	Doris Wagner	July 27	Michael Blanton
July 14	Cher Clayton	July 27	Lauren Horry
July 15	Arthur Bailey	July 28	Amber Smith
July 15	Casey Buck	July 30	Peter Rowan
July 16	Kate King	July 30	Marja Hare
July 16	Jordan Cannon	July 31	Kathryn Christen
July 17	George Tompkins		

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## Vacation Bible School at OSA

Don't wait to register your children (and yourself as a volunteer) for Rome: Paul and the Underground Church! Mark your calendars for July 26 - 31, from 9 a.m. until noon. (There will be a nursery for the children of volunteers younger than three.)

The week begins with the Parish Beach Picnic at Camp St. Christopher Sunday, July 26. Then, on Monday morning at the church, children will dive into history as they experience life as a Christian in ancient Rome! Participants will explore a Roman marketplace, visit the Apostle Paul (who is under house arrest) and sneak to a cave where the underground church is meeting. Of course there will be fun crafts, games, music and worship as well!

There are **two training meetings planned for youth volunteers** (high school and middle school) at Dorothy Holland's home. The first is July 5, from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. and the second July 12, from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. All youth volunteers must attend one of these training sessions. There will be an optional music rehearsal July 19th from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. **June 28 all adult VBS volunteers will meet after the 10:30 a.m. service in Howard's classroom.** If you have any questions please contact Dorothy Holland ([dorothypholland@bellsouth.net](mailto:dorothypholland@bellsouth.net)) or Lisa Dubay ([lisadubay@gmail.com](mailto:lisadubay@gmail.com)).

Items needed for VBS (and which will be returned to you):

- Large, handled baskets
- small (4x6 or 5x8) area rugs
- large fabric remnants (3 yards or longer) serape blankets

