

ADVENTures



Sunday, Aug. 1st, 2010, 10th Sunday after Pentecost

This Week's Announcements:

August 2010 Wedding Anniversaries

02	Mike & Ellen Harrison	30 years
10	Pastor Richard & Joan Schluep	
06	Bob & Velta Sanborn	50 years
13	Carl & Kim Pederson	33 years
14	Bob & Joan Joye	45 years
15	Don & Judy Bell	12 years
17	Jim & Vicki Crawford	37 years
24	Joel & Gwen Miller	8 years
25	Paul & Donna Koszkalda	26 years
25	Doug & Kathy Hoag	48 years

August 2010 Birthdays

01	Vicki Crawford	17	Rob Dzurec
02	Brandi Frank	18	Pastor Richard Schluep
05	Pamela Natallo	19	Scott Duennes
06	Jennifer Meckes	19	Bob Russo
07	Anne Crothall	23	George Bruck, IV
10	Craig Medley	27	Bob Drusendahl
16	Megan G. Keller	30	Sandy Shoenfelt

Today, August 1, 2010: Lilah Allison, daughter of Jeff & Ursula Allison, sister of Alyssa & Dakota and granddaughter of Bill & Madeline Davey will be baptized during the 10:00 a.m. service.

Women's Night Out: will be held Monday, August 2nd at 6:30 p.m. at the at the Moosehead Hook & Ladder Restaurant in Olmsted Falls. If you have any questions, please call Susan Rausch at 440-454-9106.

On August 22nd: Rose Jancsy from the Metanoia Project will be here to tell the parish about the program during the 9:00 a.m. hour. Please put it on your calendar. Fr. RJ.

Ticket Reimbursement for the 7/23rd Baseball Game: Who ever purchased a Crusher ticket for the 7/23rd game that was rained out, can go to the box office WITH your previously paid-for ticket in exchange for a voucher for another game of your choosing. If you have any questions, call Brittney at Group Sales at 440-934-3636.

School Supplies: Once again it's time to think about going back to school. We would like you to help us support needy children in Lakewood and Cleveland by bringing in new school supplies and/or backpacks to start their year off right! We are collecting: pencils, pens, crayons (24-pack) colored pencils, markers, erasers, notebook filler paper and spiral notebooks just to name a few. School sales are starting now so we will be collecting through the month of August.

Blessing of the Backpacks and School Supplies: We want to make this an annual tradition of blessing backpacks to show our youth the importance of school and how important they are to our community. Please bring your child with their backpack on Sunday, August 22 to have Fr. RJ bless them for a safe and productive school year. Feel free to invite neighbors, friends and grandchildren for this event. Any questions, please call or email Susan Rausch at 440-785-1042 or srausch2@cox.net.

Service Participants:

Open Advent at 7:30 a.m.

8/01	Jack Morgan
8/08	John Urbas

Close Advent after Coffee hour

8/01	Max Gage
8/08	Denise Geyer-Keller

8:00 a.m. Acolyte/Chalice Bearers

8/01	Jack Morgan
8/08	Judy Bell

8:00 a.m. Lector & POP

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10:00 a.m. Eucharistic Minister

8/01	Sally Morgan & Barb Frank
8/08	Don Moore & Bob Cox

10:00 a.m. Lector

8/01	Barbara Gage
8/08	Denise Geyer-Keller

10:00 a.m. Ushers

8/01	Irv Frank
8/08	Max Gage & Ethan Rausch

10:00 a.m. Acolytes

8/01	Dakota Allison
8/08	Madison Rausch

Bible Readings:

8/01 10 Pentecost (Baptism)-OT-Ecclesiastes 1:12-14, 2:18-23; NT-Colossians 3:12-17; Psalm 49:1-11; Gospel-Luke-12:13-21

8/08 The Transfiguration of Our Lord Sunday-OT-Exodus-34:29-35; NT-2 Peter 1:13-21; Psalm-99:5-9; Gospel-Luke 9:28-36

An Interesting Question

Have you ever noticed, as you drive around, that many Episcopal churches have red front doors? It [is believed to be] because red doors traditionally mean "sanctuary" -- the ground beyond the doors is holy, and anyone who goes through them is safe from physical (*and spiritual*) harm. In ancient times, no one could pursue an enemy past red doors into a church, and certainly no one could be harmed or captured inside of a church. Today, the red reminds us of the blood of Christ and that we are always safe in God's care!



THREE WEEK LOOK AHEAD CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 August Baptism of Lilah Allison 10 am 8:00 & 10:00 am HE; B & A	2 Women's Night Out 6:30 pm @ Moosehead in O.F.	3	4 Men's Bible Study 7:00 am @ Stratos	5	6	7
8 8:00 & 10:00 am HE; Intercessory Prayer 11:30 am	9	10 Vestry 7:00 pm	11 Men's Bible Study 7:00 am @ Advent	12	13	14
15 8:00 & 10:00 am HE	16	17	18 Men's Bible Study 7:00 am @ Advent	19	20	21

Metanoia Project—by Fr. RJ

“There’s an art to it. You have to avoid looking at them without looking like you’re trying to avoid looking at them.” This was the advice given me by a friend as we walked to the parking garage from the downtown office building where we worked. Every day we met people who made their living by asking others for money. Every day I wished that I could do something to help. Every day I became more uncomfortable walking past people who needed more than I could offer.

While the advice offered by my friend may have made me more comfortable, I knew it was a skill I did not want to cultivate. I did not want to get to the point where I could just look past people. I made the decision to remain uncomfortable.

I know that extreme poverty and homelessness are complex issues. There are psychological reasons and sociological reasons as well as economic forces at work that make it very difficult for the homeless poor to rise out of extreme poverty. In most cases the transformation that needs to take place is more than a mere financial reversal.

Even if the necessary transformation took place in their lives, the problem would not be solved entirely. The rest of society needs to be transformed as well. We need to overcome the desire to look past those who make us uncomfortable. We need to see the image of God in every person.

On August 22 at 9:00 a.m., Rose Jancsy will be at Advent to tell us about the Metanoia Project. The word, Metanoia, means, “reversal of thinking.” It is the word most often used in the New Testament for repentance. This Fall, Advent will begin a partnership with the Metanoia Project. Our goal is not only to offer some assistance to the homeless poor, but also to be transformed so we really see the people with whom we will be working. Please plan to be here for Rose’s presentation, and be open to the prompting of the Spirit regarding how you may be called to participate in this ministry. This would also be a good time to bring a friend.

You may find the Metanoia Project on line at <http://metanoiaproject.com/>