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From the Rector

Looking Forward

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen. (Ephesians 3: 20-21.)

Most often when we speak of "looking forward," we will add a "to." We are looking forward to ... the wedding, the parish picnic, the vacation, and so on. Looking forward usually has a definite object, a thing after which we long. But there is another kind of looking forward. It is more like a posture of anticipation, a way of being in hope, a mindset of promise. It is a spiritual state of heart and soul.

When I think of starting a new church year, it is both looking forwards working within me. Even with the sticky weather, my mind travels first to Christmas at St. Peter's. I think of the children lighting the Advent candles as we prepare for the Lord's birth. The children likewise come to mind as we prepare for the first Children's Chapel and the children's homilies at the front of the church. The reassembling of the choir, the power of their voices, and the glory of the anthems they raise come to mind. The list of my "looking forward to" could go on almost ad infinitum.

But there is a still deeper looking forward. It has to do with the Kingdom of God ever breaking in. It is that which we cannot control or anticipate. Sometimes we call these "breaking ins" "kingdom moments," but they need not be understood only as brief. For they form an overall pattern of God's work. Such "breaking ins" weave through individual member's lives and points in time to move forward the whole body of the Church. This is a cause for such wonder that one cannot really speak of a "looking forward to." It is all too big for us. Even in its clearly revealed parts, we can only receive it from Above. There is, then, a great movement of Divine love. Saint Paul captures it for us when he says: "We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose." (Romans 8:28) We are given a wonderful image in the words of the Hymn 534:

**God is working his purpose out
as year succeeds to year:
God is working his purpose out,
and the time is drawing near;
nearer and nearer draws the time,
the time that shall surely be,
when the earth shall be filled
with the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.**

Yes, as the waters cover the sea! Our Christian life is part of the covering sea. Do we feel a part of God's great sea of purpose? It is easy to get caught up in the seeming smallness of things. But the Christian is even now a part of the glory to be revealed. We each have a holy calling as witnesses to those kingdom moments and of the consummation of all things in Christ. A Christian is a sign to the world that there is hope, forgiveness, purpose, fulfillment, resurrection and a promised New Creation. We can see all that we do as the advancing sea, as taking ground for the Kingdom.

**March we forth in the strength of God,
with the banner of Christ unfurled,
that the light of the glorious gospel of truth
may shine throughout the world:
fight we the fight with sorrow and sin
to set their captives free,
that earth may filled
with the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.**

As the Psalmist says, are these things "too wonderful" for us?" (Psalm 139:6.) Only if we think they come of ourselves. But not to worry, Jesus is in the very midst of us. The Father abundantly gives the grace. The Holy Spirit moves amongst us and in us. The life of the parish feeds and grounds us in God's Word and Sacrament. We are in Christ who "fills all in all." (Ephesians 1: 23.) We can dare to think big. Indeed, we are call to it.

I pray that your summer was restful, maybe a splash or two in God's other wondrous sea. The Newsletter is full of things to look forward to this fall. But let's not lose sight of the sea of God's greater purpose. We are sure to witness greater things than "we can ask or imagine." So as we begin a new church year, we look forward to much of what we know but even more that which we do not know and can come only from Above.

Peace of Jesus, Fr. Hartt+

From the Associate Rector

Do you remember, when it was last September?

There is excitement in the air when September rolls around. This must be connected to the years of our youth and the excitement that surrounded all our new beginnings in September: new classes, clubs, sports, routines, connections and so on. We are excited at Church for new beginnings this month as well.

Just like in our school days, we all look forward to reconnecting with one another after the long summer. We also look forward to establishing new friendships. We had many visitors to church over the summer months and some new members joined us as well. I hope each of us takes time out on the Sundays of fall to reconnect with old friends and make some new friends too.

We look forward to repeating our many favored traditions at church. The parish picnic approaches with plans underway for the Soup Sampler and pre-Thanksgiving Dinner. We are very excited to continue our strong Youth offerings included the much-enjoyed Children's Chapel. We have some new initiatives planned as well.

Next month Fr. Hartt and I will be offering Discovery Bible Studies with my emphasis directed towards the women of the church. If you have never joined a Bible study or are looking for a special connection at church I highly recommend you consider joining us. We will be meeting in small groups that will foster biblical learning and Discipleship as well as building stronger relationships with one another. These will not be "taught" as much as "facilitated", leaving room for various thoughts, questions and discussions along the way. The clergy are very excited and hope you are as well.

You also might consider joining one of the many ministries at St. Peter's this year. Are you gifted with prayer, music, flowers, welcoming people, baking, organizing, or some other talent? Would you like to serve the youth, the elderly, or the homeless? Are you interested in Education, Outreach or Evangelism? Whatever your interest, I'm certain we have a place for you to serve. September is a great time to consider your commitment to both frequent worship as well as serving others through our church. Please speak with Fr. Hartt or I about your thoughts.

September is filled with exciting starts and this holds true at our beloved St. Peter's as well. I look forward to seeing you soon and growing together this coming year while we discover God's blessings.

Yours in Christ,

Mother Sue+

Informational Display Boards

Sometimes we may want to volunteer our time and talent to one or more committees at St. Peter's Church, but we find we are unable to because we do not know where to begin. Soon we will have an Informational Display Board set up in the Pumpelly Room that will provide you with the information you need to move forward with your desire to help St. Peter's Church. Each Committee will be featured on a display board. Each week will showcase a particular committee and will provide an overview of its activities and will address any questions you may have, such as; Who What When Where and How. Also listed will be members currently serving each committee and the person you can contact for more information.

New Women's Group

Soon, the women of St. Peter's Church will have their very own Christian/Social group to attend weekly in the Pumpelly Room. Think of this group of women as a feminine version of the "Top of the Hill group" who meet every Wednesday. This group will most probably meet on a Monday morning. Participation in this group is open to all women attending St. Peter's Church, most especially retired women, as the group will most likely be meeting on a weekday morning, though this could be open for discussion, depending on interest. If you are interested in forming such a group and helping to give it a "sassy/spunky" name, please call Carly Crewell at 956-4166 or call the church office at 434-3502.

Fundraiser

Save the Date! Hope for the Journey, Healing a Woman's Soul's 8th Annual Fundraiser, will be held on October 22 beginning at 6:00p.m. The event will be held at St. Paul's Church, Hackett Blvd., Albany.

Food Bank Donations

Your Outreach Committee is asking for donations of non-perishables food items to help supply the local food pantry. Just think how much food could be collected if everyone at St. Peter's Church (who could) would bring one food item each week. This simple act could make a tremendous difference in the lives of those within our community in need of food. Please help St. Peter's to reach out to help others. Please bring a non-perishable food item to church and put it on the table provided for the purpose. Thank you!



Parish Picnic: September 18th!

The annual parish picnic will be held at The Rectory, 8 Loudon Heights South, Loudonville on Sunday, September 18th after the 10:30AM service. Chicken, hot dogs, hamburgers and beverages will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass for the meal or a dessert. A free will offering will be taken with a suggested donation of \$10.00 per family. Driving directions to the rectory will be available in the rear of the sanctuary.

Outreach

The September Outreach meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 13th at 4:30pm. Please join us to learn about Outreach ministries and hospitality events being planned!

Vestry Meeting

The September Vestry meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 13th at 5:15pm.



Coffee Hour

Volunteers are needed for the coffee hour following both services at 8:30am and 10:30am. To sign up to volunteer for coffee hour following the 10:30am service, please insert your name on the new sign-up board or call Carly Crewell, at 956-4166. To sign up to help with 8:30am service, please call Michele Vennard at 274-4989. Help is always needed with set-up and clean up, as well as volunteering to bake something for either coffee hour.

Choir Open House

Come to the Choir Room Sunday September 11, 2016 following the 10:30 service for some refreshments, and learn more about the Choir and Music Program. Whether you might be interested in joining the choir, have a question about the music program, or just want to check out the Choir Room, you are invited to join us at our Open House.

Adult Education

Annual Fall Retreat

Healing a Woman's Soul's Annual Fall Retreat, *Tools for the Journey: Hearts Broken/Hearts Healing* will be held on Friday evening, September 9th thru Saturday evening, September 10th at the Dominican Retreat Center, 1945 Union Street Niskayuna, NY 12309. The cost is \$120, but partial and full scholarships are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. For registration information, contact Healing A Woman's Soul Retreats by email dmoore12@nycap.rr.com or contact Deacon Denise Moore by phone at (315) 725-6504.

Concert for Flande, Haiti

On **Sunday, Oct 2nd at 4:00 p.m.**, St. Stephen's Church, 16 Elsmere Ave, Delmar, NY 12054, will be hosting a concert to raise funds to finish building classrooms for the Flande School in Haiti. Wally Jones, a well know pianist in the Bethlehem Community, has gathered multiple musicians plus St Stephen's bell choir to raise the roof with music. A free will offering will be taken and a reception will follow.



Fall/Winter Apparel Drive

The Outreach committee at St. Peter's Church is requesting that we donate new, or lightly used fall and winter attire to the homeless community at Grace and Holy Innocents' Soup Kitchen. Following is a list of items needed for the cold weather that will soon be here:

- Coats
- Sweaters
- Sweatshirts
- Long Underwear
- Flannel or wool shirts
- Hats
- Scarves
- Mittens
- Gloves
- Socks
- Boots
- Shoes

All clothing items are requested for men and women and children (all ages, all sizes). All items are gratefully accepted and can be left in the box provided for that purpose in the Pumpelly Room. Please address any questions you may have to Laura Saffares at 368-4284 or the Church office at 434-3502.

Discovery Bible Study Workshop

We know the words of Lord Jesus, what we call the Great Commission, "Go and make disciples..." Let's be honest, many of us don't have a clue on how to do this. Save October 22nd to come and learn! On that day, you can come to Christ the King Spiritual Life Center and learn a biblically based, reasonably applied and fruitful approach to making disciples. The workshop will be led by Fr. Brewster Hastings and Mr. Fred Hall as well as others from the Philadelphia region who presented at the Diocesan Convention in June. You will learn the basics of discipleship and how to participate and lead Discovery Bible Study. More details and a link to the online registration form will be available soon.

Outreach Committee

Your St. Peter's Outreach committee is looking for new members! This committee is deeply involved with many, many worth while projects at St. Peter's and helping as much as possible to improve as many lives within our "Church Community" as possible. Here is partial list of Outreach Committee involvement:

- Overflow Homeless shelter
- Bowling for Beds
- Soup Kitchen at Grace and Holy Innocents
- Food Pantry
- Thanksgiving Altar Food Donations
- Buganda Orphan Outreach
- Burmese Refugee Christmas Gifts
- Meals at First Lutheran Church overflow Homeless shelter
- Crop Walk
- Church office staff outreach
- Soup Sampler Sunday
- Pre-Thanksgiving Dinner
- Back to School Backpacks
- UNICEF

The Outreach committee meets on the second Tuesday of each month from 4:30pm to 5:15pm. Our next meeting will be held on September 13th. Hope to see you there! For more information, please contact Judy Burns, at 441-7538 or Carly Crewell at 956-4166, or the church office at 434-3502.

Recovery Ministries of the Episcopal Church

The 2016 national conference of Recovery Ministries of the Episcopal Church will be held November 3rd - 5th in Williamsburg, VA. The conference features two speakers: Dr. Kevin McCauley, an advocate for addict patients' rights, and Tom Ryan, author of *Ashamed No More*. For more information or to register, <http://www.episcopalrecovery.org/gathering2016>

Youth Formation & Sunday School



Prayer Pretzels/Sunday School Registration

On Sunday, September 11th Sunday School registration will take place and the children will be busy making prayer pretzels. Please take a moment to stop upstairs to complete a registration card for your child(ren).

Calling all Families to **Youth Sunday:**
The last Sunday of each month beginning
September 25th!

The clergy of St. Peter's are happy to announce this ministry highlighting the youth of our church at the 10:30 service on every last Sunday of the month. We are proud of our youth and how they are growing into their roles as members of St. Peter's Church. Because of this, we are inviting them to take special part in the service on the last Sunday of each month. The teens will fill important roles during the 10:30 service in the Sanctuary. Additionally, we will be offering **Children's Chapel** for our youngest members. In lieu of our traditional Sunday school offering, pre-Confirmation youth and Sunday school teachers will celebrate a Youth Eucharist in the Pumpelly Room during the 10:30am service. Children will begin worship with the parents in the main Sanctuary and following the second reading the children will be invited to process into Children's chapel for their own Gospel message, homily and instructed Eucharist service.

Youth Sunday will help our youth learn about and connect with our liturgy as well as take their place among us as St. Peter's Church members. Please speak to Fr. Hartt or Mtr. Sue if your child would like to have a special role during an upcoming Youth Sunday (i.e. reader, acolyte).

First Holy Communion

Baptized individuals wishing to prepare to receive their First Holy Communion are invited to attend preparatory classes beginning Sunday, September 25th following the 10:30am service. The group will meet for three consecutive weeks (9/25, 10/2, 10/9), and prepare to receive their First Holy Communion on All Saints Sunday, November 1, 2015 during the 10:30am service. Please call the church office to let us know you (or your child) would like to take part in this class. For those seeking Holy Baptism, please speak to Fr. Hartt or Mother Sue.



Backpacks & Supplies for Back-to-School

Every year the Sunday School collects backpacks (new or lightly used) and back-to-school supplies to be donated to the children at Grace and Holy Innocents. Please pick up an extra backpack, notebook, pack of pens or pencils, loose leaf paper, or markers and place the items in the bushel baskets located in the Pumpelly Room or in the Sunday School rooms. These supplies and backpacks will be delivered to Grace and Holy Innocents on Saturday, September 17th. Thank you for your support, your donations are greatly appreciated.

Blessing of the Backpacks

We invite the youth of St. Peter's to bring their backpacks to church to be blessed for the new school year. This will happen on September 11th during the 10:30am church service.

St. Francis Mission Soup Kitchen

The 3rd Saturday of each month, beginning September 17, 2016, you are invited to join Laura Saffares, Angels in Training, and others from St. Peter's to prepare and serve lunch at this Episcopal church on Clinton Avenue, Albany. Generally, over 100 adults and children come for lunch and many hands mean light work! Please call Laura for information or to let her know you are coming at 368-4284.



September 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
			
<p>4 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost 8:30am - Holy Communion 10:30am - Holy Communion</p>	<p>5 Labor Day Office Closed</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 8:45am - Top of the Cross 12:05pm - Holy Communion</p>
<p>11 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost 8:30am - Holy Communion 10:30am - Morning Prayer w/ Backpack Blessing Choir Open House in Choir room following 10:30 am service Sunday School Registration</p>	<p>12 5:00pm - Treble Rehearsal</p>	<p>13 4:30pm - Outreach Meeting 5:15pm - Vestry Meeting</p>	<p>14 Holy Cross 8:45am - Top of the Cross 12:00pm - Holy Communion</p>
<p>18 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost 8:30am - Holy Communion 9:35am - DOK Meeting 10:30am - Holy Communion Church Picnic @ Rectory following the 10:30am service</p>	<p>19 5:00pm - Treble Rehearsal</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 St. Matthew 8:45am - Top of the Cross 12:05pm - Holy Communion</p>
<p>25 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost 8:30am - Holy Communion 10:30am - Morning Prayer w/ start of Children's Chapel in Pumpelly Room 12:00pm - First Holy Communion Class</p>	<p>26 5:00pm - Treble Rehearsal</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28 8:45am - Top of the Cross 12:05pm - Holy Communion</p>

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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The Hill Communion	8	9 12:30pm - Organ Concert	10
Cross Day The Hill Communion	15 5:00pm - Treble Rehearsal 5:30pm - Full Choir	16 12:30pm - Organ Concert	17 11:00am - Angels in Training
Chew The Hill Communion	22 5:00pm - Treble Rehearsal 5:30pm - Full Choir	23 12:30pm - Organ Concert	24
The Hill Communion	29 St. Michael and All Angels 5:00pm - Treble Rehearsal 5:30pm - Full Choir	30 12:30pm - Organ Concert	

St. Peter's Music

FRIDAY NOONTIME ORGAN CONCERTS will resume on Friday, September 9th. These free half-hour concerts are presented each Friday at 12:30pm. Come and hear organist Neil Keen and guest artists perform on our wonderful pipe organ, one of the largest and finest in the Capital District.



Composer of the month: Leo Sowerby (1895-1968)



Leo Sowerby was an American composer and church musician, often called the Dean of American Church Music. Born in Chicago, Sowerby showed an interest in composition and organ performance from a young age. Trained at the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago, he went on to win a Pulitzer Prize and the Prix de Rome for his compositions. Sowerby was Organist-Choirmaster at St. James's Episcopal Church in Chicago for 35 years. On retirement, he became founding director of the College of Church Musicians at the National Cathedral in Washington DC. His organ and choral compositions seem distinctly American with a boldly Romantic approach to musical expression. We regularly sing a few of his works, notably a motet "Eternal Light" and a vigorous anthem setting of Psalm 122.

CHOIR STARTUP

Regular Choir Rehearsals will resume the week of September 12th on the following schedule:

Mondays: 5:00-6:15pm - Trebles

Thursdays: 5:00-6:30pm - Trebles
5:30-7:00pm - SATB

Sundays: 9:30am rehearsal for the 10:30 service

We are in for an exciting and active musical season. We are eager to welcome new choristers to the choir and particularly urge boys and girls age 8 to grade 8 to join the Treble section of the choir. Please contact Neil Keen for further information (339-0137)

Saint of the Month Club

John Henry Hobart

Bishop of New York, 1830

Prayer:

Revive thy Church, Lord God of hosts, whensoever it doth fall into complacency and sloth, by raising up devoted leaders, like thy servant John Henry Hobart whom we remember this day; and grant that their faith and vigor of mind may awaken thy people to thy message and their mission; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*



John Henry Hobart was one of the leaders who revived the Episcopal Church, following the first two decades of its independent life after the American Revolution, a time that has been described as one of "suspended animation." Born in Philadelphia, September 14, 1775, Hobart was educated at the Universities of Pennsylvania and Princeton, graduating from the latter in 1793. Bishop William White, his longtime friend and adviser, ordained him deacon in 1798 and priest in 1801. After serving parishes in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Long Island, Hobart became assistant minister of Trinity Church, New York City, in 1800. He was consecrated Assistant Bishop of New York on May 29, 1811. Five years later he succeeded Bishop Benjamin Moore, both as diocesan bishop and as rector of Trinity Church. He died at Auburn, New York, September 12, 1830, and was buried beneath the chancel of Trinity Church in New York City. Within his first four years as bishop, Hobart doubled the number of his clergy and quadrupled the number of missionaries. Before his death, he had planted a church in almost every major town of New York State and had opened missionary work among the Oneida Indians. He was one of the founders of the General Theological Seminary, and the reviver of Geneva, now Hobart, College.

A strong and unbending upholder of Church standards, Hobart established the Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of New York, and was one of the first American Churchmen to produce theological and devotional manuals for the laity. These "tracts," as they were called, and the personal impression he made on the occasion of a visit to Oxford, were an influence on the development of the Tractarian Movement in England. Both friends and foes respected Hobart for his staunch faith, his consuming energy, his personal integrity, and his missionary zeal.

From the Archives

Reverend Charles Conant Harriman

Reverend Harriman's tenure followed two distinguished rectors of St. Peter's Church, the first being Reverend William Doane who went on to be the first Bishop of the Albany Diocese, and the second, the much loved Reverend Walton W. Battershall. Reverend Harriman was born into a Massachusetts family, graduating from Harvard in 1897, and the Cambridge Episcopal Theological School in 1905 with a degree of B.D. After service in New York City, he became the Rector of St. Ann's Church of Morrisiana, the largest and most active church in the Bronx at the time, where he labored for five years. He was offered the rectorship of St. Peter's Church on January 28, 1912 and he accepted on March 16th. In his letter of acceptance he wrote: "Above all things our Church must be in the best sense democratic with respect only for God and that which in our heart of hearts we believe to be His purpose and His work."

He went on to become one of St. Peter's outstanding rectors, serving the church from 1912 to 1939. Early in his tenure many people were living in a Golden Age of wealthy businessmen. They lived in lovely homes managed by hired servants surrounding St. Peter's Church. When this era ended, these downtown homes were, sadly, replaced by businesses and banks. Harriman's tenure included the period of the First World War (1914-1918), the period of the Stock Market Crash (1929) and still later the start of the Second World War (1939-1945). Harriman was a steadying influence through it all, ministering in every way to the parish. During Reverend Harriman's time the church was made more vital to the interest of the parishioners. Envelope subscriptions were instituted. The Endowment Fund continued to grow. The first St. Peter's Men's Club was formed in November of 1914. During this period the Guild House mortgage was paid in full. On May 30, 1915, the Lord Howe Tablet in the Narthex was dedicated. As a real boon for the parishioners who found pew rentals to be a heavy burden, he increased the endowment fund for the payment of pew rentals.

One of the highlights of Reverend Harriman's tenure came in 1916 with the Two Hundredth Anniversary of St. Peter's Church. This celebration lasted for a full week with programs on Sunday and Monday followed by two days of Diocesan Convention. On Thursday there was a subscription dinner at the Hotel Ten Eyck with 280 guests present. On Friday a musical performance of Rossini's *Stabat Mater* was led by the current Organist and Choirmaster Frank Sill Rogers. On Saturday the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the first service held in St. Peter's Church was held, with a sermon by William T. Manning, D.D. Rector of Trinity Parish in New York City. On the final day, the morning service included a sermon given by Rev. Charles Harriman. A book produced for the Two Hundredth Anniversary of St. Peter's Church is available in the Church Archives. It contains the texts of these sermons.

Reverend Harriman celebrated his twentieth anniversary as Rector on May 1, 1932. At this time the Endowment Fund had grown to over \$300,000. A total of 62 pews had been endowed and opened to the public. A new Parish House costing \$65,000 was built, and a new Guild House costing \$70,000 was nearly completed.

In 1939 Reverend Harriman retired. He died in 1946 in Deerfield, Massachusetts at the age of 70. There is a large portrait of Reverend Harriman in the Pumpelly Room and a smaller portrait in a place of honor in the Archives. He was a commanding figure in our church history.

Flower Memorials



During the year, our Flower Guild arranges flowers to bring beauty to our sanctuary and joy to our congregation. Those wishing to make a donation for flowers for a memorial, thanksgiving or celebration should call the Church Office to confirm available dates. During Advent, we use only greens; during Lent, the altars are bare. Other Sundays, we welcome contributions. Cost of flowers: Main Altar is \$50, St. Mark's Altar is \$35, and the Tower Altar is also \$35. All requests are payable in advance.



Bible Symposium & Feast of Our Lady of Walsingham

This year's Bible Symposium will be on Saturday, September 24th from 9:00a.m. until 3:00p.m. at The Cathedral of All Saints, 62 South Swan Street, Albany, NY. The speaker this year will be the Very Rev. Dr. John Behr, Dean and Professor of Patristics at St. Vladimirs Orthodox Seminary. Dean Behr teaches courses in patristics, dogmatics and scriptural exegesis at the seminary, and also at Fordham University, where he is the Distinguished Lecturer in Patristics. Before becoming Dean in 2007, he served as the editor of St. Vladimirs Theological Quarterly, and he still edits the Popular Patristics Series for SVS Press. Dean Behr will be helping those attending to find Christ in the Scriptures. The cost for the Bible Symposium is \$20, and you can register at brownpapertickets.com. Following the Bible Symposium, at 3:00p.m., there will be an ecumenical celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Walsingham. The celebration will be a service of prayer and healing. The Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham in England draws pilgrims from many different Christian traditions. It is a place of both physical and spiritual healing. St. Luke's Church, Catskill, NY began an Ecumenical Festival in 2014 inspired by the shrine's ministry of healing and ecumenism. This festival is an opportunity for Christians of all traditions to come together and celebrate the unity we share in Christ Jesus, and to experience healing of our own wounds, as well as wounds of division in the Body of Christ. Fr. John Behr will be preaching at this service. This celebration is free. No registration is required. All are invited to attend the service, whether you attend the Bible Symposium or not.

The Sisters of St. Mary Lecture Series

The Venerable Christopher Brown will be starting a new lecture series at the Sisters of St. Mary Convent, 242 Cloister Way, Greenwich, NY 12834. The lectures will be on the third Tuesday of the month from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. The lectures will be on the major writings of St. Augustine and will begin on Tuesday, September 20th, when Fr. Christopher will discuss St. Augustine's life and conversion. Cost per session is \$10. You can start the afternoon off right by having with tea with the Sisters at 3:30 p.m. For more information, including a pdf syllabus and reading list, email Mother Miriam: compunun@stmaryseast.org

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Walk through the Door to Holiness

Christ the King Spiritual Life Center and St. Mary's Institute at The Community of St. Mary are jointly sponsoring Walk Through the Door to Holiness: An Ecumenical Conference Exploring Christian Character within Post-Christian Culture Monday, October 3rd - Wednesday, October 5th at Christ the King Spiritual Life Center. The main speaker will be Most Rev. and Rt Hon. George L. Carey, 103rd Archbishop of Canterbury. Also speaking will be Rt. Rev. Ed Scharfenberger, Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany, the Very Rev. Chad Hatfield, Chancellor of St Vladimir's Orthodox Seminary and the Rev. Dr. Doug Cullum, Dean of Northeastern Seminary. The four presenters will offer teaching and reflection on the life and call of holiness for Christians, particularly in an increasingly secular environment. The format of the Conference will be in the framework of daily Morning and Evening Prayer. The conference opens on Monday evening and ends with lunch on Wednesday. Cost for the conference is \$175. Lodging is extra and can be reserved at Christ the King Spiritual Life Center or at one of the area hotels. Space is limited - so don't delay! For more information or to register, contact Maggie Hasslacher at (518) 692-9550, ext. 511

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Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany

The Rev'd Dr. Doug Cullum
Dean & Professor of Historical & Pastoral Theology

Strive for peace...for holiness without which none will see the Lord.
Hebrews 12:14

Daughters of the King

Have you ever seen the announcements in the Leaflet regarding the date, time and place of the next meeting of the Daughters of the King?

After reading this announcement, have you ever thought to yourself: "I wonder what the Daughters of the King is?" Or, "I wonder what they do?" Maybe you've thought, "I don't know what they're all about, but I am certain that I could never measure up to their standards or fit in with them."

Have any of these thoughts ever crossed your mind when you read of The Daughters of the King? Well, please don't feel that you are not a good candidate for inclusion in the Order or that you could never "fit in". Not True!

The worldwide D.O.K is an order for women who are communicants of the Episcopal Church. The mission of the Order is to be the extension of Christ's Kingdom through prayer, service and evangelism. The Order's vision as Daughters is to know Jesus Christ, to make him known to others , and to reflect God's love throughout the world.

Daughters pray daily for:

- Unity in Christ's Church
- The spread of Christ's Kingdom
- God's blessings upon members, our chapter and our clergy
- The Spiritual growth of our parish

Service

By seeking to serve the Lord, Daughters try hard to do the will of God every day. A Daughter strives to be Christ's faithful servant by growing His Kingdom, participating in worship and assisting clergy in the outreach and work of the Church.

Evangelism

Please don't let the thought of "Evangelism" intimidate you in any way. Quite simply, evangelism as it pertains to the Daughters of the King, is the presentation of Jesus Christ in such a way that other persons may be led to believe in Him as Savior and follow Him as Lord, within the fellowship of the Church. Each Daughter makes a faithful effort to live out this definition in her daily life. Again, quite simply through our relationship with Christ, a Daughter strives to reach out to others both by loving acts and by joyously proclaiming her faith.

The emblem of the Order of the Daughter of the King is a modified Greek fleury cross with a Latin inscription, which translates "with heart, mind and spirit, uphold and bear the cross". Daughters wear the cross every day as an outward and visible sign she cannot live a day without Christ. It reminds all of commitment to Him and to His Church.

The Daughters of the King (Julia Chapter at St. Peter's Episcopal Church) proudly wear the cross and emblem of the Order. Keep an eye out for members of the D.O.K in our parish and please feel free to approach any of them for more information and for an invitation to join their ranks.

For His Sake, which is the D.O.K's "motto".

Daughters of the King

The first DOK meeting this year will be held on Sunday, September 18th at 9:35am in the vestry room. All Daughters, and women of the parish interested in learning about the Daughters, are invited to attend. We will be updating our prayer list and also developing plans for the next DOK Discernment Class and planning the Fall Prayer Walk.



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Services

Sunday

Holy Communion 8:30 a.m.

Holy Communion 10:30 a.m.

(1st & 3rd Sundays)

Morning Prayer 10:30 a.m.

(2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays)

Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday

Holy Communion 12:05 p.m.

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