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## Rector's Ramblings

This week six of our young people have been attending the St. Michael's Conference in Belleville, along with Fr. Dave, volunteers and participants from this diocese. Pray for their spiritual life and growth as they return to their parishes.

Have a safe and healthy summer.

## Ministry Links

St. Matthew's Webpage  
The Episcopal Diocese of  
Springfield  
Rector's Blog

## The Good News

June 17th, 2016



**Sincere congratulations to Deacon Matthew Dallman on his ordination this past Saturday.**

### Breakfast Fellowships

I stand corrected. The gentlemen of the parish have announced that they intend to continue their fellowships during the summer. Thus, our next gathering will be held on 6/18.

The women's gathering is on hiatus until the start of the Fall program year.

### Update from Fr. and Mrs. Marcelle

**Kayla-Rose was born on 5/27 to Fr. Kari and Kandis Marcelle. Please keep this family in your prayers.**

### Outreach Support of St. Vincent

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The Outreach Committee has also decided to collect funds for St. Vincent. These funds will be sent with those traveling this summer and will be used in case of any additional expenses are incurred in the reconstruction work at St. John's, Owia. A bowl has been placed in the aisle of the Nave for this effort. As you come forward to communion, please consider placing donations in the bowl. Cash, Checks, and coins from the couch cushions will be eagerly accepted.

### Construction Update

We are waiting for the custom door to be finished and installed. However, over the next couple of weeks you will see major renovation to the exterior

stairs. While those are being replaced the main doors of the Nave will only serve as an emergency exit. This should only be for a couple of weeks, and we apologize for any inconvenience. We continue to be thankful that our Diocesan insurance plan is as good as it is!

### **Clergy Education Update**

I have received the first two courses for the Fall Term. The first residency course runs from August 29-September 2 and is entitled "Mystical Theology: The Biblical and Patristic Theology of the Orthodox Church". The primary emphasis is on the classic doctrines of Christology and the Holy Trinity in conversation with contemporary society.

The second course runs from September 5-9 and is entitled "St. Maximos the Confessor". The primary emphasis on studying the St. Maximos' theology of theosis and the Church's role in striving to assimilate the faithful to God.

Though each course is one full, and I do mean full, week, there will be plenty of reading and personal tutorials between now and the time of residency. Yet, though there is much work to be done, please do not hesitate to interrupt my study if you have any pastoral need.

Also, do expect the reading and work to influence homilies on a regular basis.

Thank you for all of your support in this endeavor, and for holding me accountable to this vocation.

Dave+

PS. I have already been asked by friends if this means that I am contemplating leaving The Episcopal Church for Eastern Orthodoxy. The answer to that question is an emphatic "NO". However, I am entirely intrigued with the question of how the Anglican "Fathers" were influenced by the Orthodox mind in their return to Patristics during the years preceding and following the Reformation.

A related question is "what will you do after?" My answer, "What I am doing now."

### **Morning Prayer - Standard Schedule**

Morning Prayer is offered at 7AM on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and at 7:30 AM on Thursday. The fourth Thursday at 7:30 AM is Holy Eucharist - June 23rd.

### **Intercessory Prayer - Summer Schedule**

Intercessory Prayer is offered at 8 p.m. on Monday, and on Thursday at 10 a.m. There is no Wednesday session scheduled for the summer.

## **Bible Study**

Continues this Wednesday at 6PM. On June 15, Tim Leighton will present on the Diaconate. This is a requirement for his formation, so please plan on being present to support him.

Please feel free to bring your dinner to the study.

## **Outreach Opportunities**

Many thanks from the Outreach Committee for the success of the spring Book/DVD/Bake sale. Fiction books have been arranged alphabetically on the shelves in the parish hall. You may select books to read and leave a donation in the green file box near the shelves.

Our outreach committee has added another charity for the items of the month. It is The Society of St. Vincent de Paul. This organization was founded in Paris, France in 1833 by a student who saw the needs of the poor going unanswered. It has grown to be international and has been in Bloomington for over 50 years. Its mission is "to seek and find the forgotten, the suffering, or the deprived." St. Vincent has a food pantry, clothing pantry, a garden for fresh vegetables, and offers emergency financial assistance. It is maintained by volunteers. They serve an average of over 8,000 families with 25,000 members each year. They are very grateful for any items we could give them.

Items requested are canned food such as tuna fish, peanut butter, green beans, corn, and lima beans. Boxed goods such as instant oatmeal, rice, macaroni and cheese, cereals, and baby diapers are always in demand.

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## **Parish Schedule for the week of June 19-25**

Sunday-7:30a.m. Rite I Eucharist

8:30a.m - Guild of the Holy Rosary

10a.m. Rite II Eucharist

Coffee Hour follows worship, in the Parish Hall

Monday-7:00 a.m.-Morning Prayer

Monday-8:00 p.m.-Intercessory Prayer

Tuesday-7:00 a.m.-Morning Prayer

Wednesday-7:00 a.m.-Morning Prayer

Wednesday-5:30 p.m. - Guild of the Holy Rosary

Wednesday-6:00 p.m. - No Bible study this week --

6:30 p.m. Vestry meeting

Thursday- 7:30 a.m.-Morning Prayer

Thursday-10:00 a.m.-Intercessory Prayer

Friday-7:00 a.m.-Morning Prayer

Office Hours: Monday - Friday: Mornings, 8:00 a.m.- noon

*If you have anything you would like added to the schedule or announcements in the bulletin and news letter please send an email reply to the newsletter, or*

*call the office.*

## **The Guild of the Holy Rosary**

Several of our members have formed a guild for the promotion and praying of the Rosary. The Guild has put together a devotional manual that they are eager to share with anyone who wishes. They meet at 8:30AM each Sunday and 5:30 PM on Wednesday to pray together, and invites all members of St. Matthew's to join them in prayer. Please join the Guild in prayer for our Church, our Parish, our clergy, and each other.

## **Good News Daily**

This Week's Good News Daily is [here](#).

## **Readings & Music for June 19th, 2016**

Hymns: #388, #381, #686, #321, #558

Old Testament

Isaiah 65:1-9

I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask,  
to be found by those who did not seek me.

I said, "Here I am, here I am,"

to a nation that did not call on my name.

I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people,  
who walk in a way that is not good,  
following their own devices;

a people who provoke me

to my face continually,

sacrificing in gardens

and offering incense on bricks;

who sit inside tombs,

and spend the night in secret places;

who eat swine's flesh,

with broth of abominable things in their vessels;

who say, "Keep to yourself,

do not come near me, for I am too holy for you."

These are a smoke in my nostrils,

a fire that burns all day long.

See, it is written before me:

I will not keep silent, but I will repay;

I will indeed repay into their laps

their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together,

says the Lord;

because they offered incense on the mountains

and reviled me on the hills,

I will measure into their laps

full payment for their actions.

Thus says the Lord:

As the wine is found in the cluster,

and they say, "Do not destroy it,

for there is a blessing in it,"

so I will do for my servants' sake,

and not destroy them all.

I will bring forth descendants from Jacob,

and from Judah inheritors of my mountains;  
my chosen shall inherit it,  
and my servants shall settle there.

Psalm 22:18-27

Deus, Deus meus

18 Be not far away, O Lord; \*

you are my strength; hasten to help me.

19 Save me from the sword, \*

my life from the power of the dog.

20 Save me from the lion's mouth, \*

my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls.

21 I will declare your Name to my brethren; \*

in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.

22 Praise the Lord, you that fear him; \*

stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;

all you of Jacob's line, give glory.

23 For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;

neither does he hide his face from them; \*

but when they cry to him he hears them.

24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; \*

I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,

and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: \*

"May your heart live for ever!"

26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, \*

and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

27 For kingship belongs to the Lord; \*

he rules over the nations.

The Epistle

Galatians 3:23-29

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The Gospel

Luke 8:26-39

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" -- for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons

begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

## **Ministry Assignments for June 19th & June 26th**

### 19-June

#### 7:30

Greeters: Doug and Dede Dyson

Lector: Martha Carroll

E.M.: Bill Johns

#### 10:00

Acolytes: Shelly Brenneman Carter, Liam and Sarah Halt

Crucifer: Christian Pitts

Lector: John Stoffer

E.M.: Jack Pitts

Monday Counter: Susan Clark

Coffee Hour: Cris Embree and Gary Ploense

### 26-June

#### 7:30

Greeters: Ray Durhas

Lector: Julie Bennett

E.M.: Chris Bennett

#### 10:00

Acolytes: Shelly Brenneman Carter, Jack & Nolan White

Crucifer: Alex Davingman

Lector: Dedee Champion

E.M.: Bob Kohlhase

Monday Counter: Roy Laws

Coffee Hour: Susan & Jeffrey Clark

## **Birthdays & Anniversaries June 19th-June 25th**

### Anniversaries

Mary & Roger Hunt

Anne & Matthew Nadakavukaren

Patty & Jack Pitts

### Birthdays

Katherine Dyson

Kathryn DeMeritt  
Anne Nadakavukaren  
Tami Rolley

**Collect for Sunday, June 19th, 2016**

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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