

Glad Tidings!



Saint David's Parish

A Community of disciples passing on God's love to all



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NEW LIFE IN CHRIST

I'd like to challenge you to take a step (or two?) toward the life you've always wanted to live. Is there a new/improved/better version of 'you' that you want to become – only you cannot seem to 'get there'? Have you always hoped to learn more about a certain subject? Do you wish you would finally take time from your busy schedule to exercise, relax or meditate? Have you harbored a fantasy to scuba dive or parachute from an airplane? What about that retirement account you want to start, your plans to take a trip or that credit card you want to pay off? Whatever you have been 'putting off' – Easter season is a great time to live boldly.

Among the many doubts and uncertainties concerning the details of the resurrection, one thing seems abundantly

clear: Jesus' disciples were quite different after Easter. Beforehand they were variously timid, confused, dense, and afraid. Afterward they became focused, determined and daring. They were transformed from fumbling and fearful fugitives to assertive apostles of good news. That sort of transformation is both dramatic and desirable. It's also not limited to first-century Christians – it is available to every faithful follower through the gift and power of the Holy Spirit.



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During Easter (the season – not the Sunday) the parish will be conducting a “New Life in Christ” campaign. Members will be encouraged to take stock of the stewardship of their lives. You’ll hear lots more about this in the weeks to come: from personal reflections to theological implications. You will even have a chance to attend a “New Life” Workshop.

For now, I hope you will think about the dramatic impact of Easter on the lives of Jesus’ first disciples. His new life empowered new lives for his followers – which includes you and me.

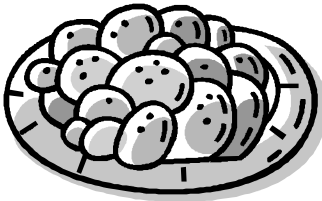


The Rev. Brad Hinton

NEW LEGACY FUND TRUSTEES

Welcome to the new trustees of the Legacy Fund, Kathleen Koch and William Goeller. We give thanks to God for 4 years of ministry and faithful service by outgoing trustees, Joan Murphy and Steve Leishman.

SAINT DAVID’S CULINARY TRIVIA



Did you know that in past years a cookie committee at St. David’s made 40 dozen chocolate chip

cookies to send to Emmanuel Dining Room each month? While the cookie committee no longer exists, the need for cookies still does. Would you have two hours a month to give to this ministry?

This is something you could do in your own home at your convenience. Feel free to use your favorite cookie recipe but for

those of you who would like a suggestion, I’ve included St. David’s traditional recipe on the outside cover of the newsletter. The cookies need to be delivered to church by the 25th of each month. A container marked Emmanuel Dining Room Cookies is in the narthex by the food closet.

For those months when you have absolutely no time please consider the bakery or cookie aisle of your local grocery store. If you have any questions please contact Janie Jersild, a member of the Outreach Committee and a cookie baker. Her email address is jjersild@aol.com.



NO MORE ACME RECEIPTS

Saint David’s will no longer be collecting ACME receipts. The ACME has stopped their incentive program. All receipts need to be turned in by April 30, 2010 in order to get our last check.

Growing Tall, Growing Deep

SAINT DAVID'S ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

APRIL 25, 2010—FOLLOWING ONE 9:30^{A.M.} WORSHIP SERVICE

POTLUCK SIGN-UP SHEET IS CURRENTLY ON THE BULLETIN BOARD

VESTRY ELECTIONS TO BE HELD FOR THE CLASS OF 2013

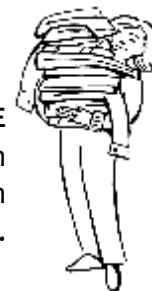


NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR THE SACRED ORDER OF LEEKS & DAFFODILS

We will induct one or more members into this honorary society comprised of members who have greatly contributed to the life of the parish. Please contact the rector to put forth a candidate!

SPRING CLOTHING DRIVE

The outreach committee is sponsoring our annual Spring clothing drive on the same day as the Parish Meeting . A collection truck will be at the church from 9 to 10:30.



NEWCOMER EVENT



Mark your calendars now, all ye who are “new” to Saint David’s. Come on May 1, 2010 around 5 in the evening and meet fellow newcomers and leadership of the parish. Rumor has it, that we will enjoy fantastic fried chicken and comfort foods. Mmmmm. Check your email for e-vites!

ROGATION SUNDAY COMING SOON

Mark your calendars for Rogation Day, May 9, 2010. This is also Mother’s Day, so it should be easy to remember. Bring your garden and /or office tools for blessing! More information will be coming in the May newsletter.



UTO INGATHERING

The United Thank Offering is a program of The Episcopal Church for the mission of the whole Church. The Mission of the United Thank Offering is to invite people to offer daily prayers of thanksgiving to God and outward and visible signs of those prayers which will benefit others.

The blue box can be a reminder of our many blessings. Uniting our own gifts of thanks with those of others keeps us in thankful relationship them and with all of creation. In sharing our thank offerings, we deepen our sense of participation in the lives of others.

The UTO started the Sunday "after" Ash Wednesday and will be gathered-in on the Sunday after Easter, which is April 11th.

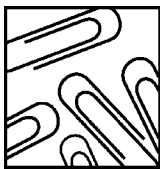


We are pleased to welcome Elizabeth (Betsy) Fisher Gray as our new parish administrator. Betsy previously worked at the Cathedral in Wilmington, in the Development Office of Wilmington Friends School, and as an Instructor in History at Bryn Mawr College.

She is a graduate of Mount Holyoke College and has an M.A. from Harvard. She is a founding member and active volunteer with Autism Delaware.

Betsy and her family have lived in Wilmington since 1992, except for three years when they lived near Brussels, Belgium. Her husband, John is an attorney for DuPont. Their daughter Lydia is a sophomore at the University of Delaware. Their son, Ian, attends the Brennen School of the Delaware Autism Program. Their daughter Hannah is in 6th grade at P. S. du Pont Middle School. They have been members of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Philadelphia since 1988.

Thanks for sharing with us in this ministry!



FROM THE
CHURCH
OFFICE

The church office will be closed :

- ◆ Good Friday, April 2nd
- ◆ Monday in Easter Week, April 5th

The Rector will be on vacation April 19 - 24th

ST. DAVID'S DAY SCHOOL—APRIL 2010

On the April Calendar

- 2 Good Friday – Preschool & Extended Care Closed
- 5-9 Easter Vacation – Preschool Closed, Extended Care Open
- 6 CPR Training, 6pm
- 7 First Aid Training, 6pm
- 12 Staff Meeting, 6:30 pm
- 13 PTPA Meeting, 9:05
- 15 Bishop Wright visits Chapel, 9:05
SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY!
- 19 Staff Appreciation Week
Board Meeting, 7pm
- 21 Chapel, 9:05
- 22,23 Clothing Drive
- 25 St. David's Parish Annual Meeting
- 29 Chapel, 9:05

Thanks to our readers Nancy Anderson and Ann Fetes, who have been loyal to our children, despite or in spite of the weather!

Another thank you if you attended our Silent Auction – we earned \$5,000. The school has already purchased some additional trikes for the children. See you in February 2011 – and be sure to bring your friends!

More thanks if you ordered Yankee Candles – they should arrive later in April.

Camp 2010 registration forms are now available in the school office.

Happy Easter!



Jenette W. Friedman

Early Childhood
Administrator

LIVING AN EASTER LIFE

A Workshop on Change

Sunday April 18th 9 am in the Memorial Room
Part of the New Life in Christ Campaign

This is a one-hour seminar exploring the life-changing implications of Jesus' Resurrection. Refreshments will be provided. Sign up on the parish bulletin board. Contact the Rector for more information
brad.stdavids@verizon.net or 302/475-4688





Words of Wisdom

"He is no fool
who gives what he
cannot keep to gain
what he cannot
lose.

—Jim Elliott

CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS

The 225th Convention of the Diocese of Delaware was convened on Friday afternoon March 12th in the high wind and pouring rain at St. Peter's in Lewes, DE. Chris Frick and Sue Taber were in attendance as delegates as well as Fr. Brad. The convention opened with registration and orientation, and a brief hospitality time before Open Hearings began. These included Diocesan Finances, Resolutions, a Report from the 2009 General Convention of the Episcopal Church, and 'Meet the Candidates'. We continued into the early evening and conducted the first ballot to fill vacancies to the various diocesan offices.

We ended the day with Evening Prayer, a Social Hour and a wonderful dinner. Re-

tired Bishop Martin Shaw of Argyle in the Isles, Scotland, our companion diocese, spoke after dinner. We are concluding this relationship after nine years.

Saturday, we heard Committee reports and went to five workshops including: Buy Local from a Delaware Farmer, Camp Arrowhead, Meet the Deacons, Building Communities in Solidarity, and Sussex Ministries. Then it was lunch, display visits, and back to the Business sessions, where we learned that the diocese has a balanced budget for 2010. We then voted on 3 resolutions that concerned Camp Arrowhead, Witness for Innocent Victims of Armed Conflicts, and Diocesan Convention, and finished balloting for unfilled positions. (For deeper detail, go to www.dioceseofdelaware.net.)

SAINT DAVID'S ITALIAN DINNER

Mark your calendars now for Saint David's Italian Dinner to be held on April 10, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. Members of the Ways & Means are making great preparation for this evening of fun, fellowship, and food. Remember, if we all eat garlic on Saturday night, we won't mind it on Sunday morning!



PASTORAL CARE AT SAINT DAVID'S

What is pastoral care? Pastoral care is about our relationship with God and with each other. God leads us to respond to the

needs of our church family and community. Through God's love we support each other during times of crisis.

How does pastoral care work? We have a prayer chain. St. David's prayer chain is a powerful spiritual presence in our community. You have seen prayers for those in difficulty in our newsletters and church bulletins. Our prayer chain is a group of people who offer up prayers on a regular basis for those who need spiritual support. Many have let us know that they have felt comforted by these prayers. To place a name on the prayer chain, please contact Sandy Frazer at 302-475-9311 or e-mail (Sandyjf@aol.com). If you would like to become a member of the prayer chain, please contact Sandy.

Other aspects of pastoral care. Receiving loving care and support from fellow Christians is God at work in our lives. We reach out to one another in community, the body of Christ in action. We have a Pastoral Care Team who sends out cards, makes phone calls, and delivers plants to people who cannot attend services at Christmas and Easter. Occasionally we attend courses on pastoral care, which help us in this ministry. The proceeds from sales of our Pastoral Care Cookbook help to pay for these courses and other pastoral care expenses. There are Care Notes that you may have seen on a rack on the table just inside the side entrance of the church. These notes cover all aspects of pastoral care and are available for anyone to take.

Pastoral Care Meals. As the need arises, we offer meals to people in our church family. We depend on the help of everyone in our church family in these endeavors. If you feel that you would like to be part of this ministry, please contact Linda Bradford at 302-478-4148 or e-mail (Lybradford@aol.com).

WE WELCOME ... THE SCHELLING FAMILY!

Andrew and Kim Schelling met about 10 years ago, when they were both working at Ruby Tuesday's. Their life together has included trips to Mexico, Hawaii, St. Lucia and Canada. It's also included the birth of their two daughters: Ashley (*who at 3 ½ wants to start dance classes*), and 4 months old Ava (*who Kim describes as "a very easy baby"*).

These days, Andrew's travel is work related, up to 500 miles per day. But he and Kim are looking forward to this summer, when they'll vacation with five other families at the Outer Banks.

Although Andrew's no longer at Ruby Tuesday's, he can still be found creating culinary masterpieces at home – like shrimp scampi, parmesan encrusted tilapia, chicken with pineapple cream sauce, and filet mignon with gorgonzola butter! *Mmmm!* Andrew is also the 'artist in residence' who enjoys working with clay and pencils, and has been percussionist with the Chester County Orchestra.

Sometimes struggling to get kitchen space, Kim's specialties include several great appetizer recipes. (*Yes, they are going to be part of a VERY fortunate Round Robin dinner group.*) Andrew describes Kim's current job as "official family anchor and counselor, who spends most of her time helping others".



NEW MEMBER PROFILE

Last year, they enrolled Ashley, in St. David's Day School. And when Andrew was able to stop working on Sunday mornings, they decided it was time to "church shop" – and stopped at St. David's. They describe it as a place with "a positive atmosphere, lots of energy, and people who are very nice and outgoing." The prayers and support of Brad and the people of St. David's meant a great deal to these young parents when baby Ava was in the hospital.

And Sunday worship at St. David's has become very important to this family. Andrew describes it as "the heartbeat of the community." "If I miss it," he says, "my whole week is messed up!"

How fortunate we are at St. David's – that this family is now part of this "heartbeat!"



Major Feasts Of the Church Year

Saint Mark, the Evangelist

April 26th

A disciple of Jesus, named Mark, appears in several places in the New Testament. If all references to Mark can be accepted as referring to the same person, we learn that he was the son of a woman who owned a house in Jerusalem, perhaps the same house in which Jesus ate the Last Supper with his disciples. Mark may have been the young man who fled naked when Jesus was arrested in the Garden of Gethsemane. In his letter to the Colossians, Paul refers to “Mark the cousin of Barnabas,” who was with him in his imprisonment. Mark set out with Paul and Barnabas on their first missionary journey, but he turned back for reasons which failed to satisfy Paul (Acts 15:36-40). When another journey was planned, Paul refused to have Mark

with him. Instead, Mark went with Barnabas to Cyprus. The breach between Paul and Mark was later healed, and Mark became one of Paul’s companions in Rome, as well as a close friend of Peter’s.

An early tradition recorded by Papias, Bishop of Hieropolis in Asia Minor at the beginning of the second century, names Mark as the author of the Gospel bearing his name. This tradition, which holds that Mark drew his information from the teaching of Peter, is generally accepted. In his First Letter, Peter refers to “my son Mark,” which shows a close relationship between the two men (1 Peter 5:13).

The Church of Alexandria in Egypt claimed Mark as its first bishop and most illustrious martyr, and the great Church of St. Mark in Venice commemorates the disciple who progressed from turning back while on a missionary journey with Paul and Barnabas to proclaiming in his Gospel Jesus of Nazareth as Son of God, and bearing witness to that faith in his later life as friend and companion to the apostles Peter and Paul.

~Excerpted from **Lesser Feasts and Fasts**

WORDS WE USE

parish — A worshipping community of Christians who gather weekly at Christ’s altar to experience God’s redeeming love by celebrating the Holy Eucharist and who then carry on God’s work of redemption in the world. Inspired by the Holy Spirit a parish is led by the Rector and Vestry under the pastoral direction of the diocesan bishop.



THINGS ARE LOOKING UP — ROOF REPAIRS HAVE BEGUN!

The Vestry and Day School Board are partnering to repair the roofs, lights and ceiling tiles over the large kitchen and the parish hall. This estimated \$80,000 venture aims to protect the structural integrity of the building, ensure the safety of students, parishioners and guests and enhance the aesthetics of this widely used part of our physical plant. The steady and faithful stewardship of parish resources by our leaders is commendable. Thanks be to God for these blessings of abundance.

ST. DAVID’S PRAYER LIST — We lift these people up in prayer.

Jean Bewick	John Van-Catledge	Helen Bleakeney
Capt. Matthew Kutilek & family	Steve White	Peggy Louie
Tania Pearson	Nicholas Brady	Tom Juranich
Nicholas Brady	Shirley Hubbard	Myron Hastings
Liz Porter	Steven Greer Jr.	Nico Clothier
John Brett	Pat Dowdy	Keith Powell
Fran	Joe Bonvetti	<i>Deceased—</i>
Rose Kosanovich	Ed Smentkowski	Christopher Sturmfels
Hannah	Sam Bell	Travis Spears
Rhoda Biedeman	Jack Casey	Nathan Sklar
Kathryn Thompson	Nicholas Macedo	
Barbara Magerkurth	Aaron Leedberg	
Grace Ellen Clark	Michael Bayless	
	Karen Bayless	



Please call the Church Office to put someone on the Prayer List or to remove a name from the list. Each person on the list remains there for one month unless the office is notified that an additional month is desired. The name is read during Intercessory Prayers in worship the first week of the listing. We continually remember these people in our personal prayers.

BIRTHDAYS

ANNIVERSARIES

1 Anna Marie Gwinn	18 Lori Wilson
Scott Himelein	19 Grace Ellen Clark
Betsey Von Dreele	22 Kathleen Koch
3 Alex Cook	Renee Tilley
5 Jackie Wilson	Nancy Walsh
6 Chandra Allred	23 Laura Goeller
7 Jake Owens	26 Amanda Marchioni
8 Kelly Rhodunda	27 Jane Gibson
10 John (Jack) Quillen	28 Amy Myers
11 Pat Short	29 Chuck Conner
Doreen Turner	Bruce Owens
13 Paige Bennett	
17 Jean McClelland	



5th Annual Liam James Kane Book Drive

Please help us provide new books to needy children. Thank you in advance for supporting this worthy cause!

We, the Kanes, in combination with the St. David's Church Outreach Committee are pleased to once again honor Liam's memory by gathering as many NEW books as possible for sick children to enjoy! Once again, we will deliver all the collected books to children at nearby A.I Dupont Children's hospital and the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP).

Liam was a member of St. David's until his sad passing at age 5, on November 19, 2005 after a heroic 19-month battle with a rare pediatric cancer - *neuroblastoma*. He was an amazing child and cherished son who taught us adults so many life lessons - *lessons way beyond his age and childhood innocence*.

We all understand how important reading books are to every child's life. To a sick child, a book can be a wonderful distraction...a moment for a child to forget his or her harsh reality, the pain, fear, and anxiety these young children should not have to endure. A book can bring hope and laughter – the most powerful medicine of all. Liam found great escape in the many stories we read to him during his fight. Thank you for supporting us in

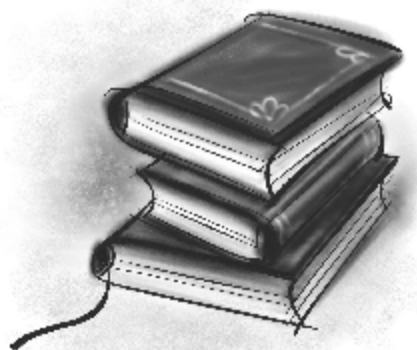
helping these innocent children to dream, hope, laugh, and spend irreplaceable time with their loved ones!

DUE DATES: Large bins will be placed outside the Church in the Narthex starting April 18th. – The final collection date for the books is **May 9th**. Please place all NEW books into the large bins for future distribution to sick kids.

Lastly, the **new** book request helps ensures that books are as germ-free as possible. Many of the sick children we support have compromised immune systems due to the chemotherapy and treatments they must endure. Finally, please consider putting new purchased books in a Ziplock plastic bag when you drop them in the Book drive bins – thanks!

Again, we wish to send our sincere THANK YOU for supporting our annual book drive! God Bless You!

~The Kane Family – Andrea, Kevin,
Alberta and Angel Liam



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St. David's Parish Chocolate Chip Cookie Recipe

- 2 ¼ cups Crisco
- 3 tablespoons vanilla
- 3 eggs
- 3 teaspoons salt
- 4 cups chocolate chips
- 3 ¾ cups firmly packed light brown sugar
- ¼ cup plus 2 tablespoons milk
- 5 ¾ cups all purpose flour
- 2 ¼ teaspoons baking soda



Mix together flour, salt and baking soda and set aside.

Combine Crisco, brown sugar, milk and vanilla in mixing bowl and beat at medium speed until creamy. Add eggs one at a time. Add flour mixture and mix until just blended. Stir chocolate chips into mixture by hand.

Drop by a rounded tablespoon 3 inches apart onto an ungreased non-stick baking sheet or a parchment covered regular baking sheet. Bake at 375 degrees F for 12 minutes. (If using a convection oven, bake at 325 degrees F for 10 minutes.) Cool on baking sheet for 2 minutes and remove to cooling rack. Makes 9 dozen 2 ½ inch cookies.