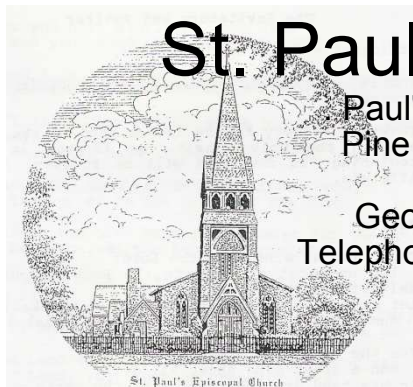


St. Paul's Epistle

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We are now a full month into the new calendar year and there is still little evidence aside from the occasional cough and sneezing that I hear that we are in winter. Thank God there have been no serious reports of flu in our area. January has been a busy month at St. Paul's and February is shaping up to be another month filled with many opportunities to be together as a parish family.

The Diocese of Delaware's annual convention will convene on Friday, February 10th in Dover and continue through mid-afternoon on Saturday, February 11, 2012. Our parish will be represented by Chris Bennett and Russ Henk as delegates, Libby Stevenson and Jayne Sheahan as delegate alternates and I will serve as priest delegate. Convention provides us with an opportunity to be together with our sister and brother Episcopalians from Delaware and to see friends of long standing and make new connections with the various parishes and learn of their work in service of the Gospel. In next month's Epistle I will report on the outcomes of the convention.

Our youth group and YELL (Young Episcopal Leaders and Learners) programs continue to be strong, fun and filled with opportunities for Spiritual Growth and Fellowship. This month we look forward to our parish family sharing Sunday evening February 12, 2012 with our youth when we will support the youth efforts in a fundraising Spaghetti Dinner.

From there we move to our Shrove Tuesday celebration with a traditional pancake supper. This year at the end of the supper we will conclude with a joyful procession of the Alleluia banner from the parish hall to the church where we will say farewell to the Alleluia for the season of Lent as we entomb the banner in an urn. We will then begin Lent, with a brief service of Blessing and Signing with Ashes.

On Ash Wednesday we will provide three opportunities to mark the beginning of the penitential

season of lent with a Holy Eucharist (Service of Holy Communion) and the Signing with Ashes.

On the subsequent Wednesday evening of Lent we will gather for a supper of soup, a Bible Study and a Devotional Service.

As always, we look forward to you joining us when our parish family gathers for Worship, Fellowship and Learning. For those of you who are unable to get to church due to infirmity of any kind, please know that you are in our prayers and that I, as rector and other members of the parish are willing and prepared to visit and bring the love and best wishes of God and your parish family to you in your home.

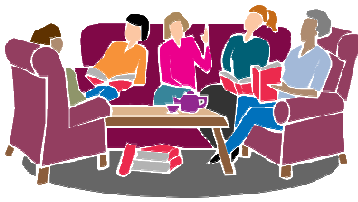
In Christ,
Joe Rushton



Please remember to bring in breakfast and lunch items for the children attending Primeros Pasos as well as non-perishable food items for the Georgetown Food Pantry. There is still an emphasis on meat products and all items can be placed in the basket by the baptismal font. Your food donations may be brought in at any time and they will be distributed throughout the month. Thank you for caring.



We will begin sign up for the next round of the Dinners for Six groups in the month of February. The Dinners for Six are for singles and couples; eight o'clockers and the 10:30 people. They are for people who choose not to entertain in their homes and for those who don't like to cook. There is always Stouffer's! The purpose of the dinners is to enjoy each other's company and get to know another member of our parish family a little bit better. So watch the Sunday bulletin for the date and plan to join us.



BOOK CLUB
by Janet Jones

The book club meets in the Library at St. Paul's the third Tuesday of every month at noon. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

February - Little Bee by Chris Cleave

March - The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot

April - Molokai by Alan Brennert

May - When She Woke by Hillary Jordan

June - Unbroken by Laura Hillenbrand



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1 – Kayla Duvall and Jo Dryden

5 – Shirley Thoms

6 – Jean Dejewski

17 – Chris Bennett

22 – Dara Donaway & Kyle Odenwelder

23 – Hannah Goebel & Maureen Leary

25 – Lit Dryden

26 Karen Swartout



February 14 – Donna & Harrison Littleton



BANANA SPLIT DESERT
By Karen Bennett – served at annual meeting

INGREDIENTS

CRUST

2 cups graham cracker crumbs
1/2 cup melted butter
1/4 cup sugar

1st LAYER OF FILLING

1 package banana cream pudding mix
1 can crushed pineapple 20oz drained well

2nd LAYER

3 Large firm bananas, cut into 1/4 inch slices

3rd LAYER

1/2 cup butter, softened
2 cups confectioner's sugar
2 tablespoons milk
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

4th LAYER

2 quarts fresh strawberries, sliced or diced, drained well

TOPPING

1 envelope of Dream Whip topping mix
1 package vanilla pudding (4-serving size)
1 1/2 cups cold milk
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 cup finely diced walnuts(optional)

DIRECTIONS

- combine the crust ingredients and press into an UN-greased 13x9 pan. Chill for 1 hour
- make the banana cream pudding per the directions, stir in the pineapple, spread evenly over the crust. Chill for 30 minutes
- place sliced bananas over pudding mixture
- cream layer 3 ingredients, spread evenly over banana layer. Chill for 30 minutes
- place sliced or diced strawberries over cream layer
- in a chilled bowl mix all topping ingredients until thick, spread over strawberry layer top with walnuts(optional)
- Chill finished desert for 2 hours before serving

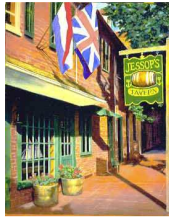


MEALS ON WHEELS

St. Paul's week for delivery is February 12, 2012.

TRIP TO HISTORIC NEW CASTLE

Janet Jones



The Seaford Historical Society will sponsor a trip to the town of historic New Castle on Wednesday April 18, 2012. The cost is \$65 per person which includes all tour fees, lunch and motor coach transportation.

New Castle had its beginnings in the middle 17th century as a Dutch military outpost called Fort Casimir and then as Delaware's colonial and first state capital. Historic New Castle provides an opportunity without equal for visitors seeking a real historic experience. The Amstel House, Dutch House and Old Court House are just three of many authentically preserved historic buildings in this Historic Landmark District. We will have a guided tour of those three locations as well as an opportunity to look at two early churches, the old Library and walk around the Strand and Battery Park.

Lunch will be served by a wait staff in period colonial attire at historic Jessop's Tavern. All entrees will include drinks, rolls and dessert.

The choices are:

1. Thirteen Colonies Chowder and Tavern Salad
2. Fish and Chips served with cole slaw (voted best in Delaware)
3. Hutspot Dutch Pot Roast served with mashed potatoes

The bus will leave the Sears parking lot (Seaford Village Shopping Center) at 8:30 a.m. and return at approximately 5:00 p.m. The trip north will take us along scenic Route #9. We will pass through the quaint fishing village of Leipsic as well as see the Octagonal school house and many fine brick homes.

Please make reservations by calling the SHS office (302 – 628- 9828) by April 8th. It will also be necessary to give us your menu choice at that time.

St. Paul's Vestry Team

Fred Dean, Treasurer
 Jean Dejewski, Scribe
 Russ Henk - 2013
 Janet Jones – 2013
 Libby Stevenson - 2013
 Gene Quaciari – 2014
 Joy Sikora – 2014
 Karen Swartout – 2014
 Ruth Myers – 2015
 Bobbie Quillen – 2015
 Bo Richardson - 2015

Organizations using the Facilities

Primeros Pasos

Monday & Tuesday
 5:30 - 7:30 PM

First Monday Noon – 3 PM

A.A. Meetings

A.A. Inner Group. 1st Thurs. 5:30-7:30 PM
 Sat. Women's Group -11 AM

NA Meeting

Thurs. 7 - 8 PM

Girl Scouts

Fri. Troops 1272 & 1012 - 6:30 – 8:30 PM

The Way Home

Second Wednesday 9:00 AM - Noon

Foster Parents Support Group

Last Wed - 6:00 – 8:30 PM

EVENTS

Monday

Friends in Faith – 1 p.m. in the library

Wednesday

✠Holy Eucharist, 7:30 a.m.

Saturday

Men's Group - 8 a.m. in the upstairs hall

Sunday

✠Holy Eucharist, 8:00 a.m.

✠Holy Eucharist, 10:30 a.m.

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