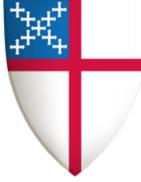
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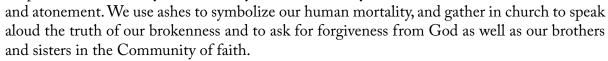
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From The Dean ...

Tinsel becomes beads; eggnog gives way to King Cake; and twinkling lights go from red and green to purple, green and gold. Carnival's excess washes over us: a long slow moving tidal surge of music, mischief and madness.

By the calendar, the merriment of Christmas is not far past, but in this community it is but a prelude to the lavish commemoration of Epiphany-tide culminating on Fat Tuesday...and then it's Lent.

In addition to being the worst day of the year to be in Louis Armstrong Airport, Ash Wednesday is Christianity's most solemn day of confession

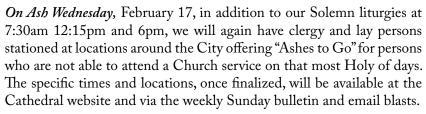


Many scientific experiments demonstrate how easy it is to condition laboratory animals to behave in predictable ways, and it is tempting to believe that human sin can also be controlled by better rules. Alas we are far more complex creatures with both altruistic and vindictive components, and we often behave without any discernible rationality.

The repentance of Ash Wednesday and Lent is an invitation to step back and re-orient our lives toward God. Our decisions and choices come from inside so when we are fed and nurtured by the life-giving message of the Gospel, our internal compass naturally leads us along right pathways for his namesake.

May you have a happy Mardi Gras...and an even more blessed Lent.

I am very pleased to announce that The Rev. David Lowry, the 11th Dean of Christ Church Cathedral, has graciously accepted my appointment as Cathedral Theologian in Residence. Dean Lowry will continue in his periodic Christian Formation offerings and will also be working with the staff and lay leadership to help us more effectively offer ministry to the unchurched persons in our community. DAd+



Choral Evensong Sunday, March 1 2015

Guest preacher, The Reverend David B. Lowry Theologian in Residence

4:00 PM

The Choir sings music of Charles Wood & H. Balfour Gardiner

Reception following



Lectionary Texts

(Sunday Readings)

February 1

Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Psalm 111 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 Mark 1:21-28

February 8

Isaiah 40:21-31 Psalm 147:1-12, 21*c* 1 Corinthians 9:16-23 Mark 1:29-39

February 15

2 Kings 2:1-12 Psalm 50:1-6 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 Mark 9:2-9

February 22

Genesis 9:8-17 Psalm 25:1-9 1 Peter 3:18-22 Mark 1:9-15







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Weekly Liturgies

Sundays

7:30 AM ~ The Holy Eucharist (Spoken) 1928 Prayer Book 10:00 AM ~ The Holy Eucharist (Sung) Rite II (Rite I in Lent)

6:00 PM ~ The Holy Eucharist (Sung)
Real Presence

Weekdays (M-F) 12:15 PM ~ The Holy Eucharist

Saturdays

9:30 AM ~ The Holy Eucharist (Spoken) Rite I



Sunday Morning 10 AM Eucharist Live Broadcast on WGSO 990 AM Radio.

Online streaming and downloadable podcast at www.wgso.com
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St. Martin's Episcopal School.

New Garden Beds at Faubourg Delassize Community Garden

Jericho Road

Over the past few weeks the Faubourg Delassize Community Garden has gone through a major overhaul. The original garden beds were constructed in 2008 when the Delassize community garden was first established. Since that time the garden has survived multiple hurricanes, constant human use, and little critters digging around for food. All that use played a role in the deterioration of the beds themselves. A couple months ago, Jericho Road was fortunate enough to receive a grant that was tailored towards community revitalization. Part of this grant went into the remodeling and rebuilding of the community garden.





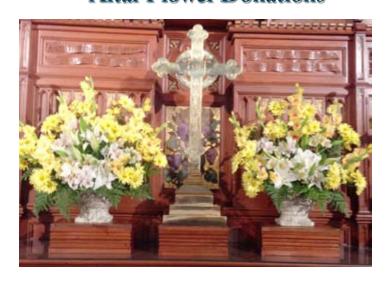
Jericho Road partnered with the United Saints Recovery Project to take on the task of rebuilding the garden beds. We modeled our new garden beds after a Parkway Partners community garden. First, all existing garden beds were dismantled and removed. The soil from each container was placed in separate piles and any vegetables that were growing were placed into temporary pots. Then, using Western Red Cedar, a non-treated lumber, United Saints staff and volunteers built the seven garden beds. The wood was used to

make a box outline that had corrugated metal, turned vertically so water would slide down the sides, attached to the four sides of each container. Each bed was then filled with new and existing soil.

Only a couple of the beds are currently being rented. If you are interested please email greenspace@jerichohousing.org. The cost is \$20.00 for six months, or two growing seasons. Also, the Faubourg Delassize Community Garden has open hours from 4:00-6:00pm every Wednesday for those interested in talking with our Greenspace Coordinator, Scott Webster, or volunteering.



Altar Flower Donations



Thanks to all of you who have donated flowers for the cathedral and chapel. There are still opportunities for you to donate flowers in memory or thanksgiving of loved ones. Please sign up on the sheet in Stuart Hall or for more information, contact Sue Blankingship - phone 885-0773 or wyattpump1@aol.com.

Nominations for Vestry, 2015

A Nominating Committee has been appointed by the Dean to select a slate of candidates for the election of Vestry members to be held at the annual meeting of Christ Church Cathedral parish on Sunday, March 8, 2015. New Vestry members will be elected to fill positions vacated by those whose terms of service will be expiring. Members of the Nominating Committee are Lisa Sibal, *chair*; Jim Buck, Dick Moreland, and Bill Soileau. There are three openings this year and three nominees. Please read their biographies below.

In compliance with the Cathedral Charter, the congregation is reminded of the following provisions:

ARTICLE V. SECTION III, (b):

"Notice of the appointment of the members of the committee and a copy of this Section III of Article V of the Charter shall be mailed to qualified voters no ater than forty-five days before the Annual Meeting. Candidates may be suggested to the nominating committee: additionally, not later than ten days before the Annual Meeting, ten qualified voters of the Corporation may submit a petition to the nominating committee to place in nomination the name of a person eligible for election to the Vestry. Not less than twenty days prior to the Annual Meeting the committee shall cause to be mailed to all qualified voters the names and brief biographies of all nominees for membership on the Vestry, whether nominated by committee or by petition. In the event that further nominations are made, either by petition or committee, less than twenty days prior to the Annual Meeting, the committee shall make every reasonable effort to provide the names and biographies of the additional nominees to all qualified voters prior to the annual meeting. At the Annual Meeting no nominations shall be permitted from the floor. The names of all candidates nominated by the committee or by petition, if the nominees are different, shall be placed on a written ballot and distributed at the Annual Meeting to the qualified voters."

"(c) Nominees for membership on the Vestry shall be elected by the qualified voters of the Corporation at each Annual Meeting. All elections of Vestrymen shall be conducted by written ballot and shall be under the supervision of their supervisors of election, who shall be qualified voters of the Corporation, other than members of the Vestry, and who shall be appointed by the Dean at the Annual Meeting. Those nominees receiving the greatest number of votes shall be elected to fill the vacancies. For all nominees receiving such equal number of votes to be elected, the balloting shall continue between such nominees until the tie be broken and the necessary plurality be obtained."

ARTICLE IV

I. "The membership of this Corporation shall consist of those persons whose names are now, or may hereafter be entered, on the Parish Register of the Corporation as a result of baptism, transfer, reception, or confirmation."

II. "The voters of this Corporation at annual and other meetings of the Corporation shall possess those qualifications as may from time to time be set forth in the Canons of the Diocese of Louisiana." [See below]

III. "The Parish Register of the Corporation shall be final and

conclusive in all respects as to membership in the Corporation; and the books of the Treasurer of the corporation shall be conclusive as to the contributions of members, requisite to suffrage."

CANON 19, SECTION 2:

"Those entitled to vote at an annual parish meeting shall be communicants in good standing of the Parish who are at least eighteen (18) years of age, and who have been contributors of record toward the support of the parish during the six (6) months next preceding the meeting."

Ryan Garrity

I am what we like to call a "Cradle Episcopalian." My family have been members of St. James' Church, Baton Rouge and Grace Church, New Orleans going back to the 19th century. In the



1950's, my mother's family were among those who planted St. Augustine's Church in Metairie, which is where I was both baptized and confirmed. When I was a freshman in college, I was asked to sub for a stipend singer at Christ Church Cathedral on Easter Sunday. That was fourteen years ago, and I've never left. After six years as a stipend singer, I am now a volunteer member of the choir, a lay reader, and a sometimes Verger and Acolyte.

I earned my Bachelor of Arts degree in History from UNO in 2006, and will this year earn my Master of Liberal Arts degree in British History and Literature from Tulane University, which is also where I work as Associate Registrar. In my spare time, I enjoy sailing, reading, and a good beer. I also sing with the New Orleans Vocal Arts Chorale, who have performed at Christ Church several times.

I am very humbled to have been asked to serve on the Vestry and I hope my perspective will help guide what is a very important institution to our city. I will also continue to be an advocate for our music programs, which I believe to be a vital and unique ministry in our area. Christ Church has been my spiritual home for my entire adult life, and I hope serving on the Vestry will allow me to give back even a fraction of what I have received over the past fourteen years.

Angela Kellum

Growing up in a suburb of Jackson, MS I began working in the corner drug store when I was 16 years old. I went on to study at the Univ of LA in Monroe and obtained a BS Degree in Pharmacy, and later attended Samford University where I earned a Doctor of Pharmacy Degree with Honors. I have worked in many different areas of pharmacy in-



cluding a Surgical ICU where, at a patient's bedside, I met Les. He was a resident in Anesthesiology at the time, and is now my husband of almost 24 years. We work together at East Jefferson General Hospital, and I also work at Touro Infirmary. My work

mainly involves investigational drug studies, primarily with new chemotherapy agents. We have 2 sons, Charlie and Samuel, who are in the 9th and 8th grades at St Martin's Episcopal School. I am 49 years old (for the first time!).

Church was a major part of family life in my early years. As I grew older it became apparent to me that the fundamentalist church of my youth was not aligning with my beliefs. Les, coincidentally, had been raised in the same denomination. Our journey to finally leave and find a new church home was difficult and long. During our search our boys became students at St George's Episcopal School, and we visited St. George's Church. It was here that Les and I found peace, belonging, and a place to practice our faith. We completed the Inquirer's class, and were confirmed by Bishop Brown in 2006. The boys were baptized Easter Vigil 2007 and the memories of that evening are some of the happiest of my life. Soon thereafter Les discovered the amazing musical program at CCC, and began attending regularly there. As I had become a student of EfM at the cathedral, it seemed natural for me to join him and my classmates and become a part of the CCC community.

Volunteering has always been meaningful and enjoyable to me, and I have worked with many different committees at churches, my jobs, and with the boys' schools over the years. I have helped in many roles, including leadership positions as President of the Parents Group and founder of DASH (Dragons in Action--Serving and Helping) at St George's School. At St George's Church I was on the Board of the Dragon Café Feeding Ministry and still enjoy working hands on at the Café with Charlie and Samuel. I am a Lay Eucharistic Minister and have had strong, meaningful experiences serving in this role in both church and school environments. Although my volunteer work at CCC has been limited, partly as a result of our move to the Northshore, I did complete all 4 years of EfM and participated as an interviewer with Vision Quest. Our family recently made the pilgrimage to the Holy Land with parishioners from the LA Diocese. I believe the time is right for volunteering to become a larger part of my life once again, and would look forward to the responsibility and honor to become more active in the sacred works of the church at Christ Church Cathedral.

Dan Le Gardeur

I am married to Barbara Yates Le Gardeur. We have two daughters, Louise, who is an architect in San Francisco and is married to Michael Juckiewicz, and Adele, who lives in Santa Monica and works for Paramount Studios.



I was baptized in 1950 at Christ Church Cathedral

My mother was a parishioner at Christ Church Cathedral and my parents were married there. I attended there as a child and went to Sunday school classes, was an acolyte, and was confirmed at the cathedral

I have been an usher at Sunday services for many years and am currently on the Finance Committee, Stewardship Committee, and Capital Campaign Committee . I have volunteered at Hermes night, Back to school Day, and other cathedral events.

I think it is important that we reach outside the immediate cathedral family and minister to the wider city community. I also see the need to preserve the church facility so that future generations can enjoy this magnificent structure.

is especially appropriate at the Easter Vigil, on Baptism the Day of Pentecost, on All Saints' Day or the Sunday after All Saints' Day, and on the Feast of the Baptism of our Lord (the First Sunday after the Epiphany). It is recommended that, as far as possible, Baptisms be reserved for these occasions or when a Bishop is present. (BCP, page 312). Our next opportunity for baptism is April 12, 2015. Please contact Canon Roberts for more information.



February

Owl Dwyer

Jack Lo

6 -Don Hudson

John Rowland

8 -Robert Shofstal

Ava Leonard

Andrew Whitaker

10 - George Sougern III

10 - David Haynes

11 - Ibari Best

13 - Cathy Schieffelin

14 - John Burke

14 - Polly Finley

16 - The Rev. Bill Ziegenfuss

17 - Bailey Shofstal

19 - Carey Slocum

20 - Bill Lagan

20 - Aubrey Gher

21 - Chas Fahrenolt

23 - Caroline Schieffelin

23 - Emma Morson

25 - Bianka Dadukian

28 - Jack Anderson

28 - Gay Becker

28 - The Rev. Gedge Gayle

28 - Enid Fahrenholt

28 - Liz Goforth

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

If your name isn't listed, we don't have your date of birth in our records. Please send an e-mail to acs@cccnola.org or call the cathedral office and we'll be sure to wish you a Happy Birthday next year!

From Advent House

The Reverend Bridget K. Tierney

Advent House is the busiest quiet place ever! At least lately, it seems like that. William Thiele's study group about his book, Monks in the World: Seeking God in a Frantic Culture, has just begun as I write this and is really wonderful. The group is of diverse backgrounds and



the prayer and conversations have been rich. You do not need to have read the book to join the last couple of meetings and I encourage you to do so.

In Lent, we will have a Spiritual Writing Circle and I am very excited about that, too. Our convener will be Dorothy Wells and here is a short bio:

I majored in English at Newcomb, during which time I spent a year studying English Literature at University College of the University of London. I then received a Ph.D. in English Literature at Tulane. I taught most of my career teaching at SUNO which inevitably caused me to learn a lot about teaching writing. I also taught at Tulane during a couple of sabbaticals and then for a number of years as a part-timer at Loyola.

I met with her in December and found her to be warm and inviting and I know she looking forward to coming here for this opportunity. We decided that Lent would be a perfect time to begin and we are looking at Tuesdays from 10AM-1230 PM on the Tuesdays from 24 February through 24 March. Let me know if you are interested, as we will need an approximate number of participants for her to have enough materials. There will probably always be room for one more (hopefully) and yet it helps so much in the planning to have a ballpark figure. I was part of a writing group years ago in Cincinnati that changed my life, so I know how powerful this can be. It's much more about discovering who you are then writing great literature for publication, although, I certainly wouldn't count that out! Think about joining us.

There's always Book Club and Centering Prayer and Spiritual Direction going on, so give me a call if you are interested in checking anything out. Also, remember that we have two apartments available for out-of-town retreatants who want a quiet place to come and get away from what William Thiele calls our Frantic Culture, as we all know!

Faithfully,

Bridget+ Director, Advent House/Christ Church Cathedral



From the Archdeacon

The Venerable Priscilla G. Maumus

Epiphany Pillow Project

UNITY of Greater New Orleans and the City of New Orleans have recently managed to house all those in New Orleans who identify as homeless veterans, but they have a



desperate need for new pillows, still in their original packaging. You can help by bringing your new pillows directly to UNITY's warehouse at 506 N. St. Patrick Street, New Orleans, LA (open M-Th 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.) or by bringing them to the Cathedral and giving them to Mimi O'Leary or Deacon Priscilla Maumus. If shopping does not fit into your schedule, you may donate to the cause by writing a check to Christ Church Cathedral and putting UNITY Pilllow Project in the note field. We will be collecting new pillows through Lent.

Meaningful Conversations about Race

In light of the emotions swirling around the recent deaths of Michael Brown in Ferguson, MO, Eric Gardner in Staten Island and the shooting of Tamir Rice in Cleveland as well as the revenge killing of NYPD Officers Wenjian Liu and Rafael Ramos as well as the issues these events bring forth, it seems more important than ever to talk about race relations in this country – and yet, at the same time, harder than ever.

When and how does one bring such a sensitive subject up? How does one do justice to all sides of an issue? How does one create an atmosphere of safety in which true conversations can occu?. How does one lay the groundwork for civil discourse where grievances can be examined without accusation and all sides can be heard with respect, without having to agree?

You can find the answer every Saturday at Christ Church Cathedral when Eracism meets from 9:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m. in the Westfeldt Room. Founded twenty years ago at Christ Church Cathedral by a white woman, Rhoda Faust, and a black woman, Brenda Thompson, who thought there was the need for "some sort of signal that all of us are not infected with hate and can find a way to work together," the organization has now gone nationwide.

Its mission is "to seek ways, through person-to-person communication, to show that we are committed to treating fellow human beings with love and respect." It invites us to join in its weekly conversations and in displaying its bumper sticker "Eracism" as a powerful symbol of our commitment.

I attended my first Eracism meeting last Saturday and it won't be my last. Unlike the Esalen-like atmosphere which prevails at some intense anti-racism trainings, Eracism creates an informal space for ongoing conversation about issues surrounding race. Rather than being indoctrinated or put on the spot, people have the ongoing opportunity to learn from one another by exploring perceptions, assumptions, and biases we all have without fear of ridicule or personal attack.

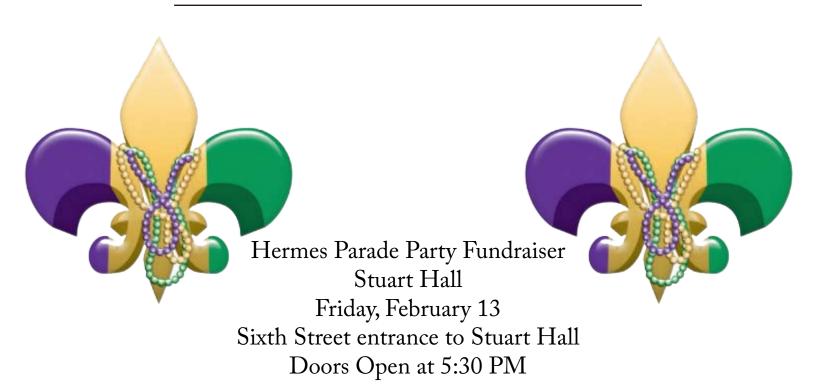
Conversations are not random, though. Each meeting has a fa-

cilitator who brings to it some event or very focused issue for discussion (ours was the tension between the NYPD and Mayor deBlasio). The facilitator cannot participate in the discussion (so, no preaching). Each attendee is allowed to weigh in on the topic. Contributions are limited to two minutes for each time an attendee speaks and the facilitator keeps a list of those who wish to speak, going in the order they signed up. Other attendees can ask clarifying questions, but there is no back-and-forth. The facilitator keeps the discussion from veering into unrelated issues or topics. Time is strictly kept and, at the end of the two-hour meeting, the facilitator invites participants into a round-up session to make final comments. The focus throughout is on listen-

ing to one another.

I invite you to attend an ERACE discussion on a Saturday morning. You don't need to register. Just show up. I think you will find that the meeting itself is a symbol of the change it wishes to see in the world, the openness, civility and understanding that is necessary if we are to achieve the vision of justice and peace the Gospel envisions as the realm of God.

Not ready to attend a meeting yet? Want to learn more? Visit www.eracismneworleans.org to learn more about the organization and view a sample session.



All are invited to the annual Hermes Parade Party the Friday before Mardi Gras! Doors to Stuart Hall (6th Street entrance) will open at 5:30 pm for pre-parade festivities. The menu is spaghetti & sauce, salad, bread and King Cake. Beverages will also be sold. \$10 cover per person (food & bathrooms) \$1 for soft drinks/bottled water, \$3 for beer/wine and donation for coffee. It will be a fabulous evening. Please bring friends.

There are three beautiful uptown parades that night:

Krewe of Hermes Krewe d'Etat Krewe of Morpheus 6:00 PM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM

So come out, have a great meal, hear some fabulous music, catch some beads and raise money for a worthy cause. Stuart Hall will remain open until 9 pm for food, fellowship and clean bathrooms. Hope to see you there! Be sure and tell your friends!

We need your help to make the fund-raiser a success. Please sign up to bring a batch of your favorite spaghetti sauce, a loaf of bread, a bag of salad mix, a King Cake, or some soft drinks. Sign up sheets are posted on the main bulletin board leading to Stuart Hall. Volunteers are also needed to fill a variety of jobs; decorating crew, kitchen helpers, ticket takers, drink servers, food runners and cleanup crew. A complete list is posted in Stuart Hall. And if you would like to underwrite the cost of the event, donations will be gladly accepted. Just note "Hermes Parade" on your check. Thanks for your support! Our thanks go to Dan & Barbara LeGardeur for coordinating this event. Please contact them for more information at 304-9941, dlegardeur@gmail.com or b.legardeur@gmail.com.

Consider adding a Study Group during the upcoming Lenten Season

Monday Afternoon – Advent House Book Club at Advent House; 1:00pm – 2:00pm; led by Mother Bridget Tierney.

Tuesday Evening - Seeker's Book Group at Advent House; 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm; led by Dr. Julio Figueroa Thursday Evening – Canon Roberts' Bible Study
Meeting Jesus in the Gospel Stories;
in the Cathedral; 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm;
led by Canon Steven Roberts.
(Resuming on Thursday February 19)

Friday Morning – *Dean's Bible Study*Bible Study in the Stained Glass –
in the Cathedral; 11:00 am – 12:00;
led by Dean David duPlantier.



Coffee Hour

Visitors to the cathedral are often surprised by our Coffee Hour. I've heard many a person say they were going to go home and tell their church about our hospitality. You can help us keep up our reputation for great hospitality by volunteering to host Coffee Hour one Sunday. Drinks are provided by the cathedral and volunteers provide their choice of food. Host with a friend or two. If you have no time to shop and prepare food, donations are always gladly accepted. For additional information or to volunteer, contact Kathy Boy,d 891-1360 or kboydaj@yahoo.com. Recent hosts: Sam and Jennifer Buckley and Barbara and Dan LeGardieur.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Friday, February 13 Annual Hermes Parade Spaghetti Supper 5:30 PM

Sunday, February 15
Parade Sunday
Services at 7:30 and 9:00 only

Wednesday, February 18
Ash Wednesday
Services at the Cathedral at 7:30 AM, 12:15 PM and 6:00 PM
Ashes to go at three locations around the city.

Thursday, February 26 Anna'a Place Fundraising Concert 7:00 PM

Sunday, March 1 Choral Evensong 4:00 PM

Preacher: The Rev'd David Lowry, Theologian in Residence

Sunday, March 8 Annual Meeting 11:30 AM

Sunday, April 5 Easter Day