

March, 2012



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

The Canticle

THE
EPISCOPAL
CHURCH
WELCOMES YOU

From The Dean...

On March 1, our Real Presence liturgy begins its second year. It has been a delight to observe this service move from concept to reality over the past twelve months. It has become the principal Sunday liturgy for a core group of Cathedral members, while many others attend on an occasional basis. The biggest surprise for me is that there are some people who attend both the 10AM and 6PM liturgies almost every week. This underscores the very different qualities and sensibilities of the two services, and the fact that they address different aspects of our spiritual hunger.



The other very exciting aspect of Real Presence is that it draws many worshippers from outside the Cathedral Community, even outside the Episcopal family. We have created a unique worship experience that is accessible to those new to the Church without watering down or over simplifying our rich heritage of solemn, stately worship. The use of subdued candlelight, reflective music and the encouragement to move freely to thoughtfully designed prayer areas during the service creates an atmosphere of holy freedom where the Spirit seems to thrive.

This year, the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week (April 2-4) will be Real Presence liturgies. These will take place at 6PM and, because Real Presence has been a big hit with our young people, there will not be a separate program for them this year. It is my hope that this will give persons an opportunity to experience this service that have not been able to do so on a Sunday evening. It also makes it possible for members of the wider Diocese to participate in this liturgy that they may want to recreate in their own worship space.

Let us give God thanks for the creative leadership that has been raised up to bring Real Presence into being, and pray that it continues to thrive as a vehicle for carrying the Gospel of Christ to all corners of our Community.



On Sunday March 4 there will be significant road closures and no parking areas around the city due to the Rock 'n' Roll New Orleans Marathon & 1/2 Marathon. This includes interstate and highway ramps

along the courses.

Please plan your route to church carefully and allow extra travel time.

Closures can be seen at www.competitor.com/community

**LECTIONARY TEXTS
(Sunday Readings)**

March 4

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16
Psalm 22:22-30
Romans 4:13-25
Mark 8:31-38

March 11

Exodus 20:1-17
Psalm 19
1 Corinthians 1:18-25
John 2:13-22

March 18

Numbers 21:4-9
Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22
Ephesians 2:1-10
John 3:14-21

March 25

Jeremiah 31:31-34
Psalm 51:1-13 or 119:9-16
Hebrews 5:5-10
John 12:20-33

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***Daylight Savings Time
Begins
Sunday, March 11.***

***Be sure and set your
clocks forward one hour
before you go to bed on
Saturday night!***

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Submissions for the Canticle are always welcome.
The deadline for articles has changed to the 10th of the month.

Items for the April issue are due March 10.

Please e-mail submissions to lauriebailey@cccnola.org

Sunday bulletin announcements should be submitted

before noon on Tuesdays to

lauriebailey@cccnola.org and copied to

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The Canticle

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Please decide which method is best for you and then let us know your preference by e-mailing acs@cccnola.org.

Many thanks for your help.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Sunday, March 18, following the
10:00 AM Worship Service

Please plan to be a part of the cathedral parish family as we gather for lunch and our Annual Parish Meeting on March 18. Vestry members will be elected and reports heard.

VESTRY NOMINATIONS FOR 2012

The Annual Parish Meeting of Christ Church Cathedral parish is on Sunday, March 18, 2012. Three new Vestry members will be elected to fill positions vacated by those whose terms of service will be expiring. Short biographies of the nominees are below.

Chris Beary

Page and I have been members of the Cathedral since 1998. All of our children (Claiborne, Caroline, Claire and Mary Catherine) were baptized here. They are active participants in Christian formation and serve in various capacities.

I previously served on the Vestry from 2003 until 2007; the last three years as Senior Warden. During that time, I assisted the Dean in the creation of The Jericho Road Episcopal Housing Initiative. Since 2006, I have served as Jericho Road's Treasurer and on its Executive Committee. After leaving the Vestry, I lead the Advent House Capital Campaign to a successful endowment of that ministry in perpetuity.

I am currently involved in EFM and, previously, I participated in DOCC twice. I have agreed to serve as the Treasurer of the Cathedral to assist in facilitating the transfer of administrative responsibilities of Jericho Road to the Cathedral. This transition is brought about as the result of the Diocese transferring Jericho Road to the Cathedral. I look forward to a successful transition.

It would be my honor to serve you again on the Vestry.

Sam Buckley

My wife, Jennifer, and I have been members of the Cathedral for over 20 years and were, in fact, married here. Our children, Sam and Matthew, have served as acolytes and readers. I have previously served on the Vestry, numerous Committees, and as Senior Warden. Jennifer and I have both been catechists in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program for well over 10 years and I have served as an usher for a comparable period.

Professionally, Jennifer and I are both attorneys and practice together in our own law firm.

If elected, I would be honored to again serve on the Vestry and to continue to assist the Cathedral in any way I can.

Julio Figueroa

I have been a member of Christ Church Cathedral since 1993 and involved in several ministries including the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Disciples of Christ in Community, Advent House, and Real Presence planning group. I also served on the vestry once in the past.

I am married to Annette Figueroa and the proud parent of three children: Amanda, Julian, and Elena. Since 1993, I have been on faculty in the Department of Medicine at LSU School of Medicine in the Section of Infectious Diseases. In that capacity, I am involved in clinical teaching and administration in the medical school and for several hospitals in New Orleans. I have also been involved in other local organizations including St. Paul's Episcopal School and Lambeth House.

If elected to the vestry, I hope to continue supporting the community that has nurtured my family and me in whatever capacity is needed.



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Keeping a Holy Lent

2012 LENTEN STUDY: FORGIVENESS

Sunday mornings during Coffee Hour Class and
Tuesday evenings 6:30-7:30 p.m. in Advent House
Leader: Father Morris

FORGIVENESS: A religious gimmick, or something we really need? Who needs to forgive whom? Sin and floating guilt? Is your sin original? St. Paul and forgiveness: if Christ is the author of our salvation, Paul is the author of our understanding of that salvation. This is a necessary starting-point. Salvation from what and for what? A Jewish/Christian understanding of what it means to be human. What Christ accomplished on our behalf.

LATER DEVELOPMENTS: Leftovers from John Calvin's theology haunt American Christianity, leading to obsessions with guilt and a preoccupation with personal religious experience. Anglican Christianity offers a more balanced and biblically-based approach to understanding our humanity, and relates forgiveness to the sacraments of Baptism and the Eucharist.

FAMOUS COMMENTATORS: C. S. Lewis, an English Anglican, is a famous expositor of Christianity. We'll look at his best-known book, *Mere Christianity*, widely studied and widely appreciated. Desmond Tutu, the internationally famous Archbishop of Cape Town, has pioneered attempting to reconcile nations and peoples. He's worth a look, too. Both present forgiveness as genuine redemptive processes which materially affect our lives and the lives of those around us.

CONFESSION: A personal approach to sin and forgiveness, which tries to help us move beyond feelings of guilt and relief toward something more lasting. It includes confession in the presence of a priest, which is a part of our tradition you may choose to use, if you think it would be helpful, but which is never required.

Each segment will stand alone. We'll try to be disciplined about ending on time. There's no expected 'homework', but some printed materials will be distributed to facilitate our discussion.

Advent House is located on the corner of 7th Street & Carondelet.

Lenten Practice

People often say they are 'giving something up for Lent' and this acknowledges the penitential nature of the season as Christians prepare spiritually for Holy Week and Easter. Another way to prepare during this season is to 'take something on'. That is, to add some additional religious practice to one's life.

Attending a weekday 12:15 p.m. service or the Saturday 9:30 am service are two options. Here are other opportunities: Attending a Christian Formation class at 9 am on Sunday mornings, attending the Coffee Hour class, attending Bible Study on Wednesday mornings, attending the Book Club, giving Christian Yoga a try or using the Lenten Meditation booklet. Consider 'taking something on' this Lent.

FILL A MITE BOX

A beloved tradition of Lent is to make a special Lenten offering of money gathered in a mite box; you may have done this when you were a child. Well, mite boxes are for adults, too!

Our Lenten Offering is sent each year to Heifer International which provides animals and the knowledge to care for them to people in need around the world. Heifer has begun a new project in Haiti, REACH: Rural Entrepreneurs for Agricultural



Cooperation in Haiti and our money will go to support that specific project. REACH will build up four livestock sub-sectors (goats, cattle, poultry and pigs), using integrated farming to improve production and strengthen linkages with buyers. This Heifer project will help to rehabilitate and change the lives of 20,250 Haitian families.

You can read more about the project at www.heifer.org.

Mite boxes are in the back of the cathedral, chapel and in Stuart Hall. Please pick one up, put it in a prominent place in your home and fill it with money during Lent. A printed sheet of possible daily donations (10 cents for every milk product in your home, etc) will be in basket as well. We gather full mite boxes on Easter Sunday. Fill as many as you can during the forty days of Lent!

Greetings from Advent House:

Good News... The Book Club will resume on Monday, February 27 at 1:00 at Advent House. The group has decided to read *Four Loves* by C.S. Lewis. I purchased the audio book and to my surprise it is C.S. Lewis reading the book. It was recorded in 1970. The CD is clear and very well done. There is a study guide to go with the CD that will allow everyone a chance to participate in the discussions. No homework... you don't have to read the book ahead of time. I would estimate we will spend for 4 to 6 weeks with C.S. Lewis...



A bit about the book....

In this remarkable recording, C.S. Lewis shows why millions of readers have acclaimed him the greatest spokesman for Christianity in the 20th century. In a resonant, baritone voice, Lewis explores the nature of the four Greek words that are translated love in English. *Storge* (affection); *Philia* (friendship); *Eros* (erotic love); *Agape* (selfless love)

Instead of giving us a dry, theological treatise, Lewis makes the subject extremely personal and practical by showing us how easily natural loves can go wrong and pollute our relationships. He shows that what we often tend to excuse as natural behavior is really selfish and destructive.

Lewis explores these pitfalls in our loves in order to lead us to the solution – Godlike *agape* love that God has for men and women and the kind we must develop and nurture in our relationships.

As in his writing, Lewis doesn't merely tell, he shows these loves in action with vivid and often humorous illustrations. The images are so realistically drawn and so alive you are sure to recognize someone you know or live with – or maybe even yourself.

Try to come... you won't be disappointed.



Wednesday Morning Bible Study Begins February 29

Dean duPlantier begins a study of the Book of Psalms on Wednesday mornings at 11 a.m. in the Westfeldt Room.

Class will end in time for participants to attend the 12:15 p.m. service in the Chapel. Bring your favorite Bible or your Prayer Book and delve into the many emotions found in the Psalms.

Carnival Fundraiser

A big thank you to everyone for supporting our first Carnival Fundraiser.

Your enthusiasm and generosity was amazing, and very encouraging for the ongoing success of this program. Many people put in long hours to help set up, serve and sell - Thank you! Without you, this would not have been possible.

We also thank Crescent City Sausage and Pie Company, especially Jeff Baron. Jeff, a partner in the restaurant, gave his time and expertise through our learning curve during one of their busiest times of the year. When you are in Mid City please stop by his restaurant at 4400 Banks to tell him thank you - and enjoy some of their great food.

A more detailed wrap up of our first Carnival Fundraiser will be coming soon.

-Karyn Murphy & David O'Leary



From the Theologian in Residence...

THE GREAT CONTRACEPTION DEBATE involving health care coverage is full of ambivalence and confusion. The Obama administration says it is a women's health issue. The Roman Catholic bishops say it is a religious liberty issue. The most striking thing about the conflict is lack of clarity. It's a classic political issue: You can see it as the faithful believers vs. the dictatorial secularists, or as the compassionate regulators vs. the authoritarian nay-sayers.

THE QUESTION IS IMPORTANT. There are issues of faith and practice involved. What's right? What's responsible? What is responsive to the will of God? When does use or refusal to use pass over into abuse? What is compatible with faithful living? What actions deny the sacramental character of our sexuality? Maintaining that contraception is always right trivializes it. Dismissing it as always wrong ignores substantive issues of our lives and disregards our human partnership with God in creation.

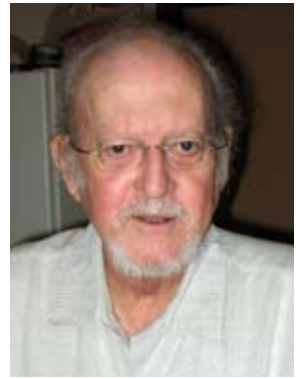
WHAT THE OBAMA administration announced was not a shocking new initiative. It has been around since 2000 and has already been tested in the courts. What was new was the disallowance of a deductible. The outrage seemed more planned than spontaneous, part of the reaction to the health care reform act: The Roman Catholic bishops campaign against it was prepared in advance.

THE ODDITY is that the Roman Catholic Church lost the battle about birth control in the United States some time ago. Confessors no longer ask about it. A reported 98% of Roman Catholic women use it. Yet, the Vatican continues to oppose it. There is a great gulf between official teaching and the lives of the faithful. However, because the bishops are the Vatican's front-line troops, they are not allowed to retreat or surrender. Roman Catholic institutions are also expected to enlist or risk losing their certificates of authenticity.

THE ISSUE displays the confusion of our national situation. We are officially committed to the separation of Church and State--a phrase that does not appear in the Constitution, but in a letter by Thomas Jefferson. That does not mean the separation of religion from life. It means maintaining the independence of civil and ecclesiastical institutions. However, church-related institutions and government have become significantly intertwined through finance and regulation related to funding educational and helping ministries, and relationships are growing closer. So far, we have not sorted out the implications of that: Can church institutions resist even reasonable regulation on the grounds of religious liberty? Or does public funding for public services create an obligation to play ball with Federal policy even if that involves some compromise? The Obama administration thinks that it is legitimate to specify what church-related universities, hospitals, and charities must provide in their health-care coverage. They say that benefits should be even-handed and not arbitrary or whimsical. However, some churches, and especially the Roman Catholic Church, say that Health and Human Services is trying to force them to provide coverages that they are theologically and ethically opposed to.

THE TECHNOCRATS of the Obama administration want to apply one rule to everyone. We can see their point. They want simplicity and clarity. However, that does not honor the inherent messiness of real-life democracy. The demand for even-handed coverage, however intended, comes across to many people as a violation of liberty of faith and conscience. That is why the Obama administration has backed off somewhat. Taking this initiative in an election year was a major 'oops.' In practice, the government does not get to define what constitutes a violation of religious liberty. People do. Life is going to win, rather than an idea, or some notion of bureaucratic neatness.

William Morris+





Music Notes

There are a few wonderful opportunities to hear great music -

On Sunday, March 4, at 4:00, the choir will sing Choral Evening. We will be treated to the outstanding talent of Thomas Ospital, the Young Artist in Residence at St. Louis Cathedral. He is a student at the Paris Conservatory and an amazing improviser. You won't want to miss him. The choir will sing the *Magnificat* and *Nunc dimittis* by Thomas Weelkes, the beloved

anthem, *Greater Love Hath no Man* by John Ireland, and the motet that got a young Mozart into trouble - the famous *Allegrì Miserere Mei*.

And on Saturday, March 24, the Cornell University Singers will be here to present a choir concert.

- Jarrett Follette

Take Part in the Cathedral's Health & Wellness Ministries

The Cathedral seeks to support your health physically as well as spiritually. To that end our ministries include several opportunities to increase your strength, stamina and flexibility.

Christian Yoga on Monday evenings (see page 9)...Jazzercise...and now we have added Bodytime Bootcamp... (see below)



Jazzercise

Classes Monday and Wednesday 5:00pm and 6:15pm
Tuesday and Thursday 6:15pm and a Personal Touch Class at 7:05pm

There is a 30% discount for Cathedral Members.

What to bring: A mat, a towel, an exercise mat, a water bottle, 3 or 5lb weights
(after becoming familiar with the basic exercises & techniques)

What to expect: Each class is approximately 60 minutes and incorporates these components: A warm-up segment, an aerobic dance segment to increase cardiovascular fitness and burn calories, an aerobic cool-down segment, a muscle-toning segment with weights to strengthen the hips, thighs, derriere, abdomen, upper torso, and arms; and a final cool-down stretch segment.

Please contact Meredith Cox-Smith at uptownjazzercise@hotmail.com with questions.

Bodytime Bootcamp

Classes Tuesday and Thursday 5:15pm-6:15pm

There is a 30% discount for Cathedral Members.

What to bring: 3 or 5lb dumbbells, a mat, a towel and a water bottle.

What to expect: An exciting 60 minute indoor Bootcamp that focuses on keeping your heart at fat burning rate and where challenging and exciting techniques are used to target, condition and tone muscles.

Coach Elijah Hoble's energy is contagious, and he will motivate, support and guide you to reach your goal.

Please contact Elijah Hoble elijahhoble@yahoo.com or 504.905.2237 with questions.

Jazzercise & Bodytime Bootcamp classes meet in Stuart Hall using the Sixth Street entrance.



*We wish a very Happy Birthday to all those born this month.
If your name isn't listed, we don't have your date of birth in our records.
Please call the church office and we'll be sure to wish you a Happy Birthday next year.*

Puttee Holladay	Bob Finley	Chuck Wallace
Peggy Edwards	Charles Franklin	Ryan Thompson
Jean Fischer	Mary Koppel	Louise LeGardeur
Pam Ricciardi	Ashley Miller	Molly Green
Robert Sullivan	Chris Speed	Amanda Figueroa
Milton Seiler Jr.	Katie Barrios	Mel Hudson
Emma Gruchy	Jennifer Rowland	Charles Kellum
Michael Dollacker	Jacqueline Crabtree	Philip Lazich
Ellen Dollacker	Allee Parker	Abbie Carlson
Debbie Hudson	William McCartney IV	Zachary LaBauve
Mimi O'Leary	Matthew Nichols	Sarah Labauve
Debbie-Lee Delerno	Marie-Louise Spangenberg	Daphne Fahrenheitt
Kyle Del Hierro	Richie Parker	Kaili Dyson
David duPlantier	Oakland Adams III	

Remember Your Baptism!



It is good to remember baptisms with a special celebration. In an effort to help us all remember our baptism, we print a list of baptismal anniversaries monthly. Like the birthday list, our records may not be complete. If the anniversary of your baptism isn't listed, please call the church office and let us know the date.

Parents, a baptismal anniversary is a great time to celebrate with your children. Pull out pictures, their baptismal candle or towel and talk about what happened on that special day. You might burn their baptismal candle during a special family celebration.

Pamela McCall 3/3
Jack Anderson 3/5
Scott Frost 3/12
Sandy Jackson 3/20
Alice Hopkins 3/22
John Henry Schoenbrun 3/22
Christina Thompson 3/24
Robert Barrios 3/26
Joseph Bisso 3/26
Tim Kirkpatrick 3/29
Jean Fischer 3/31
Julian Figueroa 3/31

Our next baptismal date is Sunday, April 15. Please speak to Canon Roberts if your or your child is seeking baptism.

Altar Flower Donations

Although we do not use flowers on the altar during the season of Lent, you may still sign up for dates after Easter. If you would like to order flowers, please fill out your desired date on the sign-up sheet at the entrance to Stuart Hall.

Our prices are now \$80 for the Cathedral and \$45 for the Chapel. Consider honoring someone in your family on their birthday or remembering a loved one who is deceased.



For more information, call Sue Blankingship at 885-0773 or E-mail wyattump1@aol.com.

WGSO 990 AM

Christ Church Cathedral
Sunday Morning 10 AM Service
Live Broadcast on WGSO 990 AM
Online streaming and downloadable
podcast at www.wgso.com



Musical Opportunity

Mr. Follette is looking for a few students who would like to learn to play the piano.
For more information:
jarrettfollette@cccnola.org or
895-6602.



Christian Yoga

*Mondays 5:45 p.m.
Good Shepherd Atrium
(downstairs near the Chapel)*

Treat yourself to an hour of gentle stretching, relaxation exercises & period of meditation.

Those new to yoga will find this a good introduction to the poses.

Please use the St. Charles office door to enter the building. For more information contact lauriebailey@cccnola.org or 895-6602.

All are welcome - give it a try.



***Give to Christ Church Cathedral
using your Smart Phone
Scan the barcode at left.***

<http://cccnola.org/GIVING.htm>



Second Harvest Food Bank
Greater New Orleans and Acadiana

Let's fill our red wagon on Sunday morning with high protein food items for the Food Bank. Non-perishable canned items like peanut butter, soups/stews, canned fruits/vegetables, canned meats (chicken, beef, ham), tuna fish, chili, cereal, hot cereals (grits, oatmeal), beans, juice, rice, pasta, & shelf stable milk.

They are in short supply of Peanut Butter.

***Help
Fill the Wagon!***



***Do a Little Extra During Lent
Attend Sunday School
Christian Formation***

Classes For All Ages

Meet at 9 AM Sunday Mornings

The Good Shepherd atrium (3 to 6 year olds)

The True Vine atrium (1st - 5th grade)

The Kingdom atrium (6th - 8th grade)

The Youth class (9th - 12th grade)

Adult Class

All are welcome ~ See you in class

For more information:

lauriebailey@cccnola.org or 895-6602

Visitors to the Cathedral are always surprised by the offering we have during 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. You can host with friends to reduce the cost of the food; drinks are provided by the church. If you have no time to shop and prepare food, donations are always gladly accepted. For additional information/volunteer, contact Kathy Boyd, 891-1360 or kboydaj@yahoo.com.



Coffee hour contributors for February: Pudney Pointer, Kathy Boyd, Sarah Whalen, Laurie Bailey, Travis Koerner, Francis Beverly, and Barbara Mangum. Many thanks!

The 2012 Sign Up sheet is posted in Stuart Hall with open dates. Please sign up today.



Don't forget to buy an extra package of disposable plates and cups when you are out shopping. We collect these items for the New Orleans



Mission. Place your donation in the boxes located in the back of the cathedral and chapel. The Mission serves three meals a day to hungry men, women and children as well as providing safe shelter for homeless men and women. If you wish to do more for the homeless and hungry, you can donate online at www.NewOrleansMission.org.

Your gift will be used to care for people in need all year long!

Real Presence

~an encounter with the sacred



A contemplative twilight service of Holy Eucharist for those seeking holy silence.

Real Presence celebrates the mystery of God's grace through worship that engages the heart, the mind and the senses.

Invite a friend to attend this informal service. Casual dress is appropriate.

CATHEDRAL GIFT ITEMS

From Symmetry Jewelers

Crosses by Tom Mathis: *Christ Church Cross Pendant*



Our Philander Chase Cross can be purchased in pendant form at Symmetry Jewelers, 8138 Hampson Street, New Orleans, LA 70118. Available in 14K Yellow gold, sterling silver, and

14K White gold. Call Symmetry for current pricing (504)861-9925.

From the Church Office

Stained Glass Window Note Cards - \$5

8 cards per box (various Chapel & Cathedral windows)

Cathedral Print - \$5

(Cathedral buildings as seen from St. Charles Avenue)

Philander Chase Cross Ornament - \$5

Philander Chase Bookmark on Red Ribbon - \$2

These items can be purchased in the church office.

Looking Ahead - Save the dates:

April 20 - 22, 2012

Men's Retreat: "Living the Promise of Abundant Life"

Retreat Spiritual director/Speaker: Bishop Morris Thompson, Jr.

All men from the diocese are invited to spend time with Bishop Thompson at the Solomon Episcopal Conference Center after Easter. There will be good food and fellowship.



Important Facts:

- Cost is \$190 per person single occupancy and \$150 shared room. The cost covers 2 nights and 4 meals. Registration is on first come first served basis. There is a \$60.00 minimum deposit required with each registration.
- The retreat is open to all adult men ages 18 and above.
- Early registration is encouraged. The deadline for registration is two weeks prior to the event.
- The conference will start with dinner on Friday evening followed by the first session, which will end in silence until lunch on Saturday.
- Saturday night will feature a Louisiana cook out sponsored by the Men of Christ Church Covington.
- The retreat will consist of a series of teachings and meditations delivered by Bishop Thompson.
- The Retreat will conclude with a Eucharist service on Sunday morning.

Special Note:

- The weekend will provide significant free time to pray, study, and enjoy the surroundings.
- Come enjoy the spring weather, the beauty of the conference center grounds, good teaching, and an opportunity to Listen, Learn, Share, Pray, and to get some spiritual and physical exercise - maybe even a little fishing.

Property Committee Wish List

As we are forced to tighten our budget, the Property Committee will not have extra funds available to do needed, but not urgent projects. They have created a wish list in hopes that you might donate to a project that is close to your heart. That is what happened to complete the Chapel floor. Listed below are two worthy projects. Donations of any amount can be made to these projects by noting the project name or "Property wish list" in the memo line of your check.

Repair of the fascia around Stuart Hall - \$3,000

Repair & re-paint the apse (dome behind the altar) - \$20,000

Many thanks to those who have made donations!



The Canticle

March, 2012

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Sunday, March 4

Marathon in the morning - check for road closures
Choral Evensong at 4 p.m.

Sunday, March 11

Daylight Savings Time Begins

Sunday, March 18

Annual Parish meeting following 10 am service

Lenten Program on Forgiveness

Father Morris, Leader

Coffee Hour Class at 11:30 am on Sundays and
Tuesday evenings 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Advent House

Bible Study with Dean duPlantier


Wednesday mornings, 11am - 12noon

Topic: The Psalms

Westfeldt Room

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