

October, 2013



The Canticle

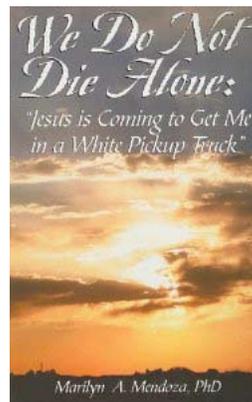
From the Dean . . .

Doxology comes from Greek roots that mean ‘words of praise.’ The Christian church has several familiar doxologies one of the most common being the Gloria Patri (Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,...) another well known of these begins with the phrase: “Praise God from whom all blessings flow.” These words were composed by Father Thomas Ken in 1674 as the final verse of two hymns he had written (see Hymn 43 in the Hymnal 1982 for one of them).



In the 1960’s as the Episcopal Church began to move from Morning Prayer to Eucharist as the principal Sunday liturgy, it became normative in many churches to sing this doxology at the procession of the offering plates (in most places the bread and wine were brought from the credence table on the side and the Eucharistic table was set during the Offertory Anthem before the plates came forward.) Because it was sung weekly over many years, worshipers had this doxology memorized and sung it with substantially more energy than the rest of the service music thus giving the impression to newcomers to the Episcopal Church that the procession of the cash is the climactic moment of the liturgy.

The 1979 revision of the Prayer Book calls for the bread, wine and alms to be presented together “as the people stand.” There is an intentional downplaying of this procession as to not over emphasize its importance relative to the Eucharistic Canon that follows immediately afterward. At the Cathedral, it has been our practice in recent years to sing a hymn while the gifts are brought forward, the Eucharistic table prepared (and censed during festival seasons) since the one stanza doxology is too brief to cover all of this action. Recently, it has come to my attention that some people in the congregation miss singing this familiar tune so, during the period each Fall when we are focusing on the stewardship of our time, talent and treasure, it seems appropriate to sing it in addition to the Offertory Hymn once the table is set and the gifts have been received. Beginning this year, we will do this during the period between Michaelmas and Advent I which constitutes the months of October and November: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.



Mark the Dean’s Forum for December 1st (11:30 - 12:30) on your calendars. Dr. Marilyn Mendoza, counseling psychiatrist and author of *We Do Not Die Alone: Jesus is Coming for Me in a White Pickup Truck* will be speaking on her research on death bed visions, near-death experiences and after-death communication, much of which was done locally. More details in the November Canticle.

ALL SAINTS’ DAY ALL FAITHFUL DEPARTED & ALL SAINTS’ SUNDAY

All Saints’ Day is Friday, November 1.

Mass will be celebrated at 12:15 PM in the Chapel.

We will collect names beginning October 13 on sheets in the back of the cathedral and chapel for the annual reading of the necrology during the

All Faithful Departed or *All Souls’ Day* Eucharist at 9:30 AM on Saturday, November 2, in the chapel.

All Saints’ Sunday is November 3 and is an opportunity for Holy Baptism at the 10 o’clock Eucharist.

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LECTIONARY TEXTS

(Sunday Readings)

OCTOBER 6

Lamentations 1:1-6
Lamentations 3:19-26
2 Timothy 1:1-14
Luke 17:5-10

OCTOBER 13

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7
Psalm 66:1-11
2 Timothy 2:8-15
Luke 17:11-19

OCTOBER 20

Jeremiah 31:27-34
Psalm 119:97-104
2 Timothy 3:14—4:5
Luke 18:1-8

OCTOBER 27

Joel 2:23-32
Psalm 65
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Luke 18:9-14



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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
6:00 PM Real Presence (Sung)

Weekdays

12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist

Saturdays

9:30 AM The Holy Eucharist Rite I

Submissions for Cathedral publications are always welcome.

Items for the November issue of The Canticle are due October 15.

Please e-mail articles to canticle@cccnola.org

Send photos to photos@cccnola.org

Sunday bulletin and/or weekly e-blast announcements should be submitted **before noon on Tuesdays** to canticle@cccnola.org



Christ Church Cathedral
Sunday Morning 10 AM Service
Live Broadcast on WGSO 990 AM Radio.
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Broadcasts underwritten in part by St. Martin's Episcopal School.

THE BANNS OF MARRIAGE

I publish the Banns of Marriage between

Katherine Brett Barlow & Stephen Leo Russell

and

Lauren Ashley Layer & Ray Cody Mayo III

and

If any of you know just cause why they may not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, you are bidden to declare it.

~ The Very Rev. David duPlantier

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

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Ola's mother was the first of 19 children and was the product of rape. She led a difficult life, but she eventually married and had children of her own. Ola was one of them.

Ola's mother had many health problems which led to the need for a leg amputation. Unfortunately, the doctors amputated the wrong leg, so she ended up having both legs amputated. Her loving daughter, Ola, stood by her side and took care of her throughout her illnesses and amputations. While Ola's mother was in the hospital after her amputations, she developed pneumonia which led to her death.

Ola was devastated by her mother's death. She fell into a deep depression. Her own two grown children did not understand depression, and were not supportive of her. Falling deeper into depression, Ola, who suffers from heart disease and high blood pressure, quit taking her medication and eventually tried to take her own life by jumping off the Mississippi River bridge. As she was jumping, a man pulled her back and saved her life.

Ola was taken to a mental health facility where she was treated for depression. She stayed at the facility for two months. While she was there, she lost her apartment. Without a place to live, Ola went to stay with her son. Her son took all of her money, and she eventually had to leave him and ended up on the street.

Ola would sleep on the bench in front of Harrah's Casino. She was told as long as she stayed on the bench, it was okay. Sometimes, she stayed at the bus station. She tried to stay out in the open as much as possible, because she felt it was safer.

Because she was not able to properly take care of herself, she became ill and her legs swelled up.

Someone told Ola's daughter that Ola was living on the street. Her daughter found her and took her in. Unfortunately, her daughter was abusing drugs and she also took her mother's money. Eventually, Ola ended up back on the street under the bridge. Ola says she never thought her own kids would turn their backs on her.

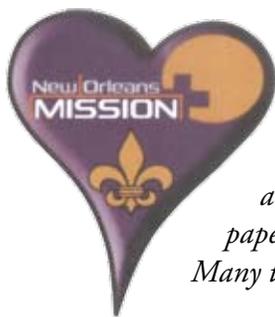
Living under the bridge is very difficult. Ola was robbed and nearly raped. She just couldn't survive under the bridge. She felt that something kept calling her to go to the New Orleans Mission. She finally listened to the calling and made her way there.

At the Mission, Ola was taken in and treated with respect and love. She found a supportive environment that eventually helped her get past her suicidal thoughts and depression. She says they taught her about the Bible and God's love. She sees that God is healing her and her relationships and is opening doors for her. She has forgiven her children. They visit her at the Mission and they are beginning to heal as well.

Ola now says, "I'm going to live until God comes and takes me to Heaven. The Mission is the best thing that ever happened to me. God is good, and I'm good."



Support the Mission!



We continue to collect non-perishable foods and disposable paper products: plates, cups, etc. (plastic is ok), toilet paper, paper towels, napkins) for the New Orleans Mission. The food is distributed from the New Orleans Mission Food Bank and the paper products are used each day in the Mission's feeding ministry. Drop food and paper products off at church in the back of the cathedral or chapel. Many thanks for your support!

Saint Francis Day

Blessing of the Animals
Sunday, October 6 at 6:00 PM



Always festive, much beloved and full of unique surprises... This year we are honored to have with us a few of the police horses from the New Orleans Police Department. Each year, we commemorate the feast day of Saint Francis and his unique relation with animals with a pet blessing service. It is part of our 6:00 PM REAL PRESENCE service; and will take place in the Cathedral front yard on St. Charles Ave. It's going to be a great experience...you won't want to miss out. ...bring your pets... bring your friends...bring your friend's pets... Everyone is welcome! For more information call Canon Roberts.

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 church 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/volunteer, contact Kathy Boyd, 891-1360 or kboydaj@yahoo.com. Recent hosts:



Christian Formation Committee, Francis Beverly,
Kathy Boyd, Les Bradfield, Lyn Gladney, Verna Barnett,
Sandy Jackson, Olive Forman, Susan Carswell,
Travers Koerner

Many thanks to all!

The Sign Up sheet for the remainder of the year is posted in Stuart Hall with open dates. Please sign up today.

Gentle Reminders

The street just in front of the cathedral steps is a Drop Off Zone for passenger unloading on Sunday mornings. Please do not park there.

Our choir and organist work very hard to prepare the music offered during worship. Please respect their ministry and do not visit with your neighbor during their offerings. Many thanks.

Altar Flower Donations



The Flower Donation Sheet is located at the entrance to the Parish Hall. Please help us make our worship spaces even more beautiful by ordering flowers to memorialize or honor your loved ones. If you would like to order flowers, either fill in your desired date on the sign-up sheet, or call Sue Blankingship@885-0773, or E-mail wyattpump1@aol.com.

Our prices are now \$80 for the Cathedral and \$45 for the Chapel.

Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza!

On Saturday, November 9, the New Orleans Chapter of the American Guild of Organists presents a program entitled *Pedals, Pipes and Pizza*. Aimed at young piano students, this day is devoted to introducing children and adolescents to the pipe organ utilizing both videos and live demonstrations.

Mr. Follette, and our Young Artist in Residence, Thomas Kientz, will be among those demonstrating our instrument. If you know anyone who might be interested in attending, please speak to Mr. Follette.



Holy Baptism

is especially appropriate at the Easter Vigil, on 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 Sunday, November 3.
Please contact Canon Roberts for more information.*



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If your name isn't listed, we don't have your date of birth in our records. Please call the cathedral office and we'll be sure to wish you a Happy Birthday next year!

Brittany Bousquet	Alice Hopkins	Randy Clinton
Alan Brackett	Helena Lazich	Schwaner
Linda Bradfield	Lillian Leche	Linda Truax
Jennifer Buckley	Avery Gwendolyn Lo	Walter Truax
William Buckley, Jr.	Malinda Mallery	Borden Wallace
Rita Carlson	Barbara Mangum	Ed Whitfield
Ted DuCharm	Vicki Moreland	Andrew Whitley
Karla duPlantier	Rhett O'Keefe	Anne Williams
Scott Ferguson	Diana Orr	Allen Zschiesche
Sara Glidewell	Paul Ramoni	Grace Zschiesche
Alma Holley		

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.

What recession? The CCC Thrift Sale is HIRING!!

Did you miss out on all the excitement last year? You've probably overheard people talking about what a great time they had and what unusual treasures we discovered. Well, you can be a part of it all – consider this notice your own personal invitation to join the CCC Thrift Sale Team!

An “equal opportunity” for both men and women, the CCC Thrift Sale Team needs “sales associates” and “department managers” to help with set-up the week of Monday, October 7th through the day of the sale on Saturday, the 12th. The Sale opens to the public on Saturday, October 12th at 8 AM (8AM till noon) with the popular paid admission preview on Friday Oct. 11th from 4 – 6 PM. (We've had as many as 69 people pay the \$5 to get first dibs!)

These are part-time positions with very flexible hours—such as whenever you have some free time that week. No special skills required, and you can even request a department you prefer. (Some of our departments include: Elegant Boutique, Linens, Housewares, Holiday, Furniture, Electronics, Books & Entertainment Media, New and Used Apparel, Leather & Luggage, Toys, etc.) We very much need Greeters, Cashiers & Baggers on Friday evening and Saturday.

Retired? Not appreciated at your real job? Come work with us—you get FREE on-the-job training and lots of opportunities for promotion!! Pay Scale: Priceless! Not to mention the fun you have visiting with your fellow parishioners and that warm, fuzzy feeling you get from helping others....

Thanks to those who have already volunteered — some are first-timers and our regulars come back year after year. (Bless you!) Please feel free to bring a friend if you'd like. This is such a popular event that several of our regular workers are members of other churches! To be “hired” for this CCC event, contact Suzette in the CCC office (895-6602), Thrift Sale Chairperson Diane Piret at 394-1227 (email: dapiret@aol.com), or Alice Hopkins at 512-0696 (email: grits736@hotmail.com.) No interview necessary! Even if you only have a little time during the week or are available to help at the exciting rush Friday evening or Saturday morning of the Sale, please come join us! If you've never been here for the eager anticipation as we begin setting up on Monday (the great unveiling of the

treasures also known as the “Parting of the Red Screens”), you don't know what you're missing!

Think you don't qualify because you may have some physical limitations? We have several sit-down jobs too. And, of course, good fellowship is always needed, so feel free to just come visit with us while we get ready for the big event!

Don't forget that we're still accepting merchandise donations. We so very much appreciate the generosity of all CCC parishioners! (Tax receipts are available in the church office.)

As has become our tradition, proceeds from the Thrift Sale underwrite the Cathedral's costs of our important Sunday coffee hour hospitality ministry (the coffee, sugar, napkins, etc.) We will also be tithing from the proceeds to a special teaching ministry in the local Episcopal community (more about that later.)

COME JOIN US! NEWCOMERS WELCOME!





Health & Wellness

Jazzercise

Classes Monday and Wednesday 5:00pm and 6:15pm
Tuesday and Thursday 6:15pm and a
Personal Touch Class at 7:05pm
Please contact Meredith Cox-Smith at
uptownjazzercise@hotmail.com with questions.

Bodytime Bootcamp

Classes Tuesday and Thursday 5:15pm-6:15pm,
Saturday at 8:00am
Please contact Elijah Hogley elijahhogley@yahoo.com or
504.905.2237 with questions.

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

Pictorial Directory

We want your picture for our new Pictorial Directory! The good news is that technology makes this easy for us to produce in-house. Please email (high-quality) digital photos of your family members (they need to be individual photos as they will be attached to each individual's computer record) to: photos@cccnola.org.



Please pray the prayer printed below as you consider your commitment to Christ Church Cathedral in the coming year.

Stewards' Prayer

O God, You bless us, your faithful people, With all that we have and all that we are. We humbly accept the challenge to Share from our means rather than from our excess. We resolve to be generous with our time, talent, and treasure, giving in proportion to the gifts we have received. Help us, we pray, to live each day in a grateful spirit of peace and joy secure in the knowledge that we are striving to do your will. Amen

Pledge cards will be presented to God during worship on
The First Sunday of Advent,
December 1.

Stewardship

Our Journey

by Vicki & Dick Moreland

Vicki and I were raised in very different faith traditions, she a Disciple of Christ and I a Roman Catholic. Even so, our understanding of stewardship was much the same; neither of us had been taught much about it as children and our parents never discussed their giving with us. So when we began to go to Grace Episcopal Church in 1974, we adopted the practices we had seen from our parents. We simply put a few dollars into the offering basket each Sunday.

Over time, we became active in the various programs at Grace. In addition, we responded to the stewardship program by pledging an amount for the year, but we did not make any real effort to understand the theology behind our giving or more broadly stewardship. A little later, I was asked to serve as the Stewardship Chair, which I agreed to do out of a commitment to our rector. As it happened, about the time that I became Stewardship Chair, many elements of the Church were trying to implement a relatively new program called the Alabama Plan for Stewardship. That program had six or seven main tenets, of which I have not forgotten three: accepting the biblical tithe as the goal of Christian giving; using a calculation of current proportionate giving as a tool to move toward the tithe; and replacing the "should" and



"ought" vocabulary with "pray" and "consider," that is, substituting grace for guilt.

My committee assignment and the Alabama Plan prodded Vicki and me to begin considering for the first time the whys and hows of stewardship. It was then that we came to several important understandings: First, that giving money to God is nothing but gratefully returning to Him a portion of what He has given to us. Second, that the joy of giving comes with effort, not with giving from excess. And finally, that giving is not about how much one gives, but rather that the giving is done with generosity and in a spirit of cheerfulness.

I don't want to mislead you; the years between Grace Church and Christ Church Cathedral have not been all years of growth in giving and understanding of stewardship, just as our spiritual journeys have not been all smooth sailing. There have been many years of stasis and even retreat. But God's love always has been with us and calling us to move toward Him. As we have become more and more committed to the community that is Christ Church Cathedral, we also have become increasingly joyful in our giving.

We've not yet reached our goal of tithing, but we know that we will attain that milestone soon. We also know that every time we move a little closer, our joy in giving grows.

Our **Episcopal Church Women** are Shining Stars !
Come Sparkle with Us
at the Fall Gathering of the ECW GNO Deanery

Saturday, October 19, 2013

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church

1222 N. Dorgenois
New Orleans, LA 70119

Please let Kim know if you will attend at kellyaaron@cox.net

ECW Officers please share this invitation with all of your ECW members.

Agenda

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| 9:00 am | Registration and Coffee Time |
| 9:30 am | Worship and Eucharist with Father Richard Easterling |
| 10:30 am | Speaker: Linda Nelson, Spiritual Director of Advent House |
| 11:30 am | Deanery Report and Updates from all Churches |
| 12:00 pm | Lunch |
| 12:45 pm | Business Session |
| 2:00 pm | Adjournment |

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LOOKING AHEAD:

St. Francis Day
Blessing of the Animals
Sunday, October 6
6:00 PM

The next baptismal date is
Sunday, November 3
The Sunday after All Saints' Day

Lessons & Carols
Sunday, December 15
4:00 PM

Sunday School
for all ages
at 11:30

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