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## FROM THE DESK OF THE RECTOR

### Lent Madness

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A couple of years ago, a friend and colleague recommended that I check out a growing phenomenon in the Episcopal internet world: Lent Madness.

Loosely based on the NCAA basketball tournaments every March, Lent Madness offers a daily devotional that combines history, theology, competition, and tongue-in-cheek humor. Every weekday throughout Lent, thirty-two saints “battle” to win the “coveted” Golden Halo. Participants visit daily the website [www.lentmadness.org](http://www.lentmadness.org) to learn about the saintly pair of the day and, in a 24-hour span, vote to determine who will “advance” to the next round. Sixteen saints make it to the Round of the Saintly Sixteen; eight advance to the Round of the Elate Eight; four make it to the Faithful Four; two to the Championship; and the winner is awarded the Golden Halo.

The first round consists of basic biographical information about each of the 32 saints. As saints progress, subsequent rounds feature quotes, quirky stories, legends, and other surprising and often humorous facts. You can find a copy of this year's bracket in this newsletter; you can also print your own copies and find other resources on the Lent Madness website. The competition kicks off on Ash Wednesday, February 27 and ends on Wednesday in Holy Week, April 8.

Lent Madness began in 2010 as the brainchild of the Rev. Tim Schenck, an Episcopal priest and rector of St. John's Church in Hingham, Massachusetts who sought a fun, engaging way for people to learn about the men and women who make up the church's calendar of saints. In 2012, Schenck partnered with Forward Movement (the same folks that publish *Forward Day by Day*) executive director Scott Gunn, to bring Lent Madness to a larger audience.

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**FROM THE DESK OF THE RECTOR (CONTINUED)**

It may seem strange to focus on saints during the penitential season of Lent in which we are usually encouraged to embrace a new spiritual habit or surrender a personal pleasure. But the Christian life, while always personal, is never solitary or individualistic. Learning about the lives of the saints makes us aware of the “cloud of witnesses” that surround and encourage us in our common life in the love of God.

This year, Lent Madness features an intriguing slate of saints ancient and modern, Biblical and ecclesiastical. This year’s saints include heavyweights such as Patrick, Harriet Tubman, Clare of Assisi, Hildegard of Bingen, Joseph, and Jude, along with many lesser known yet equally inspiring people of faith.

These ancient figures from Scripture, famous spiritual heroes, and contemporary personalities served as beacons of God’s light in their time and even our own. After all, as the children’s hymn sings:

The lived not only in ages past  
There are hundreds and thousands still;  
The world is bright with the joyous saints who love to do Jesus will.  
You can meet them in school, or in lanes, or at seas;  
In church, or in trains, or in shops, or at tea;  
For the saints of God are just folk like me,  
And I mean to be one too.

Faithfully, in Christ,  
Chris Bowhay+



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WELCOME OUR NEW PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

I am delighted to announce that we have offered the position of Parish Administrator to Mr. Gary Prewitt. His first day in the Parish Office will be Monday, March 2.

A native of Kentucky, Gary grew up on the lazy banks of the Ohio River where he enjoyed the simple pleasures of fishing, farming, and football. He graduated from High School in Indiana where he honed his gifts in Drama, Voice, Music, and the Arts and was awarded a Vocal Scholarship at the University of Evansville and, later, another Vocal Scholarship at Southeastern University in Lakeland, Florida, one of the fastest-growing private liberal arts universities in the nation.



### **WELCOME OUR NEW PARISH ADMINISTRATOR (continued)**

Gary alternated his years of study with ministry in God's Church at several congregations: Youth Director at the Assembly of God Church in Columbia; Children's Pastor and Music Director at an Assembly of God Church in Columbus, Georgia; and Children's Minister at a Community Church he helped found in Atlanta. During this time, he also gained crucial administrative experience as an Administrative Assistant and then an Office Manager with Lowe's.

About 20 years ago, Gary returned to Columbia to help care for his family. Since then he has held sales and management positions at The Home Depot in Franklin and Lowe's in Columbia, where he has worked for the past 13 years. While caring for his mother JoAnn, Gary attends Destiny Church in downtown Columbia.

Gary is personable, conscientious, and diligent; he views his role at St. Peter's not so much as a job but as a ministry of service to God in our loving and growing congregation. We look forward to celebrating Gary's arrival soon at a Sunday service, and we look forward to many years of ministry together. In the meantime, please come by the church office and extend your welcome to Gary.

### **MEN'S FELLOWSHIP**

The Men's Fellowship Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 6<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Hall. All men are invited to attend. Fellowship at 5 PM and the blessing of the food at 6 PM.

### **LENT IS HERE**

The Church's customary 40-day season of abstinence and other disciplines before Easter began on Ash Wednesday, February 26, 2020. A number of events at St. Peter's are centered on this season.

- Lenten Supper Series and Speaker every Wednesday in Lent with Evening Prayer at 5:30pm.

A meal and presentation will begin at 6:00pm

-March 4<sup>th</sup> - Vestry - Hamburgers

-March 11<sup>th</sup> - Choir - Chili

-March 18<sup>th</sup> - DOK - Chicken Casserole

-March 25<sup>th</sup> - Men's Fellowship - Shrimp Boil

-April 1<sup>st</sup> - Outreach - Fried Chicken

- Palm Sunday            Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>
- Maundy Thursday    Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>
- Good Friday            Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup>
- Easter Day             Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>

## LENTEN SUPPER SERIES

### **How to Begin: Tools in A Christian Spiritual Toolbox**

While God's love for us never depends on what we do or fail to do, we sometimes feel a nudge to explore and/or perhaps try out some of the spiritual practices followed across the centuries by followers of Jesus. This Lent, over the span of five weeks, we will examine some of these tools with the guidance of five experienced, respected, and winsome clergy of the Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee:

- March 4      The Rev. Richard Kew, Priest Associate, St. George's, Nashville  
*How to Begin to Read Scripture Daily*
- March 11     The Rev. Deacon Bonnie Lloyd-Downs, Retired Deacon of the Diocese of Tennessee  
*How to Begin to Use Prayer Beads*
- March 18     The Rev. Sandy Herrmann, Retired Rector of St. David's, Denton, Texas  
*How to Begin to Pray*
- March 25     The Rev. Jason Terhune, Nashotah House Theological Seminary  
*How to Begin to Serve the Needy and the Lonely*
- April 1       The Rev. Travis Hines, Associate Rector, St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church, Nashville  
*How to Begin to Talk with People About God*

*Each Wednesday, Evening Prayer begins at 5:30 PM in the church, followed by Supper at 6:00 PM, and that night's presentation at 6:30 PM. Each presentation will end no later than 7:00 PM.  
(Child care will be provided)*

## YOUTH PLANT SALES ARE BACK

St. Peter's Youth will sell hanging baskets, flats, and ferns again this year from Riverbend Nurseries to raise funds for their conferences, camps, and mission trips. ALSO, this year, we will be adding a few vegetables and herbs!! The sale will take place EACH SUNDAY from March 1<sup>st</sup> through March 29<sup>th</sup>. ALL orders must be prepaid. NO LATE ORDERS will be accepted. The expected pick up dates will be Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup> from 3:00pm-6:00pm and Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am-12:00noon. Please forward any questions you may have to Lynn June at (931) 223-5336

## OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

### Room In the Inn

The Westminster Church, with the support and assistance from our community, is offering a safe place for folks to receive shelter and compassionate care as they navigate the trauma of homelessness. They receive Spiritual support from local churches and supportive assistance through local agencies, programs and fellowship. The goal is to provide opportunities for independence, housing and employment. We need assistance in restocking Westminster food pantry. Items needed are:

|           |                           |                  |
|-----------|---------------------------|------------------|
| Soups     | Macaroni & Cheese dinners | Rice             |
| Cereal    | Canned Fruit & Vegetables | Peanut Butter    |
| Deodorant | Packs of Instant Potatoes | Saltine Crackers |
| Pop Corn  | Graham Crackers           | Kleenex          |
| Tuna      | Laundry Soap              | Bottled Water    |

A full list of donatable items can be found near the Room In the Inn bin in the Bishops Room.

### Discipleship House for Women

The Discipleship House is a transitional recovery house that has been in operation for the last 12 years and is supported by various churches and individuals and most recently partnered with FreshSTART to provide recovery assistance.

Items needed are:

|                           |                   |               |
|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Dish Washing Detergent    | Laundry Detergent | Toiletries    |
| Toothpaste & Toothbrushes | Paper Towels      | Toilet Tissue |
| Female Hygiene Products   |                   |               |

A full list of donatable items can be found near the Discipleship House bin in the Bishops Room.

### MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

St. Peter's ministry of Church Ushers plays a vital role in our welcome ministry. Ushers help church members and guests experience a wonderful worship service. If you have the heart to serve, we would love to speak to you. Please contact B.I. Naddy at [naddybi@ymail.com](mailto:naddybi@ymail.com) or call the church office (931) 388-3331.

### DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Remember to set your clocks forward 1-hour before  
midnight this Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>.



# Vestry



#### **ST. PETER'S 2019 VESTRY MEMBERS**

Pam Williams, Senior Warden  
Rick Bolton, Junior Warden  
Sarah Robert, Clerk  
Walker Vining, Treasurer

Mary Susan Kennedy  
Jan McKenzie  
Peter Moon  
Tracy Moore  
Sonny Scoggins  
Tom Dake

Neil Clark  
John Olson  
Travis Groth  
Gail Lewis  
Patti Amorello  
Louis Davis





# March



## *Happy Anniversary*

|                       |                  |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| John & Kristin Husaim | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  |
| Neil & Sue Clark      | 17 <sup>th</sup> |
| Tom & Peggy Harmon    | 27 <sup>th</sup> |

## *Happy Birthday*

|                   |                  |                   |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Olivia Bartol     | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | Stacie O'Brien    | 12 <sup>th</sup> |
| Drake Fleming     | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | John Russell Tuck | 13 <sup>th</sup> |
| Whitney DuBois    | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Sally Bowhay      | 13 <sup>th</sup> |
| Amy Moore         | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Rob Fleming       | 14 <sup>th</sup> |
| Zach Walton       | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Stacey Ross       | 14 <sup>th</sup> |
| Carson Sharpe     | 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Emily Holmes      | 15 <sup>th</sup> |
| Judy Dake         | 7 <sup>th</sup>  | Barbara Crawford  | 16 <sup>th</sup> |
| Janet Turner      | 7 <sup>th</sup>  | Pamela Garrett    | 19 <sup>th</sup> |
| Allyiah Crawford  | 8 <sup>th</sup>  | Beth Moore        | 19 <sup>th</sup> |
| Paulette Scoggins | 9 <sup>th</sup>  | Kaylen Manier     | 23 <sup>rd</sup> |
| Joann Belcher     | 11 <sup>th</sup> | Joyce Mays        | 24 <sup>th</sup> |
| Michael Bryan     | 11 <sup>th</sup> | Betsy Duling      | 26 <sup>th</sup> |
| Dawson Gray       | 11 <sup>th</sup> | Karin Roach       | 26 <sup>th</sup> |

# Lay Schedule

## March

| <u>Date</u> | 8:00 a.m.<br><u>Lector /</u><br><u>Eucharistic</u><br><u>Minister</u> | <u>Server</u>    | <u>Lector</u>   | <u>Eucharis</u><br><u>tic</u><br><u>Ministers</u> | <u>Crucifer</u>    | <u>Torch Bearers</u>                  | <u>Host</u>  | <u>Usher</u>                 |
|-------------|---|------------------|-----------------|---|--------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| 1           | Tom Harmon  | Leah Studebaker  | Gunnar Terhune  | Anna Money & Leslie Tudahl                        | Collin Fuller      | Asher Eddlemon & Maya Keeton          | Travis Groth | Connie Hardin & Kile Patrick |
| 8           | Sonny Scoggins  | Grace Vinina     | Sarah Robert    | Gunnar Terhune & Jill Williams                    | Matthew Barton     | Cooper Ross                           | Travis Groth | Connie Hardin & Kile Patrick |
| 15          | Kae Fleming   | Collin Fuller    | Paul Studebaker | Thomas Webster & Perry Terhune                    | Anderson Clayborne | Mary Campbell Webster & Nathan Tartar | Travis Groth | Connie Hardin & Kile Patrick |
| 22          | Bob Thompson  | Anna Money       | Leah Studebaker | Walker Vining & Gunnar Terhune                    | Laith Naddy        | Clair Naddy & Gabriel Naddy           | Travis Groth | Connie Hardin & Kile Patrick |
| 29          | Tom Harmon  | Katherine Vining | Mark Orman      | Rich Sturges & Perry Terhune                      | Anderson Clayborne | Gunnar Terhune & Matthew Bartol       | Travis Groth | Connie Hardin & Kile Patrick |



# March 2020

| Sunday  | Monday  | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday   | Saturday  |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|---|
| <b>1</b><br><b>PLANT SALE</b><br>8:00a & 10:15a<br>Holy Eucharist<br>9:00a Christian Educ<br>11:30a Vestry Exec<br>2:00-5:00p PH reserved<br>7:00p Narcotics<br>Anonymous | <b>2</b><br>8:30a-2:30p Quilters<br>(Lounge)<br><br>7:00p Narcotics<br>Anonymous                          | <b>3</b><br><br>5:15 Estes<br>6:30p Alcoholics<br>Anonymous<br>7:00p Narcotics<br>Anonymous (youth<br>room)   | <b>4</b><br>10:30a Holy Eucharist<br>& Healing Service<br>(chapel)<br>11:15a Ladies Bible<br>5:15p DOK (Lounge)<br>5:30p Evening Prayer<br>6:00p Lenten Supper<br>& Speaker<br>6:45 Choir   | <b>5</b><br><br>5:00p Men's Fellowship<br>(parish hall)<br><br>7:00p Narcotics<br>Anonymous  | <b>6</b><br><br>7:00p Narcotics<br>Anonymous                           | <b>7</b><br><br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous   |
| <b>8</b><br><b>PLANT SALE</b><br>8:00a & 10:15a<br>Holy Eucharist<br>9:00a Christian Educ<br>2:00-5:00p PH reserved<br><br>7p-Narcotics Anonymous                         | <b>9</b><br>8:30a-2:30p Quilters<br>(Lounge)<br><br>6:30p – Scouts (PH)<br><br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous  | <b>10</b><br><br>5p-Finance &<br>Governance<br>(Lounge)<br><br>6:00 Vestry (Lounge)<br>6:00-8:00p PH reserved<br><br>6:30p-Alcoholics<br>Anonymous<br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous | <b>11</b><br>10:30a Holy Eucharist<br>& Healing Service<br>(Chapel)<br>11:15a Ladies Bible<br>Study (Lounge)<br><br>5:30p Evening Prayer<br>6:00p Lenten Supper<br>& Speaker<br><br>6:45p Choir Practice<br><br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous         | <b>12</b><br><br>4:00p Quilters (Lounge)<br>4:00p Coalition (Parish<br>Hall)<br><br>6:30p – Scouts (upstairs)<br><br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous | <b>13</b><br><br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous                             | <b>14</b><br><br>Parish Hall<br>reserved all day<br><br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous         |
| <b>15</b><br><b>PLANT SALE</b><br>8:00a & 10:15a<br>Holy Eucharist<br>9:00a Christian Educ<br><br>7p-Narcotics Anonymous  | <b>16</b><br>8:30a-2:30p Quilters<br>(Lounge)<br><br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous                            | <b>17</b><br><br>6:30p-Alcoholics<br>Anonymous<br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous   | <b>18</b><br>10:30a Holy Eucharist<br>& Healing Svc<br>(Chapel)<br>11:15a Ladies Bible<br>Study (Lounge)<br>4:30p Outreach<br>5:30p Evening Prayer<br>6:00p Lenten Supper<br>& Speaker<br>6:45p - Choir Practice<br><br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous | <b>19</b><br><br>5:00p Building &<br>Grounds (Lounge)<br><br>6:30p-Scouts (PH)<br><br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous                                | <b>20</b><br><br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous                             | <b>21</b><br><br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous  |
| <b>22</b><br><b>PLANT SALE</b><br>8:00a & 10:15a<br>Holy Eucharist<br>9:00a Christian Educ<br><br>7p-Narcotics Anonymous  | <b>23</b><br>8:30a-2:30p Quilters<br>(Lounge)<br><br>6:30p – Scouts (PH)<br><br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous | <b>24</b><br><br>6:30p-Alcoholics<br>Anonymous<br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous   | <b>25</b><br>10:30a Holy Eucharist<br>& Healing Svc (Chapel)<br>11:15a Ladies Bible<br>Study (Lounge)<br><br>5:30p Evening Prayer<br>6:00p Lenten Supper<br>& Speaker<br>6:45p-Choir Practice<br><br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous                    | <b>26</b><br><br>4:00pm Polk Home<br><br>6:30p Scouts (Parish<br>Hall)<br><br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous  | <b>27</b><br><br>Parish Hall Reserved<br><br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous | <b>28</b><br><br>10:00a-4:00p<br>Parish Hall<br>Reserved<br><br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous |
| <b>29</b><br><b>PLANT SALE</b><br>8:00a & 10:15a<br>Holy Eucharist<br>9:00a Christian Educ<br><br>7p-Narcotics Anonymous  | <b>30</b><br>8:30-2:30p – Quilters<br>(Lounge)<br><br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous                           | <b>31</b><br><br>6:30p-Alcoholics<br>Anonymous<br>7p-Narcotics<br>Anonymous   |   |  |  |   |