

THE NEW VISION

October, 2009

of St. Nathaniel's Episcopal Church

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FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Friends,

Fall is upon us and our community life at St Nathaniel's is rapidly returning to normal.

Programs such as the two Bible Studies is back in full swing, plus a new Bible Study 101, choir, Daughters of the King, MAG, ECW and the Sunday Educational Forum and Children's program. It is always my goal to have everyone in the parish participating in some activity of the Church. We continue to look for new Eucharistic Ministers and readers at both services, Eucharistic Home Ministers, ushers, greeters, thrift & gift shop volunteers, choir members, plus altar guild workers. If you think you might like to include these in your ministry please speak with me.

We came through the summer better than last year mainly because of moving the Thrift Shop to the Church, the Gift Shop being open, the yard and bake sales, the monthly dinners, and people remembering to send their pledges back while they are traveling. All of that put together made a big difference and we thank you.

I am looking forward to doing the program SWOT again on October 17th at 9:00am. It is time for us to look once again at who we are and where we

are going at St. Nathaniel's – evaluate programs and discover new ones that God may put in our path. I am really counting on many of you participating, new and seasoned members. This is a way for you to help your parish move forward in order to help her parishioners on their spiritual path.

Starting in October I will be offering a healing service every Wednesday at 10:00am and celebrating the Saints Days of that particular week. I look forward to you joining me.

Let us be the Church that our Lord is calling us to be, open, compassionate, friendly and faithful.

Blessings, For His Sake

Rev Pat

Wednesday Night Bible Study



We meet on Wednesday nights at 7 pm after choir practice. The title of our study is BEHOLD THE MAN ,the life of Christ. The course is 13 weeks long and will finish before Christmas.

Please call Barbara Musgrove (426-4514) for more information.

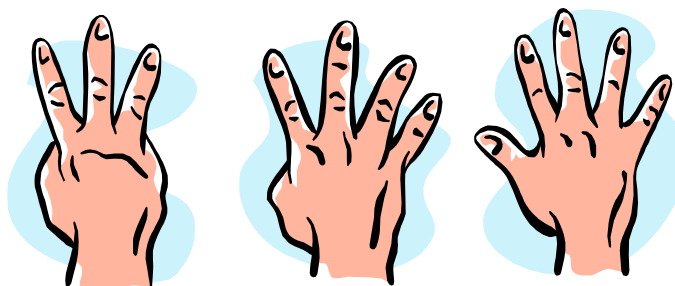
ECW news



At our September meeting we set the date for our **annual Christmas Bazaar**. It will be held on November 14 in conjunction with the church yard sale.

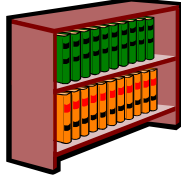
Our **October meeting** will be **October 3**. We will have a brief program on Crime Prevention. All women and men are welcome.

COUNTING SCHEDULE



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| OCTOBER 4 | HENDERSON STUART
BRIAN COX |
| OCTOBER 11 | MARY ELLEN SPECK
BARBARA LANDRY
GAIL PASCHAL |
| OCTOBER 18 | LARRY MUSGROVE
HELENE CHARPENTIER |
| OCTOBER 25 | PAUL & PAM MEREDITH
RUTH GULLIKSON |

If the above schedule is inconvenient for anyone, please call me at 426-7275 to reschedule.



The BOOK CLUB will meet the third Wednesday, October 21, in the Library at 12:00, or if you want to help with rearranging the library come at 11:00 with a sack lunch. There is always an interesting discussion. We will watch the DVD

October's book is THE LAST LECTURE by Randy Rausch. THE LAST LECTURE is a celebration of life and a book of lessons for everyone. When Randy Rausch found he only had a short time to live he gave a "last lecture" to his university class meant really for his young children. "These are the things I won't get to tell them over the next twenty years." Touching and thought provoking.

Handy Craft & Gift Shop



We have received a new order in with many new items. We are so happy so many people are now using us as their first place to look for gift items for family and friends.

We have still been able to maintain giving the general fund of the church \$100.00 a month to help with our finances from our profits. Please stop in and see all we have in our shop.
Bonnie Cox

St. Nathaniel's Junior Choir



Well, we are in school again and ready to start a new season in Sunday school. As we have a few more children again we want to try and start up the Junior Choir. We will rehearse during Sunday school time while parents are at Coffee hour. This only takes about 15 minutes extra and the children will learn some fun praise songs which they will sing once a month if we have full participation at Sunday 10 am service (usually after a puppet sermon). I will start meeting with them on Sept 13th for our first rehearsal. We will check with the parents to be sure we have everyone available for the performance dates. Hope to see you on Sept 13th to learn to sing praises to our Lord. I am looking forward to having Alana Smith as my junior assistant. Bonnie Cox

Altar Guild for June and July



October

Set up Sat and remove after Sunday 10am service.

Judy Graf

Alana Flaherty

Rachelle Maietta

8am set up

Shirley Bettencourt

Manny Bettencourt

Thank you.

Pam Meredith

Kudos to Barbara Musgrove for continuing on as President of ECW...

Thanks to Ken Leonowicz, for all you did to make our September 5th dinner such a success...thanks too to the additional help in the kitchen and dining room...Fund Raisers are really "fun" for all that participated!

Bonnie, What a great job you are doing in our Gift Shop...thank you for your time and efforts...

Thanks to all that contributed a donation for the work and mission of Rev. Pat...it was appreciated by the Bishop of Brasilia...What a great group of people here at St. Nathaniel's...

SPOTLIGHT



A very special congratulations to our own Rev. Pat on becoming a Canon of the Episcopal Church...We are so proud of you, Canon Pat...

Morning Prayer

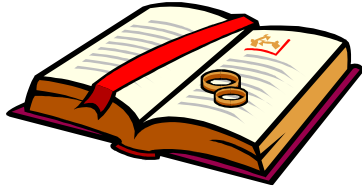
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

8:30am



We are trying to involve as many people as possible for information or questions please contact: Ed Rigoulot 426 6784

Bible Study 101



For all those who were interested in Bible Study 101, we will begin on October 8th, Thursday, at 6:30pm. Please sign up in the Narthex or speak to the Rector for more details.



Wednesday Healing Services

Starting the first Wednesday in October the 7th, Rev Pat will conduct "Healing Services" at 10:00am. She will also celebrate the Saints Days of that particular week. Everyone is invited!

SWOT

*Strengths – Weaknesses –
Opportunities – Threats.*

What is SWOT? It is a full day workshop where the parish comes together to look at the parishes, Strengths – Weaknesses – Opportunities – Threats. This workshop was offered back in 2002 and helped in forming St Nathaniel's future plans. It is time to look once again at these four items and plan again for the next period of history. Mark your calendars – October 17th Saturday, beginning at 9:00am, bring a lunch and beverages will be provided. This is an opportunity to help your church grow. Join us!

Treasurer's Report August, 2009



Income	\$9836.49
Expenses	<u>(\$12890.09)</u>
Surplus (Loss)	(\$3053.60)
YTD Surplus (Loss)	(\$669.98)

DIRECTORIES & NAME TAGS

Church family directories are available at \$4.00 to cover photos, printing etc., also magnetic name tags can be ordered cost approximately \$5.50. Check with Rev.Pat or Sr.Warden, Mary Smith.

Thank You

Many thanks to the following - Jane Taylor & friend Mac, Dolores Bob Warbuton, Flossie Powers, Marilyn Russo, Alma Pina, Pete & Nancy Maher, Brian Cox, June Stark, Tom Custodian & Henderson Stuart. Your help at the yard sale was very much appreciated - we had a really good day despite the weather.

Thanks again.
Mary Smith, Sr, Warden.

Trip To Brazil

Today is Sunday and the first Sunday to return to North Port...What a wonderful time we had in Brasília and Rio...

The time in Brasilia flew by so quickly. Bishop Mauricio planned our entire five days...and what wonderful days they were...the caring and humility this man has was amazing...We witnessed first hand the missions that Bishop Mauricio started with the help of Rev. Pat and Liz. The children we met were happy and content with their lives...we received many hugs and smiles and couldn't help leaving with a smile on our faces...The homes that they lived in were little more

than the size of a garage...lined up very close together...One little boy was very proud of his home and pointed it out to us on our walk with the children...what a lesson we learned! On to Pedregal, we saw the church that we pray for each Sunday...the entrance way was made of granite...and upon entering the church, we were struck with the simplicity of the interior...that afternoon we sang songs with the priest of the church along with some others. We were accompanied by Pete Richard. What a blessed day!

Bishop Mauricio and his wife Sandra invited us to their home...the night was filled with laughter and love. Rev. Pat and Liz were surprised to see many of their old friends, some had flown into Brasilia from other parts of Brazil. There were about twenty people including the Bishop's family who welcomed us and made us feel at home. The amazing thing was that the stove in the kitchen had four burners close to each other, the width of the stove was about 15 inches. Ella and Regina were especially surprised at the width. The salmon was cooked in a very small pan about the size of a broken egg...one piece of fish at a time. The house was simple by our standards...but oh so filled with the

love of God.

The Cathedral where Rev. Pat became a Canon looked beautiful. The weather proved to be fantastic. We were so proud to be there as Rev. Pat became a Canon. The Church was adored with flowers and there were many priests on the altar to support Rev. Pat. The size of the church was small compared to St. Nathaniel's but beautiful. Pete Richard read the first reading and later in the Service he played the guitar and we sang "Surely the Presence" for the congregation. Bishop Mauricio was grateful for the donation given by the people of St. Nathaniel's in thanksgiving for the life of Rev. Pat. During the week, we visited two churches in the area that were not only beautiful but unique. The Bishop's son gave us a tour of the Capital building and we learned a lot about their government. That day, was the first day for the building to be opened for tours. Pictures were taken for the paper and our very own Joan Lander was interviewed and quoted in the article...we are now waiting for the translation into English...

The time went much too quickly...The Bishop and Sandra, along with the many friends of Rev. Pat and Liz, accompanied us to the airport...what a wonderful group of people. We felt so welcomed in

Brasilia it was hard to say goodbye.

The first day in Rio was one we will not forget...we went to Sugar Loaf Mountain that over looked the city of Rio, ...the sunset that day was a little clouded but didn't put a damper on our fun. Wednesday, we headed for the statue of Christ...what an awesome experience, it is difficult to find the words to express the emotion we felt...It seemed to me that a tear should be on His face as He looked out at the sadness in the world...it was a very moving sight. Rev. Pat showed us the slum where she and Liz worked for two years...this was very moving and gave us food for thought...

Finally, we said good-bye to this wonderful country, tired but filled with the sights and love for the many new friends that we met. This trip that will stay with us forever...Rev. Pat made our journey a reality...We will never be able to thank her enough for all she did to make this possible such as keeping us safe and being there when we needed a translator, (which was almost all the time)...We love you, Canon Pat!

HALLOWEEN PARTY



TO: ALL WHO WANT A GOOD TIME!

FROM: COMMITTEE FOR THE HALLOWEEN PARTY

WHEN: OCTOBER 30TH AT 5:30PM

COST: ONLY A DISH TO SHARE ...IT IS A POT LUCK NIGHT!

BYOB!

Prizes for the best costumes...

Did you know that Halloween means the night before All Saint's Day...

Keeping this in mind, please don't wear a witch or devil costume...

THEME PARTY...

silent auction



The Theme Party is scheduled for March 13, 2010...We would like this theme party to be the biggest and best so far...

It is early, but we would like you to start thinking of something that you would be willing to donate...ex. A dinner, wine glasses, a massage, movie tickets, pizza.etc.

For those who haven't attended, we had 76 gifts last year to raffle off in a silent auction...It is lots of fun...We brought in over \$2,000.

For further information, see Pat Kralle

DON'T FORGET...START THINKING OF SOMETHING THAT YOU COULD DONATE...WE WILL GLADLY ACCEPT YOUR DONATION ANYTIME DURING THE NEXT FEW MONTHS.

God Bless



YARD SALE

Saturday, October 14,

2009

8:00am TO 1:00pm

COME JOIN US FOR A
FUN MORNING
INCLUDES:

BAKE SALE
LUNCH - HOT DOGS

THRIFT SHOP

Several real bargains and interesting items for sale.



Small fan, still in box - 2 fabric fold-up chairs for beach or stadium, used once - beach/garden umbrella - excellent condition, small pet carrier - new table cloths - 2 ladies bicycles - large paper shredder - beautiful large landscape picture & frame - Avon Christmas collectors plates, dated.

Come check out the store. The Managers & Sr. Warden

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



October 6	Helene Charpentier
October 6	James Meredith
October 11	Linda Hicks
October 11	Barbara Landry
October 14	Christopher Wood
October 17	Ken Gaghan
October 19	James Wrisley
October 22	Esther Bridge
October 23	Ruth O'Neil
October 24	Robson Powers
October 24	Peter Richard
October 24	Dolores Warbutton
October 25	Leslie Daniels
October 29	Marguerite Widell
October 30	Tanya Beaulieu
October 30	Marjorie Craig

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES



October 11	Ed & Joan Rigoulot
October 26	Peter & Ella Richard
October 29	Bob & Dolores Warbutton

Nuts & Bolts October	Week 1 4th	Week 2 11th	Week 3 18th	Week 4 25th
8 a.m.				
Eucharistic Ministers	Jim Meredith	Linda Meredith	Ken Leonowicz	Kitty Leonowicz
Lectors	Kitty Leonowicz Ruth Gullikson	Bill Haugh Rayetta Haugh	Marijane McEwan Paul Meredith	Ruth Gullikson Elaine Allin
Prayers of The People	Kitty Leonowicz	Bill Haugh	Marijane McEwan	Ruth Gullikson
10 a.m.				
Eucharistic Ministers	Ella Richard	Ed Rigoulot	Pete Maher	Kathy Trimble
Lectors	Regina Breeden Pete Maher	Ina Chevannes Larry Musgrove	Liz Daniel Pete Richard	Pat Kralle Dick Widell
Prayers of the People	Barbara Lynch	Nancy Maher	Dorothy Teague	Ed Rigoulot
Ushers	Rick Kovach Bonnie Patterson	Barbara Lynch June Stark	Dorothy Teague Larry Musgrove	Everett Pina Alma Pina
Greeters	Mary Ellen Speck Judy Griffing	Ethel Bertrand Judy Graf	Ed Rigoulot Rachel Maietta	Judy Graf Ethel Bertrand

October

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
				1 Food Packing 1:45 pm GEM Dinner 6:00 pm	2 USDA 9:00 am – 1 pm Monthly Dinner 4:30 – 7:00 pm Western Night 6:30 – 8:00 pm	3 Service – 8:30 am ECW/MAG Breakfast/Meeting 9:00 am Guest Speaker
4 Services 8:00 & 10:00 am	5 Bible Study 9:00 am Quilters 10:00 am	6 Morning Prayers 8:30 am Chair Exercises 2:15 pm DOK – 7:00 pm	7 Morning Prayers 8:30am Healing Service 10:00 am Choir Practice 6:00 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm	8 Bible 101 6:30 pm	9 Morning Prayers 8:30 am Convention	10 Convention Yard/Bake Sale 8:00 – 1:00 Hot Dog Lunch 10:30 – 1:00
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