

The All Souls Message

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From the Rector

Passing it On

Not too long ago I met someone who had attended Randolph College in Lynchburg, Virginia, the school that used to be known as Randolph Macon Women's College. Meeting this person reminded me of my friend Mary and a story she told me about generosity and the passing on of such generosity to others.

Mary grew up in a big West Virginia family, and there was no extra money to send anyone to college. But Mary was smart, and her teachers noticed, her neighbors noticed, and someone at her church noticed.

One day Mary came home from school and her mother told her that one of the ladies from church wanted Mary to visit her. Since this sounded important, Mary got dressed up and went downtown to meet with the woman. After iced tea and sandwiches, the older woman from church said, "Mary, listen to me carefully. I want to send you to college. I'm going to pay for it all, everything you need. But I'll only do this if you can promise me two things: the first is that you tell no one outside your family that this gift is from me. The second thing is that you promise not to thank me in any way, but one day (and you'll know the day) you will pay to put someone else through college. Do you think you can do this?"

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Mary didn't have to think long before she accepted the woman's offer, even though she worried that she might not be able to follow through with the commitment she had made to send someone else through college. But she prayed, and she trusted that God would help provide a way. She ended up attending Randolph Macon, studied hard and graduated, and now is an inspirational leader in her church and community almost forty years later. And yes, Mary has sent two people to college, making with them the same bargain that the lady from West Virginia had made with her so many years ago.

Stewardship is about giving. It is about offering our time and our abilities and our money to God and God's work. But things like completed pledge cards, time volunteered, schedules and rotas filled out are just the details. Stewardship is really about passing on the good that we have been given.

I invite you to think of this stewardship season as a time for "passing it on." Try to remember

when you first came to All Souls—was there one person who offered you a particular word of welcome or acceptance? If so, I encourage you to offer a similar word to a newcomer. Were there particular activities that seemed to be going on that promoted the life and energy and mission of the parish? If so, then I encourage you to help create additional activities or add your energy to some that are already in existence. As you pray about passing on the gifts, try to imagine who might need All Souls in the future. As we each commit to a specific target number on a pledge card—the amount we will give to the operating budget of All Souls—I wonder if we can begin to imagine the people who will benefit from the lights, the heating, the music and liturgy, the programs, the printed materials, the instruments, the staff and clergy, the grounds and facilities—all the things that our money helps to provide.

All Souls is only one place where the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ is proclaimed and lived out, but it is OUR place. It is the place some of us have chosen, while for others it is a place that has chosen us. As we celebrate all the gifts God has given us, may we be alert to how the Spirit might urge us to pass these gifts on to others at All Souls, in the wider community, and throughout the world.

John Beddingfield ■

See "In this issue" on page 2.

I was recently reading something that our new rector wrote about what builds a church. The word “faithful” kept appearing. It became clear to me that stewardship is a direct reflection of our faithfulness and of our priorities: faithfulness to God, and where God is placed on our “to do” list. We are called to manage the gifts we are given by using them for the greater glory of God.

Oh, how we hate to talk about money, especially at church. It makes us uncomfortable, to say the least. I have been thinking about this uneasiness; this topic that makes us squirm in our pews, stirs our consciences, and even makes us feel guilty.

St. Francis said, “...remember when you leave this earth, you can take nothing you have received...but only what you have given...” A great mystery, is it not?

I believe the answer to this mystery of giving and receiving lies somewhere in our faith in God’s promises and in our faithfulness to God. When we share our gifts, we give God more and more room to operate in our lives. We live more faithfully and in doing so become less interested in “ownership” and more interested in “stewardship.”

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Joy clearly has
something to do
with using well
what we've been given.
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*The Most Reverend
Katharine Jefferts Schori
Presiding Bishop*

Jesus often reminds us about the joy of traveling light, and about the burden of things, which can separate us from God. Giving of our time, talent, and treasure allows us to unburden ourselves, exercise our faithfulness, and receive the real joy God intends for us to experience.

The annual stewardship pilgrimage gives us an opportunity to re-evaluate where we are, to see if we are being faithful to or being held back from God. All kinds of charts and graphs and suggested giving tables are available to us but

ultimately we all must have that important conversation with God. You know the conversation I am referring to: the one that begins with thanksgiving for all of our gifts and blessings and ends with asking for guidance from the Holy Spirit as we fill out our pledge card.

There are many reasons for pledging to All Souls: some personal, some practical. In the end, we pledge because it is the right thing to do. It is an act of faith that allows more room for God to move in our lives. It is what people in a faith community do. It allows us to share our blessings. It helps us to solve the great mystery of giving and receiving.

And then, there is JOY! The great gift of joy that comes from God when we do something good and right and unselfish. When we extend ourselves far from where we think we can go and we are awash in God’s grace.

Will Rogers said, “Go out on a limb, that’s where the fruit is.” For us the fruit is God’s continuing grace and JOY.

Nancye Suggs ■

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on Stewardship Sunday, October 28,
and conclude on Christ the King Sunday, November 25.*

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The Message is published every two months except for a June/July/August issue and a single issue in September.

As this column is being written, it is late summer and I am focusing on completion of the sidewalks/retaining wall project. However, I am beginning to think seriously about the next phase of our handicapped accessibility effort, which is the construction of an elevator.

As you have noticed, All Souls has extremely challenging staircases. They are steep and the steps themselves are high. I have watched a generation of seniors and people with disabilities (permanent or temporary) struggle with these and experience both distress and humiliation as they tried to maneuver them, causing delays and long back-ups as people head en masse to the undercroft. Surely we, as a church, can do better than that for our most physically fragile parishioners?

A bit of history

When Pat Dresser was senior warden in 1999, she commissioned a building study for the church and the administration/education wing. At the time, the need for an elevator was noted and a price of \$150,000 was quoted. However, we did nothing about such a project at the time. We waited. As All Souls waited, the cost estimate is now up to \$200,000. The longer we wait, the

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more an elevator will cost, which is in itself a good argument for deciding that the time for an elevator project is overdue.

Is the cost estimate of \$200,000 a firm one?

As we all know, the idea of a “firm” cost estimate is almost oxymoronic. Elevators require a great deal of electricity. Our parish has been extremely proactive about increasing the amperage available to us over the years, so we may be in better shape than other churches. As we proceed, we shall have to involve PEPCO, which these days is quite obsessive about replacing aging infrastructure (at the cost of the customer). Just recently, PEPCO

required another Episcopal church in Washington that was building an elevator to replace the lines going out into the street at a whopping \$25,000.

There will probably be incidental costs.

It appears that the best place for an elevator shaft is next to the doors in the nave that lead to our parish offices. The Nativity Window that already occupies that space would have to be relocated or incorporated into the design of the elevator itself. This is just one example of an incidental expense to which we will have to give attention.

As you consider your pledge amount for the year, consider also how much money you can contribute to our handicapped accessibility project, and, specifically, for an elevator. We did a great job, as a parish, financing and executing phase I. Let's do the same for phase II, the installation of an elevator.

Ray Myrtle ■

Copy deadline for articles
for the December 2007/January 2008 issue
of The Message is October 28, 2007

Please have your articles in George Barnum's hands by that date. Electronic submission preferred at message.allsoulsdc@gmail.com. Please also send a copy to allsouls1@aol.com. Call George with story ideas, questions, and comments at (W) 202/512-1801, extension 32067, or (H) 202/986-2998. ■

In the September issue, the first half of the fall offerings in the Adult Forum were detailed. In the second half of the fall program, longtime All Souls member Joe Howell, a graduate of Union Theological Seminary in New York, will facilitate a five-week discussion series on the history of the early church.

November 4

**The Early Church:
Something New is about
to Happen!**

What was the cultural, political, and social climate like leading up to Christ's ministry? Learn about Greek and Roman influences on the culture of the world, and how the Jewish culture was in a time of transition that made things ripe for Christ's ministry.

November 11

**The Early Church:
What Happened?!**

Both the scriptures and history inform us that a radical change began after Christ's death and resurrection. The Church was established, and its influence was sweeping through the societies around the Mediterranean. In this session, we will discuss the influence of the early church.

November 18

The Early Church: Enter Paul

One of the most influential people in the early church was Paul. Not only did he write the majority of the books in the New Testament, but he provided a bridge between Jewish and Gentile followers of Christ.

November 25

Thanksgiving Weekend, no forum

December 2

**The Early Church:
Enter the Gospels**

As the Church faced greater and greater persecution and felt that the "last days" were upon them, the task of preserving the faith became important. How was the faith to be preserved? In this discussion, we will talk about the many different gospels that were written and how those that have entered our canon were selected. We will also discuss the important differences in theology among the canonical Gospels.

December 9

**The Early Church:
The Road to Nicea**

Many think that the road from Christ to the institutionalization of the church at the Council of Nicea was straight and smooth. Come learn about the many bumps along the way. We will discuss how concepts of orthodoxy were developed, the various heresies of the time, and the role of the great councils of the Church.

December 16

**The Stories of the Carols
with Norman Whitmire**

Have you ever wondered about the stories behind some of our most famous Christmas carols? Norman Whitmire will lead a discussion about the history of our Christmas classics.

December 23 Christmas Holiday, no forum

December 30: New Year's Holiday, no forum

Shawn Strout ■

2007 Grants from the Endowment Fund

The Endowment Fund Board met in June to consider grant requests for 2007. With the approval of the vestry in June the following grants were awarded:

In the Washington area

COLLEGE BOUND—SAT preparatory classes for underprivileged public school students
\$4,900

DC SQUASH ACADEMY—funding for three core program components: squash instruction, tutoring, and cultural activities for disadvantaged junior high school students in two Capitol Hill area schools
\$4,000

DEPARTMENT OF SPIRITUAL CARE, GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL—stipend for a chaplain in the ICU for 4 hours per week for one year
\$5,000

TRANSITIONAL HOUSING CORPORATION—request for area Episcopal churches to match a challenge grant from St. Francis Episcopal Church for THC Affordable Housing Fund
\$1,000

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*Our resources
in the endowment
are making a difference
in the world..*
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VOLUNTEERS FOR NEGLECTED AND ABUSED CHILDREN, D.C. DISTRICT COURT—grant to purchase a laptop computer and software that provides for 24 hours a day and seven-day a week access to resources and contacts for high risk cases
\$2,200

International Grants

ST. JOHN HOSPITAL JERUSALEM—grant to the Pediatric Patient Care Fund to cover costs for those families with no resources for a child’s care
\$5,000

WYCLIFF BIBLE TRANSLATORS—assisting a Bible translation team in the Philippines including the daughter of a parish member Jim Barnett
\$1,000

All Souls

REPLACEMENT OF THE RETAINING WALL in the front of the church
\$14,000
MOVING EXPENSES for the new

rector, if needed, up to \$15,000. The endowment board also manages the rectory fund with the intention of providing \$20,000 per year to the rector’s housing allowance. In late August the vestry notified the endowment board that a transfer of funds would not be needed for the remainder of 2007 and that the Vestry did not need help toward the rector’s moving expenses. The investments can continue to earn funds for subsequent years.

The endowment board wishes to thank the congregation for bringing to our attention all of the requests to reach out in mission and ministry to those near and far. Our resources in the endowment are making a difference in the world.

Pat Dresser,
Chair of the Endowment Fund Board ■

Application forms for grants for 2008 will be available in the parish office in January and are due early in February.

Flu Shot Day at All Souls

*It's almost that time of year again:
flu season!*

The HELP (Health Enhancement for Lay People) Committee will be sponsoring a Flu Shot Day on Saturday, October 27, from 10 a.m.–1 p.m. in the undercroft. (See related article on page 10.)

We have contacted a private flu vaccine provider who works with a number of HMOs and local supermarkets and who has a national contract with Medicare. They will provide the vaccine free of charge to those with Medicare, with a charge of \$25 for others. The vaccine is recommended for those individuals over age 65, those with chronic illnesses or immune deficiencies, and those who have any close contact with any of these groups or young children. If there is no shortage of vaccine, all other interested individuals who are not allergic to egg products can get immunized as well.

The invitation is extended not only to the All Souls community but to the larger community, as an outreach ministry. So bring relatives, friends, and neighbors who are interested. If there are any questions, please contact Al Muller at 301-657-1671. ■

St. Francis Day Celebrations

Our celebration of St. Francis Day begins on Thursday, October 4, with Matins at 7:15 a.m. followed by Low Mass. We continue our celebration on Saturday, October 6, at 3 p.m. gathering on the front lawn of the church for Evening Prayer and the Blessing of Animals. Please bring animal companions as we give thanks to God for all the special creatures that grace our lives. Within the liturgy there is an opportunity to name, give thanks for, and bless with holy water our animal companions. Those who have lost a beloved animal companion may also find this an appropriate occasion to bring a picture or other token of remembrance, that we might give thanks. Spread the word, as this is a perfect opportunity to invite friends and newcomers. ■

Vestry Meeting Notes

August 11, 2007

- Special meeting on personnel matters concerning the music program. ■

Koinonia

Koinonia (koy-nohn-ee'-ah) is the Greek word for fellowship and at All Souls, Koinonia invites young adults to gather for discussion, social events, and other opportunities to get to know other people while deepening faith in God.

Every Friday night All Souls offers Low Mass at 7 p.m. The Mass is normally celebrated by the rector using Rite I of the Book of Common Prayer. After Mass, Koinonia often adjourns to a neighborhood restaurant. For more information sign up to be a part of the Yahoo Group at groups.yahoo.com/group/allsouls_2030 or send an email to Norman Whitmire, normmd2@comcast.net. ■

Senior Lunch Bunch

All “wise and mature” All Souls members and their friends are invited to attend these special luncheons on October 31 and November 28, 2006, hosted by Father John and Mark Hoffman, Episcopal Senior Ministries (ESM) Representative. They will include a gourmet meal and beverages. Don’t miss out on this time of fellowship and good conversation. *RSVP to the parish office by the Monday before each luncheon if you are planning to attend.* ■

Before my first Sunday at All Souls, I celebrated the weekday Masses on Wednesday and Thursday. When I went into the church on Wednesday, I noticed that the altar in the Mary Chapel was set up using a red burse and veil. Red, for martyrs. I wondered who I had forgotten. Had I lost track of an important feast day? When I looked at the Ordo Kalendar on my desk, I realized that on September 5 the Kalendar would have us remember Boris and Gleb, also known as Romanus and David. I didn't know who these people were, so I turned to my bookshelf. *Lesser Feasts and Fasts*, published by the Episcopal Church, did not include them. Nor were they included in the *Oxford Dictionary of Saints*. Finally, I went to the internet. There I learned that Boris and Gleb were eleventh century Russian princes who tried to live as Christians in an era marked more by warfare and power struggles. The Orthodox Church celebrates these two men as saints. But they are not listed in our Prayer Book or any other Anglican resources, nor are they celebrated by Roman Catholics. Therefore, we used green on the altar that Wednesday, and I celebrated Mass for a weekday after Pentecost.

My first week at All Souls brought up a common problem among Episcopalians: who are our saints and when should we commemorate them? The Church of England wrestled with this question, and the Episcopal Church continues to wrestle with it. Many of us are aware of the feeling that some people seem especially holy, especially close to God, and we want to be like them: maybe it's our grandmother; maybe it's the lady who works down the hall; maybe it's the person who lives in our building. Though we may struggle

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O God, the King of saints,
we praise and magnify
thy holy Name
for all thy servants
who have finished their course
in thy faith and fear;
for the blessed Virgin Mary;
for the holy patriarchs,
prophets, apostles, and martyrs;
and for all other
thy righteous servants,
known to us and unknown;
and we beseech thee that,
encouraged by their examples,
aided by their prayers,
and strengthened
by their fellowship,
we also may be partakers
of the inheritance
of the saints in light;
through the merits of thy Son
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.
”

theologically and philosophically with the idea of sainthood, it's one of those things that, in our hearts, we know a saint when we see one.

The two feasts of All Saints (November 1) and All Souls (November 2) give us time and space to sort out these questions. These feasts invite us into a place of prayer as we sit before God and contemplate, adore, and give thanks.

Historically, All Saints was the day when the famous saints, the spiritual A-team, was honored. These might include people like the apostles, the martyrs, and others like Teresa of Avila, John of the Cross, Catherine of Siena, and Ignatius of Loyola. The next day, All Souls, was to commemorate the saints we all have known, the saints closeup and closeby, the people we have loved and lost, the relatives, spouses, partners, family members, coworkers, and friends who have died, but who live with God in the Communion of Saints.

**I invite you to join us for
any of the liturgies around the
FEASTS OF ALL SAINTS
and
ALL SOULS.**

**We will celebrate ALL SAINTS
DAY on Thursday, November 1
with the regular services of
Matins at 7:15 a.m. and Low
Mass at 7:30 a.m.**

**ALL SOULS DAY will be observed
on Friday, November 2, at 7:00
p.m.**

**The primary celebration for All
Saints will be on Sunday,
November 4.**

John Beddingfield ■

Got Stuff? We all do!

Yard Sale +

Saturday, October 27 from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. is your chance to get rid of it at the All Souls yard sale. There are two ways for you to participate:

- You can buy a table and tend it yourself and keep your sale proceeds
- You can donate your stuff and all proceeds go to the church.

Open House +

On the same day we will also be having an open house so friends

and neighbors can see our beautiful church and meet some of the wonderful people who worship here.

Flu Shots +

And if that's not enough excitement, flu shots will also be available in the undercroft from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (See article on page 6.)

Bake Sale +

All this in addition to a bake sale and our regular weekly farmer's market.

= An Extravaganza

This one-day extravaganza gives us all a chance to clean our closets, show off our church, meet some new people, and protect our health!

We will need volunteers to help with the open house, the yard sale, and the bake sale, and to distribute notices to the neighborhood. Please contact Marcia Anderson if you'd like to help.

Look for flyers with more information in the coming weeks. In the meantime please feel free to contact Marcia Anderson with questions or ideas.

Marcia Anderson ■

*Cause me, O Lord my God,
More and more to comprehend and acknowledge
What I owe you
What I owe others
What I owe myself.*

-Eric Milner White

The Vestry and Stewardship Committee ask that every member and friend of All Souls Parish prayerfully and carefully consider their commitment to the work of this parish in the community and the world, and make a pledge of time, talent, and treasure for the coming year.

All Souls' 2007 Stewardship Pilgrimage will begin on Stewardship Sunday, October 28, and conclude on Christ the King Sunday, November 25. Every member will receive a pledge card, and cards will be available at the church throughout the pilgrimage. Please complete the card and place it in the offering basin, or mail it to the parish office.



You are invited
to an All Souls Tradition

Come join parishioners of All Souls, our families, friends, and neighbors on November 22 for our annual Thanksgiving Day dinner in the undercroft. Our tradition on this national day of thanks is to reach out and draw others into the warmth of our parish family and our kitchen. The outreach opportunity also extends to Christ House, whose residents benefit from the extra food that we always seem to prepare.

We encourage you to spend as much of the day at All Souls as you like. Some of us will arrive by 8 a.m. to begin cooking, and we enjoy having extra hands and enthusiastic onlookers in the kitchen to knead dough, prepare dressing, and set the tables. The turkeys go into the oven at 9 a.m.

We will celebrate Holy Eucharist at 10 a.m., and invite those at the Mass to join us downstairs for cooking and fellowship through the early afternoon, fueled by light appetizers, wine, and soft drinks. We'll pop champagne corks at 3 p.m. and serve dinner shortly thereafter.

Please join us for this day of camaraderie and appreciation for our many blessings. Look for details in upcoming bulletins. Contributions of food, beverages, and funds are most welcome, as are helping hands in the kitchen. 🍁

🍁 P.S. This wonderful day depends on someone stepping forward to plan, coordinate, and manage the event.

Volunteer to Nancye Suggs. 🍁



2007
Holiday Bazaar

Starting the middle of November, we will be selling pecan halves; plain, cinnamon glazed, and chocolate covered clusters for your holiday cooking, gifts, and eating enjoyment. We will also be selling Colonial Candles of Cape Cod, recycled Christmas ornaments, and unused holiday paper and cards donated by members of the parish. These goodies are available during the breakfast between Masses and during coffee hour, and will continue until December 16 or until supplies are exhausted. Proceeds of the bazaar go to the Outreach Committee.

We are now accepting donations of ornaments, wrapping paper, cards, and any other Christmas items you think we can sell. Please place your donations on the landing to the right of the stage in the undercroft and label them for the Holiday Bazaar. We stop accepting items on December 16.

We need volunteers to help set up, sell, and put away Bazaar items. Please call me at (703) 525-0262 or leave a message with Barry Huber at the church office (202) 232-4244 if you can help.

Butch Bradburn,
Holiday Bazaar chairman

Baptism Dates (as of 09/07/07)

October

- 1 Walter Parker
Taylor Shinbur
- 5 Tom Esch
- 6 Michael Giorgilli
- 7 Max Miebach
- 8 Carlos Guerra
John Matthews
- 9 Lillian Atdjian
- 10 Nancy Aherne
Erling Hansen
Charles Petrosky
Artie Roach
Marko Zlatich
- 11 Rose Gordy
Adam Kulawiec
- 14 Ford Chinworth
- 15 Beth Goodrich
- 19 Valerie Levanos
- 22 Bill Miller
- 23 David Hollis
- 25 Edward Ponzi
- 28 Fr. Dan Gross
Joe Priester
- 30 Mickey Norris
- 31 Tim Johnson

November

- 1 Jim Child
Trish Cleary
Erin Lenox
Max Lenox
- 2 Denisse Prado
Frank Rettig
- 3 Kevin Biersack
Caroline Shea
Ken Williams
- 4 Karl Koons
Calvin Zon
- 5 Chris Cobb
Langley Custer
- 6 Miriam Esch Levanos
- 9 Mike McGee
- 10 Stephen Lovell
- 12 Scott Cecil
- 14 Regina Dading
- 15 Ruth Anna Stolk
- 16 Emma Saenz
- 18 Melissa Meyers
Paula Taitt
- 19 Al Mottur
- 21 Claire Kulawiec
Elizabeth Witter
- 23 Sally Kuisel
- 28 Joe Howell

Honoring the Great Sacrament of Baptism

If your name is missing from this list and you would like to receive a baptism anniversary card from the church, or if there is a mistake, please call the parish office at 202/232-4244, and ask for Robin Jones.

The Parish Register (as of 09/07/07)

Baptisms*

None

Burials

None

Confirmations

None

Marriages

July 14, 2007
Elizabeth Kay George &
Ricky Jon Witter

Transfers In

Erwin Soriano de Leon
From St. Mary the Virgin,
New York City

Transfers Out

None

*** Upcoming dates for Baptism are:**

- The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 7, 2007
- The Feast of the Epiphany,
January 6, 2008
- Easter Vigil, March 22, 2008
- Easter Sunday, March 23, 2008
- The Day of Pentecost

SUNDAY SCHOOL^{^ 1}
HALLOWEEN
PARTY!!

Saturday, October 20, 2006
6 p.m. 'til...

Costumes ??
Of course !!!

(grown-ups too and bring
family and friends!!)

Food and soft drinks will be provided.
Please feel free to bring anything
stronger if you like.

Please RSVP to:
Marcia Anderson
Email:
marcia.a.anderson@smithbarney.com
Phone:
202-332-4513 after 7 p.m.

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The mission of All Souls Church is to be a Christ-centered sanctuary where a diverse community worships and serves. We live this mission through faithful celebration of the Eucharist, Christian education, and loving nurture of both members and neighbors. ■

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