

## **THANK YOU'S**

Please thank Bob Weekley and family and Norma Fox for the lovely flowers they delivered to Bob and I. We are doing OK but we miss St. Michael's. Happy New Year to all. *Norma Crump*

Dear members & Friends of St. Michael's: On behalf of the Board of Directors, staff and residents of Canaan House I would like to thank you for your generous donation of \$200.00. Your continuous support of our ministry allows us to continue serving God's Children. We are truly blessed to have you for our friend. Again thank you for your gift of love to the women of Canaan House. "As you did it unto the least of these my brethren, you did it unto Me." Matthew 25:40. Sincerely, *Sandra Simoneit, Assistant Director – February 3, 2005*

Our thanks to Don Bliss for providing us with such wonderful music for the last year. Don has recently resigned and we wish him God's Blessings in his new ministry.

## **BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

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| 2 Bill Atherton  | 22 Janice Rickard   |
| 5 Pat Jarosz     | 23 Loretta Bidell   |
| 6 Donna Weekley  | 25 Peter Casagrande |
| 6 Georgia Peden  | 26 Jane Robinson    |
| 13 Bea Bidell    | 26 Bob Crump        |
| 16 Lee Shatzel   | 27 Bob Howard       |
| 21 Matthew Eckle | 28 Peggy Gorczyca   |

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## **UNITED THANK OFFERING**

That Blue Box you see in the Narthex that you take home is how we express our thanks for God's many blessings of warm homes, food, safe trips, healthy children. Each time you place a coin of thanks in your box, you are helping those less fortunate than you. It doesn't take long for those pennies to add up. We will have the ingathering of the Blue Boxes Mother's Day, May 8<sup>th</sup>.

## **WOMEN'S GUILD**

At our March meeting, Olive Beutler brought a sample of colorful flower pots which we can make as one of our projects.

We plan to have our annual Auction and Roast Beef Luncheon with Dessert and Coffee at noon on Wednesday May 4<sup>th</sup> after the 9:30 Holy Eucharist and Healing Service. Tickets will be \$5.00 and will be available in April. Please look up in your attic, closets and cupboards for any special "treasures" you might wish to donate for the auction. This is NOT a rummage sale. We ask that donations be clean and in good shape. These "treasures" will be auctioned to help us support the Garden and Grounds Committee.

## **FROM THE SECRETARY**

In order to keep our records current, I would appreciate your cooperation in informing me of any change in marital status, family size, address, phone number or email or any other pertinent information. It is best to write it out to be sure there are no errors.

Also, if you or a family member is hospitalized, please call so that Father Wheeler will be able to pastor to you.

I am in the office 9 to noon five days a week and will attempt to handle any requests you may have. Thanks, *Madeline*

## **NEW MUSIC MINISTER**

Linda Seitz is our new Music Minister. We are sure you have enjoyed her contribution to our worship these past weeks.

## **AROUND THE DIOCESE**

### **WNY EPISCOPAL CURSILLO**

Spring Weekend is Thursday, April 14 – April 17, 2005 at Camp Pioneer, Angola. For more information, contact Butch/Carol Wiest at 675-8417 or e-mail [BCWiest64@aol.com](mailto:BCWiest64@aol.com).

## VICAR'S VIEWS

I find myself writing this article in the afterglow of a great parish event. I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did.

At our Annual Meeting, you voted to put on two fish fries during Lent. Originally, the plan was to do one, but enough people volunteered indicating a willingness to work on two. And work you did! EVERYONE, kids on up, pitched in to make these events a great success. We raised funds to help a church in Puerto Rico build a parish hall and to start a fund to fix our badly leaking roof. Special thanks to Jack Bidell for his leadership. And to everyone who helped, Kudos. We pulled together as never before. A grater percentage of our congregation was involved. And... we had fun doing it!

I also want to thank everybody who had a part in my installation service in January. You honored Chris and me. It is truly a blessing to have been called and installed as your vicar. I look forward to working together for many years to come.

Finally, it is my prayer that, during this season of Lent, you will take time to examine your spiritual condition and to grow stronger in your faith. Please make room for God to work in your lives to make any needed changes. During Holy Week, I will be offering the sacrament of auricular confession. Please make an appointment with me if you desire to make your confession in this way. Our church offers this as an option which many have found to be very helpful. May yours be a very holy and blessed Lent as we look forward to the celebration of the glorious resurrection of our Lord and Savior.

Faithfully  
Fr. Wheeler+

You were carried into Church when you were Baptized; You'll be carried in when you die; How about walking in during the Interval?

## HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

**March 20<sup>th</sup> – Palm Sunday – 8:00 &  
10:30 am**

**March 23<sup>rd</sup> – Wednesday – 9:30 am H.  
E. & Healing, 7:00 pm Tenebrae**

**March 24<sup>th</sup> – Maundy Thursday –  
10:00 am and 7:00 pm**

**March 25<sup>th</sup> – Good Friday – Noon and  
7:00 pm.**

**March 27<sup>th</sup> - Easter Sunday – 8:00 &  
10:30 am (tentative)**

## ST. LUKE THE PHYSICIAN

St. Mark's Church, 6595 E. Quaker St. in Orchard Park is hosting a Healing Mission Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup> 6:30 to 8:30 pm and Saturday April 9<sup>th</sup> 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. The Rev. Peter Ostrander will lead this mission. There will also be several Workshops and Teachings, some led by our own Father Dedde and also Dr. Philip Culliton, Podiatrist. Registration Fee is \$20.00 for both days. Registration is Friday at 6:30 pm, with worship at 7:00 followed by Teaching Part I and Healing. On Saturday, it begins at 9:00 am with Lunch included. Checks payable to the Rev. Leland Rose, Chaplin, OSL, WNY, Memo: Healing Mission. They should be mailed to Peg Kovach, Church of the Advent, 54 Delaware Road, Kenmore, NY 14217. Deadline is 3/31/05.