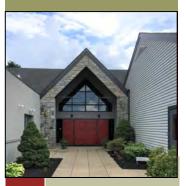
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### Reflection From the Rector's Desk

By The Rev. Dr. Richard C. Bauer



"I've come to believe that the cost of our discipleship calls us to be laid low from time to time. Because in the same manner that we're taught to find our lives by losing them, to bear our crosses in witness to a Resurrected Lord, perhaps we need to suffer setbacks to discover who we are in and through Christ: that even when the world doesn't think so, we still matter...we are still loved.

Lately I've been thinking a ultimate concerns about augreat deal about how, and thentic meaning in life. It's from where, we derive our quite upside down! Because senses of self-worth. Be- status, power, and wealth are cause navigating business terms used in business school in the context of pas- school to indicate that things toral life and major family are going well. It's an envichanges, I've been finding ronment in which the work myself lodged between two of keeping up appearances, very different narratives leveraging perceived value, about what matters and what and maximizing profits indoes not. Truth be told, my fuses folks with a passion MBA work often feels like a for making money and picknuanced study in 'all that is ing quality stocks. As such, wrong with the world', how it's an education reinforcing our amoral economies of the norms of a society that exchange bracket out our bases measures of individual

and collective worth on our gains, our achievements, and on how well we're perform-

Humbled in the knowing that I do not know much about business in general, I've been mindfully engaging these studies with care. I want to do all that I can to help protect our beloved parish from financial risks and educate myself in finance enough to aid in our flourishing. But the courses have also helped me to access new language and understanding around how different the economy of our world appears to be from the economy of God. After all, our formation in Christ teaches us that we all have intrinsic (and equal) worth derived from our relationships with our loving and merciful Creator, as his children. But our formation as economic beings, in a capitalist society, would have us believe that our worth is measured on a ledger and by what other people say about us. In business school lingo, this speaks to the way that we're taught how our value comes from our personal "brand" and the merit we command from our good reputation. Most of us want to look and feel like "winners", but we may not be able to uncouple our need to live into worldly perceptions about success enough

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- Staff and Vestry Members are listed on the back cover of the Scepter

#### Reflection

unencumbered by the teachings of Jesus... who wants to buy that brand?

I trust that it doesn't surprise anyone to hear that I find it a challenge to function with a pastor's heart in a large cohort of MBA folks who are excited about increasing profit margins for multi-national corporations and seeking upward mobility upon its ladders. My spirit often whispers: "What would Jesus have to say about all of this"? But at the same time, I can't help but think that it's a profound gift, an invitation to greater compassion, to gain a bit more insight into how (and where) so many of us have ordered our senses of affection and priority. I think that it speaks to the root of much of our suffering. Because I don't know about you, but every At its core, I think that this little piece of time I start to get impressed with my personal "brand" and feel like I'm looking good in the world, it inevitably signals the sin of pride that comes before a fall. One that he pleased God through his reputation way or another, the Lord correctively reminds me that I'm part of a movement to cause of his attitude, he failed to recognize order my notions of self-worth differently that his very pride over his improperly defrom those who buy and sell in the world. rived sense of self-worth had blocked him But the Lord reminds me, when I've been from displaying humility before his maker. laid low by the standards of the world, that And as our Lord plainly states: "No one is I still matter...that I am still loved. And I trust that this happens to, and for, all of us.

Like that Pharisee in the eighteenth chapter of Luke's gospel. I think that any of us can fool ourselves into believing that we're further along than we really are when we're showing up and doing things well. Because like that wonderfully clueless religious leader praying: "God, I thank you that I am not like other people!" any of us can lose sight of spiritual values when our "brand" appears to be on the rise. But fortunately, we're invited to invert our senses

erty, humility, and letting go. To those ness, to consider that our inner states, and our intrinsic worth, are what God sees and that might just sound like "losing". And knows us by. We'll recall that in Luke, that respected holy man and leader to his people stands in stark contrast with a humble tax collector who came to the temple to pray. Whatever the depth or breadth of his sins, the tax collector had become painfully aware of his shortcomings. He had hit what addicts call the "rock bottom" and too ashamed to even look heavenward, he beat his breast in the temple lamenting: "God, be merciful to me a sinner!" Having come Let's have a wonderful program year face to face with his own brokenness and friends! the distance between himself and God; he begged for forgiveness. (I'd imagine that this sent his 'stock' price spiraling downward, diminishing his "brand" before the other tax collectors!!)

> Scripture is an invitation for us to contemplate the nature of what makes us right with God. The Pharisee seemed to think and the strength of his "brand". But begood but God alone." Considering this, I've come to believe that the cost of our discipleship calls us to be laid low from time to time. Because in the same manner that we're taught to find our lives by losing them, to bear our crosses in witness to a Resurrected Lord, perhaps we need to suffer setbacks to discover who we are in and through Christ: that even when the world doesn't think so, we still matter...we are still loved.

> Indeed, it's a pearl of great price to be reminded that our worth comes from God,

to find strength in Christ's model of pov- of what matters through our biblical wit- that we are utterly reliant upon God. We're turned right side up in the blessed economy of God's kingdom. We give as we have been given. We love as we have been loved. And we forgive as we have been forgiven. And in stark contrast to our collective mis-educations in schools of worldly business, God's economy is not a competitive marketplace. There is plenty of love and mercy to go around, and that's incredibly good news. Though it may sound like a paid advertisement, I'm pretty sure that Jesus Christ IS the "brand"!!

Father Rick

#### Michelle Does it All!



#### **Parish Office Hours**

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Tuesday- Friday: 11:00 - 4:00PM Parish Administrator Michelle Bentley

#### Scepter

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If you're the last person to leave the building following Sunday services or an event, please take the time to make sure all the lights are turned off (including the rest rooms) the thermostat is reset and the doors are locked.

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#### By Dick Irons



I recently went to visit my mother, in Lansdowne, Delaware Co. about a two hour drive. I listen to WJTL, a Christian contemporary music station. A song comes on from King and Country band, "What are you waiting for". Sometimes going to see my mom can be a challenge, she is 95, and lives in the same home that I grew up in.

What keeps me grounded is the Word of God, Rick's sermons, Michelle's Monday emails, and a timely song. I was thinking about the biblical verse, "get behind me Satan" what Jesus said to Peter, when Peter did not want Jesus to go through the struggle of the cross. We end up thinking and saying the things we know little about because as Rick has said, "we don't know what we don't know". This Monday's email from Michelle on the question of Jesus, "Whom do you say that I am?" and the song, "What are you waiting for" brought all these concepts swirling in my mind, as I am traveling to be with my mom.

Individually we have to answer that question, Who is Jesus?, and in community at St. Edward's we can do it together. The other two verses in the song are: "What are you praying for" and "What if we could be the light that no one could ignore?"

We did not have a formal vestry meeting this September, but we all have many areas of participation in what's happening at St. Edward's in this fall season. We had all hoped to be part in setting up at the A. Herr park festival, being there with the greater community of Hempfield, getting to know each other under our tent, and enjoying the festival atmosphere, but unfortunately vestry had to cancel this year.

I would love that our St. Edward's community members would ask the vestry what they are passionate about, so we, together, could be of service to be the light of St. Edward's that no one could ignore.

In Christ's love, Richard

### Blessing



Wednesday, October 4th at 6:00 PM in the parking lot. Bring your pets, or in remembrance, a picture of the pets that were important in your life, and join us as we gather together to celebrate the Feast of St. Francis and the special bond of love that he had with all animals, treating them with the utmost of respect, care, and concern showing God's love for each of them. Our pets are so important in our lives and this is a beautiful opportunity to share that special relationship we hold so dear in liturgy and music. Tell your friends!

#### In the Narthex



Information and sign up sheets for a variety of ministries and activities make it simple to volunteer.



Day by Day booklets, prayer pockets, and consecrated wafers are available for your use.

### Military News

Please keep in your prayers those close to us who are serving in the military.

- **★**Justin Carnahan
- **★**Brandon Fox
- **★**Gordon Frankenfield
- **★**Matt Fuhrman
- **★**Jack Hawk
- **★**Benjamin Jenkins
- **★**Drew Johnson
- **★**William Justice
- **★** Anthony Koser
- **★**Alex Kube
- **★**John Lewis

- ★Richard Mutari
- **★**David Peck
- ★Capt. Andrew Pfeiffer
- **★**Mike Spurr
- **★**David Sternberg
- **★**Clayton Tennies
- **★**Connor Tennies
- ★Allison Tomich
- ★Evan Westgate
- **★**Seamas Whitesel
- ★1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Thomas Whitesel



### Pokémon League



Trunk or Treat will be held Oct 27, 6-7pm. For more information see page





Last year's event was a lot of fun for everyone.

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#### Fall 2023

August 30 – November

Wednesday Nights 6:30 - 8 p.m.

For more information you may call Beth Lynch @ 336-707-0140

The league provides a safe and free space for kids and teens to play Pokémon in all forms. It provides crafts, trading, games, and socialization.

October 4 – Fall Birthday Celebration

October 11 – Pokémon Trivia day

October 18 – Time to start a 3-way Pokémon Tournament

October 25 – Make your own Pokémon

November 1 – Pokémon Holiday

November 8 – Good-bye party until January 2024



## Guess Who's Coming to Dinner: the Sequel



#### **Bv Meredith Aul**

The Guess Who's Coming to Dinner dinner last February was a great success with over 60 people attending. Quite a few folks have asked if we may do it

again in the fall – so Yes! I hope everyone who came last time will participate again to mingle with a new mix of old friends and some new parishioners -- and those who weren't able to come last time will be able to join in this time.

On Saturday, November 4, 6 - 9 p.m., please join us at our second "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" dinner. Groups of six to eight will gather at the home of a volunteer host to enjoy a meal and conversation. Hosts provide the table setting, a main dish and beverages; guests bring an

appetizer, salad, or dessert. The fun is in the mystery. Guests don't know who will attend the dinner until they arrive at their designated home at the appointed hour of 6 p.m. Hosts will be given a guest list in advance so that they can coordinate the

If you would like to host an informal dinner in your home or if you would like to be a guest, please complete the form below and return it to the box in the Narthex (or call or text Meredith Aul at 717-575-2119) by Sunday, October 21.

What better way to enjoy a Saturday night out - a delicious dinner and great conversation with new and possibly some longtime acquaintances or friends? Singles and couples welcome!

Yes! I will participate in the Guess Who's Coming to Dinner Dinner on November 4th at 6 p.m. Name(s)

I am/We are able to host 6 people.

I am/We are happy to either host or be a guest

I/we would like to attend as a

I'm a single, please seat me with

Your host will get back to you later in the week of October 22 to discuss details! Please call or text me at 717-575-2119 if you have any questions.



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## First Day of School



Rayelenn Casey's Granddaughters



Granny says There's serious "cheezng" going on here.

### Fred Cluck, Nancy Manion and Felix





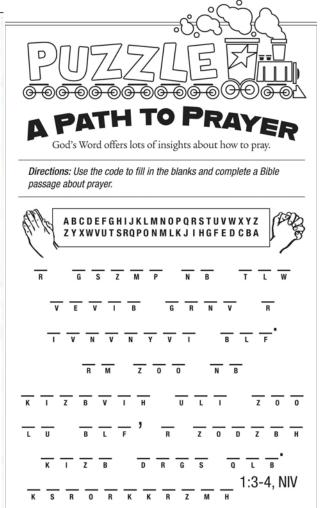
Godly, biblical wisdom is more valuable than gold or silver. Make this do-it-yourself toy to practice your searching skills.

#### What you need:

- · 12 small, smooth rocks
- · An empty, clean egg carton
- · Paintbrush
- Acrylic paint (gold or silver)
- Black permanent marker

#### What you do:

- Clean the rocks and egg carton. Place newspaper on a table to protect it from paint.
- Paint all sides of the rocks and carton. Let dry. Add a second coat, if desired.
- 3. When rocks are dry, number each rock (1-12) with marker. Place rocks in the carton.
- Play hide-and-seek with a friend. Take turns hiding the rocks in a room, sandbox or backyard. Give clues, if needed, and count the rocks as they're returned.
- Use your imagination to incorporate a treasure hunt into study time or family devotions.



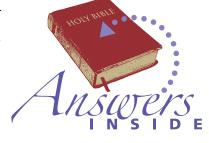
Answer: I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy. Philippians 1:3-4, MIV



### Bible Quiz

After Elijah was taken up to heaven, his newly commissioned successor, Elisha, performed two miracles. The first was making a poisonous stream's water safe to drink. What did Elisha toss into the water that made it wholesome?

A. a stick
B. a new bowl
C. bread
D. salt



Answer: D (See 2 Kings 2:19-22.)

### Jig Saw Puzzle Library

#### By Michelle Bentley

Did you know. . . . That St. Edward's has an amazing jigsaw puzzle library in the parish office wing (in our library area). Are you looking for something challenging? Love to do jigsaw puzzles? Come by and take a look and please take one home to assemble! We have puzzles ranging from 250 - 2000 pieces. It is a great project for your afternoon and a fun activity for a family gathering!



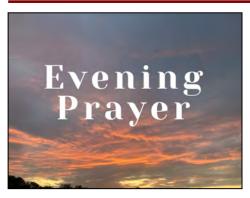
### Widow's Group



Our Widows Group meets on the first Thursday of each month at 10 AM at the church. Next meeting Thursday, October 5th. All widows are invited. Come to a place where sharing is caring.

information contact: more Peggy Hanzelman: 717.390.4944 phanzelman@comcast.net or: Ethel Lawrence: 717.314.8993 ethell748@gmail.com

### **Evening Prayer**



#### Sunday Evening Prayer, at 7:00 PM:

We use the 1979 Book of Common Prayer and the readings for the Sunday Lectionary. It is a quiet service and a good way to end the weekend and prepare for Passcode: SunEP the week to come. :

Anyone interested can send me an email to be put on an email distribution list:

drutledge1225@gmail.com

Sunday Evening Prayer@ 7:00pm

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84700614072

Meeting ID: 847 0061 4072



#### Ordination of Br. Luis

#### **Contributed by Br. David Rutledge**



**Brother David Rutledge with other** brothers at the ordination of Br. Luis to the priesthood at the cathedral of St. John the Divine in NYC



The Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine is well worth a visit if you are in NYC.



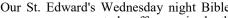


The magnificent Nave looking west to the Rose Window.

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### Wednesday Evening Bible Study Series—"Romans"





look, in this case at Romans. Our approach to Bible study has been to use the 'Conversations with Scripture' series as a guide through the top-We travel at our own pace with the intention to delve into the

scripture, recognizing its social-historical meaning for its initial hearers, as well as its modern-day readers. Please join us on our spiritual journey. Bob Mosebach

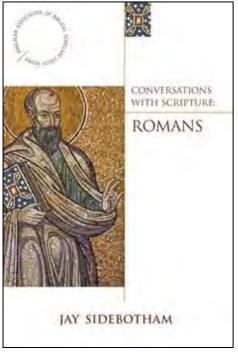


Jay Sidebotham

Jay Sidebotham, an Episcopal priest, serves as director of Renewal Works, a ministry of Forward Movement. Renewal-Works seeks to build cultures of discipleship in Episcopal congregations through a singular focus on spiritual growth. Jay has served in parish ministry in New York,

Our St. Edward's Wednesday night Bible Chicago, North Carolina, DC, and Rhode study offers an in-depth Island. He also does a lot of church cartoons, because there is so much material.

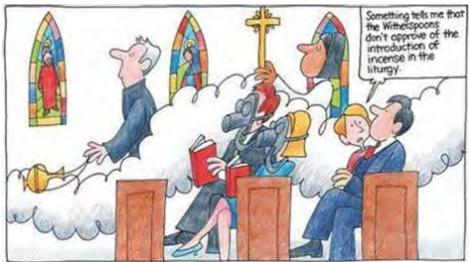
> This book guides readers into conversation with Paul's letter to the Romans. The author helps readers listen to what that letter said to the people to whom it was written and to hear what it says to us today. Readers will bring their own reflections, personal concerns, and questions to the table as we let this letter challenge us with meaning-letting it read the reader. The thesis of this book is that the letter has demonstrated transforming power to renew lives and the church through a focus on worship; a rigorous assessment of the human condition, especially the failure of human religiosity; a claim of transforming



power in the ongoing life of Christ; an expansive vision of who is included in God's life and love; all to practical application and proclamation of the gospel.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM: Zoom invite in your weekly emails. For questions, please contact Bob Mosebach at: rcmosebach@comcast.net or Leslie Arnold at: larnold897@aol.com





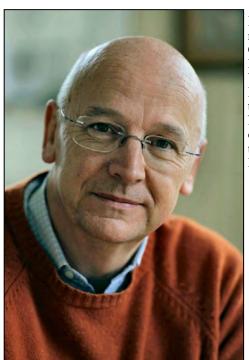
Cartoon by the Rev. Jay Sidebotham

### Lunch and Learn Fridays at Noon



Lunch and Learn is held on Fridays at 12 Noon. A zoom link will be in the Monday email message.

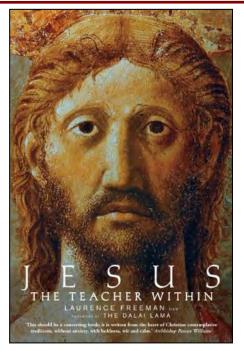
We are studying the book, *Jesus the Teacher Within* by Laurence Freeman. We hope you will join Bob Mosebach and Father Rick as we journey into the person of Jesus, and the essential unity and simplicity at the heart of Jesus' teachings.



Laurence Freeman



Laurence Freeman is a Benedictine monk of the Congregation of Monte Oliveto Maggiore in the Abbey of S Maria del Pilastrello, Lendinara Italy. With Irish and English roots, Laurence Freeman was educated by the Benedictines and studied English Literature at New College, Oxford University. Before entering monastic life, he worked with the United Nations in New York, in Banking and Journalism.



From Amazon: Embarking on this journey of rediscovery, this book takes as its starting point a question that Jesus himself asked his disciples, 'Who do you say I am?' For the many Christians who have never taken this question seriously, Laurence Freeman explores this question in the light of some of the big issues of religious understanding: the historical reality of Jesus, the experiential reading of the Scriptures, personal conversion, the inner journey.



The Dalai Lama and Fr. Laurence Freeman

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# PLEASE SUPPORT OUR MOST IMPORTANT FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR! WE HAVE AN AMBITIOUS \$7,000 GOAL TO SUPPORT THE MISSION & MINISTRY OF ST. EDWARD'S.

**Basket Raffle Ticket Bundles** are on sale through October 14<sup>th</sup>. The raffle drawing is at coffee hour on October 15<sup>th</sup>. Each week we have a drawing of 6 prizes for raffle ticket purchasers!

\$25/15 tickets

\$55/40 tickets

\$75/55 tickets



Join us, **on Saturday, October 14**<sup>th</sup>, for an evening of casual food and beverages, prizes, chances to buy more raffle tickets, and the fun of challenging trivia, presented by our host, Mike Horn. Doors open at 4:00 PM. Trivia begins at 4:30 PM.

**Dinner/Event Tickets:** \$15/pp (Kids are free) – Please purchase tickets by Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>.



A Community Event For All!!!

Please join us with your best Trunk or Treat decorated car and candy as we host our

Second Annual St. Edward's Trunk or Treat

Friday, October 27th 6 PM - 7 PM



We will also need volunteers to set-up, host, and break down this community event. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex beginning October 1st!

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### **Open House Invitation**

#### **By Mary Snyder**



We hope you can join us for a visit at our house on the one year anniversary of our signing for our new home, Oct 7, 2023 We will have light snacks for munching, some drinks, and yard games if the weather is nice. Drop by anytime between 11:00 and 5:00. It would be great to see you and have you share in celebrating one year of having our house! If you're not able to drop in at that time, please reach out and we'd love to set up a time to have you over! We are so grateful to be able to live here and want our home to be full of



Mary and Jodi soon after the sale was final last year.

friends, music, and fun. Please don't bring housewarming gifts but do consider donating to Habitat for Humanity in our honor instead.



1100 Grinnell Avenue Columbia, PA 17512



### Coffee Hour

#### **Pictures by Mary Snyder and Michelle Bentley**





A variety of parishioners volunteer to host each coffee hour.





September Coffee House Band: What a great gift it was to have Father Rick and Jay Miller provide such awesome music for our Coffee House Coffee Hour in September. Join us on October 15<sup>th</sup> for our next Coffee House Band!

### **Needle Arts Ministry**

The Needle Arts Ministry meets Tuesday at 1 PM in the lounge area.

Members of this group, plus volunteer crafters, work all year to create a variety of items for the cookie/craft sale. They also make items such as prayer shawls and baptism blankets, as well as hats and scarves to be donated to any in need.

All are invited to be a part of this enjoyable and productive group. Yarn, patterns and "expert assistance" are available, so you do not need to have a project started to join in the fun.

Remember, everyone's always welcome to pop up at a Needle Arts meeting on Tuesdays at 1 PM in the lounge. No reservations required-just bring your sense of humor with you.





### Autumn Wall Hanging for the Narthex



Michelle hanging the



Barbara O'Brien and Donna Holwager in front of their lovely, finished, quilt.

### Items for the Cookie/Craft Sale



Corner Page Book Marks By Gloria Kacinko



Star Tree Ornament by Gloria Kacinko



Card holder for small or arthritic hands by Gloria Kacinko



Dishcloth and Scrubby set by Gloria Kacinko



Donna Holwager's unique handwork



Note cards with a selection of pictures by Mary Snyder Assembled by Ethel Lawrence



Head Band by Irene Achev



Barbara O'Brien made this bag from old jeans and used her design skills to make it special

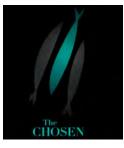
### Thank You



A thank you from Ginny Kloepping for a prayer shawl she received.

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#### **Lunch With the Chosen**



Hosted by Father links: Rick and Blair Lord

Thank you to everyone who joined our return luncheon with The Chosen last month! As we resumed our

viewing series, we met up with Jesus and his disciples at the start of his public ministry in Samaria. This first episode of season 2 also gave a snapshot of the apostles in the future, reflecting on how they individually met Jesus and the challenges of discipleship amid persecution and loss. The title "Thunder" might give you a clue which disciples get some important moments of development (another hint: boanerges).

We'll view episode 2, "I Saw You," on Sunday, **October** 1<sup>st</sup>, after the 10am service in the parish hall. This will be an exciting chance to meet a couple of new disciples and an opportunity to participate in a lively post-episode discussion. Everyone is welcome—just remember to bring your bagged lunch!

If you would like to catch up on all of season 1 or the start of season 2, you can access The Chosen for free at these

- new.thechosen.tv
- angel.com/watch/the-chosen

You can also download The Chosen App or the Angel Studios App to your Amazon FireTV, Apple TV, or Roku, and on your phone from the Apple Store or Google Play Store.



## Women's Spirituality Group

#### By Michelle Bentley



Our Women's Spirituality Group begins, again! On Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup> join us in the parish hall from 10 AM - 12 Noon.

We will gather for Morning Prayer, reflection on our readings, light refreshments, and we will talk about our stepping stone design and what we would like to see our group become. Please bring your voices and ideas!

The readings will be: Psalm 144; Jeremiah 35:1-19; The Gospel - Matthew 9:35-10:4 (The Harvest Is Great, the Laborers Few). These are some thought-provoking readings that allow our individual experiences to reflect, gifting our group with good conversation!

#### **Bowie**



"I finally made it to the top of the hill!!! That is a beautiful view!"

### **Stephen Ministry**



Our Stephen Ministry program is a confidential and prayerful resource to support those in need during the challenging times we encounter in our personal lives.

If you could benefit from the confidential, one-to-one care of a Stephen Minister, please contact our Pastor Care Coordinator, Peggy Hanzelman at phanzelman@comcast or 717-390-4944. There are brochures in our narthex and in our sanctuary pews. Our Stephen Ministers are also identified by special name tags at our Sunday worship.



Brochures are available in the Parish Hall and also in the sanctuary pews.

The function of prayer is not to influence God but rather to change the nature of the one who prays."

—Søren Kierkegaard

Include your news and announcements in the next Scepter.

#### Due date for November will be:

October 20th. Send articles and announcements to:

HJ\_Miller@outlook.com



Faith in Action Rahim News





The Food Pantry Is Requesting Volunteers: Volunteers are needed on a Monday or Wednesday from 9:30 AM - 1 PM .(you must commit to the entire shift). If you are interested in learning more and/or would like to add your name to a St. Edward's list, contact the church office or Beth Lynch. There is also a need for a volunteer with a pick-up truck to collect food items at grocery stores.

#### Requested food for October

Elbow pasta
Mac and cheese
Noodles
Raman noodles
Cereal
Canned carrots
Canned mixed vegetables
Canned green beans
Large peanut butter
Large jelly
No glass jars please



# ALERT'S Winter Collection

We are collecting winter socks, hats and gloves for Alert from now through mid-November. The average low temperatures in the months of October thru February in Lancaster are:

Month.	Low Temperature
October	44
November	35
December	27
January	22
February	23

Donating these items for the homeless in Lancaster County will help keep them warm in our community. According to LNP there was an 11% increase in 2023 of individuals with no home to return to each night.



#### **Community Aid News**

Community Aid has expanded the payouts to partner organizations for donated items!!! Below is a list of items you can bring to Community Aid, mentioning they are for St. Edward's Episcopal Church (*Our Partner Number is 40036*). We will receive credit for quarterly payouts that assist our Faith-in-Action ministry.

Clothing Electronics Shoes Toys

Accessories Household goods



Anfal Rahim at Tiny Town

#### **FIA Upcoming Events**

#### 2023 Events

Turkey Drive for Hempfield Food Pantry—November 5 - 13th

Jesse Tree

Mid-November to Early December. Exact dates coming soon.

#### 2024 Events

Feed My Starving Children April 6 or 7

Race Against Racism April 27th



Legal Update: On October 2, Dr. Rahim will travel to Philadelphia for a 2:00pm interview that will, hopefully, lead to obtaining green cards for his family. Please keep him in prayer. If that is approved, he can then petition for their kids in Afghanistan. Unfortunately, there is no timeline we can give for either to be accomplished...but at least it's one more step forward. We will keep you posted. Thanks for all the love and support given to this family.

Food Update: As you know, we have been supporting the Rahim family with food items. Our next delivery is October 15th. Below are the items requested.

2 gallons whole milk

3 large bags of flour

3-4 boxes of any type of pasta

3-4 jars of tomato sauce (meatless)

2 bag russet potatoes

2 pallets of 48-count bottles of water - 12 oz. size

1 large bag Basmati Rice

Chicken nuggets (frozen bags)

Salt

Yeast

2 jugs cooking oil (Olive or corn oil)

2 large detergents (Preference: Tide)

1 large fabric softener



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### Anfal at Tiny Town—Soccer Tournament

#### Pictures by Joyce Kamm

Anfal earned her visit to Tiny Town through the Summer Reading Program, with help from her brothers. It was a fun afternoon.



Taking the blood pressure of her furry patient. Is becoming a doctor in her future?

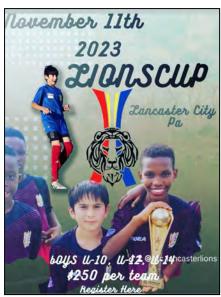


Or maybe a beautician? She was quite engrossed in straightening her hair and applying make-up.



Absolute expert at changing tires!

#### Rahim Boys In Nov. 11 Soccer Tournament



Khateeb (front), Tayab (back) are poster boys for the upcoming tournament.

#### **Books For Prisoners**



It's that time again! Below are some suggested books that are very popular and have been worn down to one or none. The prison is especially full

come the colder months so it would be a tremendous gift if we can get several copies of each. Gently used are appreciated too! **Spanish editions welcomed.** Please drop donated books off in the church narthex. Money is also welcomed. If you donate money, please note "Books for Prisoners" on the memo line. Thank you!

The Amazon Wishlist can be found at: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/K6N2OXW5AFVE/ref=nav\_wishlist\_lists\_3

#### **Books Requested:**

A Journey Through Grief, Loss, Hope And Recovery by Deb King Chicken Soup for the Prisoner's Soul God's Prescription for Addiction by Nick Elliott

The Jesus Revolution by Greg Laurie Healing Neen -Tonier Cain Save Me from Myself: How I Found God, Quit Korn, Kicked Drugs, and Lived to Tell My Story – Brian Welch Washed by Blood: Lessons from My Time with Korn and My Journey to Christ – Brian Welch

### **Prison Ministry**



Prayers requested for incarcerated family and friends of St. Edward's:

Joey (nephew), Jeremy (friend) and Saskita (niece). Please contact us if you have someone in your life who is incarcerated. We will add them to our prayer list. If they would like to receive cards or letters, please contact Bruce Lynch or Catherine Donohue. Update: Mike was granted early release — October instead of December. Please pray for a successful re-entry, upcoming hip replacement and a job.

#### Support For Prison Ministries, Brownstown

Bringing hope and encouragement to those within prison walls in Lancaster County and beyond. Support for Prison Ministries, with offices in Brownstown, PA, is a growing inter-denominational ministry that contracts chaplain services to Lancaster Co. Prison (LCP) and Lancaster Co.Youth Intervention Center

**Pray for Father Rick and Randy Westgate** as they minister at LCP.

**Pray for all Chaplains** – as they balance their personal lives and families and still give quality time with ministering to prisoners.



Lord, You desire truth in my innermost being, that place deep within that I am not conscious of but which governs my life. Holy Spirit, Spirit of Truth, You were given to me to lead me into all Truth.

Reveal to me the agreements I have been making with lies in my life. Show me either the lies which I've been entertaining recently or the lies that have their roots deep in my past. Search me and know my heart, test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me and lead me in the way everlasting. Amen

### Pot Luck Fellowship



The September Potluck was on the 13th. The selection of food always makes choosing difficult.



Next meal December 13th Dinners will be at 5:30 p.m. - Bring your own table service and a main dish, salad, or dessert (serving 6-8 people) to share. Beverages provided



The finished stepping stones were on display. Here Carol Cotnoir is trying to sound out the notes on the Choir Stone.

### Feast of St. Edward and our Fall Fund Raiser



On Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, we remember the Feast Day of our patron saint, Saint Edward. When we were building our parish home, it was our parish youth who chose St. Edward the Confessor. Edward was the last An-

glo-Saxon king of England. He refounded Westminster Abby in the 11th century and was known for his piety and charitable works. The name of the parish, therefore, reflects a commitment on the part of the people of St. Edward's to foster a multi-generational community that reaches out to serve others. We, the members of St. Edward's, are church builders!

It is in that spirit that we invite you to gather to help us set-up for our Fall Fundraiser event on the afternoon of October 13<sup>th</sup> from 3 PM – 5 PM. We have a lot to prepare and what better way to lift up our patron saint than to gather in service on his Feast Day. Please contact the parish office if you are available!







The many really wonderful baskets that have been assembled will make your choice of a favorite very difficult. For more about the Fund Raiser see page 9.

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## Services

#### Picture by Mary Snyder and live casts





Fr. Rick Sermon



Wanda Stoltzfus Sermon



Guest organist: Donna Burkholder



**Dottie Gschwend** 



Kiki Davis-Brugmann



Jay Miller



**Nancy Mannion** 



Fr. Rick and Bob Mosebach



Jaime Alton solo



Lynne McCabe



Fred Cluck







**Eucharist** 



The choir returned



Karen Waddill





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The Rev. Dr. Rick Bauer, Rector

Michelle Bentley, Parish Administrative Assistant

Karen E. Waddill, Director of Worship Music

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Tuesday-Friday: 11AM – 4:00PM

#### Vestry (year term ends)

- ♦ Karen Grant (2024)
- Peggy Hanzelman (2024)
- **†** Richard Irons (2025)
- **†** Blair Lord (2026)
- **†** Beth Lynch (2025)
- **†** Jay Miller (2026)
- Bob Mosebach (2026)
- Mary Snyder (2025) Jr. Warden
- \* Randy Westgate, Sr. Warden (2024)

### **Worship Services**

#### **Sunday Services**

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I (said) 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

#### Wednesday

12 Noon: Contemplative Eucharist,

Meditation, and Healing Prayer

