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"It's Back!!"

[Padre's Ponderings, that is.]

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Let me say that it is good to be back also. I have missed my time at Trinity while I was hospitalized and recuperating. I have still not arrived full force yet but am working on it but guaranteeing that I will not have a relapse or set back. Bear with me.



THANK YOUs are in order at this time: THANK YOU for all your prayers, thoughts and concerns. They worked and were greatly appreciated. THANK YOU to all those that sent cards, made meals or checked on me. It was a true example of Christian love. THANK YOU to Susie, Julie, Fr. Paul, Fr. Jack and Fr. Art for seeing that the life of this parish went on without the Rector in place. Not having to worry about anything helped with the healing and recuperation. Also, a special added THANK

YOU to Fr. Art for stepping up to supply items for The Times in my absence. Everyone of you needs to know that Jean and I love you so much and appreciate you and thank God for you.

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As I prepared to start this month's Ponderings, I realized that my last words to you were regarding the observing of a Holy Lent. It really hit me hard that due to the surgeries and healing, I missed the season of Lent altogether. Oh, I knew it was there, but all the activities that are associated with a busy Lent were not there and they were missed.

Several years ago I was a part of a Regional Ministry Cluster where one of the priests and churches gave up Lent for Lent. It was, in my opinion, horrible as there was no reflection upon anyone's relationship with God preparing for the celebration of Easter. Even though it looked like I gave up Lent this year, in reality I did not but I did sure miss it. And not being able to be with you on Easter Sunday left a big void in my life.



Just around the corner is the next big celebration of the Church year but one that seems to have been lost. It is the celebration of the birthday of the Christian church and we call it Pentecost. It is on this day that we recall how the third person of the Trinity came to abide with the disciples and continues to abide with us to comfort and strengthen our faith walk. It was a time when the fearing dis-

ciples began to proclaim the holiness of God and set the world upside down. Through a powerful gift of tongues, many people of many nations received the good news of The Way of Jesus Christ.

I will be honest with you that I would love to see the falling of the Holy Spirit upon my congregation to the place that one's heart would feel like it would bust with love and joy for our Savior Jesus Christ. Too much emotionalism you say. Could be but there are days I wonder if those who call themselves Christians would be convicted of being one as they stifle their love, joy and emotions when it comes to worshipping God. [I can hear it now, Boy, did he get too much gas when he had his surgeries.]

I know that the Holy Spirit is always present with us but I have been pondering why do we stifle it? What are we afraid of? Let's talk about it

June 8th is Pentecost Sunday. I will order a cake in honor of the birth of the church. You are all asked to wear your red clothing in celebration. You

are asked to be present with joy to worship the one that overcame death and sent us a Comforter to be with us daily.

Until I "ponder" this way again,

In Christ's Spirit,

Fr. Larry+



EYF News

By Paul Bennett

What a trip! Sunday March 18th we loaded up the youth group and headed down to Charleston to Grand Prix for an afternoon of go carts, laser tag, mini golf, skee ball and arcade games. It is safe to say that we all had a good time (even us adults!). There was one embarrassing moment, when Olivia Ramsey defeated me in a one versus one laser tag match. We stayed and played for several hours. I would like to thank everyone who helped make this event possible through your donations, fund raising or by letting us use your Yukon! As you can tell by the pictures they appreciate your support!

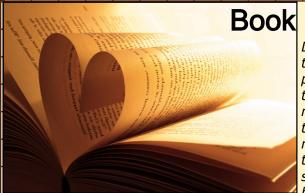
Don't forget to get those Peterkin registrations in!











Book Sale Outreach

Disbursements to the organizations that ECW supports through book sale proceeds have been going out. Now the thank you notes are arriving! How nice it is to hear from the organizations that receive a part of our profits. So many of them seem so appreciative of the money and have a true understanding of all the work that stands behind it.

Here are some of the comments:

Faith Link: You are such a committed group of women to hold the book sale year after year to raise funds in support of organizations helping others. We are honored to be chosen as a recipient!

The ARC: This donation will help provide for up to 450 families and individuals with disabilities that we serve on a monthly basis. Thank you for considering and supporting our organization.

<u>Literacy Volunteers of the Mid-Ohio Valley:</u> Thank you so much for your donation to Literacy Volunteers. It is humbling for us to know that through your hard work, you have contributed to helping us create a better community.

Peterkin Camp and Conference Center: Thank you for your generous donation to Peterkin! As you know, more and more work must be done on the buildings and grounds as Peterkin continues to age. Your generosity enables us to do the maintenance that is necessary to ensure Peterkin is available for future generations.

Latrobe St. Mission: Thank you for your very generous donation. As a Christian, I am encouraged by your concern for "the least" of our community. Your donation will directly help persons experiencing homelessness, addiction, and poverty. It's because of people like you that our Mission continues to grow. May God bless you as you continue to serve Him through caring for people in our community.

YMCA: We know that when we work as one, we move people and our community forward. Thank you for your contribution to the 2014 YMCA Strong Kids Campaign.

The Horizon – Independent Living: Thank you so much for your generous gift to our group home. You are so good to us. Love and blessings to you all.



Book Sale Outreach, continued

Good Samaritan Clinic: Thank you so much for again supporting our mission to provide health care to the medically indigent in our community. Last year we saw a 7.5% decrease in our state funding and anticipate a similar cut this year. We will be using your donation for general operation

expenses to help offset this decrease.

The Arthur N. Gustke Emergency Shelter for Youth: Thank you for the generous donation to us from your book sale. Your gift will be put to good use providing needed supplies for our residents such as toiletries, paper products, linens and recreation supplies. We sincerely appreciate you thinking of us.

The Parkersburg Art Center, Inc.: WOW !!!! We just got the mail and opened the lovely check from the Book Sale. Your gift answers a major need that we've all been scratching our heads over....perfect timing! We have been wondering where we were going to get money for food for our "Camp Creativity", and BINGO, your check arrives like the answer to a prayer. Your name will be on the next camp tee-shirts.

Children's Home Society of West Virginia: It is our core belief that all children deserve a lifetime family, a family to call their own. Although many children are abused and neglected each day, we strive to promote the well-being of all children. It is the support and dedication of individuals such as you that enables us to continue this important work. We thank you for your compassion and desire to help children.

WVU at Parkersburg Foundation: On behalf of our students and the Board of Directors of the WVU at Parkersburg Foundation thank you for your donation to the Nancy Sue Frye Memorial Scholarship Fund. We are proud to relay that last year's awardee is doing very well in her final semester, she will graduate in May with honors and an RBA in Psychology.

I thought you would enjoy these excerpts from the heart-felt thank you notes. As more are received, I will share them with you.

Book markings have started again on Tuesdays. Consider helping and you will be supporting all of these fine organizations through the work we do at the Trinity Book Sale!

Paula Sellers, ECW Secretary

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3. Julie Gyongyosi
4. Mike Matheny

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Parish Registry

Amelia Elizabeth Hess, daughter of BJ and Diane Hess and granddaughter of Becky and John Roberts, received the Sacrament of Baptism at Trinity, May 18th.

Andrew Neill and Kendal Leister were united in Holy Matrimony here at Trinity, May 10th.



Birthday/Anniversary List

We try to keep as current as possible with our list of Trinity birthdays and anniversaries, but if we have missed anyone, please let the office know so that we can make any necessary corrections. Thanks!



CONVENTION HOSTING NEWS

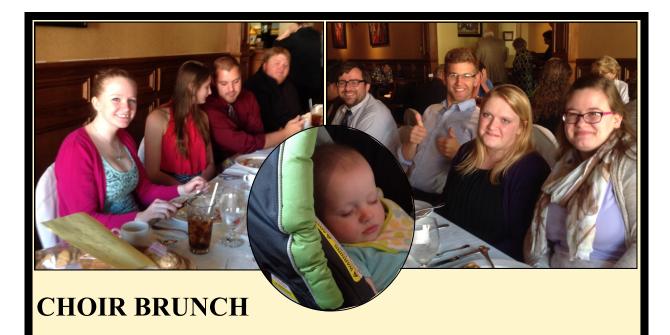
Diocesan Convention Sub-Committee Chairs have been designated in planning and executing the hosting of the Diocesan Convention October 24-26. The Head Chair position is still open at this time but any volunteer is welcome to talk with Fr. Larry about this position.

Registration Sub-Committee will be chaired by Tom & Julie Gyongyosi.

<u>Chapel/Worship Sub-Committee</u> will be chaired by **Connie Bookman** who will be seeking an assistant.

<u>Banquet Sub-Committee</u> will be chaired by **Ann Bailey** who will be seeking an assistant. <u>Hospitality Room Sub-Committee</u> will be chaired by **Rob Parrish & Sarah Bennett.**

Help is needed from the congregation as this convention is in Charleston this year.



Choir members enjoyed brunch at the Blennerhassett Hotel after the service April 27, provided by a grateful and generous parishioner. Even Choirmaster Dr. Monek's son Daniel enjoyed the relaxed atmosphere.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Terry Cauthorn for the baptism of her grandson, Curtis Arturo Soltys on May 17, 2014 at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church in Greensboro, NC.

NOW ?

Panera Bread has been donating all of their Sunday leftover bread products to our Monday feeding program. This has really helped stretch the food budget and provides a filling carbohydrate for every meal. THANK YOU, Panera Bread for your generosity and support!



Thank you to St. Anne's Guild for their recent project of having the two altar vases refinished. Not only are they lovely, but they are not as heavy, thus making it easier for the Altar Guild to lift as they prepare the altar for our services.



Monthly Outreach Envelopes

Like the past year, the Vestry accepted the proposal list of monthly Outreach Envelopes that will be included in the Times and bulletins. The list that was accepted has a three-pronged reach including World, Diocese and Local. Some months will affect two of the three prongs.

June's Outreach opportunity will be

The Parkersburg Reading Camp

The Reading Camp is sponsored by the Diocese and held at Good Shepherd Church this summer. This is the second year for the Parkersburg Reading Camp and Trinity assisted last year through this outreach activity. Envelopes will be in each week's bulletin. Your generosity is asked. We will be having the Offering Envelopes in The Times for those who may desire to make an offering that way.

<u>April's Outreach</u> netted \$704 for Scholarships for our youth to attend Peterkin Camps this summer.. Thank you and God bless you!



MEN'S BREAKFAST Sat. June 21, 8:30am in Trinity Hall

For all men of Trinity: Come out and enjoy!!



From the Organ Bench

By Allan Zipf

Is music necessary for the worship service? Technically, no; however, from the earliest days of the church, music has continued to be integral to the worship of God, as it was in the Temple during Christ's life. Olivier Messiaen, organist at Eglise de la Sainte-Trinite in Paris from 1931 to 1992, said that "The joy of music is that it can go beyond words--which are too precise. Music can express what there is in the soul." Music gives solemnity, beauty, joy, and enthusiasm to the worship of the community, as well as uniting worshipers in a service and setting an appropriate tone for a particular celebration. Music can be an effective evangelistic tool, aiding worshipers in expressing their faith by heightening texts so that they speak more fully and more cogently by highlighting the basic structure of the rites. Music can express and communicate feelings and meanings which cannot be put into words.

It is imperative, therefore, for clergy, musicians, and all liturgical planners to read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest the present canon of the music of the Church. Title II, Canon 6, Of the Music of the Church, Section I, reads:

It shall be the duty of every Minister to see that music is used as an offering for the glory of God and a help to the people in their worship in accordance with The Book of Common Prayer and as authorized by the Rubrics or by the General Convention of this Church. To this end the Minister shall have final authority in the administration of matters pertaining to music. In fulfilling this responsibility the Minister shall seek assistance from persons skilled in music. Together they shall see that music is appropriate to the context in which it is used.

These last two sentences date from the General Convention of 1976, replacing these lines:

To this end he [the Minister] shall be the final authority in the administration of matters pertaining to music, with such assistance as he may see fit to employ from persons skilled in music. It shall be his duty to suppress all light and unseemly music and all irreverence in the rendition thereof.

The emphasis on music is heightened in the new edition of THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER. Much that had been assumed is now verbalized. Music has a larger place in many of the rites, and specific directions appear for its use in many situations not dealt with in general directions or in the rubrics of previous editions of the prayer book. In the section "Concerning the Services of the Church" (pp. 13-14 in the prayer book)) four paragraphs deal with general directions concerning music:

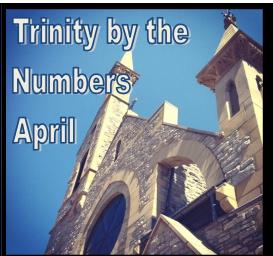
Hymns referred to in the rubrics of this Book are to be understood as those authorized by this Church. The words of anthems are to be from Holy Scripture, or from this Book, or from texts congruent with them.

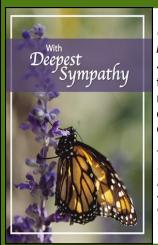
On occasion, and as appropriate, instrumental music may be substituted for a hymn or anthem.

Where rubrics indicate that a part of a service is to be "said," it must be understood to include "or Sung," and vice versa. When it is desired to use music composed for them, previously authorized liturgical texts may be used in place of the corresponding texts in this Book.

Music should serve to set a tone, to convey texts, to highlight basic structures, to unify the congregation, and to express the highest possible excellence. An appreciation of the proper relation of music to the liturgy must be sought and developed for music to be integral to the worship of God.

Is music necessary for the worship service? The answer is still "no"; however, as a liturgical organist, I can't imagine a service **without** music. Music is the language in which God most often speaks to me. While it's true that music must not dominate the liturgy, music, along with the other elements of the liturgy, can be a very effective tool in the worship of the Almighty.





The Parish Family of Trinity Church extends its deepest sympathy and prayers to:

~Dick and Mary Bonnet in the recent death of Dick's mother, Elizabeth Bonnet who died May 1st. She last resided in Indiana County, PA.

~ Rest eternal grant to Elizabeth, O Lord; And let light perpetual shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Sunday worship attendance:

8:00~10:30

April 6: 16~95 (total 111)

April 13: 20~117 (total 137)

April 20: 28~160 (total 188)

April 27: 15~86 (total 101)

Average Apr. 2014—134

Average Apr. 2013—83

Monday lunch:

110, 108 120, 133 (total 471)

Food closet

16 families, for a total of 26 people

Crisis Intervention

Assistance with: 7 electric bills, 4

gas bills , 3 water bills(a ll \$30

ea.)



Carol Ralsten
Good Samaritan
Clinic

Memorial Walk

In memory of our dear Carol, the Episcopal Church Women of Trinity contributed \$200 to the memorial walk. \$100 came from the ECW treasury and an additional \$100 was added by personal contributions from ECW members. A warm and loving tribute to our dear friend.

Paula Sellers, ECW Secretary

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GRADUATION NEWS

Trinity member Nicholas Gyongyosi, son of Tom and Julie Gyongyosi, graduated May 18th from George Washington University with a degree in International Affairs/ Arabic. He plans to stay in Washington, D.C. and continue working at his internship in global securities while

he searches for full-time employment and a place to live!

A complete list of graduates will be included in the July issue of The Trinity Times. Make sure all information has been given to Father Larry so we can share in the pride of our students' accomplishments!