



# The Bellringer

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St. Augustine's Episcopal Church ♦ 6 Old Post Road North, Croton on Hudson, NY 10520 ♦ 914-271-3501 (Office)

## December 2007

1	Saturday	10 a.m.-2 p.m.	Christmas Wreath Sale Youth Council Hot Chocolate and Treat Sale in the Parish Hall
		12:00 noon	Mississippi Trip Meeting, Parish House
		5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist II
2	<b><u>First Sunday in Advent</u></b>		
		8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist I
		9:45 a.m.	Sunday School pageant rehearsal in Parish Hall
		10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II
		9 a.m.-3 p.m.	Croton Blood Drive at CHHS
4	Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	EFM Class
8	Saturday	10:00 a.m.	Choir rehearsal for Christmas Service
		3:00 p.m.	Christmas Carols at Sky View Nursing Home
		5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist II
9	<b><u>Second Sunday in Advent</u></b>		
		8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist I
		9:45 a.m.	Sunday School pageant rehearsal in Parish Hall
		10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II
10	Monday	7:30 p.m.	Outreach Committee Meeting
11	Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	EFM Class
12	Wednesday	11:45 a.m.	"First Wednesday" Holiday Luncheon at The Ocean House
15	Saturday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School Christmas Pageant rehearsal in the church
		12:00 p.m.	Mississippi Trip Meeting
		5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist II
16	<b><u>Third Sunday in Advent</u></b>		
		8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist I
		10:00 a.m.	Children's Service and Christmas Pageant
		11:15 a.m.	Festive Potluck "Advent" Coffee Hour
18	Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	EFM Class
19	Wednesday	8:00 p.m.	Vestry Meeting
22	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist II
23	Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist I
		10:00 a.m.	Service of Lesson and Carols
24	<b><u>Christmas Eve</u></b>		
		4:00 p.m.	Children's Service, Holy Eucharist II
		7:00 p.m.	Family Service, Holy Eucharist II
		10:00 p.m.	First Service of Christmas, Holy Eucharist II
25	<b><u>Christmas Day</u></b>		
		9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II, without music, Keith McKenna Preaching
Dec. 26-Dec 28	Parish office closed		
29	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist II, Betsy Roadman Preaching
30	<b><u>First Sunday After Christmas Day</u></b>		
		8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II, Betsy Roadman Preaching
		10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II, Betsy Roadman Preaching



## January 2008



1	Tuesday		Parish office closed for New Year's Day
		6:30 p.m.	EFM Class resumes
5	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist II
6	<b><u>First Sunday After The Epiphany, The Baptism of Our Lord,</u></b>		
		8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist I
		10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II – Children's Service
		11:15 a.m.	Block 4 Sunday School Teacher Training
8	Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	EFM Class
12	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist II- Betsy Roadman Preaching
13	<b><u>Second Sunday After The Epiphany</u></b>		
		8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist I- Betsy Roadman Preaching
		9:45 a.m.	Sunday School, Block IV begins
		10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II - Betsy Roadman Preaching
14	Monday	7:30 p.m.	Outreach Committee Meeting
15	Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	EFM Class
16	Wednesday	8:00 p.m.	Vestry Meeting
19	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist II
20	<b><u>Third Sunday After The Epiphany</u></b>		
		8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist I
		9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
		10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II
		3:00 p.m.	Interfaith Service of Remembrance, Martin Luther King, Jr
21	Monday		Parish Office closed in observance of Martin Luther King Day
22	Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	EFM Class
26	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist II
27	<b><u>Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany</u></b>		
		8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist I
		9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
		10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II
		11:15 a.m.	Annual Parish Meeting & Vestry Election

Please note: All meetings and classes are in St. A's House unless otherwise noted.

**First Wednesday:** We will have a special luncheon on December 12 at 11:45 am at The Ocean House. Please call the parish office (271-3501) to RSVP no later than December 4. Cost will be \$40 per person. There will be no First Wednesday in January. If you would like to come but need financial assistance, just let us know we would be delighted to help.

**Begin your Christmas decorating** with wreaths from St. Augustine's. Our annual wreath sale will be held in the Parish Hall from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday, December 1st. Wreaths vary in size from 12 inches to 36 inches, plain with a red ribbon or decorated with ribbon, pinecones and berries, in a price range of \$14 - \$50. Come by and give your home that holiday touch. The Youth Council will sell hot chocolate and treats at the same time to raise funds for their holiday outreach project.



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## From the Rector:

Two of my all-time best friends, Angelica and Eli, are expecting a baby. I even preached about their recent visit here. And little Liam (Yes, it is a BOY!) is due to arrive on December 28<sup>th</sup>, the anniversary of my ordination. Personally, I cannot wait to see this baby who is a blend of two of my greatest friends, and I cannot help but imagine what the future holds for Liam and his family. Angelica, however, is not waxing philosophical. She just wants the baby out. As a smaller person, she can no longer bend over. She says that she feels like a crippled woman, and she can barely even work at her desk, because her body can no longer sit at a 90 degree angle. And as I write this she still has a month and a half. She did wear udders to a Halloween party as a joke, and Liam is safe, but mostly, this has not been the pregnancy of Angelica's dreams. And they just moved.

2000 years ago, or so, Mary must have been in a similar position (so to speak). She could barely sit up, and she was probably scared. She was as young as our youth council members, and as if that were not enough, she had to make a long, government required, non-holiday trip on a pack animal to a place that would not welcome her or her son. If ever you think that Mary's journey felt like a "blessed event", you have never a) been pregnant, b) ridden on a donkey or c) given birth without the comforts of home or a hospital or even a bed. And yet, look who was born of her labor!

Each Advent, we often move into two different, opposing, paradoxical worlds. Outside of church, our lives are crazed. We can barely sit upright, and there are too many commitments. We are like Mary and Angelica, just gritting our teeth and hoping for it to be over, even if we do anticipate what is coming with a sense of holiness. Inside of our church, however, we are asked to slow down, anticipate what it means to have our God active in our world. We are also invited to enter into the peace that passes all understanding (and even one last trip to the toy store).

Instead of being in paradoxical universes this year, however, I want to be a bridge builder. I want these two worlds to merge. In my hurried life, I want to accept that it is impossible not to be excited, worked up, and running around a bit at this most wonderful time of the year. AND, I want to carry the love and peace of God with me into that hurriedness of my life, so that I do not feel rushed but thankful. And in my church life, I want to be honest about how hurried this all feels. I want to share that with God and have God's peace and stillness wash over me.

We have had a lot going on around here. We have been busy with labor (pardon the pun). We have completed a successful Stewardship Season. Our Deacon Keith McKenna has led some great sessions on Celtic Christianity. Jeff Lawton, Laura Seitz, and I have been to Diocesan Convention to think about our larger church life. The Discernment Committee has perused the completed surveys and is working on meeting with individual parishioners to gain a better sense of some of the themes that have emerged. We have had great children's activities. AND, many are preparing for the almost 35 people who are going back to Bay St. Louis, Mississippi to build homes there.

But in each hurried activity at church and in my life, I am trying to bring the peace of God with me, and I invite you to do the same. This church world of ours should not be a distant, removed place where rites are conducted independent of our lives. We ideally take the peace of God with us when we leave church, AND we also bring the hurriedness of our lives to church with us. This is not to make church feel pressured or chaotic. Instead, it is to bring the stresses of our lives before God and to ask God to transform them into God's Peace. Although death and birth are the cycle of life as a whole, this is the cycle of our lives in Advent, going to church, getting peace, going into the world with that peace to make the world more peaceful.... getting stressed... going to church.... and on and on. And I hope that we stand back and are in awe of where the cycle takes us..... because the end of the story has already been written. It is the cycle that leads us to Christmas, where

cycle, leaves God's peace-filled heaven, which is kind of like St. A's, to go out into the hurried world. And by doing so, God shows us God's peace. This holiday is about God showing us heaven, bringing it to us, showing us how wonderful it is, and about us rejoicing in that heaven and taking it into our hurried lives and the lives of others.

Be well, and my prayers for A Happy, Reflective, Full Advent, and a Merry Christmas,



Bradley

### Ways to Give this Christmas Season

#### Christmas Altar Flower Donations:

If you wish to donate Christmas flowers in memory of a loved one, or in thanksgiving, your donation can be put in the collection plate, or dropped off or mailed to the parish office. Suggested donation is \$20 but any amount is acceptable. Please be sure to specify the names of those you wish to remember, as well as your own, & write "Altar Fund" on your check. To ensure all names appear in the Christmas bulletins, they must be given to the office by Sunday, December 16.

#### Share Christmas joy:

Help the Croton Caring Committee fill Holiday Food Baskets. Non-perishable & non-breakable items can be dropped off anytime at 38 Penfield Ave. on the patio and frozen turkeys can be left from Friday, Dec. 15 to Monday, Dec. 18.

#### Carol Sing at Sky View Nursing Home December 8, 3:00 p.m.

Join in our annual Caroling tradition at Sky View Nursing home. What a great way to get into the Christmas Spirit! We will meet in the lobby of Skyview Nursing home at 2:50 PM on Saturday, December 8th and begin singing at 3:00 PM. Skyview is located at 1280 Albany Post Road. The residents there always appreciate our efforts, and a fun time is had by all. For more information, contact the parish office or Denise Bessette at 736-3467.



### Discernment Committee Update

For the Discernment Committee to get a better understanding of some of the themes that have emerged through the survey process, we invite everyone to participate in directed meetings after various church services. At these meetings, Discernment Committee members will lead a discussion about some of these relevant themes, especially worship times, the worship experience, outreach, children's participation in church and where God might be leading our parish.

Saturday, December 1st, after the 5 PM service  
 Sunday, December 2nd, at the regularly scheduled Youth Council Meeting  
 Sunday, December 2nd, after the 10 AM service, in the Parish House

And additional dates to be announced. If you have any questions, please contact Mark Anzani at [anzani@us.ibm.com](mailto:anzani@us.ibm.com).

**Discernment Survey Results:** Thanks to all of you who completed and returned the discernment surveys. We received more than sixty completed surveys, which yielded many interesting and encouraging insights.

Some of the key findings, based on the survey responses, include:

- One of the most valued aspects of the St. A's experience is the sense of community/warmth /friendliness/inclusiveness – it is what most of us expect

and what most of us feel we are getting at St. A's.

- Outreach is important to St. A's members.
- Children are very important to the St. A's congregation, which indicates a young, family-oriented parish.
- Music is an integral component of the St.'s worship experience.
- We feel welcoming toward newcomers.

Again, many thanks for your thoughtful responses to the discernment survey. We look forward to working with you as we move into the next phase of the discernment process

## Vestry Nominations:

Do you feel called to be on the Vestry of the church? This is the group that makes policy, legal, and financial decisions for St. A's. It is the group that holds vision, planning, and the day to day needs of the church together. We meet once a month, on the third Wednesday, beginning at 8 p.m. We serve three year terms. We're a cross section of people with a common interest and love for the church and God's work here. Please contact Chris Moore, the clerk of the Vestry, if you feel called to serve.

**St. Augustine's children's Christmas pageant** will be performed during the 10:00 a.m. service on Sunday, December 16. All Sunday School age children (pre-school through grade 6) are invited to participate. Rehearsals will be during regular Sunday School hours (9:45 - 10:30) on Sunday, December 2 and Sunday, December 9, and on Saturday morning December 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. Please contact director Rachel Norfleet at 271-0812 if your child would like to participate but cannot be at the first rehearsal. Following the service on the 16<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate with a festive potluck Christmas coffee hour.

**The annual observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day** will be held at St. A's on Sunday, 1/20 at 3 p.m. This Interfaith service reminds us of our need to fight prejudice in our society, to celebrate freedom and to rejoice in our unity.



**St. A's Annual Meeting** will be held on 1/27 following the 10 a.m. service. Please mark it in your calendars and come and hear reports from parish members & share in planning for the future. Polls for election of Vestry members will be opened at 5 p.m. Saturday, 1/26 and closed at 11:15 a.m. on 1/27. Anyone interested in running for Vestry should speak with the Clerk of the Vestry, Chris Moore.

### **REMINDER:**

#### ***All 2008 Pledge Cards are due.***

You may place them in the offertory plate, leave them in the Parish mailbox or drop them off in the Parish Office. We are in the preliminary stages for preparing St. A's 2008's budget. The Pledge Cards are necessary to **accurately** plan next year's budget.

Pledge Cards can be found at the back of the church. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **Pledge update**

To date, November 26, 2007, 57 parishioners have returned their pledge cards. They have pledged \$104,389. We are anticipating about 35 additional pledges.

**The St. A's Bookgroup** met for the first time on November 18th after the 10:00 AM service. Our next gathering will be on **January 20th** after the 10:00 AM service. We will be reading *Gilead* by Marilynne Robinson. Anyone who would like to join is welcome. From the cover of *Gilead: In 1956, toward the end of Reverend John Ames's life, he begins a letter to his young son, an account of himself and his forebears. Ames is the son of an Iowa preacher and the grandson of a minister who, as a young man in Maine, saw a vision of Christ bound in chains and came west to Kansas to fight for abolition... Reverend Ames writes to his son about the tension between his father-- an ardent pacifist-- and his grandfather... And he tells a story of sacred bonds between fathers and sons.* The session will be led by Michael Steger and Mary Ellen LeClaire. For more information, contact the parish office

<b>Financial Operations through October 31, 2007:</b>			
	<i>Expenses</i>		<i>Revenues</i>
	<i>Paid</i>		<i>Received</i>
Administrative	\$ (39,750.54)		
Priest	\$ (70,414.64)	Fundraising	\$ 24,799.03
Service/Program	\$ (16,561.57)	Plate	\$ 17,883.96
Diocese	\$ (19,372.00)	Pledge	\$104,963.35
Outreach	\$ (4,944.51)	Space	\$ 5,962.50
Property	\$ (24,143.38)	Investments	\$ 8,082.31
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$(175,186.64)</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$161,691.15</b>
(deficit)/surplus	\$ (13,495.49)		
budgeted deficit	\$ (5,063.29)		

**Treasurer's Report:** The Church's financial operations have continued to deteriorate. Expenses were generally lower than expectations. Administrative expense has come in lower than expected as we were without a Parish Administrator during July and August. Property expenses came in lower than expected due to the relatively mild winter and a reduction in our sewer taxes. Priest also came in lower, since we had budgeted for a full year for an Assistant Priest, rather than the actual of eight months. Outreach was close to budget after the expenditure of monies to organizations recommended by the Outreach Committee (\$2,600 during July, and funded from a portion of JuneFest revenues). Program expenses were higher than the budget, due mostly to added investment in our Sunday School program. The reason for the significant increase in our deficit is the lag in revenues since the beginning of summer, especially pledges. JuneFest raised \$20,988 (remarkably close to the \$21,000 in the budget). Space Use has improved, but is still below expectations, with revenues 15% lower than budgeted. Current Year Pledges were budgeted at \$118,333 for the end of October. Of that amount, only \$102,241 has actually been received, leaving a \$16,000 shortfall in pledge revenues. Although expenses were generally lower than expected, they were not low enough to make up for this revenue shortfall, resulting in continued deterioration of our financial position, and an actual deficit of (\$13,495) versus

the budgeted deficit of (\$5,063). Hopefully, with the recent circulation of the quarterly pledge updates to parishioners, Current Year Pledges will recover to their expected levels, eliminating the larger than expected operating deficit

**Diocesan Convention:**

On Saturday, November 10th, lay and clergy representatives of the diocese met at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine for the Annual Diocesan Convention. Jeff Lawton, Laura Seitz, and our Rector represented St. A's. In addition to passing the budget, which included more money for campus ministries, struggling parishes, and Episcopal Charities, several items were discussed and voted on. The Convention passed a Resolution stating that Torture is a Moral Issue and invites parishes to join in the National Religious Campaign Against Torture (for more information, see [www.nrca.org](http://www.nrca.org)). There was also a resolution that requires the Diocese's Economic Justice Committee to study the effects of under and uninsured people in the Diocese. The Convention also voted to support the New Sanctuary Movement which allows individual parishes to choose to become sanctuaries for illegal immigrants (more information at [www.newsanctuarymovement.org](http://www.newsanctuarymovement.org)). And, we voted to make the first Sunday in June Episcopal Charities Sunday, wherein all loose offerings will go to the work of Episcopal Charities. For more information, please speak to our representatives.

**BLOODMOBILE IS COMING TO TOWN.**

The semi-annual Croton Community Blood Drive will take place on Sunday, Dec. 2, from 9 AM to 3 PM at the Croton-Harmon High School Gym. In May 2007, 212 community members came to donate blood. Why not add your support to the next drive and make an appointment today? Being a blood donor involves no risk what-so-ever, since all equipment touching the donor is brand-new, sterile, disposable, and used only once. Refreshments are served, baby sitters and transportation are provided. Call Carol Shanesy, 271-7645 or Jo Ann Fannon, 271-5529, or email [communityblooddrive@gmail.com](mailto:communityblooddrive@gmail.com) to make an appointment or if you have questions.

## BISHOP SISK'S ROUND TABLE GATHERINGS - READY TO BEGIN

Bishop Sisk announced in October that he is planning a series of meetings, geographically convenient where congregants can have the opportunity to sit down together and talk about the life of the Church with the Bishop.

**The dates are as follows: December 4, 11; January 31, February 5, 13 and 20; March 4, 11.** Each session will **begin at 9:30 AM and conclude after lunch around 2:00PM** or so and will consist of a coffee gathering, Morning Prayer, conversation and lunch.

St A's is specifically invited to the event on:  
**FEBRUARY 13, 2008**

**Hosted by: St. Joseph of Arimathea, Elmsford-  
RSVP by February 6 to Lila Botero –  
[lbotero@diocesenv.org](mailto:lbotero@diocesenv.org) – 914-693-3848**

## Stewardship:

Our pledge drive this year ended on November 11<sup>th</sup> with a delicious potluck brunch in the parish hall that was itself a beautiful example of stewardship. Many people offered their time and their talents by preparing food, setting up the hall or cleaning up afterwards. Even our children made a wonderful contribution (with the help of our dedicated Sunday School teachers) by decorating dozens of placemats with drawings of what they're thankful for. It is this spirit of sharing and giving that helps make St Augustine's such a special place.

Our pledge campaign this year has been centered around the idea that it is through giving of ourselves that we can recognize and acknowledge all that we have been given. Giving, of course, can take many forms and all our important. But by making a financial pledge, we make a real commitment, as members of St. Augustine's, to the life, health and mission of the church. Our goal this year is to be able to raise enough in pledges so that we can reduce our dependency on fundraising for our operating budget.

I'm happy to report that we've had a very strong, early response, with 36 families pledging a total of \$73,000! For those of you who have made your pledge for next year, thank you, thank you! If you have not yet returned your pledge card, I ask you to try to get in to office as soon as possible. Without knowing exactly how much money we can expect in pledges, we can't put together an accurate budget for next year. You can mail your pledge card to the parish office, or simply put it in the collection plate next Sunday. Together, we can do great things for and with this church.

*~submitted by Dana Garrett, Stewardship Chairperson*

## A note about our Saturday evening/ Sunday morning readings: The Revised Common Lectionary

At our weekend Eucharists, we hear a selected set of readings from our Lectionary. A Lectionary is a table of readings from Scripture appointed to be read at public worship. The association of particular texts with specific days began in the 4th century. The Lectionary [1969, revised 1981] developed by the Roman Catholic Church after Vatican II provided for a three-year cycle of Sunday readings. This Roman lectionary provided the basis for lectionary in The Book of Common Prayer 1979 as well as those developed by many other denominations.

Beginning the first week of Advent, we at St. A's, and much of the Episcopal Church are switching from the Book of Common Prayer Lectionary to the Revised Common Lectionary, which many other denominations already use. The Revised Common Lectionary, published in 1992, takes into account constructive criticism of the previous Lectionary based on the evaluation of its trial use and like the current prayer-book lectionary is a three-year cycle of Sunday Eucharistic readings in which Matthew, Mark and Luke are read in successive years with some material from John read in each year.

The Revised Common Lectionary provides these

new features:

\* The option of semi-continuous reading of the great Old Testament narratives on the Sundays after Pentecost, to provide exciting new preaching opportunities, vacation Bible School ideas or informal summer story-telling for adults as well as children.

\* The Lectionary, on the other hand, also has the option of lections in thematic harmony with the Gospel of the day for the Sundays after Pentecost, which is how we have previously done our readings.

\* The Inclusion of women and their role in salvation history, offering texts about women never heard on Sunday before.

The most notable example is the account of the woman anointing Jesus at Bethany [Mark 14:3-9]. Jesus responded by saying "wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her." This text, omitted in the present lectionary, is included in the Revised Common Lectionary as part of the Passion narrative read on Palm Sunday in Year B.

\*The Revised Common Lectionary preserves around 90% of the Gospel readings in the Lectionary of The Book of Common Prayer 1979.

### **Why is the Revised Common Lectionary of value to the Episcopal Church?**

\* It is a truly ecumenical lectionary shared by most Protestant denominations and widely used throughout the Anglican Communion.

\* It provides new opportunities for ecumenical Bible study and shared resources for teaching and preaching.

\* It has improved the choice of appropriate texts for Sundays and Festivals.

\* It incorporates most of the readings with which the church is familiar.

\* Most new resources for preaching, teaching and the planning of worship are already being developed to support the Revised Common Lectionary.

### **Who is already using the Revised Common Lectionary?**

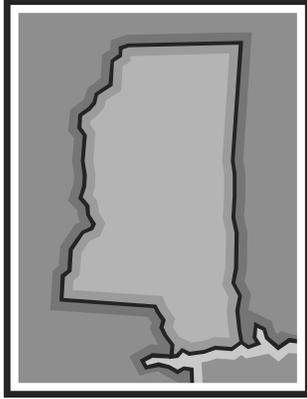
American Baptist Churches in the USA  
 Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
 Anglican Church of Australia  
 Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada  
 Anglican Church of Canada  
 Presbyterian Church in Canada  
 Christian Church [Disciples of Christ]  
 Presbyterian Church in the USA  
 Christian Reformed Church in North America  
 United Church of Canada  
 Church of England  
 United Church of Christ  
 Anglican Church in South Africa  
 United Methodist Church

\*The Roman Catholic Church has not adopted the RCL. However, there are already many differences between the Episcopal and Roman Lectionaries, even though the Episcopal Lectionary was patterned after the Roman Lectionary.

### **A note about ADVENT, taken from the Oxford Dictionary of the Christian Church:**

The word "Advent" is from the Latin *Adventus* which literally means "coming", as in the coming of Christ into the world. Advent is the ecclesiastical season immediately before Christmas. In the Western Church, it consists of the four weeks leading up to Christmas, but in the East, Advent often begins in the middle of November and is six weeks long. The first clear references to the season of Advent come from the latter half of the 6<sup>th</sup> Century.

Advent was formerly kept as Lent, but with less strictness. In the West, fasting is no longer formally ordered, though festivities are discouraged and the solemn character of the season is marked by the use of purple, which is the same color used in Lent. The season is observed as a time of preparation not only for the joy of Christmas but also for the Second Coming of Christ.



## *Mississippi Update*

The Outreach Committee would like to acknowledge those who helped raise funds to go to Mississippi. Especially those who sat out in the cold and the wet selling raffle tickets. A big hug and a thank you to Ty and Kathy West for coordinating all the fundraising activities: the mug sale, the raffle tickets, and the very successful lasagna sale. And we still need your help.

A big thank you to the following parishioners and friends that will be going to Bay St. Louis to help build homes for those devastated by Hurricane Katrina.

BEN TRUITT  
JONATHAN BERNZ  
JANE BERNZ  
GARRETT BERNZ  
JASON BERNZ  
RACHEL BERNZ  
TY WEST  
KATHY WEST  
MATT WEST  
MERI WEST  
JACK NEWTON  
AMY COBB  
SCOTT DAVIDSON  
MADDIE HOLLAND  
ANNIE SCHLEINING  
GRIFFIN IRVINE  
JACK CONNORS-KELGREN

JUSTIN CASSON  
LEE CASSON  
SARAH CASSON  
FIONA CASSON  
COLIN MURTAUGH  
IAN MURTAUGH  
HENRY HUNTINGTON  
TERRI HUNTINGTON  
KATE KYLE  
PAT CONLEY  
JULIA CONLEY  
BROOKE LEVY  
CAITLIN EDDOLS  
JOE MINKLER

SAFE TRIP!!



# Happy Holidays

**Reminder:**  
St. A's Parish Office will be  
closed from December 26<sup>th</sup>  
until January 1st

**CHRISTMAS AT ST. AUGUSTINE'S**

Saturday, December 22 <sup>nd</sup> ,	5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist II
Sunday, December 23 <sup>rd</sup>	8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist I
	10:00 a.m.	Service of Lessons and Carols
<b>CHRISTMAS EVE, Mon, Dec 24th</b>	4:00 p.m.	Children's Service, Holy Eucharist*
	7:00 p.m.	Family Service, Holy Eucharist II*
	10:00 p.m.	First Service of Christmas, Holy Eucharist II
<b>CHRISTMAS DAY, Tues. Dec 25th</b>	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II
<b>SATURDAY, December 29</b>	5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist II
<b>FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS, December 30</b>		
	8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II, Betsy Roadman Preaching
	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II, Betsy Roadman Preaching

<u>Rector</u>	<u>The Rev. Bradley C. Dyche</u>				
<u>Rector Emeritus</u>	<u>The Rev. David B. Wayne</u>				
<u>Priest Associate</u>	<u>The Rev. Betsy Johns Roadman</u>				
<u>Deacon</u>	<u>The Rev. Deacon Keith McKenna</u>				
<u>2007 VESTRY MEMBERS</u>					
Senior Warden:	<u>Duncan Cleary</u>	Junior Warden:	<u>Dana Garrett</u>		
Treasurer:	<u>Holly Anzani</u>	Clerk:	<u>Chris Moore</u>		
Asst Treasure:	<u>Suzanne Smith</u>				
<u>Class of 2007</u>	Jeff Lawton	<u>Class of</u>	Laura Seitz	<u>Class of</u>	Holly Anzani
	Louise Levey	<u>2008</u>	Suzanne Smith	<u>2009</u>	Ed Godek
	Chris Moore		Loren Zack		Greg Kaebnick
<u>Meeting Schedule:</u> Vestry, 3rd Wednesday, 7:45 p.m.					

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