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The Reverend Bradley C. Dyche  
Priest Associate:  
The Rev. Betsy Johns Roadman  
Deacon:  
The Rev. Deacon Keith McKenna

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

### July 2007

1	<b><u>The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost, The Rev. Bradley Dyche preaching and celebrating</u></b>	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II with Sunday School at 8:45
4	Wednesday	Parish Office Closed for July 4 <sup>th</sup> Holiday	
7	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist II
8	<b><u>The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost, The Rev. Bradley Dyche preaching and celebrating</u></b>	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II with Sunday School at 8:45
14	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist II
15	<b><u>The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost, The Rev. Betsy Johns Roadman preaching and celebrating</u></b>	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II with Sunday School at 8:45
21	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist II
22	<b><u>The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, The Rev. Betsy Johns Roadman preaching and celebrating</u></b>	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II with Sunday School at 8:45
28	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist II
29	<b><u>The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost, The Rev. Bradley Dyche preaching and celebrating</u></b>	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II with Sunday School at 8:45

Please note  
new Sunday  
Service time  
during July  
and August:  
9 AM

### August 2007

1	Wednesday	8:00 p.m.	Vestry Meeting	Sunday School Children and Acolytes who missed the end of the year awards may pick up their awards in the parish office.
4	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist II	
5	<b><u>The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost, the Rev. Bradley Dyche preaching</u></b>	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II with Sunday School	
11	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist II	
12	<b><u>The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost, The Rev. Bradley Dyche preaching</u></b>	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II with Sunday School at 8:45	
18	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist II	
19	<b><u>The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost, The Rev. Betsy Johns Roadman preaching and celebrating</u></b>	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II with Sunday School at 8:45	
25	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist II	
26	<b><u>The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost, the Rev. Bradley Dyche preaching and celebrating</u></b>	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II with Sunday School at 8:45	

***Congratulations to our High School Graduates:*** Dan Algarin, Sara Casson, Will Clark, Leigh Korey, Tucker Kolanko, Stephanie Lawton, Sophia Spring, Katherine Van Hengel, and Chelsea Westphal. Best wishes and prayers for your new journeys. We hope to see you on your breaks!!

**Vestry Notes** from the June meeting:

-- Treasurer Holly Anzani asked the Vestry to approve Suzanne Smith becoming Assistant Treasurer, which will be a huge help to Holly and the church. The Vestry unanimously approved, and Suzanne accepted.

-- The Community Building Committee had its second meeting and is currently recruiting people for parish events for the coming year.

-- The Discernment Committee has had two meetings and is currently exploring demographic trends in the Croton area and in neighboring parishes.

-- The Vestry approved recommendations from the Outreach Committee for the following gifts:

General Theological Seminary \$500

Peekskill Soup Kitchen \$1,000

Hudson Link \$800

Croton Caring Comm. (for luncheon) \$220

Rural and Migrant Ministries \$300

*submitted by Chris Moore, Clerk of the Vestry*

**High School and Middle School Students:** Sign up NOW! On September 14<sup>th</sup>, you are invited to go Heifer International's Overlook Farm in Rutland, Massachusetts. While there, we will be participating in an amazing outreach project. Heifer International is a program that provides animals to families in developing countries. Many youth groups go there to help work on the farm and at the same time learn about world hunger. Over the course of the weekend, we will be helping out around the farm, and learning what we can do to help eradicate poverty. This adventure promises to be both fun and educational. We will leave on Friday night, September 14<sup>th</sup> and be back on Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Father Brad in the parish office for more information or sign up on the Kitchen bulletin board.

**Summer Sunday School:** Children in Kindergarten or younger are invited to join Suzanne Smith for a fun Summer Sunday School class. The Class starts at 8:45, before the 9:00 AM service, and usually meets in the parish house. If you would like to help out, please contact Suzanne: hortonsmitty@verizon.net or 271-9394.

**Babysitting Revisited:** Beginning in the Fall, we are thinking of revising how we do babysitting. Namely, we **Father Brad will be away from July 11<sup>th</sup> to July 28<sup>th</sup>. If you have pastoral concerns, please contact the parish office. Betsy Johns Roadman will be on -call and preaching on the weekends.**

are thinking that we will have one adult and one teen work together to provide this invaluable service. Ideally, this would be something of a co-op, wherein those who take part in the nursery help out from time to time. But other members of the parish would be welcome as well. If you are interested in helping out as either a parent or volunteer, please contact the parish office.

**Croton Lay Interfaith Council** is well on its way! We have had two organizational meetings and have decided that we will join the forces of the local houses of worship for a single outreach opportunity, a "Do it in a Day" type of effort. If you know of someone who has a home that could use some extra TLC, please let us know. The next meeting will be in July. Stay tuned for more details. Everyone is invited!

**25 Sunday School Teachers Needed!** Yes, 25! With 5 classes and 5 sessions, it takes many of us to make Sunday School happen. 2007-08 promises to be an exciting year for St. A's Sunday School, with an all-new curriculum designed by Father Brad and new Sunday School coordinators Emma Wixted and Rachel Norfleet. Teachers are needed for each of the five grade levels: Pre-K, Kindergarten/1<sup>st</sup> grade, 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> grade, 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade, and 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade. Each volunteer teaches 4 to 5 sessions. NO experience is needed! We provide training, support and encouragement! Please email Rachel Norfleet at [norfleets@juno.com](mailto:norfleets@juno.com) if you are able to help.

**Class Angels:** Class Angels is a program that we will begin next Fall. Class angels will be high school students who help out, from time to time, in Sunday School Classes. If you are a high school student and interested, you could be assigned to a particular class and help that class, as much as you are able, throughout the year. This is a great community service, a time to help foster the faith of young kids, and a chance to take an active, adult role in the church. And everyone will look up to you for your efforts! While Sunday School teachers come and go throughout the year, you would be a mainstay. For more information, please contact Father Brad.

**Parish Summer Office Hours:**

M-W	9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Th-F	Office Closed
Saturday	Noon to 5:00 PM

<b>Financial Operations through May 31<sup>st</sup> , 2007:</b>			
	<i>Expenses</i>		<i>Revenues</i>
	<i>Paid</i>		<i>Received</i>
<b>Administrative</b>	\$(21,796.00)		
<b>Priest</b>	\$(33,836.42)	<b>Fundraising</b>	\$ (208.89)
<b>Service/Program</b>	\$ (9,232.74)	<b>Plate</b>	\$ 10,473.56
<b>Diocese</b>	\$ (9,686.00)	<b>Pledge</b>	\$60,132.00
<b>Outreach</b>	\$ (399.33)	<b>Space</b>	\$ 2,660.00
<b>Property</b>	\$(13,168.14)	<b>Investments</b>	\$ 4069.40
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$(88,118.63)	<b>TOTAL</b>	\$77,126.07
(deficit)/surplus	\$(10,992.56)		
budgeted deficit	\$(12,146.51)		

**Treasurer's Report:**

The Church's financial operations continue to remain strong for the first five months of our fiscal year. Expenses were generally in line with expectations. Administrative expense has come in higher than expected as we brought on a new employee, Holly Jeffery, while Jenn Latham was still on the payroll. Program expenses were also higher than the budget, due mostly to added investment in our Sunday school program. Property expenses came in lower than expected due to the relatively mild winter. 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 also behind budget, but this was solely a timing issue. Revenues were stable and in line with expectations for the most part. The negative number for Fundraising reflects the JuneFest related expenses that we incurred in May. **Actual JuneFest alone is over \$21,000 in revenues to date, but this may change as requests for reimbursements come in.** Current Year Pledges dipped below expectations for the first time this year, and we will expect this to continue through the summer months, when attendance is reduced. The Space Use also continues to fall below expectations, with revenues roughly 50% lower than budgeted. As a result, our current operating position is better than contained in the budget, with a smaller than budgeted deficit for the period.

**Results of June Festival 2007!**

Auction	\$7345	Baked Goods	\$617	Rummage	\$3272	Gold Fish	\$799
Games	\$1358	Gourmet Food	\$929	Grill	\$844	Plants	\$374
Dinner	\$608	White Elephant	\$4694	Toys	\$486	Food Fest	\$2475
Pub	\$932	Face painting	\$138	Cocktails	\$163		

**GRAND TOTAL: \$ 21,197.17**(after general expenses to date, this may change as expenses come in)

*Thanks to everyone who made this JuneFest a roaring success. And special thank you's to Regina Hertl, Betsy Joslyn and Mark Mitchell, Meaghan Shawcross, to all the cooks, to all the workers and counters, and to those who gave their all. Congratulations!*

**Further Afoot: Two Exciting Opportunities**

**Avalanche Ranch: A Wild Ride Through God's Word Vacation Bible School** for children ages four and up. All families from all churches in Croton are invited to participate and teachers are still needed. It will be held at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Croton the week of August 20-24<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM to Noon. The fee is \$25.00. For more information, contact Sue Montgomery at 271-4632.

Join the Diocese of New York on an excursion to the **National Acolyte Festival in Washington D.C.** on Friday through Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, 2007. For more information contact St. A's own Katie Penzduk at 914-762-5562. This is a lot of fun and a great way to meet other acolytes from around the country. To see last year's service, go to <http://www.cathedral.org/cathedral/worship/acolyte.shtml>.

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<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, 8:00 p.m.					

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