

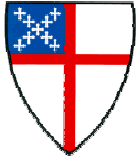


Tidings

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Adult Forum October 2nd, 9th, 16th!

Led by Gary Manning, Nancy Havas and Phyllis Teets

"End of Life Issues"

October 2

Gary Manning will lead a theological discussion on death and dying and the Christian response.

October 9

Attorney Miriam Stauff of All Saints' Cathedral talks about the practicalities of paperwork—DNR'S, Power of Attorney for Health Care

October 16

Nancy Havas, MD and Phyllis Teets, Parish Nurse cover treatment options, palliative & hospice care.

Adult Forum meets from 11:00 – 11:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall.



THEOLOGY STUDY GROUP

with the Rev. Wayne Fehr, Ph.D.

7:00 pm Thursday, October 13

7:00 pm Thursday, November 10

7:00 pm Thursday, December 8

In Trinity's Lounge

This series is offered to those who want to reach a deeper understanding of some of the central doctrines of Christian faith. Participants will be asked to read a brief essay (written by Dr. Fehr) in preparation for each session, in order to enter into a focused discussion of that material when they sit down together. This is an opportunity to explore in a thoughtful way the meaning of the language of faith that we speak in liturgy and personal prayer.



Foyer dinners are relaxed and casual meals in parishioners' homes. They offer a means to meet each other, have fun and enjoy a deeper sense of fellowship through time together during a meal. They are not part of a stewardship campaign, evangelism or Bible study.

+ Suppers are potluck, usually comprised of 6 to 8 people

+ Groups meet once a month for 3 or 4 months - before Thanksgiving then after the holidays until Easter (each host decides on a date that works for them)

+ Each month's groups are slightly different, so you meet someone new each time but also get to know others better

+ Children can be included, although it is best to check with the host about accommodations. Sometimes teens of other group members are happy to babysit :)

+ If your space is limited, consider meeting at church, going "Dutch" at a restaurant or enjoying supper on laps

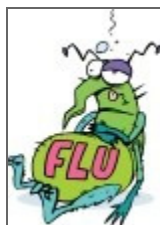
If you have more questions about our Foyer Dinner Groups, please contact Amanda Robison. Better yet, sign up! There's a list in the narthex, or you can let Amanda know:

heyamanda.robison@gmail.com

DON'T GET BIT

By the "Flu Bug"

Get your flu shot NOW!
Many locations available.



See Phyllis—
Parish Nurse for details.

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at
www.trinitywauwatosa.org

Visit us online as well as in person!
Check out the photo gallery under the
heading of Parish Life.

Join our Facebook group:
"Trinity Episcopal Wauwatosa"

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2011 Greater Milwaukee CROP Walk:

Help for the Hungry!
Sunday, October 9

Trinity Episcopal now has a formed a "Team" and you can join (either to walk with others from our congregation) or simply donate online to our Team. To access the website, simply go to: www.churchworldservice.org then click on the link to locate the Milwaukee Crop walk and you will find our team! Please email Marcus White (MWhite@greatermkefdn.org) or Mark Beilke (mbeilke@mcw.edu) with any questions.

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Dear Sisters and Brothers at Trinity Church:

I'm writing this letter in Durham, North Carolina, having just completed a week's study at Duke Divinity School. The focus of my time here (indeed the "question" that has occupied much of my reading while on sabbatical) has been, "What does it mean for a priest to exercise the cure/care of souls in a 21st century context?" This notion of the "cure of souls" is a "back-to-the-future" concept -- hearkening to the early centuries of the Church.

The more I've read (and I've read a plenty!), the longer my reading list has become. The longer I've explored this question, the more I understand there is to explore. Earlier this week, I spent an hour in conversation with the Rev'd Dr. Sam Wells, the Dean of the Chapel of Duke University. Sam, a priest ordained in the Church of England, shared with me his five-fold conception of what it means to be priest-in-community. As I continue my reading, and look forward to rejoining the Trinity Church community, I offer Sam's model as a way of letting you all know the sort of priesthood I will be praying and living toward when I return to your midst come October 1.

A priest-in-community is:

1. Prophet -- the one who speaks to the people on behalf of God, but is always mindful that "prophetic" doesn't have much to do with continually riding personal hobby-horses so much as listening for a compassionately challenging "word from the Lord". This requires much more time in reading, study and silence (yes, I said "silence", which continues to be a difficult practice for me!).
2. Priest -- the one who speaks to God on behalf of the people. Sam reminded me to never, ever take for granted the sacred responsibility of leading public worship. This will require a different way of being for me on Sunday mornings -- a lot more attentive and a lot less harried. I also plan to devote much more time each week thinking about, praying about and planning our liturgies in anticipation of our worship times together.
3. Chair -- the one who gets people to speak to each other under a certain "order". These are the official roles which come with the office of "rector" and have to do with the conversations we have within our Vestry and the various committees and groups which are so much a part of our common life.
4. Facilitator -- the one who gets people to talk with each other in "informal" settings. Sam suggested that in churches we seem to have little problem talking about each other with someone else, but the role of Christian community is to learn how to talk face-to-face with one another -- even with those with whom we may have personality conflicts or differences of opinion.

5. Living Witness -- (well, actually Sam used the word "Saint", but I just couldn't quite go there!) the one who lives the faith, however haltingly and imperfectly, in plain view of the community. The one who is open in articulating the faith in words and actions. This is a particular place of growth for me. I've been so busy attempting to help folks see the priest as "a regular person", I may have too often hidden the role my faith plays in the way I seek to live.

Admittedly, this is a tall order! I can see plenty of places where I've not lived up to these ideals. But Sam reminded me that the power that underpins our life in parish community is not our own, but the power of the Spirit bestowed upon us all in Baptism. The other point Sam made repeatedly to me was the absolute necessity of "slowing down so we can sense the Spirit". In a faster and faster culture, slowing down can be seen as either stubbornness or a commitment to going backwards. In fact, slowing down is a biblical stance, "Be still and know that I am God."

I recognize that when I return slowing down might not seem an option. We will be in the thick of the busiest ten weeks of parish life. We will be preparing budgets and organizing our pledge efforts to fund next year's mission and ministry. We will be planning for the 125th Anniversary of the founding of Trinity Church. We will be blessing animals, giving thanks, baptizing new Christians and solemnizing marriages. There will be Diocesan Convention and before we know it, Advent and Christmas. Yet in the middle of all of this, we will indeed need to take time to take stock, to slow down and to give thanks for the lovely mystery that is parish life.

I know there will be a time of getting "reacquainted" with each other. You all have done much while I've been away. I look forward to hearing all about it. In the meantime, know that you are in my prayers. I can't wait to see you!

Blessings,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gary", written in a cursive style.

Gary B. Manning, *Rector*



Tour de DioMil

Pedaling the Perimeter for Folks on the Fringe

The Tour de DioMil is over with regard to the pedaling – 538 miles logged – sore muscles recovering – returning from the rarified air of the countryside – all are complete. But this was much more than a sojourn on bicycles. It was a personal pilgrimage of reflection, inspiration, joy and fellowship. Every day we were greeted with a hot meal, open arms and warm hearts. I came to understand in a tangible sense that our brothers and sisters are all around us.

When each parish was asked by Gary what gave them joy with regard to their parish, every single one said it was the love and support of their church family. Every stop along the way felt like we were added to their families even if we were only with them for a day – the fellowship and memories will last much longer.

We began each day's ride with the Collect for Grace (BCP pg. 100) and the prayer for travelers (pg. 831) and God responded by blessing us with no injuries or illness, no challenge insurmountable, spiritual nourishment for our souls, and nourishment for our tired bodies at the end of each day.

During the days of riding there was at least one moment each day I thought of Trinity, Wauwatosa. Sometimes it was when we were eating snacks you prepared for us; sometimes it was in the Supply and Gear (SAG) vehicle drivers anticipating our every need even before we realized we needed something; and always when feeling the spirit of each parish visited. I became more and more grateful for all your efforts and support on our behalf.

I want to thank each of you for all your gifts while on this ride. While every day ended with a delightful evening at the different parishes, there was no greater joy than coming home to Trinity and my church family.

Blessings,
~ Betsy Jeffery

"Sabbatical Show and Tell"

5:00—7:00 pm

Sunday, October 30

**SAVE THE
DATE!**

**REFRESHMENTS
WILL BE SERVED**

S

S-(first) Sunday of the month—Orders will be taken the first Sunday during October, November and December. Order forms are available in the Narthex and kitchen every Sunday.

C

C-Convert your cash—buy a gift card from scrip for the places you use often or seldom and use them as cash the next time you shop, eat out, or need a service.

R

R-raise money for outreach. Trinity earns money from each card, so your support gives us money for outreach.

I

I-ideas for gifts—Purchase a card and give it as a gift. If you purchase one from scrip, outreach benefits.

P

P-please order!

Think of ordering an extra card and donate it to the Awesome Auction!

Trinity outreach will benefit twice; through your purchase from Scrip and also by the bid at the auction.

Questions: ask Joan Pfeil, Jill Paradowski, or Betsy Jeffery.

Ministry Fair

Thanks to all who attended the ministry fair. We hope that you found it helpful. If you signed up for an activity, someone will contact you from that ministry about your involvement. If you did not attend the ministry fair, please see Jill Paradowski for more information.



Remembering the '50s!



As November 12, the date of the Awesome Auction for Outreach approaches, there is still time to help make this a successful event. Look for auction volunteers in the narthex after Sunday services to help you sign up to donate

things. A variety of items for baskets, goods and services, tickets to sporting or cultural events, childcare services, wine and beer donations, restaurant and salon gift certificates are a few ideas.

You may bring your items to the office any time up to November 6.

Fun and fund-raising are in the spotlight for this year's 1950s-themed silent auction. Here's a sneak preview of just a few of the items up for grabs:

- A week's stay at a remodeled Irish cottage near Dublin, Ireland
- Gourmet dinner party for 6
- Personalized gardening and design services
- Beaded jewelry and felted wool accessories

Most of all, we need YOU! Please plan to attend, and bring your neighbors, families and friends to share in the fun and the bidding.

Check out the Frequently Asked Questions available in the Narthex. Lists of possible donations are also available.

Don't forget that first-time attendees are admitted free!

On-site child care will also be available.

We've thought of everything to make it a great time for all.

Trinity Episcopal Environmental Ministries

(TEEM)

TEEM has been busy in the last few months working with the Buildings and Grounds committee discussing whether the installation of a rain barrel would be prudent and advantageous for the care of the gardens, but also to help to divert rain water from the Wauwatosa sewer system. The Milwaukee Metro area has a water management problem which doesn't appear to have been resolved by the construction of the deep tunnels. Our crazy summer rain storms bring too much water too fast, and each summer there are numerous dumpings of overflow into Lake Michigan which is either not or only partially treated. On a local level, each one of us can install a rain barrel easily by diverting a downspout (or two or three!) into a barrel, which then has an overflow tube which takes that extra water into your garden or grass. Ask a TEEM member for more information.

On another note, the question of the **COLUMARIUM** has come up, and what, you ask, is a columbarium? Go into the Chapel, face the altar, and then turn around facing out. You are now looking at Trinity's columbarium, located on the back wall. Here are cubbies or niches where are placed the cremated ashes, or "cremains", of those Saints from Trinity and beyond who have gone before us. It is a "green" way to be buried as it saves space in cemeteries, and is considerably less costly than a burial with a casket. Cremation is a tradition that is ancient and is practiced by many faiths. It is the reducing by fire of a dead body to ashes. The ashes are then placed in an urn or other container and interred in a niche of a columbarium. The ashes may also be buried or scattered in a memorial garden on church grounds or in a cemetery. The early Christians considered cremation inappropriate because the body was to be resurrected. Early Christians followed the Jewish practice of burial. Cremation largely ceased in the Roman empire by the fifth century, however; several cremation societies were organized in Europe during the nineteenth century. Cremation was urged by some because of concern for public hygiene and conservation of land. The practice became more widespread, and was no longer understood to deny the resurrection of the body. The 1979 BCP is the first American Prayer Book to recognize cremation. The BCP states (p. 490) that the committal service may precede cremation. The legitimacy of cremation in the Church of England is recognized by the 1969 Canons which state that the ashes of a cremated person should be interred or deposited in consecrated ground. The Roman Catholic Church resisted the practice of cremation in the nineteenth century because it was associated with anti-Catholic sentiments and materialism. The Roman Catholic penalties for cremation were withdrawn by a decree of the Holy Office (July 5, 1963), unless there is evidence of bad faith. (www.episcopal church.org) If you would like more information about cremation or interment at Trinity, please call Barb in the church office, or speak with Gary Manning or Beth Papazoglakis.

Please join us for our monthly meetings, on the last Sunday of the month (October 30th) after the 9:30 service. Be Green!

~ Emily Vaill Pfaff

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12 6:00 pm—9:00 pm

Awesome Auction for Outreach, Trinity's annual (and primary) fundraising event is successful every year because of YOU.

Here's how it works.

DONATE- What and How

Small (new) items may be gathered into theme baskets. For example: a container of tea, a cozy lap blanket, a DVD and some chocolate may become a "Time to Relax" basket. Larger items will stand alone. Services – yours or others you solicit. Ask your hairdresser, massage therapist, or personal trainer to donate a coupon good for a freebie. Ask your favorite restaurant, movie theatre or garden store to contribute a gift card or item. Don't be shy; it's for a good cause! Look in the narthex for a letter to give to your vendor explaining what the auction supports.

Belong to a club? How about tennis, golf, reduced or free 3-month membership?

Have a talent? Share it – music or art lessons, gardening advice, handyman services, computer training, ...

Teens contribute too! Babysitting services are big – you have to pay a sitter anyway. Teenage boys/girls can rake or mulch for a few hours – why not let them do the work?

Cook a meal (for 4, 6, or 8), cookies for 6 months, seasonal soup, or a special dessert for a special occasion.

Hand-crafted treasures such as scarves, purses, jewelry, quilts or woodworking

Tickets to music, cultural or sporting events

Please have donations at church no later than Wed. November 9

ATTEND

Buy your ticket in advance or at the door. At \$10.00 each it's the best deal in town. It's an even better deal if you are a first time attendee then IT'S FREE!!!

This year's theme is "Remembering the '50s". If you enjoy dressing the part, please do so but know it is entirely optional.

Onsite child care is also available and free beginning at 5:45

HAVE FUN

Enjoy delicious appetizers, special non-alcoholic drinks, wine and beer all evening long. In addition to browsing and bidding on auction items, this year will feature:

WINE PULL – buy a ticket and win a bottle of wine. You can't lose on this one, but rumor has it there are some pretty pricey, special wines and champagne up for grabs

BEER PULL - Featuring exotic Micro brews and imported brews

50/50. Buy a ticket, keep 1/2 and drop 1/2 in the basket. Drawing later in the evening will award 1/2 the total cash amount collected to the winner with the other 1/2 to outreach

PHOTO OPS GALORE - have your picture taken for a small donation

WHO WINS?

Ministries such as the Haiti project, supporting a nurse for a year; Red Door Clothes, an inner-city free clothing ministry; others, may include Our Next Generation - an inner-city youth program; Habitat for Humanity; Mayfair Interfaith, a ministry for elderly remaining in their homes... And

YOU because you'll have a great time and bring home something special. Early highlights this year include 2 opportunities to spend a week at a cottage in Ireland, time at a cabin in North-western Wisconsin, Brewer's tickets and treasures, Symphony tickets, and SO MUCH MORE!



Episcopal YOUTH Community



After a busy summer of fundraising and travel to Nashville for the Summer Mission trip, EYC members are settling into another school year. After a wonderful opening cookout on September 18th, we are getting into the swing of the twice-monthly meetings. New this year, the leadership community is spreading out to include more parents, and Jaime Kristof has stepped forward to be more or less the coordinating secretary (the fearless leaders cannot express adequately their thanks to Jaime for her willingness to serve in this way!!).

If you would like to help out at one of the events, or if you'd like to supply all or part of a dinner, please let Jaime know at jmkristof@hotmail.com.

Here's what's on the agenda for October...

Sunday, October 9th, Dinner and Fellowship at Trinity from 5 to 7 pm.

Bring your athletic shoes, if the weather is nice we're planning to play kickball at Lincoln school; otherwise, we'll have board game night, and talk about some ideas for an urban mission for the Summer of 2012.

Sunday, October 23rd, Halloween Party at Trinity from 5 to 7 pm

Get those costumes ready, and bring your digital camera--we'll be hosting a digital scavenger hunt, a pumpkin carving contest, and of course, a costume contest. As always, special consideration given for costumes with a Biblical theme....

We are looking forward to a wonderful 2011/2012!

The fearless leaders

Habitat for Humanity


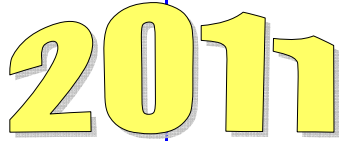
A small but energetic crew helped frame a house on 41st in several days during Building on Faith Week (September 12-16). Although we were not quite as involved as last year, Habitat reassured us that all help is welcome. Thanks to those who provided snacks or helped during the build. Trinity will also continue to help on several Saturdays. Betsy Jeffery and Jill Paradowski will work with Habitat to assign a group of Trinity folks to work 4 Saturdays during

2012. We are never too sure what our assignment will be, but Habitat always has someone to work with the volunteers. We hope you can join us for these days and see what a difference Habitat is making in neighborhoods in Milwaukee.



Congratulations to Eunice Murphy who celebrated her 90th birthday.



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2 16 Pentecost 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:30 am Holy Eucharist 10:45 am Fellowship & Christian Formation 11:30 am 125th Anniversary Planning Mtg. 4:00 pm Blessing of Animals	3 6:30 pm Parish Life Committee Mtg. 7:00 pm Men's Spirituality Group	4	5 9:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:45 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Handbells 7:30 pm Choir	6	7 6:30 am Holy Eucharist	8 8:30 am Caregivers Mtg.
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The Blessing of the Animals

The bond between person and pet is like no other.

Since church is the place where we celebrate creation, it's no wonder we enjoy the opportunity to bring our pets to church for a special blessing.

This custom is conducted in remembrance of St. Francis' love for all creatures.

4:00 PM, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2
TRINITY'S WELCOME GARDEN

