

St. Bartholomew's Newsings

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-----Vicar's Message-----

Grace, peace, and the love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Fall is here and there is so much to celebrate as Christians in the family of St. Bartholomew's! Thanks to God we have survived the summer with successes in our VBS program, mission camp, and Camp Weed programs for our youth. Our attendance over the summer and the generous giving sustained our ministry and also the Diocese, and our local community. Our family St. Bart's celebration in August was probably one of our most attended not to mention fun-filled family events of the year. There are many blessings we receive when our desire to serve and be an active part of the St. Bart's family becomes our primary focus.

Jesus makes it very clear that the first and great commandment is to love our God with all that we are and have. When a congregation of worshipers come together with that purpose in mind the church generates energy. Energy is what powers our work and overcomes the obstacles that are constantly challenging our work. John Paul Jones, revolutionary captain, stated that he would have nothing to do with a ship that could not sail fast for he intended to go in harm's way. He understood the concept of energy not only in the ship he was sailing but also in the crew of the ship. His successes are recorded in history.

I often hear of the concern that we are an aging church. Maybe the wood is aging. I have gone past the senior citizen age but thanks to God my energy level grows with my excitement to serve my Lord in serving you. I love to hear the Gospel story and the stories of the Saints that have gone before who were set on fire with the energy to serve. Every Sunday one of the first things I do in the Sanctuary is to refuel the altar candles given in love by two saints of our church family. Candles tell a true fact, as the fuel level goes down so does the brightness of the candle until finally there is no light. The whole evolution reminds me that if I fail to fuel my soul by loving and serving my Lord that the light of my candle will also in time cease to exist. It takes energy to make energy but energy so used becomes synergistic making more than what was used! The message is simple: increase your desire to serve God and your energy level will increase, and your light will shine brighter showing the way to eternal life with our Lord in that happy place known as God's Kingdom. There are many opportunities to fuel your spiritual life at St. Bart's and increase your energy level for the work of Christ. It takes energy to make that commitment but I promise you that your energy spent for the Lord will result and an overflowing abundance of energy that will bring purpose, satisfaction, happiness, and most importantly it will bring Eternal Life.

Have a great October and I am excited to be seeing you on Sunday. Let's increase our energy together!
Much love in Christ, fr. lance

“No story sits by itself. Our lives connect like threads on a loom, interwoven in ways we never realize.”

~Mitch Albom, author



I want you woven into a tapestry of love, in touch with everything there is to know of God. Then you will have minds confident and at rest, focused on Christ, God’s great mystery.

~Colossians 2:2



SAVE THE DATE!



WHAT: Oktoberfest

WHEN: October 19, 2019 6:00 – 8:30

WHERE: St. Bartholomew’s Parrish Hall

Suggested Donation: \$12.00

Our next event is fast approaching. Tickets will be on sale through Sunday October 13th or until we sell out. Seating is limited and based on last year it is suggested you get your tickets early. Please see Carol Griffin at the 8:00 service for your tickets or Neil Boyle at the 10:00 service for your tickets.

Thank you for supporting St. Bartholomew’s and come enjoy some good food, entertainment and fellowship.



Chalice Bearers - October

10/6 - Annette

10/13 - Gregg

10/20 - Neil

10/27 - Cherie

Lay Readers - October

10/6- Debra Wright

10/13 - Beth Treese

10/20 - Margaret Palmer

10/27 - Alex Matisco





Episcopal Edibles



English Pea Salad

Perfect for our Potlucks

Ingredients:

¾ c. apple cider vinegar
 1 c. sugar
 ½ c. vegetable oil
 1 tsp. pepper
 1 c. celery, chopped fine

1 bunch green onions, including tops, chopped fine
 1 (16 oz) French cut green beans
 1 (16 oz) can baby peas
 1 (12 oz) can shoe peg white corn
 1 jar diced pimentos

Directions:

Mix the vinegar, sugar, oil and pepper in saucepan. Bring to a boil. Remove and cool to room temperature. Drain beans, peas, and corn, add to onions, bell peppers and celery. Pour dressing over vegetables and marinate at least 8 hours. Makes 1½ quarts. Keeps well for 2 weeks or more in refrigerator.



“To love our neighbors as ourselves means to see that we are worth loving, and those around us are too.

~Jonathon Merritt, author

If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing well.

~James 2:8



KUDOS

Art Moegenberg arranged a special birthday Party for wife Alma at Ayers Rehabilitation Facility in Trenton to celebrate her 89th Birthday on September 8th.

Picture from the Gilchrist County Journal Newspaper

Art Moegenberg and friends at Ayers help Mrs. Alma M. celebrate her

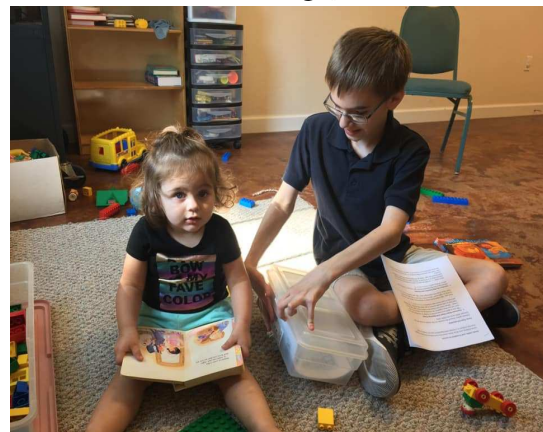


Sunday School Teaching Schedule for 10am Services:

Oct. 6 th :	Sam Sheryl	Oct. 13 th :	Ben Michelle
Oct. 20 th :	Ben Sam	Oct. 27 th :	Cherie Cornelia

Upcoming Children & Youth Events:

- ~ Wed. Oct. 2nd at 7pm: Youth Group Meeting
- ~ Wed. Oct. 9th at 7pm: Youth Group Meeting
- ~ Wed. Oct. 16th at 7pm: Youth Group Meeting
- ~ Wed. Oct. 23rd at 7pm: Youth Group Meeting
- ~ Wed. Oct. 30th at 6pm: Staff Planning Meeting
7pm: Youth Group Meeting



Caden teaching Jenna in the nursery

<-The first Youth lesson of this school year

As your designated administrator for Safeguarding God’s Children & People, please contact me through email at harrischerie@rocketmail.com or by phone at 352-234-0969 for more information or to get your account set up.

In the Diocese of Florida, the following people are **required** to attend one or both Safeguarding classes and renew their certification every 5 years. Please note: these lists may not include every position (paid or unpaid):

Mandatory attendance of both Safeguarding God’s Children & Safeguarding God’s People:

All clergy canonical or licensed to function in the Diocese of Florida. All employees of the Church or Church Agency within 30 days of employment. Any person acting in a supervisory capacity: (i.e., Program Directors – Choral, Music, Youth, Pastoral Care, Day School Teachers, Sunday School Teachers, Teacher’s Aides, Maintenance Workers, Acolyte Coordinators)

Mandatory attendance of Safeguarding God’s People:

All employees/volunteers (including clergy) serving in a supervisory capacity: (i.e., Adult Christian Formation, Pastoral Care Ministries, Visitation Ministry, Eucharistic Visitors, Stephen Ministry)

Mandatory attendance of Safeguarding God’s Children:

All employees/volunteers (including clergy) who have interaction with children and youth: (i.e., Sunday School Teachers, Day School Teachers, Superintendents, Youth Group Leaders/Volunteers/Sponsors, Church Nursery Directors, Nursery Workers, Acolytes, Children’s Choir Directors)

Thank you,
Cherie Harris



Hostess List for October



Oct 6 – Pot luck

Oct 13 – Cornelia/ Ruthann

Oct 20 – Lisa/ Sharon P

Oct 27 – Nancy/ Sheryl S

Note: If you would like to volunteer to provide a light snack and drink, please contact Nancy Brewer 386-496-3445.

