

# The Encourager

*The Mission of St. Barnabas Church is to live and spread the Gospel of Christ as disciples making disciples.*

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## Prayer for the Selection of Our Next Rector

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the hearts and minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

## A Message from Father Jim

I cannot impress upon you strongly enough to please, please, please tell me when you are going into the hospital or have some kind of medical procedure scheduled. Contrary to popular opinion, priests do not have a crystal ball that lights up when someone is hospitalized. Nor does God reach down from heaven and tap us on the shoulder or send angels to give us the news in a dream. And even though you may have told other people about an impending surgery that does not necessarily mean that the word is going to filter down to me. And because of the HIPAA law that was enacted some years ago it is difficult if not impossible for us to get information from medical facilities.

The only sure way for me to know that you are in the hospital is for you to tell me yourself. Or be sure to have a family member call me if you are rushed in for an emergency. And when you give me this kind of news it is not the best idea for you to tell me as I am greeting you at the door of the church after Sunday services. That which is told to me as I greet you on Sunday often slips my mind as the next person in line comes up and perhaps gives me another concern. Tell me at coffee hour, or ask to see me in my office, or give me a call. I need to have the opportunity to write it down in my appointment book. And **never, never, never** (got the message yet) keep this kind of news from me because you think I am too busy and have too many other things to worry about.

If there is anything in my ministry that really upsets me, it is when someone falls through the cracks in situations like this. This is the time when you need the prayers of the church and the pastoral ministrations of your priest, but I can't do my job if I don't know when you need me to be there.

*Jim+*

## Monthly Youth Sunday on April 3<sup>rd</sup>



Kids, our monthly Youth Sunday will take place on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. You will be our greeters, take the offering, bring the offering to the altar, have a special talk with Fr. Jim and then join him around the altar rail for the consecration of the bread and wine. We hope all the children will be in church on this Sunday.

## Annual Easter Egg Hunt



The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place Sunday, April 3, 2016 after the 10:00 a.m. service. We hope you will join us for the fun and fellowship.

## Monthly Healing Service



Our "Monthly Healing Service" will be held on Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 12 noon. If you would like to have prayers and anointing for healing or feel you have the gift of healing you may find this service a welcome alternative. This is a full Eucharistic celebration so it fulfills your Sunday worship for the day.

## Dinner and a Movie



Dinner and a Movie will take place on Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup>. We will watch *The Imitation Game*, which came out in 2014 and is based on the life of Alan Turing, a British cryptanalyst who worked to break German intelligence codes for the government during World War II.

So bring something to eat and perhaps a comfortable chair and join us for a great movie and the discussion that will follow.

## Spring Clean-Up



Our annual Spring Clean-up will take place on Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. The Rain date is Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at church and begin at 9:00 a.m. Please bring rakes, push brooms and gardening tools. The church will supply waste bags. We will have a cookout lunch and the church will supply hot dogs, hamburgers, chips and beverage.

## Diocesan Eastertide Confirmation at St. Barnabas on May 14<sup>th</sup>



The Diocesan Eastertide Confirmation service will be held at St. Barnabas on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. You may be Confirmed, Received or Reaffirm your Baptismal Vows at this service. If you are not yet an “official” member of St. Barnabas (meaning that your baptism is not recorded in the Parish Register) you might want to be Confirmed or Received at this service. If you have been baptized as an infant, or baptized as an adult and not yet Confirmed you would be Confirmed. If you have been Confirmed in another denomination, you would be Received. Anyone Baptized may reaffirm his or her baptismal vows before the Bishop.

Please let Fr. Jim know as soon as possible if you wish to be presented at this service so that he can arrange instruction. We already have two persons who wish to be Confirmed. If you wish to be Confirmed or Received at this service please speak to Fr. Jim so that he can arrange instruction.

## Episcopal Charities Update



Thank you to all who have pledged to the Episcopal Charities campaign for 2016. St. Barnabas pledges are up to \$5400!! If you haven't made a pledge yet, prayerfully consider doing so. Your pledge forms were sent out in the mail. 100% of what you give goes out directly in the form of a grant to agencies in RI helping those in need. Many of the agencies our outreach ministries support are past recipients of grants such as Crossroads, West Bay Community Action and House of Hope! The goal of the campaign this year is \$400,000. No donation is considered too small. See Julie Mixner or Cate Spearman for questions or details.

## Episcopal Conference Center Brochures



Brochures for the summer camping season at ECC are available on the table at the back of the church. There are camps for children as young as entering the 2nd grade in September and as old as entering the 12th grade. There is even a camp for an entire family. Camperships are available. Just speak to Fr. Jim.

## Music Notes



## ***EVENSONG***

With the exception of the Holy Eucharist, Morning and Evening Prayer are the most common liturgies in the Episcopal Church. It is the rich musical tradition in Evening Prayer which is held in high regard throughout the broad worship practices and musical expressions of the church.

When music accompanies the service of Evening Prayer, including chanted collects, hymns, canticles, and choral anthems, it is often called *Evensong*. The beautiful texts of the *Magnificat* and the *Nunc dimittis* are always included in the music of Evensong and, over the centuries, provided great inspiration to many composers of church music.

St. Barnabas has been invited to participate with St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Warwick, in a service of Evensong on **Sunday, April 17th at 5:00 p.m.** The prayers and readings will be from the lectionary for the Fourth Sunday of Easter, "Good Shepherd" Sunday. The St. Mark and St. Barnabas combined choir will be singing a setting of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm by Gordon Jacob entitled "Brother James' Air" which is a well-loved choral rendition of this beloved "The Lord is my Shepherd" psalm text. The liturgy will be led by The Rev. Susan Wrathall, Rector at St. Mark's and our own Fr. Jim Bocchino will be the preacher.

Please plan to join us for this beautiful service.

I will see you there!

***Ted Platt***

Director of Music

## May Breakfast



This year May 1<sup>st</sup> falls on a Sunday and we are going to have a "May Breakfast" following both services on that day. Please join us for a time of fun and fellowship down in Schweitzer Hall. If you are interested in helping out with this please speak to Beth Marsh.

## Outreach Opportunities



We continue to cook for the House of Hope and RI Family Shelter once a month. We could use new cooks to participate in this ministry. Many months we are not able to cook for both houses due to not enough people to help. If you'd like to participate you'd be assigned to be with a team of people to contribute to just part of the meal. We typically need 3-4 people assigned to each date so it's not too heavy of a burden on just one person. The RI Family Shelter houses about 25 adults and children that are temporality homeless and the House of Hope houses 12 adults that reside there permanently. If you would like to participate in this ministry, see Julie Mixner for details.

There are boxes in the back of the church for a few on-going collections. We collect nonperishable food items for the West Bay Marketplace which is a local food pantry in Buttonwoods. There is also a box for full size personal care items, paper goods and cleaning items for the residents at the House of Hope.

## White Water Rafting Trip Scheduled for July 16<sup>th</sup>



Our "third annual" parish white water rafting trip is scheduled for Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>. Children are once again invited to participate if they meet three conditions:

1. They must be at least 8 years old.
2. They must weigh at least 50 pounds.
3. They must be accompanied by a parent.

We will be rafting the Hudson River Gorge in upstate New York with Beaverbrook Outfitters. You can take a look at their website at [www.beaverbrook.net](http://www.beaverbrook.net). Fr. Jim has scheduled many rafting trips with them. The usual cost is \$69 per person which includes the rafting, lunch on the river and dinner when we return to the base camp. Please let Fr. Jim know if you are interested and he will give you a list of places where you can stay. For those who like to tent or have campers there is plenty of room on Fr. Jim and Barbara's property. ***Lodging in the area fills up quickly at that time of year so you should decide now if you are going and make arrangements as soon as possible.***

## Desk for the Taking



There is a lovely desk which we are trying to give away. It is 76" wide by 19 1/2" deep, has 3 file draws, 2 regular draws and a central draw above the chair well. It is yours for the taking. If no one takes it by Spring Clean-up on April 9<sup>th</sup> we are breaking it up and throwing it in the dumpster.

## **A Note on Our Search Process from the Senior Warden**

Sheets were hung for several weeks in Schweitzer Hall allowing interested parishioners the opportunity to put forth their name for team consideration in the Search Process. Canon Linda Grenz met with the Vestry on March 13<sup>th</sup> for a fairly lengthy meeting, at which, and after much prayer and deliberation, conveners and team members were chosen. Vestry members are now reaching out to those individuals asking them to prayerfully consider their nominations and their commitment to serve in such capacities. On behalf of the Vestry, we are all very appreciative for and encouraged by the show of enthusiasm and desire for personal involvement in this process. Please continue to pray, as you have been: Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on St. Barnabas, and so guide the hearts and minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

### **St. Barnabas Women's Breakfast**



The annual St. Barnabas Women's breakfast will be held on Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 a.m. at T's Restaurant in East Greenwich. A sign-up sheet is at the back of the church.

### **Easter Flowers Decorating the Church on Easter Were Given to the Glory of God and In Loving Memory of:**

In Loving Memory of:

Lillian, Joseph and Pumpkin Whitehead by Dianne Whitehead.

Donna J. Winter, Charles Chevian, Isable Winter, Charles P. Winter by Charles W. Winter Sr.

Theodore Whiteley, Mary Wilding and Robert Tilley by Ann Whiteley.

The Bonenfant and Budlong Families by Richard Budlong and Ronald Bonenfant.

Richard Chaplin Spinney by Carolyn Spinney and family.

Skip Smith, Ana Rodrigues, Louise Macomber, Florence Smith, Frederick Smith Sr., Barbara and Wilbur Bridge, Elizabeth and Walfred Nyman, Sean Eagan, Charloette Rodrigues, Scott Francis, Spunky and Tinker by Heather Rodrigues.

Raymond and Fannie Dexter, Raymond and Catherine Dexter, Charles H. Dexter Sr., Barbara Dexter Rusack, Raymond H. Dexter Sr., Inez Clausen, Helen and John W. Germond, Helen and Frank Morey by Helena Dexter.

Lowell Totten, Dorothy Totten, Rose McIntyre, George McIntyre, Debra McIntyre and Ray Heroux by David and Audrey McIntyre.

Thomas and Ann Fox, Josephine Bocchino, John Bocchino, Clara (Bocchino) Bianco, Joan (Fox) Kilgariff and Ann Marie (Fox) Gutowski by The Reverend James R. Bocchino and Barbara E. Fox.

Hayden Bentley by Shirley Bentley.

Rita King by Marge and Wayne Pollard.

Ann M. Picard by Stephen J. Picard.

Nancy Lou Urquhart by Richard S. Urquhart.

Doris M. Clipston, Frank M. and Ruth Crowther, Frank M. Crowther Jr., Edward Charpentier, Anna and Denis Desjarlais, Joseph Coffey, The Rev. William L. and Marjorie Kite, John and Olga Pashkovsky, George and Helen Wells, George Wells Jr., and Barbara J. Meinel by John and Betty Pashkovsky.

Teresa Turner, Jerry Turner, Ada and Joseph Turner, Ollie and Joseph Sheets, William Gardner and Anne and Art Richard by Erma and Jim Turner.

Edward F. Fletcher, Phylis M. Taylor, B. Buck Taylor, Florence E. Taylor, Schuyler J. Taylor Sr., and Hope L. Thornton by Sandy Fletcher.

Harold and Hannah Hayes, Elia and Marion Centracchio, Don A. Centracchio, Lewis and Esther Carpenter, Alan Carpenter, and Howard and Mabel Wheelock by Donald and Marcia Carpenter.

Robert Frueh, Jean and Bessie Ricci and Mary and Otto Frueh by Gail Frueh.

Joyce Talabay and Robert White by Wendy Norris.

Joseph Costa, Edith Costa, Arthur Gravelin and Jeannette Gravelin by George and Carol Gravelin.

Alberico Suppappola, Domenico and Speranza Suppappola, Albert and Annie B. Jones, Norma and Bill Briggs, Herbert Jones, Richard Jones, Marcia Bowers and Eleanor Seddon by Heidi Seddon.

The Farnum Family, Holly Egan Pannone, Elizabeth, Rachel and Nancy by Trudy Eagan

Stanley W. Schofield, Sr., Dorothy I. Schofield, Leslie I. Gomes, George and Gertrude Schofield, John and Susan Slaven, Sr., John and Elizabeth Slaven, Jr., William Colburn, Robert and Eleanor DeAvilla, Frederick and Florence Smith, Skip Smith, William and Carmen Oehrle, John and Esther Shaw, Lawrence O'Connor and The Reverend Kenneth and Diane Franklin by the Schofield Family.

Arthur Hartington Sr., Hazel and Ross D. Walcott, Barbara and Paul Costigan and Ross T. Walcott by Abbie Hartingotn.

Larry Bayles, John and Phyllis Simonian, Vahan and Santook Simonian, Abraham and Betty Simonian, John and Helen Kirkman, Rev. Bjarne and Florence Erickson, Alan and Muriel McCoy, David and Lois Macaulay, Robert Macaulay, Edgar and Mable Pierce, Donald Shaw, Myra and Donald E. Shaw, Florence and Edwin Jenkins, John Mikowski Peter Patrick Cannon, Carrie and Henry Maksymowicz, Cooper, Kingston, Oreo and Missy by the Simonian Family.

Morrison Horridge Jr., by Jane Horridge.

Alice and Jack Lederman, Domenic Malveto, Virginia Malveto by Alice M. Malveto.



Ella K. Mitchell, Hedwig Kenyon, Alton and Helen Conn, James Conn, Richard S. Riley, Tamison Snow, Christopher Mitchell, William Seussbrick, Agnes Spearman, and Mary Spearman by Catherine Spearman.

Chinua Achebe, Elizabeth Onuorah, Samuel Okoli and Esther Okoli by Christie Achebe.

William and Thelma Lindopp, Howard and Mildred Killion, Arthur and Grace Smith, Edward and Hazel Newell, Michael Rocha, Carol Walker, Robert Gasse, Augusto and Maria Rocha and Joseph and Maria Thomas by Newell and Lindopp Families.

John C. Menzies, George and Marjorie Tyler, George and Marion Menzies, Rev. Charles and Betty Tyler, George and Madalyn Tyler, and Audrey-Ann and Malcolm Scott by Eleanor Menzies.

Alfred and Janice VanPatten, Johann and Maria B. Greim, Maria Greim, Joseph and Johanna Zampini, Edward and Shirley Bouclin and Lillian Villatico by Beatrice VanPatten.

Rod Blue, Robert and Edith Morrouw Barrie, Lester and Emily Hohler, Alice Hohler, Hope Maynard, Lillian Hohler and Henry Budlong by R. Barrie.

Emma and Alphonse Bourbeau, Mim and Ed Hurdis, Violet Loftus, Paul Shenan, III, Charles E. Hays, Jr., Stacy Hays, Elvis Presley, Ellen Shurygalio, John Stackow, Charlotte Harding, Janice Carcoz and for all the souls that died in the Station Fire by Jerome and Patricia Loftus.

Frederick (Skip) Smith, Jr., Frederick and Florence Smith, Sr., Louise Macomber, Barbara and Wilbur Bridge, Walfred and Elizabeth Nyman, Jack and Esther Shaw, Spunky and Tinker by Carolyn Smith.

Maureen Eichholz, William Beckwith, William F. Mellin Jr., Frederic H. Hien, Florence and Frederic A. Hien.

**In Thanksgiving for:**

Our grandchildren; Jacen, Samuel, June and Teddy by The Reverend James R. Bocchino and Barbara E. Fox.

Donna J. Winter by Charles W. Winter Sr.

Joseph Rodrigues, Ashley Rodrigues, JR Rodrigues, Carolyn Smith, Joan and Stan Schofield, Peter and Paul Schofield, Stephanie Shuster—for all their love, help and support by Heather Rodrigues.

Our family, Kelly, Todd, Tristan and Riley, Lindsey, Michael and Luca by Marge and Wayne Pollard.

All the many blessings given to me by Gail Frueh.

The Reverend Howard Olsen and Betty Olsen by Jerome and Patricia Loftus.

Heather, Joe, Ashley and JR Rodrigues, Stan. Joan, Peter and Paul Schofield by Carolyn Smith.





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