

The St. Barnabas' Reporter



Expressing Our Faith

Dear St. Barnabas',

One of the more popular songs among my friends in the early aughts was "Seasons of Love" from the musical *Rent*. Perhaps it particularly resonated with our sense of the incredible preciousness of life as we sought to find our sense of place and purpose. Perhaps we found the song during a time when even the most tenuous of relationships seemed to take on a heightened significance as we moved into adulthood. As a young adult, each and every year seemed to bring dramatic changes and new revelations. Looking back, I wonder, if the lyrics to "Seasons of Love" had been written in ancient Greek, would the love described have been an *Agape*, *Eros*, *Ludus*, *Philia*, or *Pragma* kind of love? What exactly was the nature of the "seasons of love" expressed in that song? And what exactly are we being invited to learn about the nature of God's love for each of us as we move through the seasons of our lives?

This November, we are faced with a national election and we are also entering into the unofficial beginning of the holiday season. In addition, we are approaching the conclusion of our liturgical year on Christ the King Sunday at the end of the month. This is all happening at an entirely unprecedented time in our world today. Uncertainty abounds in economic, cultural, political, medical, and social spheres. We don't know what the future might hold. But we can take heart from the reliability of our faith. Our Creator gives us the wisdom to respond to a variety of different circumstances. The grace and peace of Christ empowers us to assemble and then put into practice our own set of spiritual tools. This "spiritual toolbox" is both versatile and powerful, and includes our very own Book of Common Prayer. We have so many spiritual exemplars in our faith, from people we've known personally to people whose words, life, faith, or legacy has influenced our own faith in a more indirect way.

This November, I hope and pray that you will take time to give thanks for those who have had a positive influence on your life. I hope and pray that you will take good care with your friends, family, and others with whom you have a substantial relationship, even and especially if you can't visit them in the usual way. And I do hope and pray that you will continue to take action for a better world, even in the midst of the difficulties we are all facing. That includes taking the time to vote. Vote as your conscience leads you. Vote as your faith

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The Rev. John Bolin Shellito
Rector

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leads you. Ask for the guidance of the Holy Spirit throughout the United States, and across the world. And pray for all those with roles of civic responsibility in our local, national, and international life.

Seasons may change, but the lovingkindness of Christ, the compassion of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the kindness of the Creator—these are the things that are eternal.

I'll leave you with the Prayer for an Election, found on page 822 of the Book of Common Prayer:

Almighty God, to whom we must account for all our powers and privileges: Guide the people of the United States in the election of officials and representatives; that, by faithful administration and wise laws, the rights of all may be protected and our nation be enabled to fulfill your purposes; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

God's Blessings,
John+

\$\$ Treasury Notes \$\$

"May you live in interesting times." *Chinese Proverb*

As COVID continues to affect us, please pray for those affected. FACETS reports that the number of people impacted by work stoppages and in need of food or assistance is greater than past years. Please consider donating to FACETS, ACCA or the Rector's Discretionary Fund. FACETS and the RDF were exhausted rather quickly compared to prior years.

October brings us into budget season. Just a reminder to our program leaders that you have until December 31 to expend your program funds, and let the Finance Committee know if you need more or less next year. For most programs, their budget line item will reset on January 1, 2021, and all hands in the Finance Office will work hard to ensure that happens.

Please email the Treasurer or Parish Administrator if you need forms for reimbursement, check requisition, authorized credit card expense, or other type of transaction.

Have a safe and Happy Halloween!
JW

St. Barnabas' Mission:

Serving our community, the world, and each other through the love of Jesus Christ.

Vestry Highlights—October 2020

Support for the Hypothermia Shelter program was approved. This year we commit to providing dinner meals for one week in February for 50-55 people. The Vestry approved \$1,000 to be transferred to the Rector's Discretionary Fund to be used for expenses that might be incurred for food, etc.

The Vestry approved \$45,000 for our 2021 Diocesan pledge.

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on November 22 via ZOOM from 11:15 a.m.-12 noon. The nominating committee will present a slate for election to the Vestry at the Annual Meeting. The Annual Report will be emailed on Thursday, November 19; paper copies can be requested, as well.

John Westerlund submitted the following motions from the Finance Committee:

- Salary increases for the full and part-time staff
- Short Term Disability and Long Term Disability coverages for the Rector and Parish Administrator
- Continuance of all loose plate offerings going to the Rector's Discretionary Fund

A draft 2021 budget was submitted and will be voted on at the November meeting.

Our next Work Day is scheduled for November 21 from 9:30 am-12 noon; rain date is November 28.

In-person outdoor services are scheduled at 10:15 am (only) on November 1 and December 6, weather permitting. These services will be livestreamed.

An in-person Christmas Eve outdoor service is scheduled at 3:30 pm, weather permitting; this service will not be livestreamed. We plan online worship later on Christmas Eve and on Christmas morning.

It is likely that there will be no in-person outdoor services from Christmas to Palm Sunday because of winter weather.

Rake It Don't Break It

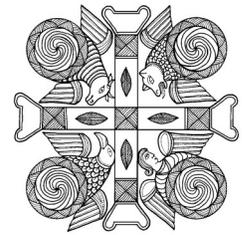
Please join the Buildings & Grounds Committee for some fall fun as we rake the parish grounds on a work day scheduled for Saturday, November 21, 9:30 am to 12 noon (rain date is Saturday, November 28).

Please bring a rake and work gloves. Accompanied children and youth are welcome.



Kids' Page Clues

Please see below and elsewhere in the *Reporter* for clues to the Kids' Page activity. (See p. 15)



Kids' Page Clue:

Mother Theresa won a Nobel Peace Prize for her charity to the poor. She was very humble. (Sept. 5)

Kids' Page Clue:

Nicholas, Bishop of Myra was a legendary giver of gifts. A bishop wears a special hat called a mitre. (Dec. 6)

Godly Play 26 Videos ▪ The Complete Guide to Godly Play

by Mariel York, DCE

In response to the many inquiries received due to the widespread closures and cancellations resulting from COVID-19, the Godly Play Foundation and its publisher, Church Publishing Incorporated, have agreed that churches may minister to their children and families remotely by creating and sharing videos of Godly Play Storytellers telling stories using Godly Play's materials.

Engaging in this way will provide a way to let children see familiar faces and will allow them to engage more deeply. Godly Play and Church Publishing Incorporated reserve all rights in the intellectual property contained in the Godly Play materials. <https://www.godlyplayfoundation.org/>.

Here is the link for the Godly Play YouTube videos we hope you and your family will enjoy together: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLd8UFTdIPH2cy7uJP33iCWK4I4Utxv8Wi>. Videos include the following:

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| 1. Creation | 10. Parable of the Great Pearl | 20. The Good Samaritan |
| 2. The Holy Bible | 11. Holy Baptism | 21. The Synagogue and the Upper Room |
| 3. The Sower | 12. Advent | 22. The Story of the Prophet Isaiah |
| 4. Exodus | 13. The Ark and the Tent | 23. Parable of the Good Shepherd |
| 5. Ten Best Ways | 14. The Ark and the Flood | 24. Parable of the Mustard Seed |
| 6. The Great Family | 15. Mystery of Easter | 25. Parable of the Deep Well |
| 7. The Exile and Return | 16. Circle of the Church Year | 26. Parable of the Leaven |
| 8. The Good Shepherd and World Communion | 17. Jesus and the Twelve | |
| 9. The Holy Family | 18. Faces of Easter | |
| | 19. Saul Changes | |

St. Barnabas' Part in Keeping Me Sharp During COVID-19

by Jonathan Barber



After John asked us to consider contributing to the *Reporter*, I was chagrined when I realized that, during a recent meeting of a writing group to which Anne and I belong, I had not highlighted St. Barnabas' role in helping to maintain my mental well-being during the pandemic. I have been a member of the Adult Choir since 2009. Since the suspension of inside worship services, Anne and I have been taking part in the virtual Spiritual Coffee Hour & Bible Study hosted by Jeff Schaefer at 9 AM each Sunday. I have never attended any formal bible study groups; my knowledge of the Bible is limited to what I have heard read in churches over many years and expanded upon during sermons.

The wide-ranging discussions during "coffee hour" have greatly expanded my understanding of the Bible. During the readings themselves, I think about what the passages "mean" but often have been unsuccessful in articulating those meanings in my own mind. I am grateful for the powerful insights into the passages that the "regulars" provide. I have been continually astounded by the breadth and depth of one participant's knowledge of biblical matters. Comments by the Rector, Bob Macfarlane, and Jeff also have been of great help in understanding what we have read. At the age of 81 I am grateful for this unexpected chance to learn new things. Anne and I look forward to learning new insights during the coming Bible study sessions.

Stewardship Update

by Beth Harper

As I write this article in mid-October, I'm looking forward to our Ingathering on All Saints' Day, November 1. What an appropriate time to bring forward our pledges as we remember those who walked before us! Their generosity provided the foundation for our ministry; we carry on that tradition as we pledge our treasure, our prayer, and our time and talent for the coming year.

As we move through this pandemic, our community is more important than ever. We are truly "One Together" as we find new ways to minister to one another and to our larger community. We've learned to have conversations, meetings, and Bible Study on Zoom; to participate in online worship; and to have a new appreciation for each other on the occasions when we can gather in person. We continue to support the most vulnerable through ACCA and FACETS (properly masked and gloved). Our online services are enriched by hearing our friends read lessons and lead prayers and by listening to their music. Our Student Message / Story Hour has become a community exercise in showing how much we value and care for our children.

Many of us sent in our pledge cards before November 1st and some are still coming in. Each and every one of these pledges is important. If you don't already use Realm for your financial donations, please consider doing so as we continue to socially distance. We'll be happy to help you learn how!



Have You Remembered St. Barnabas' in Your Estate Plans?

by Art Hamerschlag

St. Barnabas' has benefited greatly through the generosity of parishioners who have remembered St. Barnabas' in their will or trust. Most recently, the St. Barnabas' Endowment, which received a large bequest, paid for a significant portion of the new Narthex furniture.



Please, consider how much St. Barnabas' has meant to you and your family as you make your estate plans. For more information, please contact the parish office, who can put you in touch with a member of the Planned Giving Committee.

A Virtual Christmas Pageant

Please contact our Special Events Coordinator, Theresa Merchant, if you or your child are interested in participating in the December *Virtual Christmas Pageant*.

The readymade script is centered on the narratives surrounding Jesus' birth from the gospels of Matthew and Luke. This is like your traditional Christmas pageant, but designed to be an expandable, shrinkable, pre-recordable, Zoom-able, intergenerational pageant that can be adapted to your setting, no matter what is happening in the world. Here is a link to a description of the pageant: https://store.illustratedministry.com/collections/new-releases/products/donot-be-afraid-a-virtual-christmas-pageant?ck_subscriber_id=821086924



ACCA News – Annandale Christian Community for Action

Family Emergency Assistance and Food Pantry. The economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic have greatly increased requests to ACCA for emergency assistance. A CARES Act grant from Fairfax County has helped ACCA respond to this need. In September, ACCA provided families in the Annandale and Bailey's Crossroads area with a total of \$564,000 in emergency assistance. This was mostly for rent and some utility payments, and mostly people eligible for CARES Act assistance. ACCA expects the CARES Act grant to be exhausted by November. As an example of help, ACCA paid back rent for a senior couple and their daughter. The father was not able to work due to COVID and surgeries. The family's income was not enough to pay rent and the father had exhausted unemployment benefits. ACCA also paid back rent for a single parent family with three children under the age of six. The mother lost her full-time job due to COVID.



The Food Pantry delivered a week's groceries to 124 households and gave gift cards to 23 other families in September. County food drives and church and individual food donations brought in over 15,000 pounds of food in September. Donations of nonperishable food and hygiene supplies continue to be needed. Donations can be brought to the pantry at 7200 Columbia Pike (weekdays 1-5 p.m. and November 7, 9-11:30 a.m.), or they can be brought to St. Barnabas.

Fund Raising Campaign – ACCA's major fund-raising project has been re-named the "COVID Challenge Campaign" to recognize the challenge of economic impacts of the pandemic and the resulting increase in assistance requests to ACCA. Donations support emergency assistance to those in need and childcare. The campaign runs November 1 through January 31, 2021. To donate, please make your check payable to ACCA (please note Challenge Campaign in the memo line) and mail it to 7200 Columbia Pike, Annandale VA 22003. You can also designate ACCA in a check payable to St. Barnabas' or gift through Realm.

CROP Hunger Walk – Thank you to our great team of CROP walkers --James, Janice, Jay and Johanna Carroll, Elsa, Scott and Taylor Cannon, Michael and Simone Dugger, Bob and Connie Gribbin, Jocelyn and Steve Leatherwood, Molly Newling, Wanda and Fred Warren and Ken and Camille Mittelholtz. Thanks to everyone who donated. The Annandale CROP Hunger Walk raises funds for Church World Service and ACCA to fight poverty, hunger and disaster around the world and in our community. If you would like to donate, you can donate online at <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/annandaleva/StBarnabas> or donate by check payable to CWS/CROP (please send it to St. Barnabas). You can also designate CROP Walk in a check payable to St. Barnabas' or gift through Realm.

Child Development Center – The Center is providing care to over 200 infants and preschool and school-aged children of low-income families and families of essential workers.

Furniture Ministry – The furniture program developed health protocols and resumed in September. Thanks to Jim Aiken and the Mittelholtz' for volunteering at the furniture warehouse on October 10. Furniture volunteers deliver furniture to households in need and pick up donations. Gently used mattresses, tables and chairs, sofas, dressers, lamps and bedding are needed. To donate, please contact Ken or Camille or email ddmld@verizon.net.

For more information about ACCA or the CROP Walk, please contact Ken or Camille Mittelholtz at 703-573-0074 or kcmittelholtz@gmail.com.

Forum & Friendship ▪ Sundays at 11 a.m.

Sponsored by the Adult Christian Education Committee

We invite you to join us Sundays at 11 a.m. for Forum and Friendship. Following are the topics for November:

November 1, 2020	In-Person and Livestreamed Worship 10:15 am
All Saints' Day	Ingathering Sunday
<i>End Daylight Saving Time</i>	<i>No Forum & Friendship</i>
November 8, 2020	Online Worship
23 Pentecost	<i>Outreach Ministries: A Ministry Fair</i> Norma Ricketts & Cricket Camp, session leaders
November 15, 2020	Diocesan Online Worship Service
24 Pentecost	<i>Hymnal Revisions/Reasons Behind Them</i> Stephen Ackert, session leader
	<i>Changing times have brought changes to our hymnals. We'll take a look at the thinking behind changes that were introduced in The Hymnal 1940, The Hymnal 1982, and Lift Every Voice and Sing.</i>
November 22, 2020	Online Worship
The Last Sunday after Pentecost	Annual Meeting and Vestry Elections 11:15-12:00 noon via Zoom
November 29, 2020	Online Worship
The First Sunday of Advent	<i>Spiritual Coffee Hour/Bible Study</i>
<i>Thanksgiving Weekend</i>	<u>No Forum & Friendship</u>

Spiritual Bible Study/Coffee Hour, which meets at 9 a.m., uses the appointed lectionary for discussion. Please see www.lectionarypage.net for those readings.

Neither Spiritual Coffee Hour & Bible Study nor Forum & Friendship meet on Sundays when there is in-person worship offered. Please remember that in-person services are available online, as well.

Spiritual Coffee Hour/Bible Study WILL meet Thanksgiving weekend.

For questions please contact Mariel York, Director of Christian Education at stbarnabasdce@outlook.com.

It's Your Birthday!

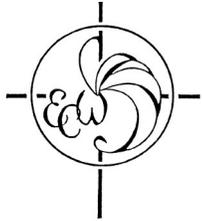
Looking forward to winter and wanting to publish birthdays in the Reporter or on livestream. If you don't want your name published please let the Parish Office know. If you want to add an anniversary, please let the office know.

- Carolyn Lilienthal



Episcopal Church Women 130th Fall Meeting

by Cricket Camp



On October 15th, 2020, the ECW of the Diocese of Virginia held its 130th Fall Meeting, its 131st UTO Ingathering, and its 1st virtual Webinar on the Feast Day of St. Teresa of Avila. The meeting was led by President Cindy Helton and officiated by the Rt. Rev. Susan E. Goff, Bishop Suffragan and the Very Rev. Kim Coleman, ECW chaplain.

Presenters were as follows:

Captain Harry R. Salinas, Fairfax County Government Commissioner, spoke about the Office of Human Rights & Equity Programs. This office provides education and enforces the Human Rights Ordinance of 1974: respecting the dignity of every person and preventing discrimination.

The Rev. J. Randy Myers, President of GraceInside, shared stories of the origin of this prison ministry and of his personal involvement. GraceInside's chaplains instill hope, values, and spiritual healing to the nearly 30,000 men and women in Virginia state prisons. This ministry is strongly supported by the ECW of the Diocese of Virginia, as well as by our own Women of St. Barnabas (WOSB).

Victoria Fong, administrator at Jackson-Feild homes, presented success stories of "graduates" from the Behavioral Health Services residential facility. Working with children and their families, the program aids in healing the effects of mental health and substance abuse. The WOSB have and continue to support this ministry.

Bishop Goff's sermon focused on the amazing life of St. Teresa of Avila. A woman who stood on her own two feet, even in the man's world of her time, Teresa left her mark on the Roman Catholic Church. While she was a woman "for God", she was also a woman for others...a woman who inspired and gave life.

Cantor Joy Warburton and guitarist Julio Cuellar provided music for our hearts and souls.

New officers were elected and sworn in by Bishop Goff, with Cindy Helton graciously extending her term by 1 year, while the search continues for an eligible and willing candidate for that position.

Connect With the Rector

John and Haley Bolin Shellito have organized a series of well-attended Zoom meetings where they and parishioners have had a chance to chat and get to know each other on a more informal basis. If Zoom isn't your cup of tea, you can reach out to John via email (stbarnabasrector@outlook.com) or phone (703-941-2922) to schedule a get-to-know you chat.

Grace Robbins, Transition Committee Chair

Kids' Page Clue:

Francis of Assisi was a friar (monk) and is the patron saint of animals and the natural environment. (Oct. 4)

► **November 2020 Lectors – St. Barnabas’ Episcopal Church** ◀

If you cannot serve as assigned, please find a replacement and notify the Rector and Parish Office no later than 8 p.m. on the Sunday prior. Thank you.
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ONLINE WORSHIP: THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING RECORDINGS IS 8:00 P.M. on the TUESDAY PRIOR TO SUNDAY

DATE	Reader 1	Reader 2	Reader 3	Reader 4	Notes
November 1 All Saints’ Day Outdoor service at 10:15 am (no 8 am) Daylight Saving Time Ends	George Sinclair Revelation 7:9-17	George Sinclair Psalm 34:1-10, 22	George Sinclair 1 John 3:1-3	George Sinclair See note right	Reader 4 Prayers of the People: readers’ choice of any one of Forms I-VI (BCP p. 383-393). Please include names of those on St. Barnabas’ prayer list in the petitions.
November 8 19 Pentecost Online worship	Cricket Camp Jubilate and Psalm 78:1-7	Hugh Agnew 1 Thessalonians 4:13- 18 and Cantic 10 Second Song of Isaiah (BCP p. 86)	Andy Riddle Apostles Creed, Lord’s Prayer, and Versicles and Responses (either A or B)	Kathleen Stark See note right	
November 15 20 Pentecost	<i>Diocesan worship service; see email on November 13th for link and details.</i>				
November 22 Last Sunday after Pentecost Online worship	Jocelyn Leatherwood Venite and Psalm 100	Michael Dugger Ephesians 1:15-23 and Cantic 11 <i>The Third</i> <i>Song of Isaiah</i> (BCP p. 87)	Cindy McLaughlin Apostles Creed, Lord’s Prayer, and Versicles and Responses (either A or B)	Michael and Simone Dugger See note right	
November 29 1 Advent Online worship	Lyn Harris Jubilate and Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18	Ellen Riddle Isaiah 64:1-9 and Cantic 16 <i>The Song</i> <i>of Zechariah</i> (BCP p. 92)	Mark Patterson Apostles Creed, Lord’s Prayer, and Versicles and Responses (either A or B)	Grace Robbins See note right	
December 6 2 Advent Outdoor service at 10:15 am (no 8 am)	Hugh Agnew Isaiah 40:1-11	Hugh Agnew Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13	Maria Macfarlane 2 Peter 3:8-15a	Maria Macfarlane See note right	

Online worship services: Please record yourself and send the video file to Rev. John via Dropbox or Google Drive **no later than 8 pm on the Tuesday prior to your assigned Sunday**. Please include your name, the Sunday service date, and your Lector assignment in the video file name.

If you are unable to serve as Online Lector for your assigned Sunday, it is your responsibility to find someone who can serve as your replacement. Please let the Rev. John Bolin Shellito and the Parish Office know if you have made a **substitution no later than 8 am on the Monday prior** to your assigned Sunday: 703-941-2922 or stbarnabasrector@outlook.com and stbarnabaschurch@outlook.com.

If you need a copy of the Book of Common Prayer, and/or would like a hymnal, *Forward Day by Day*, or other worship materials please contact the Parish Office. Your help with this effort to adapt our worship to the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic is deeply appreciated.

► **November 2020 Participants – St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church** ◀

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DATE	Acolyte	Ushers	Greeters (10:15 a.m.)	Vestry/Closer	Altar Guild/Flower Guild
November 1 All Saints' Day Ingathering Outdoor service at 10:15 am (no 8 am) Daylight Saving Time Ends	TBA	Art Hammerschlag +1 TBA	TBA (2)	Vestry: Behn Ayala	Altar Guild: B Miller, S Jones, M Bottlick Flower Guild: TBA
December 6 2 Advent Outdoor service at 10:15 am (no 8 am)	TBA	TBA (2)	TBA (2)	Vestry: A Hammerschlag	Altar Guild: TBA Flower Guild: TBA

If you would like to volunteer for one of the "TBA" spots for an in-person service please contact the Parish Office or your scheduler.

Please note: All in-person services are outdoors, *weather permitting*.

Also please note: All outdoor services will be livestreamed for those worshipping from home. Links will be available in the Friday email.

Altar Guild Meets With John and Haley

by Molly Newling, Altar Guild Chair



Pictured above: Barbara Miller, Maria Bottlick, Behn Ayala, Gertrude Jones, Connie Badger, Molly Newling, Sharon Jones, Jocelyn Leatherwood, Carolyn Lilienthal, Phyllis McKoy, and Haley & John

Photo courtesy of Maria Bottlick

Members of the Altar Guild met electronically with our new Rector, John Bolin Shellito and his wife Haley on Sunday October 11. Their daughter Cat made a cameo appearance.

Members of the Altar Guild are Molly Newling, Kristen Anderson, Behn Alaya, Connie Badger, Maria Bottlick, Sheena Friend, Gertrude Jones, Sharon Jones, Jocelyn Leatherwood, Carolyn Lilienthal, Phyllis McKoy, Barbara Miller, Grace Robbins, and Mary Yeaman.

Even during pandemic times the Altar Guild continues its work, especially during the in-person services once a month. Keeping the candles filled, the linens clean and ready, and setting up for the in person services are all part of our job. If you are interested in joining us, or just want to know more about what we do, please contact Molly Newling. All are welcome, especially men!

Kids' Page Clue:
George of Lydda was a soldier who fought a dragon. (Apr. 23)

Kids' Page Clue:
Joan of Arc was a soldier and heroine of France. (May 30)

St. Barnabas' Continues to Regather

by Molly Newling, Regathering Committee Chair

We have had two great Sundays of in-person worship, one on September 13 and one on October 4. The services were live-streamed to parishioners at home so all could participate in the way that worked best for them.

Services in November will be slightly different due to the chill and dark of the advancing Fall season. On November 1 we will have no 8 a.m. in-person service. Those who want to worship at 8 a.m. are encouraged to follow the links that will be provided to local church services at 8 a.m. There will be an in-person, livestreamed service on All Saints' Day at 10:15 a.m. with the necrology. All are welcome; don't forget your chairs! Please RSVP for in-person outdoor worship services using this link: <https://forms.gle/8JxwPrPoh5oVf9W6A>. (The link will be emailed, as well.)

On November 22 we anticipate holding our Annual Meeting. At this time we plan for it be held as a Zoom meeting after the 10:15 a.m. recorded service. Reports from the Rector, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Treasurer, Committee Chairs, and others will be distributed by email and regular mail before the meeting. Voting for Vestry members will be held before the meeting with possible early voting for those who cannot attend the Zoom meeting.

Plans for Christmas services are being formed—look for them in the next issue.

Members of the Regathering Committee are Molly Newling-Chair, Betty Jo Fortune, Ed Ing, Maria Macfarlane, Camille Mittelholtz, Kathy Schaefer, John Bolin Shellito, Delilah Stearns, Cy Tamanaha, and Mariel York

Photos from Outdoor In-Person Worship Services ■ October 4, 2020

On October 4th we enjoyed the beginning of our Stewardship Campaign, as well as the Blessing of the Animals at the 10:15 a.m. service. While most pets could not be present, some were, and ALL were remembered.



Annandale United Methodist Church (AUMC) Heritage Food Site

by Gertrude Jones

The WOSB have long supported the Heritage Food Site, and before the pandemic there was a basket in the narthex for donations of food which our members took to the site. Now of course that is not possible. Before COVID the Food Site had been serving 60-70 families each week on Thursdays. That number has increased to 220 bags for Thursday families. The World Central Kitchen chef, José Andrés, donated 500 meals on each Monday and Friday from April 1 to July 30. A local charity with a food truck is now providing 300 burritos on Monday and Friday. Annandale United Methodist Church (AUMC) supplements the meals with produce, bread, and pastry products it purchases or that have been donated.

Anyone who would like to donate food to the site can leave it in the blue box at St. Barnabas' or at the AUMC Mission Center at 7901 Heritage Drive (boxes near the red doors). Most needed items include dried beans, spaghetti, pasta sauce, chunky soup, stew or pasta meals, peanut butter, jelly, tuna, and canned vegetables. Donations by check should be mailed to Annandale United Methodist Church, 6935 Columbia Pike, Annandale, VA 22003, with "Heritage Food Site" indicated in the memo line.

A Note About ASYP (the Annandale Safe Youth Project)

by Nandred Navarro, Vice President for Community-Based Programs, Second Story

The Annandale Safe Youth Project could not operate the program in person since March 2020 due to COVID-19. Since then, the staff continued to do individual wellness checks and organized virtual meetings and activities. At this time, the children continue to receive virtual tutoring and mentoring. Each Wednesday staff deliver groceries to the homes of the participants and make sure to connect their families with any resources they need. The children are eager to come back to St. Barnabas', which is their second home.

Currently, we are open for in-person services by appointment at our Family Resource Centers in Culmore and Springfield. Parents can make an appointment to come to the centers to receive assistance filling out forms and applying for benefits, filing for unemployment, and getting support with homework. At these two centers we operate food

distributions twice a week.

Second Story looks forward to the day we can return to operate ASYP at St. Barnabas' in person. We are extremely grateful for all the support we have received throughout the years, which truly makes a difference in the lives of the children we serve.



Kids' Page Clue:

Mary, the mother of Jesus, is often pictured with a halo. (Aug. 15)

Thanks and More Thanks...

- To Catherine Dubas for ably and faithfully managing our Parish Office.
- To Mariel York for her support of our children, youth, and families.
- To the Vestry for their wise counsel and courageous leadership.
- To James Harris for his generous help and careful attentiveness.
- To our Regathering Committee for organizing our outdoor worship services—particularly to Molly Newling for leading the Regathering Committee.
- To Beth Harper and the rest of the Stewardship Committee for their faithful work.
- To Katie Westerlund and Beth Harper for faithfully setting aside the time to represent St. Barnabas' in our upcoming online Diocesan Convention.
- To you for the ways that you are adapting and staying connected to St. Barnabas' even in the midst of the pandemic.
- To Molly Newling for the wonderful photos of outdoor worship.
- To Connie & Peter Badger, Molly Newling, Wayne Bottlick, and George Sinclair for helping with mailings, and to Shirley Newman and Mariel York, deeply-appreciated proofreaders.

In the Presence of God

We pray for God's strength and healing for ... Bernard Blair, Emma Blevins, Ginger Braddon, Jean Anne Braddon, Tracy Braddon, Dick Crutchley, Margot Donnelly, Frank Donnelly, Rotha Frye, Preston George, Lee Gibbs, Roger Hefferan, Sharon Jones, Tom Lyles, Bob Macfarlane, Cindy McLaughlin, Marion Meany, Barbara Metz, Marie Pannier, Aliyah Phillips, Beth Phillips, Anne Radway, Barbara Rigden, Ann Sayles, Frank Spink, Kathleen Stark, David Steidel, Dana Wiseman, and Ann Woodle.

For the Church ... the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby; our Presiding Bishop, the Most Rev. Michael Bruce Curry; and our Diocesan Bishops, the Rt. Rev. Susan Ellyn Goff, the Rt. Rev. Jennifer Brooke-Davidson, the Rt. Rev. Porter Taylor, the Rt. Rev. Ted Gulick, and the Rt. Rev. David Colin Jones and their families. For our Rector, the Rev. John Bolin Shellito, and his family; for Cindy McLaughlin (in discernment); for our vestry, wardens, and staff; and for the work and ministry of St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church, Palma Soriano, Cuba.

Reporter Deadline ▪ Parish Office Hours

The deadline for the December 2020/January 2021 combined issue of *The St. Barnabas Reporter* is Sunday, November 15th. Please submit announcements and/or photos to the Parish Office at stbarnabaschurch@outlook.com. Hard copies of announcements and photos are welcome, as well.

Normal Parish Office hours are Mondays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please note, the Parish Administrator will be working from home whenever practical on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday. Please leave voice mail messages or send an email; they are both checked regularly.

KIDS PAGE

On November 1st of each year the church honors the saints.

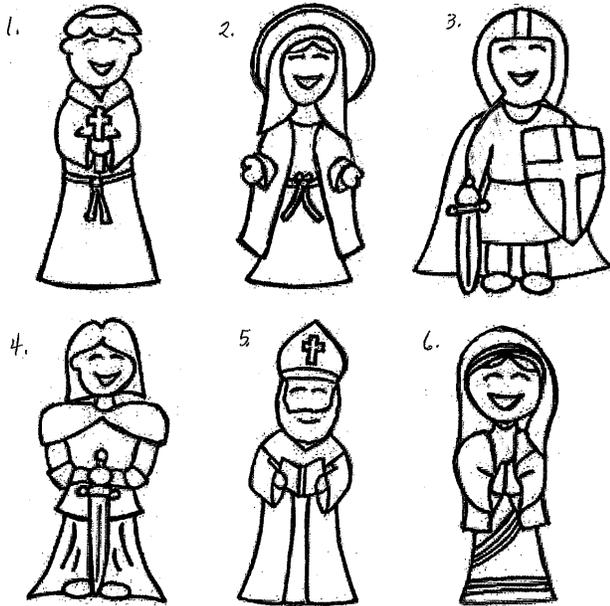
We call this major feast All Saints' Day.

Can you identify and color the pictures of the saints on the left below?

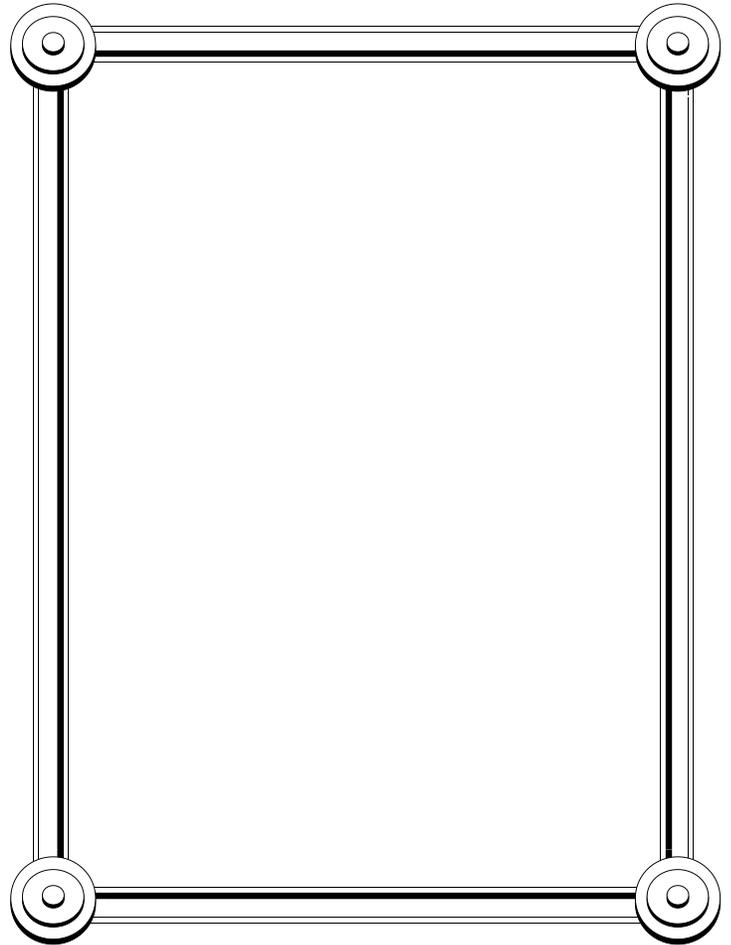
Find hints elsewhere in the Reporter!

- Joan of Arc • George of Lydda • Mother Theresa • Francis of Assisi
• Mary, mother of Jesus • Nicholas, Bishop of Myra

- On the right side, draw what you think a saint of the faith might look like.



1. _____ 4. _____
2. _____ 5. _____
3. _____ 6. _____



Source for images: 2016 RealLifeAtHome.com

“...there are hundreds of thousands, still!”

Here are some more saints of the Church. The date in parentheses is the Feast Day of that saint. See how many you know! source: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Calendar_of_saints_\(Episcopal_Church\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Calendar_of_saints_(Episcopal_Church))

St. Cecilia, patron saint of musicians (11/22); St. Kateri Tekakwitha, the first Native American saint, known as the Lily of the Mohawks (7/14); St. Patrick, who brought Christianity to Ireland (3/17); St. Tekla, from Ethiopia, a disciple of the Apostle Paul in the 1st century (8/17); Julia Chester Emery, founder of the United Thank Offering (UTO) (1/9); Brother Martin of Porres, the first Black American saint, who performed spectacular cures (8/23); Anna Julia Haywood Cooper, a scholar and activist (2/28); Harriet Bedell, deaconess and missionary (1/8); Eric Liddell, an Olympic runner who refused to compete on Sunday (2/22); Florence Li Tim-Oi, the first woman to be ordained to the priesthood in the Anglican Communion (1/24); St. Barnabas, disciple and preacher (6/11); Jesus Our Savior, the Son of God (12/25).



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*There is one Body and one Spirit;
There is one hope in God's call to us;
One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
One God and Father of all.*

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Stewardship Ingathering
Sunday, November 1, 2020 ▪ All Saints' Day
In-Person Outdoors and Livestreamed at 10:15 a.m.

Annual Meeting
Sunday, November 22, 2020
11:15-12:00 noon via Zoom