

# THE PARISH POST

## ONE TERRIFIC COUPLE: THE STREETS

By Melinda Mischik

*There are many generous, dynamic members at this church. We are especially lucky when they come in twos. I am speaking of dynamic couples who enjoy volunteering at church. One such couple is the focus of my interview this month. Their church volunteering takes place on Sunday mornings in children's Sunday school, therefore few people actually get to see them. It is my privilege to introduce them to the parish.*

*Jere Street is a teacher in the 4th grade classroom and her husband Ian teaches the 6th graders and is currently working on the famous Lego project along with the rest of his teaching team. Their children are: Jonathan, age 15; Jake, age 12; and Sarah, age 9. Here is how the Streets answered a few of my questions.*

**Melinda Mischik:** How did the two of you find your way to St. Martin's?

**Jere and Ian Street:** We were married at The Cathedral of Saint Philip in 1992 and when we moved to Atlanta in 1994, we became members there. In 2000, we moved further out to Alpharetta and it became very challenging to make it all the way to Buckhead without being late. A few times we made it as far as St. Martin's and decided to stop and attend the service so that we would at least hear a sermon! Fortunately, we found ourselves enjoying it more and more and decided to make St. Martin's our church home. We didn't know many people, but we really liked the warmth and feel of the church.

**MM:** Did you grow up as Episcopalians/Anglicans?

**IS:** I grew up in England and attended the Church of England.

**JS:** My mother grew up in St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Milledgeville, GA and I was baptized there. My family then attended the Methodist Church in Atlanta.

**MM:** What do each of you do Monday through Saturday?

**JS:** We are very busy with our 3 kids volunteering in their schools, Boy Scouts and coaching soccer.

**IS:** I am a Director of National Accounts for Dal-Tile Corporation.

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*Ian and Jere Street are pictured here with their children.*

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#### UPCOMING DEADLINE:

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**JS:** I work part-time for an Internet Marketing company.

**MM:** What would you say is the driving force behind your volunteerism?

**J&IS:** We started teaching Sunday School at All Saints Episcopal Church in Beverly Hills, CA. This was early in our marriage, before we had children. We were amazed at how fulfilling it was to become a part of a church. Prior to teaching, we would attend the services but not be fully involved in the Church. We developed many friends there. Once we moved to Atlanta, we started teaching and volunteering again at St. Philip's. We learned so much and realized that if you want to truly be a part of something, you have to step up and get yourself involved. The rewards are many when you know you may be making a positive impact on the life of a child.

**MM:** What do you think we do well here and what could we do better?

**J&IS:** Many things are done well at St. Martin's including the friendly people and the willingness to let the teachers be creative and come up with unique ways to inspire the kids. We are also given the teaching materials and curriculum which makes planning our Sunday School lessons much easier. The only thing we could continue to improve is encouraging others to get involved. It truly is a rewarding experience.

## HOLY WEEK/EASTER CALENDAR

**SUNDAY OF THE PASSION, PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 17**

No Sunday school

Saturday: (April 16) 5:30 p.m., HE: Rite I

Sunday: 7:45 a.m., HE: Rite I

9:00 a.m., Liturgy of the Palms and HE: Rite II (nursery available)

11:15 a.m., Liturgy of the Palms and HE: Rite II (nursery available)

5:30 p.m., HE: Rite I

**MONDAY, APRIL 18:** 12:00 noon, HE: Rite II

**TUESDAY, APRIL 19:** 12:00 noon, Noonday Prayers

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20:** 12:00 noon, HE: Rite II

**MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 21:** 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Liturgy, Stripping of the Altar

**GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 22:** 7:30 a.m., Morning Prayer; 12:00 noon, Good Friday Liturgy (nursery available); 6:30 p.m., Stations of the Cross; 7:00 p.m., Good Friday Liturgy.

**EASTER EVE, SATURDAY, APRIL 23:** 11 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt; 7:00 p.m. The Great Vigil, Holy Baptism and Confirmation, The Holy Eucharist II, Bishop Neil Alexander, preacher; Reception to follow (nursery available); NO 5:30 Service.

**EASTER DAY, APRIL 24:** No Sunday school. There will be no Children's Chapel or Sacred Spaces during worship. Nursery is available Easter morning. 8:00 a.m., HE: Rite I; 9:30 a.m., Festival HE: Rite II with incense (nursery available); 11:30 a.m., Festival HE: Rite II (nursery available); 5:30 p.m., HE: Rite I

# BEHIND THE SCREEN: THE CHOIRS OF ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS LONDON AND ATLANTA CELEBRATE OUR 60TH ANNIVERSARY

By Ingrid Siegert

In 1951, the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta established a Mission to care for persons living in the Brookhaven, Oglethorpe, and Dunwoody areas. Services were held at Oglethorpe University until a church building was constructed in 1954.

In homage to our roots with James Edward Oglethorpe and the history of the State of Georgia and Oglethorpe University, it was decided to name the new Mission after the parish where General Oglethorpe was baptized: St. Martin-in-the-Fields, London.

The Reverend L.M. Charles Edwards, Vicar of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, London, gave our church a stone from our London namesake. The stone is currently hanging in our church, on a pillar on the pulpit-side of the church.

That stone has an amazing history. The first mention of St. Martin's was in the year 1222. At that time, the church was surrounded by fields, and was at the center of a dispute between William, Abbot of Westminster, and Eustace, Bishop of London about the Bishop's authority over the church.

Around 1542, Henry VIII, built a new church and extended the parish boundaries to keep plague victims from being carried through his palace. This church was pulled down in 1721 to be replaced by the current building, completed in 1726. Our stone, which dates from the 1721 construction of the current St. Martin-in-the-Fields, was removed in 1952 during renovations to repair damage from the London bombing during World War II, in 1940.

This stone is a unique link between the two parishes, and to celebrate the 60-year bond between us, the choir of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, London will offer a concert in our church on Saturday, May 7th at 5:30 pm. The concert will end with our choir joining the London choir for a Grand Finale, and joyous celebration of our history and friendship.

Ingrid Siegert, Organist and Choir Director

P.S. All parishioners are invited to attend both the Friday night spaghetti dinner and the Saturday afternoon concert.

## CALLING ALL WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

By Gay Jolley

St. Mary Magdalene's chapter is hosting two sisters from the Convent of St. Helena at our April meeting. What? The Episcopal Church has nuns? Yes, and the Mother House is in Augusta! The sisters will be glad to answer your questions about the life of a religiose: what they do, how they were called, what it's like to live in a convent. All women are invited to attend our meeting on April 6 at 10:30. It would be helpful if you let us know you're coming so we have a place for you to sit. You can do that by calling either Joy Simms (770-457-4986) or Gay Jolley (770-457-1063) or e-mailing Gay at [gjolley@bellsouth.net](mailto:gjolley@bellsouth.net).

### IMPORTANT DATES!

**Friday, May 6, 6:30 p.m.**  
Meet and Greet the choir from St. Martin-in-the-Fields, London. Spaghetti dinner, hosted by our J2A group.

**Saturday, May 7, 5:30 p.m.**  
The choir of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, London Concert.  
Dinner reception in Gable Hall at 6:30 p.m.



*A stone from the 1721 construction of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, London hangs in the nave of St. Martin's Church, Atlanta.*



This Lenten season, every person who attends St. Martin in the Fields Church is being asked to take home a **blue box** and return it on Palm Sunday.

**United Thank Offering (UTO)** has been helping people since 1889. It has a proud history of assisting those with needs in practical and concrete ways such as refrigerators, medicine, trucks and hospital beds.

This Lent (and beyond) we want to encourage daily prayers, offerings and an awareness of the abundance of God's blessings.

*Wear blue and show how thankful you are  
by returning a box full of hope on Palm Sunday.*

Please help to expand the circle of thankful people by making this little "blue box" part of your Lenten discipline and we will make a difference by working together to ease suffering!

For more information, go to: [www.episcopalchurch.org/uto](http://www.episcopalchurch.org/uto)  
Or contact Melinda at 404-228-0754 or [mmischik@stmartins.org](mailto:mmischik@stmartins.org)

## **STICKS AND STONES WILL BREAK MY BONES, BUT WORDS WILL NEVER HARM ME**

By Sid Oakley

I cannot remember the first time I heard that saying. Likewise, I am unable to remember the first time I realized that this old, well-intended saying was simply untrue. It is not true because it does not conform to reality. When we say harsh or hurtful words they do hurt, often long after a broken bone has healed.

This is especially true in a Christian community where we come together as individuals and families and are bound together through the love of Jesus Christ. We are bound not only by his love, but also by his commandment that we love one another — "even as I have loved you." That

at least means that we not only love each other when we are in harmony, but more so when there is discord between us. This type of love is, at best, difficult.

When discord arrives in our relationships, we almost never strike with stick or stone, but we are prone to strike with words that leave scars long after we no longer care about the reason we spoke them. The gospel of John speaks to the power of words when it tells us that "...in the beginning was the Word." Further, "all things were made through the Word even as God spoke the universe into being." John goes on to say that the

Word was made flesh.

Remembering that we are made in God's image (albeit a water-colored, vague image) we can understand that as there is great power in the Word of God there must be power in our words as well. The power to create, the power to hurt or even destroy resides in our words.

The reality of this has been reinforced in my heart by a recent health crisis I suffered. Though I am recovered and well on the way back to full strength, the thoughts that I might exit our community without making all my relationships whole disturbed me more than I had ever dreamed. So

to any I have slighted, to any I have been less of a friend than I might have been, I ask for forgiveness and a large measure of understanding.

To complicate things even more, our disputes, the hurts and misunderstandings that can damage a relationship are escalated to the point they can be emotionally crippling when unresolved issues are among extremely close friends. Because those we love most can wound us the deepest, often without meaning to do so, it is

with these relationships that we must take the most care. There is a sacred quality about tears shed for those we hold dear. They are not to be held in shame, but revered as small tokens of our love.

My prayer for whomever might read this is that you not wait to have crisis in your life, but put your relationships right regardless of whether you see yourself at fault or not. Often we are hurt by or disappointed in our friends and those in our community, and

we react in a defensive manner that is, in the long term, more hurtful to ourselves than whatever inspired our reaction. We are so easily hurt by the spoken word that we reflexively lash out with our own words that once spoken can never be recovered. We need to focus on a different version of the old saying that began this article that more closely corresponds to reality.

*Sticks and stones may break my bones,  
But words will break my heart.*

## MY PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

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By Gay Jolley

My Prayer shawl ministry began in 2007 after my husband, John died. I was miserable, unfocused, lost. A few months later a college friend, Marianne Beck, gave me a beautiful prayer shawl. Included in her gift, besides the comfort and love, were prayers and a small brochure telling about the ministry at her church in Waverly, Iowa. The brochure included directions for knitting or crocheting the shawls. I bought some yarn and needles and began to knit. Soon I had given away six or more of the shawls. I felt that I had been called to this ministry, but was unsure about how to spread the word. Edith Woodling, chaplain of the school became my angel and stepped in. We began with a few women meeting on alternate Mondays in the church parlor. We soon realized that meeting once a week instead meant that we not only could accomplish more, but also didn't need to remember whether we met this week or next week. Much simpler!

We have been meeting ever since – approximately 9 of us – women of various ages. No men – yet! We have given away many shawls, each made with loving hands and prayerful hearts; each blessed in front of the congregation to carry God's love to the recipient, each with a prayer attached. They have gone to members of the congregation and their friends and relatives here and elsewhere. We have also been privileged to donate several shawls to the palliative care unit at St. Joseph's Hospital. We have also made lap robes, premie baby caps, helmet liners and scarves for our troops in Afghanistan and, our latest ad-



*Duduza dolls, knitted by St. Martin's Prayer Shawl Ministry, are sent to the children of Haiti. Duduza is a word from the Zulu language meaning 'comfort'.*

venture, duduzas (Zulu for 'comfort') dolls to be delivered to the children of Haiti.

If you crochet or knit – or would like to learn, please join us on Monday afternoons at about 3:45 (to miss the carpool traffic). We'll welcome you with open arms – and yarn. If this seems not to be your thing, we also welcome donations to defray the cost of the yarn. We also welcome prayers, both for the recipients of our work and for our ministry.

See you in church!

## Please join us for Vacation Bible School - June 6-10, 2011

Presented by Co-Directors: Lisa Smith & Allison Henderson



At PandaMania, VBS kids will explore Psalm 139 and learn that they are God's most precious creation, that he listens to them, watches over them and loves them no matter what. In return, kids will learn to give thanks to God for all he does.

Please join us from 9:30 – 1:00 p.m. Monday – Friday with a special concert for family and friends on Friday.

For more information contact Melinda Mischik at 404-228-0754 [mmischik@stmartins.org](mailto:mmischik@stmartins.org)

- Kids 4 years of age by June 6
- Childcare provided for all volunteers.
- Where God is Wild about You!

Day 1: God Made You

Day 2: God Listens to You

Day 3: God Watches over You

Day 4: God Loves You

Day 5: God Gives Us Gifts like  
Friends, Family & Fun!

Register ONLINE at [www.stmartins.org/panadamania.html](http://www.stmartins.org/panadamania.html)

## BROWN BAG THEOLOGY SCHEDULE

Join us at noon in the Burgreen Room for a book discussion group with our Rector. These are the books we will be reading for the rest of this year. Be sure to put the dates on your calendar.

April 14, 2011 - *Winter of our Discontent* by John Steinbeck      May 12, 2011 - *Levi's Will* by W. Dale Cramer

St. Martin's is excited to inform you that W. Dale Cramer will be at the May meeting of Brown Bag Theology to discuss his book, *Levi's Will*. Join us for this exciting opportunity to talk to the author.

## BEACON OF HOPE

by Joel Jeune

On January 12, 2010, at 4:48 p.m. a 7.8 earthquake hit Haiti killing over 2 million people and leaving thousands homeless. At the time it hit, I was in my class at Emory University, "facebooking" while the professor concluded her lesson. All of a sudden my phone began ringing with friends and family calling, and of course being in class I was unable to respond. I realized it was serious when

numbers of my parents' friends started showing up on my cell. I realized something serious must be going on. As I began taking calls I heard about the horrible incident, but the one question was "are your parents ok?" I had no idea! I called Haiti and they said they had no idea where my parents were. My heart sank as I thought – "oh God, I am not ready for this. I am still in school." My parents

# “WHAT COLOR IS CHURCH THIS SUNDAY?”

by Father Newell Graham

I can still remember wondering what color church was going to be this Sunday? Before I found the Episcopal Church, I don't remember colors figuring into Sundays at all. There were flowers on the “platform” and where the minister sat and when he came to the pulpit to deliver his sermon I may have noticed what color his tie was, but that was about it.

In the Episcopal Church, however, colors played a prominent role. The hangings on the altar, the lectern and pulpit were a particular color as were the vestments worn by the priest; these colors did not change randomly, but for a reason.

The association of particular colors with seasonal worship and personal commemoration has developed for several reasons, some psychological and some historical. It seems “natural,” for instance, to associate red with blood, green with growth, white with purity gold with festivity, purple with penitence and violet and black with mourning.

So, what about the sackcloth, earth-tone color we adorn our church with during Lent? Why this color?

The “Lenten Array,” as it is called, reminds us of our earliest Christian brothers and sisters and their very deliberate and disciplined preparation for Holy Baptism and incorporation into the worshipping community. During this time of preparation they lived a lifestyle of self denial, study and prayerful devotion, and they dressed in sackcloth or “burlap” as we used to call it when I grew up in Kentucky. It was rough and scratchy and a constant reminder of what they were about as they prepared for baptism; they were sinners, one and all, in need of a savior!

All these years later, the Lenten Array is intended to keep us mindful of our own need to truly repent of our sins and, thereby, prepare ourselves for a wondrous celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. On Easter Day, the drab, colorless monotony of the Lenten Array gives way to the church's most celebratory colors of white and gold. Flowers fill the church in stark contrast to the austerity of Lent. In other words, the whole mood changes and “color of church” reinforces this in a powerful way

As I anticipate my first Lenten observance together with you, the faithful-in-Christ, who are St. Martin's Parish, I look forward to sharing a spiritual journey painted with many colors!

# REMAINING LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

➔ **April 6 – A Presentation on T.S. Eliot**

Join us as Fr. John presents an introduction to the life of T.S. Eliot: Anglican poet and theologian.

➔ **April 13 - Brittany Moss-Leazer returns to present “Voices That Cry Out”. Join us for Brittany's one-woman show that has returned by popular demand!**

Please Note: There will be an additional cost of \$5.00 per person the evening of Britney's performance.

*Voices that Cry Out* is a dramatic one-woman show that delivers a bold, fresh Perspective on the Radical Women of the Bible. *Voices that Cry Out* was written and is performed by Brittany Moss Leazer.

The show is a modern interpretation of the stories of biblical women including Mary, Elizabeth, Esther, and Ruth. Join us on April 13 for this exciting portrayal.

Limited Seating! Don't be disappointed! Register today on our website:

[www.stmartins.org/lentensuppers.html](http://www.stmartins.org/lentensuppers.html)



Join us for

Youth  
Sunday

at the 9:00 a.m.

service on

Sunday, April 10.

were the heads of a mission that oversee 200 churches, 65 schools, three Children's Homes, a medical clinic and the only widows' home of the country. I knew that once they passed, I would be the one expected to continue their mission in Haiti. The questions then moved from "where are your parents?" to "what are we going to do?" I spent the night doing radio interviews, and media calls trying my best to comfort the people as my parents would have done. I rallied everyone I could think of to help.

Two days later I arrived in Haiti leading a team of 62 medical professionals. We spent the night on the airport tarmac. When day came, the images we witnessed will always be engraved in my memory. I remember smelling the stench of rotting bodies everywhere; buildings were still burning, people were walking around with a lost look upon their faces – a far cry from the happy-go-lucky smile most Haitians carry. I arrived at our mission campus with 14,000 refugees already assembled seeking help. I jumped right into action setting up medical stations and attempting to gain or get some sort of order – but it all seemed unreal. I was happy to discover that my parents had made contact but were still trying to make their way back to campus, so it was up to me to care for these folks. One year later, in addition to what we were already doing, our campus oversees 25,000 people, feeds 3,000 children a day, provides an activities program for un-schooled children, and empowers the people to re-build their lives through job creation. I, too, went through some changes in my personal life. I reconnected with my high school sweetheart and had a beachside wedding, but most important were the lessons I learned about life and myself. I realized that life was very fleeting and we should enjoy

every possible moment to the fullest, love and be loved, be thankful and appreciative, communicate: let them know what you really think, take chances - just go for it!

This year has truly been my becoming-a-man year, but it could not have happened without the support of a loving church family like Saint Martin in the Fields. From hugs to smiles, or heartfelt inquiries about how things were going in Haiti, to a container of cookies (which ended up being my breakfast for the next two days), to the Vacation Bible School Program sending blankets to the orphaned girls, these acts will be forever appreciated. These "simple" things done from the heart have kept me going as I continue to be involved in Haiti. So to all (and I won't attempt to list names, for fear I may forget some of you, as I am only human): thank you for the massive support in aiding me to be a beacon of hope in Haiti.



*After the earthquake in Haiti on January 12, 2010, Joel Jeune returned to the country to lead relief efforts. While there, Joel reconnected with his high school sweetheart and married her in a beachside wedding ceremony.*

## HEARD IN THE PARISH

by The Reverend Noel C. Burtenshaw

Many of the calls I receive are from those in dire need of financial aid just to get through the week.

Our Emergency Assistance Program is open every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to noon at St. Martin's. Our very capable volunteers handle the bulk of these calls and they do it with generous ears and willing hearts. However, some calls come from distant (really distant) ZIP codes and are often left to the clergy to handle...I receive many of them.

In fact, I received one just last week. The person who left the message was about to have their apartment padlocked the next day. Then came the admission that they were

not a parishioner at St. Martin's. This was an honest and 'gut-wrenching' plea for the kind of assistance we provide. They had contacted ten other churches to avoid becoming homeless.

Lent is a time of "helping" because we are following a sacrificial road and are ready for a challenge. Some of the callers truly do need us to stretch our dollars – and at this time of year, who wouldn't want to?

I called them back and left a message stating that a check would be ready and could be picked up that day...unfortunately, I received another message stating that they had

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# TRANSITIONS FROM 2010

## Funerals

George Henry Dickray	1/14/2010
Doris Parker Speros	1/16/2010
Olive Thomas Trigg Willis	2/6/2010
Jane Jones McMillan	2/20/2010
Frederick Preston Roddey	2/25/2010
Willie Estalee Jones	2/26/2010
Cler Futrelle Doty	3/20/2010
Gordon Paul Goecke	4/29/2010
Katharine (Kaysie) Kingery	5/27/2010
Steven Allen Westby	6/8/2010
Ruth Wellborn Jones Knutsen	6/19/2010
Gloria Gladys Greene Putnam	7/11/2010
Charles Monumael Bryan, III	7/28/2010
Hazel Elizabeth Wright Garbutt	8/16/2010
Neville Bruce Coltman	8/21/2010
Zadie Boynton Avrett Scott	8/21/2010
Frank Roland Furkey	9/3/2010
Judith Williams Frontier	9/11/2010
Charles Emerson Wolff	9/18/2010
Frederick Law Hollingsworth, Jr.	10/13/2010
Dalton Carlye May	11/18/2010

## Weddings

Stacey Plunkett and Jeff Wright	4/17/2010
Suzanne Wilkinson and Michael Pearson	5/22/2010
Kate McDonald and Dave Hodgins	9/25/2010
Camille Samuel and Bret McClellan	12/3/2010
Elsie Draper and Bill Elmore	12/11/2010
Meghann Hummel and John Green	12/31/2010

## Baptisms

Sarah Kate Bailey
Declan Gabriel Chen
Burns McCashin Crotty, IV
Olivia Anne Duncan
Ryan Michael Hiser
Robert Fletcher Joseph
Mary Elizabeth Kirkland
Adam Manton Matthews
Barret Olejnik
James Edward Sery
Abigail Li Shang
Anne Li Shang
Rachel Li Shang
Arianna Grace Tarantino
Kate Aiken Tiller
Ciella Larryn Turner
Truman Jesse Vick
Kaleb Webb

## Transfers Out

Kathryn Arvidson
Kallan Arvidson
Catherin Delaney
Courtney Delaney
David E. Delaney
Arienne Duke
Charles Duke
David Duke
Emma Duke
Amy Henning

Andrew Henning
Charles Henning
Frances Johnson
Lewis Johnson
Cathleen Martin
Claude Martin
Abbey Richesin
Edward Smith
Kaitlyn Smith
Suzan Smith
Georgina Ward
Grace Ward

## Transfers In

Jackson Dickert
Neal W. Dickert, Jr.
Edward Fuller
Judith Fuller
David Holloway
Erin Terrell Holloway
Valrie McIntyre
Thomas McIntyre
Britt Mobley
Stephen Mobley
Susan Mobley
Elizabeth Turnipseed
Moss
Jeff Moss
Benjamin Park
Margaret Shelor Park
Quincy Shang
Nancy Simmons
Neil Walden
Sandra Walden
Martha-Jean Wheaton
Megan Wheaton
Patrick Wheaton
Robert Wheaton

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no transportation and could not pick up the check. They left an address to mail the donation – so, with a little hesitation I sent the check with a note:

“Well done and God bless!”

### St. Martin's Emergency Assistance Program

The Emergency Assistance Program is open every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to noon. If you are seeking assistance, please bring your ID and the bill with which you need assistance. Please be advised that we help residents of ZIP codes 30319 and 30341. If you live in another ZIP code we can provide you with information on other organizations in your area.

We help needy people in our area--ZIP codes 30319 and 30341--with funds for utilities, rent, transportation (usually MARTA cards), medications, groceries, and other miscellaneous expenses.

Our funds come from donations--primarily from the Outreach Budget, but also donations from chapters and from individuals in the church. Sometimes these are in honor or in memory of a friend or relative. We have a volunteer staff of about 15 people who take turns working on Tuesday mornings.

This fund was begun by St. Elizabeth's Chapter and has been functioning since about 1980. We also maintain a list of families with children for the Santa Shop in December.

St. Monica's Chapter provides snack bags for the needy, and the Emergency Assistance Fund volunteers dispense these to very grateful people.

# GROWING TOWARD ADULTHOOD

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By Carrie Barfield

A favorite Old Testament story is of Abraham and Sarah (Genesis 15:1–20). God promised that their descendants would be as numerous as the stars. Did you ever lie outside at night in the grass and look up at the vast sky? So many stars! How could someone have that many descendants? Abraham and Sarah didn't even have one child when God made that promise and they were already old! God promised the unbelievable. But Abraham and Sarah believed. They left the safety and comfort of the bustling city of Ur and all their relatives for the wilderness on that promise.

Growing toward adulthood is some-

thing like the journey of Abraham and Sarah. Children leave the familiar and enter a foreign land. Like Abraham and Sarah, they don't leave alone. They leave with the promise of God's love, a promise made to us while in our mothers' wombs, a promise by the God of Sarah and Abraham. Our 25 young people, through their preparation for confirmation, have had the opportunity to claim their faith and their place in the community of God's people, one of the stars of Abraham. They are: Robert, Noah, Ted, Jack, Savanna, Maddie, Patrick, William, Sara, Sarah, Addie, David, Andrews, Madison, Sean, Chris-

tina, Will, Jack, Anna, Kennan, Morgan, Elizabeth, Taylor, Hollis, Madison, Tyler and Sky. In the past few/several weeks, they have been exploring the Anglican tradition of worship, Anglican history, the Bible, theology, spirituality, and ministry. Father McCard and Mrs. Mischik have been their guides, adding provisions for the journey. Some of the provisions include steps to read the Bible, ways to pray and all about Sundays. Let us make room in our daily prayers for the confirmands that they continue to be strengthened for the journey, that they have time to gaze at the stars and be filled with God's infinite love.

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## PAIRS AND SPARES - APRIL 2

Pairs and Spares will meet Saturday, April 2nd at 6:30 P.M. in Gable Hall. Our social time will be followed by a potluck supper at 7:00 P.M. Our speaker is Sue VerHoef, Reference Manager at the Atlanta History Center. If you think archives are musty and boring, come prepared to be

surprised. Imagine a trove of maps, original diaries, letters, photographs, drawings...the list goes on and on. We welcome anyone who would like to hear this wonderful speaker. If you are not a member of a group, please let Joy Simms (770-457-4986) know you're coming.

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## PARISH POST DELIVERY CHANGE

by Jason Clay

Beginning in the fall, we will no longer mail *The Parish Post* to your home. Due to the ice storm in January, the production schedule of our newsletter was delayed such that, if mailed by Bulk Mail, the February edition would have arrived too late. Instead, we distributed paper copies from the back of the church. We saw an opportunity in this occasion. If we distribute the newsletter at church, we eliminate the cost of Bulk Mail, which is a slow service. It takes up to two weeks to arrive, which increases the lead time for production. Unfortunately, that means the information is not as relevant as it could be (a fact long lamented by my fellow staff members). In the future, we will use the savings to mail a limited number by First Class Mail to those unable to attend worship. First Class is much faster, shortening the lead time for production, resulting in more relevant information. Beginning in the fall, we will make this a permanent change. Watch and listen for announcements that the newsletter is available and pick it up. If you can't come to church, contact me at 404.228.0777 and I'll add you to the First Class mailing list.

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## ECW MEETINGS

*St. Mary Magdalene's* next meeting will be on **Wednesday, Apr. 6 at 10:30 a.m.**

*St. Martha's* next meeting will be on **Wednesday, Apr. 6 at 7 p.m.**

*St. Elizabeth's* next meeting will be on **Tuesday,**

**Apr. 12 at 9:30 a.m.**

*St. Margaret's* next meeting will be on **Wednesday, Apr. 13 at 9:30 a.m.**

*St. Monica's* next meeting will be on **Wednesday, Apr. 20 at 9:30 a.m.** in the Parlor. Please join us!!!!

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## OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEN

**Men's Breakfast:** Early (7:00 a.m.) breakfasts on first Tuesdays at the Dunwoody location of Old Hickory House. For questions, contact Steve Short at 770.396.3667.

**Men's Bible Study:** Thursdays in the Parlor at 7:30 a.m. Contact Father McCard with questions at 404 228-0750.

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## DOK MEETINGS

The next meeting of *The Daughters of the King* will be on **Saturday, Apr. 9 with refreshments at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting at 10:00 a.m.**

The next meeting of *The Jr. Daughters of the King* will be on **Sunday, Apr. 10 at 11:00 a.m.**

# April 2011

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3 HE: Rite I, 7:45a HE: Rite II, 9a Christian Formation 10:10a HE: Rite II, 11:15a Girl Scouts, 4:15p Boy Scouts, 5:30p HE: Rite I, 5:30p	4 ES/MS Chapel, 8:25a Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3:45p	5 Emergency Assistance, 10a Staff Meeting, 10a	6 Healing Service, 10a St. Mary Magdalene's, 10:30a St. Nicholas Choir, 3:30p St. Cecilia Choir, 4:15p Stations of the Cross, 5:30p Lenten Supper, 6p St. Martha's, 7p Handbell Choir, 7p Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30p	7 Men's Bible Study, 7:30a Clergy Group, 10:30a Chancel Choir, 6p EFM, 6:30p Gambler's Anonymous, 7p Choir Chow, 7:30p	8 Narcotics Anonymous, 8p	9 DOK Meeting, 9:30a HE: Rite I, 5:30p
10 YOUTH SUNDAY HE: Rite I, 7:45a HE: Rite II, 9a Christian Formation 10:10a Jr. DOK, 11a HE: Rite II, 11:15a Boy Scouts, 5:30p HE: Rite I, 5:30p	11 ES/MS Chapel, 8:25a Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3:45p	12 St. Elizabeth's, 9:30a Emergency Assistance, 10a Staff Meeting, 10a	13 St. Margaret's, 9:30a Healing Service, 10a St. Nicholas Choir, 3:30p St. Cecilia Choir, 4:15p Stations of the Cross, 5:30p Lenten Supper, 6p Handbell Choir, 7p Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30p	14 Men's Bible Study, 7:30a Clergy Group, 10:30a Women's Bible Study, 10:30a Brown Bag Theology, 12p Chancel Choir, 6p EFM, 6:30p Gambler's Anonymous, 7p Choir Chow, 7:30p	15 Spiritual Life Group, 8:15a Narcotics Anonymous, 8p	16 Cleaning Day, 9a HE: Rite I, 5:30p
17 PALM SUNDAY HE: Rite I, 7:45a HE: Rite II, 9a HE: Rite II, 11:15a Service Planning Cmte., 12:30p Pro-Mozart Soc. Concert, 3p Girl Scouts, 4:15p Boy Scouts, 5:30p HE: Rite I, 5:30p Acolyte Banquet, 6:30p	18 ES/MS Chapel, 8:25a HE: Rite II, 12p Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3:45p Vestry Meeting, 6:30p	19 Emergency Assistance, 10a Staff Meeting, 10a Noonday Prayers, 12p	20 St. Monica's, 9:30a Healing Service, 10a HE: Rite II, 12p St. Nicholas Choir, 3:30p St. Cecilia Choir, 4:15p Stations of the Cross, 5:30p Lenten Supper, 6p Handbell Choir, 7p Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30p	21 MAUNDY THURSDAY Men's Bible Study, 7:30a Clergy Group, 10:30a Caregiver's Group, 11a Chancel Choir, 6p Theology on Tap, 6p EFM, 6:30p M.T. Liturgy & Stripping of Altar, 7p Gambler's Anonymous, 7p Choir Chow, 7:30p	22 GOOD FRIDAY Morning Prayer, 7:30p Good Friday Liturgy, 12p Stations of the Cross, 6:30p Good Friday Liturgy, 7p Narcotics Anonymous, 8p	23 Easter Vigil and Baptism, 7p
24 EASTER SUNDAY HE: Rite I, 8a HE: Rite II, 9:30a HE: Rite II, 11:30a HE: Rite I, 5:30p Boy Scouts, 5:30p	25 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED ES/MS Chapel, 8:25a Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3:45p	26 Emergency Assistance, 10a Staff Meeting, 10a	27 3's-4's, 9:30a Healing Service, 10a St. Nicholas Choir, 3:30p St. Cecilia Choir, 4:15p Handbell Choir, 7p Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30p	28 Men's Bible Study, 7:30a 3's-4's, 9:30a Women's Bible Study, 10:30a Clergy Group, 10:30a Chancel Choir, 6p EFM, 6:30p Women's Bible Study, 7p Gambler's Anonymous, 7p Choir Chow, 7:30p	29 Spiritual Life Group, 8:15a 3's-4's, 10a Narcotics Anonymous, 8p	30 HE: Rite I, 5:30p

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- Cheese Sandwiches
- Ham Sandwiches
- Bunny Pasta Salad
  - Carrot Sticks
  - Fruit Salad
  - Deviled eggs
    - Quiche
- Easter Cupcakes
  - Punch

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## A GREAT SUCCESS

By Liz Boatright

Once again, the parishioners of St. Martin's have come through. On a busy St. Valentine's Day Sunday, 26 of you came to Gable Hall to give blood to Life South. Obviously, you have prepared yourselves well as only one person was turned away (for low blood sugar). We are very grateful to all our donors, and hope you will come back in May. We will make you most welcome!

Many thanks to these people who gave blood on February 13: Jonathan Barber, Julie Barber, Karen Bedell, Tom Borcharding, Susan Breunig, Joel Brockmann, Ashley Fricano, Ruth Hahn, Jane Jenkins, Gay Jolley, Cheryl Josephson, Tim Kelly, Phyz Lemmon, James Loyless, Leslie Marwitz, Neal Marwitz, Dennis Mathews, Lynda Mitchell, Michael Mulling, Jane Reynolds, Helen Rogge, Sandy Rose, Janet Shepherd, Belinda Wedgwood, Lucas Westby, and Sue Westby.