

The Grapevine

June 2019



Golf Outing Notice... As of Friday morning, the weather report for Saturday's golf outing looks a little iffy, but as we all know, forecasts shift constantly. Our plan is to forge ahead with the outing: the carts are covered, we're a hardy bunch, and if they sound the warning siren, we'll take a break and enjoy a refreshment in the club house. See you on the golf course!

To the congregation of Saint Matthew's in Liverpool, who are loved by God and called to be His people: grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

I paraphrase this greeting from the apostle Paul in order that I might catch your eye and tickle your sense of Bible history. I am writing to share with you a matter with which I have been wrestling, like Jacob, though for more than the length of a dream. In the early part of April, I had a lunch meeting with Bishop DeDe and shared this matter with her. With her skillful discernment, I came to some clarity, though am far from final resolution. For some time, I have had a sense of calling toward ordination to the priesthood. At the Bishop's direction, I have met with Canon John Crosswaite and the Chairperson of the Commission on Ministry, the Rev. Dr. Dena Cleaver-Bartholomew. With their clear thinking, they have developed a pathway which I am following. I wanted you to hear this first from me.

On Sunday May 19 I met with Paul to show him their suggestions and to keep him in the communications loop. On Wednesday, May 22, I met with the Vestry of St. Matthew's to ask them to write a letter of endorsement to be sent to the Bishop's office. They will discern, pray about it, make their decision and give me their answer at the next Vestry meeting in June.

Mine is not the usual path, and so I have no concrete answers to the obvious question of how long I will continue in ministry with you at Saint Matthew's. What I can say is that I will remain however long I am allowed to do so, for through our unified efforts we have done some excellent ministry and outreach, and I feel there may be more to come. As one sage Vestryperson stated "Shelly has always been here through the grace and gift of the Bishop." I do not have any idea where this is going, but I do trust the Spirit that is leading and guiding me.

I ask for your prayers throughout this time of discernment and direction. Your gifts of love, generosity, encouragement and sharing which I have experienced from this congregation continue to lift and sustain my ministry. I firmly believe that what is available through grace is accessible through faith, and together our joint discernment will bring us safely through to God's resolution

In joy and love, Deacon Shelly Banner

Dear friends –

I know I speak for our entire St. Matthew's family when I say how excited I am about Deacon Shelly's discernment around ordination to the priesthood. Deacon Shelly has been a loving pastoral presence for our congregation, a catalyst in our outreach efforts to make life better for others in our community, and a leader in our diocese in a number of ways. I am personally grateful for all of the ways she worked to welcome me here at St. Matthew's. She is and will continue to be a gift to our church and to the people of God.

I'm guessing you may be wondering if this means Deacon Shelly is going to leave St. Matthew's, and, if so, when. The answer as of now is: we don't know. In the Episcopal church, deacons are under the authority of the bishop, who determines where and how they serve the church. Deacon Shelly will continue to serve here until the bishop assigns her to go someplace else. You may also be wondering when her ordination will be, and again the answer is: we don't know. The ordination process in the Episcopal church is rigorous, as it should be, and is largely the responsibility of the bishop and the diocesan Commission on Ministry. We will of course keep everyone 'in the loop' with any news in the months ahead. Please feel free to bring any questions you have to me or Deacon Shelly, and we will answer them as best we can. For the time being, we can best support Deacon Shelly with our prayers and our continued love.

Peace, Fr. Paul

HEALING HEARTS GROUP

If you are grieving a loss of a family member or loved one, we invite you to join us for an informal lunch, discussion, fellowship, and prayer on **June 26th, at 12:30pm**, after Wednesday worship. All are welcome; please email Fr. Paul at pfrolick@gmail.com if you plan to attend so we can arrange for food. Please see Fr. Paul with questions.



WANT TO HELP IN THE GARDEN?



Thanks to some wonderful volunteers and an abundance of plant donations, our garden is planted and growing already! It is our hope that we will be blessed with at least the same quantity of produce as we were last year, but to help make that happen, we need your help! Please sign-up on the bulletin board if you wish to help care for the garden this year. Each week that you sign up, you are responsible for watering and weeding as needed, and picking produce on Sundays or Mondays. Sarah will typically deliver produce to the food bank at St. Joseph the Worker on Monday afternoons.

YOUTH SUNDAY

Please plan to join us **June 23rd at the 10:15am service** for a festive youth-led service where we will recognize Sunday school teachers and celebrate the end of the Sunday school year.



WOMEN'S GROUP EVENT



Join us **Tuesday, June 18th** for a night of shuffleboard at the Wegmans Landing area of Onondaga Lake Park. We will start at approximately 6:30pm. Even if you're not up for playing, come and enjoy the view! Sign-up on the bulletin board.

THE OPEN TABLE FREE COMMUNITY MEAL

Please join us for our next *Open Table* meal on **Sunday, June 30th from 4-6pm**. On the menu are pork riblets, baked beans and salad. Everyone is welcome to come and eat and enjoy fellowship! Please consider volunteering if you are able.



THE GIVING BOUTIQUE



Look for the boutique to be set up on **June 9th and 16th** with gifts for Father's Day and teachers. There will also be a table set up for card making during coffee hour.

BLESSINGS IN A BACKPACK NEWS

St. Matthew's volunteers will be packing at **1:00pm on Wednesday, June 12th** at St. Paul's Lutheran church here in the village. Packing lasts about an hour and we have a fun time doing it! Join us! Sign-up is on the bulletin board.



June Collection: Canned pasta meals, Chef Boyardee and other varieties.

WEEKLY PRAYER LEADERS

I know that some of us make praying for the people on our parish prayer list part of our daily devotion, for which I give thanks. I encourage you to consider this spiritual practice as a means of connecting in a deeper way with our congregation and with God. And, if you're like me and sometimes need a bit of external motivation, I invite you sign-up to be a weekly prayer leader. You can do this as an individual or a family. Signing up as a prayer leader means you commit to praying for the people on our parish prayer list, in any way that works for you, each day for a particular week. In this way, we'll know that those folks are surrounded with prayer, we'll deepen our own spiritual lives, and we'll continue to build a strong, loving, and compassionate community. Please see me with questions, and thank you for your prayers.

Peace, Fr. Paul

MEETING NOTICE

Vestry meetings will now be held on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 5:30pm. Please keep the Vestry at St. Matthew's in your prayers. They will be meeting next on **Wednesday, June 26th at 5:30pm.**

WINE TOUR



Save the date: **Saturday, October 12, 2019.** We have plenty of interest for a Saturday wine tour this Fall in our own chartered bus. Plans are coming together to visit wineries and a craft brewery to the west side of Seneca and Keuka Lakes. More information and trip cost to follow soon. Cheers!

VOLUNTEER TO HELP MOW THE LAWN

Volunteers are needed to help mow the lawn this summer. It is a riding lawn mower, so it's not a difficult job. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you are interested.



YOGA CLASS

Beginning on June 10th, a yoga class led by Mary Jo Major, will be held in the parish hall from **11:30am – 12:30pm on Mondays, and from 5:30-6:30pm on Fridays.** All are welcome to participate, and details of cost and class description will be coming soon. We ask that you try your best during these times on Mondays and Fridays to not enter the parish hall. The front office door can be used if needed on Mondays for the office.

BOTTLE & CAN REMINDER



Just a friendly reminder! The bottle return bins in the hallway are for **returnable** bottles with a \$.05 deposit only. Please check your bottles before putting them in the bin. Please note: iced tea, lemonade, sports drinks and milk jugs are **not** returnable. These should go in your blue bins at home. Thank you!

WANT TO JOIN A MINISTRY TEAM?

We have many faithful ministry teams here at St. Matthew's. If you're interested in participating in any of the ones listed below, please contact the person whose name is listed next to it.

Tellers... Mark Miller, madmiller57@verizon.net

Ushers... Jim Sullivan, JES3377@gmail.com

Acolytes... John Vigliotti, gjvdbv@twcny.rr.com

Altar Guild... Jackie Gates, jagjmg@twcny.rr.com

Nursery... Sarah Alamond, sarah.alamond@gmail.com

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers... Dale Vigliotti, dalebv@twcny.rr.com

8:00am Coffee Hour... Cathy Labucki, CLabucki@bartonandloguidice.com

10:15am Coffee Hour... Sarah Alamond, sarah.alamond@gmail.com

ONGOING OUTREACH

Shopping Cart Sunday:

The 3rd Sunday of every month is Shopping Cart Sunday! Please remember to drop off your non-perishable items in the cart so they can benefit those at the St. Joseph the Worker food pantry, here in the village.



The Gregory J. Harris Military Courtesy Room:

In the hallway, you'll find a large bin labeled "Military Room Donations". On the bulletin board in the hall, you'll find a list of items to be donated to The Gregory J. Harris Military Courtesy Room at Hancock Airport. Please drop off travel-sized toiletries, individually wrapped candy, snacks, cookies and individually wrapped packages of popcorn. Canned soda is also appreciated. Thank you!

Food Bags:

St. Matthew's maintains a steady supply of food bags for those in need. If you wish to donate any non-perishable items to have on hand to stock the bags, please see the list in the on the bulletin board in the hallway, or contact the office at stmatthews_office@verizon.net, or 315-457-4633 to be sent a list. There is also a list available on the website. For any questions about the Food Bag Program, please contact Sarah in the office.



NEW ITEMS NEEDED: Paper towels, tissues, toilet paper, napkins, deodorant, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, peanut butter and tuna fish.

APRIL 2019 FINANCIAL REPORT

April is the first month in the second quarter of our fiscal year. This has been a good year, so far. We have \$15,342.78 in the checking and all our bills are up to date. Our Endowment investments account increased for the fourth month in a row. The account has increased an additional \$2,984.97.

Income is still 14% over budget. Pledges dropped to 92.84%. The other income accounts are doing well.

Expenses are still under budget again. Next month we will look at how the individual expense accounts are doing.

Let's look at a little report I called "2019 Fund raising and Outreach balances". This is where we look at those accounts that have income and expense. The idea is that income covers the expense.

AS OF 4/30/19 –

Church dinners – surplus \$2,239.05

Flowers – surplus \$36.58

Votive Candles – deficit (\$145.00)

Coffee – deficit (\$31.10)

Blessing of the Backpacks – surplus \$200.00

Community/Open Table – deficit (\$311.77) remember we have grant money to cover this expense.

Samaritan Center – deficit (\$401.66) there have not been any direct contributions for the Samaritan Center but Outreach funds cover this expense.

To the end of April, we have Year-to-Date Totals for the four months:

YTD Actual Income \$94,620.94

YTD Actual Expenses \$82,991.95

Currently a surplus of \$11,628.99

If you have a question e-mails me bobbince42@gmail.com.

Faithfully submitted,

Deb Smith, Treasurer

JUNE

Birthdays

Alamond, Isabel	23	Hannah, Joseph	07
Alamond, Lambros	14	Kobo, Pamela	09
Anderson, Dale	23	Kondrk, Jason	09
Bagley, Campbell	27	Paolo, Lauren	04
Bambino, Joseph	17	Sanderson, Max	10
Barrus, Chris	22	Stearns, Christina	18
Boylan, Patricia	24	Straub, Thomas	25
Carruthers, Jim	05	Sullivan, Mary Beth	07
Carruthers, Patricia	24	Todd, Brianna	22
Eke, Didi	23	Weekley, Elizabeth	26
Fish, Olivia	10	Wakefield, Lee	19

* If anyone has been omitted from this list, please call the office *

PRAYER REQUESTS

We're grateful to be able to pray for our parishioners, family members, and friends who are in need, and we think it is important to make these concerns known to our community. We generally keep folks on this list for about four weeks, unless we're aware of a continuing need. If we've removed a prayer request, which you would like to appear for another 4-6 weeks, please call the church office at 315-457-4633 or e-mail us at stmatthews_office@verizon.net. Thank you for your good help in bringing prayer requests to our attention.

Please pray for:

Jill Stocking, health concerns
 Bob Murdock, recovering from surgery
 Jennifer Bearup, recovering from concussion
 Marisa Bertini, *Christina Stearns' niece*, undergoing cancer treatment
 Susan, *Linda Chambers' sister*, undergoing cancer treatment
 Kathleen Fox, *friend of Dale Vigliotti*, diagnosed with breast cancer
 Betty, *friend of Laurel Iavarone*, diagnosed with stage 4 cancer

Serving in Armed Forces:

Paul Smith, *Penny Dugas' grandson*, Air National Guard
 Sarah Gratien & David Gratien, *grandchildren of Sallie Jameson*, Air National Guard
 Leo Henry, attending West Point Military Academy
 Benjamin McDonald, *son of Jodi McDonald*, Air Force, Wright-Patterson, Ohio
 Matt Hidy & Mina Hidy, grandchildren of Alice Hidy, U.S. Coast Guard, Japan
 Brighid O'Neil, *daughter of Tom & Mary O'Neil*, Captain, NYC Police Dept.

Ongoing:

Pat Martin, Alec Stearns, Jennifer, Laura McGaffick, Cheryl Familo, Susan White, Vyrna Brown, Cherie McCauley, Bill Braun



ILLNESS OR HOSPITALIZATION: We want to pray for you if you are ill, having surgery, or facing any sort of difficulty. We also want to visit you when you are in the hospital. In the past, hospitals notified the church office when our parishioners were admitted. However, due to changes in privacy laws they are no longer allowed to notify us, or in some cases, even to confirm whether or not a person has been admitted. We now must rely on family and friends to let us know when someone has been hospitalized. Please help us with this important ministry by calling the church office (315-457-4633) whenever you know about an illness or hospitalization. Many thanks.

DIOCESAN NEWS...

Year-round Stewardship Workshops

Learn fun and useful ways to keep your parish engaging in ministry with time, talent, and treasure year-round. Explore giving as a spiritual practice and understand stewardship as building connections and drawing people deeper into community. This workshop is for anyone interested in stewardship, especially those leading ministries or stewardship campaigns. Suitable for parishes of all sizes. There is no charge for this workshop, but registration is required. You can do so at cnyepiscopal.org/year-round-stewardship. The following workshops are still available: Online or in Liverpool: June 5th, 11:00 a.m.; DeWitt: June 5th, 6:30 p.m.



Bishop's Bowl for grades 6-12 on Saturday, June 1st

Come bowling with Bishop DeDe Duncan-Probe and friends new and old from around the Diocese of Central New York!



This overnight for youth in grades 6-12 includes bowling at Marcellus Lanes, catching the town fireworks display, and stopping for ice cream on the way back to St. John's Episcopal Church, Marcellus for an overnight. We'll wrap up with Sunday morning worship. Please join us!

Saturday, June 1st, 6:00 p.m. to Sunday, June 2nd, 11:30 a.m.
St. John's Episcopal Church, 15 Orange Street, Marcellus

Bishop and Canons "On the Road" in Binghamton May 29th

Bishop DeDe Duncan-Probe, Canon John Crosswaite, and Canon Carrie Schofield-Broadbent are going on the road to connect with you! Join them for bible study, fellowship, and/or office hours in Binghamton on Wednesday, May 29th at Christ Episcopal Church (10 Henry Street, Binghamton).

10:00 a.m. Bible study
12:00 p.m. Brown bag lunch
1:00-4:00 p.m. Office hours*

*Appointments advised to avoid a wait. Please contact Kathleen McDaniel at (315) 474-6596 or kmcdaniel@cnyepiscopal.org.

Please be on the watch for future "On the Road" events on Wednesday, September 25th, Wednesday, October 30th, and Tuesday, December 3rd (locations to be determined).

COMMUNITY NEWS...

Chicken BBQ Dinner

What: Chicken BBQ

Where: Liverpool First United Methodist Church, 604 Oswego St. Liverpool

When: Saturday, June 1st, 12:00-4:00pm, or sold out

Cost: Chicken BBQ meal is \$11.00 and includes half chicken, coleslaw, baked beans, roll, cookie & beverage

Liverpool is the Place Concerts

When: 7:00 pm- 9:00 pm every Monday & Wednesday during June, July & August. Starts June 3rd

Where: Johnson Park, Village of Liverpool

What: Free music in the park! Bring your families, lawn chairs, and food if you'd like! There will be snacks and drinks available for sale.



JUNE 2019 CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 12-3pm Golf Outing 2:00pm Wedding
2 7th Sunday of Easter Acolyte Commissioning & Recognition 8:00am-+HE 9:15am – Sunday School 10:10am- Nursery 10:15am – +HE & HB	3 <i>Office Closed</i> 9a-10:30am <i>Fit for the next 50</i> (PH) 11:30am – 12:30pm Yoga Class (PH) 12:45 – Advocates (STCR)	4 5:00-9:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance (PH)	5 9a-10:30am <i>Fit for the next 50</i> 12pm- Noon +HE 5:30pm Parish Life Cmt. Mtg	6 5:00-9:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance (PH) 6-8pm 12 Step Program	7 5:30pm – 6:30pm Yoga Class (PH) 7:00pm Cursillo	8
9 Day of Pentecost 8:00am-+HE 9:15am – Sunday School 10:10am- Nursery 10:15am – HE	10 9:00am Audit (OCR) 9a-10:30am <i>Fit for the next 50</i> (PH) 11:30am – 12:30pm Yoga Class (PH) 12:45 – Advocates (STCR)	11 5:00-9:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance (PH)	12 9a-10:30am <i>Fit for the next 50</i> (PH) 12:00 Noon- +HE 1:00pm BIB Packing @ St. Paul's 1:00-7:00pm Diocesan CoM (PH & STCR) 5:30pm MMR Mtg (PH)	13 5:00-9:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance (PH) 6-8pm 12 Step Program	14 5:30pm – 6:30pm Yoga Class (PH)	15
16 Trinity Sunday Father's Day 8:00am-+HE 9:15am – Sunday School 10:10am- Nursery 10:15am – +HE Shopping Cart Sunday Grapevine Articles Due	17 9a-10:30am <i>Fit for the next 50</i> (PH) 11:30am – 12:30pm Yoga Class (PH) 12:45 – Advocates (STCR)	18 5:00-9:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance (PH)	19 9a-10:30am <i>Fit for the next 50</i> (PH) 12:00 Noon- +HE 4:00pm Diocesan Meeting & Dinner (PH & STCR)	20 5:00-9:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance (PH) 6-8pm 12 Step Program	21 5:30pm – 6:30pm Yoga Class (PH)	22
23 2nd Sunday after Pentecost Youth Sunday 8:00am-+HE 9:15am –Last day of Sunday School 10:10am- Nursery 10:15am – +HE 2:00pm – Baby Shower (PH)	24 9a-10:30am <i>Fit for the next 50</i> (PH) 11:30am – 12:30pm Yoga Class (PH) 6:00pm Kelberman Ctr (PH) 12:45 – Advocates (STCR)	25 5:00-9:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance (PH)	26 9a-10:30am <i>Fit for the next 50</i> (PH) 12:00 Noon- +HE 12:30pm Healing Hearts Lunch 5:30pm – Vestry Mtg	27 5:00-9:00pm Butler Sheehan Irish Dance (PH) 6-8pm 12 Step Program	28 5:30pm – 6:30pm Yoga Class (PH)	29
30 3rd Sunday after Pentecost 8:00am-+HE 10:10am - Nursery 10:15am – +HE 4:00pm – The Open Table						

^WS: Worship Service
+HE: Holy Eucharist
°HB: Holy Baptism

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JUNE 2019 WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Ministry Schedule	<i>June 2nd 7th Sunday of Easter</i>	<i>June 9th Day of Pentecost</i>	<i>June 16th Trinity Sunday</i>	<i>June 23rd 2nd Sunday after Pentecost</i>	<i>June 30th 3rd Sunday after Pentecost</i>
ACOLYTES 8:00	John Vigliotti	Gail Jones	John Vigliotti	Gail Jones	John Vigliotti
10:15	Brooke Todd Emma Bearup Brianna Todd	Johnny Lisi Rose Uhrig Christina Uhrig	Brooke Todd Abby Fawcett Molly Alamond	Campbell Bagley Molly Alamond Brianna Todd	Dayna Stearns Emma Bearup Abby Fawcett
ALTAR GUILD	Courtenay M. Edie Oliver	Courtenay M. Edie Oliver	Gail Jones Lauri O'Brien	Gail Jones Lauri O'Brien	Pat Boylan Mary Beth S.
COFFEE HOSTS 8:00	Courtenay McKeon	Mike & Jackie Gates	Penny Paolo	The Bagley Family	Cathy Labucki
10:15	Stace Family	Chris & Karen Clarke & Jim C.	The Henry Family	Pam Piraino & Sally Smith	Miller Family
LECTORS & EMs 8:00	Deb Bayless Kathy McGaffick	Mike Gates Dale Vigliotti	Tim Sager Cindy Adamowsky	Gail Jones Jackie Gates	Cindy A. Kathy McGaffick
10:15	Dave Holloway Pat Haight Bill Hawkins Norm Bagley	Brooke Todd Dawn Sam Tracy Lewis Lee Wakefield	Pam Piraino Sarah Alamond Sallie Jameson Courtenay McKeon	Johnny Lisi Lambros Alamond Lee Wakefield Norm Bagley	Joe Hannah Larry Mathews Courtenay M. Bill Hawkins
NURSERY 10:10	Michelle Makai Erin Bagley	Michelle Makai Patricia Altro	Sarah Alamond Shawna Vitale	Michelle Makai Courtenay McKeon	Michelle Makai Monica Norton
TELLERS	Henry Wakefield Judy Carroll	Mark Miller Mary Beth S.	Jim Sullivan Jim Carruthers	Mary Beth S. Linda Chambers	Mark Miller Matt Stace
USHERS 10:15	Mark Miller Phil Hayes	Jim & Mary Beth Sullivan	The Henry Family	Rose U., Serenity U Lillith U., Christina U	Lauri O'Brien Rose Katura

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ST. MATTHEW'S LEADERSHIP

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Rector	The Rev. Paul Frolick	(585)241-9317	
Wardens	Henry Wakefield	(315)420-6055	2020
	Courtenay McKeon	(315)214-9276	2021
Vestry	Christina Stearns	(315)263-3394	2020
	Amy Thackston	(315)652-5990	2020
	Deb Bayless	(315)622-2664	2020
	Phil Iavarone	(315)243-5617	2021
	Clinnie Poole	(315)471-6689	2021
	Phil Hayes	(616)915-6107	2021
	Katie McCormick	(585)732-9005	2022
	Dawn O'Polka	(315)458-2088	2022
	Dave Holloway	(315)944-3026	2022
Treasurer	Deb Smith	(315)415-9571	
Vestry Clerk	Cathy Labucki	(315)218-5195	
Deacon	Shelly Banner	(315)343-4146	
Parish Administrator	Sarah Alamond	(315)751-1049	
Organist / Choir director	Jennifer Bearup	(315)272-6512	
Sexton	Bill Boylan	(315)454-0451	

Because we believe that God loves everyone without exceptions,
we are a church that nurtures spiritual growth for all ages.

We are a community that is:

Open and welcoming.

Gentle.

Joyful.

Generous.

Rooted in our Episcopal Tradition.

