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THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICES

8 & 10 AM, NOVEMBER 24, 2005

At 9:30 AM, Thanksgiving Day the choir will present a pre-service *recital* to enhance your worship experience. Please join us!

DEACON COMMINS' ORDINATION

Deacon John Commins will be ordained to the Priesthood on Sunday December 11, 5 PM, at St. John's Cathedral, Jacksonville, Florida.

The Right Rev. Samuel Johnson Howard - the eighth Bishop of The Diocese of Florida, will confer Holy Orders and ordain The Rev. John E. Commins to the order of Priest.

Father Commins and his family will return home to St. Bart's on Monday December 12. Congratulations to Deacon Commins!

HOLY CONFIRMATION DECEMBER 14 AT ST. BART'S



The Right Rev. Keith L. Ackerman, Bishop of the Diocese of Quincy, Peoria, Illinois will be coming to St. Bartholomew's on Wednesday Evening, December 14. Bishop Ackerman will confirm the candidates of St. Bartholomew's. The service will be begin at 7 PM.

...the
SWORD
of the
SPIRIT,
which is the
WORD of GOD.



-Ephesians 6:17

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THE BISHOP SCAIFE GUILD

On Saturday November 5, from 10 AM to noon we will be having a Christmas workshop. We will be making a Christmas arrangement using materials from Jo Ann Fabrics under the direction of one of their staff. The cost will be \$20. There will be a sign up sheet. Please come and make a new festive holiday decoration for your home.

You are invited to come and join us at our Wednesday morning work meetings. Remember- all women of the Church are automatically guild members. We are even blessed to have members of other congregations join us occasionally. You do not have to be a *Craft Person*. We are always looking for new ideas for crafts. We are presently working on items for our table at the Red Sleigh Family Fair on November 19.

Thanks to Eileen Arnold, Karen Hoyt and Caroline Rudin for making the *Smoothies* when parishioners came to view and identify pictures for the updating of the scrap books for the 50th Anniversary.

COMING EVENTS:

November 5 - Holiday Arrangement Workshop -10 AM to noon.
November - Poinsettia and Christmas Wreath Sale - order forms will be in the Sunday Bulletin.
December 8 - Advent Cookie Program - featuring Bell Ringers.
January 18, 2006 - Report Brunch

HELP STILL NEEDED: Sewers to make bags for the wheel chairs and walkers of residents at the Episcopal Church Home. Materials are supplied.

Please check the display case for gift items. Call Marilyn Alliger (877-8335), Dorothea Haase (929-5745) or Bonnie Fleischman (875-6402) to order.

Please continue to support the *Bundles for Babies* project that makes up bundles for the less fortunate in our communities. Baby items may be left in the basket by the Guild's display case. Diapers are especially needed. These items are taken to the Network of Religious Communities office on Delaware where the bundles are made up.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S COMPUTER CLUB

We will be meeting every second Wednesday of each month, from 7 to 8:30 PM.

THE FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION OCCURS ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH! 40 bags of food, 7 boxes of dehydrated food and a cash donation were taken to the Food Pantry in October. Cake mix, canned fruit, peanut butter, pancake mix, spaghetti & spaghetti sauce, jelly, paper products and toiletries are needed. Financial contributions may be made to the North Tonawanda Food Pantry. **Please "double bag" your contributions of food - paper inside plastic is good.**

THE RED SLEIGH FAIR

The Guild will have baked goods and candy as well as crafts at the *Red Sleigh Fair* on **November 19**. The ladies at the baked goods table tell us that pies are one of the best sellers. Cakes and brownies don't sell as well. Other best sellers are special breads, muffins, cookies, coffee cakes, and jams. Using plastic food storage bags for the items would also be appreciated. The candy ladies would appreciate those donating fudge to cut it into pieces. Craft items may be left on the table at the entrance and marked *Bishop Scaife Guild - Fair*.

VESTRY MEETING

The new roof on the Rectory and the other roof repair will be done within two weeks. The 2006 Budget of \$529,600 was passed. Nominees for Warden and three Vestry members will be needed for the annual Parish election which will be held on the Second Sunday of Advent, December 4, 2005.

The Annual Diocesan Convention will be held on October 29 and 30 at the Millennium Airport Hotel. Joe and Barbara Albrecht and Ann DiCenso will be our delegates. The Vestry approved the purchase of new towel racks for all of the rest rooms. Some of the lights in the parking lot will be changed to sensor lights and the timers on others will be adjusted so that the parking lot will be lit during evening activities at the church.

ST. BART'S BOOK STUDY GROUP

The Church Book Group will be reading C.S. Lewis's "Mere Christianity" for four weeks starting October 20, ending November 10.

The group will resume for four Thursdays in late January or the beginning of February.

GENERATION NEXT - YOUTH GROUP EVENTS

- FUN Night: 7-9 PM - November 7
 - Seniors Meeting - 7-9 PM - November 14
 - Juniors Meeting -7-8:30 PM - November 9
 - Seniors Meeting - 7-9 PM - November 28
 - Special Jr./Sr. Meeting - 7-9 PM November 21
 - Youth Worship Service - November 27, 9:15 and 11:00 AM service, Praise Service 7:00 PM
- There will be no Junior Meeting November 23

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Come join the Women's Fellowship Group beginning on Tuesday evenings, at 7 PM in the undercroft. We are continuing our Bible Study of The Mystery of God's Will by Chuck Swindoll. If you have any questions, please contact Elaine Henzler at 836-6725

CROWN SMALL GROUP STUDY

This small group ministry is a ten-week scripture study about being stewards of God's time, money and possessions. Two economic systems operate in the world: God's economy and the economies that people invent. The way people handle money is in sharp contrast to God's financial principles. Some people have difficulty in thinking of God being involved with our finances, but the Bible has much to say here.

If interested in participating in the next Crown study, you want more information - please call Mark DiMaria (832-8505), Gary Wisniewski (694-9154) or go online to www.crown.org and click on small groups.

ANGLICAN ESSENTIALS:

St. Bartholomew's and the other four churches - St Michael's, St. Peter's, St. Mary's and St. Stephen's are now formally known as the "Anglican Communion Network - Western New York." The ACN-WNY were hosts to the Rev. Dr. Les Fairfield from Trinity Episcopal School for Ministry as he spoke to over 200 people on October 8, for the Anglican Essentials Conference. A 4 CD Set of the talks and sermon from the conference are available at the St. Bartholomew's Church office for just \$15. For more information call the Church Office - 836-5454.

MISSIONETTES

Missionettes is a national girls club designed to help girls develop their gifts and abilities through encouragement, support, and biblical teaching. We have two age groups that meet the first and third Wednesday of every month. Prims: grades kindergarten-second grade meets at 6:45 PM and Stars: grades third-fifth meets at 7 PM. If you are interested in becoming involved in this ministry, please contact Kathleen Ward at 623-0507 or Caroline Rudin at 875-6462.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

MR. & MRS. PAUL WINKLER



On Saturday August 20, at 2:30 PM Mr. & Mrs. Paul Winkler exchanged vows. Fr. Hubbard presided with Deacon Commins assisting. The bride is the former Heather Horning.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

MR. & MRS. DANIEL TOBIN



On Friday September 23, at 2:30 PM Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Tobin exchanged vows. Fr. Ward presided with Fr. Hubbard assisting. The bride is the former Lindsay Davis.

