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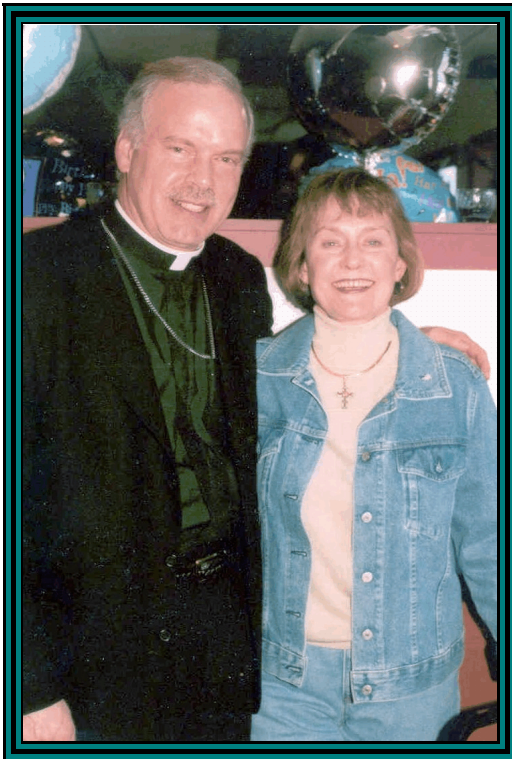
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## **A FOND FAREWELL TO THE HUBBARDS**

It is with mixed emotions that I have to report that our Associate Rector, Fr. C. Clark Hubbard Jr., has accepted a call to become Rector of St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church in Richmond Hill, GA. He and his wife Emily will be leaving St. Bartholomew's for their new home in Georgia on Tuesday September 27th. Fr. Hubbard has faithfully served our parish family for over the last four years. Both he and his wife have played an instrumental role in the recent growth and vitality of our parish and will be sorely missed. Though it is sad to see them leave, the Lord has provided Fr. Hubbard a wonderful opportunity to lead and grow His Church in metropolitan Savannah. **The Hubbard's final Sunday will be September 25th. A reception will be held in their honor following the 11 AM service. All are invited and encouraged to say their "goodbyes" on that day.**

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Ward



*These Ladies served tea at the Episcopal Cottage at the Chautauqua Institute on July 5: (left to right) Lois Kipa, Ann Camp, Marilynn Alliger, Dorothy Bauerle, Edith Manning, Irene Scranton and Janet Dunn.*

### **THE BISHOP SCAIFE GUILD**

Work meetings have started on Wednesday mornings at 10:30. All women are invited to join us. New ideas for projects are welcome.

Our *Mothers & Others* program on Tuesday, September 20 was enjoyed by all. Jean Stewart, the Puppeteer was delightful.

As the Guild's gift for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Bartholomew's, a picture of the Church will be given to each family attending the dinner on Sunday Oct. 2.

#### **Coming Events:**

December -TBA- Advent Cookie Program  
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 Marilynn 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.

**THE FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION OCCURS ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH!** 54 bags were taken to the Food Pantry in September. 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.**

### **GRAB A VEIL AND DIVE IN!**

The Wednesday AM and Thursday PM women's group is currently in full swing. Our study book will be Bad Girls of the Bible and What We Can Learn from Them by Liz Curtis Higgs. All are welcome to join us in what promises to be an entertaining yet challenging Bible study, one which will give us an even deeper experience of God's compassion, love, and mercy.

### **THANK YOU FROM THE THREADS OF HOPE**

#### **LINEN PANTRY:**

A thank you letter was received from the Linen Pantry at St. Peter's Church in Eggertsville for the support they have been receiving during their first year of operation. The number of agencies that they have been assisting has grown and now they have been alerted to assist "visitors" that will be coming from Louisiana and Mississippi. More donations are needed so please spread the word to friends and family. Besides sheets, pillowcases, blankets, quilts, baby blankets, crib sheets, bath towels, curtains, kitchen towels and curtain rods, they are also collecting winter coats, hats, mittens, etc. for adults and children. Please leave any donations in the designated box in the entry. See the letter on the bulletin board for more details.

### **THANKSGIVING IN OCTOBER**

Columbus Day Weekend, October 7-10, all are invited to come to Four Mile Creek State Park in Youngstown, NY (just 4 miles from Fort Niagara along Lake Ontario) for our fourth annual gathering. You are welcome to camp, or to join us for fellowship and picnic.

Camping fees are \$22 per night or \$6/per car to visit for the day. There will be a Saturday night group campfire, at 11 AM Sunday we will gather for a worship service, and at 3 PM our Thanksgiving meal. Everyone is asked to bring food to share (God is in charge of the menu.) For reservations - **www.reserveamerica.com** or by calling 1-800-456-2267. See the sign up sheet in the foyer for supplies needed. For directions and more information, please call Craig Heer at 692-3649.

**GENERATION NEXT - YOUTH GROUP EVENTS**

- FUN Night: 7-9 PM - October 3
- Seniors Meeting - 7-9 PM - October 10
- Juniors Meeting -7-8:30 PM October 12
- Seniors Meeting - 7-9 PM - October 17
- Seniors Meeting - 7-9 PM - October 24
- Juniors Meeting -7-8:30 PM October 26
- Youth Worship Service - October 30, 9:15 and 11:00 AM service, Praise Service 7:00 PM
- NO MEETING October 31

**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](http://www.crown.org) and click on small groups.

**ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S COMPUTER CLUB**

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

**ST. BART'S BOOK STUDY GROUP**

Please join us as we begin reading the C.S. Lewis classic The Screwtape Letters. We will meet on Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM on September 29, October 6 and October 13. At the conclusion we will make another C.S. Lewis book selection from Miracles, Mere Christianity, or Reflections on the Psalms, meeting for several more weeks. After breaking for the Holiday Season, we will resume sometime in January.

Please come share the wonderful fellowship and lively discussions.

**VESTRY MEETING**

The handicap driveway has been installed and the other concrete sidewalks and drive have been repaired. The new roof on the Rectory and the other roof repair has not been done. The 2006 Budget of \$529,000 was passed.

There will be a reception for Fr. Hubbard and Emily after the 11:00 AM service on September 25. Fr. Hubbard has accepted the call to become Rector of St. Elizabeth's Church in Richmond Hill, Georgia.

Bishop Keith Ackerman will be here to confirm the candidates of the 2005 Confirmation and Adult Inquirer's classes in December. (Date to be announced)

**ANGLICAN ESSENTIALS:**

Renowned author and Professor at Trinity Episcopal School for Ministry, The Rev. Dr. Leslie P. Fairfield, will be the guest speaker for a very special event - Saturday October 8. The event will be held at St. Bart's beginning with a 10 AM morning session, lunch, afternoon session at 2 PM, and a closing Eucharist at 4 PM. For more information or to register call the Church Office - 836-5454.

**ALL SAINT'S EVE CELEBRATION:**

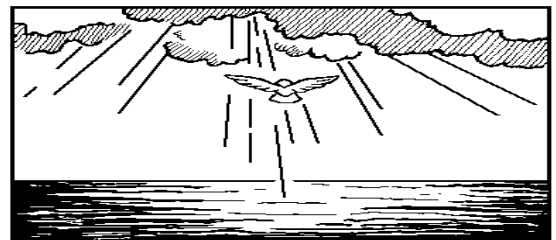
Monday October 31 - at 6:30 PM. Come Join us for an evening of games, pizza, and of course --- candy! Admission is 1 bag of candy + \$8.00 per family for pizza.

*We're having a costume party!*



**Please, NO spooky costumes, please!** If you are interested in helping to set up a game booth, please call Kathleen Ward at 623-0507.

**THIS MONTH'S BIBLE PASSAGE:**



**Those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty.**

- John 4:14

