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The mission of Grace Episcopal Church
Is to continue the ministry of Jesus Christ in the world
Through prayer, education, and action.
All God's children are welcome here!

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Greetings from the Rector,

The pace quickens, the challenges build, and the excitement climbs! First things first – the Memorial Garden, since we last spoke there has been a considerable amount of work completed both here and behind the scenes. Rev. Dcn. Helen, Jon, and Jonathon Brewster have been invaluable to the project. They spent many days working here and elsewhere to survey and mark the locations of all interned remains.

Using advanced electronic equipment and laboring under the hot sun they have been able to assure us that no one will be disturbed and that all will be included in the plans for garden beds, etc. There are not enough ways to say “THANKS.”

The general contractor has bid out the paving brick pathway and is awaiting their return. Once those are received a contractor will be selected and work will commence. The goal is to have the pathway in before November. Then comes the paving of the parking lot before old man winter arrives.

The Capital Campaign has now crossed \$70,000 with a goal of \$100,000. If you haven't made a pledge yet – please consider doing so. Not only will it be received with a grateful heart – it will go toward making Grace a functional and beautiful setting.

On another note, our Vestry voted to have the church property surveyed. There is a concern that neighbors may have encroached on our property. We will be proactive in following up with the results when we know them.

This last Monday I returned from an eight-day clergy wellness conference – titled CREDO. I was at the Trinity Retreat Center in West Cornwall, Connecticut with twenty-seven other priests and 7 facilitators. We focused our energies around four areas significant to a priest's personal life, those being spiritual, physical health, financial, and vocational discernment.

Next week I will travel with Mary for a three-day clergy conference on Mackinaw Island. The highlight of this conference will be the keynote speaker – our Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori.

At the end of October on the 26th and 27th our Diocese meets for our Annual Convention in Lansing. On the agenda will be budget approvals, amendments to our Canons, etc. Pray for our candidates and alternates from Grace: Robert and Jude Orr, Karen White, Barbara Porath, and Virginia Campey.

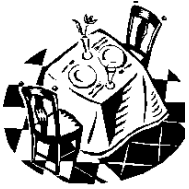
Our Vestry has now taken on reading and discussing a book titled “Creating Generous Congregations.” Rather than do stewardship as has been done in the past we will be focusing on visioning where Grace is going in the future. This is exciting work and affects us all.

God's Peace, Father George +



Sunday October 14, 2007
Blessing of the Animals 1:00 P.M.





Colleen is scheduling a **Polish dinner** for October 13th 5:00 – 6:30 at Grace. See her for advance tickets and further information.

Interested in an evening of fun, food and frolic, not to mention intrigue, for a mature audience? Have we got something for you!



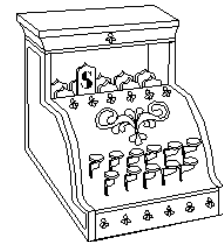
On Saturday, November 3rd at 6 p.m. Grace Episcopal Church of Southgate will be putting on a seven course meal for a mere \$12 per person. All tickets must be purchased/reserved no later than Monday, October 29th. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!! There

will be no tickets sold at the door.



See/call George Davinich (734-278-8310) for tickets. Questions? Call Caroline Grant or Vickie Gunnell.

Don't forget to order **SCRIP**. The holidays are coming soon, you can have your holiday gifts all purchased and wrapped, or easily sent. You can also use **SCRIP** to purchase your special dinner for that special someone. Stop by after the 10:00 service, during coffee hour and get more information.



* A note about hospitalizations; if you are hospitalized or know of someone in the parish that is – You need to let the parish office know – *hospitals do not make notifications to clergy.*

HAPPY AUTUMN

Being a Christian is like being a pumpkin. God lifts you up, takes you in, and washes all the dirt off of you. He opens you up, touches you deep inside and scoops out all the yucky stuff-- including the seeds of doubt, hate, greed, etc. Then He carves you a new smiling face and puts His light inside you to shine for all the world to see. This was passed on to me from another pumpkin. Now, it is your turn to pass it to a pumpkin. I liked this enough to send it to all the pumpkins in my patch. Happy Fall!



Rummage &

Bake Sale

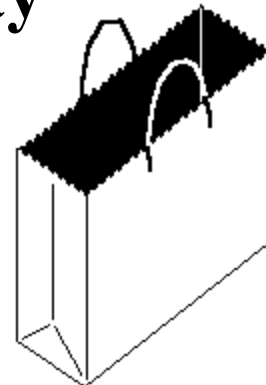


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15650 Reeck Rd, Southgate
Between Eureka & Dix-Toledo
(734) 285-0830

Fri., Oct 19th 9 am - 3 pm
Sat., Oct 20th 9 – 11 am

Saturday is “Bag Day”
\$1.00 a bag



Grace Episcopal Church

8:00 & 10:00 am Lector and Eucharistic Minister Schedule

Date & Readings

Lector

EM I

EM II

<p>Proper 22 <u>October 7, 2007</u></p> <p>Lamentations 1:1-6 or Lamentations 3:19-26 or Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4</p> <p>Psalm 137 or Psalm 37:1-10</p> <p>2 Timothy 1:1-14</p> <p>Luke 17:5-10</p>	<p>Wagner Baxter</p>	<p>Gunnell</p>	<p>Lough</p>
<p>Proper 23 <u>October 14, 2007</u> Hymn Sing</p> <p>Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7 or 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c</p> <p>Psalm 66:1-12 or Psalm 111</p> <p>2 Timothy 2:8-15</p> <p>Luke 17:11-19</p>	<p>Sova R. Orr</p>	<p>Grant</p>	<p>Pryor</p>
<p>Proper 24 <u>October 21, 2007</u> Healing Service</p> <p>Jeremiah 31:27-34 or Genesis 32:22-31</p> <p>Psalm 119:97-104 or Psalm 121</p> <p>2 Timothy 3:14-4:5</p> <p>Luke 18:1-8</p>	<p>Jones Litwinski</p>	<p>Porath</p>	<p>Putnam</p>
<p>Proper 25 <u>October 28, 2007</u></p> <p>Joel 2:23-32 or Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22 or Sirach 35:12-17</p> <p>Psalm 65 or Psalm 84:1-6</p> <p>2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18</p> <p>Luke 18:9-14</p>	<p>Burke Jude Orr</p>	<p>Gunnell</p>	<p>Lough</p>

October Birthdays

10/1 K Baxter
 10/2 J Wagner
 10/6 D Brown
 10/7 J Romero
 10/9 L Chambers
 10/10 F Horne
 10/12 B Prater
 10/18 J Molnar

October Birthdays

10/19 N McFarland
 10/19 A Natale
 10/21 D Morgan
 10/27 B McFarland
 10/28 W Beecham
 10/29 M Alice Creasy
 10/30 D Gavin

October

Anniversary

10/7 D & S Edmunds
 10/16 C & J Storace
 10/19 E & L Chambers
 10/22 J & H Foster

October

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
All Sundays as follows: 8 am Holy Eucharist, 10 am Holy Eucharist with Music with childcare / youth classes	2 Rector on Retreat AA 7 PM	3 Rector on Retreat	4 Rector on Retreat	5	6
7 Rainbow 6 pm	9 Installation at St. Thomas Trenton, 7 pm AA 7 PM	10 Pastoral Care 7 pm Worship – 6 pm	11 Rector 8 am Meeting	12	13 Polish Dinner 5 – 6:30
14 PFLAG 4-6 pm Healing at 10 am	16 Rector 3 pm Ann Arbor Meeting AA 7 PM	17 Outreach Ministries 7 pm	18 Rector 8 am Meeting	19 Rummage Sale Passing on the Faith Conf. Trinity Belleville	20 Passing on the Faith Conf. Trinity Belleville
21 Ultreya 2 pm St. Stephen's Wyandotte Guitar Service 10 am	23 AA 7 PM	24	25 Rector 8 am Meeting	26 Diocesan Convention	27 Diocesan Convention
28 Children's Service 10 am	30 AA 7 PM	31		2007	