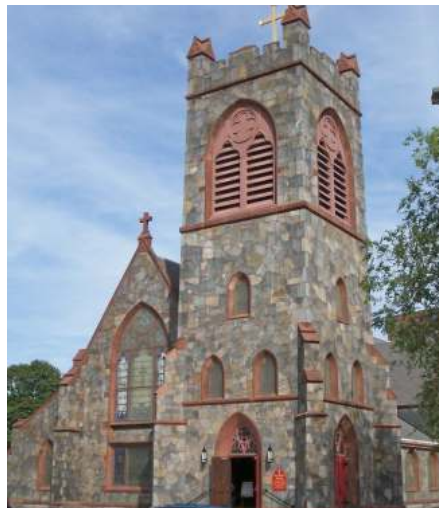


The Messenger



St. Paul's Episcopal Church
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Prayerfully going forth...
to love
to care
to work
to share
...in Christ's name

From the Rector _____

FROM THE RECTOR

It may seem hard to imagine, but the summer is basically over. I hope it brought some opportunities for rest and renewal for you and your loved ones. While it is true that church life does not take a break for the summer - as though God had somehow gone on vacation - it is also true that there is a change of pace and schedule. Now we look to September and the resuming of the activity year.

Your Vestry has in fact been very busy over the summer, meeting frequently and planning and then carrying out a series of smaller meetings with parishioners. My thanks to all those who hosted meetings in their homes, and to all who took the time to attend a meeting.

This resumption of our "regular" schedule brings us to a particularly important time in our parish life. The Vestry has offered its thoughts and plans for how we can move forward as a church community. Responses, ideas and comments have been gathered, and now it is time to get to work. One very noticeable change is that as we reconfigure our youth formation program, the Sunday morning schedule will change. **Beginning on Sunday, September 11, the 10:30 service will move to 10:00 am.** Formation for the younger children will begin at 9:45 am, with the children joining the worship service at the Peace. Please take note of the new time, and pass it on to others as you happen to see fellow parishioners.

The areas that the Vestry has laid out for particular focus and attention – youth and families, adult spiritual development and engagement, music, and stewardship/ membership development – will need the involvement and support of all of us. Vestry members are beginning to gather other parishioners to be part of the leadership of those areas. There will be a **Ministry Fair on Sunday, October 2** to give us all a chance to see just where and how to be involved.

I look forward to the coming months as we re-commit ourselves to the ministry and future of St. Paul's Church. I hope you will be part of this important work.

Peace,



The Rev'd William Locke

From the Director of Music ---

September is here and that means the music program is ready to move into high gear after summer rest and relaxation. The choirs resume rehearsals the first full week of the month. Perhaps this is the time for you to consider joining a choir.

The St. Paul Choir (adults) rehearses Thursday evening 7 to 8:30, beginning September 8, and Sunday morning at 9:15, singing at the 10:00 Eucharist (September-June). They also sing several special services during the year, including Christmas Eve, Holy Week, Evensongs and Advent Lessons & Carols. Any one, high school age and older, who likes to sing is welcome. Reading music is not required; a desire to sing and the willingness to attend rehearsal are all one needs. If curious, why not sit in on a rehearsal or two and see how singing is fun and rewarding.

The St. Nicholas Choir (youth) rehearses Friday afternoons 4:00 to 5:30, beginning September 9. They sing Sundays at the 10:00 Eucharist and at some special liturgies throughout the year. This choir is open to all youth, grades three and older. Part of rehearsal includes learning Christian education and learning to read music and music theory. Choristers are awarded Royal School of Church Music ribbons upon completion of a level of the RSCM curriculum. These colored ribbons with RSCM medals are worn over their vestments. This choir is in real need of new, younger choristers. If you know a young person who enjoys singing, please let me know. If transportation on Fridays is an issue, we can possibly work out a car pool.

The Handbell Choir rehearses Thursday afternoons 5:00 to 6:30, beginning September 8. This ensemble rings periodically at the Sunday 10:00 liturgy, Advent Lessons and Carols and Christmas Eve. It also rings in the community, especially at Christmas time. Experience ringing handbells is not required, but knowing how to read music is helpful. There are several openings in this choir.

If you are interested in any of the choirs at St. Paul's, please speak with me. I can offer more information. If you are interested in an ensemble but not sure if you are ready to commit, speak with me about sitting in on some rehearsals to experience it. You could even try working with a choir for a few months to see if you enjoy it. While being regular in attendance is an important part of being in a choir, there are times when one has to be away. I do my best to work with each choir member to accommodate their schedule. Is it time for you to enjoy the rewarding experience of making music with others, leading the congregation in praise of God?

My best wishes to all as we begin a new program and academic year.

Patrick

A Word from our Patron Saint ---

But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

And we urge you, beloved, to admonish the idlers, encourage the faint hearted, help the weak, be patient with all of them. See that none of you repays evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to all. Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit.

1 Thessalonians 5:8-11, 14-19



AUREA Concert St. Paul's - Sunday, September 11th 7:00 PM

AUREA returns to The Pawtucket Arts Festival , with *The Search* , a collaboration with Morris Nathanson, an eclectic juxtaposition of words and music with images and inspiration from Nathanson's early allegorical/autobiographical print series: *The Search* . Including music of Mendelssohn, Ruth Schoenfeld, Bartok, Shostakovitch, and harmonica improvisations of Chris Turner. Performers: Charles Sherba violin; Consuelo Sherba, viola; Emmanuel Feldman, cello; Nigel Gore, reader; Chris Turner, harmonica & reader.

GOD WILLING
THE RT. REV. GERALYN WOLF
BISHOP OF RHODE ISLAND
WILL ORDAIN

Patrick Alan Campbell

TO THE SACRED ORDER OF DEACONS



YOUR PRAYERS AND PRESENCE ARE REQUESTED
AT THE SERVICE AND RECEPTION
SATURDAY , THE EIGHTH DAY OF OCTOBER
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD, TWO THOUSAND AND ELEVEN
AT TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING

THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOHN,
271 NORTH MAIN STREET, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND
CLERGY ARE REQUESTED TO WEAR RED STOLES

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Worship Opportunities in September at St. Paul's:

Holy Eucharist

**Wednesday Evenings
7:00 PM**

Trinity Chapel

Morning Prayer

**Monday - Thursday
9:00 AM**

Trinity Chapel

**Taizé Prayer
Sunday, September 11th**



**with prayers for reconciliation and peace on the
10th anniversary of 9-11**

5 PM

Chant - Prayer - Candles - Silence

Simple reception follows

MINISTRY FAIR

On **Sunday, October 2nd**, there will be a ministry fair at St. Paul's following both the 8:00 am and the 10:00 am liturgies. Come and see what activities and ministries are going on, and how and where you can best be involved.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

The annual Blessing of the Animals will take place on Sunday, **October 2nd** (the Sunday closest to St. Francis Day) during the regular worship services. For their safety and comfort, animals should be appropriately restrained.



AROUND THE CHURCH: THERE'S ALWAYS SOMETHING TO BE DONE

It may have seemed that there was a large blue lift around the church all summer – because there was. The Building and Grounds Committee has been busy dealing with some very necessary repairs: repointing of the west façade of the Church and the tower; repointing parts of the east façade and one side of the Parish House; repointing areas on the north and south sides of the Church; repainting the louvers in the tower; and, just beginning, repair of the trim around the louvers in the tower. Plans are underway to fix the crumbling plaster inside the narthex caused by the leaks that have now been fixed by the repointing work.

After several attempts to repair the sound system, the conclusion is that it needs to be replaced. The Vestry has authorized the purchase of a new amplifier and other necessary components.



ACOLYTE TRAINING!

For our Acolytes who are returning and for anyone interested in becoming an Acolyte, please come to our Acolyte Training session with Fr. Bill on **Saturday, September 10th at 10:00am.**

ZUMBA CLASSES— Wednesdays at St. Paul's!



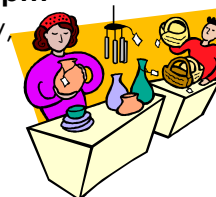
Put on your sneakers, dress comfortably and get to St. Paul's every Wednesday night beginning **September 14th from 5:30 to 6:30pm** for an hour of exercise! It's easy and fun to do.

The Cost is \$5 a class: bring a friend with you. For additional information, please see Jeanne or Kailey Southworth.

HOLIDAY CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR: October 22nd 10:00am—3:00pm

Vendors such as crafters, Pampered Chef, Miche Bags, Mary Kay, Usborne Books and so many more will be with us! This is a great way to start some of your holiday shopping!

Raffle tickets can be purchased for \$1.00 for one and \$5.00 for six tickets. See any Booster Club member for tickets or contact



WALK-A-THON: Sunday, October 16th at Noon!



The Booster Club is sponsoring this Walk-A-Thon to support our homeless shelter. We need walkers who will take up this cause and gather pledges from family, neighbors and co-workers. We need sponsors to make pledges to support our walkers. Please consider giving your time and making a donation to this worthy cause. I've never been homeless, but I remind myself, "There but for the grace of God, go I." Ask any Booster member for a Form and how you can make a pledge!
Deb Zakowski, Chair

SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED!

It's time again for our annual collection of school supplies for Baldwin Elementary School in Pawtucket.

Suggestions: Notebooks, pencils, pens, crayons, rulers, glue sticks even back packs: anything that an elementary school student could use are needed.



We will receive donations through Labor Day Weekend.

SUTTELL SCHOLARSHIP FUND UPDATE:

Congratulations to the following scholars who have received assistance from the Suttell Fund:

Meghan Costa – University of Rhode Island
Olive Swinski – Dalhousie University
Katelyn Ostroski – University of Phoenix
Sharon Jermain – Mass General Hospital Department of Psychiatry
Mackenzie DeCrescenzo – Community College of Rhode Island
Marc DeCrescenzo – Community College of Rhode Island
Elizabeth Shokunbi - University of Rhode Island
Matthew Provost – University of Maine
Eric Traghella - Community College of Rhode Island
Kyle Traghella – Emmanuel College
Shelby Southworth – St. Lawrence University
Codie Southworth – State University of New York/Canton

FOOD CLOSET

Our food cupboard is literally just about empty! Please consider donating non-perishable items such as soups, sauces, macaroni, rice, peanut butter, etc.



CHANGE OF CHURCH TIME

Beginning Sunday, September 11th
8:00 AM and 10:00 AM



Royal School of Church Music Summer Course 2011— Newport

Five choristers from the St. Nicholas Choir took part in the Royal School of Church Music (RSCM) Summer Course in Newport. Several of them wrote reflections to share with the parish.

"Thank you so much for your help on the RSCM Newport Course. Without you we probably couldn't have gone. I made so many new friends. It was really the best time of my life. While I was there the program was awesome. The proctors were strict about bed time but I can see why. One thing I hope we can do next year is go again! But I just want to say thank you because it was an experience of a life time."

Zackery Newman

"My time in Newport at the RSCM Newport Course was great! We sang lots of good music, made many new friends and reconnected with old ones. I am looking forward to and hope to go back next year. Maybe more people from St. Paul's can come with us. I would like to thank everyone on behalf of the St. Nicholas Choir for helping us pay our way to Newport so we could sing and meet so many nice people."

Elizabeth Kolakowski

"I had an amazing time at the RSCM Newport course this summer. I met so many great musicians and made just as many new friends! Singing with such a large group of people was an honor as much as it was a pleasure. I would like to thank all of those at St. Paul's, and anyone else outside of the parish for supporting the St. Nicholas Choir raise enough money to attend this phenomenal summer course!"

Zachary McMahon

"This year at RSCM Newport I was lucky enough to be able to attend. The week as a whole was very fun and a new experience for me since I was an assistant proctor. The music this year was so much fun to sing, with a variety of selections from Gospel/Spiritual to more traditional Mozart. This year I was able to be in the chamber choir of this course which was amazing to be able to lead a Compline, (which was what we did). Thank you so much for everyone who came to the Pasta supper and helped the St. Nick's choir to be able to attend this great week in Newport."

Ivy Swinski

From a chorister's parents:

"I would also like to take a minute and express my gratitude to you and the people of Saint Paul's for allowing Zackery the opportunity to take part in a week that he will remember for a life time. (Continued on page 13)

From a chorister's parents (continued from page 12):

This was Zackery's first time away from home for a prolonged period of time and although he was looking forward to it I was a little nervous. The proctors and the assistant proctors were able to set my mind at ease that all would be fine. The ability to go on line and see the pictures that were being uploaded helped so that we could see that they although they were working very hard they were having an amazing time. With the event being held so close, Michael and I were able to attend the Wednesday Evening song and get-together and saw how beautiful they all sounded. During the week Zackery was able to meet so many other boys and girls that share his interest in music, some of which he has continued to stay in touch with. To me the best gauge of his having a great time was when we picked him up on Sunday and I asked him if wanted to do it again next year his response was, "DEFINITELY!"

With sincere thanks,
Daniele & Michael Newman

OUR OCTOBER, 2011 CALENDAR:

Pencil in these important dates on your calendar — we'll have detailed information as the dates draw closer:

October:

2nd: Ministry Fair (after both services)
Blessing of the Animals - 10:00 AM

8th: Patrick Campbell's Ordination
Cathedral of St. John - 10:00 AM
271 North Main Street, Providence

10th: Columbus Day - Office Closed
Vestry Meeting, 7 PM

15th: Walk-A-Thon - Noon

22nd: Holiday Craft & Vendor Fair - 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

From the Parish Registers _____

September Birthdays

1st Sandra Gildea
5th Wendy Hargreaves, Isabelle Parise
6th Hunter Pitassi
7th Jessica Gilbert, Michelle Gildea
8th Robert Schmidt, Barry Fuller
10th Patricia Rounds, Lynn Traghella
11th Bethany Holleran, Mason Tsangarouli
13th Irving Sweetland
14th Marjorie Silvia, Kelsie Renard
15th Andrew Gugel
16th Michael Pappas, Enid Pappas, Bethany Boisvert, Kara McShane, Ivy Swinski
17th Donna DeCrescenzo, Ken Howells
18th Sara Pendlebury
19th Harold Jackson, Sr., Michael Shurtleff
20th Krystin Gildea
21st Jessica Zakowski
23rd Haawa Ndagire, Evan Force
24th Jacob Leca
25th Amy Hargreaves, Logan Shurtleff
26th Mary Bray
27th Delois Grant, Shirley Vacher
29th Gabrielle Ellicott
30th Nana Agyemang, Dante Tavolaro

Burials

Donald O'Connell - June 9th
Richard R. Garland - June 18th
Walter Gravello - June 25th
Marjorie Whalen - July 6th

Baptisms: June 12th

Brody Aaron Bates
Kayla LeHanna Phillips
Shane Jason Thompson, Jr.

Marriages: July 9th

Pam Mitchell & Bernard J. Baker



The deadline for the **October, 2011** issue of the
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September 15th

Please send your news and announcements via email to Debbie in the
 Church Office: office@stpaulspawtucket.org
 Please include a phone number in case we have questions.



Parish Directory – Vestry, Wardens, and Staff___

Q. Who are the ministers of the Church?

A. The ministers of the Church are lay persons, bishops, priests, and deacons.

Q. What is the ministry of the laity?

A. The ministry of lay persons is to represent Christ and his Church; to bear witness to him wherever they may be and, according to the gifts given them, to carry on Christ's work of reconciliation in the world; and to take their place in the life, worship, and governance of the Church.

The Catechism

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