

The Angelus

May 2014



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There are a LOT of upcoming events for **Youth and Families** – End of Year Picnic, Kids & Adult Night Out, Laser Tag Lock-In, and the Waffle Feed. See the enclosed announcements for details.

And last, but not least, **The Bargain Box** shares the schedule for upcoming Outreach Sundays, announces the Spring Boutique, and calls for volunteers.



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From the Rector



Fr. McDuffie

Dear Friends in Christ,

Sunday, May 4th, will be an exciting and busy day for me. In the morning we will have our Parish Annual Meeting, with one worship service at 9:00 a.m., followed by the Annual Meeting at 10:30 a.m. and a brunch after the meeting hosted by our Youth Group. At 5:00 p.m., we'll have our last – and best! – Jazz Vespers of the season, benefitting the Bishop Walker School in Washington. And at 11:30 p.m., I will be flying out of Dulles Airport to Istanbul, for a nine-day interfaith, intercultural trip to Turkey.

This trip is sponsored by the American Turkish Friendship Association of Maryland (ATFA), a Rockville-based group that is connected with the Rumi Forum in Washington. The Forum is a group inspired by the work and teachings of Fethullah Gulen, a Turkish intellectual and former imam who believes in a moderate practice of Islam, coupled with progressive education and democratic ideals. ATFA actively promotes interfaith, intercultural dialogue with the hope that this work will promote a more peaceful world.

I will be in a small group of clergy and active lay volunteers from other churches (and denominations) in our area, and we will have a tour guide from our sponsoring organization. We will spend time in Istanbul, the former capital city of three great empires – Roman, Byzantine, and Ottoman; Izmir, Turkey's third largest city and second most important port, nicknamed "the Pearl of the Aegean" and dating from 3000 B.C.; Ephesus, which is among the most famous cities of antiquity, and home of the Church of the Holy Virgin Mary; Seljuk, near which is situated the purported house of the Virgin Mary, where she spent her final days; and Cappadocia, considered one of the wonders of the world and which for centuries has protected churches, mosques, frescoes, mosaics, and paintings of Byzantine art.

In our journeys in the country, we will be hosted by local families for meals and conversation, and will thus gain a deeper impression of Turkey and its people than that of ordinary tourists. For me, it will be a rich experience to be in a part of the world that

for over 1,000 years has successfully housed the three Abrahamic faiths in a spirit of mutual toleration and respect.

We will return on Tuesday, May 13th, from a whirlwind visit – I promise to take lots of pictures and have an Adult Forum presentation sometime this fall! If any of you have travelled to Turkey and have stories to share, please let me know.

Christ's grace and peace be with us all as we continue in this Eastertide.

Faithfully and Sincerely,

John+

Parish Annual Meeting Sunday, May 4th

Christ Church's Annual Meeting will take place at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, May 4th, following one combined service of worship at 9:00 a.m. This is a great time to give thanks for the life of our congregation, and for the many individuals and groups that enrich our lives by their ministries. We will formally elect new Vestry members, and bid fond farewells to those who have ended their terms of service. We'll also hear financial reports, and the latest news from Christ Episcopal School. After the meeting, there will be time for fellowship at the brunch hosted by our Youth Group.

The Nominating Committee of the Vestry will place the following names in nomination for Vestry and Diocesan Delegate positions:

Senior Warden

Christie Carrico

Member of the Vestry (3 three-year positions)

Wayne Cross

Tristan Poje

Mark Wright

Member of the Vestry (to fill one remaining year of a vacant unexpired term)

Linda Rhoads

Delegate to Diocesan Convention

Emily Correll

Joyce Bryant

Peggy Gilliam

Alternate Delegate to Diocesan Convention

Henry Mulzac

Jazz Vespers on May 4th!
Cuatro de Mayo Celebration for the Bishop Walker School

One of the very special ministries in the Diocese of Washington, and one that we at Christ Church are called to support, is the Bishop John T. Walker School for Boys, in Southeast Washington. Named in loving memory of our former Diocesan bishop, Bishop Walker School is a private Episcopal day school located in one of the most troubled wards of the city. Its students are boys from low-income families who attend with free tuition. Their costs are covered by donations and contributed services. The School is currently serving students from kindergarten through fourth grade, and it hopes to add a new class each year until it has classes through eighth grade, and a full enrollment of 160 students. We are very proud to have one of our parishioners, Stephanie Cromwell, as a member of the School Board.

What better way is there to support making a significant difference in the lives of boys who are growing up in a world in which they are vulnerable to discouragement, depression, and lack of opportunity for the full development of their educational, physical, social, and spiritual selves?

Now there is a way in which we can celebrate this special school and its great mission. On **Sunday, May 4th, at 5:00 p.m.** in the church, we will have our last Jazz Vespers service until the fall. A free-will offering will be gratefully received that evening for a second consecutive year to support the Bishop Walker School – specifically, to help purchase school uniforms, provide for social support of students' families, and provide for free breakfast for the year. Jazz Vespers is always free admission, but we're suggesting a donation of \$20 per person that evening, to affirm this great enterprise.

This will be a very special occasion, and we hope you will come. If you have not been to Jazz Vespers, you are in for a treat. I lead a trio of very fine Washington musicians, and we also will have a special guest performing with us. Vocalist Myrna Clayton returns from Atlanta, Georgia, and has performed nationally and internationally. She had the late, great Washington singer Ronnie Wells as a mentor, and her own singing reminds me of the great jazz vocalist Nancy Wilson. (You can check her out on YouTube, as recorded at the Atlanta Jazz Festival. You can also check out the Jazz Vespers band if you type in "John McDuffie and the CEC Jazz Orchestra" on your search). A reception follows the worship service. It will be "cuatro de mayo", but we'll have some "cinco de mayo" soul food!

Why not come on out that evening, and join us and other brothers and sisters from the Diocese of Washington for a soulful experience? It will be fun... see you there!

The Christ Church Flower Delivery Ministry Needs You!

One of the ministries of our Pastoral Care Committee is that of delivering the altar flowers each Sunday after the 11:00 a.m. service, to parishioners who are ill, homebound, recovering from surgery, in mourning, or marking some important milestone in life (anniversary, birthday, etc.). Each week, a volunteer takes the two altar

arrangements to two different individuals or families. With the flowers goes a note from the Rector, and driving directions are attached to the note.

I cannot tell you how meaningful this ministry is to those who need to be remembered that week in a special way. I have received many thank-you notes over the years from people who have felt genuinely embraced and loved by our community of faith. And when we have lots of volunteer delivery people, it's also a ministry that doesn't take up that much time.

We need more people to be volunteer delivery drivers on Sundays. This is a rewarding and simple ministry that brings consolation, as well as joy. As the Angelus goes to press, Elizabeth Scanlon has stepped down as the coordinator of this ministry, having faithfully served on the Pastoral Care Committee for many years. Elizabeth and her husband Leo are moving in early June to Boise, Idaho, and we will be finding a new coordinator. We're very thankful for Elizabeth's faithful service! In the meantime, if you are interested in becoming a volunteer, contact Judith Schneider in the parish office (301-762-2191, or jschneider@cecrockville.org). I am also available if you would like to know more about this ministry.

--Fr. McDuffie

Adult Forum

Adult Forum Schedule for May 2014 10:15 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Sundays in the Murdock Room

May 4th <i>3rd Sunday of Easter</i>	Annual Meeting	Annual Meeting	
May 11th <i>4th Sunday of Easter</i>	Fellowship	Fellowship	
May 18th <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i>	Reception	Reception for Patrick Bush	Rev. Cindy

Pastoral Care

Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Prayer

The Pastoral Care Committee's primary focus is prayer for the needs of our parishioners and their families and friends, but we can't do it by ourselves – we need all of you to join us. Perhaps you feel that you don't really know what prayer is or how and why you should pray. The best answers to those questions are right in the Book of Common Prayer, in the section called "An Outline of the Faith, or Catechism" (starting on page 845). In the Prayer Book, the information is presented in a Q&A format, but we have dispensed with most of the questions to save space.

What is prayer? Prayer is responding to God, by thought and by deeds, with or without words. (Notice that both deeds and wordless communication are included in this

beautiful and remarkably concise definition of prayer). More specifically, Christian prayer is response to God the Father, through Jesus Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit.

The principal kinds of prayer are adoration, praise, thanksgiving, penitence, oblation, intercession, and petition. Adoration is the lifting up of the heart and mind to God, asking nothing but to enjoy God's presence. We praise God, not to obtain anything, but because God's Being draws praise from us.

Thanksgiving is offered to God for all the blessings of this life, for our redemption, and for whatever draws us closer to God. In penitence, we confess our sins and make restitution where possible, with the intention to amend our lives. Oblation is an offering of ourselves, our lives and labors, in union with Christ, for the purposes of God.

Intercession (the main concern of the Pastoral Care Ministry) brings before God the needs of others; in petition (also a part of Pastoral care meetings), we present our own needs (it's really all right to pray for yourself as well as for others).

Now that you see how easy it is, please join us in spirit or in person (1st and 3rd Tuesdays in the Parish House at 7:30 p.m.) in this important part of our Christian lives together.

- Elizabeth Scanlon

Newcomer Corner

The Lawrence Family

Trey and Marguerite Lawrence and their children, Sonny (age 2) and Julianna (age 4) began attending Christ Church this fall. They were 'brought' to CEC by their children, who attended camp at Christ Episcopal School after the family moved to the area this summer, and currently attend preschool at CES. Trey and Marguerite were further drawn in by the outstanding children's ministry and the welcoming church family.

Trey is originally from Arkansas, and Marguerite from Brooklyn. Both work in the military: Trey at the Pentagon, and Marguerite as a nurse practitioner at Bethesda Naval Hospital.

Welcome to Christ Church, Marguerite, Trey, Sonny, and Julianna!



Environmental Stewardship

Did You Know?



"The United Nation's report warns that climate change is already having sweeping effects on every continent and is likely to grow substantially worse unless greenhouse emissions are brought under control."

Source: Justin Gillis, *New York Times* (3-31-14)

Lemonade on the Porch Volunteers Needed

With spring finally here, summer is just around the corner. Our summer schedule of two services, at 7:45 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., begins May 25th, and with the commencement of the summer schedule, Coffee Hour becomes Lemonade on the Porch. The Fellowship Committee will provide lemonade and treats for Sunday, May 25th, following the 10:00 a.m. service, but we need volunteers to sign up for Lemonade on the Porch following the 10:00 a.m. service through August. It isn't hard – you just have to make up the lemonade (we provide it) and bring some treats, homemade or store bought. We also provide cups and napkins. There will be a signup sheet posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Or you can contact Christie Carrico (christie.carrico@verizon.net) or 301-340-9096 to volunteer or if you have questions. Remember, if we don't have volunteers for a given Sunday, we will not have Lemonade on the Porch that Sunday.

All Christ Church Worshipers

*Especially those new in the past twelve months,
those who have missed earlier newcomer events,
and those who feel new at heart!!!*



*The Welcoming Committee cordially invites you to a
newcomer reception to be introduced to our parish family*

Sunday, June 8th after the 10AM service

The Murdock Room

All in the Parish are invited!

The Bargain Box

Thrift and Consignment Shop

An Outreach Ministry since 1957

398 Hungerford Drive, Rockville 20850

301-762-2242

Email: bargainbox@cecrockville.org

On the web: www.christchurchrockville.org

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/BargainBoxRockville

Monday – Saturday, 10 am – 4:30 pm

Donna Wolohojian, Manager

All our profits fund outreach projects in the community and diocese.

OUTREACH SUNDAYS



The Bargain Box Outreach table returns on the third Sunday of each month. We will be in the dining room in May and in the Parish House June through August. Volunteers can tell you about the mission and history of the store, and how you might donate your time, talents, and treasures. Books, toys, and other fun stuff will be for sale. Cash and checks accepted. Raffle tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5 and the themes are:

May 18 Gardens & Flowers

June 15 Father's Day & Vacations

July 20 Summer Picnics

August 17 School & Office Supplies

SPRING CLEANING

We sell most everything at The Bargain Box, so think of us when you are spring cleaning. Jewelry, purses, and furniture are always in demand along with new and gently used clothing, books, toys & household items.

At the moment we could use furniture & kitchen items, especially pots, pans, dishes and small appliances.

VOLUNTEERS Needed! (So what else is new!?)

The Bargain Box is no different than every ministry at Christ Church. We rely solely on volunteers and always seem to be a bit short-handed. Our sales desk should be staffed with four volunteers each day, two for the morning shift and two for the afternoon. That's 24 shifts per week, 96 per month. At the moment, we have just 34 regular front desk volunteers so there are many under-staffed shifts each month. Be an angel and join this worthy ministry.

Front Desk Clerks

- help customers find what they need
- ring up sales
- morning shift (9:45 – 1:30)
- afternoon shift (1:30 – 4:45)
- once a month, once a week, or more!
- *MOST NEEDED*: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays

Consignment Volunteers

- Write consignment tickets
- Tag clothing and other items
- Thursday or Friday, 10 to noonish
- Once a month, once a week, or more!
- *MOST NEEDED*: 1st, 3rd, 5th Fridays



ANNUAL SPRING BOUTIQUE

SUNDAY, APRIL 27

AT THE BARGAIN BOX

8:30 am – 2:00 pm

Spring Fashions

Gifts for all occasions

The Bargain Box Cooks Cookbook

Bake Sale Treats



The Youth Group invites YOU to a
Post-Annual Meeting

Waffle & Chicken Brunch

Sunday, May 4th

11:00am - Noon

Dining & Murdock Room



Jazz Vespers

Join us on Sunday, May 4 at 5:00 p.m. for a special JAZZ VESPERS celebration to benefit the John T. Walker School for Boys with a **reception after the service for everyone!**

You'll hear jazz played to accompany liturgy of evening prayer. The Rev. John McDuffie on tenor saxophone leads a quartet of great Washington musicians with guest, Myrna Clayton here from Atlanta.

Admission is free, but ALL monetary donations collected for the Bishop Walker School in Southeast Washington DC will be used to provide school breakfasts and uniforms for the boys.



Christ Church Rockville
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Rockville, MD 20850



Musicians

Myrna Clayton, *Vocals*; The Rev. John McDuffie, *Tenor Saxophone*;
Jim Levy, *Keyboards*; David Marsh, *Bass*; Coleman O'Donogue, *Drums*.

Kids & Adult Night Out

AKA - "Night Out without Kid's", Date or Movie Night,
How about Dinner Out for Two?



Friday, May 30th

6 - 10:00 pm

Dinner for Kid's, Stories, Movies & Fun
Bring your favorite PJ's & Blanket



RSVP - Space is limited!

301/762-2191 #15 or mcraig@cecrockville.org

*Dinner provided will be Cheese Pizza, Mac & Cheese, Fruit, Carrots,
Vanilla Ice Cream with Sprinkles, Milk & Apple Juice.

Youth Group & Mrs. Craig are the Childcare provider
while parents are out for the evening!
For all children ages 6 months to 8 years old





Where will YOU be Friday, May 30th at the Youth Group **LASER TAG LOCK-IN?**

Plans for the Lock-in are as follows:

1. **Meet at 5:30pm** in the Dining Room.
2. Provide Child Care & Dinner from **6 - 10pm** in the Nursery.
3. Be sure to wear comfortable **clothing and tennis shoes**.
4. We'll go to Shadowlands **at 11:00pm** to spend the night!
5. **Bring** a sleeping bag, pillow & \$40.00 for Laser Tag & Food!
6. **Pick-up is 8am Sat., May 31st** at Shadowlands McDonald's.



Questions or to RSVP?

Contact Mrs. Craig at mcraig@cecrockville.org



Finally!
We are going to do
it again....

Laser Tag Lock-in!

Friday, May 30th

10:00pm – 8:00am

Cost is \$40.00

All night...all you can play Laser Tag,
pizza, drinks, fun & friends are welcome!

RSVP by May 25th to 301/762-2191 ext. 15
Space is limited to the first 35 people to RSVP!

Parish Picnic

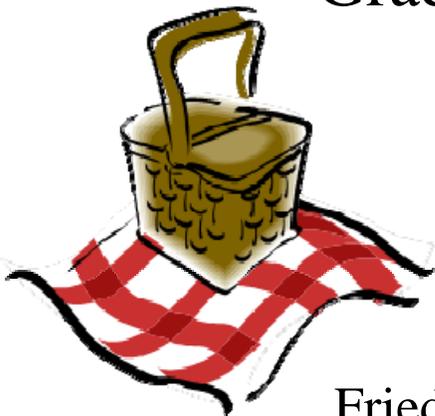
Celebrating our
Graduates & Teacher Volunteers!

Sunday, June 1st

11:15 am – 12:30 pm

Friends & Food, Fellowship & Fun

Please bring a side dish to share!
Fried Chicken, Potato Salad, Watermelon,
Drinks & Ice Cream will be provided.



May



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OTHER PARISH EVENTS (Date/Event/ Time/ Location)

MAY 2014 WEEKLY SCHEDULE

REGULAR SERVICES AT 7:45, 9:00 & 11:00am
Summer Schedule begins May 25
Services at 7:45 & 10:00am

- 7:45 AM** Holy Eucharist Rite I
a spoken service with Sermon
- 9:00 AM** Holy Eucharist Rite II
with Sermon, Service Music, Hymns, and Anthems
Choristers of Christ Church
- 9:00 AM** Children's Church – Murdock Room
a service for children, using a story-telling theme with music
for young children. 9:00-9:30am (May 18th only)
- 11:00 AM** Holy Eucharist, Rite I
with Sermon, Service Music, Hymns, and Anthems
Christ Church Choir

ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS

- 8:25 AM** Choristers Warm Up – Choir Room & Church
- 9:00 AM** Studies in Christian Faith (*led by Fran Palmer-Hill*)
- 10:10 AM** Adult Forum – Murdock Room
- 10:15 AM** Choir Rehearsal – Choir Stalls
- 10:15 AM** Coffee Hour – Dining Room
- 12:45 PM** Korean Worship Service – Chapel
- 2:10 PM** Korean Congregation Coffee Hour – Parish House

REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday

7:00 PM English Conversation Practice (DR)

Tuesday

9:00 AM Staff Meeting (PH)

Wednesday

11:00 AM Bible Study (PH LR)

12:10 PM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)

8:00 PM Korean Congregation Prayer Group (PH LR)

Thursday

12:00 PM AA (PH)

4:30 PM Chorister Rehearsal (Church)

7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (Church)

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- 4 **Annual Parish Meeting – One combined service at 9:00am**
 Chicken & waffle brunch **11:00am** (MR, DR)
 Special Jazz Vespers with Reception **5:00pm** (Church)
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- 6 Pastoral Care Committee Meeting **7:30pm** (PH LR)
- 7 CES Preschool & Lower School Musical 6:00pm (Church)
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- 10 Adult Supper Club **7:00pm** (home of Karen Near)
- 11 Mother's Day
 Faithful Professionals Meeting **10:15am** (PH LR)
 Holy Eucharist at Rockville Nursing Home **1:30pm**
- 12 Booktalk **1:00pm** (PH LR)
 Outreach Committee Meeting **7:30pm** (PH DR)
- 13
- 14 Adult Christian Formation Meeting **7:30pm** (PH LR)
- 15
- 16
- 17 Private Wedding **4:00pm** (Church)
- 18 "Rockville Help" Sunday (*Third Sunday of each month*)
 SOS - Serving Others Sunday Outreach Project **10:15am** (CEC DR)
 Loaves & Fishes carpool **10:15am** (leave from Church)
- 19 Dine & Deal **6:30pm** (MR)
- 20 *The Angelus* Submission Deadline for the Summer 2014 issue
 Pastoral Care Committee Meeting **7:30pm** (PH LR)
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- 24
- 25 **Summer Worship Schedule Begins, Services at 7:45 & 10:00am**
- 26 Memorial Day (office closed)
- 27 *The Angelus* Printing
- 28 Holy Eucharist at Collingswood **2:00pm** (Rockville)
- 29 *The Angelus* Assembly
- 30 CES K-7 Awards Chapel **8:00am** (Church)
 Kids' Night Out **6-10pm** (Nursery/MR)
 Youth Group Laser Tag Lock-In **10pm-8am**
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KEY

PH = Parish House CEC = Christ Episcopal Church
 LR = Living Room CES = Christ Episcopal School
 DR = Dining Room K = Kitchen
 MR = Murdock Room N = Nursery
 YR = Youth Room