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Fall 2011

THE ART OF CONVERSATION

These days it is easy to shoot off an email or a text. They are no replacement for conversation. In the interests of efficiency and progress the human being can hide behind a computer or a phone. The real person and the vital spark of conversation and attentiveness that is needed to link people and deepen relations is under challenge. One newspaper article I read recently said 'the art of making small talk with strangers is disappearing'.

I think on the surface it seems much easier to 'communicate' via technology. It's quick and you can do it in your time frame and get on with other supposedly more important things! What could be more important though? I find the more I go on that I really value people taking the time to briefly talk, passing a kind, nice word, making conversation about fairly basic things and with a smile even as they get off the train. I am trying to be better at so called 'small talk' and spending time in longer conversations too. It takes time and depth and respect to enter real conversation listening and getting to know someone. It is vital though. Conversation, attentiveness and facial expression should always be the concern of us all should they not?

It would be sad if we prefer our cyber talk to real conversation, verbal and sensory connection. Someone's face, their smile, their look, their words all help us to connect, to care for one other, to feel for each other. I cannot know you or anyone very deeply via technology. I can if I spend a little time with you making conversation and listening. Many people, according to research, talk on Facebook but would not very often strike up a conversation in real time with someone they didn't know. How is that helping communication and building community between real people in real time where we are often nothing more than icons at the other side of a computer keyboard?

I recently got off the train and a person with a bicycle carried on a conversation

and a smile and wished me a good day. It was very simple. It was no intense conversation but there was a good human connection going on. I felt uplifted by the experience. Instead of putting so much into sometimes lengthy, complicated emails maybe a brief conversation would stop misunderstandings and tedium, be easier on the eyes to read and would actually deepen human relations and understanding. How scary would that be?!

We embark on our Fall Program this year on Homecoming Sunday, September 11th. We will have great and varied worship and Continuing Education, Sunday School, Youth Group and fellowship throughout the program year. Can we commit also to using technology less and just when needed and look at each other, listen to each other and talk with each other and to those around us in the wider community? Someone is waiting for a real-time, often brief conversation, with a smile, a non head-poned and attention-paying conversation!

Jesus had the great knack of noticing people. He'd strike up a conversation with a water carrier at a well or with a guy who was not tall, who climbed up a sycamore tree. Community was built up as conversation happened within the early Church and with those on the edge of the Church. May this Church always be a place where eyes, ears and conversations are the main tools for communication as they have been down the ages and across time. Technology surely has its place but so does small talk, longer conversation and a smile. Thank you for those who share small talk at the railroad or at the shops or wherever we are. Human words and looks help bridge the chasm and sense of disconnection that so many human beings of all ages feel - in spite of the technology. Maybe I met Jesus getting off the train at Locust Valley with his bicycle!

This Fall let's all deepen our connection!

Your friend and Rector, Simon+



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MARK YOUR CALENDARS! A VERY IMPORTANT DATE!

ST JOHN'S OF LATTINGTOWN — YOUR SPIRITUAL HOME

A SPECIAL INVITATION TO YOU
FOR HOMECOMING SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 11TH AT 8 AND 10:30



You and yours are warmly invited to share in beautiful worship and thoughtful, relevant preaching as we begin our Program year. On this 10th anniversary of 9/11 the parish will also be honoring and remembering all who lost their lives on that most momentous and sad day and offering space for silent reflection.

New children and returning students are asked to attend church with parents, relatives and friends at 10:30 and to register for Sunday school during refreshments afterwards.

Encourage family and friends to share in worship together!
Invite someone to come to Church!

Keep Homecoming Sunday Special!



WELCOME BACK TO SUNDAY SCHOOL!

Our Fall Sunday School begins on Homecoming Sunday. Parents are asked to attend the main service with children and young people and then registration will happen in the Parish Hall after the service. Our curriculum this year is both Godly play for the younger children and a special curriculum for older grades. Mrs Spink also provides care for children up to three years old. We have an exciting year ahead as well as new additions and greater links between the curriculum and the Episcopal Church calendar.

EXCITING PARISH YOUTH MINISTRY

A youth trip is being planned for the Fall with further details available from Nicole Engels. This will be fun and a great way to learn and build community. Do look elsewhere in the Eagle for our Confirmation and Religious Instruction program for teens.

St John's is a place that values all young people and encourages Christian formation for young people and all the baptized. New youth members are always welcome. Parents and teenagers who would like further involvement please leave your names at the office and we will get back to you.

GODLY PLAY CALENDAR

Registration at special coffee hour September 11th after the 10:30 a.m. service.

September 11th - Story: Circle of the Liturgical Year Begin in Church at 10:30. Father Simon will talk on this theme during service.

September 18th - Story: Creation

September 25th - Story: Creation

October 2nd - Blessing of the Animals. All in Church.

October 9th - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL, Columbus Day

October 16th - Story: The Flood and the Ark

October 23rd - Story: The Great Family

October 30th - Story: The Exodus

November 6th - All Saints & All Souls Sunday. In Church

November 13th - Story: Circle of the Holy Eucharist

November 20th - Story: Feast of Christ the King. Crown making and wearing in class, into church at the peace.

November 27th - Advent Sunday. All in Church

December 4th - Story: Advent II

December 11th - Story: Advent III

December 18th - Story: Advent IV

December 24th - Christingle workshop and service

STEWARDSHIP

As we write this article, we as a Parish are half way through the year. Each of us should have gotten a personal progress statement from Mary Syracuse on your contributions to date with a THANK YOU from the Rector. We say AMEN to that!! All we give makes it possible to keep our beautiful church running, as well as, new and exciting programs we now have underway. Your backbone of support allows us to be an active, relevant, and growing Church on the North Shore of Long Island and in our Diocese.

Please take a second look at what you received. Do look again at our messages in the last Eagle, in the Annual Meeting Summary Report (copies available upon request), and into your present situation. Are you and your family doing all what you can in support of Our Lord and His Church this year? If you can squeeze in some more, we REALLY NEED IT. As we mentioned, a target per family is about \$2,200 a year. Your Vestry has elected optimistically to go ahead with our important programs to keep our Church thriving, evolving and growing. But we need your help! It's up to you!

Mike and Larry, Co-Chairs

CONFIRMATION & RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION

Schedule 2011-2012

September 11th: 10:00am class followed by all confirmation/religious instruction candidates to also attend church service at 10:30 with special recognition and honoring. Please invite parents, relatives and friends to the service. A special group photo of 'St John's Students' will be taken during the service.

October 2nd: 10am followed by attending St. Francis Day service at 10:30

November 13th: 9:30am

December 11th: 9:30am

December 24th Christmas Eve: Attend the 4pm, 6pm, or 11:30pm service

January 22nd: 9:30am

February 12th: 9:30am

February 22nd Ash Wednesday: Attend church.

March 11th: 9:30am

April 1st: 9:30am class for Palm Sunday and service which follows

April 8th Easter Day: Attend worship at 9:30 or 11:30

May 20th: 9:30am

May 27th: 10am class and worship for Pentecost

**SAVE THE DATES!**

These are some of our themes for the September 2011 through June 2012 Parish Program. These begin Wednesday September 14th at 10:15 in the Rector's Office/Guild Room. Further details will be given on the website and also in the weekly bulletin. Come and be a part of an open and welcoming group who are keen to learn and grow in spirituality and theology. Class will finish with an Informal Eucharist and will all end at 11:45.

September 2011–June 2012 Program

Thirty five week program on the following themes:

Biblical Criticism

- The Cross and Atonement Theology
- The Dangerous Dozen – reflections on some thoughtful Christians
- Developing Lay leadership in a modern Church
- Drawing upon the Soul – a five week experience of seeing and drawing. Created especially for those that think they could never draw.
- The Hound of Heaven by Francis Thompson
- The Lord's Prayer for Today
- Old Testament Prophets for Today
- Mediators between Human and Divine – Jesus, Mohammed, Buddha, Krishna – a theological dialogue
- The Nature of God
- Resurrection and theologies of resurrection
- Self-expression and the Emergence of Healing
- Silent Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament – place for space and spiritual nurture
- Ten Commandments for Today
- Understanding concepts of sin
- What Scripture reveals “when it gets God wrong”

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST – monthly evening Continuing Ed program – 7 thru 8:45 pm Class following the Parish morning program theme and ending with informal Eucharist. Pot Luck Supper – bring food to share

FIRST SATURDAYS @ 5 - NEW VENTURE

October 1st, November 5th and December 3rd – a new informal service with modern music for the young and young at heart lasting 40 minutes.

CLASSES AT C.W. POST - HUTTON HOUSE

LED BY FR. SIMON

SEPTEMBER 15TH, 1PM-3PM

– The Good Book: A Humanist Bible by AC Grayling 2011. This class will take an in depth look at this newly published book and will compare and contrast the Old and New Testaments in style, format, and content. Father Simon and students will explore whether all are sources of spirituality or whether Professor Grayling's book is very different. This program will explore what spirituality may mean.

OCTOBER 6TH, 1PM-3PM

– What do Religions have in Common? What are the differences? This class will examine these and also what religious barriers exist to understanding, developing and deepening respect for all people and making the world a better place. It will look at some of the unique claims of religions in the light of living in a multi-faith age.

DECEMBER 8TH, 1PM-3PM

– What is the role of religion in society through the ages and for today? This class will look at the insights of social scientists and theologians and with class discussion try to look at some religious practices and their purposes, goals, and achievements.

Call 516-299-2236 to register (the classes do fill up!)

OTHER DATES TO REMEMBER

Breakfast and Extra Bible Conversation with the Rector at 9am in the Guild Room: October 16th and November 20th.

Sunday October 2nd: Feast of St Francis : please bring animals to be blessed at both 8 and 10:30 Eucharist. Guest preacher: Richard Jonathan, Franciscan Friar.

Tuesday November 1st: All Saints Day: Special Service at 9:30am giving thanks for the saints – those unknown and not famous as well as the known. We look at our saints in the stained glass as part of our service

Wednesday November 2nd: All Souls Day: Commemoration of the Departed : Special service at 9:30 a.m. to pray for all the departed. Please let Karin have the names of any you would like to have especially remembered. All those who have passed since last All Souls Day will be remembered.

Friday November 11th and Saturday the 12th: Diocesan Convention

Sunday November 20th: Thanksgiving Sunday and Feast of Christ the King celebrated at 8 and 10:30 a.m.



ALLAN HAACK RIP

Words shared by Fr. Simon, Rector, on Monday May 9th
Memorial Garden of St John’s of Lattingtown

We meet today to lay to rest the mortal remains of dear Allan who graced this family, the communities he was a part of and this parish community with his presence. I love the word ‘grace’ as it is about God’s strength and inspiration and God gave us all through Allan great strength and inspiration. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather and friend. When I came to this fair land some nine years ago, Allan and Edie were two of my first hosts at a wonderful dinner in 2002. I was so anxious and nervous and of course they put me so at ease. Allan’s smile, wonderful conversation and quiet strong presence he showed me then and us all so many times. The meal was a delight as was Edie and Allan’s company. I remember too that we gathered here for son-in-law Rob with sunflowers after his tragic passing on 9/11. So today we gather again in this beautiful space to place in God’s earth now his servant Allan, dear child of God. They are united in this way and across eternity. There is a lovely story told of the Buddha who at enlightenment touched the earth as a sign of its sacredness. For us too enlightened ones, this is holy ground and the Church says because it is God’s and holy people are buried and remembered here.



Allan and Edie Haack

Allan served this Church faithfully, attended faithfully and supported his clergy faithfully whether here or in Florida. He was such a talented professional and yet there was no arrogance there. He was such a faithful churchman but quietly just got on with it. The new construction – new in 2003 and of course the cloister not least and all that was built and designed and with him very much a part. He was a very hands on planner, adviser and supporter throughout.

Allan you could just see had such pride, love and delight in his wife and family but again he didn’t need to talk about it, he just showed it over and over. You could just see he was ‘at home’ in himself and life – with a deep peace as he had Edie and the family and his friends. He knew he was blessed and we all knew and know he was and is a blessing to us and always will be.

Sometimes yours truly would be down for an early morning stroll looking at Egrets and seagulls and walking the dog at Prybil Beach and I would meet Allan and Edie in car, viewing the sea, papers being read, breakfast enjoyed. It always struck me what a lovely image that was of love and contentment. Your witness to love and faithfulness and the way you lived out your marriage vows touched us all and we know you and your family mean the world to each other. The front of your funeral bulletin from Florida said it all. Words from Nat King Cole “The greatest thing you’ll ever learn is just to love and be loved in return”

Allan, May the road rise to meet you, may the wind be always at your back and until we meet again may God hold you, Edie and your family and us all in the palm of God’s hands. Amen.

ALLAN HAACK REST IN PEACE

If you would like to give a gift in Memory of Allan Haack, please make the check out to St John’s of Lattingtown with a notation “Allan Haack – Outreach”.

May I have courage today
To live the life I would love
To postpone my dreams no longer
But to do at least what I came here for
And waste my heart on fear no more

By John Donohue



Find your Treasure at the
59th ST. JOHN'S

COUNTRY
FAIR

Saturday

Sept. 17th, 2011

Corner of Lattingtown, Overlook
& Old Tappan Roads - Locust Valley

10 am - 4 pm

Adults \$5.00

Children Under 12 FREE

Preview 9:15 - 10:00

\$20.00

RAIN OR SHINE

The 59th Annual St John's Fall Fair Saturday September 17, will have the theme Pirates of the Caribbean. We encourage people to dress in costume and get in the spirit of finding your treasure at St John's Fair. In addition to the traditional booths, food and music, there will be a group of men and women, Ye Pyrate Brotherhood, who will be dressed in authentic reproductions of the pirate era, and will entertain with stories and songs.

We welcome all volunteers to help with set up the week prior to the fair and on fair day. Please let me know of your availability, whether you can give an hour or work every day. We also welcome and appreciate donations of saleable items and as sponsors and patrons.

Victoria Crosby 516.674.3513

The cocktail party on Friday, September 16 is a preview for parishioners only, and there will be no sales until the actual day of the fair.



AGE DEFYING FITNESS

MARILYN MOFFAT

PT. DPT, PHD, DSC (hon), FAPTA, CSCS, CEEAA

Spend some fun and challenging time with parishioner Dr. Marilyn Moffat, a national and international leader in physical therapy, as she looks at ways to defy the aging process. She will review the major body changes that occur with aging of which many of you may already be aware and if not, it is never too early to learn since these changes start in our 30's! Then you will actually perform some simple tests and measures of posture, strength, flexibility, balance, and endurance to enable you to gain some knowledge about your own fitness. What can be done about those changes will be the remainder of the focus of the presentation. A discussion and demonstration of exercises to be done to defy the aging process will be included. Be sure to come dressed in comfortable exercise-type clothes and good supporting sneakers.

Refreshments will be served at the end of the presentation.

Saturday Sept 24th in St John's Parish Hall 10 through noon.

Please call/email Karin to register

Donations to the church would be appreciated.

DRAWING UPON THE SOUL - NEW PROGRAM

A Five Week Experience of Seeing & Drawing (created especially for those that think they could never draw) from Daniel Schnorbus* our guest teacher for this program.

"Have you ever wanted to learn how to draw but thought it would be impossible? St. John's of Lattington Continuing Education has just the class for you. During this five week course you will learn the component skills that will free your ability to draw and create. Through successive lessons and exercises, you will eradicate any reservation that you can draw and find yourself sketching (and seeing) easily. Doubters and nay-sayers welcome! Come, enjoy, and learn!" Daniel Schnorbus

Begins Thursday, October 6th from 10:15am to 11:45am and continue for five consecutive weeks. Please contact Father Simon for information on registration and materials.

* Daniel taught our Parish "Idea of the Holy" program - a very inspiring program indeed.

DEFERRED GIVING CAMPAIGN

In May of this year, the Vestry renewed the effort to build the endowment of St. John's of Lattingtown by encouraging parishioners to consider deferred giving in their estate planning. We are delighted with the number of parishioners who have responded to this appeal, and with the long-term significance of the bequests for the health of our church. These bequests will go directly to the endowment as they are received in future years.

The endowment fund is used for capital expenditures, the maintenance of our buildings and property, where we share in our worship and nurturing fellowship, and for emergency spending. The deferred giving initiative is an on-going program. We hope that many more parishioners will take part in this program to share in the future of our church. If you would like more information, please let us know, and we will be happy to help.

Larry and Anne Glenn, Chairmen, Deferred Giving Campaign

DEAN OF WESTMINSTER VISITS NEW YORK

The Very Rev. Dr John Hall, Dean of Westminster was in New York recently and visited Episcopal Churches, St Thomas in New York and St Luke and St Matthew in Brooklyn. The Priest-in-Charge at St Luke and St Matthew is Rev Michael Sniffen, originally from Bayville, and formerly the Assistant Priest at St John's of Lattingtown in Locust Valley.



The Very Rev Dr. John Hall, Victoria Crosby, Rev Michael Sniffen

British born Victoria Crosby, a resident of Glen Cove, President of New York State Daughters of The British Empire, and a Vestry member at St John's of Lattingtown, was visiting St Luke and St Matthew. The Dean was very interested in hearing of the DBE celebrations recently held in honor of the Royal Wedding. The Dean hopes to form an American Friends of Westminster Abbey alliance.

The Dean spoke about the Royal Wedding in April, at which he had officiated with the Archbishop of Canterbury, and the recent visit to Westminster Abbey by President Obama. The Dean told the parishioners that he had wanted to give the President a VIP tour of the abbey, but there wasn't time as the President wanted to meet all the members of the boys choir, so he told the Dean he would complete the tour during his second term. This brought a few chuckles from the parishioners. The Dean later greeted members of the parish at the coffee hour following the service.



JEAN INEZ HERSEY RIP

The parish was sorry to learn of the passing of dear Jean Hersey in July. A number of parishioners had worked with her mother Dr Alberta Hersey and then with Jean on the board of the Dr Alberta Hersey Foundation. Many parishioners over the years had also given clothing for the needy through the Hand of Love Project.

Jean’s smile, style, ebullience, warm manner and her faith graced our church and offices so frequently. Her love of Jesus and the mission of Church to the needy both here at St John’s and her own African Methodist Episcopal Church(AME) in Glen Cove was a special gift to us all.

The Rector and Jean prayed together and shared in sacramental anointing of the sick and through Jean our clergy and parishioners have shared in beautiful lively worship at our sister AME church.

The Rector writing about Jean said “I always felt I was with a person of deep faith and love for God and the Church. Jean was an inspiration. Even close to death conversation with her revealed her abiding trust in God. If there is one thing in particular Jean’s illness taught us it was that with God, we truly can endure all things. I am pleased she is out of her suffering and herself being the hand of love in eternity she was always to all of us and so many.

Only God knows how many people Jean and her mom helped. She helped all of us and always will by her prayers. The hymn “Trust and obey for there is no other way” comes to mind. That’s what she did. She lived a life of trust and service for her Lord and His Church and valiantly and with deep spirituality. Thank you Jean for all your visits to St John’s to see us and for all our one on one conversations . You were an angel for sure!”

May Jean rest in peace and rise in glory and we rejoice she is reunited in the communion of saints across eternity with her wonderful mom. Amen. Simon+

**EACH MOMENT CONTAINS
A HUNDRED MESSAGES FROM GOD.**

TO EVERY CRY OF “O LORD”

GOD ANSWERS A HUNDRED TIMES “I AM HERE”

AFGHAN SUFI MUSLIM : RUMI (13TH CENTURY)

The funeral and wake were also attended by the St. John’s board and members of the foundation who sent a large bouquet of flowers. They are: Suzanne Dillenback (vice president), Larry and Skippy Ward, Victoria Crosby and Ruth Colgrove. The foundation is now being run by Jean’s sister-in-law Pandora Hersey and her brother Adrian – all great leaders in their community doing important work.

Donations should be sent to the Alberta Hersey Foundation
P.O. Box 125
Glen Cove, NY 11542



Jean at Fr. Simon’s installation as Rector.
Photo by S. Dillenbeck

A TRIBUTE TO JEAN HERSEY

Gentle Jean, elegant and serene,
never said a word that was unkind or mean.
A woman of faith and dignity,
a pillar of the community.
She loved to work in her garden where she spent many hours,
and at her church she was often seen tending the flowers.
She chose her words carefully
With every word written beautifully.
She was very active in Glen Cove, on the board or committee
of La Fuerza Unida, North Shore Historical Museum, and the IAC.
But the charity closest to her heart
was the one that her mother had started,
The Hand of Love, and after her mother departed
Jean wanted to continue her legacy
so she formalized the charity
as the Dr Alberta Hersey Foundation
a charitable non-profit organization.
She had friends of every race and creed
And always helped those who were in need
Jean will be missed in so many ways
by so many people for all of our days.

by Victoria Crosby



Michael and Jennifer Woods, with twins Ella and Audrey Woods and the Rector



from left to right: Jenny Powers, Patrick Marx, Scott Fox, James Fox, Lindsay Fox and the Rector.



Jason and Alyce Panico holding Alexandra Hayden and the Rector



Jeanette De La Cruz Lomboy, the Rector and Jonathan Blossom



Randall Smith, the Rector, and Kathryn Hughes-Smith



Kristen Jones and Rich VanderMass



HECTOR THE GREAT BLUE HERON

by the Rector
Vertical he stood
Upright, wise
He looked at me
Observed me
Weighed me up
It was 630am ish
Walking the dog
At the bottom of the road
By the bridge and stream
In front of me
There he stood
On the wall
Stunningly beautiful
Silent, calm
Regal, watching
A Great Blue Heron
I had never seen one
Not until this week
He stood for a while
Then when ready
That huge wing span
Took him off
To his next place
I have looked for him
Every morning since
No, but once was enough
There was chemistry
Between human and bird
A silence, a holy silence
We honored each other
The psalmist says, God declares
"I know every bird in the sky" **
There was holiness about Hector
That's the name I gave him
Heaven in the extraordinary
A Great Blue Heron
Saint Hector, Patron Saint
Of a rector and his dog
Early one summer morning

** Psalm 50 verse 11 In the Hebrew Bible

"Do this in
remembrance of me."

**ON OCTOBER 8TH THERE WILL BE A
JOINT PARISH RETREAT FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS OF
ST. JOHN'S OF LATTINGTOWN AND ST. GABRIEL'S BROOKLYN**

LED BY FATHER SIMON, RECTOR OF ST. JOHN'S

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8TH

10AM THRU 2PM

**ST JOHN'S OF LATTINGTOWN
325 LATTINGTOWN RD, LOCUST VALLEY**

**THEME: DEVOTION TO CHRIST IN THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT**

REFLECTIONS FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

**THE EUCHARIST WILL BE CELEBRATED WITH A CHANCE FOR
SILENT ADORATION AND MEDITATION**

LUNCH PROVIDED

PLEASE LET THE PARISH OFFICE KNOW YOU CAN ATTEND AT

(516) 671-3226



FROM ERIC MILNES - DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

The past season has been one of continued service and new development for music and worship at St. John's. The choir, as in the past, lead singing, praise and prayer for each of the 10:30 Sunday services from September through June, as well as at feast services and for several funeral services. The choir is a group of volunteers and professionals who demonstrate commitment, enthusiasm and excellence in their role of providing music for worship at St. John's, and they make their Director proud of their efforts and delighted to work with them each Sunday.

During the last year we have been pleased to welcome, and to welcome back several additional volunteer members to our ranks, several of whom have been away for some years but have found it possible to return: Sabrina Jasmine Ali, John George, Kathryn Harlow, Bumble Ingham, Philip Keevil and Hannah Milnes. We hope to see continued growth in the membership of our volunteer contingent.

The season has seen the exciting inauguration of a new "Music at St. John's" musical event series held on Sunday evenings throughout the year. Response has been gratifying, and enthusiasm for the project is high. The expenses associated with presenting this series have been completely supported by individual's donations.

JOIN THE CHOIR!

Over the years, the parish has nurtured a growing and talented choir of dedicated volunteers, augmented by professional singers, that has brought distinction to our parish as a leader in church music and worship in our region. Many who attend St. John's claim that what initially attracted them to St. John's, and part of what brings them back each Sunday, is the inspiration and motivation to a Christian life which worship and music at St. John's offers them.

Periodically, I extend an invitation to all parishioners and community members with an interest in singing to join the choir at St. John's. I would like, heartily, to reiterate that invitation now. Only an interest and ability to sing is required! We continue to teach and train all singers in everything necessary to join our ranks and lift voices in praise and prayer. Our rehearsals are



To date, the Music at St. John's series has welcomed over 300 listeners, which has encouraged our desire to grow the program as a vehicle for outreach, fellowship and community building in the Parish. We hope, with the support of the Rector, Wardens, Vestry and Parish, to continue in this new venture next year.

It has been a year of initiatives and renewal at St. John's, and we hope music has continued to fulfill its essential role in worship and parochial life to feed, sustain, inspire and motivate each of us, as we progress on our individual and corporate spiritual journeys.

Sunday morning, prior to the 10:30 service, and we accommodate all of our busy life schedules. I personally would love to see an enhanced volunteer presence in our choir. An ongoing mission at St. John's is to continue to grow our parishioner's leadership participation in worship, and singing in the choir is a great way to be directly and invaluable involved in the worship life of this parish. Please give it your consideration: We need your voices, and we wish to share the joy and satisfaction we find as members of St. John's choir.

If you are interested in joining the choir this fall or anytime soon, please leave a message for me at the church office, 671-3226. I will be delighted to discuss with you how much we would enjoy seeing you with us soon!

EMAIL EVENT NOTIFICATIONS

As many of you have noticed, St. John's has Initiated 'Email Blasts' to notify the congregation of significant upcoming events. On average only a couple a month so don't fear an overloaded inbox, but it is an effective, timely and economical way to be reminded of important events on the near horizon - like the dates of the upcoming musical series - so please be sure that Karin has your up-to-date email address!

CITY OF GLEN COVE 9/11 SERVICE, ALL WELCOME.

The City of Glen Cove has planned a commemoration of the 10th anniversary of 9/11 to take place in Morgan Park beginning at 6pm on 9/11/11. Clergy from the North Shore Clergy association and local officials welcome all. Candles will be lit and prayers of peace will be offered. The service to conclude at or shortly after sunset at 7:14 pm.



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Deacon serving the Episcopal parishes of
Glen Cove, Roslyn, Sea Cliff & Lattingtown

Saint John's office hours

Monday-Thursday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Friday 9 a.m. - noon

If you would like to talk to the Rector about anything, need priestly ministry or would like to receive Holy Communion at home or in hospital due to sickness, please call to make an appointment.

In case of Emergency, please contact the Rector on the Pastoral Emergency phone when the office is closed. The number is 516 491-3936. The priest will get back to you as soon as he can. Please note this new number which replaces any previous numbers.

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WEDDINGS:

Jeanette De La Cruz Lomboy &
Jonathan Blossom
Caroline Salas & John Gage
Kathryn Hughes & Randall Smith
Kristen Jones & Rich VanderMass

BAPTISMS:

James Thomas Fox
Henry Bradford Maxwell
Alexandra Hayden Panico
Henry Fox Posillico

FUNERALS:

Allan Haack
Harold W. Hawkey

THE MINISTRY TEAM AT ST JOHN'S

a parish which seeks to live the
Baptismal Covenant (pg 304, Book of
Common Prayer)

MINISTERS:

Every congregant, parishioner and
participant in parish life.

ASSISTANTS TO THE MINISTERS:

Diocesan Bishop –
Lawrence 'Larry' Provenzano
Rector – Simon Foster

MINISTERS OF MUSIC:

Eric Milnes (Director) with choir
members.

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT:

Karin DeMario, Kate Scefonas,
Mary Syracuse, Duncan Naylor,
Humberto Marichal

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM:

Father Simon Foster, Rector
Churchwardens and Vestry
members: Tom Gimbel, Carlyle
Dunaway, Gerda Andersen,
Adrian Bogart, JoAnn Browne,
Victoria Crosby, Nicole Engels,
Vicky Fox, Douglas Johnson,
Jim Large, Peter Marshall, Bob
McLane, Nancy Polk and Larry
Ward.