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## SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

The Sunday schedule at  
 St. John's:

- 7 a.m. Holy Eucharist Chapel**
- 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist Chapel**
- 9 a.m. Holy Eucharist Church**
- 10 a.m. Breakfast Hosea Hall**
- 11 a.m. Holy Eucharist Church**

**BIRTHDAYS**

- |                           |                          |                      |                      |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 1 George Hellard          | 8 Charles Huber          | 18 Cheri Donovan     | 25 Robert Huber      |
| 1 Charles Hundley         | 8 John Kuebler           | 18 Raines Mielcarek  | 26 Margie Fuller     |
| 2 Christian Delamielleure | 10 Sara Hellard          | 18 Leigh Wehrle      | 27 Betty Gill        |
| 3 Garland Barr            | 12 Elaine Scott          | 18 Ashleigh Woods    | 27 Patricia Ricketts |
| 3 Jacqualine Reynolds     | 12 Alan Sutherland       | 18 Jessica Woods     | 27 Lucy Hinkle Lloyd |
| 3 Weldon Gerrow           | 13 Hodge Graham          | 18 Shana Sandknop    | 28 Linda Wardle      |
| 4 Walter Kuntz            | 13 Clark Bullock         | 20 Ann Miller        |                      |
| 6 Elise Miller            | 14 Virginia Ballard      | 21 Touted Rabe       |                      |
| 8 Ben Chandler            | 15 Jay Pierce            | 23 Paige Slover      |                      |
| 8 Maj William H. Clark    | 16 William Werner-Wilson | 24 Amy Nave          |                      |
|                           | 17 Jackie Resinger       | 25 Thea Wigglesworth |                      |

# RECTOR'S PAGE

One and half million dollars is an awful lot of money to spend on a building. Just think of how many people you could have fed, how many people you could have clothed, how many people you could have housed with that amount of money. That is a fair question and one that has been asked in various ways.

It is a question that I have struggled with in all the capital campaign funds I have been involved in with previous churches.

Yet I am always reminded of the old saying- "give a person a fish and he can eat for day. Teach him to fish and he can eat for lifetime."

In the last 4 years as your Priest I have been amazed at what the facility of St. John's has allowed us to do.

St. John's was the center of operation and the welcome center when families relocated here from Louisiana due to Hurricane Katrina. Each week the Woodford County Hospice team gathers for its interdisciplinary meeting to plan the best possible care for people in their last stages of this life and their families. Every other Wednesday during the school year, and for a week's summer camp, children in the 3rd and 4th grade who struggle with reading are referred by teachers to come to St. John's and improve there their reading skills. Children are being taught the beauty of music as they learn to play guitar. People who have chosen to live a life of sobriety, most times after living a life of hell, meet for support and encouragement. Their families also meet to learn about the disease of alcoholism and encourage one another in ways of helping the alcoholic. Choirs meet to deepen their repertoire that



enhances our worship. Among all this and from all this we gather to worship as the community of faith. We teach discipleship, study the Bible, pray together. We see ourselves as a place not just for ourselves but for the larger community that God has placed us in. So we invite the larger community to eat with us, play with us, enjoy a concert with us whatever they need that we can provide.

I do not think it odd that Jesus had a custom of going to the temple and synagogue. He even cleansed the temple of the wrongs it was doing, but declared that his house be called a house of prayer. We have a facility that has not only been prayed in for the last 160 or so years, but has responded to that prayer in a call to mission that has shown the face of Christ to thousands upon thousands of people.

I know that some mission would happen if we did not have a place, but having a place offers all kinds of mission opportunities. Some that we may not even know of. Our facility is to enable us to teach people to fish so that a lifetime is affected, not just one day.

Our calling at this time is to catch up on the deferred maintenance, and put our buildings in good order so that for the next 50-100 years others will be taught to fish.

With all my love and prayers,

Your friend

**Fr. Alan**

# DEACON'S PAGE

When Emily Barr Richards decided to become an Episcopal Priest, she didn't have far to look for a role model.

A mother and daughter in the clergy are rare enough—4 pairs out of 4,079 ordained women in the U.S. Episcopal church—but these two are distinguished by something more. Together they have overcome the challenges of a crippling case of rheumatoid arthritis Emily contracted as an infant. When Emily performed her first Baptism, Donna was by her side to help.

The story of these women's calling to the clergy began when Emily contracted systemic rheumatoid arthritis as a very young child. For the next seven years the disease ran through her system until it burned itself out.

As Donna watched her daughter suffer, she felt more anger than faith. She embarked on a spiritual quest, and was inspired by the writings of Henri Nouwen, a Dutch Catholic priest. "In this crazy world, there's an enormous distinction between good times and bad, between sorrow and joy," wrote Nowen, "but in the eyes of God, they're never separated. Where there is pain, there is healing; where there is mourning, there is dancing; where there is poverty, there is the kingdom."

As her daughter endured a seemingly endless series of hospital stays and surgeries, Donna began six years of coursework and in 1994 was ordained an Episcopal deacon.

Emily's own decision to join the clergy led to her ordination to the priesthood in 2003.

Acceptance is the deepest message of her ministry; acceptance is what drew her to the church in the first place. She says that "being made in the image of God, we are good enough. Through what happened to me, I had learned that the pat answers people are given about tragedy and hardship are worse than no answers at all. We don't know why. All we know is that God's love redeems our suffering."

## **SEPTEMBER 13/14 MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS AND MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

The Rev. Emily Richards will be our guest for a very special weekend...

On Saturday, Sept. 13 Emily will lead a workshop at St. John's that will enlighten all of us. Emily has spent her life facing the challenges of a world that is not very favorable to people with disabilities.

The workshop will begin at 10 a.m. and finish at 2 p.m.

Lunch will be provided and reservations need to be made with Kathy at the Church office.  
873-3481

On Sunday, September 14, Emily will be our guest preacher at all services and she will also celebrate at 9 and 11.

Everybody is encouraged to come meet and hear Emily as she shares her remarkable story that can only deepen our awareness of the needs of people with disabilities.

# THE VIEW FROM THE BENCH

*By Stephen Leist*

As we move into August, it is time to think about learning again, since the start of school is just around the corner. For me, learning is a life-long experience, and it does not stop because of summer or the completion of a degree. Learning is what keeps life interesting and engaging for each and every day. The Parish Choir has made two visits to other parishes in the diocese, and these have been learning experiences for me, because every church does something just a little bit differently. In the case of the visit to the Church of the Advent in Cynthiana, we learned a different doxology which they use in that church. We also learned a new piece of service music that they use at the fraction, which at some point I hope to introduce at St. John's. Our visit to St. Hubert's is a bit more of a challenge, because they still use the 1928 Book of Common Prayer. Although I am a cradle Episcopalian, and so are both of my parents, I have gotten far enough away from that liturgy that I have some difficulty remembering what to do and have to seek some extra guidance. It is a case of revisiting a past experience and refreshing the knowledge.

In terms of my work at St. John's, I am constantly at work learning something new. It varies from looking at new choir repertoire to spending time on learning new organ pieces. I am currently at work revisiting what I offer for wedding music in order to offer more variety, but also to keep it interesting for me. I am also looking at additional organ pieces to find works that will be interesting on our organ and useful for Sunday morning preludes and postludes. Probably one of the biggest challenges for me this summer is learning the *Offrande au Saint Sacrement* by Olivier Messiaen. I have been asked to perform this work for a special program of the Lexington Chapter of the American Guild of Organists in observance of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Messiaen's birth, which will take place in November. And yes, I started working on that as early as last May, because I will need to know it like the back of my hand. What all of this does is provide refreshment and growth. We may still be in a summer recess, but we do not stop learning.

Choir Announcement: Parish Choir rehearsals for the 2008-09 choir season will begin on Thursday, August 21, 7:00-8:30 p.m.





# Faith, Hope, and Love

## Vacation Bible School

We had a fantastic Vacation Bible School. Six Saints came and talked to us about their lives. We played games, made terrariums and musical instruments, and decorated backpacks. We learned some new songs and a dance, and of course ate some great food. At our closing cookout, Father Alan was dunked in the Dunking Booth at least a dozen times by the children (and yes, he remained cheerful to the end).

All of this of course would not have happened without the help of a lot of people, as Father Alan said in his closing prayer, "look to your left and right and you'll see a Saint." Many, many thanks to all, Julie Ross

Snacks, and cookout – Vicki Freeman and Kay Mobley

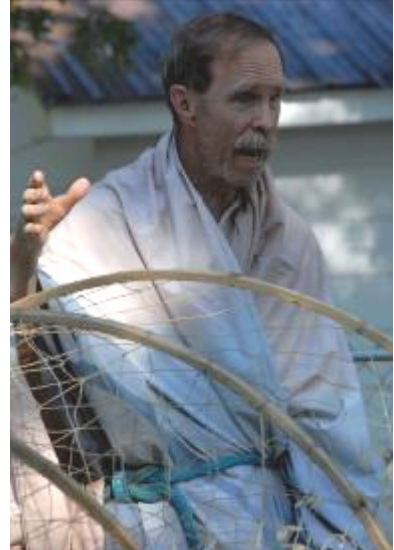
Musicians – Katherine and Ben Harper, Lisa Hawkins, Ron Mobley, Christy Leaver, Lee Roland

Saints – Geoff Bosman, Vickie Duff, Sara and Ned Meekins, Linda Reeves, Father Alan

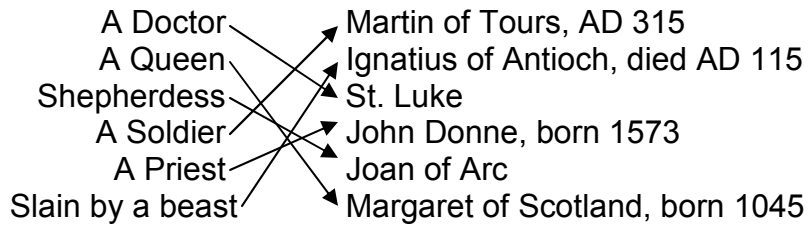
Crafts – Emmaline Kuebler, Rhonda Wade, Carol Filson, Jackie Means

Group Leaders – Nikki Berger, Emily Cardwell, Emily Kuebler, Paige Slover, Will Werner-Wilson, Ashleigh Woods, Jessica Woods

Games – Glenn and Debby Edelen, James Hawkins



Our theme for Vacation Bible School this year was 'Faith, Hope and Love' and we learned about six saints who all have faith and hope in God as well as love for God and their fellow man. Our theme song for the week was "I Sing A Song of the Saints of God" which is Hymn 293. The words mention several saints, but not by name, and we did not discuss who the lyricist meant when she included them. Our program included the challenge below to match the saints with their description.



“Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: Let the children of Zion be joyful in their King. Let them praise his name in the dance: Let them sing praises unto him with timbrel and harp. “ Psalm 149



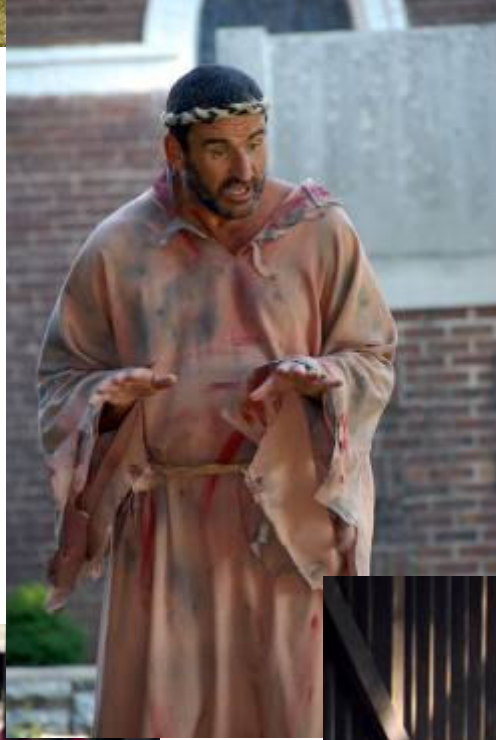
At the first of July, Virginia Ballard, Christy Leaver and Katherine Harper drove to Mukwonago, Wisconsin to spend two nights with the Episcopal nuns of Mary’s Margin learning liturgical dancing. All of the dances they learned are based on Scottish folk dancing and are meant to be participatory rather than performance. They do not involve difficult moves and can be learned by anyone of any level of skill—even no skill. The point is to worship God: amplifying the worship experience and offering by coordinating words and music and movement in praise.

One of the dances that they learned was to “I Sing A Song of the Saints of God”, Hymn 293, to synchronize with Vacation Bible School’s theme of ‘Faith, Hope & Love’ which was a study of the saints. The dance was taught to those attending VBS to rave reviews from everyone.

If you missed VBS, fear not! The offertory for the August 3 outdoor service will be “I Sing a Song of the Saints of God” and will be danced by the VBS participants and anyone else who feels so moved (no pun intended). If you’d like to walk through the steps, meet outside Hughes House for a review or preview at 9:30 a.m.

At lunch following the July outdoor service, this trip was being discussed and the question was asked: ‘How long has there been dancing in church?’ One of the sages of our church commented that David danced around the ark so the answer is ‘a very long time.’ (2 Samuel, Chapter 6: 13-15 When those who were carrying the ark of the LORD had taken six steps, he sacrificed a bull and a fattened calf. David, wearing a linen ephod, danced before the LORD with all his might, while he and the entire house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouts and the sound of trumpets.) As long as there has been music in worship, there has been dancing. In the Hebrew tradition, dance functioned as a medium of prayer and praise. This continued through the Middle Ages but by the time of the Reformation, both Catholic and Protestant churches had eliminated dance from worship. So if the ‘newness’ of this idea is giving you pause, fear not—worship God the ‘old fashioned’ way—dance!





## ST. JOHN'S SERVER SCHEDULE, AUGUST, 2008

	08/03/08 8:00 a.m.	08/10/08 8:00 a.m.	08/17/08 8:00 a.m.	08/24/08 8:00 a.m.	08/31/08 8:00 a.m.
<b>Acolyte</b>	Linda Reeves	Vickie Duff	Gay Glenn	Linda Reeves	Vickie Duff
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Vickie Duff	Kay Mobley	Gay Glenn	Susan & Betty	Vickie Duff
	10:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.
<b>Crucifer</b>	Ashleigh Woods	John Cook	Sydney Gardner	Jessica Woods	Anne Claire Gibson
<b>Torch Bearers</b>	Emily/Ashley Lawrence	Evan/Tage Cook	Emma/Sophie Berger	William/Frances Werner-Wilson	Hannah/Sophie Edelen
<b>Acolyte</b>	David Richmond	Linda Wardle	Ben Harper	Linda Reeves	Ned Meekins
<b>Chalice Bearer</b>	Laura Gibson	Garland Barr	Gary Menges	Connie Spencer	Laura Gibson
<b>Lector</b>	Carol Mize	Corbin Crutcher	Emily Cardwell	Jay Box	Debby Edelen
<b>Gift Bearers</b>	Steve & Carol Watts	John & Theresa Range	Ned & Sarah Meekins	Fleck family	Jim & Ruby Snider
<b>Ushers</b>	Ed Ruggles	Gary Menges Bob Johnson	Ben & Nikki Berger	David Richmond Mike Gardone	Garland Barr Ron Mobley
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Christy Leaver	Kay Mobely	Gay Glenn	Susan & Betty	Vickie Duff
<b>Lay Eucharist Ministry</b>	Elaine Menges	Jo Wilhite	Judi Sutherland	Vickie Duff	Elaine Menges
<b>Breakfast</b>	<b>Potluck</b>	<b>Bruens/Wade</b>	<b>Watts/Parrot</b>	<b>Sullivan/Wildman</b>	<b>Berger/Sloan</b>
		11:00 a.m.	11:00a.m.	11:00a.m.	11:00a.m.
<b>Crucifer</b>		Mark Herbert	Geoff Bosmann	Susan Duvall	James Hawkins
<b>Torch Bearers</b>		Emily/Leah Mager	Eric/Audrey Sandknop	Ethan/Elaina Howard	Evan Slone Amanda Donovan
<b>Acolyte</b>		Carol Filson	Cindy Kinkead	Judy Sutherland	Carol Filson
<b>Chalice Bearers</b>		Susan Duvall	Geoff Bosmann	Christy Leaver	Cindy Sullivan
<b>Lector</b>		Laura Steen	Virginia Ballard	Julie Ross	Lisa Hawkins
<b>Gift Bearers</b>		Christy Leaver & Ethan & Elaina	Judi Sutherland Cindy Sullivan	Ron & Kay Mobley	Skeeters family
<b>Ushers</b>		James Hawkins Ben Berger	Todd & Angel Cooper	Audrey & Eric Sandknop	Thayre Hawkins Rick Keeling
<b>Altar Guild</b>		Judi Sutherland	Allison Fleck	Virginia Ballard	Christy Leaver
<b>Wednesday</b>	08/06/08	08/13/08	08/20/08	08/27/08	
<b>Acolyte</b>	Linda Wardle	David Richmond	Ned Meekins	Ben Harper	

# AUGUST 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>31</p> <p>7 Eucharist 8 Eucharist 9 Eucharist 10 Breakfast 11 Eucharist</p>					<p>1</p> <p>Office Closed 10 Needlepoint 7.30 AA</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>3</p> <p>7 Eucharist 8 Eucharist 10 Outdoor Eucharist 11 Potluck Lunch</p>	<p>4</p> <p>8.30 Hospice 10 Needlepoint 7 AA Women 7 Alanon 7.30 AA Men</p>	<p>5</p> <p>10.30 Knit Wits</p>	<p>6</p> <p>10 Morning Prayer 10.30 Bible Study 5.30 Eucharist 6 Potluck</p>	<p>7</p> <p>5 EFM 7 Choir Practice 7 Martial Arts</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Office Closed 10 Needlepoint 7.30 AA</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Napier/Reynolds Wedding</p>
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# NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS CONTINUE



## NEIGHBORHOOD COTTAGE MEETINGS

Please get to one of these meetings if you can. Although funding will be discussed in general terms, They are information only.

After church on August 17 we will have a catch-up meeting in the parish hall for those who have not been able to get to a small meeting. We will have lunch at noon—church will provide fried chicken. The rest will be potluck.

Then we will present the details of what we need to do.

The last two weeks of August will be the pledge period.

Then on Sept. 7 at our outdoor service—accompanied by the Gospel Diamonds—we will celebrate and

**Rejoice!**



## **SUMMER OUTDOOR SERVICES**

The first Sunday of each summer month  
Is our combined outdoor service.

**August 3, Sept 7**

Worship will begin at 10 a.m.  
and will be followed by a pot luck lunch.

Meat and drinks will be furnished by

St .John's

so just bring some fixins!

We will still have  
regular services of 7 a.m and 8a.m.

## **SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 7 CELEBRATION**

This will be our last outdoor service for  
the summer and we will have with us  
THE GOSPEL DIAMONDS to lead our  
music. This is the 4th year they have  
been with us, and it has always been a  
special Sunday for us. In addition to  
their music during the service, they are  
going to sing for us after lunch.

This will be a special day for St Johns  
because on that day we will be able to  
announce the success of our Restore  
Renew Rejoice campaign.

We welcome the Gospel Diamonds as  
we will welcome the good news of our  
sacrificial giving to put our buildings  
into good repair for years to come.





## EYC News

I hope everyone has had a fantastic summer break. With the start of school just around it's time to start thinking about our EYC meetings! We will be having a few events starting in August including a pool party! Be looking for times and dates. We will start our regular Sunday night meetings and Wednesday night bible study after Labor Day. Get excited for a month full of learning, fun and fellowship! As always feel free to contact me anytime.

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## ANGLICAN COMMUNION — LAMBETH

On July 16 Bishops from all over the world arrived in London for the Lambeth Conference. On July 17th they began a three day retreat, and after worship on Sunday the 20th, they began plenary sessions focusing on the mission imperatives as given in the gospel of St. John.

Sadly, the Primates of Uganda, Kenya, Nigeria, Rwanda, and the Southern Cone will not be present as they have held their own conference last month in Jerusalem. The Anglican Communion is now a divided body. In a Press release issued by the five provinces meeting in Jerusalem, it is very clearly stated that the Anglican Churches in North and South America are 'under false leadership' and 'the time is ripe for the formation of a province in North America'. It is very clear that the issue is one of disregarding any diocesan boundaries that have up, until lately, been honored by each Anglican Bishop.

In the press release it also gave the 14 points of what is called the Jerusalem Declaration. Among the 14 points is the statement that they 'uphold the Thirty Nine articles as containing the true doctrine of the Church agreeing with God's Word and as authoritative for Anglicans today ( to see the 39 articles you can find them in the Historical documents of the Book of Common Prayer p 867). The Declaration also 'upholds the 1662 Book of Common Prayer as a true and authoritative standard of worship and prayer, to be translated and locally adapted for each culture' The declaration also promotes 'unity of all those who love and know Christ', yet only 'recognize those who uphold orthodox faith and practice'.

The Anglican Communion has always been respected for being a round table where brothers and sisters in Christ met. Unfortunately the table is now square with sides and corners. My prayer is that the differences we now face as Anglicans may be overcome very soon, and that our Lord's prayer that we all be one, become a reality again in the Anglican Communion.

**MISSION TRIP  
TO BARNES MOUNTIAN  
OCTOBER 10-17**

GO AND WORK  
FOR THE WHOLE WEEK OR JUST PART  
REPAIR HOMES, BUILD THINGS,  
HELP PEOPLE  
YOUNG PERSONS  
ESPECIALLY WELCOME.  
THE WORK IS HARD.  
THE REWARDS ARE GREAT  
SIGN UP IN HOSEA HALL

**EQUUS RUN  
CONCERTS**

DIRECT PARKING AGAIN

We will need 6 volunteers per concert.  
Sign up in Hosea Hall.  
We get free dinner and the show for directing  
parking traffic from 3:15 til 7:00.  
The church gets a donation for our help.

Dates and bands:

**Aug 2 Pieces of a Dream – national jazz**  
**Aug 23 Johnson Brothers – classic rock**  
**Sept 13 Scandalous – R&B, funk**

**From the parish records**

July 9  
Rodney Napier  
Sheri Napier  
Terry Miller

July 13  
Braedon Keiler Duff

Holy Matrimony  
July 12  
Elias McDonald Jr., and Christine Littrell

Deaths  
June 14 —Alice Kelly mother of Allison Fleck  
July 2 —Rebecca Ware mother of Melissa Sloan  
we extend our condolences to their families and  
loved ones.

**WEDDING COORDINATOR**

Carol Mize, because of new employment  
has resigned as our Wedding Coordinator.  
We thanks Carol for her many years of  
service to St Johns in our weddings. We  
welcome Judi Sutherland as our new  
Wedding Coordinator and look forward to  
many years of helping make one day very  
special for many couples. Karen Koontz  
will continue on an as needed basis to as-  
sist with larger weddings and receptions.  
Thank you all !

**'TINTINNABULATIONS'**

WEBSTER'S UNABRIDGED DICTIONARY- "A tinkling or ringing sound,  
as of bells."

"The tintinnabulation that so musically wells from the bells. bells,  
bells" ...etc. - from Edgar Allan Poe's poem, The Bells.

Fr. Colley Bell has written several inserts for the Sunday Bulletins. His  
thoughts and reflections will be known as TINTINNABULATIONS. You will  
begin to see these on the first Sunday of August. Fr. Bell is certainly  
thought provoking and his writings are no different.

# ROGER REEVES MEMORIAL



The first annual Roger Reeves Memorial Golf Scramble was a huge success. Much fun was had by all, and the purpose of the event was honored by all. Some \$8000 was raised for Reading Club, one of Roger's favorite causes. This money will go a long way to funding this ministry for next year.

The fourteenth hole was Roger's favorite hole. He sponsored it, and on the 14th, deputized members of St. John's informed the golfers as they approached the 15th hole that, whatever they had shot, they were automatically awarded 3 strokes for 14. Because Roger would have wanted it that way. (In the case of 2 teams who actually made par, they were dropped to 2 strokes.)

The winning team returned their prize money to the Reading Club.



# GOLF SCRAMBLE



# FISH FRY/TWILIGHT FESTIVAL



**The Lions Club and St. John's once again hosted our Twilight Festival Fish Fry. We fed over 500 people 370 pounds of fish, had a great time, and made money for our missions and the Lions Club. The weather was glorious and the crowds downtown huge and happy. What a great way to spend a Friday evening in July!**



## LITTLE OLD LADIED

One particular day I was more than glad to be "Little Old Ladied".

It was also done in a very pleasing manner. I don't believe I have to tell you about the weather on March 7, '08. It started during the night, cold, snow ice, we had it all.

My dog told me to get up at about 8 a. m. She can be very emphatic about her needs, as am I.

The back porch had to be swept in order to get the back storm door open. I could see at once that the sidewalks would have to be cleaned and the snow gotten off the car before the day passed. I was on the list to cook breakfast at church on Sunday morning.

Procrastinating is something I do very well. I did a practiced job of it even napping a little in the middle of the afternoon. The phone rang about 4 p.m. It was my neighbor down the street. He was asking if it would be all right if he came and cleaned my walks?!!!!

I decided it really was time for me to go out and clean off the car. By the time I was dressed and got out to the car my neighbor was clearing the drive.

I started the car, and turned on the defrost mechanisms and proceeded to clean the car off. My good neighbor stopped cleaning the drive and came to help. Then finished the drive.

Except for what may come tonight, my car is clean, and all I have to do tomorrow is drive to church.

May God bless that kind and thoughtful man! M"BEL March, '08

### **Fr. Pierce Leads Wednesday Night Class Beginning in September**

Why does humanity suffer? All of us ask this question when we encounter a catastrophic illness, death of an innocent or travel to a Third World Country and interact with the hungry and oppressed. Not to address this question is to walk, not in faith, but in futility. We are required simply by reason of observation of the world in which we live and the simplest reflection of the experiences we share to evaluate the adequacies of the conclusions at which we have arrived.

Beginning the second Wednesday in September Fr. Pierce will convene a discussion group at 6:30PM to explore many of the biblical responses to the question.

Is suffering a punishment for sin?

Is suffering a test?

Is suffering beyond our understanding?

Is suffering simply to be accepted?

Is suffering a prelude to the apocalyptic "end time?"

There will be no text, but lots of lively discussion as we explore our experiences, observations and faith.



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