



SHOWING

SHOWING GOD'S LOVE TO ALL PEOPLE. COME SEE.

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Two Horses

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**The Rev. Canon Tanya V. Beck,
Priest-In-Charge**

should ask someone who will tell us the truth, someone who has our best interests at heart, and who will be present with us. Be discerning!

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Just up the road from my home is a field, with two horses in it. From a distance, each horse looks like any other horse. But if you stop your car, or are walking by, you will notice something quite amazing .

When the horse with the bell returns to the shelter of the barn each evening, it stop occasionally and looks back, making sure that the blind friend isn't too far behind to hear the bell. *Do we stop long enough to be sure that the blind one can catch up and get into a safe place, or are we too rushed? When we are blind we need time to find, acknowledge, and risk following the new path.*

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Looking into the eyes of one horse will disclose that he is blind. His owner has chosen not to have him put down, but has made a good home for him. *Where in our lives are we blind? Constantly repeating the same errors over and over. Who has chosen to stand by us, or not put us down and reject and abandon us, but rather stay present?*

Like the owners of these two horses, God does not throw us away just because we are not perfect, or because we have problems and challenges. He watches over us and even brings others into our lives to help us when we are in need.

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This alone is amazing. If you stand nearby and listen, you will hear the sound of a bell. Looking around for the source of the sound, you will see that it comes from the smaller horse in their field. Attached to the horse's halter is a small bell. It lets the blind friend know where the other horse is, so he can follow. *When we are the bell carrier---the helper---how do we let "the blind" we are guiding know where we are? Jesus said to remain alert and awake.*

Sometimes we are the blind horse being guided by the little ringing bell of those who God places in our lives. Other times we are the guide horse, helping others to find their way. Good friends are like that: you may not always see them, but you know that they are always there.

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Please listen for my bell and I'll listen for yours. And remember: be kinder than necessary---everyone you meet is fighting some kind of battle. Live simply, love generously, care deeply, speak kindly. Leave the rest to God.

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As you stand and watch these two friends, you'll see that the horse with the bell is always checking of the blind horse, and that the blind horse will listen for the bell and then slowly walk to where the other horse is, trusting that he will not be led astray. *As the blind one, do we stand and wait and listen? How do we choose a ball carrier we can trust, or do we simply accept the first one that comes to us? We*

Scheduled Meetings:

MEETING	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Finance Committee	May 6th	6:00 pm	Parish Library
Evangelism Committee	May 11th	6:00 pm	TBA
Vestry	May 11th	6:30 pm	Parish Library
Pastoral Care/Healing Training	May 18th	6:00 pm	Parish Library
Outreach Committee	May 25th	7:00 pm	Parish Library

Dear friends at St. Albans,

Spring is here, and we are grateful. May is a busy month for this congregation. Please review the calendar carefully, and let us know if there is anything we have forgotten to include. It's a real challenge when there is no-one full time on staff. Mary holds us all together; Patrick is here on Sundays; Kirsteen is here on Wednesdays and available to help with pastoral care other times in the week. Her Sabbath days are Mondays; call me rather than her on those days. You can always leave messages on the phones at the church. I am here one-third time, and presently that is Sundays, evenings and some on Monday, and all day Wednesday. My Sabbath day is Friday, so call Kirsteen, or leave a message at the church on those days.

There are several evening meetings in May to complete the work of the parish. I will be attending most of those meetings as I learn more and more about the workings of the parish. Committee heads: please let me know when you have meetings in which I should be participating. I look forward to those times.

Don't forget the great "fiery" dinner on the evening before Pentecost: Saturday, May 22! I will be having this at my house, and look forward to seeing many, many of you there. I'm just learning about this event. The Parish Life Committee knows it well: you can turn to them for further information.

Here's to a wonderful month!

Peace,

Tanya

Altar Flowers



The Worship Committee agreed to return to our former florist, Palmer Kelley, despite their increase in our weekly cost to cover delivery. The new weekly flower cost is \$45.00 per Sunday instead of \$35.00. Because we previously announced that the amount for 2010 would be \$35.00, if you feel that you cannot increase your donation, please know that the additional cost will be covered. This decision was made after attempts to make other floral arrangements proved to be challenging. Having the flowers delivered is a very important convenience for Altar Guild members and we have been happy with Palmer Kelley's quality for many years. If you have questions about this, please contact Joan Trendell.

Outreach News

- by Jeff Cichy

"In every community there is work to be done. In every nation there are wounds to heal. In every heart there is the power to do it." -Marianne Williamson

During the month of May we will be collecting new or gently used suitcases to donate to Youth Connections (www.youthconnections.org) – an organization in Johnson and Morgan counties to help at risk youth. Many times when a child is moved from their house to a foster home, all they are given to pack their belonging in is a plastic bag. The suitcases will be used so that the children will have something to call their own as they move their possessions to a new home. Please drop off your donations in the narthex.

On April 19th, nine parishioners attended a meeting to learn more details about the Starfish Initiative - a student mentoring organization. Jeff Schafer, the Communications Director, explained the success of the organization – 100% of the the "scholars" involved graduated from high school (the IPS graduation rate is 31%). If you would like to learn more – please check out the website (www.starfishinitiative.org) or contact Jeff Cichy.

The first Sunday of each, we have our Outreach Collection. You can designate the funds to be used at any of these organizations:

Horizon House: A resource center for the homeless located downtown. Horizon House is open during the day and early evening and provides facilities for the clients to take care of human needs (storage, food, laundry) as well as helping them secure a job and housing

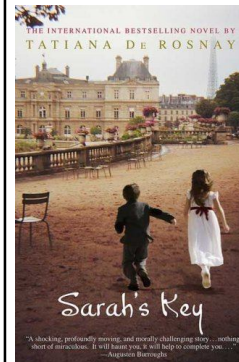
Dayspring: A shelter for homeless families on 16th and Central. The families can stay there for up to six weeks while they look for permanent housing

Damien Center: A resource center for people with HIV and Aids, located downtown off of Washington St.

Forrest Manor: A neighborhood center, which helps the people living in the NE section of the city.

Book Club

The next book club will be on Sunday June 6 at noon. At that time we will meet to discuss **Sarah's Key** by Tatiana de Rosney



"A powerful novel..."

Tatiana de Rosnay has captured the insane world of the Holocaust and the efforts of the few good people who stood up against it in this work of fiction more effectively than has been done in many scholarly studies. It is a book that makes us sensitive to how much evil occurred and also to how much willingness to do good also existed in that world."
--Rabbi Jack Riemer, South Florida Jewish Journal

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Ella Stotts on the recent birth of her **TWO** new great-granddaughters Ava and Allison born on April 1st!



Ava



Allyson

Baptismal Dates

Sunday, May 23, 2010	The Feast of Pentecost
A Sunday in July, 2010	T.B.A.
Sunday, November 7, 2010	All Saints' Sunday
Sunday, January 9, 2011	The Baptism of our Lord
Saturday April 23, 2011	The Great Vigil of Easter
Sunday, June 12, 2011	The Feast of Pentecost
A Sunday in August, 2011	T.B.A.
Sunday, November 6, 2011	All Saints' Sunday

St. Alban's Unplugged Schedule

Adult Christian

Education - Sundays 9:15 am

Adopt an Apostle Study Project. The first study will be a Celebration of Philip and James the Less.

Healing is:

A lifelong journey into wholeness.

Seeking harmony and balance in one's own life, in family, community, and global relations.

An instant of transcendence---above and beyond self.

Embracing what is most feared.

Opening what has been closed, softening what has been hardened into obstruction.

Creativity and passion and love.

Seeing and expressing self in its fullness, its light and shadow, its male and female.

Remembering what has been forgotten about connection, and unity, and interdependence among all things living and non-living.

Learning to trust life.

EURICA - St. Alban's Worship Ministries

EURICA is the new acronym for the Worship Ministries at St. Alban's. **E**-Eucharistic Lay Ministers, **U**-Ushers, **R**-Readers, **I**-Intercessors, **C**-Chalice Bearers, **A**-Acolytes/Altar Guild. The combined Worship Committees met on April 18th to discuss their roles and duties during our worship services.



Holy Eucharist

The **EURICA** team sets the Worship scene for the Eucharist. It is up to the people on the team to create a safe space for Worship - an environment that encourages listening, observance of silence, and a place of hope. The Nave needs to be void of confusion, noise, and hurry. The Altar is a sacred but NOT a somber place - after all, Resurrection is happening here!

If you are on the Lay Ministry schedule as an Eucharistic Lay Minister, Usher, Reader, Intercessor, Chalice Bearer or Acolyte/Altar Guild member and you were not able to attend the meeting, please contact Tanya for further information and instructions..

**SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2010 -
A DAY OF SERVICE**

Our Parish Life Together

During the Prayers of the People we pray for family and friends who are in crisis. Our continuing prayers are asked for those who are living with debilitating illness of body, mind or spirit and their caregivers; those suffering from addictions and their families; and those seeking employment. Please also hold in your thoughts and prayers those in our immediate family who are in nursing homes or are home bound.

Our Prayer List

Members of Our Parish Community

**Carrol Lively, Garnet Finn, Dottie Soule, Jack Rickert, Ann White,
Janice Croomes, Jeanne Atkins, Cheryl Scott, Peggy Inlow Lilly Lohman,
Georgia Duncan-Ladd, Thornton Kloss, Mattie Nieves
and Those Serving in the Armed Forces
Chris Wyatt and Amy and Gavin McIlvenna**

Friends and Family of Our Parish Community

Karl Samples,
Son-in-law of Edie Campbell

Stephanie,
Granddaughter of Marty Roman

Mike McConell,
Grandson of Howard and Eddie Patterson

Kenneth Harm,
Father of Margy Moorhead

Walter Sherman and Rick Vaughan

Barbara and Bob Nicholls

Jeff Payne,
Brother-in-law of Susan Cooper

Sarah

Cathy Finders-Shaver,
Co-worker of Mariann Scott

Nikkia Holder,
Co-worker of Mariann Scott



Happy Birthday!



May 1st
Eloise Gutherie

May 6th
Dennis Henry

May 11th
McCoy Wagers
Joyce Mellor

May 20th
Margy
Moorhead

May 21st
Marty Roman


May 23rd
Edith Campbell

May 27th
Jeff, Joe and Josh Ellis


May 29th
Joey Gray

May 31st
Whitney Smith

Sunday Worship Schedule
 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist (said service)
 10:30 am Holy Eucharist (choir)
 10:30AM Church School



May 2010



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 9:00am Choir 9:15am Adult Ed 3-5pm EFM 7pm AA	3 6pm CoDa Mtg 7pm Contemplative Prayer Group	4 5am-8pm Election Polling Site 6:45-8:45pm AI-Anon	5 10:15am Wed. Disc. Fellowship 7pm Finance Committee Mtg	6 7pm AA	7 8pm AA	8
9 9:00am Choir 9-10am Mother's Day Reception 9:15am Adult Ed 3-5pm EFM 7pm AA	10 6pm CoDa Mtg 7pm Contemplative Prayer Group	11 6:30pm Vestry 6:30pm Devington Community Assoc. 6:45-8:45pm AI-Anon	12 10:15am Wed. Disc. and Fellowship	13 7pm AA	14 8pm AA	15 9:00am-3:00pm Freetown Village Training
16 9:00am Choir 9:15am Adult Ed 3-5pm EFM 5pm Craine House 7pm AA	17 6pm CoDa Mtg 7pm Contemplative Prayer Group	18 6pm Pastoral Care/ Healing Training 6:45-8:45pm AI-Anon	19 10:15am Wed. Disc. and Fellowship	20 7pm AA	21 8pm AA	22 9:00am-3:00pm Freetown Village Training/Set-up 5pm Tongues of Fire Dinner
23 9:00am Choir 9:15am Adult Ed 3-5pm EFM 7pm AA	24 10am-1pm L. Coufal Meeting 6pm CoDa Mtg 7pm Contemplative Prayer Group	25 6:45-8:45pm AI-Anon	26 10:15am Wed. Disc. and Fellowship	27 7pm AA	28 8pm AA	29 9:00am-3:00pm Freetown Village Set-up
30 Day of Pentecost 9:00am Choir 9:15am Adult Ed 3-5pm EFM 7pm AA	31 Memorial Day Holiday Church Office Closed 6pm CoDa Mtg 7pm Contemplative Prayer Group	<u>WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE</u> MAY 5TH - HOLY EUCHARIST AND HEALING MAY 12TH, MAY 19TH, MAY 26TH HOLY EUCHARIST AND MORNING PRAYER				



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Worship times



SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
 (without music)
 9:15 a.m. Adult Education
 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
 (with music)
 10:30 a.m. Church School
 Childcare Available

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

St. Alban's Church Staff

The Rev. Canon Tanya V. Beck, Priest-In-Charge
 The Rev. Kirsteen Wilkinson
 Patrick Kronner, Organist, Choir Director
 Mary Tobey, Church Secretary
 Mariann Scott, Editor *Showing*
 Robin Edwards, Treasurer

Deana McGivern, Senior Warden
 Howard Patterson, Junior Warden

St. Alban's 2010 Vestry

Ella Stotts	(2011)
Jeff Cichy	(2011)
Georgia Ladd	(2013)
Deanna McGivern	(2011)
Howard Patterson	(2012)
Mariann Scott	(2012)
Barbara Cash	(2012)
Dennis Henry	(2013)
Gayle Johnson	(2013)