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CHURCH SCHOOL STARTS THIS SUNDAY

Registration begins at 9:00 a.m.; Classes at 9:30 a.m. Parents – please take your children to their classrooms (directions in the lobby), and then to go to the Fellowship Hall on the first floor for Registration and a short information meeting over coffee with Fr Dunbar.

GRADE SIX CONFIRMATION CLASS

After Registration (above), students and parents in the Confirmation Class are asked to sit in the reserved pews under the lectern during the 10:30 a.m. service.

MIDDLE SCHOOL - Third Floor Classroom on the right at the back

UPPER SCHOOL – *Save the Date* - First Meeting Sunday 23rd *after Church*

THURSDAY NOON MEN'S FORUM

Lunch and Teaching: Food for Body and Soul

Donation suggested - Guests Welcome

Teaching begins 12:10 p.m. ends 12:50 p.m..

Begins this Thursday September 13th

**"WHAT IS MAN? CHRIST'S QUESTION -
CHRIST'S ANSWER"** (Fr Dunbar)

IN PSALMS AND HYMNS AND SPIRITUAL SONGS

"Bis orat qui bene cantat", he prays twice who sings well: the Latin saying sometimes attributed to St. Augustine captures something true about the experience of sacred music. "He who sings praise" Augustine explains, "does not only praise, but also praises with joy; he who sings praise, is not only singing, but also is loving him of whom he is singing. In praise, there is the speaking forth of the one confessing [viz. faith, praise or thanks of God]; in singing there is the affection of the one loving" [*Enarratio in psalmum 72:1*]. It is a curious paradox of singing that it demands more from us than speaking does – more physical and mental effort to produce the

right note at the right time with the right words – yet it is also more liberating and energizing than speech. (That is why, for instance, people with speech defects often find it easier to sing words than speak them; and singing is a recognized element of some neural therapies.) That's true of all singing, especially group singing – but it is even more the case when we are confessing praise of God. Augustine's point is that when we *sing* the praise of Christ, something happens to us, we are caught up in the love of him who loves us.

That's why - even though we can and do worship God with speech alone - the *singing* of the word is the norm of Biblical worship: "teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord" (Colossians 3:16). "O come, let us sing unto the Lord; let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation: let us come before his presence with thanksgiving; and show ourselves glad

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STANDING NOTICES

The occasional Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony, Penance, Communion and Unction of the Sick, and the Office of Burial of the Dead are always available by appointment, at announced times, or as necessary.

HOSPITAL VISITATIONS

Please call the Church Office to inform the clergy if you or a loved one is in the hospital.

ST. JOHN'S WEB SITE

Parish Paper essays may be read on our web site:
www.stjohnssav.org

VESTRY OFFERING CHAIRMEN

8:00 Mr. Arthur D. Weed
10:30 Mr. Charles B. Compton, Jr.

USHER CHAIRMAN

Mr. R. Scott Howard

The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and memory of Mr. and Mrs. John Herbert Mather, Mr. William P. Thompson, and Mr. Robert M. Thompson by Mrs. William P. Thompson.
And in honor of the life of Col Lindsey P. Henderson, Jr. from his loving family.

And in loving memory of my parents, Sumner and Virginia Farwell by Rencie Schmidt.

And in memory of William B. McKinnon, Jr., Ethel N. McKinnon and Lynn Glendinning by Mr. and Mrs. John E. Simpson.

The flowers in the chapel on Wednesday are given to the glory of God in honor of Fr. Dunbar's birthday.

CHANCEL SOCIETY

Mrs. Carter C. Hubbard Sr., Mrs. Philip F. Kirk
Ms. Anne Mingledorff, Mrs Michael Donahue
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ACOLYTES

8:00 Clayton Compton
10:30 Lawson Turner
Chris Dixon, Charles Perrie
Lindsey Pindar. John Osborne
Turner Stevens, Jamie McClellan

COFFEE HOUR

Mrs. Alex Jarman

TUESDAY AND THURSDAY MORNING

Men's Bible Study & Discussion Groups

(READING ROOM, 3RD FLOOR, CRANMER HALL)

Tuesday 7:00 a.m. – *Ephesians* with Fr. O'Brien.

Thursday 7:00 a. m. — *Acts* with Fr. Dunbar

Women's Book Study & Discussion

Beginning Thursday, September 6th, the Study Group will be reading Dorothy Sayers *Mind of the Maker* with Fr. O'Brien.

BAZAAR BUSINESS

The **Canners** meet every Wednesday in the Cranmer Hall kitchen. Jane Pressly 233-6551.

A second Storage unit is available for **White Elephant and Treasure Room**, contact Betsy Howard at betsyd6@aol.com or 398-1326.

As the college football season gets under way, consider doubling or tripling your **SOUP OR CHILI** recipes in preparation for the Holly Days Bazaar! Easy to freeze in ziplock bags. Space is available in the Cranmer Hall kitchen freezer. Christiana Turner 912.308.0102 or Sherry Holtzclaw 912.897.3889.

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH IN YOUR WILL

in him with psalms” (Psalm 95).

The tradition of worship we inherit is richly musical, flowing from two sources -one of sophisticated "art music" originally composed for cathedral foundations, colleges and the chapels of the great; the other of robust popular hymnody sung in the parish churches. Since the 19th century, and the advent of surpliced choirs in parish churches, the two streams have flowed together; and on Sunday mornings Anglicans may expect to experience both the singing of congregational hymns, and the performance by a trained choir of anthems or choral settings by distinguished composers.

That's a very rich musical tradition to sustain, and it depends very much on the discipline of group singing - by congregations, and by choirs. Though the baby-boomers and subsequent generations are voracious consumers of music, they are not often producers, and have often developed sad inhibitions about singing, as if it were the preserve of a gifted elite. Yet for most people singing is a deeply satisfying skill that can be learned. Doing so is something I would encourage more parishioners to investigate. It would enrich their own experience of worship and bring glory to God in his Church. Dr. Taylor would be glad to help you do so!

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SUNDAY MORNING ADULT EDUCATION THIS FALL

One secret of a great Sunday morning experience is to begin studying, learning, and discussing some aspect of Christian faith, life, or culture. It “primes the pump” for worship.

- **The Thirty-Nine Articles of Religion** – Fr Dunbar (with Fr O’Brien) on this historic “formulary” of classical Anglicanism (Chapel - *starts September 16*)

- **Caffeine and Christianity: *the Faith, your Church, and why you should care*** – Jeremy Bergstrom leads a (caffeinated) discussion with adults in their 20's, 30's, 40's.... (Reading Room, Third Floor, Cranmer Hall – *(starts September 16)*)

- **Judgment and Expiation in Shakespeare’s History Plays** - David Noble leads a close and complete reading (in order) of the plays (Green-Meldrim House Library, 2nd Floor)

- **“Are you really *The One, or do I keep shopping?*”** – Jack Wray looks at five Old Testament Prototypes of Christ, and how they are fulfilled in Jesus of Nazareth (Cranmer Hall, Third Floor at back)

PARISH KALENDAR THIS WEEK

Monday to Thursday

8:15 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Morning or Evening Prayer

Friday 14th - HOLY CROSS DAY

8:15 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Holy Communion

with Morning or Evening Prayer

SAVE THE DATE –

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

Sunday **October 28th** (the Feast of St. Simon and St. Jude the Apostles) is our annual Stewardship (“Consecration”) Sunday and Brunch. Bishop Michael Hawkins of Saskatchewan will preach.

Please plan to attend!

8:00 A.M.—HOLY COMMUNION

Collect, Epistle, and Gospel 209
A continental breakfast is available in Cranmer Hall following this service.

9:00 a.m.—12 Noon: Nursery (Cranmer Hall)

9:30-10:15 a.m.—ALL AGES CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (Chapel, Cranmer Hall)

9:30 a.m.—Pre-school—6th Grade Summer Program (Cranmer Hall)

**10:30 a.m.—Pre-School program continues—3 year olds through Kindergarten (Cranmer Hall)
 Jr. Choir—1st through 4th grade**

10:30 A.M.—MORNING PRAYER AND SERMON

HYMN #109 *Come, Thou Holy Spirit, Come* Veni Sancte Spiritus
 Sentences, Confession, Absolution & Lord’s Prayer Prayer Book pp. 3-7
 Versicles and Responses 7-8
 VENITE (Hymnal #609) 9
 Psalms #84 445
 First Lesson: Galatians 5:16 209
 TE DEUM #615, 619 11
 Second Lesson, St. Luke 17:11 209
 BENEDICTUS (Hymnal #638) 14
 Apostles’ Creed 15
 Versicles and Responses 16
 Collect for the Day 209
 Other Collects and Prayers, the Grace 17-20
 HYMN #287 *Give Praise and Glory unto God* Elbing
 Children (1st through 4th grade) participating in Jr. Choir will exit following the Cross.
 SERMON Fr. Dunbar

OFFERING

Sentences
 Anthem: *Teach Me, O Lord* William Byrd
 Presentation of Alms: Doxology #139, and Hymn #141 (verse 4)
 Prayer and Blessing
 HYMN #564 *How Firm a Foundation* Lyons
 ORGAN: *Prelude & Fugue in C (BWV 547)* Johann Sebastian Bach

*Everyone is invited to attend the Coffee Hour in Cranmer Hall immediately following the 10:30 service.
 If you are a guest and visiting our Parish, please make yourself known.*

12 Noon HOLY COMMUNION in the Chapel. (Collect, Epistle, Gospel as 8 a.m.)