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PARISH KALENDAR THIS WEEK

Monday to Friday

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

Morning or Evening Prayer

In addition, on Wednesday

9:45 a.m. *Litany*

10 a.m. *Sung Eucharist*

VESTRY NOMINATIONS

Nominations for four five-year terms should be submitted in writing to the Nominating Committee or in a sealed envelope to the Church Office by November 6th, 2013.

The Annual Congregational Meeting is on Sunday, November 17th, 2013.

Nominees must:

1. Be Members of St. John's for at least 5 years;
2. Support St. John's financially;
3. Attend worship regularly at St. John's.

WILLIAM TYNDALE

This Sunday we may remember William Tyndale, who died on this day in 1536. Born about the year 1494, he was educated at Oxford and Cambridge, under the influence of the humanist rediscovery of classical languages and letters, the Bible, and the Church Fathers. While he was at Magdalen College, in 1516, Erasmus published his epoch-making edition New Testament - the first new translation (into Latin) from the original Greek since that of Jerome, over a thousand years before, and the first

publication in the west of the Greek text. Erasmus' New Testament had an enormous impact, not least on reformers like Martin Luther, who translated his version from Greek into the German vernacular in 1522. About the same time, Tyndale, now ordained a priest, began to make his English translation of the New Testament from Erasmus' Greek text. Refused permission to do so (for translations into the vernacular were illegal in England), Tyndale fled into exile on the continent, from which he was never to return. Beginning in 1526, copies of his New Testament were smuggled into England, and though the authorities bought, seized and burnt as many as they could find, tens of thousands of copies found their way into the hands and hearts of English Christians. Meanwhile, Tyndale also published a number of theological works. Once patronized as derivative, they have recently been recognized (by theologians like Oliver O'Donovan and Rowan Williams, among others) as original contributions to theology.

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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 M. Tyus Butler, Jr., Esq.

USHER CHAIRMAN

Mr. Sam Forkner

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH IN YOUR WILL

safely, as he thought, in Antwerp. When he was about half way through the work, he was betrayed to the local authorities, arrested, and spent sixteen months of deprivation in the fortress of Vilvorde, near Brussels, where he was interrogated by the heresy-hunting theologians of Louvain. Tyndale was a major catch – a particularly learned scholar, whose condemnation and execution as a heretic was a major propaganda victory. Publicly degraded from the priesthood, he was tied to a stake and strangled, after which his body was burned. His last words were, “Lord, open the King of England’s eyes”.

It would not be long before Tyndale’s prayer was answered. His translation was completed (by Miles Coverdale) and published in 1537 (“Thomas Matthew’s Bible”). In 1539, this work was absorbed into a new version, the “Great Bible”. By order of Henry VIII a copy was placed in each parish church in the land, and chapters from the Old and New Testament were ordered to be read daily at Mattins and Vespers.

Tyndale’s work was incorporated into later versions – especially the Authorized or King James version of 1611 – and it is to him that much of the excellence of that translation is due. The translators of the King James Bible can sometimes be over-literal (a problem when the Hebrew itself is obscure); but Tyndale had a gift for simplicity, clarity and accuracy. At a time when written English prose (where it existed) was usually labored and cumbersome, Tyndale pioneered a plain style which has entered into the common memory of English-speaking Christians and shaped the way we speak our language to this day. Phrase after phrase are still remembered and read as he rendered them: “with God all things are possible”, “In him we live and move and have our being”, “be not weary in well

doing”, “Behold, I stand at the door and knock”. We can pay him no higher honour than to lay these words to our hearts.

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BAZAAR NOTES

SILENT AUCTION: consider supporting the Bazaar with a Silent Auction donation. Some ideas to consider: Parties, Vacation Homes, Art, and Wine. Contact Coren Ross at mom4travel@aol.com or 912-398-6884

DO THE CHARLESTON IN SAVANNAH: Friday, 11/8 at 7 pm featuring the Jeremy Davis Equinox Quartet. Bar, food and fun! \$50 per person. To reserve place send check made out to St. John’s Bazaar to Patti Cooper at 39 Morningside Drive Sav 31410

LET’S GET CRAFTY: please give a handmade craft to the Bazaar! Drawings, paintings, something sewn, an ornament or wreath, even jewelry! Contact Marilyn Glen mglen41@gmail.com or (912) 897-6979

WAITRESSES NEEDED sign-up with Katie Solana at 660-3874 or solanaka@hotmail.com

TRASH TO TREASURE is still accepting teams! It’s easy and fun! Pull an item from the storage unit. Take a before photo. Convert a piece into something amazing! Submission due 11/12. Contact Erica Jarman at 398-0138 for more info.

WHITE ELEPHANT STORAGE: Church office has instructions for access to storage.

BOOKS; start gathering those books for the book sale (no magazines please!). Please separate old or valuable books (1st eds, autographed copies, very old, etc) as they will be priced separately. Contact Marilyn Solana (iohope41@aol.com) or Cameron Spencer (Cameron19spencer@aol.com)

MICHAELMAS BRASS

Additional gifts for the brass last Sunday were given to the glory of God, and:

in memory of Almon H. Williams, by Sylvia Williams;

with great appreciation of St. John’s Church by Mr. and Mrs. R. Gilbert Wells

in memory of Joanne Merritt by Mr. Robert J. Merritt

by Dr. and Mrs. Christopher Osteen;

by Mr. and Mrs. Gary Schubert

8 A.M.—HOLY COMMUNION

COLLECT, EPISTLE, and GOSPEL.....Prayer Book, page 215, 216
A continental breakfast is available in Cranmer Hall following this service.

9:30-12:00 Noon: NURSERY (Cranmer Hall)

9:30—10:15 A.M.: ALL AGES CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
Cranmer Hall and Conference Room.

9:30 A.M. – NOON: PRESCHOOL-PRE-KINDERGARTEN
(Cranmer Hall –activities for children during the 9:30 education and/or 10:30 service times)

10:30 A.M.—MORNING PRAYER AND SERMON

HYMN #567 *Lead Us, Heavn'ly Father, lead us* Dulce Carmen
 Sentences, Confession, Absolution and Lord’s Prayer Prayer Book pages 5-7
 Versicles, Responses and Lord’s Prayer 7-8
 VENITE (Hymnal #610)..... 9
 Psalm #103 466
 First Lesson: Proverbs 8 *Wisdom's call to learn her ways*..... *insert*
 JUBILATE DEO (Hymnal #645)..... 10
 Second Lesson: Ephesians 4:17 & St. Matthew 9:1..... 216
 BENEDICTUS (Hymnal #634)..... 14
 Apostles' Creed 15
 Versicles and Responses 16
 Collect for the Day..... 215
 Fixed Collects, other prayers, and the Grace 17-20
 HYMN #272 *Thou whose Almighty Word* Moscow
Children up to Grade Four may exit following the cross for Junior Choir
 THE SERMONFr. Dunbar

OFFERING

Sentences
 Anthem: *The Call* Harold W. Friedell
 Presentation of Alms: Doxology #139, and Hymn #141 (verse 4)
 Final Prayer and Blessing
 HYMN #282 *Praise my soul the king of Heaven* Lauda Anima
 ORGAN: *Paeon Oxeniensis*..... Paul Spicer

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

12 Noon—HOLY COMMUNION (Chapel) - Collect, Epistle, Gospel as at 8 a.m.