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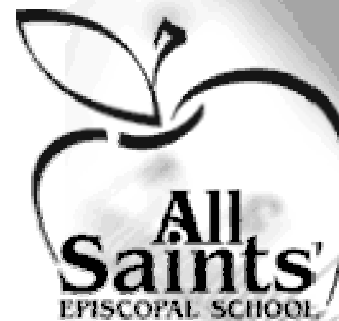
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*Please keep in your prayers
The following members of our Parish
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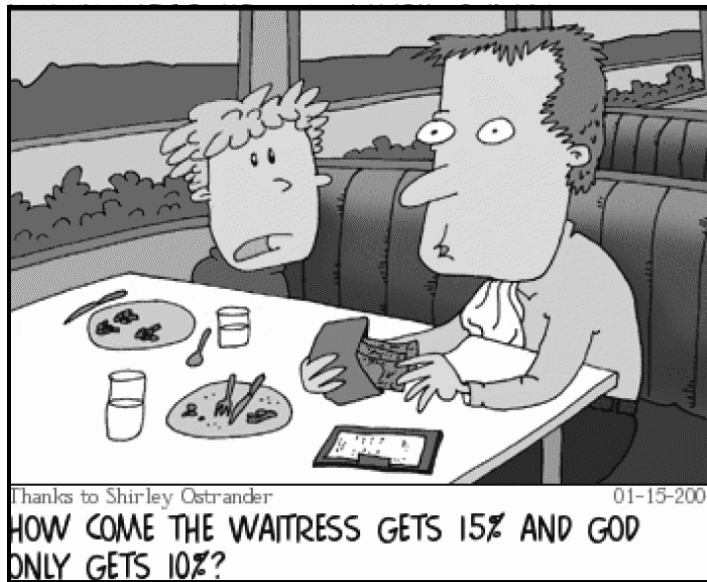
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FATHER TONY WRITES

My dear friends,

Summer is usually a relatively quiet time in most parishes. That has not been the case here at All Saints'. In July work began on the long awaited project to remove the carpet in the nave of the church, repair and re-surface the floor, and re-surface the pews. The chancel step, leading up to the choir, was widened – so please be aware of this when you come up to the altar.

DIFFERENCES

For 2 Sundays we worshipped in the parish hall. This was a different experience – something those who have worshipped in a mission hall were familiar with. I thank the altar guild, Homero & Ralph for their assistance with setting up the worship space for those 2 Sundays. On Sunday August 1st it was a great joy to return to our church for Sunday Mass. The Bishop of Northern Indiana, the Rt Revd Edward Little, preached at both Services, and was celebrant at the High Mass. Bishop Little inspired us with his sermon, and those of us who read his book on Philipians during Lent were pleased to hear him preach. The music at 10 am sounded magnificent, thanks to the new floor, and when we said the Angelus, it sounded like 300 people!



The removal of the carpet has increased the noise factor when we arrive at church. I ask everyone to be aware of this, and try to enter a little more quietly. Of course, we love to greet each other in a warm and friendly way, and I will not discourage that. However, for a long time the noise of chatter before the 10 am Mass has been a real problem. Sometimes I can hardly say my prayers before Mass – so it must be even harder for those already in church, trying to do the same.

PARISH ADMINISTRATION

The Vestry has also been busy during the summer. There has been so much parish business to deal with that 2 extra meetings were scheduled. In particular, we had to receive the audit report. This has been a long time coming. I am grateful to one of our 8 am parishioners, Lea Gray, for the work she has put into it, and for guiding the Vestry.

The facilities committee has been busy, of course. Following the completion of the work in the church they met to plan further works and projects over 3-5 years. The next major project will be the transformation of the hall kitchen and the addition of a new ladies wash-room and associated facilities. We are fortunate to have good income from our properties, which allows us to plan major work, as well as necessary maintenance and improvements.

STEWARDSHIP

Our annual stewardship appeal has also occupied the attention of the Vestry. As I was unable to find a chairman to form a stewardship committee this year, the Vestry has planned the campaign. It will be a little different this year. Instead of the dinner that we have



‘throughout this realm’ should be kept on the first Sunday in October, and this practice is commonly followed in England where the date of consecration is not known. The Revised Book of 1928 proposed the first Sunday in October, “if the day of consecration be not known.’ In the RC Church the dedication festival of the Lateran is kept throughout the Church on 9 Nov.; the observance of those of the other three principal Roman basilicas, those of Sts. Peter and Paul (S. Pietro in Vaticano and S. Paolo fuori le mura; 18 Nov.) and Santa Maria Maggiore (5 Aug.), is optional.

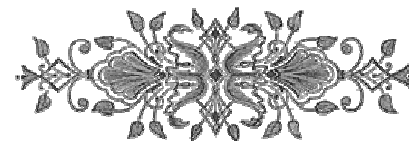
Propers for the Anniversary of the Dedication of a Church,
from the 1979 *Book of Common Prayer*:

Collect:

Almighty God, to whose glory we celebrate the dedication of this house of prayer: We give you thanks for the fellowship of those who have worshiped in this place, and we pray that all who seek you here may find you, and be filled with your joy and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Preface:

Through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, in whom we are built up as living stones of a holy temple, that we might offer before thee a sacrifice of praise and prayer which is holy and pleasing in thy sight.





the six principal parts—the blessing outside, the blessing in the middle of the church, the preparation for the construction of the altar, the actual consecration of the altar, the procession of the relics, and the blessing of the altar vessels, ornaments, etc.—followed finally by the Mass. In 1961 the rite was considerably simplified and further changes are expected.

According to modern western practice, a church may be dedicated either by solemn consecration or by simple blessing. The former may be performed only by the bishop and is confined to churches designed for permanent ecclesiastical use; the latter, which is intended for temporary churches and those built of wood or metal, may be performed also by a priest (cf. CIC, 1147, §1; 1165, §1). The distinction had its beginnings in the 4th-6th cents., when only churches containing relics were solemnly consecrated, as may be seen from a letter of Pope Vigilius (c. 538; J.P. Migne, PL lxix, 18) in which he stated that the celebration of Masses was in itself sufficient blessing for a church without relics. Later, however, solemn consecration was more widely used, irrespective of the presence of relics. In its later forms, the blessing is a short ceremony consisting of prayers and sprinkling with holy water, followed by Mass. Desecrated churches must be reconciled by a special rite.

The Feast of the Dedication is the annual celebration of the day of the dedication of the church and is to be kept, strictly speaking, only by consecrated churches. It is to be distinguished, of course, from the Patronal Feast. The first recorded observance of such a feast is that of the Dedication of the Church of the Anastasis (see *Holy Sepulchre*). In Jerusalem, described by Etheria, In 1536 the English Convocations ordered that the Feast of Dedication



had in recent years, we are having a parish luncheon on Sunday October 17th at 12.30 pm. Please note the date, and refer to page 7. Invitations will go out closer to the date.

PATRONAL FESTIVAL

All Saints' Day is on Monday, November 1st. We will celebrate our Patronal Festival the following Sunday, November 7th. As well as special Masses in the morning, we will, as usual, have Evensong followed by a reception at 5.00 pm.

CENTENARY OF THE CHURCH

For some time we have been planning to celebrate the centenary of our church in 2012. Some people were confused about this, as in 1997 there was a celebration of the centenary of the founding of the parish. Although that was of great significance, it is the anniversary of the church building, not the formation of a congregation, that is celebrated with honor in church tradition. The laying of the foundation stone is the event that is commemorated in the Book of Common Prayer, with both a special Collect and Preface. For Christians, a church building is not only a sacred space, it is where the Eucharist and other sacraments are celebrated. It is also points to the majesty of God and is symbolic of his presence amongst his people. I write about the significance and importance of this in my Church Teaching series on pages 13/16.

2012

The foundation of All Saints' Church was laid on June 10th, 2012. The program to celebrate the centenary was outlined in the parish magazine of August 2009, and includes a festival Mass on Sunday June 10th, a



dinner on the harbor and a flower festival in the church. Cheryl Evans has kindly agreed to chair the committee overseeing the celebrations. If you would like to help in any way, please speak to her.

ORGAN PROJECT

At its annual consultation last year the Vestry proposed an organ refurbishing project to mark the centenary. Our organist, Robert MacLeod, presented an outline of suggested works, and this was published in the magazine last August. A sub-committee was formed in February, and they reported back to the Vestry in July that there was no major work needed at this time. I thank those who were prepared to donate to this project. I am open to any other suggestions to mark the centenary.

ANOTHER CONCERT

On Friday August 13th the Ron Gillis Singers presented a wonderful concert in the parish hall. Ron is the lead tenor in our choir, and a gifted composer. Last December his singers presented a performance of Christmas music he has composed, and we were thrilled. The August concert was called, *Sacred Music - Volume I*. It featured several well known words set to new music, and other completely new compositions from Ron. It began with a hymn that I have introduced at All Saints', *King of Kings and Lord of Glory*, set to a tune composed by Ron. I was honored, and am very grateful to Ron.

We look forward to another Christmas concert from Ron in December.



remind us that the church is a pilgrim community, with its eyes set on Heaven. There are no greater scriptural references to this than Psalm 84, "Oh how amiable are Thy dwellings, Thou Lord of Hosts," and Psalm 122, "I was glad when they said unto me, 'we will go into the house of the Lord.'"

From earliest times the dedication of a church was accompanied by great ceremony. The modern rite for the consecration of a church includes blessings with incense, holy water, and processions. It involves more than setting aside a sacred space for worship, since the people who have built it are themselves the church. As St. Peter says, echoing Exodus 19:6, "You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God" (1 Peter 2:9).

A church also calls to mind St. Paul's teaching that we are living stones, building a spiritual house, Jesus Christ himself being the head cornerstone. All these scriptural images come to mind when we see a church, and worship at its' altar.

The dedication of a church conjures up images we associate with other dedications, involving the commitment of those involved, as well as the joy and hope that such a dedication inspires.

The following is from:

The Oxford Dictionary of the Christian Church:

Dedication of Churches. The earliest recorded instance of the dedication of a Christian church is that of the cathedral at Tyre in 314, described in the 'oratio panegyrica' of Eusebius (H.E., X.3f.). There is a 7th century formulary in the Gelasian Sacramentary consisting of prayers, blessings, and sprinklings with holy water. In the following cents. the ritual had reached in essentials the form used in modern times, as is witnessed by the 'Pontifical' of Durandus. It contains already



CHURCH

TEACHING SERIES #22

The Dedication of a Church:

We are accustomed to celebrating anniversaries, notably birthdays and weddings. Church tradition has always highlighted the anniversary of a church, and for various reasons. Firstly, it is the home of a faith community, which is itself the church, and part of the greater church. Its primary purpose is to provide a place set apart for the worthy celebration of the Eucharist - put simply, a roof over the altar.

In the 1979 Prayer Book there is a Collect and a Preface for the Anniversary of the Dedication of a Church. Technically, this is celebrated on the day that the foundation stone was laid. Many churches celebrate this day with great joy every year, as they give thanks for all the blessings they receive in and through the church building. The hymnal contains several hymns for such a celebration, including, *Christ is Made the Sure Foundation*, sung to the well-known tune, Westminster Abbey.

But a church is more than just a meeting place for God's people. The building is often beautiful, designed to reflect the majesty of God. It reminds us of the transcendence of God, who chose to dwell amongst his ancient people in the Tabernacle and the Temple. A Christian church is a mirror of the Temple in Jerusalem, where sacrifice was offered to the Almighty. It contained nothing but the best - and so a church also contains beautiful things.

Inside a church are aids to prayer and symbols for our worship, as well as such things as the altar and font. They



RECTOR'S ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

I know we are all pleased with the way Melissa Lamar has settled into her position. Recently the Vestry approved a pay-rise, following the usual three month review. I have been asked about the title, Rector's Administrative Assistant. This was decided by the Personnel Committee when we were drawing up the job description. We wanted to make clear that it was a different job to parish administrator.

Melissa is my secretary – however, she is also available to committee chairs and roster coordinators, as well as being the first person parishioners encounter when they visit or phone the office. As Melissa does not know every member of the parish, she will usually refer to me before giving information about parishioners over the phone. I have also made it known that her office is not to be a waiting room for chat and gossip!

It is interesting to note the various titles our secretaries have worked under:

Nell-Leone Watling: Executive Secretary

Jean Lindgren: Rector's Secretary

Terry McArthur: Parish Administrator

Melissa Lamar: Rector's Administrative Assistant

Occasionally I loan books to parishioners, and then forget! If anyone has a copy of the book, *Gospel Parallels*, I would be glad to know.

This comes, as always, with my blessings and prayers,

F. Tony



Parish Annual Luncheon

Sunday, October 17, 2010
12:00pm

Please join us for fellowship
and a wonderful luncheon.



RSVP to the Parish Office by October 8th



In Japan we saw the serene temples and gardens of Kyoto, and Mount Fuji, surrounded by cherry trees in full flower. We visited three of the islands - Kyushu, Honshu, and Hokkaido where I sampled a local delicacy - black squid ice cream.

Petropavlovsk, Siberia is surrounded by volcanoes, cannot be reached by road, and houses Russia's largest submarine base. It was very cold - snow falling - so I stayed aboard ship and enjoyed it from a distance as I walked my daily two miles round the Promenade Deck.

During the Pacific crossing a U.S. Coast Guard helicopter hovered above us as a sick passenger was winched aboard and flown to Kodiak Island - ironically, not one of the many seniors but a man in his twenties suffering from liver failure.

There were a few elderly celebrities to entertain us - Larry Hagman (the evil JR) with stories of his mother, Mary Martin; Sam Donaldson, long-time White House correspondent; and somebody I'd never heard of: Doc Severinson, who worked with Johnny Carson. Kitty Kelley, of the tell-all biographies, was supposed to be aboard but stayed home to go on a book tour touting her latest revelations about Oprah.

It was a marvelous cruise with lots of familiar faces from 2008; the two voyages took me to all seven continents and many exiting new places, but I'm very glad to be safely home in San Diego which, for me, will always be an exotic, foreign, port...

Sheila Hilliard.



Victoria Falls where the waters of the Zambezi thunder over a high cliff: we were provided with long waterproof ponchos to protect from the spray which turns the surroundings into a rain-forest and makes the stone pathways slippery. One of the most popular souvenirs from the devastated country of Zimbabwe is a banknote for some outrageous amount arising from its incredible rate of inflation of 98% every 24 hours - I have one for ten million dollars! Since April 2009 Zimbabwe has abandoned printing banknotes. Nearby Botswana is very different - a stable, prosperous, country where we stayed three days at a safari lodge.

The Seychelles stop was cancelled - too near pirate haunts! The Maldives, a Muslim country some 450 miles south of Sri Lanka, consists of 26 atolls in which the highest point is seven and a half feet! Because of rising sea levels, in 2008 the President announced the search for a new homeland, possibly in India or Australia.

Kuala Lumpur, capital of Malaysia, is clean and well-run with very imaginative architecture from the colonial railway station, which looks like a Moorish palace, to the twin towers, until 2004 the tallest buildings in the world.

It was over a hundred degrees at the 12th century jungle temple of Angkor Wat so I was glad to take a ride atop an elephant. It is only twelve years since the end of the civil war in Cambodia and we were shown a Buddhist temple with a tall column containing hundreds of skulls from the "killing fields".

I was in Shanghai 30 years ago and there have been enormous changes: then there were only bicycles, now lots of cars and an elevated railway speeding at over 400 kilometers an hour; and today futuristic gleaming towers rise on the river bank opposite the dignified, grey, European buildings on the Bund; this summer the city expects 70 million visitors to its Exposition. China's Great Wall has, of course, remained very much the same for hundreds of years!



Patronal Festival



Sunday, November 7, 2010
Sunday after All Saints Day

8:00am Low Mass
 10:00am Procession and High Mass
 5:00pm Evensong and Benediction
 Followed by a reception in the Parish Hall



The Travels of: *Sheila Hillard*



The classic world cruise travels from Florida through the Panama Canal, the isles of the Southern Seas, Australia, the Orient, India, the Suez Canal, Mediterranean and home across the Atlantic, and that is what I did in 2008. In 2010, on the same ship, Holland America Line's "Amsterdam", the four-month voyage again began in

Florida, transiting the Canal, but then turned down the west coast of South America, past Cape Horn to Antarctica, east to Africa, the Indian Ocean islands, revisited India and the Orient, continued through China, Korea, Japan, Siberia and crossed the Pacific via Vancouver and Seattle to Los Angeles. Because we were traveling east we gained a day crossing the International Date Line and repaid it in a series of 23-hour days, changing the hour, not in the middle of the night, but after lunch!

Weather impacted two of our South American destinations: Cusco, Peru, an old, walled town of cobbled streets, at a height of 11,000 feet - we drank copious amounts of coca tea to counteract altitude sickness. Here we stayed at a hotel built as a monastery in 1592; and next day travelled fifty miles by luxury train trundling down a single track beside a fast-flowing river to Machu Picchu at 8,000 feet, a mysterious 15th century Incan stronghold between inaccessible mountain peaks, abandoned after about a hundred years and becoming the "lost city of the Andes", only rediscovered in 1911 by a group of explorers from Yale. We were there on



January 18; a week later, after torrential rains, two thousand tourists were stranded at Machu Picchu for four days, finally being rescued by helicopter. The railway, with the hiking trail the only way to reach the site, reopened at the beginning of April.

Robinson Crusoe Island is four hundred miles off the coast of Chile and here, in 1704, an obnoxious pirate Alexander Selkirk was marooned, alone, by his exasperated shipmates and spent four years before being rescued. This inspired Daniel Defoe to write his novel "Robinson Crusoe" - hence the island's name today. It is a beautiful mountainous place with one small settlement of fishing families (about 500 people) and we spent a happy afternoon there on January 23. A month later, following the earthquake, it was struck by a tsunami: the village was destroyed and five people died.

Drake's Passage between the tip of South America and the Antarctic Peninsula is famous for rough weather but we sailed to the white continent in stately comfort. I had been there in 2007 on an expedition ship and waded ashore from a Zodiac dinghy but on this ocean liner of around 1300 passengers we simply cruised for three days among the icebergs and penguin rookeries. We were prevented from landing at the Falkland Islands by high seas. Consequently our next port of call after the snow flurries of Antarctica was Buenos Aires languishing in summer temperatures in the nineties.

Following a wonderful day trip to Iguazu Falls on the Argentine/Brazilian border, eight days across the South Atlantic brought us to Namibia - the name means "empty place" - an arid desert land where we saw shifting sand dunes, an abandoned diamond mining town, and the pretty old German seaside resort of Swakopmund.

South Africans were very excited about the Soccer World Cup and we saw the new stadium in Cape Town. We flew to magnificent