

# *The Chart*

## *April 2007*

### ***Letter from the Rector***

April 11, 2007

Dear Friends,

This is the 'late' edition of the *Christ Church Chart*. Holy Week and Easter made us a little 'crazed' in the office and we are just beginning to recover.

I want to thank all of you who made Holy Week and Easter so wonderful at Christ Church this year. Although many were away from Manhasset because of the spring holiday at the schools, the church was filled for the main Easter service, the music was terrific, the church was beautiful and spirit was great. Special thanks are due to the Altar Guild, the Christ Church Choir, acolytes and ushers, lay readers, Eucharistic ministers and especially Kathy Hoffman, our devoted secretary. In addition I wish to thank all who contributed to the flower and music funds. Your generosity helped make our Easter celebration memorable.

As most of you know, Christ Church has signed an agreement with Michael Puntillo, a local developer, to sell to him the property at 66 George Street and a portion of the Christ Church campus. The process is complex and will take time. Since Christ Church held its property prior to the creation of zoning within Manhasset, the Christ Church campus is not zoned. When Christ Church sells any of its property, that property must come into conformity with zoning regulations. This makes the sale of property time consuming. Part of that process is the subdivision of property, which requires permission of the Town of North Hempstead and the County of Nassau. The process is also expensive. Thankfully, the prospective purchaser of the property is assuming the costs of subdivision and zoning changes. To get to this point, however, we have had to count on the kindness of friends and parishioners. I am especially appreciative for help given by Lisa and Mark Winters, who have done our complex title searches. I will keep you informed of progress (and bumps in the road).

Finally, through the kindness of the Altar Guild and the hard work of Enrique Valdes, our sexton, we have a renovated bathroom in the church. The bathroom has been in need of renovation since I was at Christ Church more than thirty years ago! The renovation was not without challenges (a rooted floor and strangely-sized drainage pipes were especially vexing), but Enrique persevered and the bathroom was finished before Holy Week.

This comes with my best wishes.

Sincerely,

Rev. David B. Lowry

## Choir Rehearsals

--There will be no Adult Choir on Sunday, April 15. Adult choir rehearsal resumes as normal on Thursday, April 19.

--The Junior Choir will not rehearse again until after the 10 a.m. service on Sunday, April 22.

--There will be a meeting of parents of Junior Choristers immediately after the 10 a.m. service on Sunday, April 29.

## Music notes from Kyle Babin, Organist & Choir Master

I wish to thank all who contributed so generously to the music at Easter. Christ Church was filled to the steeple with glorious, joyful music. Again, many thanks to all who participated in the Easter program.

The Adult Choir will be taking a much needed break on Sunday, April 15. The Junior Choir resumes rehearsal on Sunday, April 22 after a month-long hiatus from singing. Even after Easter there are exciting musical events in the liturgy, so stay tuned! And we will close our choir season this year on Sunday, June 10 with a Choral Evensong, so put it on your calendars.

## Children's Orchestra Society Presents Final Masterworks Series Recital

Please save the date as all are invited to The Children's Orchestra Society's presentation of its final Masterworks Series Recitals by violinist Sheila Reinhold and pianist Doris Stevenson, performing works by Beach, Brahms, and Gabriela Frank on **Sunday, April 22 at 8pm** here at Christ Church. This concert is sponsored by the Town of North Hempstead Business and Tourism Development Corporation and is dedicated to celebrating Albert Schweitzer's ethic of Reverence for Life. For more information please pick up a flyer in the rear of the church.

## Christ Church Parish Invited to Organ Recital

Please save the date **Tuesday, May 1 at 8pm**, all are invited to an organ recital by our own Kyle Babin at The Church of Saint Mary the Virgin, New York City, 145 West 46<sup>th</sup> Street (between 6 and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenues) Admission: FREE OF CHARGE. Music of Couperin, Alain, Franck, and Vierne

## Religious Biography for April: Martin Luther

On Wednesday, April 25, at 7:30 pm those interested in discussing the life of Martin Luther will meet in the Guild Room. Martin Luther was **the** seminal actor in the German Reformation and his influence was felt throughout Europe, including in England. In addition to being a theological reformer, Luther was a gifted linguist (his translation of the Old and New Testaments into German was the basis for modern German philology) and a powerful political figure. Like many important figures in religious and political history, Luther was an extraordinarily complex person. The two biographies we are using to look at Luther are Martin Marty's *Martin Luther* and Heiko Oberman's *Luther: Man between God and the Devil*. We still have a few copies of those books at the church. The cost is \$10 per book. Even if you are unable to read one of the books, there is much to be learned at the discussion—so please consider joining us!

## Formal Admission to the Holy Eucharist on May 6

Many of our young people start receiving communion at a very young age. That is good thing. As our children get older, we like to take the opportunity to instruct them about what they have been doing and to allow others who have waited until they were older to learn about the center of our worship life, the Holy Eucharist. On Saturday, May 5, we will have an hour-long class at 3:00 pm in the chapel in the Parish House for children 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and above who have not been formally admitted to communion. The following day (Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>) we will admit the young people as part of our 10:00 am celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Please contact Arlene Blocker or the Parish Office if you would like more information.

## Parenting Seminar at Christ Church on May 6

Lisa Lempel-Sander, a counselor who works with children and families, will make an informal at Christ Church on Sunday, May 6 at 4:00 pm. She will speak about disciplining children with love and consistency. She will also deal with how parents can deal creatively with their differing ideas about and styles of discipline as well as setting limits within a family context. Christ Church will provide child care during the session. Refreshments will be served.

## Donations for Episcopal Relief and Development Still Being Received

In Holy Week we received \$482 for Episcopal Relief and Development to go toward the Millennium Development Goals (MDG2). These funds will be used for the Episcopal Relief and Development Program in Zambia, which is partnering with the Mindolo Ecumenical Foundation, to ensure that the vulnerable children of Zambia will have an opportunity to attend school by providing school fees, food and educational supplies.

We would like to even our contributions somewhere near \$1000. We hope you can help us reach that goal. Please make your checks out to "Episcopal Relief and Development" and note Zambia MDG2. For those of us who participate in matching gifts programs at our work places, your gift will be eligible for a match.

### ***SUNDAY READINGS AND ALTAR FLOWER MEMORIALS FOR THE REMAINDER OF APRIL:***

#### **EASTER 2 – APRIL 15, 2007**

Acts 5:12, 17-22,25-29; Psalm 111; Revelation 1:9-19; John 20:19-31

#### **EASTER 3 – APRIL 22, 2007**

Acts 9:1-19; Psalm 33; Revelation 5:6-14; John 21:1-14

Altar flowers are given in memory of Jeffrey Ivers  
by Will and Phyllis Ivers

#### **EASTER 4 – APRIL 29, 2007**

Acts 13:15-16, 26-33; Psalm 100; Revelation 7:9-17; John 10:22-30

Altar flowers are given in memory of Doreen Wedeking  
by the Stewart Family

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## Happy Birthday!!

*We are pleased to congratulate these friends and parishioners who have birthdays during this month...* Betsy Hill Ciaccio, Nicholas Cyprus, Michael Ryan, Bob Carpenter, Lucy Chaly, Emma McMahon, Christine Allen, William Allen, Analiese Deosaran, Jane Lightcap, Peter Anzel, Allison Melichar, Alex John Storzum, Kate Phillips.

## Happy Anniversary!!!

*Our congratulations to all those friends and parishioners celebrating their wedding anniversaries for this month...* Ted and Carole Beinecke, Lou and Marge Trapp, Bob and Betts Carpenter, Ward & Peggy Wright, William and Terry Riggan, Warren and Susan Mazek.

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