

Dates to remember

February Food collection - Soups

- February 10 – 7pm Vestry
February 14 – Morning Prayer, Jeff Edmister officiating
Valentine Brunch after service
February 16 – 4pm Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
February 17 - Ash Wednesday
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March Food collection - Peanut Butter & Jelly

- March 10 – 7pm Vestry
March 12 - **Pious Press Deadline**
March 13 - Change clocks ahead 1 hour tonight!!
March 14 – Pastor Judith will stay at St. John's
Soup & Bread Lunch after service
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- April 1 - Maundy Thursday
April 2 - 11am Stations of the Cross for Good Friday
April 3 - 10am Blessing of Food Baskets & Easter Egg Hunt
April 4 – EASTER DAY
April 9-10 Deanery Youth Group Lock-In
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Diocesan Youth Events:

Visit www.eyouthwny.org for more information:

- Jr. High program survey
- The Bishop's Ball, February 13th @ Holy Apostles
- Happening Weekend #26, April 16th- 18th,
registration deadline: March 13th

March 28	Palm Sunday Noon – Easter Egg Hunt and ECS Basket Auction at St. Andrew's
March 29	7pm Contemplative Prayer Service at St. John's
March 30	7pm Stations of the Cross at St. John's
March 31	7pm Contemplative Evensong at St. John's
April 1	6pm Maundy Thursday: Agape Meal at St. Andrew's 8pm Stripping of the Altar and Overnight Vigil at St. John's
April 2	Good Friday: 11 am Stations of the Cross at St. John's 7pm Service of Tenebrae at St. Andrew's
April 3	Holy Saturday: 10 am Blessing of Easter Foods & Easter Egg Hunt

Burnt Biscuits...

When I was a kid, my mom liked to make breakfast food for dinner every now and then. And I remember one night in particular when she had made breakfast after a long, hard day at work. On that evening so long ago, my mom placed a plate of eggs, sausage and extremely burned biscuits in front of my dad. I remember waiting to see if anyone noticed! Yet all my dad did was reach for his biscuit, smile at my mom and ask me how my day was at school. I don't remember what I told him that night, but I do remember watching him smear butter and jelly on that biscuit and eat every bite!

When I got up from the table that evening, I remember hearing my mom apologize to my dad for burning the biscuits. And I'll never forget what he said: "Honey, I love burned biscuits."

Later that night, I went to kiss Daddy good night and I asked him if he really liked his biscuits burned. He wrapped me in his arms and said, "Your Momma put in a hard day at work today and she's real tired. And besides - a little burnt biscuit never hurt anyone!"

You know, life is full of imperfect things....and imperfect people. I'm not the best at hardly anything, and I forget birthdays and anniversaries just like everyone else.

What I've learned over the years is that learning to accept each others faults - and choosing to celebrate each other's differences - is one of the most important keys to creating a healthy, growing, and lasting relationship.

And that's my prayer for you today. That you will learn to take the good, the bad, and the difficult parts of your life and lay them at the feet of God. Because in the end, He's the only One who will be able to give you a relationship where a burnt biscuit isn't a deal-breaker!

We could extend this to any relationship. In fact, understanding is the base of any relationship, be it a husband-wife or parent-child or friendship!

"Don't put the key to your happiness in someone else's pocket - keep it in your own."

God Bless You...Now, and Always...

So please pass me a biscuit, and yes, the burnt one will do just fine!! And PLEASE pass this along to someone who has enriched your life...I just did!



Support Our Troops-Giving from the Heart

It is our goal to ship care packages in time for Valentine's Day, so please keep our servicemen and women in mind as you shop.

A donation box is set up in the lobby at Briody Health Care Facility in Lockport, and we will have a box in the Parish Hall. Items needed include: deodorant, shower to shower body powder, toothbrushes, toothpaste, disposable cameras, Ziploc bags, powdered drink packages (for water). playing cards, dice, hacky-sacks, inflatable pillow, dominoes, koozies to keep water bottles and cans cool, AA batteries, D batteries, air fresheners (like stick-ups), stress relief squeeze balls, hand and face wipes, travel size games, shoelaces for gym shoes and boots, hand warmers, razors, ink pens, word puzzle books, icy/hot patches, air activated heat wraps for sore muscles, foot powder, baby wipes, after-shave lotion, mouth wash, eye drops, lip balm, liquid hand sanitizer, nail files (not metal), stationery, electronic handheld games, mini fans, bandanas (black, tan, or OD green).

If you have a loved one currently serving overseas, that you would like us to include, please give their name to me. Notify Denise Failla at 751-9649 or at drfailla252@roadrunner.com

A View from Our Youth Deanery Youth Group

The Deanery Youth Group had a busy holiday season! In December we shared the gift of music by singing Christmas carols at the Lockport Presbyterian of a call to action on global warming by global climate change. A big "thank you" Arnold House!



The gift of generosity was shared Andrew's, Grace Church, St. John's Diocesan Disaster Relief fund and \$376 for ERD's "gifts for life". Among the "gifts" chosen were shares of a pig, cow, flocks of chickens, drought-resistant seeds and tools, and the provision of food to "little scholars". We celebrated our 2010 birthdays with games and a taco and sundae bar at Christ Church. Again, many thanks to those who helped with our meal and meeting!

holiday season! In December we shared the gift of music by singing Christmas Home. Then we used our muscle power to help ring Grace Church's bell as part the World Council of Churches in conjunction with the Copenhagen summit on to the members of Grace church who provided us with refreshments at the

through our annual *Gifts for Life* collection in January. The parishes of St. Youngstown, St. John's Wilson, and St. Paul's raised a total of \$364 for our through our annual *Gifts for Life* collection in January. The parishes of St. Youngstown, St. John's Wilson, and St. Paul's raised a total of \$364 for our

Next Meeting!

"Souper* Bowl"/ Valentine's Cookie-Making!

Sunday February 7th, 1-3pm

St. Andrew's, Burt

Enjoy a light lunch and

cookie making before the big game!

The cookies we make and decorate will go to those in need of cheer in our lives and congregations. *Bring a can of soup to donate to the local food pantry*

Episcopal Relief & Development

Please keep Episcopal Relief & Development in mind. Our hearts, like yours, continue to be with Haiti in the wake of last week's devastating earthquake. We are grateful for the Church's compassion and support in helping Episcopal Relief & Development and the Episcopal Diocese of Haiti respond to the overwhelming needs. Please keep holding the people of Haiti in your prayers.

For the most up-to-date information and to donate to the relief efforts, please visit www.er-d.org/HaitiCrisis.

Even as we begin addressing Haiti's massive challenges, Episcopal Relief & Development also must continue focusing on the many other needs around the world. The upcoming Lenten season is an opportunity for Episcopalians to reflect on our lives and our relationships with a world in need.

As Lent draws near, we would like to remind you about Episcopal Relief & Development Sunday on February 14

At the 2009 General Convention, Lent was officially designated as a time to encourage all Episcopalians to remember and support the life-saving work of Episcopal Relief & Development. Each congregation is invited to join together during Lent to pray for those impacted by poverty worldwide and consider a special offering toward ER-D's mission



Altar Schedule

DATE	DAY	TIME	SERVICE	COLOR	MEMBER
Jan. 31	4 th Sunday after Epiphany	9:00am	Eucharist	Green	Lois Bateman
Feb. 4	Anointing & Bible Study	11:00am	Eucharist	Green	Lois Bateman
Feb. 7	5 th Sunday after Epiphany	9:00am	Eucharist	Green	Allison Carter
Feb. 11	Anointing & Bible Study	11:00am	Eucharist	Green	Allison Carter
Feb. 14	Last Sunday After Epiphany	9:00am	Eucharist	Green	Gail Freischlag
Feb. 17	ASH WEDNESDAY		Eucharist	Purple	Gail Freischlag
Feb. 21	1 st Sunday in Lent	9:00am	Eucharist	Purple	Milie High
Feb. 25	Anointing & Bible Study	11:00am	Eucharist	Purple	Milie High
Feb. 28	2 nd Sunday in Lent	9:00am	Eucharist	Purple	Jean Reid
March 4	Anointing & Bible Study	11:00am	Eucharist	Purple	Jean Reid
March 7	3 rd Sunday in Lent	9:00am	Eucharist	Purple	Lois Bateman
March 11	Anointing & Bible Study	11:00am	Eucharist	Purple	Lois Bateman
March 14	4 th Sunday in Lent	9:00am	Eucharist	Rose	Allison Carter
March 18	Anointing & Bible Study	11:00am	Eucharist	Purple	Allison Carter
March 21	5 th Sunday in Lent	9:00am	Eucharist	Purple	Gail Freischlag
March 25	Anointing & Bible Study	11:00am	Eucharist	White	Gail Freischlag
March 28	PALM SUNDAY	9:00am	Eucharist	Red	Milie High
April 1	Maundy Thursday				Milie High
April 2	Good Friday		Cross veiled in Black		Milie High
April 4	EASTER SUNDAY	9:00am	Eucharist	White	Jean Reid

Lessons

Service Date	Lector	Prayers of the People	Lay Reader	Chalice	Crucifer	C 1 st Acolyte	2 nd Acolyte
February 7 Epiphany 5	Kirsten Rodgers	Sharon Rhodes	Jeff Edminster	Allison Carter	All Acolytes		
February 14 Transfiguration Sunday	Mike Kerwin	Jacquie Rodgers	Allison Carter	Sharon Rhodes	Nick Failla		
February 17 Ash Wednesday							
February 21 Lent 1	Jacquie Rodgers	Allison Carter	Jeff Edminster	Gail Freischlag	Nick Failla	Michael Pyskaty	
February 28 Lent 2	Allison Carter	Kirsten Rodgers	Keith Rhodes	Mike Kerwin	Johnnie Carney	Brian Kerwin	Matthew Pyskaty
March 7 Lent 3	Justin Naylor	Robyn Krueger	Sharon Rhodes	Robin Schulmeister	All Acolytes		
March 14 Lent 4	Robyn Krueger	Sharon Rhodes	Jacquie Rodgers	Keith Rhodes	Nick Failla	Brian Kerwin	Jared Carney
March 21 Lent 5	Kirsten Rodgers	Jacquie Rodgers	Jeff Edminster	Sharon Rhodes	Johnnie Carney	Michael Pyskaty	
March 28 Palm Sunday	Janet Hoffman	Kirsten Rodgers	Allison Carter	Robin Schulmeister	Johnnie Carney	Matthew Pyskaty	
If you are unable to fulfill your commitment, please find a replacement, or contact Pastor Lee! Thank you!							

Reader Schedule

Sunday	First Lesson	Psalms	Epistle	Gospel
February 7 Epiphany 5	Isaiah 6:1-13	138	1 Corinthians 15:1-11	Luke 5:1-11
February 14 Transfiguration	Exodus 34:29-35	99	2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2	Luke 9:28-43
February 17 Ash Wednesday	Isaiah 58:1-12	51:1-17	2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10	Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21
February 21 Lent 1	Deuteronomy 26:1-11	91:1-2, 9-16	Romans 10:8b-13	Luke 4:1-13
February 28 Lent 2	Genesis 15:1-12 17-18	63:1-8	Philippians 3:17-4:1	Luke 9:28-43
March 7 Lent 3	Isaiah 55:1-9	63:1-8	1 Corinthians 10:1-13	Luke 13:1-9
March 14 Lent 4	Joshua 5:9-12	32	2 Corinthians 5:16-21	Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32
March 21 Lent 5	Isaiah 43:16-21	126	Philippians 3:4b-14	John 12:1-8
March 28 Palm Sunday	Isaiah 50:4-9a	31:9-16	Philippians 2:5-11	Luke 23:1-49

Lenten Program

Mondays at 10am & 7pm

February 22

March 1, 8, 15, & 22

Led by Dorothy Cheasty & Jeff Edmister

at

St. Andrew's

Learning to Forgive

Rebuild Haiti

Chili Cook- Off

Saturday February 20

4-6 p.m.

Grace Episcopal Church

100 Genesee Street, Lockport NY

Prayer Vigil

6 p.m. Saturday – 6 p.m. Sunday

**Beginning with a Community Prayer Service at Grace
Church after the Chili cook-off on Saturday**

**Closing with a Community Prayer Service at St.
Paul's Episcopal Church in Lewiston on Sunday**

**For 24 hours, Niagara Deanery congregations will
pray for earthquake victims, for their families around
the world, and for their rescue workers.**