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St. Barnabas Episcopal Church

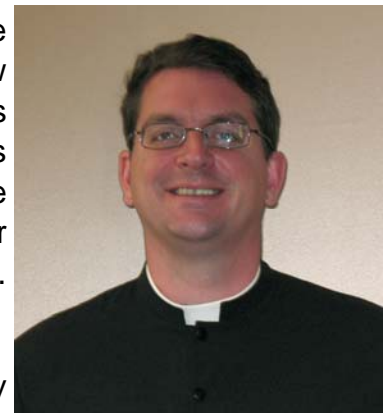
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RECTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

There is poignancy to autumn that I suppose we all have known. The sense of excitement and anticipation that comes with the start of a new school year and the resumption of parish programs and other activities is tempered by the knowledge that the days are getting shorter, nature's cycle of growth is coming to an end, and winter is near. It is at this time that the Church enters the last part of Her year. As the long season after Pentecost draws to a close, we look to the end and fulfillment of all things. This is the Church's harvest time.



Two September feasts bring this theme especially to mind. First is Holy Cross Day on the 14th. We see in the sign of Christ's victory over sin and death the consummation of God's saving work, the gathering up of all things in Christ. Then on the 29th is Saint Michael and All Angels, reminding us that beyond this world, yet also alongside and penetrating it, is the spiritual world. Saint Michael the Archangel leads the armies of God in apocalyptic battle, reaping the fruit of Christ's triumph through the Cross.

These two feasts draw our attention both to where we are now and where we are headed. Christ indeed has won the victory over sin and death, yet we must let Him conquer in our own lives. We are engaged daily in spiritual warfare where there can be no neutrality or indifference, for our choices in this world will have eternal consequences.

It is for this reason that Christians must live each day with a view to eternity. In response to the wondrous love of God in Christ, who gave Himself for us, we are privileged to offer to God our selves, our souls and bodies, through daily prayer, worship at Mass, regular self-examination and confession, service to others for the sake of Christ, and the conduct of our lives in a way that is not merely conventionally good, but truly *holy*. The time to attend to these things is now. Life is short, and eternity is so very long!

Faithfully your priest,

Father Murphy, SSC

CHURCH LIFE

RALLY DAY – SEPTEMBER 12TH 10:30 SERVICE

On Sunday, September 12th during the 10:30 service a commissioning of all teachers and students who plan on participating in any avenue of Christian education will be held. As we begin another year of learning it is my hope that even those who have not been called to teach, will answer the call of continued learning.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS!

Jonathon and Belinda Ivins are returning! After taking a short break to finish their studies, the Ivins have again committed to teaching our littlest saints. Together they will work with children three years of age through the 5th grades. After the premise of the days work has been set, they will then split the class based on the age levels present. They will again work from with the program; Sermons for Kids which has proven most effective. We thank them for their service.

Those youth who find themselves in the sixth through 12th grades will be taught by Erica Murphy and Ginni Bagsby in the Youth Room. They will continue their instruction on the Catechism and the Mass. Other interested persons may join in this class as room allows.

Also on Sunday mornings, our Verger, Crawford Parrish will be teaching the adult Sunday School in the Outreach Room. They will again use a video series as the basis of the class.

For those unable to attend classes on Sunday's due to other commitments or who are looking for other areas of engaged learning are encouraged to attend Theology Night held from 6 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday evenings. Led by Fr. Murphy, the class strays from topics such as the Thirty Nine Articles to the basics of Catechism

All classes will commence on Sunday, September 12th beginning at 9:30 a.m. and concluding at 10:20 a.m. The nursery is available for those in need. Theology Night will begin on Wednesday, September 29th in the parish hall.

EYC IS BACK AND WE'RE LOOKING FOR YOU!

St. Barnabas EYC is gearing up for another year of fun activities – we just need you! Youth in the 6th – 12th grades are encouraged to come and share in fellowship, community service and to participate in wild and zany events. Meetings will be held this year on Wednesday evenings from 6 - 8 p.m. as schedules allow. Our September meeting dates will be;

Wednesday, September 15th and Wednesday, September 29nd

We hope you will also join us in representing our church at the MCCSN Walk-a-thon in Winchester at **6 p.m. on Friday – Saturday, September 10th - 11th** as we support our church and local community in combating cancer. As always, bring a friend and join us – dinner will be served at all meetings.

CHURCH LIFE

EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN (ECW) INQUIRER'S MEETING

What is the ECW? What would be the benefits of having an ECW, to you and to the parish? Why isn't there an ECW at St. Barnabas?

All women of the parish are invited to attend an informational meeting about ECW after coffee hour on **Sunday, October 3rd**. Information about ECW will be presented, and feedback from participants will be encouraged to guide the possible (re)formation of an ECW at St. Barnabas.

Advance information will be available at the annual Activities Fair on September 26th. The contact person for these events is Sharon Maby 728-2534 or maby@bellsouth.net.

ACTIVITIES FAIR

SEPTEMBER 26TH - OCTOBER 10TH, 2010

It's that time of year already! Schoolbooks have been dusted off, vacations have been taken and we are ready to get back to work! Starting Sunday, September 26th the annual Activities Fair will be on display in the parish hall and will remain up for parishioners and our guests to peruse through October 10th, 2010.

Every ministry or committee within the parish family will have an opportunity to display a table describing their ministry, meeting dates and times, how to enroll and so forth. To give you a small sampling of ministry opportunities available to you, there will be displays by the: Choir, EYC, Christian Education, Daughter's of the King, Lydia Guild, Knitting Guild, Outreach, Altar Guild, Evangelism, and Acolyting committees. Please stop by and learn how your gifts and talents can be utilized to bring others to Christ.

Tables will be assigned and set up in the parish hall by noon on Wednesday, September 22nd, for those charged with creating a display for their committee. You may be as simple or as elaborate as you would like. Just be sure to answer the five questions; Who, What, Where, When and How! Committees, please coordinate "Point People" within your group to station themselves at your table so that anyone who might have questions may easily locate and engage you in dialogue on Sunday morning.

ST. MICHAEL'S YOUTH GATHERING

On **Sunday, September 26th at 4 p.m.** the youth of St. Barnabas will host a reunion for those youth in the area that attended the St. Michael's Conference this past summer.

We will gather prior to Solemn Even song in the parish hall. Families, friends and prospective students are encouraged to join us for a slideshow, fellowship and dinner. Parents, please plan on meeting on Sunday, September 12th following Coffee Hour to finalize plans for this event.

Staff members of the St. Michael's Conference will be on hand the night of September 26th for those who are new to the program and are wishing more information.

CHURCH LIFE

PHOTO SHOOT SCHEDULED! — SEPTEMBER 12TH

Following both Sunday Services on September 12th, David Woodfin will be on hand in the church proper to take your dazzling photograph! If you and/or your family have not yet had their picture updated for our Parish Family Photo Board, we encourage you to take advantage of this photo shoot which will be the last for the year. *

Those parish ministries who have yet to be photographed are also urged to gather together for a group shot. We will be completing the Ministry Photo Board for our visitors, to see and also to take note of the opportunities that we offer here at St. Barnabas, by the end of this month – we hope you'll be recognized too!

*NOTE: Due to a technology glitch if you have already posed for a picture but do NOT find your picture on the board your picture was lost. We hope you will be kind enough to pose for another picture so we will have your picture! We apologize in advance for any inconvenience.

3RD ANNUAL ST. MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS SOLEMN EVEN SONG SEPTEMBER 26TH 6 P.M.

In honor of the feast day of *St. Michael & All Angels* on Wednesday, September 29th, we will have **Solemn Even song on Sunday, September 26th at 6 p.m.** Even song is simply the sung version of the Daily Office of Evening Prayer. The liturgy will be officiated by Fr. Murphy, assisted by members of the youth who attended the St. Michael's Conference and led in music by the Chancel Choir.

If you have never participated in Solemn Evensong, here is your opportunity to see Anglican worship at its very best. Using traditional liturgical music by Healy Willan, incense and concluding with a homily by Fr. Murphy, we hope you will come out and see what the youth are treated to daily at the St. Michael's Conference.

MCCSN WALK-A-THON SEPTEMBER 10TH AND 11TH 6:30 P.M. – 8 A.M.

We hope you will come out and show your support of both MCCSN and the St. Barnabas Walk-a-Thon TEAM. The Walk-a-Thon is being held at old Franklin County High School in Winchester. See you there!



You'll know you're an Episcopalian...

If while watching the film *Star Wars* you hear "May the force be with you," and you automatically reply "And also with you;"

If someone says, "Let us pray" and you automatically drop to your knees;

If words like "vouchsafe", "oblation", "supplications", "succor", "bewail", and "very" (in its archaic sense) are familiar to you even if you haven't a clue what they mean;

If you catch yourself genuflecting or bowing as you enter a row of seats in a theatre;

If the word "Sewanee" puts a lump in your throat;

If you ever find yourself saying, "Oh, but we've never done it that way before;"

If you know that a "sursum corda" is not a surgical procedure;

If you know that the positions of Senior Warden and Junior Warden are not positions in the local prison;

And finally...

If you reach the point when you're not sure about anything theologically, but you still feel completely at home at the altar rail and somehow know that you're meeting God there, even though you can't begin to understand how.

Thank Goodness for the Light

Her cardboard sign said, "God Bless"

*As I pulled up to her corner at the light,
And you could tell by her dress
That this was no made-up plight.*

*I struggled a moment with "What can I do?"
And my Christian morals, of the knowledge
That "But for God, this could be you."
But, I am responsible for future two kids at college.*

*So I squirmed in my heated seat
To reach for my wallet from within safety belts
To pull out a ten, with a twenty to keep
When the car horns behind me began their yelps.*

*So I quickly pulled through to forget the site
Without even rolling down the glass
And thought, "Thank Goodness for the Light."
But now I wonder if my soul can last.*

— ANONYMOUS PUBLISHER

Galbraith Scholarship



Wilson/Parrish Wedding



CHURCH LIFE

ST. MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

The name Michael signifies “who is like God” and was the war cry of the good angels in the battle fought in Heaven against Satan and his followers. St. Michael the Archangel, whose feast is observed on September 29th, is one of the three principal angels venerated by the Church – Michael, Gabriel and Raphael. Holy Scripture describes him as “one of the chief princes,” and as leader of the forces of Heaven in their triumph over the powers of Hell. He has been especially honored and invoked as patron and protector of the Church from the time of the Apostles. Although he is always called, “the Archangel,” the Greek Fathers as well as many theologians place him over all the angels, making him the Prince of the Seraphim.

On this same day, September 29th, the Church honors not only St. Michael the Archangel, but also all the angels who persevered in fidelity to God, and, with St. Michael at their head, cast out Lucifer and his accomplices from Heaven. They contemplate, love, and praise God in Heaven.

Some of them are frequently sent as messengers from on high. We cannot form an image of them, as they are incorporeal, having no body; but we are able to conceive an idea of them in our minds. An angel is constantly united with God in a Beatific Vision. This, however, does not interfere with their natural activity. Accordingly, they look with interested participation on the various events of human history which is the preparation for the establishment of God's eternal kingdom.

— *Lives of the Saints, 1955*

O God, who have constituted the services of angels and of men in a wonderful order, mercifully grant that they who always stand before you Your face ministering to You in heaven, may also defend our life upon earth. Amen.

ST. FRANCIS DAY, BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2010 — 2 - 3 P.M.

You might ask why, and from whence does this tradition come from? Although many saints are associated with particular animals, Saint Francis of Assisi (1182-1226 C.E.) is most closely associated with the popular trend of animal blessings. During or near October 4th, the feast day of this patron saint of animals and the environment, a significant number of animal blessings take place.

St. Francis developed a profound connection with living things through his fascination with nature. His main inspiration came from animals. He viewed animals as living examples of spiritual integrity, blessing them and striving to understand and connect with them. Blessing of the Animals is in remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi's love of all of God's creatures.



So bring your pets, bring your neighbor and their pets! Snacks for your pets and their masters alike will be available! We look forward to a dawg-gone good time!

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

Mary Rhudy	September 2	J.D. Mahan	September 14	Melissa Bennett	September 25
John R. Stubbs	September 2	Dan Maby	September 15	Rosalyn Bennett	September 25
Jacob Vincent	September 3	Vicki Young	September 15	Courtney McLean	September 25
Charles Michael Duffey	September 4	Al Henningan	September 16	Sean Cole Huskey	September 25
Elizabeth Grace Robinson	September 5	Paul Killingsworth	September 16	Missy Wenger	September 25
Thomas Frederick	September 6	Olivia Hiers	September 17	Nancy Eagan	September 28
Becky Harris	September 6	Tina Keller	September 18	Spencer Yoder	September 26
Travis McCall	September 8	Joe Shapard II	September 18	Allison Barnes	September 27
Ian Thomas Huskey	September 9	Marc Gonzales	September 19	Stacie Woo	September 27
Kate Lapczynsk	September 12	Mary Parker	September 21	Jennifer Parrish Wilson	September 30
John Greeter	September 14	Ginny Duncan	September 25		

Watch over thy children O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNIVERSARIES

Jon and Mary Alice Ashmore — September 7 Greg and Perian Bennett — September 10
Cliff and Maxine Phillips — September 9 Simon and Tina Allen — September 14

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

This Month in Church History

September 1 - On this day in 1525, Martin Luther published his defense against English King Henry VIII.

September 3 - On this day in 1658, Oliver Cromwell, leader of the Puritan Revolution, died.

September 5 - On this day in 1847, Anglican divine Henry Francis Lyte wrote "Abide with Me" on the evening of his last sermon and Holy Communion at Lower Brixham before going to France.

September 7 - On this day in 1783, Evangelical Anglican Robert Raikes formed the Sunday School Society to raise money for weekly Christian schools, which met each Sunday from 10:00 am until 5:00 pm—the original Sunday schools.

September 8 - On this day in 1845, Anglican priest John Henry Newman converted to Roman Catholicism. Newman had been a leading member of the Oxford Movement, which aimed to reform the Church of England.

September 14 - On this day in 1814, Francis Scott Key, an Episcopalian and cofounder of the American Sunday School Union, was inspired to write "The Star-Spangled Banner" during the bombardment of Fort McHenry during the war of 1812. The song became the national anthem in 1931.

September 16 - On this day in 1882, Edward B. Pusey, English Tractarian, died. Pusey was ordained into the Anglican Church in 1829, Pusey became a noted biblical scholar and leader of the Oxford Movement.

September 24 - On this day in 1867, seventy-six bishops from all over the Anglican Communion met at Lambeth Palace for the first Lambeth Conference.

September 25 - On this day in 1782, the first complete English Bible known to be published in America was issued.

THOSE WHO SERVE

VESTRY

Evans Baird	728-3818
Virginia Boyd	455-0804
Rick Crutcher, Sr. Warden	455-9619
June Debatin	695-5350
Elaine Doxey	952-0798
Dot Duncan	455-3087
Maurice Hale, Jr. Warden	455-9288
Sharon Maby	728-2534
J. C. Duncan, Treasurer	455-3087

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Altar Guild	Anne Hightower	455-5127
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Chancel Choir	Evans Baird	728-3818
Christian Education	Fr. Murphy	455-3170
Daughters of the King	Barbara K. Sanders	759-7830
	Marianne Cavett	461-9062
Evangelism	Rick Crutcher	455-9619
	Erica Murphy	461-9566
EYC	Ginni Bagsby	637-2252
Fellowship	Mickey Crutcher	455-9619
	Erica Murphy	461-9566
Greeters	Lee/Marianne Cavett	461-9062
Knitting Guild	Pat Rhudy	434-2369
History of St. Barnabas	Marjorie Collier	455-4186
Lay Readers/ Chalice Bearers	Crawford Parrish	393-3225
Lydia Guild	Cathy Rasnick	461-0338
Outreach	Robbie Williamson	393-2502
Recycling	Elaine Doxey	952-0798
Ushers	Jim Enos	455-5080
Use of the Church	Fr. Murphy	455-3170

STAFF

Verger	Crawford Parrish, Sr.
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Choir Director	Evans Baird
Youth Director	Ginni Bagsby
Nursery	Yvonne Gilliam
Parish Secretary	Tricia Blowers
Sexton	Shirley Hall
Ass't. Treasurer	Crawford Lee Parrish Jr.

LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Position	September 5 15th Pentecost	September 12 16th Pentecost	September 19 17th Pentecost	September 26 18th Pentecost
Service Time	8:00 A.M.	8:00 A.M.	8:00 A.M.	8:00 A.M.
Lector/Chalice	Pat Eagan	Max Lamont	Crawford Parrish	Jeff Emmett
Service Time	10:30 AM	10:30 AM	10:30 AM	10:30 AM
Lector 1	Lee Cavett	Carol Rose	Ed LeBlanc	June Debatin
Lector 2	Virginia Boyd	Marianne Cavett	Ben Mahan	Kate Lapczynski
Prayers of the People	Crawford Parrish	Wilma Lynn	Fran Parrish	Virginia Boyd
Chalice 1	Lee Cavett	Crawford Parrish	Carol Rose	Marianne Cavett
Chalice 2	Crawford Parrish	Marge Henderson	Cathy Rasnick	Tom Bagsby Sr
Usher 1	Hugh Killingsworth	Wilma Lynn	Marianne Cavett	Rick Crutcher
Usher 2	Jim Enos	J. C. Duncan	Lee Cavett	Barbara Casey
Greeter 1	Marge Henderson	Ann Young	Rick Crutcher	Shelia Rudge
Greeter 2	Ed LeBlanc	Robbie Williamson	René Cavett	Jim Enos
Fellowship Hour	Shelia Rudge/Wilma Lynn	Margaret & Maurice Hale	Jim Enos	Jon & Belinda Ivins

SEPTEMBER 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 12:00 noon Holy Eucharist Resumes 5:45 p Outreach Mtg	2 6:00 p Knitting Guild	3 First Friday Dinners—John T's BBQ, Winchester 5:30 p Social Hour 6:00 p Dinner	4
5 15th Sunday of Pentecost 8:00 a H. E. Rite I 10:30 a. H. E. Rite II 11:30 a Fellowship Hour	6 Labor Day PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	7	8 12:00 noon H. E. 7:00 p Chancel Choir Rehearsal Resumes	9 6:00 p Knitting Guild	10 6:15 p MCCSN WALK-A-THON	11 MCCSN WALK-A-THON
12 16th Sunday of Pentecost 8:00 a H. E. Rite I 10:30 a. H. E. Rite II RALLY DAY 11:30 a Fellowship Hour 12:00 n Daughters of the King	13 4:30 p Evangelism Committee Mtg	14 Holy Cross Day 12:00 noon Staff Meeting	15 Ember Day 12:00 noon H. E. 6:00 - 9:00 p EYC 7:00 p Chancel Choir Rehearsal	16 6:00 p Knitting Guild 7:00 p Vestry Meeting	17 Ember Day	18 Ember Day
19 17th Sunday of Pentecost 8:00 a H. E. Rite I 9:30 a Christian Ed Classes Resume Adult & Youth 10:30 a. H. E. Rite II 11:30 a Fellowship Hour	20 4:30 p Evangelism Committee Mtg 7:00 p BS Troop 303	21 St Matthew, Evangelist and Apostle	22 12:00 noon H. E. 7:00 p Chancel Choir Rehearsal	23 6:00 p Knitting Guild	24	25
26 18th Sunday of Pentecost 8:00 a H. E. Rite I 9:30 a Christian Education ACTIVITIES FAIR 10:30 a. H. E. Rite II 11:30 a Fellowship Hour 4:00 - 7:00 p St Mikes Youth Gathering 6:00 p Even Song	27 7:00 p BS Troop 303	28	29 St Michael and All Angels 12:00 noon H. E. 6:00 - 9:00 p EYC 6:00 p Theology Night 7:00 p Chancel Choir Rehearsal	30		

SUNDAY SERVICE TIMES

8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
9:30 a.m.	Christian Education
10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist*
11:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour

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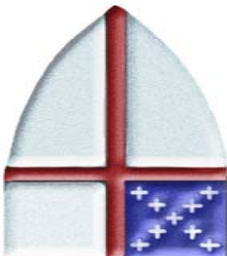
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