

April & May 2008

Dear Friends in Christ,

Play Ball! Our Cleveland Indians have had to begin their season in freezing temperatures – literally. The Easter Bunny has visited, earlier than usual, and has had to leave his colored eggs in a snow bank. If you're like me you long for some nice warm, sunny days, and the sooner the better!

But green shoots are peeking up everywhere. And birds can be heard singing. The promise of spring is definitely in the air. We know it will come. We are people of hope. After all, spring has always come before, though sometimes very late.

We are people of hope. Christian hope. And Christian hope is based on trust in God. We trust that God cares for us and that God created a cycle of growth that is full of goodness and new life. So we complain about the weather, you and I. It's part of the culture of living in Ohio, I think.

But we do not despair. Instead we have hope and we live in the knowledge that new growth and warmth and the brightness of the sun WILL come. And I'm not just talking about the weather anymore. We do not despair, no matter how much darkness and cold may enter our lives at times. Knowing that God created us out of love and that God desires all that is good and new and full of life for us, we can look forward in hope.

Spring will come. May the new life of Easter come into your life along with the warmer weather. May you trust that God desires good things for you, and may you live joyfully in Christian hope.

Easter Blessings to all,
Susan+

Parish Collaboration

Parishes in the Diocese of Ohio are getting representatives together to discuss ways we could all benefit by doing things together. Some ways of having parishes work together that have been suggested include: fellowship and worship events, youth group projects, outreach projects, and advertising.

If you have ideas and would like to attend a gathering with Bishop Hollingsworth on this topic, please let the Rector know. Here are the details of the next meeting: Sat., April 26, from 9:00 – 11:30 a.m. at Church of the Epiphany, Euclid All are welcome to attend.

Ascension Day

Join your All Saints friends for a potluck supper and Eucharist on Ascension Day, Thursday, May 1st. Bring a dish to share and gather for dinner at 6:30 p.m., followed by worship around the table. The nursery will be open, so bring the family!

The Bishop's Annual Appeal will be Sunday April 27th. The Bishop's Appeal allows us, as a church community, to pool our resources to undertake ministry projects beyond the limits of our parish. Watch your bulletin for more information.

Treasurer's Report

February Pledge Offerings and Total Receipts for the two months ended February 29th and were slightly behind budget but ahead of last year. Disbursements for February were less than both budget and last year as are the two month totals. The following table is the overview comparison

	<u>February</u>			<u>Two Month Ended 2/29</u>		
	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Pledge, loose	\$ 8,300	\$ 7,300	\$ 8,800	\$19,500	\$17,300	\$19,300
Total Receipts	\$ 9,900	\$ 8,800	\$ 11,400	\$29,300	\$20,500	\$30,900
Total Disbursements	\$ 14,100	\$14,700	\$ 13,800	\$30,600	\$30,200	\$30,600
(Disbursements)Receipts,net	\$ (4,200)	\$(5,900)	\$(2,400)	\$(1,200)	\$(9,700)	\$ 300

The year is starting off with very encouraging results. Keep up the good work! Except for the blizzard weekend, it appears that church attendance has been also very encouraging.

God Bless You All, Ray Heitland, Treasurer

Thank You – Thank You – Thank You!!

I want to say thank you to all who donated to our “**Cow Project**”. Through your help and support we raised enough money to purchase a cow through the Episcopal Relief and Development Program.

We have so much in our lives to be thankful for just by the fact that we live in the United States of America. The Outreach Committee felt that it was important to help the Episcopal Church in reaching their Millennium Development goals.

[Millennium Development Goals](#) (MDGs) are eight globally endorsed objectives that address the many aspects of extreme poverty. The Millennium Promise works with impoverished communities, national and local governments, and partner organizations to implement high-impact programs aimed at transforming lives.

Our work is premised on the belief that, for the first time in history, **our generation** has the opportunity to end extreme poverty, hunger, and disease. Again, thank you for all your support.

The winner of the drawing for naming rights of the cow was **Eric Miller**. He has chosen to name the cow “**Ryan Garcow**”. I am sure Eric’s cow will make us all proud.

Young or Old, Single or Married

- we have the social event of the year for you !! Join us for an evening of delight at our first SOCK-HOP. We will have time to socialize, great music, terrific food, entertaining games, dancing and FUN FOR ALL. Please join us in the craziest sock contest or be the most authentic dressed. This one of a kind event will take place from 6:30-9:00 pm on Saturday, April 12th. Whether you come alone, bring the kids or grandkids we hope to see you there. Admission is \$2.00 per person, under five free. Please sign up in the hall or call Claire at 440-842-9346.

Mother’s Day Pancake Breakfast

The Youth Group will be holding a Pancake Breakfast on Mothers Day –
Sunday May 11th from 8am – Noon

All proceeds will be donated to the Parma Hunger Center, 2 Cents A Meal, a local Domestic Violence Shelter, and the Parma Animal Shelter.

Adults are \$4.00, Children over 5 are \$2.00 and

Moms are free that morning

Celebrate Moms, Grandmothers, and Aunts with a great breakfast!

LITTLE EYES SEE A LOT!
WHEN YOU THOUGHT I WASN'T LOOKING
(Written by a former child)

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you hang my first painting on the refrigerator, and I immediately wanted to paint another one.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you feed a stray cat, and I learned that it was good to be kind to animals.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you make my favorite cake for me and I learned that the little things can be the special things in life.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I heard you say a prayer, and I knew there is a God I could always talk to and I learned to trust in Him.

When you thought I wasn't looking, saw you make a meal and take it to a friend who was sick, and I learned that we all have to help take care of each other.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you give of your time and money to help people who had nothing and I learned that those who have something should give to those who don't.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you take care of our house and everyone in it and I learned we have to take care of what we are given.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw how you handled your responsibilities, even when you didn't feel good and I learned that I would have to be responsible when I grow up.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw tears come from your eyes and I learned that sometimes things hurt, but it's all right to cry.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw that you cared and I wanted to be everything that I could be.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I learned most of life's lessons that I need to know to be a good and productive person when I grow up.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I looked at you and wanted to say, Thanks for all the things I saw when you thought I wasn't looking.

We are sending this along to all of the people who do so much for others and think no one ever sees. Little eyes see a lot!

Each of us parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle, teacher or friend influences the life of a child.

A message every adult should read because children are watching you and doing as you do, not as you say.

How will you touch the life of someone today?

Peace and Love,
The Good Shepherd Teachers of All Saints
Sandy Kynerd, Jan Fritzsche, Lisa Czerny, Debbie Talbot-Miller

Dinners with Leslie RETURN!!!!

The dinners with Leslie and Crew have returned! Just fill out the insert from the bulletin, add your money and put it in the collection plate or basket in the Narthex. They do the rest! **Pick up for April is Sunday April 20th.**

April's Menu:

Eggplant Parmesan with Pasta OR
Butter Beef with Mashed Potatoes,
Vegetable Medley & Roll

Three Chocolate Cheese Cake

Soup of the Month:

Split Pea & Ham

All Saints Continues to Go Green

Yogurt Brigade - Bring your clean Stonyfield Farm yogurt containers to the collection box in the Parish Hall. We are collecting 6 oz. and 32 oz. containers

Honest Kids Drink Pouch Brigade - Bring your clean Capri Sun drink pouches to the collection bag in the Parish Hall. We can not accept drink boxes – just the pouches.

Our adopted Hanna Elementary School has joined with us to collect these items. Have you considered how you can incorporate one of these two terrific programs in your school or work place? For more information visit www.terracycle.net or contact Lisa Czerny at 440-887-7780.

Church Bulletins

These sentences (with all the BLOOPERS) actually appeared in church bulletins or were announced in church services: (Susan, take note!! ☺)

The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.

The sermon this morning: "Jesus Walks on the Water." The sermon tonight: "Searching for Jesus."

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.

Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our community. Smile at someone who is hard to love. Say "Hell" to someone who doesn't care much about you.

Don't let worry kill you off - let the Church help.

Miss Charlene Mason sang "I will not pass this way again," giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.

Helping Others

We will continue collecting items for the Domestic Violence Center in the main hallway. These items will be given to women and children dealing with abuse. We are looking for items such as; shampoo, conditioner, diapers, lotion, nail polish, beauty items, toothbrushes, toothpaste, feminine products, soaps, razors, and shaving cream. A lot of the women are living without the "extras", so let's help them out.

Do you have a green thumb?

There will be a sign up sheet for the various flower beds, shrubs and gardens at All Saints. If you would like to take care of an area of the grounds, please sign up. There are no real requirements for an area, just to make All Saints look well groomed and cared for. Gardening is very therapeutic when you're pulling weeds, very calming when you're planting delicate flowers, and very satisfying when you drive by and it looks great!

Birthdays and Anniversaries for April & May

April 3	Don Lippucci	May 4	Joanne Emerick
April 6	Wendy Ott	May 6	Hannah Kloscak
April 11	Laura Butterfield	May 9	Jackie Ludwig
April 11	Justin Cook	May 10	Eric Czerny
April 16	Eleanor Cummings	May 10	Richard Cook
April 18	Helen Scheu	May 15	April Jordan
April 21	Jean Symons	May 19	Elise Capone
April 24	Walter Blaha	May 19	Sadie Habeeb
April 27	Evie Parry	May 19	Ruthann Wasil
April 30	Mark Miller	May 20	Sarah Bodrock
		May 23	RJ Cook
		May 24	Jen Catalano
April 5	Claire & Jim Blanca	May 25	Anthony Wojcik
April 10	Nellie Jean & Bob Wendell	May 28	Donnie Day
April 25	Cecelia & Frank Graber		
April 25	Marie Francosky & Peter Ellis		
April 27	Libby & Bill Bryant	May 28	Jan & Gil Fritzsche
		May 28	Amy & Don Lippucci

June 3 Jack Russell
June 3 Ed Sarian
June 4 Peter Ellis
June 4 Susan Love

April, 2008

- Sun 6 Easter 3 – 8:30 & 10:30 Eucharist
How Do I Join? meetings 9:30 & 11:30
1 p.m. Senior Dinner
7:30 p.m. - Recital by David Russell, cellist, at College of Wooster
- Tue 8 6:00-10:00 p.m. Vestry Retreat (previously postponed)
7:00 p.m. Circle of Giving meeting (Claire Blanca)
- Wed 9 10:00 a.m. Eucharist & Healing Prayers
10:30 a.m. Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Bible Study
- Thu 10 7 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- Sat 12 12:00 noon – Altar Guild lunch with the Rector
6:30- 9:00 p.m. – Sock Hop to benefit Outreach programs
Admission - \$2.00 and a new pair of socks!
- Sun 13 Easter 4 - 8:30 & 10:30 Eucharist
Dedication of prayer shawls at both liturgies
- Tue 15 7:00 p.m. Vestry meeting
- Wed 16 10:00 a.m. Eucharist & Healing Prayers
10:30 a.m. Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Bible Study
- Thu 17 7:00 p.m. - Choir rehearsal
- Fri-Mon 18-21 – Rector at a wedding in Massachusetts
- Sun 20 Easter 5 – 8:30 & 10:30 Eucharist, Rev John Keller, presiding
2 cents a meal collection
Take-Out meal pick-up
- Wed 23 10:00 a.m. Eucharist & Healing Prayers
10:30 a.m. Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Bible Study
- Sat 26 9:00-11:30 a.m. Diocesan Regional Gathering on Parish Collaboration
Church of the Epiphany, 21000 Lake Shore Blvd., Euclid
- Sun 27 Easter 6 – 8:30 & 10:30 Eucharist
Offering for the Bishop's Annual Appeal
9:30 a.m. Monthly Breakfast – Dave Smallwood, Director, Relay for Life
- Wed 30 10:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist & Healing Prayers
10:30 a.m. – Bible Study
7:00 p.m. – Bible Study

May, 2008

- Thu 1 Ascension Day
6:30 p.m. potluck, 7:30 Eucharist
8:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- Sun 4 Easter 7 – 8:30 & 10:30 Eucharist
Bake Sale to benefit outreach projects
How Do I Join? meetings 9:30 & 11:30
- Tue-Thu 6-8 Rector at Clergy Conference
- Thu 8 7:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- Sun 11 Pentecost – 8:30 & 10:30 Eucharist
Mothers' Day Pancake Breakfast – Youth Group
- Wed 14 10:00 a.m. Eucharist & Healing Prayers
10:30 a.m. Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Bible Study
- Thu 15 7:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- Sun 18 Trinity Sunday – 8:30 & 10:30 Eucharist
2-cents-a-meal offering
- Mon 19 Bishop's dinners with Vestry – 6:30 at Trinity Commons
- Tue 20 7:00 p.m. Vestry meeting
- Wed 21 10:00 a.m. Eucharist & Healing Prayers
10:30 a.m. Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Bible Study
- Sun 25 2 Pentecost - 8:30 & 10:30 Eucharist
Memorial Day weekend
Monthly Breakfast
- Wed 28 10:00 a.m. Eucharist & Healing Prayers
10:30 a.m. Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Bible Study
- Thu 29 7:00 p.m. - Choir rehearsal

Seniors Looking for a FREE PASS???

If you are a senior citizen living in the Parma City School District you are in luck! See Bonnie in the office for a Senior Freedom Card which entitles you to free admission to any dramatic or musical performance along with any athletic event! What a great way to support our youth in the community PLUS it's FREE!

Get Your Ovens Ready

We will be holding a bake sale on **Sunday May 4th** to benefit our Outreach programs. Please bring your goodies in to the Parish hall already on plates so they're ready to sell. All Saints has the BEST bakers !!

Ask Sally if you have questions 842-8852

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Bonnie Goodrich, Parish Secretary
Jim and Jane Cochran, Sextons

Vestry

Mark Miller
Jeff Fowler
Joe Dmitruk
Gil Fritzsche, Junior Warden
Janet Harrivel, Clerk
Leslie Poling
Sandy Kynerd
Ruthann Wasil, Senior Warden

Sundays at All Saints

8:30 am

Holy Eucharist and coffee hour

9:45 am

Good Shepherd Sunday School for
kids 3-10 years

9:45 am

Youth Group Sunday Morning for
ages 11 thru high school

9:45 – 11:30 am

Nursery care available

10:30 am

Holy Eucharist and coffee hour

Wednesdays at All Saints

10:00 am Holy Eucharist and
healing prayers

Bible Study 10:30 am

The mission of All Saints is to build
up the Body of Christ in this place as
we gather for worship, learning,
fellowship, and mutual support, and
as we scatter to serve as His
followers in the world.