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FREE OFFERS

Sunday, March 2nd:
Pancake Breakfast

Wednesday, March 6th:
Ashes & Absolution

Saturday, March 9th:
Thoughtful Retreat

See calendar on page 3;
all welcome!



Rector's Thoughts

by the Rev. Canon Nancy H. Wittig,
Interim Rector

"Are we there yet?"

Who does not remember a trip to wherever, when a voice from the backseat piped up as you cleared the driveway: "Are We There Yet?"?

Lent is often like a journey or pilgrimage. Forty days and nights from beginning to end. Longer than most vacations!

As children, we may have looked forward to a journey as a break in the routine or every-day. Often the day before our departure was the most exciting.

As many know, I am not keen on Lent; however, if truth would tell, we need Lent for the health of our spirits and our souls. There is no shame in recognizing that we need God's help in staying focused on what Our Lord Jesus invites us to become.

To help us this Lent, I invite you to take up the spiritual practice of setting aside time to reflect on this journey with Jesus. To that end, Episcopal Relief and Development has developed a Lenten discipline for becoming aware of the many places where God's people are making a difference. Take one of the booklets, and let it help you take this journey in Lent.

Before you know it, we will be there, refreshed and blessed and ready for faith-filled days ahead.

Bishop Williams Confirmed Corey Schwarz & Brad Booth



Brad Booth, Canon Nancy, Bishop Williams, and Corey Schwarz

by Mary Susan Sheaves-Bein

Bishop Williams visited All Saints during the 10:30 service on February 24th. While the congregation always offers vibrant support for our confirmands, this was especially true as we pledged support for Corey Schwarz, one of our acolytes, and Brad Booth, our Senior Warden. Corey served during the service, and Brad led the vestry in meeting with the Bishop that afternoon.

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Parish News

Food Pantry volunteers do it again

by Jeff Fowler

OK, winter can end now. For the second month in a row we had to remove the polar bears from our parking lot before the truck driver from the Greater Cleveland Food Bank would unload the food. But we had a much larger turnout this month, due in no small part to the early disbursement of February SNAP benefits during the federal government shutdown. I shudder to think how many people would have shown up had it been warm.

As it was, we served 40 quarts of hot soup, distributed 12,675 pounds of food (fresh produce, bread, and milk), and also gave away over 100 articles of clothing and winter-wear. In total, we served 225 households across 22 zip codes, including 39 first-time families.

Gatherings, elegant and comfortable

by Jan Fritzsche

On a very windy day at the end of February, we welcomed Corey Schwartz and Brad Booth into our All Saints family through confirmation. Bishop Williams and his wife, Lynette, joined the parish for a lovely reception immediately afterwards. The Social Committee thanks the many loving hands that helped with decorating, providing the delicious buffet, and the less-glamorous clean-up. We are a parish full of people that always say yes to the question, "Can you help?"



Confirmands Brad Booth and Corey Schwarz

And we're turning right around! Please join us:

Shrove Tuesday on Sunday pancake breakfast

Sunday, March 3rd, 9:15 till 10:30 AM

Pancakes, assorted toppings, fruit, sausage, & beverages. (A free-will offering will be taken.)

Children give seniors care kits

by Miss Sandy, Miss Jan, & Miss Lisa

On Sunday, February 3rd, we studied from our Weaving God's Promises program—specifically, Luke 8:40-56, Jesus Makes People Well. The children filled 12 Care Kits, and we decided to use them as door prizes at that day's Senior Dinner. Ellie and Emilie Kunesh were very excited to hand them out. Both the girls and the kits were a big hit at the Senior Dinner!



Sunday School children learning about the parable of the Lost Coin (Luke 15:8-10)

We have also been studying the Lost and Forgiveness Parables as we get ready for the Season of Lent. During Lent, we will be using our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program to study church etiquette. We will be studying hands-on the parable of the Lost Sheep, leading into the Eucharistic presence in the parable, and then into the Last Supper.

A big "Thank You" to Canon Nancy for our processional song "We are the Church" and to our talented accompanists, Don Day & Teresa Fowler. And to the parents and grandparents who bring their children to Sunday School.

Think spring, think Pentecost geraniums!

by Lisa Czerny

So we don't coincide with Easter Lilies, we will be taking donations in March for the purchase of Pentecost geraniums. As in past years, we will purchase these plants via the Parma Council of PTA's Scholarship Program. Once we actually purchase and receive these flowers, they will be planted throughout the grounds to beautify the church and, let's be honest, feed some of God's creatures.

Please take note: if you would like to place personal orders from this enriching program, order forms will be made available in April.

Thank you for your continued support for All Saints Outreach.

Weekly Services

Sundays	8:30 & 10:30 AM	Holy Eucharist; all welcome!
Sundays, March 10th on	9:30 AM	Lenten Bible Study: Old Testament characters; all welcome!
Sundays	9:45 AM	Sunday School; all children are welcome.
Wednesdays	10:00 AM, 11:00 AM	Holy Eucharist & Healing Oil, followed by Bible study; all will be welcomed to either one, or both.

Upcoming Events In March

March 3	Sunday	9:15 AM	Pancake breakfast for Shrove Tuesday on Sunday
March 6	Wednesday	10:00 AM & 7:00 PM	Ash Wednesday Eucharist with imposition of ashes
March 9	Saturday	9:30 AM – 3:00 PM	Parish-wide retreat in parish hall
March 10	Sunday	2:00 AM 9:30 AM	<i>Daylight Savings Time begins!</i> Lenten Bible study begins
March 16	Saturday	9:00 – 11:00 AM	Mobile Food Pantry (volunteers, please report early)
March 17	Sunday	Noon	Vestry meeting

Parish-Wide Retreat

Saturday, March 9th, 9:30 AM till 3:00 PM

The **Rev. Rosalind Hughes**, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, will lead us; soup lunch provided.

Lenten Bible Study

Sundays, starting March 10th, 9:30 till 10:15AM

Canon Nancy will lead a forum based on a DVD series featuring Professor **Amy-Jill Levine**:

March 10	Adam and Eve
March 17	Murder, Flood, Dispersion
March 24	Abraham, Sarah, & Hagar
March 31	Isaac
April 7	The Jacob Saga

Editor's Corner

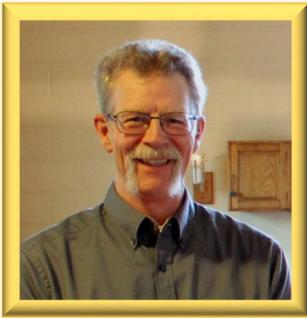
by **Mary Susan Sheaves-Bein**
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First & foremost, I offer my deepest apologies to those who didn't get the February issue in their email. We don't know where the glitch was, but hopefully it won't repeat! If you see an issue in the narthex but not in your email, please contact me or Marcia Day right away.

Second, I offer my deep gratitude to all of my regular correspondents—and to the photographers whose work appears here unsung. Without you all, there'd be no issue of the Carillon. *To anyone who takes photos of All Saints in action*: please send me high-res pics! I'm compiling a scrapbook of photos I can grab to make the Carillon vibrant.

Message by the Senior Warden

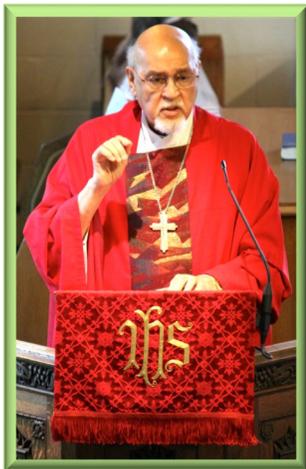
by Brad Booth



I would like to thank the vestry for the vote of confidence to serve as Senior Warden. I look forward to working with everyone in the parish so we continue to strive to make All Saints a great place for worship and fellowship. I am also looking forward to the challenges we are facing and to making good, sound decisions for all in the parish.

Thank you; I'm looking forward to new ideas.

Bishop Williams, continued



The Rt. Rev. Arthur B. Williams, Jr.

Luckily, the nave window made unhappy in the high winds quieted during the Bishop's sermon. Brad said afterwards we will re-caulk all of the nave windows this summer.



Chris Crawford, Bishop Williams, and Canon Nancy

It's an Appealing Appeal

by Jeff Fowler

The **Bishop's Annual Appeal** is a primary source of diocesan funding for parish programs that provide crucial assistance to those in need. All Saints has received these funds for various projects (including wheelchair ramp, floors, and automatic doors), and for organizations we sponsor (such as All Faiths Pantry and Rise in Love).

The 2019 appeal will be kicking off soon: look for a letter in the mail from the Bishop's office. We will also have brochures available at that time. You'll find a video on the appeal on a post on our Facebook page.

Please consider giving, even a small amount. Five or ten dollars per month will go a long way, and, since we will be writing grant requests, will likely come back to All Saints doubled or tripled!

Editor's note: Jeff serves on the board for Episcopal Community Services (ECS). It's great having a board member to present the drive to us personally! The rest of this article is an excerpt from Bishop Hollingsworth's appeal in the 2019 brochure. He goes on to discuss other uses for the funds raised.

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Love your neighbor.
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*How will you
change the world?*

This year, as we begin the third century of our ministry together as the Diocese of Ohio, we replicate in many ways the pioneer spirit of our ecclesial and spiritual forebears. In parishes and as a diocese, we reach out in vital ways to the communities we serve. We offer pastoral companionship to stranger and friend. . . .

The Bishop's Annual Appeal allows us the resources to live more fully into our vocation as the body of Christ. Last year the Appeal raised for the first time more than \$300,000, thanks to the generosity of 560 households. \$100,000 of that went directly to Episcopal Community Services (ECS) to support parish-based ministries serving local communities. These important outreach ministries feed the hungry, educate children and young adults, provide spiritual freedom for people who are in prison, give hope to those who are struggling, and provide critical assistance to those in need.