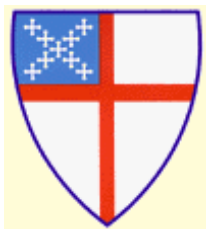


# CROSS CURRENTS

JANUARY 2006



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## Reflections on Priesthood

On January 7 the Bishop of Vermont will lay his hands on my head, and invoke the Holy Spirit in prayer, and I will be ordained to the Sacred Order of Priests. This marks for me the culmination of a long journey of discernment, education, and priestly formation that began more than five years ago, and it is a momentous event in my life. Although the day of my ordination will likely always stand out in my memory, it is also important for me to understand it as just one more step in my spiritual journey—a journey that began with my baptism as an infant and that will continue long after my ordination to priesthood.

William Countryman writes movingly in *Living on the Border of the Holy* of the fundamental meaning of priesthood. Countryman argues that priesthood is an essential and basic part of what it means to be human. It is the work of priests to introduce us to the *arcana*—the hidden, the Holy that is a border country that surrounds and intersects with our daily lives. All of us engage in this priestly ministry as we connect with others as parents, as partners, as friends, as teachers; as we minister to one another; as we encounter the Holy in any and all aspects of our lives.

Why then have an ordained priesthood? Ordained priests serve in a sense as sacraments themselves, as outward, visible signs that point to the ministry of all of us. By performing sacramental acts, priests serve as icons; they help to create and maintain the context, the foundation which helps us deal with our experiences on the border of the Holy. Being an ordained priest does not mean that one is holier or more perfect or more connected to God; rather it is one way to live into the fundamental priesthood that we all share.

As I prepare to take on this role, and to take up the sacramental acts that come with it—celebrating at the Eucharist, blessing, absolving—I am filled with wonder and awe even as I am humbled at the prospect. I am also very aware of what a privilege it is for me to share this with all of you. I ask your prayers for me as I prepare for this day, and as I take on my new roles, and I promise that you have my prayers as well as we share our priestly ministry.

With blessings for a joyful new year,

Kris



## **MUSICAL NOTES**

### **January Meeting**

In past years we have omitted the January General meeting. NOT SO this year! Wednesday, January 11th marks a busy day for the women of St. Mary's. Following the 10AM Eucharist, a program featuring a talk by best selling author, David Manuel, will be held. His topic will be "Connecting to God - Hearing His Voice".

Mr. Manuel's most recent published book is entitled "Once Upon a Prayer - How to Hear God in Your Heart". David Manuel, an Episcopalian from St. Steven's in Cohasset, is an articulate, powerful, and charming speaker. We hope to see many of you there, both men and women.

Following that program, an important planning session will be held for the upcoming World Day of Prayer to be hosted by St. Mary's Women on Friday, March 3rd, 2006. A total of 36 parishes will participate, and the topic will be "Women of Africa-Signs of the times". Many hands will be needed to host this wonderful event. Please save the date, and be ready to step up to the plate, so to speak, to help. More details will be forthcoming.

### **New Board Member**

The ECW has welcomed Penny Hensley to our board as the Missions representative. Upon a recent presentation of several needy local charities, the board voted to donate more than \$5000, divided equally, to many of them. We are also pleased to announce that due to the generosity of several parishioners seventeen children were outfitted through the "Dress a Live Doll" program.

### **Holly Fair**

The Holly Fair was again a memorable event. When the final accounting is done, it may not have been quite as profitable as last year's; nevertheless, it was a wonderful day filled with joy, love and camaraderie. It is absolutely impossible to mention everyone who contributed to the success. Meredith Colbert and Lois Gagnon are most appreciative for your support and hard work. Thank you one and all.

*ADVENT LESSONS & CAROLS* was a great success - some said the best ever - despite the freak weekend storm that shut down much of the Cape and forced us to scratch our Saturday rehearsal. After expenses, the offering went to our Youth Group, who hosted a wonderful reception after the service. Bad weather never seems to hold St. Mary's people down!

*AN EXCITING YEAR OF MUSIC* is in the offing, beginning with our January 8 celebration of Kris Lewis's ordination to the priesthood. Philip Hague, who holds the first chair in the trumpet section of the Cape Symphony Orchestra, will be with us at the 10:00 service to assist our Junior and Adult Choirs with special music as Kris presides for the first time at our altar. In March our expanded Evensong Choir joins with the Choir of St. Peter's, Osterville, to offer a pair of Lenten Choral Evensongs. Meanwhile, plans are underway for an April production of *Godspell*, postponed from the fall. Looking way ahead to the summer, we'll join with Holy Spirit, Orleans, in hosting a visit by the Exeter Cathedral Choir from England. This splendid choir will be performing in concert and also providing music for Sunday services at our two parishes as part of their 2005 American tour.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Because of these additions to our schedule, the Taizé service planned for Sunday, January 29, has been cancelled. We hope to reschedule at a later time. And as always, new singers are welcome and needed at any season. Please come and join us!

Singers and Actors Needed.  
*Godspell* is back! The rock musical *Godspell*, based on the Gospel of St. Matthew will be performed at St. Mary's the weekend of April 28, 29, 30. Look for

**Please Join Us for the Adult Forum. The discussion is lively and the company is good!**

*Sunday Mornings at 8:45 in the St. James Room*

*Please note: January 1, January 8 —NO FORUM*

During the Epiphany season (January 15, 22, 29, February 5, 12, 19, and 26) our topic will be the Lord's Prayer. We will be using the video series *A Place to Pray: Conversations on the Lord's Prayer*, featuring Roberta Bondi, teacher, writer, and student of the ancient church and Professor of Church History at Candler School of Theology, Emory University. Professor Bondi focuses each segment of the discussion on a different phrase of the Lord's Prayer, believing that "we are given this prayer so that each of us can find a place to pray."

# CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS

## January Birthdays

**A Big Hug and Thank You to all who participated in our Christmas Pageant this year! There were so many special children and surprises to share and none of it would have happened without each and everyone of them! We'd especially like to thank Jim and Janet Armstrong, Susan Norton, John Davis, and all the Church School Parents and Grandparents!**

Godly Play Teachers - Please take note of your schedule for the month of January and call Barbara Hersey at least a week ahead if you need to reschedule your teaching day this month!

Also we'd like to have a *Teacher Meeting on January 15th*, rather than on January 8th when we are having our parish reception for Kris Lewis' Ordination.

The Nursery is in need of interested care givers of every age to help one Sunday a month during the 10 AM service. There is a sign up in the Sunroom for this most wonderful opportunity, or speak with Trish Spillane or Barbara Hersey. If you've offered or helped in the Nursery in the past, this means you too. Many Thanks!

### Calling all Men of the Parish

If you would like to offer to learn a wonderful Godly Play story and present it to the children this spring - please email or speak to Barbara Hersey ([annahersey05@comcast.net](mailto:annahersey05@comcast.net)) in the coming weeks. There is an opportunity for you, even if it's been a long time, or you tend to think that you don't like working with children! You'll love Godly Play!!

### YOUTH GROUP

**Thank you!** A big thank you to all the Youth who participated in serving for Lessons and Carols. We received many compliments on the hors' doeuvres and the decorations! The mulled cider was a huge success as well! Many hands in the kitchen made the work load easier on all. Thank you to Cristina, Chris, Steve, Kris and Amy and a special thank you to David Palmer and Shannon Sullivan for their help also. Congratulations on a job well done!

## VESTRY MEETING

The vestry met on December 13 (with all present) and was delighted to find three concerns from the Let's Talk Box, all of which will be addressed. They supported two musical events: the Exeter Cathedral Choir concert in July and a St. Mary's production of Godspell in April. The Long Rang Planning process is moving along, aiming to present a provisional report at the annual meeting. The bulk of the meeting was a discussion of church finances and the challenge we face in bringing our expenses and income levels into line with each other.

Julia Chase	1
William Lyon	1
Matthew Harrison	1
Nicholas Steward	1
Dorothy Vetterling	2
Graham Marsh	2
Lois White	3
Judith St. John	3
Karen Howes	3
Lily Owens	4
Goerge Warner	5
Lydia Hawkins	6
Lillian Ellars	6
Fletcher Pyle	7
George Washburn	8
Marilyn Cannon	10
Elizabeth McAdams	10
William Ballard	10
Daniel Wood	10
Jim James	11
Marion Painter	12
Hoby Cook	12
Noah Ross	13
P. Gordon Nelson	14
Doris Ellis	14
Mark Wells	14
Timothy Lippard	14
Jacob Stacy	14
Isabelle Ramage	14
Gene Orloff	16
Nicholas Coddington	16
Ed Allen	18
Charlotte Stiefel	19
Douglas Grainger	20
Janet Armstrong	21
Connie Sullivan	21
Mary Sparks	22
Mary Chrane	22
Suzanne Howes	24
Linda Hutton	24
Ann Hibbard	24
Carolyn Laird	25
Sharon Donegan	26
Sarah Fredricks	26
Claire Anderson	27
Nancy Roberts	27
Jordan McCarron	27
Richard Griffith	28
Mark Stacy	29
Peter Eastman	29
Marilyn Welsh	31
Judith Scarafile	31

## January Anniversaries

Dorothy Freeston	4	Helen Palmer	11
Russell Freeston		Donald Palmer	
June Bancroft	1	Lisa Barr	7
Robert Bancroft		Matthew Palmer	
		Jean Stafford	19
		Albert Stafford	

# Liturgical Assignments - JANUARY 2006

## Saturday, Dec. 31

### Prepare Altar

L Hutton/K Watters

Flowers TBA

5:00 Usher

Lector B Goodwin

*Exodus 34: 1-8*

*Romans 1: 1-7*

Eucharistic Minister J Phillips

Altar Guild

D Vetterling

## Sunday, Jan. 1

10:00 Ushers

PGouger/P Hutton

Lectors

A Crocker

*Exodus 34: 1-8*

Marion Ferguson

*Romans 1: 1-7*

Eucharistic Minister

C Whalen/J Warner

Vestry Member of the Day

M

Altar Guild

M Moran

## Wednesday, Jan. 4

Altar Guild

J Armstrong

## Thursday, Jan. 5

Altar Guild

M Grant

## Saturday, Jan. 7

### Prepare Altar

A Bowen/C Phillips

Flowers C Phillips

5:00 Usher B Goodwin

Lector L McCarron

*Isaiah 42: 1-9*

*Acts 10: 34-38*

Eucharistic Minister J Hambly

Altar Guild

K Watters

## Sunday, Jan 8

8:00 Usher F Beam

Lectors J Phelps

*Isaiah 42: 1-9*

*Acts 10: 34-38*

Eucharistic Minister

N Fales

Altar Guild

C Phillips

10:00 Ushers

T Fahey/R Fales

Lectors

S Jones

*Isaiah 42: 1-9*

A Brown-Thomas

*Acts 10: 34-38*

Eucharistic Ministers

J Phillips/M Palmer

Lead Acolyte

J Whalen

Crucifer

K Greene

Torches

E Crowfoot/H Colwell

Vestry Member of the Day

K Scichilone

Altar Guild

A Treimann/B Thompson

## Tuesday, Jan. 10

Altar Guild

K Watters

## Wednesday, Jan. 11

Altar Guild

J Armstrong

## Thursday, Jan. 12

Altar Guild

M Grant

## Saturday, Jan. 14

### Prepare Altar

D Vetterling/M Moran

Flowers B Thompson

5:00 Usher B Goodwin

Lector P Tomarchio

*1 Samuek 3: 1-10*

*1 Corinthians 6: 11b-20*

Eucharistic Minister D Crellin

Altar Guild

S Morton

## Sunday, Jan. 15

8:00 Usher J Phelps

Lectors F Beam

*1 Samuek 3: 1-10*

*1 Corinthians 6: 11b-20*

Eucharistic Minister

P Gwynne

Altar Guild

L Hutton

10:00 Ushers

M Palmer/S Anderson

Lectors

P Gwynne

*1 Samuek 3: 1-10*

N Spencer

*1 Corinthians 6: 11b-20*

Eucharistic Ministers

K Greene/R Greene

Lead Acolyte

S Lippard

Crucifer

M Mamlock

Torches

S Sullivan/E Fahey

Vestry Member of the Day

E Trzcinski

Altar Guild

A Bowen

## Wednesday, Jan. 18

Altar Guild

J Armstrong

## Thursday, Jan. 19

Altar Guild

M Grant

## Saturday, Jan. 21

### Prepare Altar

S Morton

Flowers M Mankiewicz

5:00 Usher D Condon

Lectors B Goodwin

*Jeremiah 3:21 - 4:2*

*1 Corinthians 7:17-23*

Eucharistic Minister C Stiefel

Altar Guild

A Treimann

## Sunday, Jan. 22

8:00 Usher F Beam

Lectors S Anderson

*Jeremiah 3:21 - 4:2*

*1 Corinthians 7:17-23*

Eucharistic Minister

A Treimann

Altar Guild

S Morton

10:00 Ushers

R Greene/F Hinckley

Lectors

T Fahey

*Jeremiah 3:21 - 4:2*

J Umschlag

*1 Corinthians 7:17-23*

Eucharistic Ministers

S Jones/E Culver

Lead Acolyte

S Greene

Crucifer

Henry Ramage

Torches

A Starling/C Starling

Vestry Member of the Day

M Ferguson

Altar Guild

C Phillips

## Tuesday, Jan. 24

Altar Guild

M Moran

## Wednesday, Jan. 25

Altar Guild

J Armstrong

## Thursday, Jan. 26

Altar Guild

M Grant

## A LETTER FROM BOB ZINS

### Saturday, Jan. 28

#### **Prepare Altar**

C Phillips

**Flowers** C Phillips

**5:00 Usher** B Goodwin

**Lector** J Armstrong

*Deuteronomy 18: 15-20*

*1 Corinthians 8: 1b-13*

**Eucharistic Minister** A Crocker

#### **Altar Guild**

A Bowen

### Sunday, Jan. 29

**8:00 Usher** J Phelps

**Lectors** W Gadkowski

*Deuteronomy 18: 15-20*

*1 Corinthians 8: 1b-13*

**Eucharistic Minister**

L Koch

#### **Altar Guild**

J Armstrong

**10:00 Ushers**

J Watters/B Sullivan

#### **Lectors**

J Culver

*Deuteronomy 18: 15-20*

E Culver

*1 Corinthians 8: 1b-13*

**Eucharistic Ministers**

J Watters/J Hambly

#### **Lead Acolyte**

R Whalen

#### **Crucifer**

C Barron

#### **Torches**

Holden Ramage/N Coddington

#### **Vestry Member of the Day**

J Phillips

#### **Altar Guild**

M Grant

### Wednesday, Feb. 1

#### **Altar Guild**

J Armstrong

### Thursday, Feb. 2

#### **Altar Guild**

M Grant

To all my friends,

Twenty-two years in God's time is the quivering of a leaf in the wind or less than a long sparkling Fall day on Cape Cod. I sang in the choir seated next to Ted Tuttle and Francis Whitehead – Ted a baritone who had perfect pitch – and I can't read music so that was a real plus – Francis who sang pure tenor until the age of 91, gave the church bell in memory of his first wife and hundreds of cut daffodils for the Daffodil Tea. I've set up tables and washed dishes at eighteen "Teas" working with Dorinda Beam and Helen Hinckley.

I hate washing windows but did a lot of that – polished floors – once Peter Hutton Jr. ran across the Parish Hall on a snowy February Sunday in his sloppy galoshes – and he really caught it from his mom. I've eaten about five tons of apple pie, prepared by Ellie Gouger and her crew, and God alone knows how many slices of Asdis Hodgson's heavenly fruit cake.

We've emptied classrooms for the Antique Fair, the Holly Fair, endless Rummage Sales and other major events and then filled them back up for Sunday School; with the Altar Guild we have polished silver and brass and gold – with Louise Nelson and numerous ladies – cleaned and set-up the church to welcome bishops, priests, deacons, nuns, bell ringers, guest singers and members of other congregations from far and wide.

We've performed "Amahl and the Night Visitors" under the direction of Darlene Hagon and organist Sandy Cole, and at least one Mozart Mass – we sing wonderful music with Dr. James Armstrong who is a very special blessing.

We've suffered though "white caps" in the Melody Library and discovered that Oriental rugs will float. I've plowed snow and shoveled quite a bit of it and then greeted the Christ Child on Christmas Eve complete with Angels, Shepherds, Animals and Shooting Stars – then after the season of Epiphany swung low to make a "Good Lent", Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and then kindled the "New Fire" and the Glory of Easter Morn.

These words are just a brief sketch of what we have done together for all of these years, and I could not have been there but for the interventions of Father Allen, Mary Ferguson and Warren Dyson, who put me on the road to recovery and a rebirth and new life in this "Blessed Place." And it continues in its blessedness because of all you, young and older than young, each in our own way holding on to our various traditions and foundations to make it possible to move into the newness of the coming years.

It would take a lot of pages to just list all the great and wonderful people I have been privileged to work and celebrate with, be assured I remember you all in my thoughts and prayers.

To my fellow Acolytes – remember that we are all Acolytes no matter what our title may be or the color or grandeur of our vestments or the length of our rod or the lavish design of our crosses or other accessories – The greatness comes from serving and doing it well.

There are various groups gathering to pray, read, teach and learn – The Men's Group on alternate Tuesdays where I got to disagree with Ray Lang and be awed by his scholarship, especially in Old Testament matters, and consume Phyllis Davis' latkes with hot apple sauce, or kippers and eggs courtesy of Pete Gouger and Sandy Laird – The Thursday morning group – I was asked to join many years ago by Phil & Anita Buddington – leaning to left and right, high church, Romans Unitarians and all sorts of interesting folks – be prepared to contribute, dig deep and share – and there is breakfast - first meal of the day at the Altar – and the next one in the Parish Hall – it's a contributory thing – "big time." Everything at St. Mary's is!

I am not leaving, just getting ready for the next opportunity. I love you all and will see you after some time doing other things.

Via con Dios, Bob

# JANUARY 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
<p style="text-align: center;">THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS</p> <p>Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">1</p> <p>NEWYEAR'S DAY</p>	<p>OFFICE CLOSED 2</p> <p>9:00a Miracle Kitchen Cooking</p> <p>12:00p ECW Board Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">3</p> <p>7:30p Buildings, Grounds &amp; Gardens</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY</p> <p>Holy Eucharist 8:00 &amp; 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>9:30a Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>9:45a Church School Begins</p> <p><u>Reception honoring the Ordination of Kris Lewis to the Sacred Priesthood 11:00a</u></p> <p>High School Youth 5:30p</p> <p style="text-align: right;">8</p>	<p>5:00p Fatherhood Program 9</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">1 0</p> <p>7:00a Tuesday Men's Group</p> <p>9:15a Newsletter Deadline</p> <p>10:00a Prayer Group</p> <p>3:00p Finance &amp; Budget Review</p> <p>7:30p Vestry Meeting</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY</p> <p>Holy Eucharist 8:00</p> <p>Holy Baptism &amp; Eucharist 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>9:30a Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>9:45a Church School Begins</p> <p>11:00a Junior High Youth</p> <p>11:00a Church School Teacher Meeting</p> <p style="text-align: right;">1 5</p>	<p>OFFICE CLOSED 16</p> <p>9:00a Miracle Kitchen Cooking</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">1 7</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;">THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY</p> <p>Holy Eucharist 8:00</p> <p>Morning Prayer, Rite II 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>9:30a Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>9:45a Church School Begins</p> <p>11:00a ANNUAL MEETING</p> <p>11:00a Junior High Youth</p> <p style="text-align: right;">29</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">30</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">31</p> <p>7:00a Evangelism Committee Meeting</p>

**SAINT MARY'S CHURCH, 3055 Main Street, P O Box 395, Barnstable, MA 02630-0395**

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL MEETING OF SAINT MARY'S CHURCH, A corporation duly organized by law and chartered 1888  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, BARNSTABLE, SS

To: Karen Scichilone, GREETINGS

# Saint Mary's Church Calendar

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10:00a Holy Eucharist & Healing Service <span style="float: right;">4</span> 3:30p Eucharist at Heatherwood 5:00p Junior Choir 7:00p Adult Choir	7:30a Holy Eucharist & Breakfast Group <span style="float: right;">5</span> 7:00p Book Group 7:30p AA Meeting	<b>THE EPIPHANY</b> <span style="float: right;">6</span>	10:30a <u>KRIS LEWIS' ORDINATION AT THE CATHEDRAL</u> <span style="float: right;">7</span>  5:00p Holy Eucharist
10:00a Holy Eucharist & Healing Service <span style="float: right;">1 1</span> 10:45a Staff Meeting & Lunch - Lent & Easter Planning 11:00a ECW Program 5:00p Junior Choir 5:30p Spiritual Formation Committee 7:00p Adult Choir	7:30a Holy Eucharist & Breakfast Group <span style="float: right;">1 2</span> 10:00a Barnstable North Hospital Auxiliary 7:30p AA Meeting	6:30p Senior High Youth Game Night and Overnight <span style="float: right;">1 3</span>	8:30a Liturgy Committee 5:00p Holy Eucharist <span style="float: right;">1 4</span>
10:00a Holy Eucharist & Healing Service <span style="float: right;">1 8</span> 5:00p Junior Choir 7:00p Adult Choir	7:30a Holy Eucharist & Breakfast Group <span style="float: right;">1 9</span> 7:30p AA Meeting	10:30a Altar Guild Meeting <span style="float: right;">2 0</span>	5:00p Holy Eucharist <span style="float: right;">2 1</span>
10:00a Holy Eucharist & Healing Service <span style="float: right;">2 5</span> 5:00p Junior Choir 7:00p Adult Choir 7:00p Overnights of Hospitality	7:30a Holy Eucharist & Breakfast Group <span style="float: right;">2 6</span> 10:00a Deanery Clergy Mtg Buzzards Bay 7:30p AA Meeting	12:30p Newsletter Collation <span style="float: right;">2 7</span>	5:00p Holy Eucharist <span style="float: right;">2 8</span>

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn all persons in Saint Mary's Church in the Parish of Barnstable, qualified to vote in the affairs of said Parish, to meet in Saint Mary's Church in the Parish of Barnstable in said County, on Sunday, January 29, 2006, at 10:00 AM to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article I. To hear the Annual Report of any officer or Committees of said Parish and to act thereon.

Article II. To Receive the Report of the Nominating Committee and to elect all necessary Officers of the Parish; and also the proper number of delegates to the Diocesan Convention and their alternates; and also the proper number of delegates to represent the said Parish at meetings of the Episcopal Cape & Islands Deanery and the Cape Cod Council of Churches.

Article III. To transact such other business as may be done legally at the Annual Meeting of the Parish.

And by these presents you are hereby further directed to post an attended copy of this warrant on the principal doors of the Parish of Saint Mary's Church in the Parish of Barnstable in the County aforesaid, fourteen days at least before the time of said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT

Given under my hand at Barnstable in said County, on the 24th of December, in the year of our Lord two thousand and five.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Matt Palmer, Senior Warden, a true copy, attest

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Karen Scichilone, Clerk

