



September, 2018

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

The Bell Ringer

Online at www.stmaryskinston.com

Your prayers and presence are requested at a joyful
Celebration of New Ministry

for the Reverend Thomas P.H. Warren
as Rector of St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Friday, September 7th, 2018 6:00pm

800 Rountree Street

Kinston, North Carolina

Dinner and Music to follow!

Summer Ministries!



A New Program Year!!



A NEW PROGRAM YEAR & SERVICE SCHEDULE ~ Beginning on **Sunday, September 9**, our Sunday schedule for the Program Year will be:

8:00 am ~ The Holy Eucharist: Rite 1
9:00-9:30 am ~ Breakfast in Moseley Hall (see more info below)
9:30-10:15 am ~ Christian Formation for all ages
10:30 am ~ The Holy Eucharist: Rite 2
11:45 am ~ "Coffee Hour" & Lectionary Bible Study/Sermon Discussion

This schedule creates two environments for food, fellowship, and building relationships among members and our guests. Having Christian Formation before the later liturgy prevents frequent class interruptions by events such as the Mass on the Grass picnic, Consecration Sunday banquet, Annual Parish Meeting, and others. The added Lectionary Bible Study is being offered in response to the Choir's desire to participate fully in a Sunday Christian Formation offering and others who desire to discuss the sermon, readings, and topics raised from that morning's liturgy. The Christian Education and Fellowship Committees have worked faithfully towards putting this plan in place! These Sunday schedules reflect, not merely a change in times, but a **change in vision** for our lives together at St. Mary's! This vision is one of a vibrant, robust parish family being fed in body, mind, and spirit. Come and See!

MARY'S DAY & MINISTRY FAIR ~ On Sunday, September 9, we kick off the Program Year with a special celebration of our Matron Saint and a Ministry Fair that will accompany the breakfast in Moseley Hall in between our two liturgies that morning. What a wonderful way to showcase the great ministries to which God has called us at St. Mary's, as well as give our parishioners and guests the opportunity to **CONNECT**, **GROW**, and **SERVE**. Please see Laury Sargeant (jsarg4@suddenlink.net) with any questions about the Ministry Fair.



Episcopal Church Women



The Community Council for the Arts was a perfect setting for the recent ECW summer gathering. On July 24th Saint Mary's friends attended a social and paint party. Each participant enjoyed appetizers and painted beautiful sunflowers. The time together provided an opportunity for creative expression and a much needed chance to catch up with our church family.



September 7th is fast approaching. The ECW will host the reception following **The Celebration of New Ministry** liturgy. There are so many ways to help! Do you like cooking, flower arranging, setting up, or serving on a clean up committee? We have a spot just for you! Please contact Sarah Warner (deewarner@suddenlink.net) to volunteer. Joyfully we serve together!

September 9th-Ministry Fair: Visit the ECW table to find ways to plug in. There is a place for everyone!

****SAVE THE DATE** Fall ECW Meeting:** Sunday, September 30, 4:30 pm in Moseley Hall

Finally, we are doing our very best to make sure our ECW emails are received. We have created a list using the emails the church currently has. If you have a new email, or if you are not receiving ECW emails, please contact Dacie Edwards at edwards.de1123@gmail.com.

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In the Anglican Communion

A global community of 80 million Anglicans in 38 member provinces/churches.

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In the United States

A community of 1.9 million members in 118 dioceses in the Americas and abroad.

Established in 1788.

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A community of more than 15,000 communicants in 70 churches.

Founded in 1883.

Bishop

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A church of baptized members whose mission is to worship and serve God joyfully, to nurture each other in faith and wholeness, to minister to others, and to manifest the "good news" of Christ.

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Director of Children's' Ministry Mrs. Shelly L. Yarbrough

Sr. Warden The Hon. Jon Sargeant

Jr. Warden Mr. Walt Poole

Mission Trip to the DR



The Dominican Republic Mission Trip experience will be shared at St. Mary's as part of Summer Mission Sunday on September 23 during the sermon time of both liturgies.

Worship

What does music do for you? Music can bring joy to your heart. Music may make you want to dance and sing. Music may heal a sin-sick soul. Singing is a means of praying twice – through the words and music itself. Through the art and gift of music, we lift our hearts and minds to glorify and praise our God who is merciful, gracious and worthy of praise!

Please consider where God may be calling you to serve through the ministry of music. One opportunity is with helping with the little ones of the St. Cecilia Singers. If you do not read music, let not your heart be troubled! Sharon will be taking the lead on the teaching... you will be in good hands!

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Wednesdays

12:00-12:45pm St. Cecilia Singers (ages 3-5)

4:30-5:15pm Choristers (6th grade and above)

5:30-6:15pm Training Choristers (K-5)

7:00-8:00pm Chancel Choir (Childcare provided)

8:00-8:30pm Evensong Choir (Childcare provided)

Sundays

11:30am St. Cecilia Singers (ages 3-5) and the Training Choristers (K-5) will meet after the 10:30am service while parents attend the Coffee Hour or Lectionary Bible Study/Sermon Discussion.

VOICE
for LIFE



Additional musical classes coming this Fall:

Voice 101 – a class designed to help and develop voices of all ages and strengths. You will learn what takes place inside the body when we sing or speak. This class will incorporate the DVD prepared by the Freiburg Institute for Musician's Medicine in Germany. The class will provide images that will give insight into the forming of sounds as well as breath support. More information will be announced soon!

Handbells – Music reading skills are not required. Rehearsals will be on the stage of Moseley Hall. More information will be announced soon!



Mass on the Grass & Graduating High Schoolers being prayed for on Senior Sunday.



Heavenly Father, bless the work of our Altar Guild.
Give us loving hearts and reverent hands
in the care of holy things.
Grant that we may work
without haste and offer our service
at your Altar with quiet mind and humble spirit,
so that we may come into closer communion
with you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A NEW ALTAR GUILD MANUAL has been published! A project many years in the making is now available! On August 15, members and friends of the Altar Guild gathered to give thanks to God for the ministry of Emily Exum during her tenure as Altar Guild Chair, welcome Cyndi Rafferty in her new season of ministry in that role, and enjoy a delicious meal lovingly prepared by Anne Lindley and friends! Additionally, a revised manual for the Altar Guild was presented and discussed. Digital readers of the BellRinger may click [here](#) to access the "Useful Links" page on our website where the new Altar Guild Manual is posted. Several Altar Guild training sessions will be scheduled in the coming months and advertised widely. *May the Lord establish the work of our hands!* (Psalm 90:17)



Coming This Fall

The Christian Formation Committee for Adults has put together a series of programs to teach, challenge, and inspire all at St. Mary's throughout the upcoming 2018-2019 Program Year. In addition to our own clergy and teachers, guests will be joining us on occasion for these programs. The first series for this Fall, entitled "WHO WE ARE," will survey the many characteristics of being a member of St.



Mary's. Beginning with the widest possible identifier (We believe in God!), this series will bring us closer each week towards our identities as Christians, Anglicans, Episcopalians, and Kinstonian representatives of the Jesus Movement.

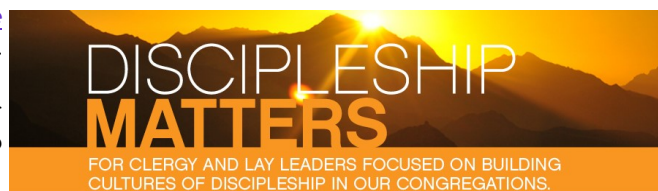
Highlights will include visits from **Jay Sidebotham** (left) on November 18 who leads RenewalWorks, a ministry that engages parishes in the work of discipleship and spiritual vitality, and **Brooks Graebner** (right) on October 28 who is the



Historiographer of the Diocese of North Carolina. A link to when Brooks

was featured in Our State magazine is [here](http://prayer.ourstate.com/brooks-graebner/index.html) (<http://prayer.ourstate.com/brooks-graebner/index.html>).

Read up about Jay's work at RenewalWorks [here](http://www.renewalworks.org) (www.renewalworks.org) where you can also sign up for Jay's popular "Monday Matters" weekly email, and consider attending the upcoming "Discipleship Matters" conference in Charlotte, NC in October 15-17.



Look ahead to some of these themes and topics throughout the rest of the year to come!



If you would like to help with any part of the upcoming Christian Formation activities this year, be in touch with Jess Edwards at jledwards2003@gmail.com.

THE WAY OF LOVE
Practices for Jesus-Centered Life

Live from Kinston: It's Wednesday Night!!



FamilyNight

BRINGING GENERATIONS TOGETHER

Our Wednesday Parish Family Nights resume on Wednesday, September 12th at 6:15 pm. The cost of the meal is \$8 for adults, \$5 for children under 12 and no more than \$25 for a family of 2 adults and children under 12. We hope you'll join your parish family on Wednesday evenings this fall! **Holy Happy Hours also start on Sep 12**. This informal time of conversation before our parish dinner will be at **5:45 pm on Wednesdays** in the Parlor. Light refreshments, wine, and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided. What a great way to relax after a busy day!

Youth @ St. Mary's & Glory Ridge

YOUTHREACH 2018 Together for Good

Romans 8:26-28

yOUTHREACH is a Diocesan Youth Event where St. Mary's youth will be able to meet and spend time with other young people from around the diocese. It will be on Saturday, Sep. 22 (9:30am-3:30pm) in Goldsboro, NC and the cost is \$45 per person (youth or adult). Check your emails for registration and more information.

The Glory Ridge Mission Trip experience will be shared at St. Mary's as part of Summer Mission Sunday on September 23 during the sermon time of both liturgies.



New EYC Girls Bible Study on Sunday Nights
7:45 - 9pm

Wednesdays!! 3pm = Homework Hangout
4:30pm = Choristers Practice in Choir Room
5:30pm = EYC in the Youth Room
6:15pm = Supper in Moseley Hall



MIDDLE SCHOOLERS - Twixt and Tween

Welcome to St. Mary's Middle School Sunday School Class! Your fearless teachers, Terah Archie and Kevin Zoltek, are going to explore the weird but really cool traditions of the Episcopal Church. Topics to be discussed may include:

Can you lose weight doing "Pew Aerobics?!"

How (and when/why) do you make the sign of the cross?

Why do people light candles in the corner of the church by the St. Mary's statue?

Who wrote the Bible?

Why (and when) do we change altar hanging colors in church?

What happens to the "leftovers" after communion?

Who wrote the Book of Common Prayer (and which version)?

Are there really secret passages at St. Mary's?

AND SO MUCH MORE!!

We are really excited about sharing our love of Jesus and all things Episcopal with the most awesome group of middle schoolers in K-Town! Please come hang out in the Parlor (that room across from the kitchen) with us on Sunday mornings. It is going to be awesome!

HIGH SCHOOLERS - Senior Saints

Confirmation is a beginning and not an end to your journey in faith. All 9th through 12th graders, those who have been confirmed and those who have not, are invited to take a deeper dive into the Episcopal traditions and the Christian faith during our senior high Sunday school class this fall.

Come explore what it means to live a life of faith, to love your neighbor, to be a Christian in the Episcopal tradition. Bring your questions and an inquiring and discerning heart. Audra Haddad, Tori Hazelgrove and Melissa Glen are going to lead some great discussions on what it means to live as a Christian and an Episcopalian in a secular and contentious world. Get here early enough to eat breakfast and then head up the stairs in the back hall to the Youth Room. The pillows are fluffed and the coffee is hot and waiting!!

Other Summer Highlights



Pastoral Announcements & Information From the Parish Register

Baptism of **Rebecca Madison McKinley** on July 29, 2018

Marriage of **Mark & Marylindley Moore** on June 9, 2018

Birth of **Piper Anniston Franklin**, daughter of **Harper (Ballard) & Kaeden Franklin** on August 19, 2018

Transfer in of **Robyn Ambrose Godfrey** on May 20, 2018 from
All Saints (Jacksonville, FL)

Deaths of **Bert Bonney Saville** (6/29/2018),

George Francis Warren, Jr (8/1/2018),

Charles Robert Nielsen (8/9/2018)



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**Mary's Kitchen Bingo Night
 @ The Exchange!**



September 28, 2018 at 6pm

\$25 per person, includes 12 Bingo games and a hot dog dinner. Come support the ministry of Mary's Kitchen in this fundraiser. Please spread the word!!

118 Gordon St; Kinston, NC 28501

SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP SERVICES

Sundays 8:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Beginning September 9: 9am – Breakfast

Beginning September 9: 9:30 a.m. – Christian Formation for all ages

September 2: 10:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:30 a.m.—Morning Prayer

ST. MARY'S VESTRY

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P.C. Barwick, Jr.

Clifton W. Carey

Rebecca "Becky" C. Darst

Milton D. "Dee" Warner

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Juliet S. Barrus

Walter R. Poole, Jr.

Jim Purnell

Jonathan L. Sargeant

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Jess Edwards

Gerry Fox

Whitney Grady

Jo Parrott

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Junior Warden - Mr. Walt Poole, Jr.

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