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EASTER

Palm Sunday

March 28 ~ 8 and 10 am

Tenebrae Service

March 31 ~ 7:30 pm

Maundy Thursday

April 1 ~ 7:30 pm

Good Friday

April 2 ~ 12:00 noon

Great Vigil of Easter

April 3 ~ 7:30 pm

Easter Sunday

April 4 ~ 8 and 10 am

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Holy Eucharist

Tuesdays 7:00 am in the Chapel

Sundays 8:00 am in the Chapel

Sundays 10:00 am in the Church

CHURCH SCHOOL

Sundays 10:00 am—Undercroft

ADULT FORUMS

Sundays 9:00 am—Parish Hall

OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday

9:00 am to 5:00 pm

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Easter Monday, April 5

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FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

We are rapidly approaching Holy Week and Easter. Those days bring to an end our Lenten journey – an end to the disciplines we have taken on especially for this time of spiritual deepening in our lives.

Holy Week has often felt to me like a final distillation of Lent. It strips away any pretense of nicety and confronts us with the evil that took place that last week. We find ourselves walking with Jesus through the last days of his life. We go joyfully with him into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. We share that difficult evening of the Last Supper with him and his disciples. We see him in prayer with the disciples in Gethsemane. Then come the betrayal, the trial, suffering and death. On the cross we hear him cry out, “Why have you forsaken me?”

In some ways Jesus’ journey is our journey. Even the cry of abandonment we can understand.

Then suddenly it is Easter! Easter breaks forth as a great exclamation point to life. It says we are not abandoned. It says there is life after death. It says that God cares about each one of us, just as God cared about and brought to new life the Anointed One, Jesus. Easter is God’s “Yes” to life and to all of humankind.

I hope you will join us in observing Holy Week and Easter this year. Maybe you can only make it to one of the Holy Week services. Try it and see how it might help prepare you for the Easter celebration.

May you be especially blessed this Holy Week and Easter!

~ Tony



FROM THE ASSOCIATE

As I write, it is St. Patrick's Day. To be near Boston on St. Patrick's Day is to be near the epicenter of the Irish Diaspora in this country. Only New York has a stronger claim to being the spiritual home of Irish ex-patriots.

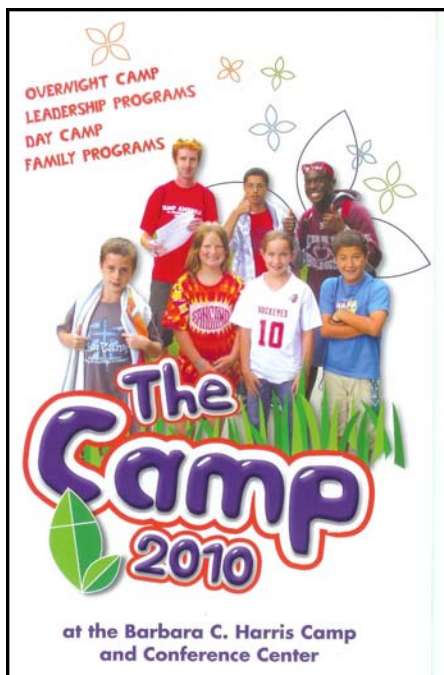
In just over 3 months, the Trinity Pilgrims will lift off from Logan to go to the source of all that is Irish, as we commence our pilgrimage there. As part of preparing the parish for this event, I have tried to offer in this space, Celtic Moments to help us learn some of the theological riches of the Celtic Christian tradition.

By the time you read this, Holy Week will be upon us, and the sacred drama that began with Jesus' birth comes into sharp focus in the last week of his life, where his suffering and death prepare us for the power of his Resurrection. Perhaps nowhere else can Celtic Christianity offer a more profound insight into the significance of our faith. It is a Celtic answer to the question, "What does Jesus' death and resurrection have to do with me?"

Rather than point to a Jesus who saves an innately sinful humanity, Celtic Christianity points to a Jesus who restores humanity to its original glory. Rather than speak of salvation coming in Christ as a foreign invader from beyond us, Celtic Christianity speaks of our restoration coming from the Christ who is already within us, waiting to be revealed from under the distortions of sin. Rather than emphasizing the transcendence of God, Celtic Christianity emphasizes God's immanence.

These understandings are not mutually exclusive. We experience the wholeness that Christ brings in as many ways as there are human beings. But this view highlights the original goodness of the creation, including humanity. Many of us have drunk deeply of the Augustinian well of original sin. Our Celtic heritage offers a tonic that can renew our sense of God's pleasure in the creation and in us. The Resurrection is God's most powerful reminder of that pleasure.

Faithfully, Nick



Brochures for Summer Camp programs at the Barbara C. Harris are here and available in a display at the bottom of the stairs into the undercroft. The camp has a first rate facility and wonderful programs. Many of our youth have attended weekend programs during the school year.

More information can be found at www.bchcenter.org/camp/index.htm or speak with Nick Morris-Kliment.

APRIL ADULT FORUMS

APRIL 4

Easter Day ~ no forum

APRIL 11

Does the separation of the Church matter any more?

Laura Everett, Associate Director of the Massachusetts Council of Churches

The issue of Christian unity has been a lively one since the days of the Apostles. For contemporary Anglicans, the issue is particularly salient as parishes and even dioceses in the Episcopal Church align themselves with conservative Anglican bodies in Africa and South America. In the wider church, separation over a variety of issues remains a painful reality. Laura Everett will speak on possible ways forward for reconciliation in 21st century ecumenism. Ms. Everett is a graduate of Harvard Divinity School. She has represented the United Church of Christ with the National and World Council of Churches and Churches Uniting in Christ, including leading the lay ecumenical formation program at World Council of Churches 9th Assembly in Porto Alegre, Brazil. She is a member of Hope Central Church in Jamaica Plain.



APRIL 18

***Difficult Conversations: Another Approach* Brian Blancke, Ph.D.**

Are you facing a difficult conversation at home or at work and are not sure how to handle it? Are you avoiding having that tough conversation even though you should have it because you are afraid of what might happen? Are you tired of the stress and anxiety, and wondering if there is a better way? In our baptismal covenant, we are called to seek and serve Christ in each other. How do we do that when we are not getting along? Come join us to learn about how to change a difficult conversation into a learning conversation. Based on the bestseller, Difficult Conversations, we will explore what makes conversations difficult, how this effects our ability to listen, how we can shift the conversation and pointers about how to prepare for and conduct the conversation. Brian Blancke is a content consultant and trainer for Vantage Partners, a negotiation and relationship management consulting firm in Boston affiliated with Harvard's Program on Negotiation.

APRIL 25

***The Ministries of the Episcopal Cathedral of St. Paul's, Boston* The Very Rev. John P. Streit, Dean**

Jep Streit comes to Trinity to share the variety and richness of the ministries at our Cathedral, the spiritual center of the Diocese. Trinity has been serving at the Cathedral's Soup Kitchen for more than 25 years.

MUSIC NOTES

April 4: Easter Festival Eucharist

Service will include Brass and Parish Choir at both 8:00 and 10:00 am Liturgies and the Youth Choir will join us at 10:00 am on Easter Sunday, April 4. Both choirs will be singing music from Cantata 4: *Christ lag in Todesbanden* by Johann Sebastian Bach.

April 11: World Premiere Concert

Youth pro Musica, the Treble Chorus of New England and the Knabenchor der Chorakademie, Dortmund, Germany will join together to perform a world premiere of a work of a Cantata by Boston College composer, Ralf Gawlick. Set to the poem *KINDERKREUZZUG*, by noted poet Bertolt Brecht, the Cantata tells of children, trying to escape Nazi warmongering in Poland, who wandered the countryside in search of peace. The concert will take place at the Parish of St. Ignatius at Boston College on Saturday, April 10 at 7:30 PM and **here at Trinity on Sunday, April 11 at 3:00 pm.** Come and hear these young people sing this exciting new work!

May 2: Choral Evensong

On Sunday, May 2 at 5:00 PM Matthew Doherty will play a Prelude Recital of sacred music for harp. Afterward, the Parish Choir will sing the traditional Anglican service of Choral Evensong which dates back 500 years, and is still sung in Cathedrals and parishes throughout the world.



CARING CONNECTION

Lessons from Geese

There is a lot we can learn from nature. Geese flying in a V-formation can teach us some wonderful lessons.

As each goose flaps its wings, it creates uplift for others behind it. There is 71% more flying range in V-formation than in flying alone. *Lesson: People who share a sense of purpose can get there more easily because they are traveling on the thrust of one another.*

When a goose falls out of formation, it feels the drag and resistance of flying alone. It quickly moves back into formation to take advantage of the lifting power of the bird in front of it. *Lesson: We should stay with those headed where we want to go. We should be willing to accept their help and give our help to others.*

The geese flying in the rear of the formation honk to encourage those upfront to keep up their speed. *Lesson: Encouragement is motivating. We need to make sure our "honking" is encouraging and not discouraging.*

When a goose gets sick or wounded and falls, two geese drop out of formation and follow it to help and protect it. They stay with it until it revives or dies. *Lesson: We all need help from time to time. We should stand by each other in difficult times.*

—ATTRIBUTED TO BOTH DR. ROBERT MCNEISH
AND ANGELES ARRIEN



*Progressive Dinner
Saturday, May 1st
Six pm appetizer hour*

NEW The Progressive Dinner is partnering with the Cookbook Committee to provide an outstanding dinner and exciting evening of fellowship! Judy and Bob Krumme will host the appetizer hour starting at 6 pm.

This year's dinner is a fundraiser for the cookbook, so we suggest a \$20 donation per person. For your donation, you will receive a complete meal including wine, appetizers, main course, and desserts, all using recipes from the cookbook. The only thing you need to bring is *yourself!*

NEW We will hold an auction during the appetizer hour. Guests will have the opportunity to bid on three elegant dinners, prepared by chefs from our parish, cooking either in the chef's home or the auction winner's home.

We truly want to include everyone in the parish for this wonderful evening. If you have young children, line up your baby sitter; if you have food allergies, let us know; if you limit your night-time driving, we may be able to help with a ride. For information or to sign-up, contact Chuck Niessen (978-369-7296) or Carroll Sandel (978-369-5543). Together we will eat well, laugh heartedly, and help raise money for the Trinity cookbook.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

The Church School continues to hum with positive energy. The nursery is bustling. Godly Play rooms have received new rugs as well as new teaching materials the children are enjoying. In addition to maintaining clear communication with parents and supporting teachers in their work, Adults Supporting Children committee (ASC) is focusing on the recruitment of teachers for next year, and on adding new members to help support the mission of educating our children. If you want to join in this ministry, please contact Carolyun Coffin, chair of ASC or Nick Morris-Kliment, Interim Church School Director.

Youth Groups

In February, the Rite 13 and Pilgrim groups together prepared meals for, and ate and worshipped with the people of Common Cathedral, the congregation of un-housed people based on the Boston Common.

Both groups will be visited in April by the volunteer coordinator at Household Goods Recycling, in preparation for monthly service assisting clients in the selection and loading of household items.

The Rite 13 group has pooled its own money to send to Episcopal Relief and Development to be used for mosquito nets. They are also planning a hike to the White Mountains at the end of June. They continue to usher, read, sing and acolyte at the 10 am service on the 1st Sunday of every month.

The Pilgrims continue to prepare for their pilgrimage to Ireland June 28-July 8. They will travel to the Cathedral of St. John the Divine on April 30/May 1 to participate in the well-regarded Nightwatch program, as well as to take part in a service project through the Children's Aid Society.

MARCH ART GALLERY

POSSIBILITIES

An exhibit of multimedia art by Barbara B. Beinhocker

As Winter fades, new possibilities fill the earth and ourselves. There are exciting patterns and colors just under our feet as we walk along a woodland path. The shapes formed by tree branches, patterns of light and dark, color and texture open new vistas. Wildlife is abundant, to be closely observed and turned into pictures. It is a time to experiment with some new ways of seeing our world and the exciting relationships that can be discovered through the mastery and use of a variety of artist's media.

Barbara B. Beinhocker as a natural science artist, both teaches and works in a variety of graphic and aqua media to produce a body of work that is both scientifically correct and aesthetically stands alone as art. Some of her work becomes purely allegorical and imaginative. Barbara has lived and worked in Massachusetts since graduating from Brown and Harvard Universities.

Barbara has also developed art education programs for various towns and institutions. She conducts workshops, demonstrations and lectures for churches, environmental organizations and schools. She has been the recipient of many education grants and is active in community and environmental causes. She is a Lay Minister in the Episcopal Church.

Beinhocker's works have been shown in various group and individual shows both nationally and internationally. She has won many prizes. Among a few of her exhibitors have been Harvard University, The Vermont Institute of Natural Science, The Bermuda National Arts Center, Bentley College, The National Cathedral in Washington, D.C. (accompanied by three days of teaching at National Cathedral School), Massachusetts Audubon Society, Earthwatch, The Nature Company, Concord Art Association (distinguished member), various galleries, juried shows and publications. Her works are in private and corporate collections.

Art at Trinity may be viewed weekdays between 9 am and 5 pm, and following church services on Sunday mornings. The Trinity Arts Council is currently under the leadership of Margaret Wailes.



***Artist Reception will follow coffee hour
on Sunday, April 18. All are welcome.***

FOOD FOR THE BODY & SOUL!



Cookbook Kitchen Tour

The Cookbook Committee is planning a kitchen tour fundraiser in the fall. Do you have a spectacular kitchen or know someone who does? Would you or they like to offer a tour of their kitchen in the Concord area? Please let us know by calling Carroll Sandel or Sandy Folk.

And mark your calendar...

Easter Egg Hunt on April 4 at 11 am

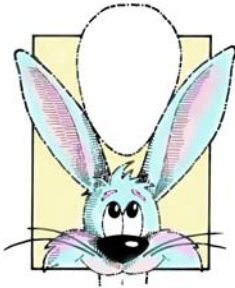
Trinity Luncheon on April 8 - 11:30 am Eucharist & noon lunch

Progressive Dinner on May 1 starting with appetizers at 6 pm

The Education for Ministry Program (EfM)

EfM here at Trinity is accepting registrations for the 2010 - 2011 school year. EfM is a four year course for laity which includes study of the Old Testament, New Testament, Church History and Contemporary Theology. More than a Bible Study, it is designed to help the participants think theologically about their lives and the world about them, in order to better equip each of us for the ministry that God is calling us to. For more information contact Karyn Barry, 781-894-3664; karynbarry@yahoo.com.

WINDOW OF OPPORTUNITY



Easter Egg Hunt
April 4 at 11:00 am

**Have a
Blessed Easter!**

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on Monday, April 5

Many thanks to all who
gave Easter flowers
making our sanctuary
beautiful on Easter Day!

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Trinity Luncheon
Thursday, April 8

11:30 am Eucharist
12 pm Luncheon

Chicken with artichokes
& mushrooms, rice pilaf,
Caesar salad, dessert



Progressive Dinner
Saturday, May 1st
(details on page 10)



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