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TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Trinity Times News of Trinity Church

Trinity Parish Picnic

Date: July 27, 2013

Time: 1 - 5 p.m.



**Entertainment:
Trinity
Centennial Band**

Hot Dogs
Hamburgers
Dessert
Drinks

Games and fun for
everyone!

All Free

Please sign up in the
Parish Hall

NO LATER THAN
July 19, 2013

**Contact Persons: Mary Alice Holmes
and John Gillis: Phone: 646-4763**

**The Roof' is just off of Route 191 in Paradise
Township. Contact Mary Alice Holmes or the
Parish Office (839-9376) for directions.**

HEAVEN IS FOR KEEPS

A father was at the beach with his children when his 4 year old son ran up to him, grabbed his hand, and led him to the shore where a seagull lay dead in the sand.

"Daddy, what happened to him?", the son asked. "He died and went to Heaven," the Dad replied.

The boy thought a moment and then said, "Did God throw him back down?"

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- *Tales from Hound Haven*
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It comes after 6....

By the time this Newsletter comes out, I will have added a brand new number followed by a zero into my history. I tell myself, I'm only 1 day older. I also tell myself that, at this point, my journey on earth is on its last legs. And the legs part is true as I will have a future walking on 'new knees' in a few years.

So what do I want to be doing with my life? Where are my passions? Where else would I like to focus? Have I been a good friend to my 'friends'? How can I be a better friend? Am I a time waster? Should I finally lose that 20 pounds? Should I try to take more trips (expensive) to Hawaii to see my 3 grandchildren? What more could I be doing with the grandchildren who live close? I don't mean spending money, I mean spending time. Should I do Yoga? Should I pay more attention to what goes into my body? (It does crave chocolate).

I'm delving into meditation. I started a few months ago when I logged onto Oprah and Deepak Chopra and did the 21 days, 15 minutes each, focusing on the well being of body, mind and spirit. (Meditation is a wonderful, fulfilling way to start your day.) I need to pray more. I need to be more in touch with God and the opportunities He has presented to me all of my life. He brought me to Trinity and Julie Beech. Meeting Julie is a welcome one doesn't forget. Being friends with Julie has been a gift. I know Trinity is one of my passions. I thank God for the priests and people I have met here.

Having this birthday has become a responsibility. It's not just presents, cake and Ice cream. But when it gets to the cake and ice cream part, make it chocolate!

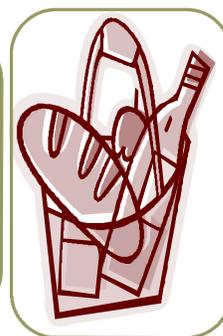
Jill Long

Trinity Bethlehem is having a Broadway Around the World with musical star and film legend Michael Craig. He looks and sounds like Howard Keel. I was at last years concert with Mr. Craig singing. He is an accomplished singer-actor and has performed with the NYC Metropolitan Opera. The event was well attended by Trinity members and many others who paid \$15, funds raised for the choir.

The concert date is June 14 at 7:00 p.m. Trinity is an hour from Mt. Pocono and easy to drive to. (car pool). Perhaps this is something we could do here in Mt. Pocono!

Silent Basket Auction & Bake Sale

**TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
137 TRINITY HILL ROAD, MT. POCONO**



Mark your calendars and don't miss a wonderful assortment of themed baskets. Also available a large variety of delicious homemade baked goods.

Wine and Cheese Basket
Christmas Children's Basket
Bath & Spa Basket
Gardening Basket
Picnic Basket

Saturday, June 15 2011 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

We are located just south of Mt. Pocono off
Rt. 611 on Trinity Hill Road, across from
"Happy Trails" Riding Stables.

Birthdays & Anniversaries



June Birthdays

4 Hailee Passno
5 Fr. Bob Criste-Troutman
19 Jan Anglemire
19 Bill Herling
22 Chandanie Baboolal

June Anniversaries

9 James & Becky Hendricks
18 Bill & Kathie Herling

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

Trinity sends Julie Beech love and prayers as she begins a new life journey. She will be going to live with her grandson Sean, wife Jen and Halley and Chloe.

Sean doesn't know where he will be stationed as yet, in the U.S. But what is certain, is that Julie is about to become an army brat. WE'LL MISS YOU, JULIE!

Tales from Hound Haven submitted by Julie Beech

Writing this makes me sad, because it's the end of Hound Haven's Tail!

The end of June, Mom will be going to live with her grandson Sean and family. They have been reassigned to Fort Jackson, South Carolina and will take Mom along to be as she says, "the world's oldest Army Brat". It will be nice for Mom to have people who will help her and to be able to enjoy watching her little great granddaughters grow.

The only difficult part is that I cannot go with her. We've been together for a year and in that time we've shared a lot of love. She says I am a wonderful beautiful dog. She likes to see me sit so proudly. I always give her my smile. She says I am a very relaxed non-demanding dog. My only problem is that I don't do well with little children. I don't quite trust them. I wish it were different. Also, Sean has

Buddy and Yoda and they don't like new dogs around.

I will be going to live with Dr. Pat, my vet. I lived with her when I first arrived from Alabama and I know they all love me there and will take good care of me!

But Mom and I will miss each other so much. She says I'm one of her best dogs and we were so lucky to be together for awhile.

Mom and I were also so happy to be part of your lives too. It was a privilege to share our activities and thoughts with you. I want you to know I will always wear my Episcopalian collar and be very proud of it. It will remind me of good days and assure me that I am one of God's four legged children and that he loves me.

We love all of you! (Please just blot the tear stain away) We will miss you!

Love, Love, Love,
Crystal (and Mom)

PS—We are hoping we have found a replacement team. There's nothing as great as looking at the world through a dog's eyes!



Saint of the Month

Andre Rublev

Not much is known about the early life of Andre Rublev. He was most probably born in Moscow principedom into the family of an artisan, presumably in the 1360's. The family name comes from the word, "rubel" – a tool used in the processing of leather.

Andre studied under Theophanes the Greek, the foremost icon writer (painter) in Russia at the time. He became a monk in the Trinity-St. Sergius Monastery, and became a follower of St. Sergius, founder of the monastery which emphasized "fraternity, calm, love toward God, and spiritual self-improvement." The monastery was an ideal place for shy, calm Rublev. Here, he could devote his days to divine service, icon writing, and meditation. He learned much from the craftsmen and artisans there who could teach their skills to others.

Many of Rublev's works originated in Moscow or in towns and monasteries around it. This was during a time of great national strife, which took a toll on thousands of lives and weakened the Russian principalities, making Russia an easy prey to enemies. Saint Sergius supported the unification of these fractured principalities.

Much of the art of the time depicted facts of real life in conjunction with concepts borrowed from the Gospels and the writings of the Holy Fathers. This was accomplished through complex speculations about the image of an undivided Trinity that called for togetherness.

Already in the 15th century, icons painted by Rublev were considered worth their weight in gold. One aspect of Rublev's art that makes it so important is the divergence from Theophane's style into a style that was completely his own. His icons are described as serene, compassionate and graceful, characterized by delicate lines and harmonious use of color.

Rublev is best known for his masterpiece, The Old Testament Trinity. It could be that he visited this subject because St. Sergius said that we may

overcome the divisiveness of the world by contemplating the Holy Trinity. The icon is based on the bible story about the visit by three angels to Abraham and Sarah. In it, Rublev removed figures that appeared in earlier versions in order to simplify the idea of the Trinity. The bowed heads of the figures and the blues and golds of their clothing are the focus of his piece. Aware of the Biblical prohibition against depicting God, icon writers instead turned to the story of the hospitality of Abraham. Perhaps the most important thought Rublev wanted to convey was the thought about the necessity of goodness of love.

He was considered the founder of the Moscow School of Painting. He is credited with the scenes of the annunciation and from the life of Christ that show His nativity, baptism, and transfiguration. Other works include various icons and frescoes in the Assumption Cathedral in Moscow, and wall paintings done in the 1400's.

Iconographers did not sign their work until the 1600's. Historians have had to rely on the study of the artist's unique style. Written documentation, however, proves that The Old Testament Trinity is his work.

In 1988, Andre Rublev became the first Russian iconographer to be canonized a saint by the Orthodox Church. In art, he is often represented as an Orthodox monk, shown holding an icon.

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From the Youth Group

Hi again! it's the Trinity Youth Group's June report

Ok, since last's months report we have made some decisions, here are a few things we'd like to share with you all.

First, is that this coming Saturday the youth will be meeting at the church to finish cleaning the last of the trail, then go to the Rectory to clean and decorate for the end of the year party on Sunday in which the Mt Pocono Methodist Youth Group has been invited.

Second, some of you have asked what we plan to do with the donations we have received through our monthly salad bar, the answer is that all youth members have come to agreement that we would like to have a day trip to Knoebles during the month of July or August. A big thank you to all those who have made donations to make a day of fun for the group possible.

Youth Group Members: Paige Keiper, Jordan Dereaux, Ben Gower, Jacob Gower, Clara Hendricks (Journalist), Emma Hendricks (Secretary & Treasurer), Nneka VanGronigen (Big Nnekahuna/President),

Youth Group Advisors: Bob Gower, Becky Hendricks, Maddy Polak, Neil Criste-Troutman.

June Calendar

June 15 - Silent Basket Auction/Bake Sale, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Parish Hall

Popcorn and Movie Night, 7:00 p.m. - "The Bridges of Madison County"

June 16 - Bishop Jack, 10:00 a.m. Annual Visit

June 23-30 Family Promise Host Week

June 24 - Trinity Crafters, 10:00 a.m. - Noon, Library

June 30 - Trinity Centennial Band, 6:00 p.m., Albertson Park, Stroudsburg

July 2 - Trinity Centennial Band, 7:00 p.m., Shawnee Inn, Shawnee-on-the-Delaware

July 3 - Trinity at Food Pantry, 8:30 a.m. - Noon

July 13 - Trinity Centennial Band, 2:30 p.m., Grace Park, Stroudsburg

July 14 - Vestry Meeting, 11:45 a.m., Library

July 19 - Trinity Centennial Band, 7:00 p.m., Mountainhome United Methodist Church

July 27 - Parish Picnic/Trinity Centennial Band Concert, 1:00 - 5:00 p.m., "The Roof", Paradise Twp.

Our Prayers have been requested for:

Mary Baker

Ed Benintende

Penny Clark

Lee Connolly

Marilyn Croneberger

Hal & LeeAnn Daniels

Victoria Forstein

Jim Rawson

Christopher Rose

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health: Comfort and relieve your sick servants, and give your power of healing to those who minister to their needs, that those for whom our prayers are offered may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in your loving care; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*



Vestry

Jan Anglemire
Robert Ceci
Barbara Gessner
Patricia Goodwin
Daniel Harris
Susan Kennedy
Rob McMahan
Donald Scheck
Carolyn Tolley
Nigel VanGronigen

Worship Services: Sunday, Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 a.m.
Adult Education, 9:00 a.m. September - June
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. September - June
Tuesday, Morning Prayer, 9 a.m.
Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 9am – 2pm

The Rt. Rev. Paul V. Marshall, Bishop of the Diocese of Bethlehem
The Rt. Rev. John P. Croneberger, Assisting Bishop
The Rev. Robert J. Criste-Troutman, Priest-in-Charge
The Rev. Ralph C. Roth, Rector Emeritus
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