



The Angelus

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FROM THE DEAN

As we approach Holy Week, the Sacred Triduum, the Day of Resurrection and the glorious Fifty Days of Easter, I invite us to pray and meditate upon the words of the collects and holy day liturgies from The Book of Common Prayer we shall be experiencing.

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Monday in Holy Week

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns ...

Tuesday in Holy Week

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life: Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ, that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns ...

Wednesday in Holy Week

Lord God, whose blessed Son our Savior gave his body to be whipped and his face to be spit upon: Give us grace to accept joyfully the sufferings of the present time, confident of the glory that shall be revealed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who live and reigns ...

Maundy Thursday

Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who now lives

and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit ...

Good Friday

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit ...

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, we pray you to set your passion, cross, and death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mercy and grace to the living, pardon and rest to the dead; to you holy Church peace and concord; and to us sinners everlasting life and glory ...

Holy Saturday

O God, Creator of heaven and earth: Grant that, as the crucified body of your dear Son was laid in the tomb and rested on this holy Sabbath, so we may await with him the coming of the third day, and rise with him to newness of life; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

The Great Vigil of Easter

Rejoice now, heavenly hosts and choirs of angels, and let your trumpets shout Salvation for the victory of our mighty King!

This is the night, when Christ broke the bonds of death and hell, and rose victorious from the grave!

Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Beloved in Christ, the way of the cross is the way of life. Let us seek Our Lord's grace that we may faithfully take up our cross and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life. We have been delivered from the power of our enemy. May we die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with the Risen Christ in the joy of his resurrection.

*With my love in Christ,
Terry+*

Maison de Naissance: 2008 in review

As we look back on 2008, Haiti has had many challenges, inflation, violent hurricanes, lightening strikes and civil unrest. Maison de Naissance has suffered in these adversities. With \$8 per gallon gasoline prices, it cost \$150 per day to keep the generator and ambulance in operation. The "rice riots" set up roadblocks and emergency procedures were necessary to insure that MN stayed open and operational. MN's ambulance slid off a road during a spring rainstorm and was a total loss, thankfully no fatalities. During the four hurricanes there was loss of crops, homes and livestock. A lightening strike hit MN and the center was without consistent power for eight weeks. The staff worked with kerosene lamps delivering babies. In spite of these hardships the number of visits and deliveries almost doubled in the second half of the year.

From these times of crisis wonderful things happened. First, a volunteer work group from Kansas City, Omaha and Canada re-wired and

re-roofed MN. Second, relief funds were contributed for solar panels to replace the expensive diesel generator. Third, contributions allowed for the replacement of the ambulance with two new ambulances, an addition that will allow MN to reach more mothers. Pere Alphonse held a blessing ceremony, organized by the staff, for the new ambulance at MN the first morning they were driven from Les Cayes to MN. Since then each morning when the staff is picked up they take a moment to say a morning prayer of thanks before they journey to MN. Also, new partnerships will now allow MN to purchase large quantities of medications at a discount. The staff will be strengthened with two additional nurse midwives and two more in training.

Since its opening in 2004, MN has grown from providing safe births for a few to serving a community of more than 25,000, delivering hundreds of babies and providing HIV/AIDS, malaria and family planning education.

The Cathedral Friends of MN thank everyone for their continued support of our work for the beautiful and hopeful people of Haiti.

—by Paula Miller



Treasurer's Report

February Actual MTD

Income	\$	144,987
Expenses	\$	160,744
Net Total	\$	(15,757)

Final expense adjustments to the 2009 budget have not been completed, therefore, budget figures are not in the February Treasurer's Report.

Comparing the 2009 budget with the 2008 budget, it appears that we are doing okay so far. I hope to have the budget figures in the March 2009 Treasurer's Report.

—by Doyle White



Laizé Ser-

April 1 • 6:30 p.m.

Chapel at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

A quiet simple way of prayer for people of all Christian traditions. This is a meditative, candlelit service of simple chants, rich silence, scripture readings and prayers.

Plan to make this part of your Lenten spiritual journey.

The Angelus

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The Angelus Small Group is open to anyone interested in contributing (writing stories, taking photographs) regularly to *The Angelus*. No experience necessary.

Submissions from parishioners and small groups are welcome and encouraged. All entries are requested by the 15th day of the month prior to publication by e-mail: communications@ghtc-kc.org or fax: 816.474.5856.

Pausing to let our souls catch up

Beloved Cathedral Family and Friends,

It is with peace, sadness and hopeful expectation that I am writing to let you know that after Sunday, May 3, I will be stepping away from my position at the Cathedral. The peace is because my leaving at this time is the result of a difficult discernment process which began for me some time ago and has now come to an end, and so I am resting more gently in God. The sadness, of course, is because I have grown to love the people of the Cathedral so much that it is very difficult to imagine not being with you in our hallways and at our altar.

The great Christian story goes on, but I must admit to already feeling the grief of missing out on the next chapter of the ongoing life at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral, and of your individual parts in it. My joyful expectation is that our God is just what we are taught that God is, a loving and transforming presence who, when we release our lives into God's care, carries each of us more and more into who God is, into our love for each other, and into who we are created to be.

I want to make two things very clear:

1. My decision has nothing to do with any situation, person or condition at the Cathedral. It would be natural, for example, to assume that the recent budget concerns somehow prompted this action. When it became clear that the Cathedral, like virtually all institutions and individuals these days, was facing financial challenge, I did, in fact, offer the Dean my resignation, which he firmly declined.

2. I am not ill. It would also be natural, given what I hope is my obvious love and respect for the parishioners, the staff, the Dean and my clergy colleagues to imagine that I would only leave under some kind of duress. The 'duress' under which I take my leave is the same invitation of God which brought me here in the first place; the invitation to follow as best as I

am able what I believe I am called to do as a priest in God's church.

What was initially puzzling for me, and may be puzzling for you as well, is that I am not called to a new position elsewhere, but rather into a time of Sabbath rest and renewal. It appears as something of a wilderness experience, since this particular Sabbath is not defined by time or place, but simply by a strong call to be away for awhile from what is ordinarily understood as the work of ministry. A spiritual mentor, however, recently pointed out that the work directly in front of me is to rest with God and to wander some in the desert.

Bishop Howe said during his recent visitation to the Cathedral that, "There is no such thing as a solitary Christian."

Christian discernment does not happen alone. My decision has come through prayer and self-examination and conversation with, among others, our generous Bishop who has once again guided and supported this somewhat off-the-norm sheep. I thank Bishop Howe and offer, too, my particular thanks to Dean Terry and Canon Sue who have also graciously accepted me for who I am and trusted God in this process.

As some of you know, I once heard a now-favorite story about a group of anthropologists. It seems that they were studying an aboriginal tribe which would mysteriously stop in their travels and activities for no apparent reason. When questioned as to the purpose of these stops, the leader of the tribe responded, "Ah, that is when we pause to let our souls catch up."

I am pausing now to let my soul catch up. Thank you each and all for the abundant life you have lived in Christ and shared with me, and thank you for your prayers.

With love,
Carol +

He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." Mark 6:31

Gratitude

from Him. Gratitude therefore takes nothing for granted, is never unresponsive, is constantly awakening to new wonder and to praise of the goodness of God. For the grateful person knows that God is good, not by hearsay but by experience. And that is what makes all the difference." -From *Thoughts in Solitude* by Thomas Merton

"To be grateful is to recognize the Love of God in everything He has given us—and He has given us everything. Every breath we draw is a gift of His love, every moment of existence is a grace, for it brings with it immense graces

Palm Cross Day

Thursday, April 2 • 9 a.m.

We will be making crosses out of palm leaves for distribution on Palm Sunday.

Bring your scissors — someone will teach you how to make the crosses if you've never done it before! Lunch will be served at noon for all participants — the main dish is provided, please bring a salad and dessert.

Adult Formation

Sundays • 9:15 a.m. • Founders' Hall

April 5 • Clergy Forum

Clergy will discuss the liturgies of Holy Week.

April 12

Easter Day • No Adult Formation class



*Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

- Chuck Thomas (*Michael Thomas's brother*)
- Loren Ryan (*Karen Behen's nephew*)
- Wordna Thompson (*Joe Finnie's aunt*)

March flower gifts

March 15

- in memory of Newt Lewis — Gordon Hansen

March 29

- in memory of Purnell Brown — Jeanne Estevez

To donate toward the flowers to celebrate a special event or remember a loved one, sign up online at www.ghtc-kc.org/flowers or contact Joan Bock in the Cathedral office (jbock@ghtc-kc.org).

Children learn to knit during Lent

For our K-5th grade children in formation, Lent has been a time of giving up simple pleasures but never giving up on trying new things. The Pre-Kindergarten class has enjoyed hearing the continuing lessons on the life of Jesus followed by sharing a “feast” of goldfish crackers and water. The older children have practiced their Lenten discipline by “fasting” from 9:15-10 a.m. while working hard to learn to knit for Maison de Naissance. Knitting is not as easy as it looks. While some children have taken off with the new skill, others remain steadfast in their commitment to learn something new and keep trying. We hope to create a whole new group of spiritual knitters to help create tiny hats for newborns in Haiti while raising awareness of the great need of our brethren in Christ.



Stewardship modeling centers inspire children & Maison de Naissance

Children’s Formation remains committed to teaching children about the world beyond our classroom. Our stewardship modeling centers in Haden Hall (Mini-MN, Junior Community Kitchen and tiny priest sacristy with vestments) have been operating since 2006. We “serve” international foods and have introduced more food groups to demonstrate healthy, balanced meals in our Junior Community Kitchen. Our Mini-MN center has added more “babies” and “medical equipment,” including a “laboratory” with pretend microscope, x-ray machine and human body models. We thank Joan Bock for her donation of the Haitian painting that adorns the wall of the center and Sharyl Wallace for the red doctor’s medical bag. Our center has been photographed by a representative of Maison de Naissance and plans to use the Cathedral’s Mini MN as a paradigm to create educational materials for MN are in the works.

—by DeAnn McTavish



photos by DeAnn McTavish

Easter Day schedule for Children’s Formation

All children are invited to join us, at 9:45 a.m. Easter Sunday in Haden Hall auditorium, to flower the cross. Children’s Chapel is at 10:15 a.m. in the Lambs Chapel. Children age 3 and up worship together in the green door room in Haden Hall.

Accompanied to the Nave at The Peace, children follow the offertory procession with the flowered cross. We’ll follow the cross down the center aisle then left toward the baptismal font. After the cross is placed at the font children may return to their parents.

Youth group participates in Snake Saturday festivities

On Friday, March 13, the Trinity Teens youth group participated in a barbecue contest associated with the Snake Saturday parade in North Kansas City. We grilled hot dogs and took in some carnival fun. We watched Brian Marrs (the dad) prepare our entry for the contest, and both youth and parents had an enjoyable evening. Brian's entry won eighth place out of 25 entries, enough for a \$200 prize that will help to fund youth events in the coming year. Special thanks to Brian for his BBQ expertise and to Karen Behen for organizing the event.



photos by Karen Behen

Gift for Easter



Easter celebrations at the Cathedral are a feast for the senses. Bob Trapp of Trapp and Company will once again adorn the nave and sanctuary with flowers while the Cathedral choirs and instrumentalists will produce glorious music. Your gift will help provide flowers and music for our Easter celebrations.

Please use the envelopes at the back of the nave and

- check the box for *Music* or *Flowers*, or both.
- If you check both, the gift will be divided for both music and flowers.
- List the names of those you wish honored or the blessing(s) you wish to name.
- List your name as donor (optional).
- Return the envelope to the office by **Tuesday, March 31**, for your name to be included in the Easter bulletins.

Thank you for your generous gift in celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ!

Easter Day Egg Hunt

It's that time of year again, when we prepare for the Resurrection and new life! The Easter Angels are gearing up for the Egg Hunt, and they need your donations.

Here are two things to keep in mind:

- Individually wrapped candies (big bags of candies will be distributed in bowls in Founders' Hall)
- Small packs (to fit into the eggs)

There will be a giant basket outside the nave for you to drop off whatever you would like the children to receive.

Have you ever wanted to be an Angel? Now is your chance! The Easter Angels are recruiting for this year's Easter Egg Hunt. April 5 (Palm Sunday) we will meet to stuff eggs and plan the event. If you want to be a very special part of this tradition, please attend that meeting and gear up for hunting fun and smiling faces!!!

Thank you so much!

Help Assemble Easter Baskets Sunday, March 29 at 11:45 a.m. in Founders' Hall

Everyone is encouraged and invited to come and help. We'll be putting together approximately 200 Easter baskets for the children who reside in the residential home and hospital units of Crittenton and Kaw Valley Centers.



The Fourth Annual

Dean's Cup Classic

presented by Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral

May 16, 2009

Adams Pointe Golf Club, Blue Springs

Golfers Receive

- 18 holes of golf and cart
- Range balls
- Gift bag
- Continental Breakfast
- Box lunch
- Opportunity to win a variety of prizes

Contests and Competitions

- Putting competition
- Longest drive contest
- Closest to pin challenge
- Longest putt award
- Hole-in-One prizes
- Mulligans and other contests available

Cost

\$150 per player, includes golf and banquet

\$130 per player, includes golf only

Early Registration Special: Register and pay for a team by April 18 and pay only \$550 (a \$50 savings!) — includes the golf and banquet!

7:30 a.m. • Registration & Continental Breakfast

8:30 a.m. • Shotgun Tee-off

5:30 p.m. • Silent Auction Begins & Appetizers

6:30 p.m. • Awards Banquet

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This Month's Calendar

- 1 • WEDNESDAY
6:30 p.m. Taizé Service at Immaculate Conception Cathedral
- 2 • THURSDAY
9:00 a.m. Palm Cross Day
- 5 • SUNDAY
11:45 a.m. Music Committee
- 9 • THURSDAY
5:30 p.m. Social Action Committee
- 14 • TUESDAY
6:15 p.m. Guild of the Christ Child
- 15 • WEDNESDAY
7:00 a.m. Finance Committee Meeting
6:00 p.m. Charitable Needlework
- 22 • WEDNESDAY
6:30 p.m. Reel People
- 23 • THURSDAY
5:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting

Please verify times and dates of the events listed with the appropriate person(s) or by contacting the Cathedral office or website (www.ghtc-kc.org).



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April 2009

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Weekly Activities

Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:15 a.m. Christian Formation
10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist
5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist

Monday

- 12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist

Tuesday

- 9:15 a.m. EfM
12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist
1:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study

Wednesday

- 12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist
5:45 p.m. The Tallis Singers
6:00 p.m. Grace Choraliers
7:00 p.m. Trinity Teens Youth Group

Thursday

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study
12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist
6:00 p.m. Cathedral Bell Ringers
6:30 p.m. EfM
7:30 p.m. Trinity Choir

Friday

- 12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist

The Liturgies of Holy Week and Easter Week

April 5-10: Labyrinth walk for private meditation is available in Founders' Hall. Guides are provided to assist you.

April 5 • The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

8 a.m., 10:15 a.m., 5 p.m.

The Resurrection

April 11 • Easter Eve

7:45 p.m. • The Great Vigil of Easter

April 6-8 • Monday-Wednesday in Holy Week

12:05 p.m. & 5:30 p.m. • Holy Eucharist

April 12 • Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day

8 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.
(no 5 p.m. service today)
I have seen the Lord. (John 20:1-18)

The Triduum Sacrum (Three Holy Days)

April 9 • Maundy Thursday

(no service at 12:05 today)
7:00 p.m. • Proper Liturgy of the Day

April 13 • Monday in Easter Week

The Cathedral is closed. No services.

April 10 • Good Friday

12:05 p.m. • Proper Liturgy of the Day
1:45 p.m. • Quiet Prayer in the Nave.
2:30 p.m. • Way of the Cross

April 14-17 • Tuesday-Friday in Easter Week

Holy Eucharist at 12:05 p.m.

Alleluia –
Christ is risen!

