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## RIEST-IN-CHA

There's something, if not enjoyable then at least seasonally appropriate, about raking leaves in autumn. There's a chill in the air and, depending on where you live, perhaps the faint aroma of wood or leaf smoke as well. The earth is settling in for its winter downtime, shedding spent greenness, lightening the load ahead of winter's ice and snow. Yep, raking leaves in autumn feels right.

Raking leaves in the early spring? Not so much.

Or so I thought, any way, as I squelched my way through the back yard en route to the ravine-lette between our neighbor's property and ours. A fence is there, erected by our neighbors well before we purchased our house. Near as I can tell, this fence mostly functions as a winter backstop to every stray leaf in the neighborhood that didn't get raked up in the fall. On a warm afternoon in mid-March, Rick and I gathered up six bags worth of last year's leaves from the neighborhood, including some baby-blanket-size sycamore specimens that blew in from three blocks away.

And we're not done yet. The bottom layer of oak leaves, soaked by a season's worth of rain and snow, were sealed hermetically to the Missouri clay that we gamely refer to as soil. If you know oak leaves, you know that they stubbornly resist decay, unlike most other deciduous leaves. They are dead and they aren't going anywhere.

I'm reminded of an icon I saw many years ago of the Harrowing of Hell — the doctrine that Jesus descended to the dead following his crucifixion and death. (Those of us who pray the daily office, thereby reciting the Apostles Creed regularly, are familiar with this doctrine. And if we've been doing this for a while, we may recall that the 1928 BCP had us saying, "He descended into hell.") The theology expressed in this image is that our Lord visited the place of death in order to set the dead free. The icon showed Jesus grasping Adam and Eve, and drawing them forth from a tomb. But the most arresting feature of the icon was that Jesus wasn't holding them by their hands as though leading them. He gripped their wrists, as though yanking them from death to life against their will.

You'd think that we would hunger and thirst for resurrection. You'd think that when we are in the throes of death — and by this I mean trapped in the death-dealing brokenness of sin, both individual and corporate — that we would willingly, joyfully follow our Lord out of hell and into resurrection. That we would be the human equivalent of winter wheat, just waiting to spring green, as the lovely Easter hymn lyrically puts it. And instead, we so often are more like the human equivalent of last year's oak leaves - dead and stuck. Sometimes it's because, like Milton's Lucifer, we prefer to rule in Hell than to serve in Heaven. More often, it's because the familiarity of the death of sin, however horrible, is nonetheless preferable to the risky newness that Resurrected life offers. Whatever the case, most of us are acquainted with that place of stuckness where we're the metaphorical equivalent of oak leaves — dead, and not going anywhere.

And yet, ours is a God who will not leave us there. Sent his Son to live a human life and die a human death so that nothing would ever be beyond the reach of God's saving help. A God who yanks us from eternal death — both literal and metaphorical.

As you read this, we are still walking the Lenten journey. Easter is yet a long way off this year. And yet it is coming, a yearly blessed reminder that the stuckness of death cannot withstand the love of God.

–Sue+



### Dinner • 5:30 p.m.

- All parishioners are cordially invited to join the fun, bring bread or a salad to share, and enjoy the fellowship
- You might even want to stay and scope out one of the small group activities to see what they're up to.

#### Small Groups • 6:30 p.m.

- The Seekers
- Inklings Book Group
- Charitable Needlework
- Reel People: We will be viewing Song Catcher.

## Why I support the AIDS Walk

My involvement with HIV/AIDS began in the early 1990s when I received a phone call from Brian, a close friend, with news that our friend, Steve Tritten, had the HIV/AIDS virus. They lived in New York City and Steve's lover had already died of the disease. Brian and Steve had lived in Kansas City and graduated from

the Conservatory. Steve was a talented tenor with hopes of a career in opera or musical theater. We had performed in shows together and worked at Carnegie's as singing waiters. I didn't know how to help Steve

with so many miles between us but I wrote lots of letters and made a visit to New York City to see him. It was frustrating not being able to help so I decided to become involved in HIV/AIDS projects here in Kansas City.

One of the Lenten Academy offerings at the Cathedral was a series of classes about HIV/AIDS non profits in Kansas City. I learned about SAVE Inc., Free Health Clinic and the Good Samaritan Project. A walk team was organized in 1995 from the Cathedral for AIDS Walk-Kansas City. We have continued to walk every year since

then-sometimes in rain, sometimes in sun and even once in snowflakes. Steve died in early 1994 but the good news is that people are now LIVING with HIV/AIDS thanks to the drug therapies that are available today.

AIDS Walk-KC is a benefit for HIV/AIDS agencies( Good Samaritan Project, SAVE Inc.,

Hope Care Center and Kansas City Free Health Clinic) in Kansas City. The walk is an easy 2+ mile walk near the Plaza. It will be Saturday, April 30 in Theis Park, which is

east of the Plaza and south of the Nelson. Registration is at 8 a.m., Walk-Ceremonies at 9 a.m. and We WALK at 10 a.m. Walkers will be done by 12 p.m. Please join the Cathedral in walking and/or pledging for a walker. There are two teams from the Cathedral—Trinity Teens and the adult walk team. Any questions, contact Lenette Johnson (455-0148, lenette-johnson@kc.rr. com) or donate online: http://www.firstgiving.com/fundraiser/lenetteandjuliana-johnson/aidswalk-kansas-city-2011.

-by Lenette Johnson

## ANDS WALK KANSAS CITY

Saturday, April 30

### **Adult Formation**

Sundays • 9:15 a.m. • Founders' Hall

#### April 3

#### Dean Search Update

Selection Committee co-chair Paula Connors will share what is happening with the search process for a new dean.

April 10, 17, 24 No Adult Formation class.

#### Altar Guild News

In gratitude we pray for all who have served faithfully on the Cathedral Altar Guild, especially remembering Bebo Sloan.

All current and former Altar Guild members (and their spouses/partners) are invited to an appreciation breakfast Sunday, April 10 at 9 a.m.

Attar Guild

Our next work day is Saturday, April 23 from 9 a.m. to noon. Please contact Janet Sweeting if you would like to help.

The Altar Guild is a very special ministry, in caring for the Altar, linens and vessels we become an active part of the liturgy and everyone is welcome to participate. If you are interested

in joining this ministry please contact Janet Sweeting at 816-361-3563.

Grant us a renewed spirit of reverence for this ministry and all the work it undertakes.

## Episcopal Prison Ministry

Episcopal Prison Ministries is an opportunity for you, as a Christian, to show your love to the "least of these who are members of my family" (Matthew 25:40). God's children in prison have been spurned and condemned by society, even abandoned by their own families. The call is urgent but the commitment is light: volunteers only need to go to the prison once a month. If you are interested in this new Cathedral ministry, please contact Russ Helder at shadwmster@gmail.com.

## March's flower gifts

#### March 6

• in thanksgiving for the Consecration of the Rt. Rev. Martin Field as the eighth Bishop of West Missouri.

#### March 13

- in memory of Newt Lewis—Gordon Hansen
- altar candles given in honor of the Tallis Singers

#### March 20

- in thanksgiving for Alexander and Miguel
- in thanksgiving for Olivia's birthday Mary Ann Mansfield

#### March 27

• in thanksgiving for Juliana's birthday — Lenette & Steve Johnson



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 the Cathedral office (816.474.8260 ext. 103 or office@ghtc-kc.org).



Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Bebo Sloan

## The Angelus

A laypersons' newspaper published in the interest of Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral.

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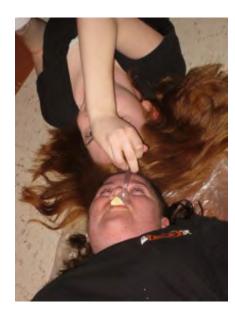
Julie Toma, Editor

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 to communications@ghtc-kc.org.

## Fun with the Trinity Teens Youth Group













The Trinity Teens Youth Group meets the first and third Wednesday of each month from 6:45-8:30 p.m. On the second Wednesday of the month, they prepare food for the Kansas City Community Kitchen. For questions about the youth group, contact Fr. Joe Behen in the Cathedral office.

photos by Janet Stewart Sweeting

## Treasurer's Report

Feb. MTD	Budgeted MTD		Actual MTD		
Income	\$	147,404	\$	157,478	
Expenses	\$	124,589	\$	128,339	
Net Total	\$	22,815	\$	29,139	
Feb. YTD	Bu	dgeted YTD	Α	ctual YTD	
Feb. YTD Income	Bu \$	dgeted YTD 250,754	<b>A</b>	258,780	
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The month of February 2011 was slightly above the month of February 2010 for income while expenses were considerably lower. As a result, the month of February 2011 reported a positive net operating income of approximately \$12,000 as compared to a negative net operating income of approximately \$55,200 in February 2010.

The first two months of 2011 also resulted in larger income and lower expenses than in 2010. The more notable income items have been associated with pledge income, special gifts, and user fees, while lower expenses have been incurred for property and clergy. The first two months have been positive as these months normally tend to be lower in income than other months during the year. Continuing this positive trend will certainly be of benefit to fulfilling the church ministries. We continue to receive pledge cards and encourage continued completion of pledge cards to assist in the budgeting process for the year.

-by Jim Phillips, Treasurer

## The work of MN continues

Sadly, Haiti's cholera epidemic is still spreading, but we continue to address needs for training on cholera among our community health promoters. They are sharing preventive messages during their home visits. In January, we also held a special training for them to reinforce their messages among community members.

Our clinical head, nurse midwife Odine, has been working on setting up a system with the local hospital in Les Cayes and the MN nurses to better the follow-up on our obstetrical cases referred there, whether before or after delivery. This will help improve the overall care received by mothers and babies at MN.

Thank you for the important role you play in MN's success. Thank you for helping MN touch so many lives and deliver health

Maison de Naissance

and hope
to so many
mothers and

babies. We simply cannot do what we do without you. We are grateful for your friendship and your continued support On behalf of our staff and the mothers and babies we serve, thank you

-by Phyllis Biddle

## Support the Maison de Naissance Foundation

Donations may be made online at www.maisondenaissance.com or sent to the MN Foundation office at 5000 W 134th St, Leawood, KS 66209.



#### 2010 Clinical Statistics

Women's reproductive health visits: 1,141
Prenatal visits: 5,800
Deliveries: 790
Postpartum visits: 329
Well baby visits: 3,014

#### January Clinical Statistics

Women's reproductive health visits: 104
Prenatal visits: 485
Deliveries: 83
Postpartum visits: 26
Well baby visits: 241

## **Palm Cross Day**

Thursday, April 14 • 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, but you may bring a salad or a dessert to share.

## Gift for Easter

Easter is the Queen of Feasts for Christ has burst his prison The decoration of the nave and sanctuary by Trapp and Company proclaims the Risen Lord's victory over the grave, and the Cathedral choirs and instrumentalists lead our praises and shouts of "Alleluia" and stir our hearts to embrace new and transformed life. Your gift will help provide flowers and music for our celebrations of The Resurrection.

Please use the enclosed envelope 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 Sunday, April 17, for your name to be included in the Easter bulletins.

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

### It's Not Too Late to Pledge for 2011

Pledge cards are available in the information rack near the tower entrance. You may also pledge online at www.ghtc-kc.org/stewardship.

## The Liturgies of Holy Week and Easter Week

April 17-22: Labyrinth walk for private meditation is available in Founders' Hall. Guides are provided to assist you.

#### April 17 • The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

8 a.m., 10:15 a.m., 5 p.m. • Proper Liturgy of the Day The Liturgy of the Palms (procession at 10:15) and Holy Eucharist, with reading of the Passion according to Matthew.

Celebrant: Canon Joe Behen (8 a.m.)

Canon Sue Sommer (10:15 a.m.) Father Michael Johnston (5 p.m.)

Preacher: Canon Joe Behen (8 & 10:15 a.m.)

David Angus (5 p.m.



#### April 18 • Monday in Holy Week

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

Mary anoints the feet of Jesus in Bethany. (John 12:1-11)



#### April 19 • Tuesday in Holy Week

12:05 p.m. & 5:30 p.m. • Holy Eucharist
The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. (John 12:20-36)



#### April 20 • Wednesday in Holy Week

12:05 p.m. & 5:30 p.m. • Holy Eucharist
Spy Wednesday — the betrayal of Judas. (John 13:21-32)

#### The Paschal Triduum

#### **April 21 • Maundy Thursday**

(no Eucharist at 12:05 today)

7 p.m. • Proper Liturgy of the Day

I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. (John 13:1-17,31b-35)

The Mandatum (footwashing), Institution of the Holy Eucharist, Stripping of the Altar, Watch at the Altar of Repose until 9 p.m.

Celebrant: Bishop Martin Field Preacher: Deacon Jerry Grabher



#### April 22 • Good Friday

(a three hour observance in three parts)

#### 12:05 p.m. • Proper Liturgy of the Day

The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. (Isaiah 52:13-53:12.)

The Choir sings the Passion according to John, Homily, Solemn Collects, Veneration of the Cross, and Holy Communion from the Reserved Sacrament.

Officiant: Bishop Martin Field Preacher: Canon Joe Behen 1:45 p.m. • Quiet Prayer in the Nave *The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available.* 

2:30 p.m. • Way of the Cross



#### April 23 • Holy Saturday

10 a.m. • Proper Liturgy of the Day

The tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there. (John 19:38-42)

A brief 10-minute service commemorating our Lord's Burial. No Holy Communion.

#### The Resurrection

#### April 23 • Easter Eve

7 p.m. • The Great Vigil of Easter

Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. (Luke 24)

Lighting of the New Paschal Fire, followed by sharing of the Light of Christ, Lessons of Redemption, Holy Baptism, Confirmation, and the First Eucharist of Easter. The Great Vigil Feast follows — please bring a savory or sweet to share.

Celebrant: Bishop Martin Field Preacher: Bishop Martin Field



#### April 24 • Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day

8 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. (no 5 p.m. Eucharist) The right hand of the Lord has triumphed (Psalm 118)

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist Hymns, choir, organ and trumpet Celebrant: Canon Joe Behen

Preacher: Canon Sue Sommer

10:15 a.m. Solemn Holy Eucharist

Incense, hymns, choirs, organ and brass Celebrant & Preacher: Canon Sue Sommer



#### April 25 • Monday in Easter Week

The Cathedral is closed. No 12:05 Eucharist.

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April 26 – April 29 Tuesday-Friday in Easter Week

Holy Eucharist at 12:05 p.m.

Alleluia Christ is risen

## THE CONSECRATION OF BISHOP MARTIN FIELD

## Celebrations









Top (L):
Presiding Bishop
Katharine Jefferts
Schori blesses the
vestments and
other symbolic
gifts. (R)
Richard Schori,
Katharine
Jefferts Schori,
Barry Howe,
Mary Howe,
Donna Field and
Martin Field.

## Rehearsal









For more photos, visit www.westmobishopsearch.org

Martin Field.

Row 2: (L) The Field family.
(R) Transition

Row 3: Search/ Nomination Committee

Committee.

Row 4: The Rev. Steven Wilson, emcee for the evening, shared words of wisdom and humor for the bishop-elect and guests.

Photos left: The Cathedral's Canon Sue Sommer directs the rehearsal for the consecration service.

> photos by Richard Schori

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## THE CONSECRATION OF BISHOP MARTIN FIELD

















Cathedral clergy, staff and members were involved in many parts of the consecration weekend, including planning, serving as acolytes and choir members. The liturgy for the consecration service can be found beginning on page 511 in the Book of Common Prayer.

For more a complete video of the service and more photos, visit www.westmobishopsearch.org

photos by Richard Schori

## See The Marriage of Figaro for free

On April 17, you are invited to join members of the Cathedral's Social Action Commision and friends to serve as volunteer ushers for the matinee performance of the classic opera, *The Marriage of Figaro* by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. Mozart's masterful comedy is a fitting end to the Lyric Opera 2010-2011 season — the final opera in the Lyric Theatre.

In the opera, Figaro and Susanna are planning their wedding, but a whirl-wind of misunderstandings and misdirected affections threatens to derail the festivities. Mozart's masterful comedy features some of the best emerging singers working today. It will be sung in Italian with English supertitles.

As a volunteer usher, you will provide a valuable service to the Lyric, enjoy the opera at no charge, and earn money for the Cathedral's social outreach ministries all at the same time. It's a true win-win-win situation.

No experience is required; we'll teach you what to do. Here's how it works:

- To volunteer, contact Gary Hicks at 816.699.2224 or 816.941.7295 or gary@garyhicks.net.
- On Sunday, April 17, wear black/navy on the bottom and white on the top and meet us in the inner lobby of the Lyric Theatre at 12:30 p.m.
- The Lyric is at the corner of 11th and Central. Free parking should be available on the streets around the theater or you can just park at the Cathedral and walk to the Lyric. It's about four blocks.
- At 12:30 we will have a briefing of your duties and a preview of the opera. Then at 1 p.m. you will help serve as a volunteer usher.
- The opera begins at 2 p.m.; enjoy the opera along with the patrons.
- You may leave after the last intermission or stay for the entire production.

Again, to volunteer for this terrific opportunity to help both the Lyric Opera and the outreach ministries of the Cathedral, please contact Gary Hicks.

## 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.

We need candy that is

- Individually wrapped
- · Small packs, so they 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.

Help us help the Easter Angel by attending the stuffing party During coffee hour after the 10:15 a.m. service Palm Sunday, April 17, we will collect up all our candy donations and stuff the eggs. The more help we have, the faster it goes

THANK YOU SO MUCH

Join us for Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral's Sixth Annual

## Dean's Cup Classic Benefits the June 24-25, 2011

## Benefits the Culinary Cornerstones Chef Training program

#### Cost

\$150 per player, includes golf and Duffers Reception \$135 per player, includes golf only

\$20 for Duffers Reception only

Early Registration Special: Register and pay for a team (golf and Duffers Reception) by June 4 and pay only \$550 (a \$50 savings).

#### Friday, June 24 at GHTC

5-8:30 p.m. Duffers Reception & Silent Auction

(preregistration available)

#### Saturday, June 25 at Prairie Highlands Golf Course, Olathe

7:00 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:00 a.m. Shotgun Tee-off

19th Hole Lunch with Awards Presentation



Great Golf, Great Food, Great Fun ... Fore a Great Cause

## Activities for April

#### 2. • SATURDAY

9:00 a.m. Dean Transition Committee

#### 6 • WEDNESDAY

6:15 p.m. Lenten Academy Dinner

6:45 p.m. Trinity Teens Youth Group

7:00 p.m. Lenten Academy Classes

#### 10 • SUNDAY

Free blood pressure checks at coffee hour 9:00 a.m. Altar Guild Breakfast

#### 14 • Thursday

9:00 a.m. Palm Cross Day

#### 20 • Wednesday

7:00 a.m. Finance Committee

#### 23 • SATURDAY

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild Workday

#### 27 • Wednesday

5:30 p.m. Café Grazia Dinner

7:00 p.m. Café Grazia Small Groups

#### 28 • Thursday

5:00 p.m. Vestry

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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The Right Rev. Martin S. Field Bishop of West Missouri

The Rev. Canon Susan Sommer Priest-in-Charge

The Rev. Canon Joseph Behen

Canon

The Rev. Jerry Grabher

The Rev. Dr. Michael Johnston Scholar-in-Residence

> Mr. John L. Schaefer Canon Musician

## See page 5 for the Holy Week and Easter Week schedule

## 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 6:00 p.m. Trinity Tappers Class

#### Tuesday

9:15 a.m. EfM

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist
1:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study

6:15 p.m. EfM

#### Wednesday

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist5:45 p.m. The Tallis Singers6:15 p.m. Grace Choraliers

#### Thursday

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

7:30 p.m. Trinity Choir

#### Friday

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist

## Easter baskets for teens in foster care

Members of the Social Outreach Commission's Foster Children's ministry are planning for this year's Easter basket distribution to Kaw Valley Center and Crittenton Children's Center. This year the Easter Bunny has asked the committee members to look for healthier options.

The committee is requesting donations from the congregation and friends of healthy snacks such as:

- granola bars
- 100 calorie snack packs
- cheese crackers
- etc.

Non-perishable items could include:

- travel-size toiletries
- Chapsticks (lip balms)
- decks of cards
- small travel games
- silly band bracelets

All items need to be brought to the Cathedral by Sunday, April 17 (Palm Sunday)

Baskets will be assembled during the coffee hour following the 10:15 a.m. service.

