



All Saints' News

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Skill and Craft Auction is Saturday, November 5

Get ready for our ECW church wide Skill and Craft Auction, which will be held on Saturday, November 5, at 6:30 pm in our church mission hall. Come early for beverages, hors d'ouvres, and fellowship and to view the items that will be auctioned. This part of the evening will begin at 5:30pm.

Some ideas of skills/crafts that you may wish to donate are: prints and art work, dinner for two or more, hair cut and styling, boat rides, yoga classes, specialty baked items, massage, use of your beach home for a week or weekend, a bed and breakfast weekend, computer class, nature walk, baby sitting, yard work, use of your time-share for a week, concert, high tea... let your imagination soar and donate something you like and that someone else might like to share.

Signup sheets are now available at the church mission hall. Contact Becky Grieco with questions.

Church Yard Sale is Saturday, October 29

One man's trash is another one's treasure! Take advantage of the yard sale to relocate yesterday's treasures into someone else's home. The sale will be held from 8:00 am until 1:00 pm, and will include everything except clothes. We would greatly appreciate your putting prices on your goods. If you need help with large items such as furniture, contact Vicki Worden or Julia Pearce.



Time to start thinking about Stewardship!

Women's Prayer Breakfast is Saturday, October 8

The Women's Prayer Breakfast is being held at All Saints' this month. We will gather women for breakfast at 9:00, have a speaker and pray for those on the island in need. A \$2.00 fee is charged for nursery, though there are few children in attendance. The speaker this time is a medical librarian who has had 25 years' experience in hospital and health libraries. She will talk about great places to find health information on the Internet. You will come away with what you need to find accurate, understandable information about your health and your family's. This is also a wonderful opportunity to meet others of faith in our community in addition to learning.

Testing 1-2-3: Charting Your Health

Contributed by Vicki Worden, RN, MSN

CONDITION	PROCEDURE	HOW OFTEN?	OPTIMAL LEVELS
Heart disease	Blood cholesterol test	Start at age 20, then every 5 years	Total: 200 or lower HDL 40 or higher LDL 160 or lower
	Blood pressure check	Start at age 19, then annually	Normal: 119/79 or lower Pre-hypertension: 120-139/80-89 Hypertension: 140/90 or higher
	Fasting plasma glucose (tests for diabetes)	Start at age 45, then every three years	Normal: 100 mg/dl Prediabetes: 100-125 mg/dl Diabetes: 126 mg/dl or greater
Colorectal cancer	Colonoscopy	Start at age 50, then every 10 years	<p>NOTE: this is a compilation of generally accepted major screening recommendations from national health organizations and experts, but it is not to be considered comprehensive or a substitute for your doctor's advice! Also, family history or other factors will affect the frequency of these recommendations.</p>
Skin cancer	Total body skin examination	Start at age 50, then annually.	
Vaccinations	Tetanus booster	Every 10 years	
	Pneumonia vaccine	Start at age 65	
Breast cancer	Mammogram	Start at age 35, then annually	
	Doctor's breast exam	Start at age 20, then annually	
Cervical cancer	Pap smear and pelvic exam	Annually starting at 18	
Prostate cancer	Digital rectal exam	Start at age 50, then annually	
	Prostate-specific antigen (PSA) blood test	Start at age 50, then annually	

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Archbishop supports new book that challenges church line on gays

The Archbishop of Wales has welcomed a 'cogent' new book by 22 leading theologians that argues for gay people's inclusion within the Anglican ministry. Written by 'some of the finest theological minds', it challenges the moratorium on gay consecrations and same-sex blessings of the Anglican Communion. 'This book throws down a formidable challenge to the Anglican Communion. It cannot afford to ignore it' he commented.

The Archbishop, Dr Barry Morgan, who was himself one of the people responsible for the Windsor Report, which recommended the moratorium, made it clear that the issue is far from settled: 'The arguments advanced for including gay people [in the church] deserve to be read and pondered by all who are involved in the debate about human sexuality.' The book, says the Archbishop, 'shows up the superficiality of previous Anglican discussion of this subject' and should 'give the Anglican Church in many places cause for penitence for the way it has treated and thought about gay people.'

The book, *Gays and the Future of Anglicanism*, will be published at the end of September.

Some fear that the Windsor Report will lead to the exclusion of all gays from the Church. Statement of the Archbishop of Wales, Dr Barry Morgan, on the publication of *Gays and the Future of Anglicanism*: There are three things which characterise this book. It is quite hostile to the Windsor Report (I write as one of the people responsible for that report); it argues cogently for gay people's inclusion within the Anglican Communion and its ministry; and the essays are by some of the finest theological minds in the Communion. The Windsor Report, whatever its shortcomings - is at least remarkable in that its seventeen members from across the whole Communion, and from widely different backgrounds and theological viewpoints, did at least manage to achieve unanimity. Its aim was to find a

way of enabling different theological perspectives within the Communion to co-exist with tolerance and patience that is usually characteristic of Anglicanism whilst respecting the autonomy of churches on the one hand with the need for mutual interdependence and accountability on the other, but without the setting up of a central curia. But perhaps I protest too much.

The arguments advanced for including gay people within the church and its ministry deserve to be read and pondered by all who are involved in the debate on human sexuality. They deal in depth with the issue from the perspective of scripture, tradition and experience, by scholars who know what they are talking about. The arguments advanced here show up the superficiality and even the shallowness of the 1998 Lambeth plenary on the same topic and should also give the Anglican Church in many places cause for penitence for the way it has treated and thought about gay people. We desperately need a listening and study process on this topic in the Communion as has long been recommended to no avail and it is good that the ACC at its meeting this year has now agreed to gather material from across the Communion. It might find, as the WCC found when it gathered material from all its member churches and as this book demonstrates that sexual sins are not the only sins and are not even the main sins according to scripture; that theology has to be open to the possibility of encountering God's revelation of truth in new and novel ways - that's what the doctrine of the Spirit means and that what is often lost in the so called debate about human sexuality is the fact that we are talking about real persons with real feelings. This book throws down a formidable challenge to the Anglican Communion. It cannot afford to ignore it.

A Collect in Time of Disaster

(Hurricane Katrina, Baton Rouge)

"Lord, God of the Universe, Creator and Sustainer of all life: grant us the serenity to respond to disaster in bold faith, seeking not certainty, but rather the assurance of your abiding presence.

"Grant us hope when we spiral into despair and fill our broken hearts with the love with which you surround us.

"As we rebuild, guide each hammer and nail with a ring of hope; bless each bandage and conversation with the balm of healing; and strengthen each resolve with the blessed assurance that all manner of thing shall be well, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen."

Brother Charles LaFond, n/SSJE, September 6, 2005

[Episcopal News Service, San Juan, Puerto Rico]

With this prayer, Presiding Bishop Frank Griswold led the House of Bishops, convening here September 22, in response to the presentations of Gulf Coast bishops who are rallying after Hurricane Katrina even as the nation braced for the imminent landfall of Hurricane Rita.

BUMPER STICKERS:

"The best vitamin for a Christian is B1."

"Tithe if you love Jesus! Anyone can honk!"

"Beat the Christmas rush, come to church this Sunday!"

"Don't wait for the hearse to take you to church."

"Don't give up. Moses was once a basket case."

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