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A Family of Faith, Joy, and Ministry since before 1687

Shrewsbury Parish is a caring community of faithful people created by God, redeemed by the Son, and empowered by the Holy Spirit. Our mission is to joyfully radiate God's love and to live in Christ.

— Shrewsbury Parish Mission Statement



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Raising Up a Deacon

Our Bishop Santosh Marray has not only a pastoral heart, but a heart for evangelism and social justice. That is one of the many reasons I believe he was elected and accepted the call to be our 11th Diocesan Bishop.

One of his many goals has been to expand the opportunities to serve as an ordained vocational deacon in the diocese. A "vocational" deacon is called and prepared to serve in this ordained role for life. "Transitional" deacons serve from six months to a year or so prior to being ordained to the priesthood. Fr. Steve and I were deacons. He served in Washington and I served in Baltimore before being ordained to the priesthood. The diaconal role, while separate and not considered less than the priest's role, is a distinct ministry in the life of the Church. Among many other duties and services, the deacon's contribution is "to communicate the needs of the world to the Church" (BCP 543). She/he spends time in the parish on Sundays assisting with the liturgy and may often participate in parish life as an ordained member of the congregation she/he serves. Bishop Marray is quite adamant when he says, "I am not interested in deacons being window dressing, but evangelists and people involved in the world and the communities they serve." To be a vocational deacon is to have a heart for evangelism, social justice and SERVICE.

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It was not a surprise to me when Peggy Samuels approached me about entering the discernment process to examine her sense of God's call to the diaconate. Having known Peggy now for nearly eight years and having journeyed with her in her role as a highly committed and talented lay person and having seen her "in action" with all kinds of God's children, leads me to believe in my heart that she is, indeed, sensing God's call to the diaconate.

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Joanne Fisher, the Missioner for Youth for the Diocese of Easton, was the Lay Preacher on June 10th. "Encourage, equip, and empower lay leaders to share the Gospel." She talked about "sticky faith" and how to ensure that youth preserve their faith in God by knowing the names of at least five adults in the parish. See pages 8 and 9 for a success story.

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Peggy has served Shrewsbury as Sunday school directress, Newsletter editor, VBS teacher, DOK member, and now, Vestry member. She is often found Sunday mornings serving as a Lay Eucharistic Minister and Lector. Recently, she has begun working at The Benedictine School as an employment specialist supporting an individual with disabilities. In many ways, Peggy is doing diaconal work right now. She is committed to a life of prayer, worship, and service.

Yet, something is stirring within her prompting her to investigate in a deeply personal and now a communal process the sense that she can do more with and for God as an ordained member of the Church. She attended the Vocational Deacon Retreat with the Bishop in May. She continues to pray and reflect on her call and her future life as an ordained woman in the Episcopal Church.

Now, Peggy will begin meeting with a group of parishioners assembled to dialogue with her about her sense of God's call and the many aspects involved in ordained life. One member of the Discernment Committee will be from another parish and Fr. Nicholas Sichangi will act as liaison from the Commission on Ministry in the diocese. Following her time in this stage of the "process, the group will issue a full report to me and the Vestry, which is required by the Canons of the Church to formally endorse Peggy as a Postulant for Holy Orders. Her training and education would take place in the diocese.

At this juncture, I ask for your prayers for our friend and child of God, Peggy Samuels, for her spouse Larry, and their children Paul and Rebecca. She will need our love and support and gentle encouragement along this path, which at times, can be arduous. Please pray as well for her discernment committee and for Fr. Nicholas, her COM liaison. Pray for me, her Rector, and Santosh, her Bishop.

Though much of this report to you has been centered on ordained ministry, let me also remind you of something I believe is crucially important: each of us, whether ordained or lay, is called to ministry. It may be that the very active roles you once held have changed pace a bit and your primary desire now is to come to church on Sunday. That believe it, or not, is a form of ministry. You may be involved in work outside the doors of the church and not able to do much here. That is ministry. Maybe you are involved in the daily and weekly series of events in the Church and the parish. That is ministry. You see, ministry takes place whenever and wherever you are sharing God's gift of goodness with others. You are all ministers of Jesus Christ. And for that, we give thanks and praise, and glory and honor to God.

Blessings and Peace,
Henry+
The Very Rev. Henry M. Sabetti, Rector

Discernment Committee Needs Your Prayers

Ran Crawford
Sue Elter (from St. Luke's Parish in Churchill)
Joyce Jones
Lynn Redman
Karen Reed
Lisa Sabetti
Fr. Nicholas (Commission on Ministry Liaison/Shepherd)



Peggy recently gave a sermon about maturing in the Christian faith. "We must become radical in sharing Christ's love."

From the Senior Warden . . .

As we seem to really be following through from the Summer now, there have been several exciting activities and accomplishments that have taken place throughout our Church family these past seasons. Although I may be highlighting various selected items, there are members of the congregation serving in other capacities who may also contribute to these highlights or who can provide additional details as we share in worship and fellowship.

The initiative to increase our partnership with the congregations of St. Luke's in Church Hill, and their partnership with St. Andrews in Sudlersville, has moved forward. For example, regularly-scheduled weekly Bible study, and the Lenten series dinners, which included guided discussions on St. John's Gospel, were carried out with great enthusiasm.

Based on the Diocesan-wide initiative to address the need for improved oversight of adult, youth, and juvenile safety, all members of the Church who are responsible for interaction with children had participated in a mandatory three-hour Safeguarding God's Children training session on Sunday, December 3, 2017. The training also applies to those of us who will be participating in Vacation Bible School (VBS) during the week of July 9 – 13, 2018. In order to accommodate remaining Shrewsbury members who still require this training for day-to-day operations, and for VBS, the next training session was conducted on Sunday, June 10th following the 10:00 a.m. service., from 12:00 noon – 3:00 p.m. A light lunch was provided.

Regarding youth ministry and leadership, here at Shrewsbury, and throughout the Diocese, Joanne Fisher, Youth Missioner for the Diocese of Easton, had made a presentation to the Vestry discussing the Diocese's initiative to equip churches in the development of a healthy and sustainable ministry through a children's and youth cohort. She discussed that successful ministries must invest in providing their adult volunteers with the tools necessary to minister to and to lead youth, as well as to train other adults, to build relationships with children and young adults.

In conjunction with this initiative, the Diocese had recently engaged the firm of Ministry Architects to partner with churches, in customizing strategic plans involving clergy, parents, key volunteers, and others for building sustainable models of ministry. The program model provides practical training for participants who are ordained, lay, paid, or volunteer. The benefits of the program include the development of a clarity for children's and youth ministry in the church's congregation, the development of a plan for whole-church family ministry, the incorporation of children and youth into the life of the church, and to cultivate leaders.

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By strengthening leaders through teaching and coaching, churches can build systems and processes with individual context, to interact with students, schools, sports teams, or other community organizations. In this regard, several members of Shrewsbury, with teams from other churches in the Diocese, attended an extremely thorough, well-organized session on Saturday, March 3, 2018 to learn key concepts and best practices in developing a sustainable youth ministry. More than focusing on youth, however, the session also reviewed many valuable concepts and practices for improving general leadership skills.

Additional training and coaching sessions in this series are anticipated to be held with team members throughout the Fall, 2018, schedule to be announced. In the meanwhile, the Youth Cohort Team at Shrewsbury is actively working on the description and requirements of a program to address the needs of our youth, with the anticipated implementation of an individual mentoring model.

Concerning selected capital improvements, we issued bid documents to effect masonry repairs and other work for the Church building. The Vestry reviewed and approved the recommendation of Junior Warden and Property Chair, providing for moving forward on chimney repairs, and improving access and safety in the attic for servicing mechanical equipment. The work was scheduled during June 2018 and has been completed; following this work, the plan for renovating the Sacristy, in coordination with the Altar Guild, will proceed. In addition, the Vestry approved an agreement for a masonry contractor to investigate the condition of the Parish Hall patio, based on the report generated by our architect. Work will be scheduled following VBS, to determine the deterioration and to proceed with restoration, which will include, for example, the installation of a handrail at the steps and fencing material at the edge of the patio.

Current Vestry Member Ran Crawford volunteered to become the Deputy Cemetery Warden, to provide additional operational support in coordination with our Cemetery Warden, Greg Jones. Based on this action, the terms of office for Bob O'Connell and Cherilyn Widell continued, in addition to new Vestry Members Maggie Cummings and Peggy Samuels being approved by Parishioners' acclimation at the February 18, 2018 Annual Meeting.

As previously reported, to support the various on-going categories of Church ministries, the formation of several Vestry committees was initiated two years ago. These committees, with established Mission Statements, are focusing on Stewardship & Hospitality, Spiritual Formation, Communication & Prayer, and Social Ministries. Regular meetings have been continuing throughout the past two years, involving the dozens of ministries and activities that Church members take part in.

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For example, members of the Social Ministries Committee have been participating in the initiative that evolved from the Kent County Diversity Dialogue Group, with the formation of a County-wide Social Action Committee that has been meeting at Sumner Hall in Chestertown. Other activities have included targeting education needs, economic development, employment issues, and racial inequalities.

Another example involved members of the Prayer & Communications Committee developing updated Shrewsbury informational brochures and signage for selected events. For another illustration, the Senior Warden was invited to make a presentation to the Unitarian Universalist Church in Crestview on Sunday, March 4, 2018 speaking on the Bayside H.O.Y.A.S., Inc. (Helping Our Youth Achieve Success). The Senior Warden serves as Secretary of the Board of Directors of this tournament sports and academic mentoring non-profit organization for middle school and high school youth. Although presenting on the H.O.Y.A.S. program, my representing Shrewsbury Parish Church at this service was included prominently in my remarks.

In addition, several members of Shrewsbury Congregation, including Fr. Henry, with Parishioners from various Churches in the Diocese, and Bishop Santosh Marray, participated in a Reconciliation Service and luncheon on Saturday, May 5, 2018 at the Harriet Tubman Museum in Cambridge.

This event was in coordination with the several activities in progress leading to the 150th Anniversary Celebration of the Diocese of Easton.

This very moving service at the museum was followed by an insightful and poignant discussion on the varieties of institutional racism in our nation, and the responses and positive actions being taken by many in our shared communities. Participants also had the opportunity to tour this very important and informative cultural facility, hosted by friendly, knowledgeable staff. The day was filled with the continuing recognition of suffering that needs to be eliminated, and enduring hope to be embraced.

As everyone should be aware, the Episcopal Diocese has established the new Sagrada Familia de Jesus as a mission of the Church here at Shrewsbury, the first new mission in the Diocese since the 1960s. The new mission is comprised of the Spanish-speaking congregation that has been meeting at Shrewsbury for the past twenty years. In conjunction with this initiative, a leadership team was formed with oversight by Bishop Santosh Marray, consisting of a Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Treasurer, Registrar / Secretary, and three additional members.

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In support of the new mission, at the Shrewsbury Church's Vestry meeting of March 19, 2018, a donation of \$5,000 was approved to be provided as start-up funds. In addition, a planning meeting is anticipated to be scheduled as soon as possible with Fr. Thom Sinnott, the Spanish Mission team members, and representatives of Shrewsbury's Vestry, to discuss various organizational, procedural, and spiritual topics. As mandated by the Canons of the Diocese, formal recognition of the Mission is required to be approved at the Diocesan Convention in March 2019.

Providing some highlights of our Church life for this issue of the Newsletter is one way of serving our Church in the capacity of Senior Warden. Thanks to all for participating in our journey.

Larry Samuels



Larry Samuels, July 2014 - Present

A little about Larry: Lived in Chestertown for past ten years; wife Marguerite, married 31 years; grown children Paul and Rebecca; retired in 2012 after 40 years in facilities management, capital construction, and mechanical technology; currently serve, since 2013, as a substitute teacher in Kent and Queen Anne's counties for pre-school through high school in general and special education, and as a Character Counts Coach for 7th grade; also serve as Secretary, Board of Directors for Bayside H.O.Y.A.S, Inc. (Helping Our Youth Achieve Success); 2013 - present; currently serve in several capacities at Shrewsbury Parish Episcopal Church in Kennedyville, in volunteer roles for various community organizations, as a former Cub Scout leader, and Sunday School teacher; published author of a short story collection, and editor for other selected works; served as a Petty Officer in U.S. Navy in Gulf of Tonkin during Vietnam.

Reason for joining the Board: I believe it is of vital importance that the community participate in making positive changes in the lives of adults challenged with behavioral and mental health issues, as there are members of my own family that live with these circumstances; teaching the skills and accessing the resources that empower individuals to succeed in society is a significant goal; my enthusiasm for contributing to the improvement of individual's lives is based on my role as a father, as a Scout leader, and as a teacher; it is my belief that helping people to enhance their abilities, to be recognized for their accomplishments, and to have commitments from others to participate in these endeavors is essential to the well-being of the entire community.

Most rewarding part of being a Board member: Having the ability to contribute my knowledge and experience in support of the residential and administrative physical plant under the daily responsibility of Crossroads has been a satisfying initiative, which directly sustains our mission in providing services to our clients; participating with other passionate individuals in the development of policies and procedures that reflect our commitment to assisting our clients is fulfilling.

Story you'd like to share from your experience: From my earliest involvement in the organization, I was proud to be a supporting part of the Crossroads' staff and administrators who demonstrate caring and compassion for our population, and I was humbled and delighted at our recurring social functions and awards events by the struggles and accomplishments of the participants in our programs.



As parishioners may be aware, our own Senior Warden, Larry Samuels has been serving for the past four years on the Board of Directors for Crossroads Community, Inc., a non-profit organization providing for the needs of adults and youth dealing with behavioral and mental health issues. Serving this population in five counties in residential, club, administrative and clinical facilities, Board members, staff, and volunteers seek to empower these individuals to lead productive lives, through the organization's mission of accessing clinical resources, advocacy and hope. During his tenure, Larry has served as Secretary of the Board, and as a member of the Program Services Property Management Team, and currently as President of the Board and on the Executive Finance Committee. A recent article published in Shore Update Magazine highlighted the backgrounds and service of Board Members, selected staff, and administrators. The section describing Larry's involvement is provided in our Newsletter for everyone's information concerning this vital organization.

Sagrada Familia de Jesus

On Easter Sunday, Bishop Santosh Marray proclaimed the official new Diocesan Mission Sagrada Familia de Jesus (which means The Holy Family of Jesus). Fr. Thom Sinnott and Marta Girone lead the children in singing "Jesus Loves Me." On March 18th, seven congregants came forward to form the leadership team of the Mission as follows: Marcelina Villalta (Senior Warden), Ricky Pagan (Junior Warden), Joanna Mendoza (Secretary), and Candelario Pera Martínez (Treasurer). Jesús Morales, Fredy Granillo, and José Carranza will be the first members of the new Vestry for the Mission. Bishop Marray officially instituted the new Mission on Easter Sunday and commissioned the leadership team.



Rev. Canon Patrick Collins (far right) was at the service to present the Canons of the Diocese. Dr. Rev. Barbara Fisher (2nd left) will serve as the liaison between the Mission and Diocese to acquire funding. Deacon Loretta Collins (far left), the Vicar of St. Luke's Churchill, also attended.

Sharing the Journey featuring Isabelle Requena



Pam Quarstein mentored Isabelle throughout the year. Isabelle learned how to put together the Advent wreath.



Isabelle organized the Books for Agape Ministry.

Interview with Isabelle Requena

by Peggy Samuels

Peggy Samuels had the opportunity to interview Isabelle and ask her about her on-going projects, interests, and faith. When asked if Isabelle knows at least five adults in the parish, she said, "I know everyone in the parish." Isabelle is Nicole Wagner's 13-year-old daughter and the granddaughter of John and Carol Wagner. John Wagner was the rowing coach at Washington College. In fact, he was the one who introduced the sport to the College. Of her grandfather, Isabelle said, "He is always helping other people." Yet, Isabelle's grandmother also influenced her faith. As Isabelle says of her grandmother, a former travel agent, "Oma has the gift of hospitality." Pam Quarstein, who mentored Isabelle throughout the year, also has the gift of hospitality. Of her mentor, Isabelle said, "Pam prayed for me a lot. She taught me how to do everything. For the Advent wreath, she taught me how to do it. She explained it, and then, she let me do it. She was very nice about it. She always had a smile on her face." When asked what she has learned from this past year, she replied, "It has made me want to help people in need. It has helped me to be kind-hearted." Isabelle's favorite project was the Living Market. "I like animals a lot. Animals are carefree and happy." She has two cats named Chester and Whisper. Isabelle just graduated from the 7th grade at The Kent School where she participates on the field hockey team. She recently attended Annapolis Navy Camp for five days to learn about rowing. Isabelle has been an acolyte for the past three years. When asked about her friends, Isabelle stated, "I bring the love of Christ to my friends." Her favorite hymn is "Morning is Broken." "I want to be a photographer of nature when I grow up," says Isabelle.

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Interview with Isabelle Requena

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Isabelle's service projects:

In September, Isabelle organized Shrewsbury's collection of pencils for the public schools.

In October, Isabelle coordinated Socktober and gathered socks, cough drops, tissues, and chapstick for the homeless in Kent and Cecil counties.

In December, Isabelle helped with the Heifer International Living Market by caring for Fr. Henry's bunnies and guinea pigs. During this month, Isabelle also helped out in the "greening of the church" as well as creating and caring for the Advent wreath.

In February, Isabelle coordinated Books for Agape Ministry which helps children of incarcerated parents.

In April, Isabelle hid Easter eggs for Children's Easter Egg Hunt. She also helped the younger children find the eggs.

In June, Isabelle cleaned the Sunday school room during the recent church clean-up day.

This month, Isabelle will be a Junior Counselor at Vacation Bible School. She recently assisted in Pam in planting the Rites I and II VBS gardens.



Thank you, Isabelle, for your wonderful ministry! Thank you, Pam, for your wonderful shepherding!

Just Thinking . . .

by Larry Samuels

How we get started in life is not as important as how we finish, so don't ever let yesterday's sorrows take up your triumphs tomorrow.

LOOKING AT CHILDREN THROUGH THE EYES OF FAITH

By Ina J. Hughs

(Read by Priscilla Hall on Sunday, June 24th)

We pray for children

who put chocolate fingers everywhere,
who like to be tickled,
who stomp in puddles and ruin their new pants,
who sneak popsicles before supper,
who erase holes in math workbooks,
who can never find their shoes.

And we pray for those

who stare at photographers from behind barbed wire,
who can't bound down the street in new sneakers,
who never 'counted potatoes',
who are born in places we wouldn't be caught dead in,
who never go to the circus,
who live in an X-rated world.

We pray for children

who bring us sticky kisses and fistfuls of dandelions,
who sleep with the cat and bury goldfish,
who hug us in a hurry and forget their lunch money,
who cover themselves with Band-aids and sing off key,
who squeeze toothpaste all over the wash basin,
who slurp their soup.

And for those

who never get desert,
who have no security blanket to fondle,
who can't find any bread to steal,
who don't have rooms to clean up,
whose pictures aren't on anybody's dresser,
whose monsters are real.

We pray for children

Who spend all their allowance before Tuesday,
Who throw tantrums in the grocery store and pick at their food,
Who like ghost stories,
Who shove dirty clothes under the bed,

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LOOKING AT CHILDREN THROUGH THE EYES OF FAITH

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who get visits from the Tooth Fairy,
 who don't like to be kissed in front of the carpool,
 who squirm in church and scream into the phone,
 whose tears we sometimes laugh at and
 whose smiles can make us cry.

And for those
 whose nightmares come in the daytime,
 who will eat anything,
 who have never seen a dentist,
 who are never spoiled by anyone,
 who go to bed hungry and cry themselves to sleep,
 who live and move but have no being,
 who are held hostage and then killed by suicide bombers.

We pray for children
 who want to be carried, and
 for those who must,
 for those we never give up on, and
 for those who don't get a second chance,
 for those we smother with love, and
 for those who will grab the hand of anybody who offers one.

We pray for children. Amen.



Sisters of Rebecca Matoaka, the Shrewsbury Parish Church's chapter of The Order of the Daughter of the King®, organized their fourth service project at Fountain Park on June 23rd. Fr. Henry and Lisa stopped by the booth to check out the zinnia seeds planting and art project which attracted about seventy children. The theme was "Growing God's Garden" and the Sisters promoted SPC's VBS in the Abundant Life Garden Project. Karen Reed (President) and Pam Quarstein are also featured in the photo. Chris Wallman and Peggy Samuels participated in the service project. Cherilyn Widell donated some supplies, but could not attend due to travel.

**Sisters of Rebecca Matoaka Chapter of The Order of the Daughters of the King®
Previous Service Projects**



Sisters of Rebecca Matoaka Chapter was instituted at Shrewsbury Parish Church last July. Pictured above from left to right: Chris Wallman, Karen Reed, Pam Quarstein, and Cherilyn Widell. Peggy Samuels, a member, took the photo.



Partner with us to present:

Vacation Bible School 2018

JULY 9 – 13; 9AM TO NOON

SHREWSBURY PARISH CHURCH – PARISH HALL

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ABUNDANT LIFE GARDEN PROJECT

**An interactive Scripture-based instructional program
sharing the ministry of
Episcopal Relief & Development.**

**We will be learning about seedlings, soil, water,
garden tools, animals, and harvest**

Shrewsbury Parish VBS2018 Project, the Diocese of Easton 150th Celebration and Episcopal Relief and Development Challenge:

What are 150 things our Vacation Bible School and Shrewsbury do to show the Love of Christ in our community and the world?

By providing Clean Water and Mosquito Nets, the VBS2018 team believes that this prevention to save lives promotes our Dioceses theme of reconciliation, love and hope to our world here in Kent County and the world at large.



Episcopal Relief & Development and the NetsforLife® Inspiration Fund They provide life-saving nets and promote awareness within communities.

One net and training: \$12 (each net can house three people)

Ten nets and Training: \$120

100 nets or \$1,200.00



Clean Water

Help protect a community by providing access to clean water and the education needed to practice good hygiene, and prevent illness; Gift through [Episcopal Relief & Development](#).

Water for one person: \$35

Water for a family of 5: \$215

Water for 50 people or \$1,750.00

VBS2018 ---- Needs --- July 9-13

Small bottles of water – 8 oz.



Juicy Juice or apple juice

Lemonade

Snacks to include (no nuts):

Graham, Ritz crackers or Goldfish – we need gluten free as well



Raisins

Watermelon, Apples, Oranges, Grapes

Carrots, Celery

Ranch Dips

Pretzel Sticks

Canned Pears and Canned Pineapple

Paper Products

Bowls

Small plates (i.e. dessert plates)

Paper Towels

Plastic forks and spoons



VBS 2018

July 9-13, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Ages 5 to 12

Registration Form

Child's Name:

Child's Age

Date of Birth:

Last Grade Completed:

Name of Parent(s) /
Guardian(s)

Street Address:

City:

State:

Zip

Home Phone:

Cell:

Email:

Home Church:

Allergies or other Medical Conditions:

Emergency Contact:

Phone:

Relationship to Child:

Team Name (for church use only):

Date:



Partner with us to present:

**Abundant Life Garden Project
VBS 2018 Shrewsbury Parish, Parish Hall
July 9-13, 9AM TO NOON Ages 5-12**

Lesson 3: on Soil

The land we tread produces our food, is as a reservoir for our water and provides a habitat for organisms, animals and humans. The way soil is cultivated determines crop success, the possibility of erosion and over fertilization, which can cause runoff of vital nutrients into our water sources. While it may be a mundane topic to some, soil holds many of the mysteries of life on earth. Ordinary soil contains an array of microbes, and is the home of most insects and plants. Seeds germinate and grow underneath the ground – a mystery of life taking place out of sight – until the plants emerge with new growth. Soil is ever changing; subject to the elements of wind and rain and human interference by being moved somewhere else. These truths might speak to our own spiritual lives as we are moved, inspired and even transplanted by the work of the Holy Spirit, working quietly like soft breezes and gentle rains, or in thunderstorms or flash floods. We might see the mystery of darkness in our lives, where growth and new life may be occurring unacknowledged or even unbeknownst to us. Soil is indeed a gift from God. Those who live on land cultivated for crops are mindful of this gift and dependent on God for their livelihood each day. For those who do not live and work as farmers, this teaching module will guide children and their leaders in appreciating the labor, tools, knowledge and gifts of nature required to successfully tend the soil that will produce the crops we all need to survive. This lesson invites children to think about how, in their lives they might tend to their own environments to best allow the work of the Holy Spirit to sustain and maintain their lives as part of the body of Christ. *Adapted from source: Abundant Life Garden Project: Children's Chapel Edition, text by Cynthia Coe.*

July Schedules

Date	7:30 Service Reader	10:00 Lector	10:00 Service Reader	10:00 Chalcist
1	Mary Lou Pagella	Liz Gross	Faith Spear	Peggy Samuels
8	Suzi Foehl	Cherilyn Widell	Faith Spear	Carol Niemand
15	Karen Trout Reed	Kirk Wade	Bob Gibson	Pam Quarstein
22	Carol Niemand	Liz Gross	Peggy Samuels	Faith Spear
29 9 am		Mike Philipp	Carol Niemand	Peggy Samuels

ANNIVERSARIES	
11	Jack & Sue Edson
21	Andy & Karen Boulden
BIRTHDAYS	
1	David Cummings
02	Anna Becker
02	Carol Niemand
03	Roberta Brown
03	Francie Thayer
06	Mary Megargee
12	John Cunningham Raffetto
14	Mike Philipp
15	Curtis Roberts
15	Gerrie Irish
18	Jessie Crisfield
27	Kevin Wekke
29	Linda Hall
29	Shawn Redman

Save the Date

Shrewsbury Parish Church will hold a Crab Fest on Saturday, September 22nd. Details to follow.

Please be advised that Fr. Henry will be on vacation from July 15th – 21st. The Guest Celebrant on July 15th will be The Rev. Robert Smith.

Fr. Henry will also be on vacation from July 26th – August 4th. The Guest Celebrant on July 29th will be The Rev. Stephan Klingelhofer (9 am service only on that Sunday).

Happy 4th of July to all! We pray for our nation and we pray for The General Convention of the Episcopal Church being held in Austin, TX from July 5-13.

This issue is dedicated in memory of Catherine Anne Collins, the mother of Peggy Samuels, who inspired her daughter to walk with Christ. May she rest in peace!



Paul Kelley arose before dawn on June 24th to cook a delicious breakfast for the Parish. Thank you, Paul! We love your hospitality!