

# THE ROCK

St. Peter's Episcopal Church – Est. 1954

February 2010

## Pastor's Desk

We're sometimes tempted, I think, to wonder whether what we say and do has any influence on our children. Let me share with you two brief stories that underscore the influence our faith Community and its work has on even our youngest members.



For the past few weeks we've all been hearing a lot about the needs of the people of Haiti. We've had a bulletin insert detailing information about where to send donations to Episcopal Relief and Development. We also took time to remember Martin Luther King, Jr., with our young people putting on a short program dealing with the Gospel reading appointed for Martin Luther King's commemoration by the Church.

After the service on January 17<sup>th</sup>, Merrie Hill handed me the bulletin insert from Episcopal Relief and Development's plea for help in Haiti. It had been filled out by her granddaughter, Katia (age 8). She had listed her name (Katia), address, name of church (St. Peter's), and some numbers indicating the 'account number' on her credit card requested on the form, as well as the 'expiration date' of the card (1/17/10), and her signature. She had checked off that she'd donate \$50. Katia had written this note on the back of the sheet of paper:

"Dear Haiti People: Hope you can accept this. I worked for months. I'm just a kid. Good Luck. Katia....Peace"

When Merrie handed me the card, she said she was sure Katia thought it was for \$5. A few minutes later, Katia herself came up to me and said, "Pastor Barbara, I knew it was for \$50. I want to give \$50 and I'll work for it."

The next day, my husband Al and I were sitting at the dinner table with our grandchildren, Emily and Allie. They had been playing rather noisily, and when everyone got to the table and was chewing, it got very quiet. Allie said, "It's nice and quiet." We agreed. Then she said, "Martin Luther King would have liked this." Al and I looked at each other and at Allie and said, "Why?" She replied, "He wanted peace."

We *do* have to pay attention to what we teach our children....but we need to pay just as much attention to what *they* have to teach *us*.

*Pastor Barbara*



## My Thoughts

Vandra is a young associate who works in the scan department in my Tops. Because of the vast difference in our ages I really do not know her very well. We just smile & say hello in the morning.



One day she received a call from her brother "Get to Lockport Memorial Hospital NOW and don't ask questions" Oh, Oh, that is the type of phone call none of us wants to receive, never good news. Her father, Dan, age 52, had a sudden collapse, was in critical condition and not expected to survive. Now, that is a heavy load for a 21 year old to bear. He was so healthy in the morning and now near death.

A day or so later she was working in front of my pharmacy so I asked her how her dad was doing. Normally Vandra is very bubbly, but that day she spoke very slowly and I thought she was about to break down and cry. Not having a great day myself I was not prepared for a young woman crying in the store. She told me Dan had been stabilized and transferred to Millard Fillmore Gates, facing brain surgery. He has AVM, a malformation of the arteries and veins in his brain. They grew and caused a mass of them in one lower quadrant of his brain. Neurosurgery was required to stop the bleeding. Days passed and surgeries to repair the damage.

Dan needed another surgery but developed pneumonia. The prognosis in my mind was not good. "Hey Vandra, your dad is gonna be OK, hang in there." I said that "I belong to a small church, but we get some results. I'll pencil your father's name on the prayer list this Sunday." She was fine with that, even though I have no idea what faith she is or even if she has a faith. That Sunday I wrote the name "Dan" on the prayers of the people and placed the book at Lillian's pew for 8. On Tuesday I found out Dan was doing better. Just saying here the prayer thing may have worked, just saying. Next Sunday I wrote his name down again. The man near death

was coming around. Oh, thank you, God. Guess what? Her dad who was expected to die went home. Yes, he faces more surgery. Vandra had an image of his brain MRI and there is a really large mass of arteries and veins in the left lower quadrant.

Skill of the neurosurgeons, inner strength of Dan or St. Peter's prayer list, one or all of them pulled him through. As he faces more surgery, I'll pencil his name on again. Oh, this malformation is hereditary. Vandra and her siblings have to be tested for it.

In my mind it is more meaningful to write a name on the list Sunday morning than to give Pastor a name to be typed onto the list. I'll keep my pencil sharp.

*Paul Schwartzmyer*

## Shoe Shine & Waterproofing



Do your shoes need a good shoe shine? Do you have shoes or boots that need to be waterproofed? Fellow parishioner, Richard Arquette, is the man for the job (see his picture this issue). He will shine or waterproof your footwear and the funds he collects will be donated to the Renovation Fund. Give him your shoes and a week later you will get them back or make other arrangements with him.

## Choir Practice



Our intergenerational choir will sing at the Sunday service on February 28. Rehearsal will be that Sunday at 9:30.

## Getting to Know You



Richard Arquette has been a part of St. Peter's community for a little over a year. He was searching for a more active, progressive church. He tried us on and stayed

because of a good fit. He is impressed with our Pastor Barbara Price and our strong youth participation. He sees our church as moving forward.

Richard is retired from the navy and Army and NYS nursing, but is far from inactive. He rides the bus to and from school as a nurse, caring for special needs kids and has a home based business for Identity Theft Protection. Do you have a problem or want to avoid a problem??? Talk to Richard.

Richard is jam packed with interests and ideas i.e. fund raising, dinners, sales – our health and nursing ministry, vestry and is studying as an associate member of the Order of St. Luke healing ministry.

Richard has 3 kids and 7 grandchildren. He reads Success Magazine and other motivational books and takes. His favorite sayings are: "It's only a problem if you make it a problem" and "Don't worry about yesterday, it's a cancelled check."

In the Order of St. Luke Class I attend with Richard, I have found him to be a warm, loving person who really cares about people.

*Becky Peiffer*  
St. Peter's roving reporter



## Daughters of the King

Is there interest in starting a chapter of the Order of the Daughters of the King?

After hearing Pastor Barbara's sermon about her vision for St. Peter's in 2010, I started thinking about my two passions. Both of my passions involve praying. One is praying (and making) the Anglican Knotted Rosary. The other is praying daily for others using the Order of the Daughters of the King prayer.

What is the Order of the Daughters of the King? It is a prayer group usually of women. There are also Junior Daughters. We pray for anyone who asks for prayers or needs prayers.

I usually pray daily for those on the parish prayer list and for anyone who has asked me to pray for them – this occurs when people ask me about my cross.

At the moment, I am a "Daughter at Large". But I would like to belong to a chapter.

So, if you are interested in starting a chapter of the Order of the Daughters of the King – not many meetings but definitely a phone tree – let me know.

For additional information see:  
[www.dok-national.org](http://www.dok-national.org).

*Jane Cushman*, flutist

## Order of St. Luke

The Order of St. Luke (OSL) is meeting **every Thursday in February at 7pm** for classes in the Christian study in healing. People of all faiths are welcome to attend. See Damon Piatov for more details.

## Sunday School News

We will be starting off February making Valentine cards and bookmarks for the nursing home. On the second week we will have a small Valentine's Day party, where we will be making Valentine cards and a craft for our families and play some games. After that, we will be into our Lenten studies and activities

Our Lenten project for this year will be to collect money and supplies for the group Canine Helpers for the Handicapped Inc. We will be having visitors from Canine Helpers come and do a demonstration at the church on Sunday, February 21, 2010 at 11:30 a.m.

The following is from the groups website [www.caninehelpers.org](http://www.caninehelpers.org). "Founded in 1983, based on the vision of Beverly Underwood, Canine Helpers for the Handicapped, Inc. is designed to unite deserving people with highly trained, disability specific dogs. The ultimate goal of this non-profit organization is to achieve a high degree of independence for the clients who have various physical and emotional challenges. Whether the need be for Hearing, Service, Mobility (Multi-Service), Seizure-Alert, or Therapy Dogs, we are equipped to match a person with the right dog and train both to become an efficient team. Professional personnel at Canine Helpers for the Handicapped receive unwanted and abandoned animals from area shelters and other sources, test them carefully, and enter qualified dogs into a training process which can take as much as two years for completion Canine Helpers for the Handicapped is committed to continued growth which will provide the opportunity for many more individuals to function confidently in society."

The students will be given their mite boxes to start collecting their coins for them either on Sundays, February 14th or February 21st. Adults are always welcome to help us too. We have extra mite boxes and will most likely have another book sale to raise money for the group. Thank you for your help and support.

Alison L. Mohr



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## Deanery Vestry Training Day

This day is open to all Wardens, Vestry members, Diocesan Convention Delegates, and interested parishioners. **Each person will be able to attend**

**THREE of these six workshops:**

- **The Role of the Vestry in Parish Oversight**
- **New York State Religious Corporation Law and Canon Law**
- **Strategic Planning and Visioning**
- **Mutual Ministry Review**
- **Media Presence**
- **Music Alternatives (especially for smaller congregations)**

This program is being offered through the Eastern Erie Deanery on **February 20 at St. Paul's, Harris Hill from 2 pm to 5 pm.**

## U2Charist

Immediately following the Deanery Vestry Training Day at St. Paul's, Harris Hill, there will be a U2Charist to benefit the Millenium Development Goals. It will begin at 5:30 pm and last about 1 hour. All are welcome, and it is especially hoped that those attending the Vestry Day will be able to stay to show their support. Refreshments will be offered between the Vestry Training event and the U2Charist.

## Dreams and Journaling

On **Friday, March 5<sup>th</sup>** there will be a multi-generational event for the parish. Young people and adults are

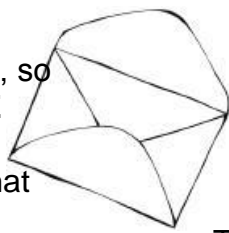
invited to come and make a

dream journal, a prayer journal, a 'regular' journal, or a combination of all three.

We will begin with a **NON-MEAT Pot Luck Supper at 6 pm** followed by some fun and discussion about dreams and journaling. We will end about 8 pm. Sign-up at church or call the



parish office to let us know you'll be attending, so we can have enough materials. Please **SAVE MAGAZINES** that have great color photos of things like animals, flowers, nature, etc., that are suitable for journal covers. Babysitting is available.



## Episcopal Community Services

The Diocese will begin their Episcopal Community Services campaign beginning February 14<sup>th</sup>. St. Peter's will begin their campaign February 28. In the next week or so you will be receiving a letter and a pledge card from the Diocese. If you complete the **pledge card you must send your pledge directly to the Diocese**. The Diocese will acknowledge your pledge for IRS purposes.

If you want to contribute via your **monthly pledge envelope, do not send in your pledge card**. Your parish financial statement will acknowledge your pledge for IRS purposes. Deacon Tom Tripp is now on the Board of Episcopal Community Services. If you have any questions concerning the campaign or the agencies served, please contact Deacon Tom or me.

*Merrie Hill  
ECS Chair*

## Opportunities for Lenten Study

**What is a Bishop and what does a Bishop have to do with us?** - The Bishop's Election Committee of the Diocese of Western New York invites all parishes to participate in a Lenten study about the role of the bishop in a diocese and to discuss questions about our own parish and diocesan identities and relationship with a bishop. **This study will be offered twice on the five Sundays of Lent: from 9:00 to 9:45 after the 8 o'clock service and from 11:30 to 12:15 after the 10 o'clock service.** It is appropriate for older youth (5<sup>th</sup> grade and up) and adults. Study materials have been provided for us so even if you're unable to attend, you can request reading material to take home.

## Help! Help! Help!

We're looking for "**Fourteen Holy Helpers**" or as close to it as we can get. These are people who would be willing to help others with transportation to and from doctors' appointments, a little grocery pick-up and drop-off, and other little odds and ends of assistance as may be needed. Historically, the "Fourteen Holy Helpers" were Saints of the Church who were noted for the efficacy of their prayers. We're looking for 'prayer as action.' If you are ever available for this sort of thing – even once a month – please contact Betty Peters, Kathy Bates, or Pastor Barbara.

We're working on assembling a list with phone numbers for that 'just in case' moment of need.



## What's on the Web?

Do you sometimes wonder when you or your child is serving or the date and time for a meeting and you can't find the schedule?



Have you checked out St. Peter's web site yet? If not, take a look at the web site **StPetersAmherst.net**.

On the **Home** page, click on Newsletter. On the lower left hand side of that page you will find icons that will give you the Weekly Calendar, Monthly Calendar, Lay Ministry Schedule and Prayers of the People. You can also get copies of The Rock from that page as well.

If you click on **Worship**, you will find copies of Pastor Barbara's sermons and information regarding St. Peter's that would be of interest for someone looking for a church.

If you click on **Ministries**, you will find information on our Youth Ministries and Adult Ministries well as our various Outreach activities. After looking at our web, if you have any suggestions as to how to improve it or to make it more user friendly, please let the Commended Team know

## Coffee Hour February 14<sup>th</sup>

A short presentation, "Diabetes news you can use" will be given after service on FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup>. Mary Ann Grady, a certified diabetes educator from The Visiting Nursing Association will be joining us. The Health care committee invites you to attend.



### Update on Haiti

This information is provided from an Episcopal relief worker in Haiti. Haiti is the largest Diocese in the Episcopal Church, a part of

Province II, as are all the Dioceses in the States of New Jersey and New York, plus Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic, the Virgin Islands, and the American Churches in Europe. There are over 160 churches in the Diocese. The Cathedral complex was destroyed, as were the orphanage and school of the Sisters of St. Margaret, an Order of Episcopal nuns, of which our own Cathy Reynolds is an Associate members.

The eye-witness report from the relief worker is that as of the last week in January there are about 150,000 dead in Port au Prince and about 50,000 dead elsewhere. There are about 250,000 wounded, many of them amputees. Nearly 1.5M have been left homeless. About 90,000 have been buried so far, many in mass graves of 7 to 10 thousand bodies each.

Many people are wandering the streets aimlessly late into the night, having no place to go. Yet in the relief worker's experience, there have been



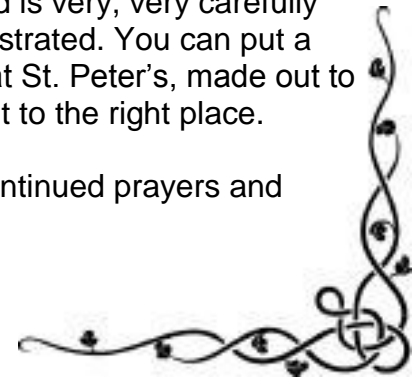
no mobs, no disturbances, and no panicking. Food

distribution has, for the most part, been quiet and orderly. Walking the streets, this worker passed a four-floor school where 200 children had died. In addition to the primary hospital in Port au Prince, there were two other hospitals destroyed, one with 150 and another with 120 dead. The Roman Catholic Seminary was destroyed and all 150 seminarians and their teachers were killed. The UN complex is gone and nearly all UN workers in Haiti were killed. There have been more than 50 aftershocks, measuring 4 to 5 on the Richter Scale.

A recent article in the Wall Street Journal profiled the work of Episcopal Bishop Duracin and the Diocese of Haiti. They were able to provide immediate help, though over 100 of the Episcopal Churches in Haiti (nearly half the Diocese) have been ruined. Bishop Duracin held communion outside the ruins of the Cathedral the Sunday immediately following the earthquake. He used a wooden folding table draped with a white cloth. The work of the Sisters of St. Margaret may be seen on a video at the Trinity Church, Wall Street website: [www.trinitywallstreet.org](http://www.trinitywallstreet.org)

The safest place to donate money is through Episcopal Relief and Development. Nearly 100% of this money will go directly to the Diocese and the region for help and is very, very carefully monitored and administrated. You can put a check in the offering at St. Peter's, made out to ERD, and we will get it to the right place.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support.





## St. Peter's Memorial Garden

During Lent (Sunday, February 21st through March 28<sup>th</sup>) we don't have flowers on the altar.

However, if you want to remember a loved one during this time, you can make a donation to the St. Peter's Memorial Garden Fund. This acknowledgement will appear in the bulletin just flower memorials or thanksgivings do.

We have a master plan as to how the area around the church will look with little up-keep. The money in the Memorial Garden fund will be used to purchase trees, bushes, flowers, etc, in keeping with this plan. Of course, individual donations to the Memorial Garden can be made at any time

Just like flower donations, sign the flower chart in the Narthex and call Marylou Matthews (835-0528).

## Martin Luther King Rt. 13 Event

On Monday, January 18th, several members of St. Peter's took part in a youth activity celebrating the legacy of Martin Luther King at Calvary Church. As the proud mother of one of the participants, I want to thank my daughter, Sara Gunn, Shawn Mohr and Ruth Palmer for helping to make the evening thought provoking and memorable. I also want to thank Dan Fournier for his help in leading the activity and especially all the members of St. Peter's who turned out for this event. When the adults of St. Peter's turn out to support our young people like they did that night I know that they honor Dr. King by demonstrating the content of their character to our youth. Thank you so much!

*Sue Gunn*

## Mid-Week Healing Service Begins

Beginning on February 24<sup>th</sup>, we will be offering a service of healing mid-week on Wednesdays at 7 pm. We will use the Service of Healing appointed in the Book of Common Prayer (see page 453 BCP) and there will always be laying on of hands and anointing for healing. Sometimes, the healing service will be followed by Holy Communion and a

brief class on prayer, journaling, or a class for members joining the Order of St. Luke. This mid-week offering will continue until Pentecost. Please speak with Damon Piatov or Pastor Barbara for more details.

## Sunday Healing Between Services

Beginning on Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, there will be an opportunity for the laying on of hands and anointing for healing between 9:30 am and 10 am. This will take place every Sunday except on Sundays when we have the sacrament of healing as part of the regular service at 8 am and 10 am, one Sunday per month. This is usually the second Sunday of the month. We are hopeful that this will allow more time for healing prayers while at the same time preserving the sacramental 'truth' that the ultimate healing sacrament is the Eucharist.

## Lenten Sermon Series

Beginning on Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, we will be having a Lenten sermon series on five of the seven sacraments (not including marriage and ordination):

February 21<sup>st</sup> – Eucharist

February 28<sup>th</sup> - Reconciliation Confession)

March 7<sup>th</sup> - Baptism and Confirmation

March 14<sup>th</sup> – “The Parable of the Prodigal Son” a skit in place of the Sermon.

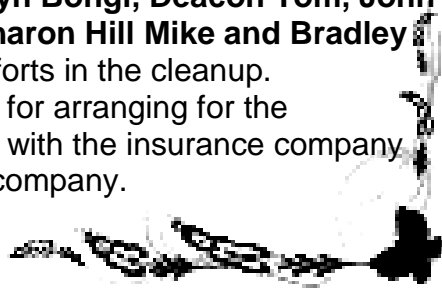
March 21<sup>st</sup> – Healing

Thank you to.....

**\*\* Kathy Bates, Ed and Sharon Hill, Diana Leiker Deacon Tom and Lois Tripp** for taking down the Christmas decorations.

**\*\* Kathy and Bill Bates** for finding the flooded basement. **Carolyn Bongji, Deacon Tom, John Lopat, Ed and Sharon Hill Mike and Bradley Taube** for their efforts in the cleanup.

**\*\* Carolyn Bongji** for arranging for the plumbers, dealing with the insurance company and the cleaning company.



**St. Peter's Episcopal Church  
As of January 31, 2010**

*Operating Account*

<b>RECEIPTS YTD</b>	<b>Actual</b>
Plate & Pledge	7,298.07
Liturgical & Outreach & Special Memorials	2,330.73
Other	80.00
	351.00
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$10,059.80</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS YTD</b>	<b>Actual</b>
Building & Grounds	\$1,642.59
Clergy	4,325.72
Memorial Expense	50.00
Operations	769.81
Outreach	1,162.93
Personnel/Payroll tax/Payroll	
Service	672.22
Utilities	790.12
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>\$9,413.39</b>

**St Peter's Account Balances  
1/31/10**

<b>First Niagara - Checking</b>	<b>\$1,046.53</b>
<b>Capital Funds YTD</b>	<b>\$1,683.00</b>
<b>Lillian Shandraw Educational Fund</b>	<b>\$401.50</b>
<b>Money Market - Savings</b>	<b>\$17,315.39</b>
Interest & Deposit	\$1,683.00
<b>Total 1/31/10</b>	<b>\$18,998.39</b>
1,275.17 Meath Memorial	
251.05 Walgate Memorial	
59.15 Wellness Ministry	
1,5918.02 Renovation Fund	
107.00 Summer Camp	
79.00 Theological Ed.	
193.00 Parish Nurse	
16.00 Music Fund	
20.00 UTO	
1,080.00 Memorial Garden	
<b>Money Market - Checking</b>	<b>\$375.95</b>
<b>J2A Pilgrimage Fund</b>	<b>\$450.25</b>
<b>Mission &amp; Ministry</b>	<b>\$294.72</b>
<b>Columbarium Fund</b>	<b>\$3,517.63</b>
<b>Morningstar Ministries</b>	<b>\$2,116.17</b>



**“Biggest Winner Update”**

Our 1<sup>st</sup> meeting was held after church on January 31, 2010. The plan was outlined and a weekly meeting date was set. We will meet at 9am Sundays, in the St. Peter's undercroft.



The weight reduction plan is based on a national model. In addition a diary will be kept, as well as daily prayer time. Various exercise ideas were mentioned and we would like to resume walking after the service. “ You’ve got to move to lose”.

Our homework this week is to organize our cupboards with healthy foods, write down 10 positive reasons we want to reduce our weight, and pay attention to portion sizes. Our first PRIVATE weigh-in was today. Our first goal is for a 10% weight reduction. Each week we will record – and + lbs. Members DO NOT need to share their weight with anyone. I will never check your notebooks.

We will keep a “pot” growing as each lb is lost. Members can choose to donate change (5, 10, 25 cents) toward a charity. The food bank and Threads of Hope will receive the collected money.

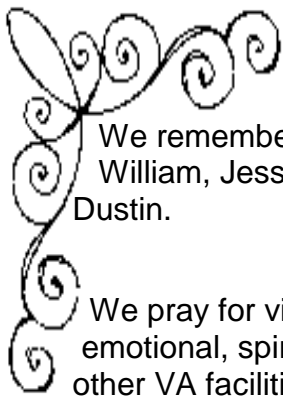
Healthy snacks will be brought in for coffee hours to help stick to our program and to give others an alternative to other goodies.

The food plan will be explained this next meeting along with discussion, reading labels, and some new recipes to try.

We can lower our blood pressures and reduce the risk for stroke. We can reduce cholesterol levels, the risk for developing diabetes, and the strain on our joints. That first 10% goal is within reach.

**Take the step to join us Sundays at 9am, it's not too late!**

*Lois Tripp CRNI*  
St Peter's Parish Nurse



## Prayers of the People

We remember all the servicemen and women in the Middle East, especially those known to us: William, Jessie, Anthony, Bryan, Jack, AJ, Greg, Ray G, John, Billy, Aaron, Danny, Dominic and Dustin.

We pray for victims of all ages of every country whose lives have been permanently changed by the emotional, spiritual and physical injuries of war,, including those at Walter Reed Army Hospital and other VA facilities and their caregivers. And we pray for all countries being torn apart by war and violence especially Iraq, Afghanistan, the Congo, Sudan, Thailand, India, Israel, and Gaza.

We pray for all whose needs are in the Prayer Box and for all those who suffer from MRSA, flu and other infectious diseases.



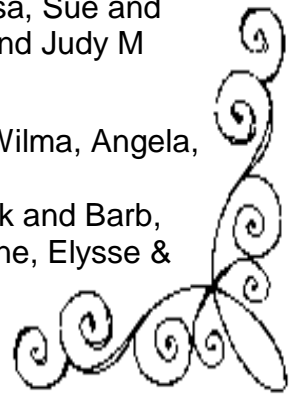
## Prayers of the People

### Long Term:

Fred H, Leigh, Kelly, Arlene L, Valerie, Sarah and family, Darlene, Jim, Dianne and Olin, Dennis, Jim & Mary M, Gary, Ulyssa, Norman, Deborah, Nina B, Millie & Eric, Lee Mc, Donnalyn, Jody, Patrick C, Brenda and family, RJ, Pam and Eric, Scott, Adel, Jean C, Lisa, Sue and family, Bill B, Douglas, Lauren, Brandon G., Mindy, Colleen, and Judy M

### Short Term:

John F, Monica, Father Joe and Linda, Mary, Luke, Sue K, Cathy R, Harlan C, Bea, Wilma, Angela, Eugene B, Jean Z, Joyce, Kaitlin, Arthur, Danielle, Warren, Steve, Melissa, Rick and Sandy, Jim S, Ron S, Frank and Barb, Isabel & Marnie, Adam, Dave and Peggy, Steve and family, Win, Megan, Sister Jeanne, Elysse & Elijah and family, Theresa (Terry), Laurie, Kristen, Pat, Michael A, Cheryl K., & Carey.



2/03 Megan Fiutak  
2/07 Jordan Marcus  
2/07 Dorothy Talbot  
2/11 William Bates

2/19 Adam Nagel  
2/21 Areti Piatov  
2/24 Edward Hill  
2/28 Brenda Duszynski  
2/28 Richard Guarino



## Anniversaries

2/14 Mr. and Mrs. Conroy Clarke  
2/20 Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hamilton

## St. Peter's Prayer Group



The Very Rev. Canon Barbara J. Price  
Sue Gunn, Chairman  
838-6156 or [sgunn@sixgunns.com](mailto:sgunn@sixgunns.com)

Call Sue Gunn when you have someone to pray for. She will begin the phone tree. If she is not available call Sue Curry (see # below) as she has agreed to assist. Please let them know if the person should not be included in prayers of the people on Sunday.

### Phone Tree

Sue Gunn 838-6156  
*Sue Curry (only if you get Sue G's machine)*  
835-9675  
Mary Lou Matthews 835-0528  
Elaine Miller 832-6603  
Kathy Bates 834-5428  
Ginny Hemmer 688-8418  
Becky Peiffer 838-1943  
Cathy Reynolds 634-5859  
Dorothy Talbot 446-1399

Dorothy Talbot returns the call to Sue Gunn which lets her know that everyone has been notified.

Phone Tree- When you call to pass on a name and get an answering machine, leave the message and call the next person on the list until you reach someone in person.

### Email Tree

Sue Gunn/Sue Curry will email prayer requests to the following individuals:

Betty Peters [Bpeters1415@aol.com](mailto:Bpeters1415@aol.com)  
Carolyn Bongli [cpbsewing8@gmail.com](mailto:cpbsewing8@gmail.com)  
Sue Curry [siouxjr@yahoo.com](mailto:siouxjr@yahoo.com)  
Mary Lou Gardner [gardner4882@verizon.net](mailto:gardner4882@verizon.net)  
Rita Hamilton [Hamilton@buffalo.edu](mailto:Hamilton@buffalo.edu)  
Della Harris [kinah1922@hotmail.com](mailto:kinah1922@hotmail.com)  
Ginny Hemmer [Mvstout@hotmail.com](mailto:Mvstout@hotmail.com)  
Merrie Hill [mmhill5@verizon.net](mailto:mmhill5@verizon.net) Alison  
Martin [ajmartin53@gmail.com](mailto:ajmartin53@gmail.com)  
Damon Piatov [genomad@aol.com](mailto:genomad@aol.com)  
Barbara Price [Morningstar228.verizon.net](mailto:Morningstar228.verizon.net)  
Tom & Lois Tripp [tntljt@roadrunner.com](mailto:tntljt@roadrunner.com)

Note: Let Sue Gunn know when someone can come OFF the prayer list



## Cowboy Joe's First Visit to The Big city Church

Cowboy Joe was telling his fellow cowboys back on the ranch about his first visit to a big-city church.

"When I got there, they had me park my old truck in the corral," Joe began.

"You mean the parking lot," interrupted Charlie, a more worldly fellow.

"I walked up the trail to the door," Joe continued.

"The sidewalk to the door," Charlie corrected him.

"Inside the door, I was met by this dude," Joe went on.

"That would be the usher," Charlie explained.

"Well, the usher led me down the chute," Joe said.

"You mean the aisle," Charlie said.

"Then, he led me to a stall and told me to sit there," Joe continued.

"Pew," Charlie retorted.

"Yeah," recalled Joe. "That's what that pretty lady said when I sat down beside her."

## OUT OF THE MOUTH OF BABES

Author Unknown

A Sunday school teacher was teaching her class about the difference between right and wrong. "All right children, let's take another example," she said. "If I were to get into a man's pocket and take his billfold with all his money, what would I be?" Little Johnny raises his hand, and with a confident smile, he blurts out, "You'd be his wife!"