



Greetings



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A Stranger in Your Midst

According to scripture (Hebrews 13.2), we should always welcome strangers, for we never know when we may be entertaining angels. Well, I'm probably no angel, but I will be a stranger in your midst starting this September. From my dealings with the wardens and the vestry of St. Boniface, I know I will receive a warm welcome, but to help ease that transition from stranger to angel, please allow me to introduce myself.

My name is John Hickey. You may call me John, Father or "Hey you!" I am trained in interim ministry and for the past year have been at St. Christopher's Church in River Hills as the interim assistant priest and vestry consultant for issues related to the transition from pastoral to program sized parish. I graduated from Seabury-Western Seminary in 2005 and prior to that acted as a consultant with a number of parishes in the diocese (including St. Boniface). In my varied former careers, I have been an attorney and investigator of attorneys, a filmmaker, a writer, a book and magazine publisher and a general jack-of-all-trades, master of none. I love to fly-fish and now God has called me to become a fisher for men and women. I just hope my waders don't leak too much.

I look forward to serving you at St. Boniface, to welcoming long time parishioners and new strangers and, especially, to helping the parish during this transition to a new rector. If you have questions or concerns, my door is always open and I love nothing more than listening to and talking with people about their spiritual journeys. I'm sure we will soon be entertaining each other like the angels we were created by God to be. Godspeed to you all.

St. Boniface on October 1. Watch your bulletin and the newsletter for further details. Any questions call Kay Pulliamon (262) 375-0145 or Joan Kirkwood (262) 512-1918

GAMES NIGHT

Let the games begin! September 7th is the next Social Committee sponsored "Games Night". This evening event will begin at 6:00 pm with a catered dinner followed by a variety of games for all ages. The cost of the evening is yet to be determined and should be known within a few weeks. But do not delay, a sign up sheet is available in the narthex.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

The first day of our 2007-08 Sunday School year will soon be here. If you have not yet signed up your child for Sunday School, registration forms are available in the church narthex. They are also posted on the church website, www.saintbonifacechurch.com. Please fill out the forms and return them to the church office as soon as possible.

Just a reminder that the J2A kick-off picnic will be held from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. on Saturday, September 8. The picnic will be at the Hamilton House on Lake Michigan in Cedar Grove. Mark your calendars and look for more details to follow. See you there!

A Primer on Episcopal Deacons

by Deacon Cathy Milliken

Over the years, St. Boniface as a whole has not had extensive contact with deacons. With this in mind, I thought it would be helpful to offer a basic description of what a deacon is and does, and also explain my current assignment.

Deacons and the Orders of Ministry: The Episcopal Church teaches that there are four orders of ministry: the laity and three orders of ordained ministry (clergy) known as bishops, priests and deacons. The first and primary order of ministry is the laity – that is, all those baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. If you have been baptized, you are indeed a minister – ministry is not just for the ordained! Of the three ordained ministries, you are probably most familiar with priests because they are who you encounter every Sunday (presumably!) in church. Episcopal congregations require priests who, among other duties, offer sacraments, pronounce blessings, give pastoral care, preach, instruct, and provide administrative and liturgical leadership.

In contrast, deacons are envisioned as serving with one foot in the Church and one foot out in the world, seeking to bridge the gap. Deacons are instructed to interpret the needs, concerns and hopes of the world to the Church while making Christ and his redemptive love known. We vow to do so when we are ordained – but what does this mean? Deacons are called to recognize where problems and opportunities exist, bring these situations to the attention of the Church, and elicit responses that take the form of direct ministry in the name of Jesus Christ.

The office of deacon is known as the *diaconate*, and the word “deacon” is derived from the Greek *diakonia*, which is generally translated to mean “service”. But, in the words of Bishop Miller, we don't keep deacons around so they can do servant ministry *for* us. Deacons model hands-on ministry while leading others into service, not keeping ministry to themselves but passing it on. Remember our baptismal covenant in which we promise to seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbors as ourselves. In serving the poor, weak, sick or lonely, we serve Christ.

Types of Deacons: The Episcopal, Roman Catholic and Orthodox traditions recognize deacons as ordained clergy, but the perception and roles of deacons vary by Christian denomination. In other churches, a deacon may function in a way that is analogous to being a member of the vestry or an elder, or may not be regarded as clergy at all. The Episcopal Church's interpretation of the diaconate is largely based on scripture, such as Acts 6:1-6 where Luke tells how seven were chosen to distribute food to widows.

In the Episcopal Church, all priests are first ordained deacon in preparation for subsequent ordination to the priesthood. These persons are referred to as *transitional deacons* because they do not intend to serve in that role forever. Conversely, there are deacons like me who are not preparing for the priesthood. We are called *permanent, perpetual or vocational deacons* because we feel called to serve in a deacon's capacity rather than assume the duties of a priest. It's not a matter of completing seminary or failing to proceed, but discerning a distinct call. Vocational deacons are rarely paid to be deacons and must maintain secular employment or income sources. A vocational deacon is never a “junior” priest and should not function like one. Under no circumstances may a deacon grant absolution, bless, or consecrate the bread and wine of Communion. However, deacons do have distinct duties in the liturgy that include: vesting in alb and stole (so they can be identified as deacons); proclaiming the Gospel; bidding the Prayers of the People; preparing the altar, eucharistic elements and vessels; attending the celebrant (or bishop, if present); assisting in the distribution of the Eucharist; and dismissing the congregation at the conclusion of worship. These tasks underscore and should remind us of servant ministry.

Vocational deacons serve directly under the authority of and are accountable to their bishops who determine assignments. These assignments will change from time to time at the bishop's discretion.

Parochial and Non-Parochial Deacons In our diocese, Bishop Miller is implementing a model in which vocational deacons are given either parochial (traditional, parish-based) or non-parochial assignments. In each case, the goal is for deacons to be catalysts for ministry. The intent of having non-parochial deacons is to emphasize and expand servant ministry out in the world.

Bishop Miller has directed me to serve as a non-parochial deacon. This is why you do not see me vested and assisting at the altar (even though I did so as a lay eucharistic minister before my ordination). I am not assigned to St. Boniface, but I will worship with you on Sundays. Specifically, my assignment is to continue my work among women inmates at the Ozaukee County Jail. I intend to make needs at the jail (and elsewhere) known and urge you to join me in ministry.

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August 5	Eric and Sarah White
August 6	Scott and Carrie Bergman
August 7	John and Joan Kirkwood
August 9	Bill and Susan Maca
August 13	Jim and Jenny Gettel
August 14	Reginald and Alice Fletcher
August 16	Charley and Nancy Cole, John and Gretchen Leupold
August 19	Tim Leahy and Anne Davis
August 22	Dean and Kathy Thome
August 23	Rich and Jane Dean
August 24	Mark and Dawn Smallish
August 26	Mike and Lori Ochalek
August 28	Scott and Debbie Holtorf, Greg Sniadach and Mary Maier
August 30	Steve and Melanie Murphy

August Birthdays

August 3	Diane Miller
August 4	Rachel Pizzino
August 5	Fritz Rauch
August 7	John Kirkwood
August 8	Rachel Rauch, Bob Schuppel
August 9	Tom Felton, Marianne Plaisier
August 10	Fayeth St. Onge
August 13	Annette St. Onge
August 14	Carrie Bergman, Tammy McNab
August 18	Tricia Bons
August 19	Isabelle Plautz
August 21	Roger McNab
August 23	Bill Maca
August 24	Luke Mueller, Jackie Purcell
August 25	Dawn Rablin -Binversie
August 26	Amy Katz, Phil Plautz
August 27	Alex Grant, Andy Hamilton, Dave Purcell
August 28	Anne Davis, Ed Moore, Josh Kilmer-Purcell
August 29	Dorothy Rooney, Diantha Zadra
August 30	Jennifer Jonas
August 31	Virginia Hermes, James Wierzba

Nurse's Notes

Advanced Care Nursing and Nurse Practitioners

Recently, Take Care Health clinics have opened in the Mequon and Thiensville Walgreen's stores. The Aurora Pharmacy in Mequon has had such a clinic for several years. It occurred to me that a large part of the population probably has no idea of the range of services that can legally be performed in these clinics, as well as the type of preparation an "Advanced Practice" nurse has.

The advanced practice nurse is also called a nurse practitioner. To achieve this level of care giving, the nurse must have a master's degree in some area of nursing. He or She must have clinical training and experience in the area of practice. Nurse practitioners are most often seen in Adult Health, OB-Gyn, Pediatrics and Geriatric nursing. The nurse practitioner is licensed to write clinically necessary prescriptions, diagnose and treat common conditions such as colds, sinus infections, bronchitis, minor skin conditions and minor injuries. He or she can also provide basic diagnostic screenings, immunizations and some physicals. The nurse practitioner does not replace your doctor but supplements your medical care by taking care of the less urgent conditions. The nurse practitioner may also do the time-consuming assessments and education a busy doctor does not have time for.

The walk-in clinics are meant to replace unnecessary emergency room visits for those who need less urgent care. Some of them accept most insurance plans. Fees for services range from \$59 to \$75 a visit. Electronic records are kept and can be shared with your personal physician or a clinic. Referrals to appropriate general practice or specialist physicians can be made. Again, these clinics are meant to supplement – not replace – your doctor's care.



St. Boniface Honor Roll



<u>NAME</u>	<u>LOVED ONE OF</u>	<u>SERVING IN</u>
Ben Beach	The Olson family	Iraq
Chris Herrera	The Murphy Family	Iraq
Eric Park	A Milliken family friend	Iraq
Todd Martin	An Anderson family friend	Iraq
Chad Olson	The Olson family	Iraq
Tim Schultz	The Cole family	Kuwait
Justin Teed	The Albright family	Iraq

Nurse's Notes

The Wandering List

The following letter was recently received from Marilyn Gierczak, executive director of Interfaith Caregivers of Ozaukee County.

Dear members of St. Boniface:

I have no doubt that you are familiar with what an "Amber Alert" is and the impact that it has had in the effort to find missing children.

Recently, the Ozaukee County Elder Abuse Interdisciplinary Team completed a project called "The Wandering List." It is a coordinated effort between the Ozaukee County Aging/Disability Resource Center, local police departments, and the Sheriff's department to put together a system that is proactive in finding those family members who may wander off due to dementia or Alzheimer's.

Due to HIPPA laws, family members are the only ones who can register these at-risk relatives. Registration is done by completing an information sheet about the person. This form is available from your police department, the Ozaukee County Aging and Disability Resource Center, or the church office. A doctor's statement on the form is necessary to verify the person's dementia.

More information about this registry can be obtained from Dorothy Rooney, parish nurse (262-512-1012), the Aging and Disability Resource Center (262-238-8120 or 262-284-8120), or the Sheriff's department or your local police department.

The Sheriff's Department will securely maintain descriptive information and photographs of Ozaukee County residents who reside at home and are at risk for wandering. If someone is found wandering, the local police department can access the registry and review pictures and related descriptions. When a match is found, family or friends listed on the registry will be immediately contacted.

Since spring, summer and fall are prime times for wandering, it is vital to register your loved one now.

A Primer on Episcopal Deacons *(cont)*

This assignment will require me to coordinate not only with the Church (you, St. Boniface, the Bishop and beyond) but also with jail authorities. We began together last fall when many of you donated Bibles to the jail, and I can tell you first hand that these Bibles have been greatly appreciated. As I settle into this assignment, I look forward to sharing my experiences, keeping an eye out for ministry opportunities, and pestering you to serve. It will be a joy to discover how we can seek and serve Christ in all persons!

Newsletter Deadline

The next edition of the St. Boniface newsletter will be published Sunday, October 7. All items for the October newsletter must be submitted by Sunday, September 30. You can email your items to Anne Davis at annecdavis@sbcglobal.net or Dave Purcell at david.purcell@wbsavings.com by September 30 or leave them in the designated mail slot in the church office.

September Birthdays

September 1	Kathy Albright, Sarah Hajny
September 2	Rick Bate
September 3	Sarah Kerkman, Walz Stinson
September 4	John Peterson
September 5	Dennis Boese
September 6	Peter Gattie, Alys Murphy, Eric White
September 8	Dick Lindner
September 9	Kate Phelps
September 10	Alice Altemeir
September 11	Nick Kerkman
September 13	Caroline Bate
September 14	Sarah Jorgensen
September 15	Gretchen Barbatelli, Mista Wilt
September 16	Megan Amundson, Nicole Chiarello, John Hoffman, Cathy Milliken, Christopher Zaeske
September 17	Kathy Holtorf
September 19	Mark Katz, Jan Ratzmer
September 20	Noah Dalibor
September 21	Stefan Peterson
September 22	Dawn Smallish
September 23	Zachary Brown, Nicole Sills
September 24	Grace Mortensen
September 25	Paula Altamirano
September 27	Nell Eichner, Ralph Stevens
September 28	Heidi Baumann-Schuppel
September 29	Hozzie Tanner

September Anniversaries

September 1	Jean and Bob Koehler
September 2	Joshua and Jessica Van Den Berg
September 3	Phil and Geraldine Harrison
September 10	Hal and Patty Dalibor
September 12	Bill and Margaret Maggard
September 13	Bill and Dorothy Rooney
September 18	Robert and Madeleine McPherson
September 19	Mark and Cindy Meier, Rob and Heidi Mortensen
September 20	John and Beth Hoffman
September 25	DJ and Laura Burd, Peter and Andrea Gattie

Troop Support Update

In July and August, St. Boniface parishioners donated and assembled a total of 153 individual care packs and sent them to troops serving in Iraq. This effort required four parcels weighing over 127 pounds! The care packs each contained an assortment of powdered electrolyte drink mix, shampoo, soap, antibacterial wipes, hard candies and bubble gum (to help keep soldiers' mouths moist in the oppressive heat). Children of the parish also decorated and wrote cards that will no doubt brighten any soldier's day. The parcels were shipped to the attention of U.S. Army Chaplain Eric Park who is personally distributing the packs as he ministers to the troops. Chaplain Park's unit has been hit hard recently, suffering casualties and discouragement. Your generosity and concern for our soldiers could not have come at a better time and Chaplain Park has expressed great appreciation for your kindness. I also offer my thanks to the St. Boniface Honor Roll and the Outreach Committee for supporting this project, and to anyone who helped or contributed in any way. Well done!

~ Deacon Cathy Milliken

ST. BONIFACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH VESTRY MEETING MINUTES June 19, 2007

Present: Jr. Warden Rick Bate, Dennis Boese, Linda Baribeau, Pam Elliott, Nancy Jacobs, Jackie Jorgensen, Rob Mortensen, and David Roach Clerk: Mary Metz

Absent: Sr. Warden Joan Kirkwood, Mark Katz, and John McQuide **Guest:** Larry Boothby

Call to Order/Spiritual Reflection: At 6:35 p.m. Rick Bate called the meeting to order, and Dennis Boese led a spiritual reflection on the futility of worry, "God takes care of our needs at the right time."

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Nancy Jacobs and seconded by Dennis Boese to accept the minutes of the May 15, 2007 meeting. Passed unanimously.

Jr. Warden: Rick Bate read a letter dated June 6, 2007 from Doug Hamilton, chairman of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, correcting misinformation as reported in the May 15, 2007 Vestry Meeting Minutes. The letter advised the Vestry, "All proposals for the Rectory Renovation project, including the one from Buck Contractors, were solicited, reviewed and approved by the Rectory Renovation Committee, an ad-hoc group of three members, one of whom is a member of Buildings and Grounds. None of the proposals were reviewed by the Buildings and Grounds Committee."

Senior Warden's Report: (Copy attached) Joan Kirkwood prepared a written report on June 10 knowing that she would be out of the country for this meeting. The letter states that she has informed the bishop's office that St. Boniface is interested in pursuing the interim route and asked for some names of possible candidates and a job description for an interim. In response she received a Letter of Agreement, which could be signed between an interim and a parish. Joan felt that the sample agreement was not appropriated for St. Boniface and she would like to pursue the possibility of writing one specific to St. Boniface's needs if and when a suitable interim is identified. As of June 10 she had not received any names of interim possibilities from the Bishop. She contacted Fr. Fehr and Fr. Slocum to inquire if either would be interested in long-term supply for Sundays and one-day per week spiritual care from September through the end of the year. Fr. Slocum expressed interest and was setting up a meeting with Bishop Miller to discuss such a possibility.

Treasurer's Report (Copies Attached)

Income is approximately \$19,000 over budget with expenses \$12,000 under budget. With the completion of the rectory bathrooms renovation at the projected cost of \$39,000 there will be approximately \$30,000 available for other renovation. Moved by Dennis Boese and seconded by Nancy Jacobs to accept the Treasurer's Report and file for financial review. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business Larry Boothby presented the idea of applying for a state raffle license to allow St. Boniface Congregation to use raffles to generate funds. This would be a way J2A could help finance the Pilgrimage; however, it would enable any group within the church to sponsor raffles. Moved by Nancy Jacobs and seconded by Pam Elliott that Larry Boothby apply for a state raffle license at the cost of \$25.00. Motion passed unanimously. Three signatures are needed on the application: Pam volunteered to be responsible for raffle events; Rick will sign the application as an officer of St. Boniface, and Larry will assume responsibility of the lawful conduct of raffles.

Old Business: **Interim Priest:** See Senior Warden's Report above. Fr. Slocum's meeting with Bishop Miller will be June 26.

Search Committee Update: Nancy Jacobs reported that the committee is finalizing two surveys, and she distributed copies for vestry members to review. One is Rector Priorities and the other is Parish Life. They will be sent to all adult members of the church as well as children who are at least 16 years of age and confirmed. There will also be an on-line version. The deadline for responses will be in August. The specific date is yet to be determined.

Review Announcements : They appear to be going well.

Rectory Project: Bathroom work is scheduled to begin this week. Some kitchen work may be necessary.

Other Business: None

Closing Prayer: Pam Elliott closed the meeting at 7:25p.m. with prayer.

Mary Metz, Clerk of the Vestry **Next meeting: Tuesday, July 17, 2007**

ST. BONIFACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH VESTRY MEETING MINUTES July 17, 2007

Present: Sr. Warden Joan Kirkwood, Jr. Warden Rick Bate, Linda Baribeau, Pam Elliott, Jackie Jorgensen, John McQuide, Rob Mortensen, and Clerk Mary Metz **Absent:** Dennis Boese, Mark Katz, Nancy Jacobs, and David Roach

Call to Order/Spiritual Reflection: At 6:40 p.m. Joan Kirkwood called the meeting to order, and Rob Mortensen led a spiritual reflection with A Sunday School Lesson by Jimmy Carter, "Fancy the Future."

Approval of Minutes: Moved by John McQuide and seconded by Rick Bate to accept the minutes of the June 19, 2007 meeting. Passed unanimously.

Senior Warden's Report: Buck Construction Inc. has submitted an estimate of \$20,000 to renovate the rectory kitchen. The Building and Grounds Committee is going to ask Buck Construction to modify the project and resubmit a bid for less extensive work.

Treasurer's Report: Moved by John McQuide and seconded by Rick Bate that the review of the July Treasurer's Report be tabled until August and that both the July and August reports be reviewed at that time. Passed unanimously.

Interview: Between 7:30 and 8:30 the Vestry interviewed a candidate for the position of interim priest.

Discussion and Decision: Between 8:30 and 10:00 the Vestry discussed the candidate's ability to meet the needs of the people of St. Boniface.

Other Business: None

Closing Prayer: Joan Kirkwood closed the meeting at 10:00 p.m. with prayer.

Mary Metz, Clerk of the Vestry **Next meeting: Tuesday, August 21, 2007**

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 Dennis Boese, Vestry 262-242-5033
 Pam Elliott, Vestry 262-243-5557
 Nancy Jacobs, Vestry 262-242-6672
 Jackie Jorgensen, Vestry 262-242-4381
 Mark Katz, Vestry 262-242-1072
 John McQuide, Vestry 262-240-2637
 Rob Mortensen, Vestry 262-376-1805
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