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## TRACT CORNER

### SYMBOLS AND SYMBOLIC ACTIONS

#### Why an Altar?

The Altar is the center of the church building. It represents, or reveals, to us:

- the Throne of God to which Christ raised us in His glorious Ascension;
- the Table of the Heavenly Banquet to which Christ has called us, and at which He eternally distributes the Marriage Supper of the Lamb (Revelation 19:8) and its earthly foretaste, Holy Communion;
- the Altar of His Sacrifice for us, the Cross; hence, a cross stands upon the Altar.

The Altar is usually vested with colorful material in order to show its divine or heavenly character. On it may stand a Tabernacle, a repository for the consecrated Bread and Wine that are reserved for the communion of the sick and dying.

#### Why Candles?

Light always stands for Christ, ("*I am the Light of the World*"), and for the illumination He brought us, the knowledge of the true God, and the gift of communion with Him. "*You are the Light of the World*", He said to His disciples.

#### Why Incense?

Incense was used in the worship described in the Old Testament, and at the Last Supper (or so scholars tell us). Incense represents:

- prayer ascending to God (Revelation 5:8; 8:3);
- homage to God; as such it was the second gift of the Wise Men to the infant Christ;
- Christians themselves; for St. Paul says "we are indeed the incense offered by Christ to God" (II Corinthians 2:15 N.E.B.);
- the transforming power of Christ: the hot coals represent warm Christian hearts; the ashes represent sorrow for sin; when the small, hard grains of incense meet them, they melt and give off a sweet fragrance.

Censing (swinging the smoke at persons or things) is used either as:

- an act of preparation and sanctification (e.g. censing the Altar, and the bread and wine on it), or

- as an expression of sacred respect (e.g. the censing of pictures and other objects, the Consecrated Bread and Wine, and the Priest and People).

#### Why Standing, Sitting, and Kneeling?

The *whole* person, body as well as soul, takes part in worship, because our *whole* nature was assumed by God the Son in His Incarnation, and must be redeemed for God. Bodily positions are expressions of worship:

- Standing* indicates that we must have been redeemed and given back our true human status;
- Sitting* is limited to the teaching parts of the Service;
- Kneeling* expresses repentance, humility, and adoration.

#### Why Processions?

These symbolize and manifest the movement of God's people towards Him, and the movement of God towards us.

#### Why Make the Sign of the Cross?

The Cross is the central Christian symbol. It was the instrument of the world's salvation by the Crucified Christ, and is the witness to the fact that we cannot be His unless we live with the Cross as the very content of our lives: "*If any one would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.*" (Mark 8:34).

Made upon ourselves (with the right hand from the forehead to the heart, and from the left shoulder to the right shoulder), it shows that our mind, heart, and strength must be given to the love of God and our neighbor. It is also the means by which we ceremonially take to ourselves God's blessing or forgiveness when the priest makes the *Sign of the Cross* over us in blessing or absolution.

#### Why Vestments?

In the early days of the Church, these garments were people's ordinary clothes. When this style of dress gradually changed, the clergy's didn't. Thus they are a visible link with those early days. The vestments are also used for beauty and dignity, and they have been given symbolic meanings connected with the Passion of our Lord.

The vestments also cover up the priest's personality, and help us to think only of Christ, the one true Priest, whose uniform the earthly priest wears.

### The Use of the Holy Water Font

Dipping one's fingers in the Holy Water, one makes the *Sign of the Cross* on oneself, while saying: "*In my Baptism I was made a member of Christ, the child of God, and an inheritor of the Kingdom of Heaven*"; or, dipping one's thumb in the Holy Water, one makes a small *Sign of the Cross* on one's forehead, eyes, lips, and chest, while saying: "*God be in my head, and in my thinking and understanding; God be in my eyes, and in my looking and perceiving; God be on my lips, and in my speaking and praising; God be in my heart, and in my living and loving.*"

Ceremonial actions, including bowing the head and genuflecting, must never be performed carelessly or hurriedly; otherwise they become mere "*show*". Ceremony is a symbolic language by which the hearts of Christians express their sense of the mystery, holiness, and splendor of God the Holy Trinity, and express their longing for Him, their reverence for Him, and their hope of the glory hereafter with Him for ever. As was stated on the second page of these notes, the body with its senses must play its part in the worship: sight, hearing, touch, taste, and smell are all channels through which our sense-conditioned spirits can receive messages from God, and respond to Him.

**\*This Tract was written by Fr. Wilkinson and Fr. Gale of the Anglican Catholic Church of Canada. Used with permission.**

### ENQUIRER'S CLASS SCHEDULE CHANGE

Please note that the Enquirer's Class will begin on *Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM*. The topic of the class will be The Book of Common Prayer. All are welcome!!

### SILENT RETREAT

A "Retreat/Quiet Day" for the parish is planned for *Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>*. The meditations will be on the Gospel according to St. John. There is a sign-up sheet in the church entry for all who would like to attend.

### THANK YOU !!!

A profound thank you goes to Marie Spencer for being the publisher of our parish's humble little Newsletter for so long. Marie (and her helper/husband Will) have put in many hours and much effort to organize and print out this parish communication. Marie is "retiring" from this arduous task and has duped Marcia Wilson into taking it over. Thank you Marie for doing all you have done, and thank you Marcia for stepping in!

### 2004 PARISH SURVEY

Sincere thanks to everyone who took the time to complete and return the 2004 Parish Survey. The basic information is valuable, but most importantly, the comments and opinions of the parish are instructive.

Here's some interesting information about our parish family: the great majority of All Saints came from the Episcopal Church, with a few former Roman Catholics, Baptists, Anglicans and Lutherans. Duration of membership ranges from 4 months to over 8 years for those who founded the parish in 1996. Many live within a range of 1 mile to 10 miles away from the church; a large number come from 10 to 20 miles, and we do have some who come from 25 miles away and more. It takes most from 15 to 30 minutes to drive to church on Sunday morning, with some having to plan on from 35 to 55 minutes. All of this relates to the fact that parishioners come from 21 different communities in the area.

Both the Vestry and the Development Committee have received the final report of the Survey – 15 full pages – with all comments and suggestions from parishioners provided in their entirety. The Development Committee met on Sunday, August 29, to prepare recommendations to the Vestry on plans that should be considered in accordance with the opinions of the parish. The Vestry will deal again with the Survey and the recommendations at their September meeting. Detailed information from the Survey and specific plans are forthcoming.

Bill Jepson, Chair  
Development Committee

### ASAC LIBRARY

If you'd like to read about Bishop Charles Chapman Grafton in preparation for the pilgrimage to Fond du Lac, go to <http://justus.anglican.org/resources/pc/grafton>. His works are contained in eight volumes. You may just wish to scan the works for a particular topic, or review the tables of contents, and then print a section to read, unless, obviously, you wish to read it online. According to WorldCat, a subscription database (most likely available at your local library) there are three libraries in Illinois and 57 libraries worldwide that own copies of his works. If you find a particular volume that is of interest to you, your local library may be able to borrow the book for you through interlibrary loan. Information about interlibrary loan procedures may be available on your local library's webpage or you may ask at the Reference Desk or Circulation Desk about the interlibrary loan procedures.

On August 15, in the discussion of the history of the Anglican Province of Christ the King, a book about the innovations of the 1979 Book of Common Prayer was mentioned. The book, *Neither Orthodoxy Nor A Formulary* by Louis R. Tarsitano and Peter Toon has been ordered for the library. I expect it shortly. When it arrives, it will be on display in the library and available for circulation.

Just as an aside, the book was ordered from a website: <http://www.anglicanmarketplace.com>. Check it out, you may find some items of interest.

Sue Peterson  
Church Librarian

### **FLEA MARKET** **OCTOBER 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2004**

The Flea Market Committee is counting on your support in order to raise money for the Church building fund! Beginning immediately, you may place donated items in a designated area in the undercroft. Please price your items, legibly marking the amount on a card or label approximately 2"x2"; please pin tag to all clothing and attach the tag with masking tape to household items. **Remember - price to sell!!** (See pricing guidelines below.) Make sure all electrical appliances are in working order; articles of jewelry should be placed in zip-lock bags with the price inside. When bringing items, please pre-sort by category to make our organizing task easier. If you have large items (couches, tables, refrigerators, etc.), do not bring them until Thursday, Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, after 10:00 AM. We also need bags and boxes to use on sale days - kindly drop these off in the undercroft at your convenience.

All members of the Parish are invited to attend a Pre-Sale Event from 6:00 - 8:00 PM on Thursday, Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> to get "first choice" and enjoy a nominally priced chicken dinner prepared by the ACM. We also need help before, during and after the sale - please see the signup sheet in the narthex!

Any questions? Call Jane Munsie (985-0320) or Chris Oschman (852-7160).

#### **Pricing Guidelines**

- Nothing sells for under \$1.00; you can package (tape together) like items and make one price: for example, 6 kids' tee shirts size 6 taped or tied together and marked \$2.00.
- Price items in the whole dollar amounts: not \$1.25, \$2.50, etc.
- The Committee reserves the right to alter pricing if needed.

- Books, CDs, records will be sold 3/\$1.00; you do not have to price these items. If you have a book series to sell, please tie the books together.
- Clothing could be priced from \$1.00 - \$5.00; shoes, \$1.00 - \$3.00.
- Household items, toys, knick-knacks, etc. - **Price to Sell!!!**
- Please be sure and attach a price to linens and group like items together.
- We will offer a Boutique that includes gently used suits, outer coats, fancy dresses, etc. on hangers; these could be priced from \$2.00-\$10.00.
- Saturday at 11:00 AM we will offer a half price sale on all items.

SEE YOU AT THE SALE!!!!

Mark Maute

### **SENIOR WARDEN'S REPORT**

First, I hope all of you have enjoyed the summer and had a pleasant Labor Day Weekend. It's hard to believe that last year at this time, we were putting the finishing touches on the "raising of the roof at the church" and welcoming many new members to the church itself. As you can tell by many of the articles in this newsletter, the coming several months will be very busy. I sincerely hope that all of you will be able to participate in as many of these activities as possible. Each in their own way are a significant extension of our parish life.

Speaking of our parish life, I want to thank each one of you for the time and prayerful consideration you gave in completing our most recent parish survey. Not only were the responses large in number they were most thought provoking. While we had expected to have a full report to the membership in this newsletter, the compilation of them has taken more time to complete than we had expected. Neither the Development Committee nor the Vestry have had the opportunity to discuss the results and make recommendations and decisions relative to implementing the desires expressed in the responses.

I want to make special mention of the Flea Market. This event has been a successful money raising activity within the parish. It is a time consuming event and the more individuals who can lend a helping hand the lighter the load is on all of us. Chris Oschman and Jane Munsie have done an outstanding job of doing the preliminary organization for the collection of items for the sale. Included in this newsletter are hints for you to help in the process. It will be especially helpful if you follow these

guidelines particularly in the prepricing and grouping of items before you deliver them to the church. This fund raiser is profitable for the church and doesn't require us to write all the checks to make it profitable. All of the proceeds from this event go directly to the Building Fund, which is then used to help us to continue to improve our church facilities.

The Vestry at the last meeting decided to implement a slightly different process in selecting candidates for vestry openings. For those of you who may not know, our current vestry is composed of elected members plus clergy. Each year, three vestry positions expire. Normal terms are 3 years. This year, in addition to the three positions which expire, we also have another position which is vacant due to the resignation of Pete Cooper, so there will be four individuals elected to the vestry. Those individuals who are completing their current terms are Norma Stafford, Chuck Carr and Dick Konigsfeld. Normally, the nominating process has become mixed up with the Christmas and New Year activities. This year, we have formed the Nominating Committee early and hope to have their work done before Thanksgiving. Any individual who would like to be considered for a position on the vestry or would like to recommend an individual to the vestry should contact either Father or me before the end of September. The Nominating Committee, composed of vestry members, will then work to develop a slate of candidates which will be presented to the parish at our Annual Meeting.

Mark Maute  
Senior Warden

### MUSIC PROGRAM

Being an organist and choir director has its unique challenges. One of them is assembling and rehearsing a choir that can perform every Sunday. The past year has been difficult as we continued the trend of losing more voices than we gained. This is especially disappointing given the tremendous growth All Saints has experienced over the past 18 months.

Music is integral to the traditional Anglo-Catholic mass. A proper choir not only helps lead the congregation in song, but enhances the service itself. It will be very difficult to maintain a proper choir unless new voices come forward to join us. Being a member of the choir *does* require a commitment, but the commitment is minimal. We practice before mass every Sunday and on a few Saturday mornings close to major holidays. The first rehearsal this fall will be at 8:45 AM on Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. Even if you cannot commit to sing every week, we can still use you.

Hymn 481 in the 1940 hymnal offers these words:

We give thee but thine own,  
What e'r the gift may be:  
All that we have is thine alone,  
A trust, O Lord, from thee. Amen.

This verse points out to us that as Christians, we are obligated to use the gifts God has given us for His greater glory. If you can sing and if you can commit to the practice time required, please consider joining the choir. We especially need sopranos and male voices. If you have any questions you can talk to me after mass, call me at 630-960-9325 or send me email at [jldavid@freeshell.org](mailto:jldavid@freeshell.org).

Yours in Christ,  
Jeff David  
Organist and Choir Director

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Welcome back to all junior high and high school students to a great year of learning about the Bible and the Life of Christ. We will begin meeting on September 12, 2004. We will meet at the usual time just after you receive communion. Please go up to take communion immediately following the choir so we will have some additional time. Even if you are serving at the altar you are expected to join your fellow students. We will be meeting in the basement. I look forward to seeing you all.

Ron Waitek  
Junior and Senior High Teacher

The Junior Sunday School classes will start on September 12<sup>th</sup>. All children from pre-school age through 6<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome to join us. We will leave the service for Sunday School during the sermon hymn and return before Communion. Our curriculum is "The American Church Union Church School Series". Our lessons cover both the Old and New Testaments.

Rosalind Cantrall  
Sunday School Teacher

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Now that summer vacations are over and we begin a new season of programs and activities at All Saints, I want to provide some information from the operating budget. The following data is as of August 31, 2004:

<b>Receipts</b>		<b>Expenditures</b>
\$147,000	Full Year Planned	\$146,400
\$98,000	Year to Date Planned	\$97,600
\$95,521	Year to Date Actual	\$95,000
(\$2,479)	Year to Date Variance	(\$2,600)

While this chart shows us to be close to our planned total receipts, our pledges are almost \$9,000 below the plan. If you have not made a pledge for 2004 there is still plenty of time to do so. If you have any questions or would like more details, please contact me at church or call me at 630-393-0896.

Bob Wilson  
Treasurer

**ANGLICAN CHURCH WOMEN**

The ACW did not meeting in August. Our next meeting will be held after Mass on Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. All women and girls who are communicants or baptized members of our parish are part of the ACW, and I hope you will all join us at our meetings.

Please mark your calendars for our "Cookie Walk" on December 12<sup>th</sup>. Jane Munsie is chairing this fundraiser, but we will need help from all of you. We are asking everyone who is able to bring six dozen cookies. After Mass, parishioners and guests will be able to select whatever kinds they want from the wide variety of cookies available. You can bring your own container, or use the ones we will provide. The charge will be \$6.00 per pound.

Our next Dominick's Benefit Days will be Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, October 25, 26 and 27. Please pick up some coupons in the Narthex for yourself and your friends.

It is time to place your order for the **2005 Liturgical Ordo Kalendar**. The calendar is designed for use with the "1928 Book of Common Prayer" and with the Anglican and American Missals. The cost is \$5.00 per calendar, and an order form is below for your convenience. Please return the form along with your check made payable to "Anglican Church Women," and either put it in the collection plate or give it to any of the ACW officers: Lilli Longinow, Jane Munsie, Marcia Wilson or Barbara Jepson. The Provincial ACW is expecting delivery of the calendars by mid October. **The deadline for receiving your order and payment is Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>.**

Barbara Jepson  
ACW President

**2004 IMPORTANT DATES**  
**September 12<sup>th</sup>** Sunday School resumes  
 Choir resumes (practice 8:45 AM)  
**September 18<sup>th</sup>** Retreat Day (Warrenville Cenacle)  
**September 19<sup>th</sup>** Ordo Kalendar order deadline  
**September 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>** Pilgrimage to Fond du Lac, Wisconsin  
**October 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>** Flea Market (no Morning Prayer)  
**October 9<sup>th</sup>** Enquirer's Class  
**October 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>** Dominick's Benefit Days  
**November 7<sup>th</sup>** Annual All Saints Day Celebration

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