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The Ten Commandments

(Translated into modern English with questions for self-examination. The Ten Commandments, or Decalogue, can be found on page 68 of the *Book of Common Prayer*. These are the guides for Christian behavior.)

I. "I am the Lord your God. You must have no other gods before Me."

Is there anything in your life that is more important to you than God? If there is, have you made it a god? If you are more concerned about having something or being something or getting something, can it be more of a god to you than God is? In what way can the following become gods to you: money, honor and position, power, reputation, personal appearance, the State? (These are all good things if they are used properly: can you see how they can be misused so that they become "gods"?)

II. "You must not make any carved images, or the likeness of anything in heaven, or on earth, or in the waters. You must not bow down to them and worship them; because I, the Lord your God, am a suspiciously watchful God, and know that the sins of one generation have effect upon the third and fourth generation of those who do not love Me; but those that love Me and keep My laws will obtain loving-kindness."

Does the first part of this commandment refer only to idols, or does it mean photographs, paintings, sculpture, religious statues, stained glass windows and crucifixes, too? If not, how can you use these things without breaking this commandment?

III. "You must not use the Name of God thoughtlessly; for anyone who uses God's Name thoughtlessly will not be guiltless in the eyes of God."

What does this mean with regard to prayer? What does it mean with regard to swearing? How should you use God's Name?

IV. "Remember to keep the Lord's Day in a holy manner. Work six days of the week and do all your work; but the seventh day is the Lord's Day, which is a day of rest. On that day you must not do any kind of work - not you, your children, your employees, your animals, or your visitors. This is because the Lord created the universe in six 'days' or periods of time, and He 'rested' from His labour of creation on the seventh 'day'. For this reason, God set the seventh day of the week aside to be a time of holy rest."

What sort of things should you do on a Sunday? What sort of things should you not do on a Sunday? Is there any type of work you can think of that God would allow you (or someone else) to do on Sundays? Besides the reason of keeping Sunday as a day for remembering God's work in creation, is there any other reason why you think God told us to have a special day of rest every week?

V. "Honor your father and mother so that you may live happily all your life."

In what ways should you "honor" your parents? Does this commandment mean that you should respect other people such as your teachers, grandparents, aunts and uncles, neighbors, etc.? In what ways?

VI. "You must not murder."

Are there ways of "killing" people in addition to physical murder, by words or actions? If so, how?

VII. "You must not be unfaithful in marriage."

What do you think this means? Does it also include doing, or thinking, or saying anything that is "dirty"?

VIII. "You must not steal."

In what ways could this commandment also apply to your use of things that belong to others? Does it apply to cheating in school, in sports, in business, etc.?

IX. "You must not say untrue things about others."

What does this commandment say about lying or gossiping? Does it include saying things about others that are unkind?

X. "You must not be envious of anyone else's house, his wife, his employees, his animals, or anything that belongs to him."

What are the dangers in craving or being envious of what other people have?

The Summary of the Law

(The Great Commandment) (see Matthew 22:36-40; Mark 12:28-31; Luke 10:25-28)

"Listen, Israel: the Lord your God is the only Lord; love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength That is the greatest commandment. It comes first. The second is similar to it: Love others as you would love your own self. Everything contained in the Law of God and the writings of the Prophets is dependent on these two commandments."

If you keep the first part (loving God), you will automatically keep the second part (loving others); and you will also be able to love yourself properly. If you love yourself first and foremost, you will never be truly happy.

From *Instruction Notes for Confirmation Candidates* by Fr. E. S. Gale of the Anglican Catholic Church of Canada.

SENIOR WARDEN'S REPORT

Your Vestry met on Sunday, September 20. Following is a summary of this meeting:

- Agreed, for insurance purposes, to photograph all rooms and areas of the building and to prepare a list of all major items, such as Vestments, office equipment, furniture, appliances, kitchen items, etc., with estimated replacement costs. Paul Drayton will initiate this project.
- Received a report from the Outreach Committee that 21,000 meals were prepared by parishioners at "Feed My Starving Children," and a work party will be held on October 3 at the Woodridge Food Pantry.
- Received a report from the Landscape Committee about plans to landscape the area at the rear of the building where the "old" air conditioners were, with some work done this fall and completion of planting in the spring.
- Allocated up to \$250 to make necessary repairs and additions to the window well located at the rear entrance area, with the work to be taken care of by Bob Oschman.
- Approved the expense of \$175 for the services of a professional exterminator in mid-September and discussed the suggestions made to prevent insects and rodents. This was the first time we have had this type of service since moving into the building in 2002, and we are pleased to know that we have no problems.
- Reviewed the proposed three year contract for snow removal, 2010 to 2013, and agreed it merits approval providing that an appropriate cancellation clause is added, along with an estimate to clean the sidewalks, now done by volunteers.
- Discussed the proposal from the Olan Mills Company to produce the 2010 Directory with photographs of the entire parish family, at no cost to the parish, as the firm makes its income from the sale of photographs to participants. Due to the fact that Olan Mills does not work on Sundays, and it is not feasible to attempt photo sessions on weekdays or evenings, this proposal will not be considered.
- Noted that the Venture Crew Scout Troop sponsored by All Saints will meet at 6:30 PM on the first Friday of each month.
- Discussed a request from a local Girl Scout Troop to meet at the church on Thursday evenings, and the Rector is to obtain additional information on this troop and anticipated needs before a decision can be made.

- Noted the success of the ACM sponsored Golf Outing and Church School Fishing Trip in September and expressed appreciation to Karen and Ron Waitek and to Dan Brush for making the arrangements for these events. The ACM Theatre Party, October 10, at Drury Lane has been booked.
- Appointed Chris Oschman to serve as the Chair of the Annual Thanksgiving Basket Project in cooperation with the Bolingbrook FISHorganization, and the parish is asked to make contributions to the project during October. \$1,000 was raised in 2008.
- Asked Dan Brush to investigate the purchase of a new, greater capacity, dehumidifier for the Undercroft.
- Noted the maintenance items that were taken care of in September: repair of a toilet in the Women's Restroom; painting the exterior of the front doors, the Conference Room window trim and the electrical meter at the rear entrance; and adjustments to the building's telephone system. Items to be done by November: painting of the baseboards and columns in the Narthex and hallways and the concrete light pole bases, repair of the air vent in the west side crawl space wall; and cleaning of all the carpeting in the building. In addition, the Altar Guild will clean the Nave and polish all wood surfaces.

The last Morning Prayer Service for 2009 will be held on Saturday, October 3, 8:30 AM, with breakfast provided afterward. The ACW will conduct their "Recoup Soup" Preparation Project after breakfast, and a work party at the Woodridge Food Pantry will begin at 12:30 PM.

Looking ahead – A Solemn Mass will be celebrated to honor "All Saints Day" on Sunday, November 1. Archbishop Provence will officiate at the Solemn Pontifical Celebration of the Holy Eucharist on Sunday, November 8, to mark the first anniversary of the Consecration of the Church, and our new organ and Altar Cross and Corpus will be blessed. The Vestry will meet with the Archbishop following a Reception for all in the Narthex.

Church School is off and running, and how good it is to have the Choir singing again at Mass. Thanks to Janis Semaan and her crew and those who contribute food for our Sunday Morning Coffee Hours.

Bill Jepson Senior Warden

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's Report through August:

	<u>August</u>	2009 YTD
Income	\$13,864	\$96,749
Expenses	\$10,372	\$85,746
Difference	\$ 3,492	\$11,003

Carol O'Sullivan Parish Treasurer

OUTREACH

On Saturday, September 19 ten members of our parish volunteered to help package meals at Feed My Starving Children located in Aurora. Along with many others from different organizations, we were able to prepare 21,600 meals to be sent to feed those children who are desperately in need of food. These meals will be enough to feed 59 children for an entire year. It is heart warming to work with so many, young and old, who are willing to give their time and effort to care for God's children. If you have not yet experienced this outreach, please consider signing up for the next available work day. Please talk to Sue Ross for more information

Saturday, October 3 will be our first occasion to lend our hands at the Woodridge Community Pantry. Ten parishioners have signed up to help restock the food shelves at the pantry located off Hobson Road. The Pantry serves approximately 3,000 people per month with much needed supplies, food and staples, - some 1,000 of these from Bolingbrook. In July we gave \$360 to buy one ton of food supplies to be handed out to those in need. This is our first opportunity to give our time and talent to assist in this worthwhile cause.

The third Sunday of each month is designated as FISH Sunday, and this past Sunday we had a very good response. Donations may be brought to the church anytime and put in the basket located in the Narthex. We wish to thank all those who have brought items for the basket and encourage continued support for this worthwhile program.

During the month, we were also able to assist an individual with direct help with a phone bill; direct a family with three children to a local organization which was able to provide help which we were not able to provide; as well as provide transportation for someone who had no other means of travel.

Outreach Committee Deacon Wilson, Sue Ross and Libby Bolton

THANKSGIVING BASKETS

It's that time again to think about Thanksgiving Baskets! We will be collecting now through November 22. We would like to provide as many families as possible with their Thanksgiving meal, and as we have done in the past include many additional staples to help fill their cupboards for the holidays. The Bolingbrook FISH Organization really counts on All Saints every year, and I know the need will be even greater this year. Please give your check to Carol O'Sullivan or place it in the offering plate any Sunday with the notation "Thanksgiving Baskets." Thank you so much for your continued generosity!

Chris Oschman Chair of Thanksgiving Baskets

ANGLICAN CHURCH WOMEN

We hope to see all of you on Saturday, October 3 as the "Girls Stay In" – Morning Prayer will be followed by breakfast, fellowship and the making of "Recoup Soup." Our next regular meeting is October 11 after mass. We will be finalizing plans for the Bishop's reception. Special thanks to Sue Ross who has stepped in to serve as ACW secretary for the remainder of the year.

Jane Munsie, ACW President

ANGLICAN CHURCH MEN

The recent fishing event sponsored by the ACM in conjunction with the start of Sunday School was a great success. Youngsters, by age and in heart, put lines in the water in attempts to lure bluegill and crappie to nibble on worms. The children were amazing in their ability to master casting and the adults in their patience untangling lines and re-baiting hooks. Thanks to all who participated. Rumor has it Becca Ruff was the winner with a 2 ½ inch bluegill.

Your ACM maintenance committee is hard at work to winterize the Church and complete numerous tasks in anticipation of the Bishop's visit. We have 19 people lined up for the dinner/ theater outing to see Cabaret in October. The ACM is exploring numerous opportunities to provide outreach to the local community. Our next meeting is October 11, join us and see where your talents could be utilized.

Dan Brush ACM President

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> Office Hours Tuesday through Friday 9:00 AM – Noon

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