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THE LOVE OF GOD

The other day I was driving by a church and was reading the sign outside of the church building. The sign said "In order to be loved, you must be lovable." I understand what the message was meant to say: if you don't feel as if you are loved, it may be because you aren't loving to other people. This is certainly true. It is hard to love unlovable people. But as Christians we are called to follow Christ and to love others as we love ourselves. "And the second [Commandment] is like unto it; Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." (Summary of the Law, BCP p. 69) As Christians we are called to love the unlovable. This is what God does for us. "But God shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us." (*Romans 5:8*) This love is called in Greek *agape*—the love of God.

Of course, this is not always easy. It is hard to love unlovable people especially those with whom we are in constant contact. I'm sure we all know someone that we find hard to love; perhaps it is a neighbor, a co-worker, or a relative. Nevertheless we are supposed to love them. What does this mean for us? It means that we shouldn't try to be loveable just so that other people will love us. It means that we should try to love the unlovable so that God's love will flow through us. And then perhaps the person who is unlovable will come to know God's love and become more lovable themselves. This is not an easy thing to do, but no one ever said being a Christian was easy.

Fr. Schultz+

ARCHBISHOP PROVENCE WILL VISIT ALL SAINTS ON NOVEMBER 21

The Most Reverend James Eugene Provence will be with us on Sunday, November 21, the Sunday Next before Advent, to celebrate a Pontifical Mass. A reception, being organized by members of the ACW, will be held in the Undercroft after the service. The Vestry will meet with the Archbishop afterward to discuss the status of the Province, our Seminary in California and the future of the Diocese. It is always a great pleasure to have Archbishop Provence at All Saints.

SENIOR WARDEN'S REPORT

The Vestry met on October 17 and the following items were discussed:

- Plans for Archbishop's visit were discussed. Archbishop Provence will celebrate the Mass and deliver the sermon on November 21. ACW is planning a reception and lunch in the Undercroft following Mass. The Vestry plans to meet with Archbishop Provence for a briefing on the state and progress of the Province.
- An inspection of the fire alarms and an inspection by the Bolingbrook Fire Department resulted in excellent reports. Neither the fire alarm person nor the Fire Department found any problems.

- Chris Oschman gave the Vestry an update on our Thanksgiving baskets outreach project. We are hoping this year to provide even more needy families with a bountiful Thanksgiving dinner.
- Pledge Sunday has been moved to November 14 from November 21 due to the Archbishop's visit. Carol O'Sullivan, Treasurer, will give a short presentation following Mass.
- Plans are being completed for the Annual Parish Christmas Party on Saturday, December 4. Please refer to the article in this newsletter for details about the party. We hope you have saved this date and will plan to attend.

The budget remains in good condition thanks to prompt pledge payments by parishioners and thrift on the part of the Vestry. Thanks everyone!

Chuck Bolton
Senior Warden

ANNUAL PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our Annual Parish Christmas Party will be held at the South Pointe Clubhouse at 2824 Champion Road, Naperville on Saturday, December 4 at 6:00 PM.

As in the past, the main entrée is provided and each family is asked to furnish an appetizer, salad, side dish or dessert to serve 8-10 people.

In order to know the number to plan for, a sign-up sheet is in the Narthex along with a map showing the location of the Clubhouse. A \$7.50 per person fee is requested to cover the cost of the entrée, beverages and decorations. The ACM is providing wine and beer. Cash or checks can be given to a committee member or put in the collection plate. Checks should be made out to "All Saints" with "Christmas Party" in the memo.

Free babysitting at the Ruff's home will be furnished for those who have young children. The Hillen girls will do the babysitting. If you are interested, please call Rebecca Ruff.

To add to the evening's fun, ladies are asked to bring a wrapped Christmas ornament to exchange, and men are asked to bring a wrapped funny gift to exchange. Ornaments and gifts should not cost more than \$5 to \$10.

We hope you can join us for an evening of fun and fellowship.

The Vestry

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's Report through September:

	<u>September</u>	<u>2010 YTD</u>
Income	\$ 9,308	\$105,366
Expenses	\$10,432	\$ 98,919
Difference	\$ -1,124	\$ 6,447

Don't forget Pledge Sunday on November 14. Brand new pledge cards will be available. You do not want to miss it!

Carol O'Sullivan
Parish Treasurer

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our annual Christmas party for the Sunday School children will be held on Saturday, December 11 at 10:00 AM at the church. As in the past, we'll be making ornaments for the tree, playing games and having refreshments. We hope to see all the children there.

Sunday School will not be in session on Sunday, December 26.

Chuck Bolton
Sunday School Administrator

MITTEN TREE

The ACW is once again sponsoring a "Mitten Tree" outreach project with the hope that the entire parish family will participate. On November 28 a tree will appear, ready to be decorated with new mittens (or gloves) to warm the hands and hearts of needy school children in our local DuPage Township area. In mid-December they will be delivered for distribution as a Christmas blessing before the holiday break.

Last year, All Saints contributed over 100 pairs of Mittens and gloves. Let's hope that we do as well or even better this year!

Libby Bolton
Mitten Tree Project Chair

ALL SAINTS LIBRARY

Advent is coming! Thinking about ways to enhance your devotions during this time? A display with Advent materials will be available November 21. The display includes some new items:

- Advent and Christmas Wisdom from G. K. Chesterton
- Advent and Christmas Wisdom from Saint Benedict: Daily Scriptures and Prayers Together with Saint Benedict's Own Words
- The Uncluttered Heart: Making Room for God During Advent and Christmas

In addition to the devotional material, two Christmas related books have been added:

- Stories Behind the Greatest Hits of Christmas
- The Treasury of Christmas, A collection of three short novels from Melody Carlson. The treasury includes The Christmas Bus, Gift of Christmas Present and Angels in the Snow.

Come into the library and browse!

Sue Peterson
Church Librarian

ANGLICAN CHURCH MEN

Fall maintenance is being performed at the church. If you see something that needs attention, inside or outside, please contact Bob Oschman, Donnie Marini, Paul Drayton or Dan Brush.

The ACM sponsored outing to Drury Lane to see "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" was wonderful with most agreeing it was the best musical production we've seen to date. Dinner was also enjoyable with good food, good friends and great conversation. Our next evening outing will be in the spring - the type of event is still being discussed.

Your ACM has recently supported FISH of Bolingbrook, Operation Support our Troops, and the annual All Saints Thanksgiving Basket program.

A new slate of officers will be elected for calendar year 2011 at the December meeting, if you haven't been involved with ACM recently, please consider attending the next meeting on Sunday, November 14.

Dan Brush
ACM President

THANKSGIVING BASKETS

You have a few more opportunities to contribute towards the Thanksgiving Baskets for FISH of Bolingbrook. We have collected just over \$1,300 to date and I am so thankful for your generosity. Every year I am truly impressed with your support of this outreach project.

We will be shopping on Monday, November 22, at the Meijer's on Weber Road in Bolingbrook starting at 3:30 PM and delivering to the church directly across the street at around 5:00 PM. If you would like to help with the shopping and delivery please let me know – the more the merrier. I provide a shopping list for you and some have referred to it as a "treasure hunt." So if you enjoy this sort of thing, please join us.

Chris Oschman
Thanksgiving Basket Chair

ANGLICAN CHURCH WOMEN

Fourteen women attended the potluck dinner and rosary making evening - thanks to Sue Ross for organizing everything and instructing us so well! Over \$100 was raised for our ACW with the sale of the rosary kits and jewelry orders.

Please join us for our meeting on November 14. We will be making final plans for the Bishop's reception and electing officers for 2011. We will not be meeting in December due to our annual cookie event.

Jane Munsie
ACW President

Dates to Remember

Sunday, November 14,
Feast of the Dedication of the Church
Pledge Sunday
ACM & ACW Meetings

Sunday, November 21,
Mass celebrated by Archbishop Provence
followed by ACW sponsored reception and
meeting with the Vestry
F I S H

Monday, November 22,
Thanksgiving Basket shopping & delivery

Thursday, November 25,
Thanksgiving Day Mass, 9:30 AM

Sunday, November 28,
Vestry Meeting
Mitten Tree Collection begins

Saturday, December 4, 6:00 PM,
Annual Parish Christmas Party

Sunday, December 5,
Mitten Tree Collection continues

Saturday, December 11, 10:00 AM,
Sunday School Christmas Party

Sunday, December 12,
Mitten Tree Collection ends
ACW Cookie Event
ACM Meeting

Sunday, December 19,
Vestry Meeting
F I S H
Hanging of the Greens

Monday, December 20,
Pledge Cards due to Treasurer

Friday, December 24, Christmas Eve,
Carol Sing, 5:45 PM
Solemn Eucharist (with Incense), 6:00 PM

Saturday, December 25,
Christmas Day Eucharist, 10:00 AM

Saturday, January 1,
Feast of the Circumcision, 10:00 AM

Wednesday, January 5,
Feast of the Epiphany, 7:00 PM

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Sunday, 9:30 AM

Low Mass
Wednesday, 7:00 PM

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Tuesday through Friday
9:00 AM – Noon

The Rev. Blair W. Schultz, Rector
The Rev. Mr. Robert L. Wilson, Deacon

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If you have any questions, comments, suggestions or
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us – there are many fellow Christians out there who
are hurting and are feeling both hopeless and lost.**

