



The Sanctus



VOLUME IX ISSUE VI

DECEMBER 2011/JANUARY 2012

Advent - Who Is This?

"Who is this?" - Matthew 21:10

In the Gospel for Advent Sunday we read: "And when He was come into Jerusalem all the city was moved, saying, 'Who is this?' And the multitude said, 'This is Jesus the prophet.'" That was a wholly insufficient answer. Angels could have told them that it was the Divine Person of the Everlasting Son, making His progress to the place of sacrifice.

The nature of God is wholly other than our own. We are created in God's image, but we must not create Him in ours. The life of God in its immense richness and spiritual priority existed before ever He called a creature into being. We are not necessary to God. He is altogether and completely sufficient for Himself. In Him alone is absolute holiness and absolute freedom. S. Augustine has a very deep thought, that God's freedom is His holiness. He says, 'Whereas this is already a great freedom, to be able not to sin, here is the perfect freedom, not to be able to sin.' It is quite impossible for God to sin. If sin could have come into His nature, He would not have been God.

If we ask ourselves, 'Who is this?' it is the Eternal God, come from that rich life which the Incarnation could never wholly reveal. Our Lord came to reveal to us in a human nature as much as could be revealed by a human nature of that Divine Life. It was an amazing revelation, but even that revelation is a small thing compared with the richness that eye hath not seen nor ear heard.

Rev. Fr. Andrew, S.D.C., Meditations for Every Day, (London: A. R. Mowbray & Co. Ltd., 1934), p. 1.



Senior Warden's Report

Thank you all for being so generous towards the Thanksgiving baskets again this year. We collected a record amount so far and the shoppers will use it to brighten the lives of at least ten families again this year. Because of your generosity we will donate whatever monies are left over towards a gift card for FISH, enabling them to restock their pantry for families that come after Thanksgiving in need. When you are eating your Thanksgiving meal with family and friends, you can bask in the knowledge that you made it possible for a family that you don't even know to enjoy the same warm meal! Those families and FISH sincerely thank you.

The Annual Christmas party is fast approaching. December 3rd at the Ruff's Clubhouse, 6:00 p.m., the cost is free! We hope to see EVERYONE wearing their most festive Yuletide outfits and bearing their ornament for the exchange and one of your best dishes to share for the feast. We will provide the drinks, a ham and a turkey. So, find the sign-up sheet, the address for your GPS can be found there too. If you don't like to drive at night or just want to carpool, put that indication next to your name and we'll find willing drivers, but don't let that stop you from coming. See you there!

We did have a flood in the men's washroom which leaked into the basement and destroyed ceiling tiles and at least one light fixture. We had the insurance adjuster look at it and have received a check for replacing the floor in the bathroom and also the light fixture and ceiling tiles in the basement. Our resident plumber is going to take a look at the faulty toilet and make whatever repairs are necessary. We are currently getting estimates on this project and will report when we have a plan.

A security system is now in place monitoring the front and back doors. Father Schultz will be able to see who is at either door from his office and we have installed a laptop on the table where the flowers are arranged and anyone can push any key and be able to see who is at either door without the necessity of actually opening the door. Hopefully this will make all feel secure when performing functions at the church by themselves. There is an ability to record activity and that recorder is in the library in case it is needed. This system was donated.
(Continued p.2)

Senior Warden's Report *continued*

The Archbishop's visit was capped off with a wonderful, and I do mean wonderful brunch, and the Archbishop said that he has been at many larger churches and no one puts out a better spread than All Saints!

We have been receiving resumes and auditioning organist with the departure of George and have come to the realization that we were very fortunate to have found George and that we were receiving a bargain in his salary. The going rate for an accomplished organist, as George is, will be substantially more. We have narrowed our choice down to someone but have decided to wait until we see what our budget looks like for next year. Currently we are not in the position to take on this cost without an increase in our budget for this line item and have therefore decided to use interim organists through January when we can better assess our financial situation. We are hopeful that at that time this individual will still be available and we can hire him. George has assured us that these interim organists are all fine musicians but currently none are interested in a full time position.

We are looking for a new vestry member, if you have an interest see Father or myself.

Sincerely,
Chris Oschman

✠

Treasurer's Report through September

	September	2011 YTD
Income	\$ 10,067	\$ 103,241
Expenses	\$ 10,117	\$ 105,422
Difference	\$ - 50	\$ - 2,200

Pledge Sunday is November 20th. As you consider your pledge for 2012, please remember our commitments as a parish.



The Vestry is currently discussing the budget for 2012, and the budget is very dependent upon your pledge. If you offer your generous pledge early, we are better able to plan for 2012.

Thank you for earnestly reflecting upon your 2012 pledge.

Carol O'Sullivan
Treasurer

Anglican Church Women

As we await Advent we have many joyful tasks to accomplish. Our Mitten Tree fundraiser begins on November 27th and our Cookie Sale is December 11th. Both are very worthy causes for those less fortunate than we, and we hope for generous and enthusiastic participation.

A donation was made, approved at our last meeting on October 9th, to the Thanksgiving Baskets Project, sponsored by All Saints. Many of us will help with shopping and delivery of the goods for less fortunate families in our area.



Members of the ACW enjoying their Pot Luck lunch.

There was plenty of fun and fellowship on hand at our ACW October luncheon; a potluck at the Church, shared with Father Schultz. We look forward to our November 17th Luncheon with a shopping spree at the Sears Outlet on Route 59, Naperville, followed by lunch at Rosebud in Downtown Naperville.

ACW sponsored the Confirmation Brunch on Sunday, November 6th, with Archbishop Provence in attendance. Finger foods, cake, and beverages were provided by our ladies in the undercroft, and the turnout was spectacular. It was a marvelous experience for all and we are grateful for the Lord's gifts to James, Gabriel, and Steve, of Faith and Salvation through Jesus Christ.

As the year draws to a close, I would like to thank all of the ACW Officers and members for their dedication and hard work. We endeavor to make our little sphere of influence a better place for those in need and a source of fellowship for the women of our parish. Our officers and members do a great deal to accomplish that, to God's Glory, and each one is much appreciated.

Fabi Brush
ACW President

Anglican Church Men

The ACM met on Sunday, November 13, and following is a summary of the meeting:

Twenty-two attended the Theater Party at Drury Lane Oakbrook Terrace on October 29, and it was agreed that the ACM will sponsor a similar event in 2012.

The Vestry has received a proposed agreement to make repairs to the men's washroom area, and our insurance company has given us \$6,300, which will be used to fund the project to replace the floor and wall tile, as well as the ceiling tiles in the Undercroft, and to take care of any electrical and plumbing repairs. Hopefully, the work can be completed by the holidays.

Dan Brush has completed the restoration of the Coach Lights on the exterior of the building, security cameras have been installed at the front and rear entrances, and the Birch trees in the yard will be trimmed by the end of the month.

Parish holiday activities were noted: \$2,000 has been raised for the Thanksgiving Basket Project, the Annual Mitten Tree Collection will be held from November 27 to December 11, the Parish Christmas Party is Saturday, December 3 and the ACW "Cookie Walk" is Sunday, December 11.

"Pledge Sunday" is November 20. Mass will be celebrated at 9:30 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day. The next meeting of the ACM is Sunday, January 8, at which time officers will be elected for 2012.

Bill Jepson
President, ACM



The Baptism of Andreas Christian Van Rossum. Andreas, is the son of Silke and Daan, and brother to Lisa, Jan and Johanna

Church Library

Advent will be here very shortly! The library has some devotional material just for the season. A display of Advent materials will be available November 27.

Come in the library and browse!

Sue Peterson
Parish Librarian



The Mitten Tree

The ACW Mitten Tree will once again stand in the Narthex from November 27th through December 11th (Advent Sundays 1, 2 and 3).

The congregation is asked to donate new mittens, gloves and hats to the project.

We have collected over 100 pairs of mittens and gloves in past years. These are then distributed via the Du Page Co school system to warm the hands and hearts of needy children throughout the area. We are hoping to do as well, if not better, this year!

Libby Bolton
Project Co-ordinator.



The Church School

The children of the Sunday School will decorate the church's Christmas tree on Sunday, December 18th, before they go to their classrooms.

The Sunday School teachers are planning an Epiphany party for the children to be held on Saturday, January 7th, at 10 AM.

We are so fortunate to have wonderful Sunday School teachers! Many thanks to Cheryl Nash, Carol O'Sullivan, Yvette Drayton, Norma Stafford, Paul Drayton and Rebecca Ruff (nursery) for their dedication to the success of our Sunday School program.

Blessed Christmas!

Chuck Bolton

The Blessing of the Animals

In commemoration of the Feast of St Francis, Saturday October 2nd following Morning Prayer, Fr Schultz, Deacon Wilson, several parishioners and their canine companions assembled in the church parking lot for the Blessing of the Animals.



Fr Schultz Blesses Rite held by Courtney, Jim Bruhl looks on.

Participating were Jim and Courtney Bruhl with Rite, Ron and Karen Waitek with Addie, Carol O'Sullivan with Freya and Cocoa, Phil and Sue Ross with Peaches and Sandy Spencer with Molly.



Confirmation 2011

James Drayton, Gabriel Ruff and Steve Kwartan were confirmed by Archbishop Provence at All Saints on November 6th, 2011. These were the first Confirmations to be held at the church since 2003.



Archbishop Provence - All Saints Confirmation 2011



Candidates James Drayton, Gabriel Ruff and Steve Kwartan



Gabriel kneels before the Archbishop



Gabriel, James and Steve

Dates To Remember

Month of December:

Saturday, December 3

Christmas Party 6:00 pm

Sunday, December 11 (Rose Sunday)

ACM Cookie Coffee Hour

Mitten Tree Collection Ends

Sunday, December 18

The Hanging of the Greens

FISH

Vestry Meeting after Mass

Monday, December 19

Pledge Cards Due

Wednesday, December 21 (St Thomas)

No Mass

Saturday, December 24 (Christmas Eve)

Carol Sing 5:45pm

Solemn Eucharist with Incense 6:00pm

Sunday, December 25 (Christmas Day)

Mass (no Incense) 10:00pm



Month of January:

Sunday, January 1 (The Circumcision of our Lord)

Mass 9:30pm

Saturday, January 7 Children's Epiphany Party

Sunday, January 15

ACM & ACW meetings after Mass

Sunday, January 22

FISH

Vestry Meeting after Mass

ANNUAL MEETING - date still to be determined

Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for submitting articles to be included in the next issue will be **January 17th**

Thank you for your co-operation!
Sandy Spencer

All Saints Anglican Church

(Traditional Episcopal)

Using the

1928 Book of Common Prayer

131 East Boughton Road

Bolingbrook, IL 60440

630-783-8280

630-710-7375 (cell)

www.allsaintsanglicanparish.org

www.anglicanpck.org

Holy Eucharist and Church School

Sunday, 9:30 AM

Low Mass

Wednesday, 7:00 PM

Office Hours

Tuesday through Friday

10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

The Rev. Blair W. Schultz, Rector

The Rev. Mr. Robert L. Wilson, Deacon

Newsletter Editorial Staff

Father Schultz

Sandy Spencer

Marcia Wilson

If you have any questions, comments, suggestions or wish to contribute in any way, please contact Father Schultz or Sandy Spencer.

ALL SAINTS ANGLICAN CHURCH

A parish in the Anglican Province of Christ the King. A nationwide body of traditional Anglican churches dedicated to the Anglo-Catholic Faith and traditional Episcopal liturgy.

For more information visit: www.anglicanpck.org or www.allsaintsanglicanparish.org. Tell people about us – there are many fellow Christians out there who are hurting and are feeling both hopeless and lost.