



Good News

The Newsletter of St. Chrysostom's Episcopal Church, Chicago

May 2011

FIESTA!

FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2011

6:30 P.M.

ST. CHRYSOSTOM'S CHURCH

Co-hosts: The Rev. Avaro Araica and the people of Cristo Rey Parish

Have you sent in your reservation card?

Ticket Price: \$50 per person

Patron price: \$150 per person

Business Attire (*or Mexican dress*)

Have you purchased tickets for the Red Hot Raffle?

\$20 per ticket (three tickets for \$50)

You can't attend?

Consider making a donation.

Contact Judy Bross for details

Your Participation in Fiesta! will fund the following for the Chiapas Project:

- Build an Anglican Church Center in the Mayan highlands community of Yochib
- Help with social needs in newly formed Anglican communities in Chiapas
- Scholarships for high school tuition for newly baptized Chiapan Anglicans
- Seed money for clerical training
- Funding of a diagnostic survey for micro-businesses and long-term needs in Yochib

Sunday May 22:

A day filled with activity to mark the end of the Church School year.

8:00 am

Holy Eucharist

9:00 am

no service today, come at 11 o'clock instead

10:00 am

Christian Education

(final class sessions until September)

11:00 am

Holy Eucharist

special recognition will be given to Church School teachers, Children's Choir awards will be announced, special "thanks" to Charles Murphy for his time with us as Youth Minister

12 noon

Parish picnic: we need helpers to grill hamburgers and hotdogs; please bring side dishes and desserts

1:30 pm

Parish recital (Harding Room)

5:15 pm

Holy Eucharist

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From the Rector

My dear friends,

On Saturday, February 19 a team from our parish and diocese drove high up into the southern highlands of Mexico, to the village of Yochib, to visit our friends in the new Anglican community there, part of the Anglican Diocese of Southeast Mexico, a companion diocese of our own Diocese of Chicago.



*Eve Webster showing the children in Yochib where Chicago is.
Photo courtesy Bob Benfer*

I want to invite you to a party to celebrate our friendship with Yochib.

A great St. Chrysostom's tradition for many years has been a Brunch Auction for Mission. Several years ago we had a highly successful Dinner Auction for our Neighbors in Need Dinners. Well, this year it is a ¡FIESTA! and we invite you to come. Judy Bross is heading up a super team (including Eve and me) planning this ¡FIESTA! here at St. Chrysostom's on Friday, May 13 to benefit our companion diocese of Southeast Mexico, and especially this new congregation of Yochib. The party is being co-hosted by our old friends at the Cristo Rey congregation here in our diocese and city. The Cristo Rey team is bringing food and entertaining us with some Mexican dancing! Proceeds from this event will also aid the Cristo Rey parish provide vans for their kids to go to summer camp.

This will be a great celebration during this Great Fifty Days of Easter!

In the risen Christ,
Raymond Webster, *Rector*

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From Our Curate



During Lent, my husband Josh and I taught a series in the Adult Forum around the theme of the Desert in Christian thought and experience. We started by talking as a group about what ideas and images the desert evokes for us, and tying those things to the story of Jesus' temptation in the wilderness ("*deserted* place"). During the next four weeks, we learned about the monks and nuns who lived in the Egyptian desert in the third and fourth centuries, the spiritual practices that they undertook, the idea of an "internal" desert (where indifference and dryness are part of one's spiritual life), and finally we tried to think about deserts in our own lives.

It's this last piece that I really want to explore. We didn't spend a lot of time on our own deserts in this series, but I asked some questions about it the final week and was really intrigued by the answers that people gave. The idea is a hard one, and it means thinking about the desert in a few different ways at one time.

First, the desert is a desolate place, free of the city's distractions. When all that external noise dies down, however, you're left with the noise inside: thoughts, memories, worries, and temptations. And your job, in the desert, is to deal with them one-by-one, purifying your heart and growing closer to God as you do.

It's not just thoughts, memories, etc., that the desert forces you to grapple with, though. The monks lived simple, solitary, silent lives, but they still *lived*. It's just that they pared everything down to its essentials. They did only the essential tasks that they were in the desert to do (seeking God's presence, confront temptation and indifference) with only the most essential tools (prayer, fasting). Their most important relationships were basic, deep ones built on common purpose and common loves. These were the people who they prayed with and for, the people they taught, the people who brought them bread. And in the quiet of simplicity and solitude, the unity of all things and of heart and mind emerged for them.

So again, you have the desert as this place where deep formation occurs. It's a place you *need*. It prepares you for ministry just as Jesus' wilderness experience did for him. But it's also a place that needs *you*. It's where Jesus went to confront the Tempter. It's where the monastics went to confront a rough landscape that gave rise to dangerous things. So the desert needed them, too. The desert was and is the site of ministry at the same time as it's the place that prepares us for ministry.

But if you can't live in the scrubby hills outside of Alexandria, Egypt, and you aren't about to set up camp in an Illinois state park just to get a better look at what's inside your soul, what can you do? Well, I think we can enter certain 'regions' of our lives as though they were deserts. Vocation, or work, is what we talked about in the final class. What does it look like to treat your job as a desert? What does it mean to pare down to the essentials in your work? What are your core, meaningful tasks there and what are the tools you need to do them? What are the key relationships in your work desert, and what are the common things around which they form? How do you grow closer to God, to others, and know yourself better in your work? And what are the temptations and conflicts that arise there? How does work make you holier, and how do you make it holier?

There are so many other deserts open to us: marriage, parenting, church, and retirement just to name a few. One member of our group importantly added "health," wondering what it looks like to think about the care of our

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Outreach / Wider Mission

Cooking for Deborah's Place

This outreach ministry convenes in the kitchen on the Thursday before the third Friday of each month. Coordinated by Noma Cave, kitchen help and delivery persons are always needed and your involvement can be as little as once a year, or as often as each month. We also need a grocery shopper (having a car helps for this activity). Newcomers to St. Chrysostom's are invited to join! Call Noma Cave at 312-475-1183 (home) or 312-942-5182 (office) to join this activity. Our next cooking day is Thursday, May 19.



Neighbors in Need

Our next Neighbors in Need dinner is Tuesday, May 17. The Planning Committee meets on the first Thursday of the month. Volunteers are welcome to join in cooking, serving, visiting with the guests, and clean-up activities. Call the church office to become involved in this outreach ministry.

Church School

(Sunday morning Christian Education)

Regular class schedule is in effect for Sundays May 1, 8, 15 and 22. Sunday, May 22 will be **Youth Sunday** with a combined service at 11:00 AM with picnic following (no 9:00 that Sunday – please attend at 11). We will recognize teachers on that day, and parish graduates from high school, college and those receiving advanced degrees. Please let the parish offices know names of graduates. Catechesis Two (grades 1-3) children will help lead worship at 9 AM on May 15, and teens will help lead worship on Youth Sunday, May 22 at 11 AM.

Lay Youth Minister

Charles Murphy finishes his time with us in the capacity of Youth Minister this June. We are so grateful for all he has done and want to honor Charles on May 22 at 11 AM. It is important we have this chance to publically say “thank you” to Charles. —WRW

Adult Forum

Adult Forums are part of the Sunday Morning Christian Education hour and present a wide range of diverse topics featuring guest speakers as well as St. Chrysostom's parishioners. These sessions are open to all parishioners, guests, and visitors. Come, join us upstairs in the Guild Room at 10 o'clock!

May 1—No session today

Adult Forum is taking a recess on this Sunday after Easter.

May 8 *The Other Side of Sullivan* • SPEAKER: John Covell

Sir Arthur Sullivan (1842 -1900) was one of the leading classical musicians in England during the second half of the nineteenth century. He rose from humble origins to be on intimate terms with royalty and to achieve celebrity status largely because of his collaboration with W.S.Gilbert on the Savoy Operas. This talk will discuss Sullivan's life and career and will explore some of his lesser known music. It will be illustrated by recordings of his music.

Parishioner John Covell has been interested and involved in English church music for more than fifty years and is a frequent speaker on the history of English music. He is currently Chairman of the Stanford Society.

May 15 *Genial Satire in As You Like It* • SPEAKER: David Bevington

Shakespeare pokes good-natured fun at many things in this splendid comedy: at the cliches of pastoral romance, at the familiar debate of country vs. the city or the retired vs. the active life, at satire itself, probably at the greatest satirist of the day, Ben Jonson, and still more. Beneath all this raillery the play is truly a life-affirming comedy about compassion, forgiveness, companionship, and marriage.

Dr. Bevington is one of the world's foremost authorities on Shakespeare and editor of the 29-volume Bantam paperback edition of all of Shakespeare's works that many of us studied in school or college. His many other publications demonstrate the range of his interests: Greek thought and literature, the Renaissance, drama through the ages, medieval theater, and Tudor politics.

May 22 SPEAKER: Jim Turrell

Dr. James Turrell is Associate Professor of Liturgy at the School of Theology of the University of the South as well as Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Priest Associate of All Saints' Chapel. He is an expert on Anglican and Episcopal church history and liturgy with special emphasis on confirmation. We are very pleased to welcome Dr. Turrell back to the forum this special Janis Hehmeyer Lecture.

✠ Alleluia! ✠
give thanks to the risen Lord

Music at St. Chrysostom's

Concerts at St. Chrysostom's

The 2010-2011 Concert Series

Sunday, May 1 at 2:30 p.m. — The Glorious Voices of St. Chrysostom's
Nora Engonopoulos, Diana Lawrence, Lindsay Metzger, Jennifer Schneider,
Sopranos
Alexander Edgemon, *Countertenor*
Micah Dinger, Marcus Shields, *Tenors*
Justin Adair, Matthew Hayden, *Baritones*
Richard Hoskins, *Piano*

Hear the wonderfully talented members of our Choir perform music from opera, Broadway and cabaret. Composers include Mozart, Massenet, Sondheim, Donizetti, Barber, Menotti, Handel, Lawrence, and Porter! Join us in the Harding Room for a festive afternoon.

Sunday, May 22 at 1:30 p.m. — The Parish Recital
The multi-talented members of our Parish perform! All pianists, singers, instrumentalists, dancers, and all talented people are cordially invited to participate—please speak to Richard Hoskins and be part of this festive afternoon.

Choral Music for May

May 1
The Second Sunday of Easter
The Concert Choir of Hubbard High School

May 8
The Third Sunday of Easter
The Choir of St. Chrysostom's Church
Howells: Te Deum (Collegium Regale)
Fauré: Cantique de Jean Racine

May 15
The Fourth Sunday of Easter
The Choir of St. Chrysostom's Church
Baird: Let all mortal flesh
Messiaen: O sacrum convivium

May 22
The Fifth Sunday of Easter
The Choir of St. Chrysostom's Church
The Children's Choirs
Finzi: God is gone up
Sumsium: O salutaris hostia

May 28
The Sixth Sunday of Easter
Members of The Choir of St. Chrysostom's Church

From Our Archives: A Carillon of Historical Significance

Installed in 1927, St. Chrysostom's carillon was the first carillon in Chicago. Of the 43 bells, cast in Croydon, England, the largest is 63" in diameter and weighs 5600 pounds. The smallest bell is 6.75" in diameter and weighs 9 pounds. While many of you have heard the bells, few of you have ever climbed the winding stairs in the tower to observe how the carillon is played. These two pictures show previous carilloneurs of St. Chrysostom's: the larger picture is of Dr. Harold Simonds; the smaller is Dr. Robert Lodine. The mechanism that operates the bells is deteriorating (some of the bells do not currently sound) and some restoration is needed. Speak to Richard Hoskins if you would like a personal tour of the carillon tower.



Women of St. Chrysostom's

Thanks to Nancy Spain and co-chairs Lynn Evans and Sara Clary for the successful Book and Bake Sale.

Our luncheon and Annual Meeting will be on May 17 at the Arts Club, 201 E. Ontario. Check the Sunday announcements for any updated information or contact Lisa Valiani to make inquiries.

Cathedral Counseling Center Annual Benefit and Celebration

Friday, May 6, at 6:30 PM
Germania Place
108 West Germania Place
Chicago, Illinois

Visit our website for full details:
www.cathedralcounseling.org.
Questions? Call Leigh Stewart
at 312-252-9500x120.

Reminder

We live in such a "mobile" society that it is a challenge to maintain accurate mailing addresses, phone numbers (both land-line and cellular) and e-mail addresses (which seem to change more often than the others). You will want to notify the church office any time one or more of these items changes so that we can keep our records as up-to-date as possible.



Deacon Notes

The Lord is risen alleluia, alleluia. It was a glorious and wonderful Holy Week once again at Saint Chrysostom's Episcopal Church in the city. We've had typical ups and downs weatherwise (a most unusual high of 86 on the Fifth Sunday in Lent followed quickly by 50s and rain a little bit of snow). This is life in Chicago and we a tough people and we know how to get through tough times. This May thru August we will continue to go thru the Gospel of Luke and we will hear more of the teaching of Jesus and stories about his mission. I encourage you to read the Gospels and meditate on them they can be easily found at <http://www.io.com/~kellywp/>

Saint Chrysostom's once again comes to the aid of our sister parish Cristo Rey and our companion Diocese of South East Mexico by hosting a Fiesta on Friday night May 13. This will be a tremendous time to bond with fellow members while helping raise money so the youth of Cristo Rey can attend camp and our continuing work of mission in Southeast Mexico. I encourage you to come and support these two very deserving ministries. One may well ask what is "fiesta." Well, it is a festival or religious holiday, especially a saint's day celebrated in Spanish-speaking countries. For our purpose lets say we are celebrating Alcuin Saint Day which is on the 20th of May. Alcuin was a deacon and Abbot.

— The Rev. Larry A. Green, *Deacon*

Diocesan Leadership and Ministry Fair

The annual Leadership and Ministry Fair for the Diocese of Chicago and Province V will be held **Saturday May 7** at the Lutheran School of Theology, 1100 E. 55th St., Chicago. Over 40 workshops in four sections will be offered covering church management, lifelong formation, canons, congregational vitality, ministry discernment, liturgy and music, marketing and evangelism, peace and justice, prayer and spirituality, outreach ministry, and new technologies. Bishop Jeffrey Lee, Missioner for Liturgy and the Arts Dent Davidson, and Canon for Lifelong Christian Formation Vicki Garvey will give the opening presentation which will focus on the primary role of liturgy in formation. The day begins with registration and check-in at 9 am and ends at 4 pm. For more information contact Barbara Rasero in the Office of Lifelong Christian Formation at 312-751-4206. Online registration on the diocesan website: www.episcopalchicago.org. An online presentation form is also posted for workshop presenters.

May Calendar Highlights

Sunday, May 1

2nd Sunday of Easter

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
9:00 am Family Eucharist
10:00 am Christian Education
11:00 am Holy Eucharist & Sermon
2:30 pm Concert: Glorious Voices
5:15 pm Holy Eucharist

Monday, May 2

6:00 pm Employment Council

Wednesday, May 4

4:00 pm Training Choir rehearsal
6:30 pm Bible study

Thursday, May 5

8:30 am-6 pm Day School Book Fair
(gym & Harding Room)
3:00 pm Neighbors in Need planning
meeting

Friday, May 6

8:30 am-6 pm Day School Book Fair
(gym & Harding Room)
4:00 pm Advanced Choir rehearsal

Saturday, May 7

Parents with Young Children cocktail
party at Axel's residence

Sunday, May 8

3rd Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
9:00 am Family Eucharist
10:00 am Christian Education
11:00 am Morning Prayer & Sermon
5:15 pm Holy Eucharist

Monday, May 9

1:00 pm WOSC book club
6:00 pm Employment Council

Wednesday, May 11

7:30 am Holy Eucharist
1:30 pm Eucharist at Kenwood
4:00 pm Training Choir rehearsal
6:30 pm Bible Study

Friday, May 13

6:30 pm Fiesta!

Sunday, May 15

4th Sunday of Easter

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
9:00 am Family Eucharist
10:00 am Christian Education
11:00 am Holy Eucharist
5:15 pm Holy Eucharist

Monday, May 16

6:00 pm Employment Council

Tuesday, May 17

10:30 am Eucharist at Hallmark
Noon WOSC Luncheon & Annual
Meeting (at Arts Club)
4:30 pm Neighbors in Need dinner
6:30 pm Vestry meeting

Wednesday, May 18

7:30 am Holy Eucharist
11:45 am Day School chapel
4:00 pm Training Choir rehearsal
6:30 pm Bible Study

Thursday, May 19

3:00 pm Cooking for Deborah's Place

Friday, May 20

8:30 am-3 pm Day School Class Play
(Harding Room)

Sunday, May 22

5th Sunday of Easter

Last Sunday of Church School year
Youth Sunday

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
NOTE: There is no 9:00 o'clock service
today

10:00 Christian Education
11:00 am Holy Eucharist & Sermon
Noon Parish picnic
1:30 pm Parish Recital (Harding Room)
5:15 pm Holy Eucharist

Monday, May 23

6:00 pm Employment Council

Wednesday, May 25

7:30 am Holy Eucharist
6:30 pm Bible study

Sunday, May 29

6th Sunday of Easter

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
9:00 am Holy Eucharist
11:00 am Holy Eucharist & Sermon
5:15 pm Holy Eucharist

Monday, May 30

Memorial Day holiday
Parish office closed

From Our Curate

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bodies as a site of purification and preparation. Ultimately, what I want us to think about are deserts beyond these ones even. All of the places in our lives that I've mentioned are immediately connected to us. But we live in a great big desert called "Chicago" (again, I know this is complicated—Chicago is a city, right? The thing the monks wanted to escape?), where thirsty places call out to us at every turn. Is this block our desert? Do I have an essential relationship with that hungry person on the street corner? Can learning how to be simple and solitary and silent at Dearborn and Schiller bring me closer to God?

If you weren't able to attend the class and are interested in this topic, or would like to read more about the desert monastics or spiritual practices, just grab me, Josh, or Ray—or email us at the church. And if you have any thoughts about those deserts right outside our doors, think about sharing them with us, too.

MOTHER'S DAY FLOWERS

Altar flowers for Mother's Day are made possible by gifts from parishioners. If you wish to make a gift toward Mother's Day flowers, please fill in the information below and return this form with your check made out to St. Chrysostom's. Please mark in the memo section of your check, "Mother's Day Flowers". Return this form by Tuesday, May 3 so that we may recognize your gift in the service paper. You may bring this form with your check to the church office or mail it to the parish office. We welcome any size donation.

Name _____

Phone (day) _____

Commemoration note in Sunday service paper:

The flowers this Mother's Day are given to the glory of God by _____

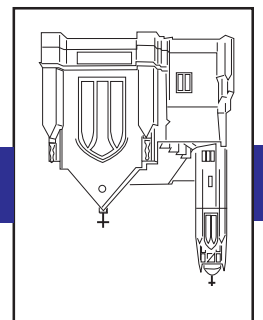
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