



Good News

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

September 2011

July Floods Impact Our Autumn Schedule

The record-setting heavy rains of July 23 created major problems for everyone who was in Chicago to experience them. The basement area of St. Chrysostom's building sustained quite a bit of damage from flooding during the storm and the ensuing clean-up efforts and repair work are expected to continue into September. The worst part of the flooding was in the northeast corner under the nave (organ blower room and bride's room specifically) with 18" of water at the deepest point. Day School facilities suffered the most and Church School classrooms were affected to a lesser degree. The blower for the organ (which supplies the wind necessary for the pipes to speak) was halfway submerged rendering our Fisk organ unusable until repairs to the blower room can be completed and the blower reconnected. Sexton Ron Franklin worked valiantly in the initial hours after the storm when flood waters started to recede, but the magnitude of the work was far more than what one or two people could attempt. Junior Warden Brian Lignelli has supervised work crews throughout the month of August to return our building to be fully functioning as soon as possible. Repair work will continue into September which means that some of our normal schedule and places of activity will of necessity be changed. On Sundays, parents especially need to seek the latest information regarding where Church School classes will be held. Every effort will be made to have the latest information available regarding space use.

Baptisms at St. Chrysostom's usually occur during the 9 o'clock or 11 o'clock services. Our 8 o'clock service had the special joy of celebrating a baptism on August 7 with the McMahon family who regularly attend the 8 o'clock service. Everyone joined for this photo to mark the occasion.



Sunday Morning Nursery Care Resumes

Our Sunday morning nursery care is back on Sunday, September 11. Thanks to many generous donations last year, we are happy to offer childcare for infants and toddlers (3 years and younger) at no cost. The nursery meets in the newly refurbished "Tots" classroom on the south side of the second floor, from 8:45 AM–12:15 PM most Sundays.

Planning Ahead

Our annual Pet Blessing will be Sunday, October 2 (the Sunday closest to the Holy Day for St. Francis of Assisi). Remember to have your pet appropriately caged or leashed to ensure their own safety as well as the safety of everyone in attendance.

Sunday Coffee Hour Receives Facelift

The Women of St. Chrysostom's is excited to present a new and improved Sunday Coffee Hour beginning Sunday, September 11. The committee has been hard at work this summer selecting healthy treats and beverages for our parish family to enjoy. We look forward to welcoming everyone back this Fall with fellowship after each service.

—Lisa Valiani

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From the Rector

Sunday, September 11, 2011

A day of remembrance and mission

Dear friends,

At the Vestry meeting August 16, we discussed commemorating the tenth anniversary of 9/11, which will be of course Sunday, September 11, 2011. We agreed that on that Sunday Danielle and I would celebrate the Eucharist at each service, and have the Paschal Candle lit, in remembrance. I shared with the group a memory from ten years ago. We were planning the special services we had at the time—very moving gatherings of our community of faith at several beautiful liturgies. We had a special fall children's program planned, and had a discussion of whether to cancel it out of respect and in mourning. We got together with Mary Ellen Christy, Headmistress of St. Chrysostom's Day School, and all agreed that it was important to go ahead with programs for our children, in both parish and school. We all believed that for the sake of the children, it was important that their life and activities go on. Ten years on, it seems to me that our children are so important in both our church and society that while it is by chance that the Sunday after Labor Day when our fall church school programs begin is also the tenth anniversary of 9/11, it is appropriate to have programs for our children begin that day. The freedoms we cherish include the freedom to have our children grow up safe and happy, and the freedom to practice our religion.

So Sunday, September 11, 2011 will be both a Sunday of remembrance of 9/11 and the beginning of an active fall season in the church year. It will be a day of remembering but also a day to begin carrying out our fall mission. And it will be a day to look ahead to the mission of the church in the coming active year.

I believe God gives the church the great mission—bigger than any one of us—to tell the world the good news of God's love for each and every person in Jesus Christ. I believe we are called to worship and learn and welcome the newcomer and visit the sick. We are called to support the wider mission of the church beyond ourselves—we are called to help people in need. We are called to be hospitable and welcoming.

May God the Holy Spirit give us wisdom and enthusiasm, joy and imagination in carrying out the great mission given to us.

In Christ,

Raymond Webster, *Rector*

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From Our Associate Rector

Church School Starts September 11!

Our church school year kicks off Sunday, September 11—with a catch! The July 23 rainstorm that affected so many homes and businesses in our neighborhood flooded the lower level of the parish house and church. While the floors are being repaired and the walls repainted, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd classes I, II, & III will find new homes. Parents, look for special updates to come.



For younger children: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a Montessori-based program of Christian formation whose foundation is the relationship that already exists between your child and God. Teachers tell stories from Scripture and explore worship and tradition using art, figurines, prayer, rituals, and lots and lots of questions! Catechesis I, II, and III each meets in its own “atrium,” dedicated classroom spaces on the lower level of the parish house (beneath the gym).

Catechesis I: Ages 3-6

Catechesis II: Grades 2-4

Catechesis III: Grades 5-6

For older students: Students in upper grades will meet in our 7th & 8th grade class or Confirmation. Seventh- and eighth-graders will be taking on the monumental task of reading the Bible over the course of one year, while the Confirmation class begins a new curriculum focused on owning the promises that we all make in Baptism. Any ninth- or tenth-grader is welcome to join the Confirmation class.

Church School is free and open to any child, any Sunday. Join us from 10:00-10:50 AM each week after the 9:00 AM Family Eucharist and before our 11:00 worship service.

—Danielle Thompson, *Associate Rector*

Outreach / Wider Mission

Neighbors in Need

Our next Neighbors in Need dinner is Tuesday, September 20. 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.

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. 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, September 15.

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for the Human Family
The Book of Common Prayer, page 815

Heavenly Father,
we thank you that by water and
the Holy Spirit you have
bestowed upon these your
servants the forgiveness of sin,
and have raised them to the new
life of grace. Sustain them,
O Lord, in your Holy Spirit,
Give them an inquiring and
discerning heart, the courage to
will and to persevere, a spirit to
know and to love you, and the
gift of joy and wonder in all
your works.

Amen.

Prayer following the sacrament of baptism.
The Book of Common Prayer, page 308

Children's Fair Coming in October

Stewardship Season kicks off with the Children's Fair on Sunday, October 2. Come for worship at 9:00 AM, then stay for games and snacks in the gym, and a Church School classroom Open House. And don't forget St. Francis: October 2 is Pet Blessing Sunday, so if Fido can handle food, fun, and fellowship, bring him along!

Adult Forum to Examine Our Exceptional Value System

This year, the St. Chrysostom's Church Adult Forum, which meets most Sundays at 10 a.m. in the Guild Room, will examine and discuss the values delineated in the Baptismal Covenant and prayers and their relevance to our lives and the way we raise our children. Each month a "Family Forum," conducted by a teacher or psychologist, will describe practical ways to apply and promote the behaviors we prize. Everyone is welcome to come to any or all sessions. We especially welcome the participation of young families and newcomers who wish to know more about our Episcopal traditions. We also look forward to meeting again with old friends after a summer break. For September, the theme is **An Inquiring and Discerning Heart**.

September 11: SPEAKER: Martin Marty **Religion in a Secular Age**

Dr. Marty, The Fairfax M. Cone Distinguished Service Professor Emeritus at the University of Chicago, is internationally recognized as one of the most important theological scholars of our time. The author of more than 60 books, he specializes in the study of public religion and the history of Christianity. He is the recipient of numerous honors, including the National Humanities Medal, the Order of Lincoln Medallion (Illinois' top honor, and 80 Honorary Doctorates.

September 18: SPEAKER: Josh Davis **Who's Joining the Episcopal Church – and Why?**

Dr. Davis has his PhD in Theology from Vanderbilt University and is a newly-appointed professor in the Religion Department at the University of Illinois. He will explore what attracts so many people, especially young people, to the Episcopal Church, while focusing on our theology of Baptism. Josh is married to our Associate Rector, Danielle Thompson, with whom he joined the Episcopal Church as a young adult. Together, they are raising Joshua, a cradle Episcopalian who was recently baptized and is joyously learning all about the wonderful world.

September 26: FAMILY FORUM SPEAKER: Mary Ellen Christy **What Are the Principal Qualities that Distinguish a School as Episcopal?**

Mary Ellen Christy is Founder and Headmistress of St. Chrysostom's Day School. She is also a member of the National Association of Episcopal Schools (NAES). The NAES states that "even the most ecumenical and diverse of Episcopal schools are upheld by the basic principles of the Baptismal Covenant...(that) individuals and institutions are called by God to adopt certain fundamental disciplines and dispositions in order to embrace fully their basic identities."

—Ann Kadinsky-Cade

Music at St. Chrysostom's

Concerts at St. Chrysostom's

Another wonderful season of music begins this September: organ concerts, organ and brass, a consort of Viols, glorious singing, and more!

Sunday, September 25 at 2:30 pm: Gaudete Brass Quintet

Gaudete Brass Quintet returns for more festive music for organ and brass, and features some interesting instrumental pairings: tuba and organ, trombone and organ, horn and organ, as well as music for two trumpets and organ.

Sunday, October 30 at 2:30 pm: Fête d'Alain

We celebrate the 100th anniversary of the birth of French composer Jehan Alain with a gala concert played by organists David Schrader, Roger Stanley and Richard Hoskins. The program includes his famous *Litainies*, the monumental *Trois Dances*, and Lindsay Metzger, Soprano, sings Alain's vocal music.

Concerts at St. Chrysostom's are graciously supported by the generosity of parishioners and friends. Your contribution is welcomed at each concert.

Welcome New Choristers!

We welcome two new members to the Choir this fall:



Lauren Auge is a recent graduate of DePaul University with a Masters in Music in vocal performance. While there she was seen in such roles as The Duchess in Gilbert and Sullivan's *The Gondoliers*, Arnalta in *L'incoronazione di Poppea* by Monteverdi and The Wife in Jacques Ibert's little-known one-act opera, *Le Pauvre Matelot*. Her undergraduate degree is from Michigan State University where she had the opportunity to perform the role of The Old Lady in Bernstein's operatic production of *Candide*. Lauren has just completed her second season with the Grant Park Music Festival Chorus and will be a new member of the Chicago Symphony Chorus this upcoming season. She is excited to become a member of the fabulous choir at St. Chrysostom's Church and looks forward to making some great music with wonderful colleagues!



Tenor **William Bouvel** has delighted audiences with his brilliant and emotionally-charged sound. Recent performances have been with Ryan Brown and Opera Lafayette in Washington D.C., where he appeared as Acis in Handel's *Acis and Galatea*. In the past year he has also appeared in the Madison Early Music Festival's production of Monteverdi *Vespers* and in Chicago as the Evangelist for Bach's *Christmas Oratorio*. But most of all, William has a passion for the music, gesture, and artful stagecraft of the French Baroque period. He recently appeared at the Amherst Early Music Festival in the fully-staged production of Charpentier's *Les Arts Florissants* in the *haute-contre* role of La Peinture. He also regularly performs *Airs de Court*, Cantatas, and Operas from the French Baroque repertoire both in staged productions as well as concert versions. He will be performing several such works this fall as a young artist with Opera Lafayette.

Choral Music for September

September 11

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Choir of St. Chrysostom's Church

Fauré: Pie Jesu

Vaughan Williams: Lord, thou hast been
our refuge

Mozart: Sanctus (*Requiem*)

Durufié: In paradisum

September 18

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Choir of St. Chrysostom's Church

Palestrina: Exultate Deo

Sheppard: Agnus Dei

(*The Western Wind Mass*)

September 25

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Choir of St. Chrysostom's Church

Britten: Jubilate Deo

Stanford: Beati quorum via

McKie: We wait for thy loving-kindness,
O God

The Children's Choirs

Singing together has the power to open minds, fire the spirit and transform lives. Enroll your children in one of our Choirs

The Training Choir

For choristers aged 4-7

Rehearses on Wednesdays beginning September 14, 4:00-4:30 p.m.

The Training Choir sings once a month at the 9:00 a.m. Eucharist, at Lessons & Carols, at the Christmas Pageant, and with the Advanced and Adult Choirs on Easter and Chorister Sunday

The Advanced Choir

For choristers aged 8-12

Rehearses on Fridays beginning September 16, 3:45-4:45 p.m.

The Advanced Choir sings often at the 11:00 a.m. Service with the Adult Choir, at Lessons & Carols, at the Christmas Pageant, on Easter and Chorister Sunday

For more information and to enroll your child in one of the Choirs please speak to Richard Hoskins, 312.944.1083 Ext. 17, or contact by e-mail richard@saintc.org

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Deacon Notes

I am on a mission for school supplies for Umoja once again. The school supplies are for two Umoja programs, activities, and resources that have been built into the fabric of Manley Career Academy and have substantially changed the overall school culture and the day-to-day experiences of students. Umoja partners with teachers and school leadership at Manley and ACE Tech to cultivate faith in the capacity of all students to grow, learn, and assume responsibility for themselves. For young people who have long been plagued by low academic and social expectations, these opportunities and relationships are essential to keeping them in school and building toward a positive future. I ask you to help these two high schools that serve over 600 young people. The wish list includes notebook paper, pencils, pens, backpacks, notebooks, erasers, protractors, rulers, pencil cases, pocket folders, scissors and liquid paper. You can help by bringing items to Saint Chrysostom's Episcopal Church at 1424 North Dearborn any day from 9 am to noon and from 1 pm to 3 pm or you can send me a gift card from CVS, Staples, Office Depot, Office Max, Walgreens, Target and Costco and I will buy the items needed. Everyone that contributes at any level will receive a donation letter for tax purposes. I really need your help as I have taken on another high school. For additional information contact Larry A. Green 312-545-4749 or e-mail me at larry@saintc.org

—Larry A. Green, *Deacon*

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September Calendar Highlights

Thursday, September 1

3:00 pm Neighbors in Need planning committee meeting

Sunday, September 4

12th Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
9:00 AM Family Eucharist
11:00 AM Holy Eucharist
5:15 PM Holy Eucharist

Monday, September 5

Labor Day Holiday
Parish office closed

Wednesday, September 7

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

Thursday, September 8

6:00 pm Finance Committee

Sunday, September 11

13th Sunday after Pentecost
First Sunday of Church School Year

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, September 12

9 am-12noon Day School parents coffee (Guild Room)
6:00 pm Employment Council

Tuesday, September 13

9 am-12 noon Day School parents coffee (Guild Room)
1:00 pm WOSC Book Club (Guild Room)
5:30 pm WOSC Tea (at Begel residence)

Wednesday, September 14

7:30 am Holy Eucharist
1:30 pm Eucharist at Kenwood
4:00 pm Training Choir rehearsal (ages 7 and under)
6:30 pm Bible Study

Thursday, September 15

9 am-12 noon Day School parents coffee (Harding Room)
3:00 pm Cooking for Deborah's Place
6:30 pm Champagne and canape party at Crocker residence (advance reservation required)

Friday, September 16

4:00 pm Advanced Choir rehearsal (ages 8 and above)

Sunday, September 18

14th Sunday after Pentecost
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, September 19

6:00 pm Employment Council
6:30 pm Vestry meeting

Tuesday, September 20

10:30 am Eucharist at Hallmark
4:30 pm Neighbors in Need dinner

Wednesday, September 21

7:30 am Holy Eucharist
11:45 am Day School Chapel
4:00 pm Training Choir rehearsal (ages 7 and under)
6:30 pm Bible Study

Thursday, September 22

Day School kick-off party

Friday, September 23

4:00 pm Advanced Choir rehearsal

Sunday, September 25

15th Sunday after Pentecost
8:00 am Holy Eucharist
9:00 am Family Eucharist
10:00 am Christian Education
11:00 am Morning Prayer & Sermon
2:30 pm Concert: Gaudete Brass
5:15 pm Holy Eucharist

Monday, September 26

6:00 pm Employment Council

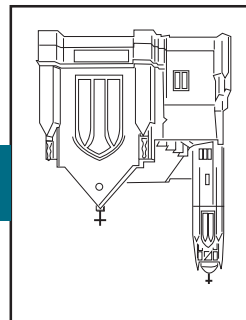
Wednesday, September 28

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



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