

Getting To Know Max and Olly; We Are Glad You're Here

This month marked the arrival of our new priest-in-charge, the Rev. Max Wolf and his wife Olly, and their terrier dog, Meatball. We are so fortunate to have the Wolfs join our family at St. Paul's. All of us at St. Paul's offer our best wishes to Max, Olly and Meatball. Editor Scott Widmeyer sat down with Max and Olly recently for a little chat and to take some time to learn a little more about them.

Q. Father Max, tell us a little bit about Olly.

"Olly is lovely, gracious and truly my partner in ministry. She has superb organizational skills and I know she will be a beautiful addition and a beloved presence in our community."

Q. Olly, what would you say about Father Max?

"Max is a warm and outgoing priest. He is very curious about people, has a lot of energy and a big heart!"

Q. What are you both most passionate about?

"I am passionate about having people from all walks of life know the loving presence of God in their lives. And I am passionate about our parish being

truly represented by a diverse cross-section of our community." (Father Max)

"I was very proud of how inclusive our congregation in Delaware was, and that is what I am passionate about." (Olly)

Q. What do you find appealing about Nantucket?

"It's a very beautiful and pristine place to live, and already seems very friendly. We feel warmly welcomed." (Olly)

"Everything is interdependent on an island. We cherish that sense of family. And we love St. Paul's commitment to an open table. St. Paul's has the right goals and they are ones we share." (Father Max)

Q. Father Max, what is your message to folks who may not be part of a church, but are considering joining one?

"Our spiritual practice is an essential part of our well-being at every stage of our lives. The Episcopal church and St. Paul's on Nantucket have a unique witness as a sacramental church that invites all to the Lord's table and consistently shares Christ's message of God's unconditional love."

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Welcome Back!

As summer 2018 begins to unfold on Nantucket, we welcome everyone to St. Paul's and we are pleased to offer the new edition of The Letter, your church newsletter. We hope you enjoy this in the electronic format. In addition, printed copies will be available as you enter church on Sundays. If you have friends or family who might want to receive a copy in the mail, please contact the church office at: office@stpaulschurchnantucket.org or call 508-228-0916.

A Message From Our Wardens

Dear St. Paul's,

As summer approaches, we prepare to welcome our beloved seasonal parish members. We also welcome our new Priest in Charge, the Rev. Max Wolf and his wife, Olly, as well as our new Music Director, Joe Hammer. It has been a winter of waiting and praying, a winter of reflection, and a winter of blessings! We are very excited about the arrival of these key leaders and encourage everyone to join us in welcoming them and getting to know them.

We were blessed in so many ways by the caring and supportive priests who led our services during this transition period. The Rev. John Rice, our dear friend from Cape Cod, served us well in January. Then the Rev. Peter Chase joined us in February and to all of our mutual benefit, stayed through the end of May, providing a good degree of stability to Sunday services. We also had the Rev. Bill Eddy, who served as our Interim some years ago, and the Rev. Joe Baird, a seasonal member of our parish, celebrate individual Sunday services this winter. We thank all of these priests for their service, friendship, and love. We also thank Bishop Alan Gates for his patience, wisdom, and care during the more challenging moments of the past winter.

Our own Nigel Goss served as Interim Music Director from January through Lent, and brought energy and enthusiasm to the music at Sunday services while leading those faithful members of the choir through the "lean" months of winter. Thank you Nigel! We were also blessed that Alan Wittrup braved the ferry each week after Lent to serve as our organist and new friend, as he led the choir during the last weeks of April and all of May. Parish members Beverly Hall and Marshall Keys also delivered sermons with compelling messages and reminded us that St. Paul's benefits from the talents of so many in our midst. It seems that our loving God looked after St. Paul's through the winter season and blessed us with caring stewards for Sunday services.

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The Letter

from
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Summer 2018

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115 Years and still Going Strong

The one, the only...ST. PAUL'S FAIR

Mark your calendar for Thursday, July 12

At this time of year, since 1903, the people of St. Paul's have done the exact same thing – get ready for the annual Church Fair. The Fair was born as a simple country fair. Subsequently, it has been reborn, reconfigured, scaled back, expanded, but one thing has remained the same—The St. Paul's Fair has been and remains the main fundraising event for our Church.

Early accounts of the Fair recount the "ladies

of the Church" selling their jams and jellies. By 1955, the Fair had a ferris wheel and merry-go-round and raised, a then record \$9,000 to buy the rectory. In 1966, the Fair still featured a merry-go-round as well as an animal show with a turkey, two sets of hens with their chicks, a pony with its foal and several large rabbits. Pony rides were offered through the years. Raffles have been held. The Fair was held adjacent to the site of the Nantucket Yacht Club for a time and then moved to Fair Street in the late 1950's.

By 1990, a "Fantasy Castle" was erected on Fair St. where children could listen to tales of the Magic Sword told by a professional story teller from New York and get magic wands, or swords, helmets, shields and tunics for the young warrior. Since its early beginnings, the Fair has always featured sales of baked goods, handcrafted items, art, white elephants and a "Clam Bar." It has been held in August; it has been held in July. It has been held rain or shine.

This year, the Fair will be held on Thursday, July 12, from 9:30 am to 2 pm, and we have a lot to live up to. We will have Kidstreet with games,

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Hopes and Dreams for St. Paul's – Perspectives from Parishioners

All of us care deeply about St. Paul's, and we each have hopes for a future that is good and one that makes us a very welcoming congregation. Recently, we popped the following question to a few of our parishioners: For you, what would be a top priority for St. Paul's going forward?

Betty MacDonald: "I want to see more young people participating in the church."

Ian Robertson: "More inclusiveness combined with music and tradition."

Jay Riggs: "I want the church to be more upbeat."

Randy Rahal: "I want to see us come closer together and to be that wonderful place of fellowship."

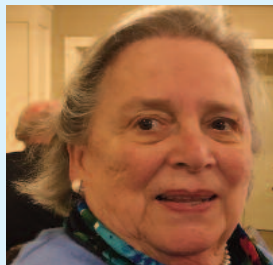
Will Lucas: "I want the church to be active. And, to be a place for kids."



Betty MacDonald



Ian Robertson



Jay Riggs



Randy Rahal



Will Lucas

A Message on Reconciliation – Marshall Keys's Homily

At our May 6 services, Marshall Keys delivered a beautiful homily. It was a message and a call to all of us. Below are excerpts:

I had a career bookended by teaching. The bad thing about being a teacher is having to be a faculty member. The good thing about teaching is that you learn more from your students than you teach them. In the process of teaching and learning, you pass from what you have been taught to what you know yourself. There's a big difference.

I think preaching must be very similar. When I have preached, I have found myself passing from a concern about an issue to an understanding of my concern and a direction in which to proceed.

Last time I preached, I was concerned about how to reconcile the ordination of Gene Robinson with what I believed was taught pretty clearly by the Bible. What I learned in the process of preparing and preaching was that I believe the love of God triumphs over the laws of the Bible, and I learned this by reflecting on the important part that my gay friends-- men and women--have played in enriching my life and the life of the Church.

Let's fast forward to now and my concern around what took place at St Paul's between June and December of this past year. I am not looking for a chronicle of events. I am not looking for recrimination, or blame, or even forgiveness or reconciliation. I have nothing to forgive, no one to whom I need to be reconciled. It's past. Let the dead bury the dead. But I do have a question: as we enter a new series of relationships with a new choir director and a new priest-in-charge, what can we do to make sure that the same thing doesn't happen again?

I think there are two things that we can do. First, St. Paul's can turn to the teachings of

our patron, St. Paul. And second, we can seek to think differently, act differently, and in fact become different people, people redeemed by the love of God through Jesus Christ, moved by the Holy Spirit.

If we are to avoid repeating the problems of the last year, we need to concentrate and focus on a particular part of the New Testament. We need to read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest the Epistles of Paul.

In 1947, when J.B. Philips began his modern English translation of the New Testament, he began with the Epistles, and he called this first publication "Letters to New Churches." It is important for us to read those Letters, perhaps in a modern English version, and to take note of what St Paul told those new churches to do when they acted just like us. It is instructive. There is no secret wisdom. The answers to how we should conduct ourselves as believers in a church are right there, in the letters written by St Paul to the early churches -- and to us.

Second, if we recognize that we need to think differently, act differently, and become different people, we are in fact recognizing that we need to be reborn, and that is daunting, especially for Episcopalians.

I suspect that most of us did not have a conversion experience like St. Paul or the kind of I-turned-my-life-over-to-Jesus moment experience that many evangelical and fundamentalist Christians report. Most of us came to our beliefs and our Church gradually.

Is there anything we can do to move this process along? We are coming back from the brink of a serious situation. Do we pray for a flash of light or is there another way?

Well, I am happy to say I think there is, and I want to talk about a particular way that many find helpful, using the term "Practice" to describe it.

Beverly Hall spoke about practice in her Easter sermon. A practice is something you commit to doing regularly because you believe it is important to do so. There's a popular book taken from a West Point graduation speech called, "First Make Your Bed." The writer sees such simple acts as the key to the rest of the day and the day as the key to the rest of your life. You can't lose 20 pounds in a week, but you can make your bed every morning and from that, one step at a time, change who you are.

We all have practices. We brush our teeth and take our baby aspirin and say our prayers and come to church. We have our cars serviced and our house trim painted. We do it because we believe they are good things to do.

Clergy and some others say the Daily Office. Catholics -- Roman and Anglo -- often say the Rosary. My doctor wants me to take on a mindfulness practice. Sister Susannah follows a Benedictine practice. Sherrie Perelman has a yoga practice. Tinka's piano students have another kind of practice; it takes 10,000 hours to make an expert.

How do we take these to the next step? How do practicing Christians become Christians who practice? Practice requires discipline, being disciples if you will. Practice does not make perfect, but practice installs the desire to be better. Eugen Herrigel in "Zen and the Art of Archery" practices the art of Japanese archery for something like seven years, and one day, he stopped shooting the arrow and the arrow shot itself. Sometimes you make the leap, but you must practice daily. I started by trying to drive like a Christian in Lent and have sometimes managed to drive like a Christian until mid-August.

I want to share two examples of Practice.

'I Am Now in a Place To Be Engaged With Music'

Another new face among the St. Paul's family this summer is Joe Hammer, our new music director and organist. Joe assumed the music reins with us earlier this month. His background is extensive, having recently served in a similar role at St. Luke's Episcopal in Granville, OH.

Joe is a Hoosier by birth and received his M.A. and B.S. degrees from Ball State University in Muncie, IN. In addition to being an extraordinary musician, Joe has a background in non-profit fundraising and the arts. Joe and his partner, John Howish, have two adult daughters and they reside in Indianapolis.

Earlier in the month, we sat down with Joe for a "Getting to Know You" conversation.

Q. What should the congregation expect music-wise from you in your first few months here?

"It was immediately apparent to me that St. Paul's has a tradition of and a desire for good music. I am looking to provide St. Paul's with a variety of music experiences from foundational, to Anglican and Episcopalian music. As they say, variety is the spice of life so it's important people come with expectations but not always knowing what they are going to get."



Q. What are your first impressions of the Nantucket community?

"There is a vibrant happening music-wise on Nantucket. I want to get a good look at the landscape, so to speak, and find where collaboration can be enhanced. There will likely be times we can be part of something already happening, and other times we can find a niche where a new offering can be created."

Q. How can music help enhance the community of St. Paul's?

"I believe we can build our constituency through music. What this means is still to be determined. But, we will want to create new experiences around music. Another area I want to work on is to provide a 'home' for out-of-town members of choirs who are visiting the island, and invite them to join us in the choir loft. My message will be come to St. Paul's and continue to have a choral experience."

Q. Tell us a little more about Joe.

"I am a sixth-generation Methodist who grew up in Indiana. I moved to New York City in the late 1980s and was part of the choir at Riverside Church. That was a turning point for me and left me feeling very much at home with the Episcopal liturgy. I think I have the ability to work with a broad spectrum of people, and I have always been a joiner. I feel with St. Paul's I am now in a place to be engaged with music and feel very fortunate to have this opportunity."

Getting to Know Max and Olly

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Q. Give us a fact or two about your previous church in Rehoboth Beach, DE.

"Our church in Delaware, All Saints' & St. Georges, had about 750 members and an average Sunday attendance of 250. Like Nantucket, it was a resort community. We loved the motto of All Saints'. That motto was: "You gotta eat, so you might as well eat together," emphasizing the importance of our table fellowship.

Q. What do you like to do for fun?

"We like to walk on the beach with Meatball, and we are avid gardeners." (Olly)

"We enjoy strolling together through town, sharing hospitality in our home and ocean swimming and body surfing." (Father Max)

Q. What is your favorite travel destination?

"The high bluffs along Block Island and the solitude it offers." (Father Max)

"We love San Francisco, the Grand Canyon and enjoy cross country travelling by car." (Olly)

Q. What do you make of everything going on in the world today?

"In spite of the obvious divisions we see, I am inspired by the conversations going on. We are in the middle of frequent conflicts, but I believe we are addressing central issues and, in the long run, that will build community." (Father Max)

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Of course, we also benefited from the ongoing and capable service of our parish staff. We take for granted the ever present and ever vigilant Curtis Barnes, our Verger, our part-time caretaker, our man for all seasons, who has more institutional knowledge of St. Paul's than most of us. Curtis, we thank you for the many visible and not so visible ways you look after St. Paul's. And we thank our Parish Secretary, Christine Borneman, and our Children's Ministry Coordinator, Sr. Susanna Margaret for their service.

The church building has also been undergoing a transition, as the skilled craftsmen of Florentine Renaissance Masonry have been repairing the church Bell Tower. Luke Thornewill, who chairs the Building and Grounds Committee, has been working diligently with Fabio Bardini, the owner of Florentine, to assure the long-standing problems we have endured with leaks in the church tower are resolved on a more permanent basis. The staging that was erected in March to allow the workmen access to the Tower came down earlier this month. We will monitor the results of these repairs and are hopeful that the problem is solved, but are prepared to bring Florentine back to Nantucket if the need arises. We are committed to fixing the tower leak for the long term so that future generations will not have to deal with this problem.

While all of this was happening, St. Paul's Vestry continued to meet monthly and sort through the challenges of parish life. Treasurer Frank Robinson has focused on preserving our strong financial position, and benefitted from the able assistance of former Treasurer, and now Clerk, Dual Macintyre. The Vestry is working through a revised committee structure with the hope of clarifying roles and responsibilities for better governance of our parish. Each month on the Sunday following Vestry meetings we have held open forums after services with any and all who wished to talk or ask questions. The intent of these forums has been to provide transparency to the parish on any and all matters. The upcoming summer season will be busy as usual, and we feel a growing sense of renewal and growing energy at Sunday services.

Parish Outreach initiatives such as Laundry Love continued over the winter months and the Cuba mission, led by Lucy Bixby, Vicky Goss and Bill Murray, made a significant and successful trip to Cuba in March. Sunday services continue to be followed by the best coffee hour on Nantucket, and we thank the Fellowship committee for overseeing this weekly event. We encourage all parish members to take responsibility for a Sunday coffee hour on occasion, and talk to members of the Fellowship committee about how you can help.

We look forward to a stronger and more loving St. Paul's as we enter a new phase of parish life. We offer heartfelt thanks to all who have been helpful, supportive, encouraging, and faithful in the past months. It is an honor to serve you and St. Paul's, and the loving God who looks after all of us.

Blessings,
Pam Goddard and Lou Gennaro



St. Paul's Church School News

We celebrate the school year on July 1st with Sundae Sunday and a youth-led service. It's fun to look back on all the events our youth participated in over the fall and winter. Whether it was an intergenerational pie making session for the American Legion Thanksgiving dinner, a visit with St. Nick, caroling at the Hyline on Stroll Weekend, performing in the Christmas pageant about the real meaning of Christmas or making ornaments to sell at the Christmas Market, St. Paul's kids were there. As families join our congregation for the summer and others take time away, look for our expressions of faith in Takeout Church, or explore the island with Flat Jesus.

But Sundae Sunday isn't the end of church school and nursery care. We will explore faith through science experiments, cooking through the Bible and outdoor experiences each Sunday during the 10 am family service.

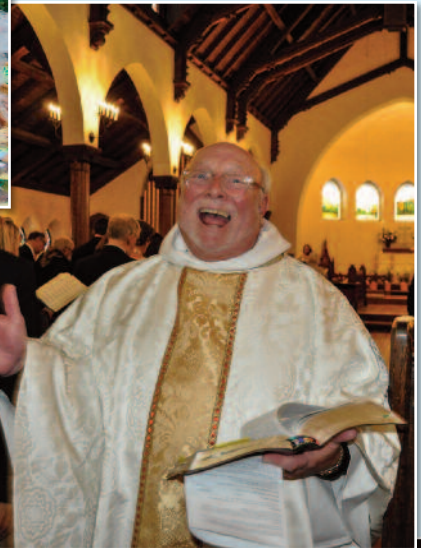
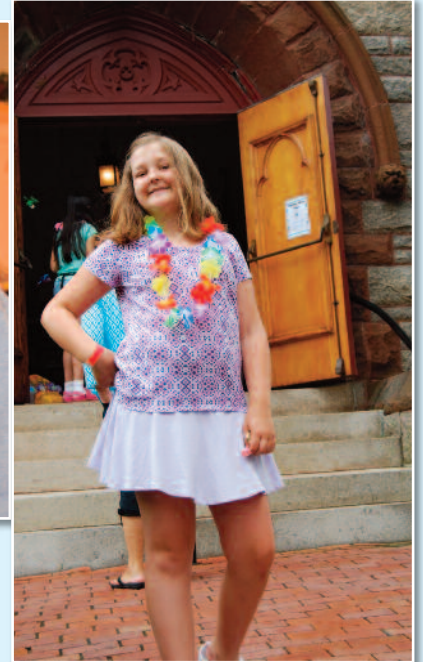


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Milestones at St. Paul's

Deaths

Kay Barney
Karen Bettachi
Lucy Breed
Hunt Breed
Elizabeth Murray
Pat Searle
George Fowlkes
Roger Brown
John Espy
Barbara Anderson
Molly Olney
Elliot Gumaer
Richard Oman

Baptisms

Harper Strange, parents Heather and Alexander Strange
Grace Sinex, parents Lindsay and Jonathan Sinex
Andrea Barnes, parents John Barnes and Michele Barnes
Sebastian Dunlap, parents Charles and Jodie Dunlap
Michael Gossett, parents Larry and Linda Gossett
Mabel Mleczko, parents Jason and Jenny Mleczko
Miller Truymen, parents Isaiah and Gaelan Truymen

Weddings

Caroline Swets and William Hadley
Rachel Delano and Scott Molski
Nora Bass and Edward Fredrick
Ellie Lane and Michael Gossett
Erin Beglin and John Goldsmith Jr.
Lori Bynum and Kevin Griffin

Celebrations

Festival on Fair
St Paul's Fair
School Supply Collection
Ships Inn Dinners
Blessing of the Animals
Christmas Market
Breakfast with St Nick
Hyline Caroling
Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
Mid Winter Dinners

Lots to celebrate in the Pam and Eric Goddard family. Keaton received his Master's in mechanical engineering from Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Zachary was selected to be a member of the Harvard Lampoon, and Tierney graduated from Nantucket High School and will study interior design at Endicott College.

Tea Time at Sherburne Commons

On Friday, May 11 the Fellowship Committee provided tea, sandwiches and homemade cookies for the residents. There were 14 attendees, and several members of the Fellowship Committee. Our expert servers were Genevieve, Maria Grace, Juliette, Clara and Lillian Frable. This social activity is becoming a fun tradition of St. Paul's outreach to the elder community. Everyone enjoyed themselves.

Your Church Is Planning For Its Future

Long Range Planning was at work throughout 2017 to identify a new vision for our parish by establishing three goals: building our congregation; engaging children, youth and retirees; and celebrating our faith in different ways. It also conducted a building-use study.

With Step One completed, it is readying itself to begin Step Two: to identify best uses of our buildings and of our campus; to make recommendations on how to get there, and to base our best uses around our

financials and utilization. Community needs will be explored in conjunction with the physical plan.

In 2018, the Vestry outlined a new committee structure to engage every member of the Vestry. With the arrival of Max Wolf, our Priest-in-Charge, and through the participation of the Vestry and the committee members, we hope to develop a strategic plan based on identified goals and initiatives.

Best Wishes from Peter and Abbie

Dear St. Paul's Family,

Abbie and I are grateful for the opportunity our stay at Saint Paul's has afforded us.

As new grandparents, Abbie has relished time spent with Miller and this is the first time I have been called a "bridge priest". The title "bridge priest" lends itself to some farewell pontificating. The Latin root of pontiff means "bridge builder" and it sums up the mission of the church and our calling to mutual ministry.

Saint Paul's parish has a history of bridge building, most recently in Cuba, and now there will be new opportunities with the arrival of new staff. Abbie and I will keep you in our prayers with the hope that as you build strong relationships they will bridge any gaps and bring you closer to one another and God.

**With every good wish,
Peter and Abbie**

Huge Thanks To Ann Colgrove

After six years of serving as music director at St. Paul's, the masterful Ann Colgrove concluded her time with us at the end of the Advent/Christmas season.

"Her contributions to St. Paul's have been many. The Vestry recognizes that under Ann's leadership, the music program at St. Paul's was re-energized and grew to be a valuable ministry for our entire parish. We are grateful for the many ways Ann enhanced the life of our church community and touched so many with music and musical programs.

"The entire St. Paul's community thanks Ann for the dedication, talent and leadership that she brought to her work with us."

During the summer we hope to hold a congregational meeting to explore ideas and then finalize our parish findings. The end result will provide a plan for moving us forward together as a united parish with a finite set of goals to continue to make St. Paul's Church a leader in our community and a more vital participant in the daily lives of our island neighbors.

Ken Beaugrand on behalf of Luke Thornevill and Jean Wagley

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crafts and special events for children. As was the case last year, Kidstreet will be a free event for all children on the Island so that they can come and enjoy a carefree day at an old fashioned fair without regard to their ability to pay. "Nanpuppets" will give a 10 am show, and children will be able to take rides around town (9:30 am to 11:30 am) in an antique fire truck courtesy of the Nantucket Hotel.

The Gift Chalet will continue the tradition of selling the "best of the best" in gifts, antiques, art, silver and linens. Hodge Podge will sell "rummage" goods (1966 I&M description – 2018 term, household items and white elephants).

The Raw Bar (aka - the Clam Bar) will be in full operation and the Snack Shack will be selling hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks and more. Traditional fair treats (cotton candy, popcorn, etc.) will top off the day.

During the lunch hour, the New Life Ministries gospel choir will present a program of its joyful music in the Church parking lot.

There will be a book sale, a bake sale and a Silent Auction.

We will not have a ferris wheel, a "cow with its calf", a "Sicilian donkey" or an "Angel Pie" (I had to look that one up) BUT we will have a great 2018 Fair.

The Fair is important to St. Paul's and Nantucket. It brings together more members of our parish to work together than any other event, and it brings together the Nantucket community (year-round Islanders, summer residents, visitors and tourists) with St. Paul's Church. However, it can only happen if every member of St. Paul's does what so many of our predecessors have done to make St. Paul's Fair an Island tradition – get involved, donate and volunteer. It's up to us now.—**Sharon Robinson**

Marshall Keys Homily

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One of them comes from a book called "The Art of Neighboring". This book was written by a couple of men with a lot of experience in Evangelical churches. The focus of this book is a set of techniques -- a Practice -- for getting to know our neighbors and learning to love them. Follow the steps, and at least the first part is guaranteed. You will get to know your neighbors, however you define them. Our son's church is using this book as a way of organizing their "inreach," of building connections internally between church members.

But as people not committed to this practice, "which neighbors?" we ask. "But who is my neighbor," asks the lawyer in Luke 10, and Jesus tells the Parable of the Good Samaritan.

Who are our neighbors? When we were in the process of discernment that ended in our calling Gene McDowell, the famous theologian Krister Stendahl was a member of St Paul's. He asked if we knew what we meant when we referred to St Paul's as a Parish rather than as a church or as a congregation. We did. At that time, we affirmed that our parish is everyone on Nantucket. Everyone on Nantucket is our neighbor. Everyone at St Paul's is a neighbor, no matter how wrong they are.

The key to "The Art of Neighboring" is that it is based on the Great Commandment: "thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy mind and all thy heart and all thy soul, and thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." I am not called to get to know and to love and to care for my neighbors because I am a naturally loving person or because they are naturally lovable people. I am called to do it because God said so. "Thou shalt" is an imperative. It is my duty.

To be a neighbor, to love our neighbor, doesn't mean we have to like our neighbor or

approve of our neighbor. We don't have to share her politics or his taste in Eucharistic prayers or their taste in music. We simply have to accord to our neighbor the same respect as we grant ourselves. And this simple act is transformative.

But we must walk before we can crawl. We must begin a practice that includes acknowledging, respect, forbearance, openness rather than gossip, seeking the best rather than the worst in others, asking rather than suspecting - you can read it in the Epistles. It's all there.

Something wonderful happened in this church Friday night (May 4) as we joined to sing and come to the table with our brothers and sisters from New Life Ministries. We've had that spirit before. We can have it again by following what God has told us to do. If it's too much to do at once, we can practice it daily in small chunks.

I want to end with a brief quote from a letter that one of our neighbors wrote to the Inky back in the days of the Tuesday Suppers. The writer drove a fuel truck, and his name was Bert.

"When I go to supper at St Paul's on Tuesday night, they welcome me without reservation or condition. There's no basket for donations, no sermon, no literature is passed out. They just thank me for showing up and serve me a nice dinner," Bert said.

The point is love without judgement. They figured out what Jesus meant when he said "love one another." He didn't list any conditions. They love me the way Jesus does, and it works."

Thank you, Bert. You have given us words we can live by and words through which we can be reborn.

Amen



A 115-Year Tradition

St. Paul's Fair

Fun for ALL

**Thursday, July 12
9:30 am to 2 pm**

**Free for All KIDS
with Kidstreet**

**Art-Antiques-Gifts-Books
Housewares-Bake Sale
Silent Auction**

**Burgers-Raw Bar
Linguica
Cotton Candy
Snow Cones**

***Old Fashion
Fun Begins
Here!***



GOOD NEWS!

The Grey Lady's Navy (Boats), and The Sailing Angels (you), are back again for the second year!



By Luke Thornewill

We have five Sunfish and one Laser available for sailing and one slightly leaky row boat for fishing.

The boats are ready to go and waiting for you on Sesachacha Pond in Quidnet. Check out this tube video for a link to basic sunfish sailing if you are unfamiliar with these simple sail boats. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=snKLjccKJfg> If you don't know how to sail just ask!

This Quidnet based spiritual fleet is a Friend-ship and Wor-ship based fleet!

This spiritual navy offers an alliance to St Pauls' for growth in Christ and the strengthening of the individual and family. Life is an adventure. The greatest adventure is the spiritual one. Magnify your relationship with God on the water surrounded by the natural beauty of his creation. Have fun, pray, sail, swim and explore. Discover "Rose Cove" and the secret chapel in the trees. Two sail boats are named after God: the Mighty Warrior and Thunder, or choose the Santa Maria, or The Heron. Physically sail The Mysteries around the pond or just have fun with family. These boats are amazing for young families, teens, or any adults in the right wind conditions.

In addition to the boats, the Navy is offering summer Rosary/prayer walks (1 hour mini pilgrimages) to the Cross. Three people at a time. Secret Blessed Places you will return to on your own. The Navy will give you a rosary and teach you how to pray the rosary. The Rosary will transform your prayer life on its own accord. It is so powerful. It is known as the Bible on a string of beads. To learn more about the Rosary go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vPTm7GGumO4>.

Ignite the "SP-Ark" with-in. Get in pursuit. Crazy good things will start happening; it's a guarantee. Graces and blessings happen to those who are game changers; decide to be one for Christ.

It is all free. No preaching; just giving..

To reserve a time with a boat or boats, join a sailing prayer group or learn more...

For reservations or questions

text Luke Thornewill 508 333 0702

*"May Prayer be for you the wings for
an encounter with God"...*

*"As you move on the wind and
glide above water"*



Outreach Going Strong With Laundry Love, Cuba, Food Pantry

The first months of 2018 have been a time of almost frenetic activity for the Outreach Committee.

Our Mission to Cuba, including the week-long visit there by Lucy Bixby, Vicky Goss and Bill Murray in March 2018 and entailing the funding, purchase and successful assembly of parts for a water purification system for the residents of Vertientes and the Episcopal congregation there, has been profiled in a separate newsletter. The balance of the \$10,000 grant from the Diocese, contributions from our fellow Episcopal churches in the Diocese, and additional funds raised at St. Paul's will be dedicated toward the construction of an Episcopal church in Vertientes.

The Committee launched St. Paul's "Laundry Love" [laundrylove.org] initiative in November 2017, and, through May 2018 at its

seven, once-a-month events, had provided free laundry detergent, washing, dryer sheets, and drying at Holdgates Launderette to 30 or so families (15 average, many repeat customers, each month). The targeted events were advertised at the Food Pantry, Safe Place, Fairwinds, and Social Services at the hospital, and to the immigrant communities worshipping at Nantucket's churches.

Members of the Outreach Committee also volunteer with the Food Rescue [foodrescue-nantucket.org] folks from the Unitarian Universalist meeting hall and represent St. Paul's at meetings and activities of the Interfaith Council (IFC) [nantucketinterfaithcouncil.org] comprised of the clergy and lay representatives of all the faith communities on the Island.

St. Paul's continues its monthly food and cash collections for the Food Pantry and cash collections for rental assistance through the Nantucket Food Fuel and Rental Assistance organization sponsored by the IFC.

All funding from St. Paul's for the Cuba Mission, Laundry Love events, the Food Pantry, and rental assistance came from earmarked checks written by St. Paul's members and the Rector's Discretionary Fund.

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