



The Red Door

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

March 2020

GUIDANCE FROM GEORGE

HAPPY LENT!

It may seem odd to wish one another a happy Lent, but this is a time like no other. It is a time to look deep within your soul and scrub out that which is incongruent to a life in Christ. No, I do not mean the cuss words we mutter under our breath in the BMV line. I am talking about those things that stand between us and our relationship with God and one another. We have been told by Jesus, in a recent Gospel, that if we have a quarrel with a brother or sister we are to resolve it quickly. We are to leave our sacrifice at

Music at St. Mary's



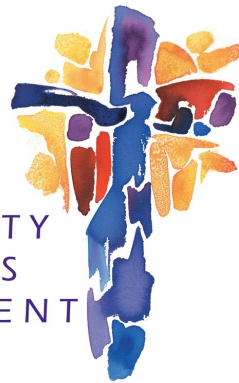
Concert

Series

2019-2020

Vocal Recital
With
WIGET
&
WORKMAN

March 15
3:00pm



THE
FORTY
DAYS
of LENT

RETURN
to the
LORD
YOUR
GOD

the altar and reconcile with that person. Lent is the time to do this. We all have quarrels. We bear grudges. We are human. Humans hurt one another. Sometimes on purpose sometimes not, but you can rely on the fact that we do. What separates from the other beasts of the field is our capacity to reconcile. If we are humble, reconciliation knows no bounds. Boundaries yes, bounds no. We can accomplish, through God's help and Grace, the reconciliation and peace that moves beyond the understanding of human emotion and enters the realm of God. Reconciliation is God's

justice for us. I believe that God wants us to be reconciled to one another and thereby reconciled with God's self. In this reconciliation we find the Kingdom of God residing in peace and Agape love for one another and for God. This is what Lent means for me. Lent is a time before the great reconciliation of Easter to reflect, reconcile, and create peace between ourselves. It is forty days in the wilderness of our minds and emotions, but if we pay attention to the wilderness we will come away better than we were before we entered. So, yes, Happy Lent!!!

George+

VESTRY

Bob Lowell, Sr Warden
 Betsy Miller, Jr Warden
 Richard Davis
 Charles Everhart
 Sandy Ferrell
 Judy Franklin
 John Joy

Feel free to contact any Vestry member with questions, concerns, ideas, etc.



Sunday Brunch

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NEW in the library!

BOOKS

**about 100 of them
 on many subjects
 such as
 commentaries
 and devotionals!**

Senior Warden Report

In his absence, Bob Lowell asked me to contribute a few thoughts regarding the outreach program for St. Mary's Episcopal Church in 2020. I volunteered at the most recent Vestry meeting to coordinate and report on the church's outreach initiatives this year. Because I am one of the newer members at St Mary's, I feel the need to solicit the ideas and suggestions of all other members, especially those formerly or currently involved in outreach efforts, so please feel free to call me at 401-447-5779 or email me at rcollins.davis@gmail.com.

In the meantime, also because I am one of the newer members, I want to share some thoughts or suggestions based on my experiences elsewhere. First, it seems to me that a viable outreach program ought to be built on initiatives that have already proven successful. We were part of a successful holiday appeal this year to supply cookies to the river crews, for example. I have also been impressed with the strength of the music program at St. Mary's, led by John Glaze, and by the number of visitors who have been attracted by concert events. Surely there are other ways that St. Mary's can continue to build upon its strong musical traditions and to extend its presence into the community.

The other way that outreach can be successful is by matching the Church's resources to the community's obvious needs. Certainly there are many needs in our city, our county and our region. Carlene Phillips has suggested, for example, that social services are in need of paper products that cannot be purchased with food stamps. There may be more extensive areas of community need which St. Mary's could help to meet, but more effectively in cooperation with other local churches or service agencies. More work to identify such needs and such opportunities for cooperative services to the community seem a logical starting place for the 2020 Outreach Program.

Richard David
 Vestry Member

Part of the food donated to needy families of our community.



Music At St. Mary's Resumes!



Justin Wiget

Now that the worst of winter (which wasn't all that bad) is over (we think), Music At St. Mary's resumes with a vocal recital by two fine musicians from Portsmouth. I got to know Justin and Stan at Sewanee Church Music Conference.

Dr. Stanley Workman, baritone, is an Assistant Professor in Fine Arts, Digital Arts and Performing Arts at Shawnee State University, as well as serving as Artistic Director of the Vern Riffe Center for the Arts. Stan is Director of Music at Second Presbyterian Church in Portsmouth, Ohio.

Justin Wiget, tenor, is a graduate of Marshall University with a Bachelor of Fine Arts. He is Organist at All Saints Episcopal Church in Portsmouth as well as being a music educator with Clay Local Schools. He also is conductor of Portsmouth Civic Chorale.

Please bring your friends for this delightful concert. March 15, 3:00pm



Dr. Stanley Workman

Museum & Library News

I have been working to get all the books catalogued in an easy to understand fashion and help you to find a book in the subject matter you may desire. Categories now include **ART**—books

about church art and architecture, several categories of **BIB**—or Bibles, books about the old testament, books about the new testament, the Apocrypha and other writings and Concordances and Commentaries. Also: **BIO**—biographies, **DEV**—devotionals and study materials, **FIC**—books of fiction, **FIN**—books on music, art, poetry and humor, **GEN**—general interest, **GOD**—books about God, **ANG**—books about the Anglican and Episcopal Church, **SME**—books concerning St. Mary's, **JES**—books about Jesus, **JUV**—books for children or teaching children, **PSY**—psychology, addiction, grieving, **SPI**—books on spirituality and living the Christian life, **PER**—periodicals. It's been a slow process, but will soon be completed so that you may check out books. Remember the items we have for sale in the museum also!

SERVERS

Altar Guild: Sandy Ferrell, Lynn & Bob Lowell

MAR	LECTOR	CHALICE	ACOLYTE & CRUCIFER	TORCHES	USHERS	INTERCESSOR
1	Connie Reynolds	Connie Reynolds	Charles Everhart Dallas Harner	Rob Harner Ty Harner	Shirley Gilliam Deanna Flinn	Sandy Ferrell
8	Jim Heathcote	Jim Heathcote	Richard Davis Rob Harner	Dallas Harner Ty Harner	Carolinn Shibley Charles Everhart	Betty Heathcote
15	Lynn Lowell	Bob Lowell	Connie Reynolds Dallas Harner	Rob Harner Ty Harner	Carol & John Joy	Jennie Harner
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If you have an emergency on your assigned Sunday, either find someone to take your place, or call Deanna Flinn.

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234 N. High St.
Hillsboro, OH 45133

QUIZ

(Last month)

Name two towns in the west named after members of St. Mary's.

Ft. Collins, CO

(named for Col. William O. Collins)

Casper, WY

(named for Caspar Collins)

This month's quiz is a two parter, but multiple choice!

1. What date was St. Mary's consecrated?

A. June 17, 1854

B. August 18, 1855

C. October 23, 1855

D. November 3, 1856

2. What was the approximate cost of St. Mary's (as originally built)

A. \$9800

C. \$19850

B. \$12000

D. \$37800

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The Rev. George Sherrill

The Diocese of Southern Ohio
The Rt. Rev. Thomas E. Breidenthal, Diocesan Bishop

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SUNDAY WORSHIP and SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:00 am

WEDNESDAY
WELL WISHERS—11:00am
HEALING SERVICE & EUCHARIST—12:00n