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# *The Wave* - JUNE 2016

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*St. Peter's Episcopal Church-on-the-Canal - Buzzards Bay, Massachusetts*

*FROM THE RECTOR*  
*The Reverend Sue Lederhouse*

## **THE SEASON OF LONG GREEN**

And so we have arrived at that time. We're past all the celebrations of Christmas and Epiphany and the somber season of Lent and the emotional time of Holy Week leading to the joy of the Easter Season and the outpouring of the Spirit on Pentecost. We've passed the confusing mystery of Trinity Sunday and we're into "Long Green" – that seemingly endless season after Pentecost. This year the "Long Green" season really is LONG – very LONG – very GREEN! Because Easter was almost as early as it possibly can be, the season after Pentecost is just about as long as it can be. With just a few exceptions once we get into November and celebrate All Saints Sunday and Christ the King Sunday, from now until November 27, you will see green on the altar and green vestments on Deacon Bob and me. An endless sea of green.

But green is good.

Green has come to be the symbol for saving this planet Earth and we are trying to do that in a variety of ways at St. Peter's. Through our Capital Campaign fund, we have just purchased a more energy efficient refrigerator to replace the 20+ year old one that stopped working on Pentecost (despite the outpouring of the Spirit!) Through Diocesan Green Grants, we have been able to replace several doors and toilets as well as add a dishwasher and an on demand water heater. Our disposal contract with Cavossa allows us to recycle a variety of items as well. We now have energy efficient thermostats in most of the spaces in our church complex. And hopefully our Diocesan Congregational Development Grant will be approved and we will be able to purchase a more energy efficient stove.

Green also symbolizes growth and green symbolizes mission. Green means GO when we see it on a traffic light and green means GO when we see it Sunday by Sunday. Go and tell. Go and serve. Go and be God's people in the world. Go do the things that God has called each one of us to do. Go and be that one person that someone needs to meet – that someone needs to talk to. Go and tell the story. Go and be the living Gospel – the living Good News - to a world that so desperately needs it.

**GO GREEN!**

Blessings and love in Christ –  
Sue Lederhouse+

## THE DEACON'S CORNER

June is the beginning of summer here on the Cape. Even though we're told by merchants that summer doesn't officially start until July 4th weekend, we know different.

June .... fairly bursting with life, when the rhododendrons put out their softball-sized flowers, the ocean turns that beautiful shade of blue, the grass fairly jumps out of the ground in the front yard, our summer friends return, and we begin to venture out, after a long New England winter's hibernation, to get back in touch with the world.

It's also what Clergy call "Ordinary Time," or "The Long Green." We'll wear our green vestments for the next six months. Ordinary Time refers to the period of the Church's liturgical year that falls outside of the major seasons (Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter). In an article entitled "**What Does Ordinary Time Mean?**" Scott Richert explains:

"Ordinary Time is called 'ordinary' because the weeks are numbered. The Latin word *ordinalis*, which refers to numbers in a series, stems from the Latin word *ordo*, from which we get the English word order. Thus, Ordinary Time is in fact the ordered life of the Church—the period in which we live our lives neither in feasting (as in the Christmas and Easter seasons) or in more severe penance (as in Advent and Lent), but in watchfulness and expectation of the Second Coming of Christ."

So, watch and pray, and enjoy the beautiful month of June!

Peace,  
Deacon Robert Sherwood

## VISIBLE VESTRY

The Vestry held their monthly meeting on Monday, May 16, 2016.

1. Our May check from Waddle Books was for \$133.76
2. The Friends of the Cotuit Library are inviting us to take their leftover books after their Book Sale on July 9. Priscilla Ellis has volunteered to pick up the books on Saturday and bring them to church on the next day. Thank you to Priscilla, this is a huge help, as it saves someone from crossing the Bridge and returning on a high traffic July weekend.
3. The Congregational Development Grant has been completed and submitted on May 16. We very much need your prayers that we will be awarded this grant which is needed to replace our old worn out kitchen stove. Our current stove has served us and Friendly Kitchen faithfully for an amazing 40 years.
4. Rev. Sue, Lynne Brune and Henri Masson are in the process of having discussions with solar companies. Their first informational meeting is May 19 with one of several companies being considered. Information received from their meeting will be presented to Vestry next month.
5. There will be two baptisms on Sunday June 5. One at the 8:00 (the grandchild of Moe and Sally Gosselin) and one at the 10:00 service (The child of Amber Berio).

6. Rev. Sue and the Wardens will attend their second Diocesan Small Church Meeting on May 22 in Quincy.
7. Some of the Amazing Grace Camp leaders will attend both of our June 12th, 8:00 and 10:00 a.m., church services to talk about this year's Camp and how we can be involved in supporting this wonderful outreach activity.
8. We are hoping to welcome back Bruce Lederhouse to our 10:00 service as organist on May 29. There is no further update on John Platanitis, at this time. Again, we express our sincere thank you to Lisa Platanitis for her amazing music ministry that has kept us afloat during these past difficult weeks.
9. On June 26, July 3 and July 24, we are pleased to welcome a substitute organist, Tom Nordquist, a member of Christ Church/ Plymouth. Father Ken Campbell will be our supply priest for June 26 and July 3.
10. Our Fire Alarm Box and system have now been installed and brought up to current codes. Thank you to Henri Masson for all the hours spent at the church overseeing this multi-day project with the installer and the new Bourne Fire Chief.
11. We have been receiving ongoing donations for our yard sale and our November Holiday Fair. As you are spring cleaning out your home, please remember us, and feel free to leave your donations at the church on any Monday, Friday or Sunday.
12. Saturday, May 21 will be our annual clean up the yard day from 9:00 to 3:00. You don't need to stay for the entire time but any help is appreciated. Many hands have made for very light work in the past, thus requiring only about 3 hours of total trimming and weeding time.
13. Pentecost Sunday we were blessed with a total attendance of 140 folks!! In addition, our church ladies had a wonderful time of fellowship the next day at the annual spring luncheon at Lindsey's Restaurant. A record number of 24 ladies attended!!
14. Vestry approved a cap of \$4,000.00 to replace our kitchen refrigerator **(See Separate Article)**.
15. Vestry approved the following Fund Raising Event dates for this year.  
As these dates approach there will be sign-up sheets for volunteer help that will be needed.
  - a) July 4, Craft vendors will be using our lawn for their sales. The cost is \$50 per table and will not require any extra work from our church.
  - b) September 3, we will have our Fall Fair.
  - c) October 2, we will have our Yard Sale in conjunction with the Blessing of the Animals.
  - d) November 5, we will have our Holiday Fair.
  - e) September 11, we will have our Parish Picnic at Ursula Cinelli's house. If it rains we will have it at the church.
16. Deacon Bob attended the annual Clergy Conference with Rev. Sue. He also reported that the Bible Study sessions at Mass. Maritime are completed for this year, as students are now taking final exams to end the school year.
17. The next Vestry meeting will be a week earlier than usual on June 13.

Linda Masson, Senior Warden

## ***YOUR CAPITAL CAMPAIGN DOLLARS AT WORK!!!***

Pentecost Sunday was a fabulous day and thankfully ended on a very high note, however, the day did not start off that way. You may have heard by now that as parishioners arrived at church on Sunday morning, it was discovered that our refrigerator had lost its cooling capacity. A wonderful and expensive pork roast that was supposed to be used for the Friendly Kitchen meal on Monday had to be discarded, along with other perishables.

Henri Masson contacted a number of companies to see if we could get a repair man to assess the problem. New England Refrigeration from Wareham was quick to respond to our needs. The outcome of their service call was that it would cost us close to \$900 to fix the problem. Upon hearing this, Henri then contacted Highland Restaurant Supply Company to see what it would cost to replace the refrigerator. The cost was \$3,325.00, which included removal of the existing appliance. Since the part was difficult to get for a 20+ year old refrigerator, it would take over a week or perhaps longer to repair.

Vestry assessed the situation, and the practical decision was made to approve the purchase of a new refrigerator. The cost of this will be taken from the Capital Campaign Fund, which you all have so generously been donating to these past 3 years. We are so thankful for this emergency fund for capital expenses that sometimes come up suddenly and without warning. Your Capital Campaign dollars saved the day and will make a significant improvement in updating our kitchen with a newer more energy efficient refrigerator. Thank you, parishioners!!!!!!

Linda Masson, Senior Warden

## ***READERS, ACOLYTES, CHALICE BEARERS JULY 1 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2016 SCHEDULE***

I will be working on the new schedule in the next couple of weeks. If there are any dates you will not be available, please email me at [capegrammieb@comcast.net](mailto:capegrammieb@comcast.net), or call me at 508-833-8603, no later than June 10<sup>th</sup>.

Welcome to those of you who join us for the first time in serving St. Peter's. Those of you who continue to serve, thank you for giving of your time and talent.

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## ***GOD'S FAITHFUL STEWARDS***

We, God's Faithful Stewards, have been very busy with our outreach mission. Since our first meeting in February, we have:

- \* Constructed and delivered Blessing Bags for the diners at Friendly Kitchen
- \* Led an Easter craft and provided Easter story books to the young children at the Village at Cataumet
- \* Provided 15 Comfort Cases to the children living at Village at Cataumet, and 9 additional cases for incoming families

\* Led a Craft Night for the older children and adults at Village at Cataumet

\* Constructed 30 Blessing Bags for the homeless within our community

Thank you so very much to everyone who has made this possible. If you have donated your time, talent, ideas, supplies, or helped finance our outreach, you are doing God's work, and you are blessed, as well as a blessing!

A Craft Night at the Village at Cataumet was held on Wednesday, May 25, from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. This is an ongoing, monthly activity, so please consider joining us for one or more evenings. Many thanks to our creative Margery Buckingham for this great aspect of our outreach!

We are looking to the summer, (Yay!), and organizing a barbecue for the families at Village at Cataumet, so stay tuned as those plans develop! As always, we welcome any and all to join us at our next meeting on **Tuesday, June 21, at 6:30 p.m.** Hope to see you there!

Yours in Christ,

Karen McGuinness ([rubymoon777@aol.com](mailto:rubymoon777@aol.com); 508-367-9647)

## *THANKS BE TO GOD FOR. . .*

Lisa Platanitis and the choir who have done a wonderful job in providing music during this time when both John Platanitis and Bruce Lederhouse have been unable to play. What a wonderful gift they have been – and continue to be – for us!

Our new refrigerator and the people who have faithfully given to the Capital Campaign Fund who made it possible.

The 140 people who attended worship services on Pentecost – the largest number of people we have had for a Sunday service (non-Easter) in a VERY LONG TIME!

Those who will volunteer at the Amazing Grace Camp this summer.

Those who continue to give both items and their time to the Village at Cataumet month by month.

Those who will be baptized on June 5.

## *MORE THANK YOUS*

An appreciative “Thank You” to the sixteen people who helped weed, cut, trim, and rake on Saturday, May 21. The church yard looks wonderful. A shout out to David and Lynne Brune, Dianne Cartmill, Larry Higgins, Jim and Jane Lema, Kathy Letzeisen, Henri and Linda Masson, Mike, Patti, and Joseph Metcalf, Bob and Nancy Sherwood, Merry Smythe, and Mark Taylor.

Again, thank you!  
Lynne Brune

## ***BULLETIN PRAYER LIST UPDATE***

A new Prayer list will begin on **June 5**. Please submit your prayer requests on the yellow forms in the Narthex. You may place them in the offering plate or bring them to the Church Office or you can email them to [saintpeters@verizon.net](mailto:saintpeters@verizon.net)

### ***PANCAKE BREAKFAST - JUNE 5***

Our traditional first-Sunday-of-the-month Pancake Breakfast will be served on **Sunday, June 5, at 9:00 a.m.** Come and join us for pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausages, juice and coffee. All of this served up with ample smiles by our dedicated Pancake Breakfast team. **This will be the last Pancake Breakfast until October.**

### ***AMAZING GRACE CAMP PRESENTATION - JUNE 12***

On June 12, we will have the opportunity at both services to hear some more about the Amazing Grace Camp plans for this summer. The Rev. Carol Bolstad, Vice-President of the Board of Directors at Amazing Grace, will return to speak with us again.

Amazing Grace Camp is for children who currently have, or have had, a parent incarcerated. The camp experience demonstrates unconditional love, with the intention of breaking the chain of intergenerational incarceration. These children often suffer emotional trauma and are ostracized by peers and peer families. This leads to shame, low self-esteem, low trust and a greater risk of incarceration themselves.

This year the camp will run from **August 21 to August 26 at Camp Burgess in Sandwich**. Last year, six parishioners from St. Peter's (Jack and Nancy Kennedy, Karen McGuinness, and Deacon Bob and Nancy Sherwood) were actively involved as volunteers at the Camp. Amazing Grace can always use more volunteers and more financial support. Pray about how you might be able to help!

### ***WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY - JUNE 13***

On **JUNE 13**, we will be studying the woman in the Song of Solomon (also known as the Song of Songs) from the Old Testament. **This will be the LAST WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY until the FALL. Women's Bible Study will meet again on September 12 and 26, when we will be looking at some of the women associated with Moses.**

No previous Bible knowledge is required. A Bible is helpful but if you don't have one, we can provide one for you. **The group normally meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of each month at 12:30 p.m.** All women of the parish are invited. Bring a bag lunch and there will be coffee/tea and goodies provided.

### ***MEN'S BREAKFAST GATHERING - JUNE 18***

The men of the parish will join together for breakfast and a time of food and fellowship at **8:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 18, at Persy's Place, 3198 Cranberry Highway in East Wareham**. The restaurant is on the same side of the highway as Lindsey's, next to Upper Cape Realty. All men of the parish are cordially invited to attend. **This will be the last Men's Breakfast Gathering until the fall.** For more information, please contact Ken Lihzis ([Klihzis@gmail.com](mailto:Klihzis@gmail.com) / 774-212-0453).

## HEALING SERVICE - JUNE 19 - 9 A.M.

Each month, a faithful group of parishioners gather to join in a service of prayers for healing, anointing, and laying on of hands. This service is held on the third Sunday of the month, which will be **Sunday, June 19, at 9 a.m.**

## HELPING IN HAITI

I was fortunate enough to experience Haiti with a group of Britsionarys (what BeLikeBrit calls those who visit the orphanage) through a non-profit organization called BeLikeBrit (BLB). The organization was founded by Len and CherylAnn Gengel, the parents of Britney Gengel, a 19-year-old who was killed in the 2010 devastating earthquake in Haiti while volunteering with a group. In her last communication with her parents, she expressed her wish to move to Haiti and start an orphanage, and in her honor, they did just that. The orphanage is home to 66 children and has created employment for 100 Haitians.

The orphanage was our home for the week we were there. Most mornings started by watching the spectacular sunrises up on the rooftop. After breakfast, our mornings would be spent at the work site building homes for those in need. The people in need reach out to BLB for help, then BLB prioritizes the housing needs and we had the honor of building a home for Madame Saint Rosa. We would then return to the orphanage for lunch and then go off on excursions, sometimes up the mountains for hiking and observing breathtaking views of Haiti. Other excursions included a trip to the beach, the marketplace, and some voodoo temples. Before and after dinner, we spent quality time with the children playing volleyball, singing, dancing, reading books and just talking to them, as they are all doing so well learning English at the orphanage. Our evenings would end on the rooftop as a group for reflections sharing our highs and lows of the day.

In such a poverty-stricken country, the people of Haiti love what they have and they work so hard to get nowhere, yet they are all so appreciative and happy. Haiti is such a beautiful country, but yet the people are living in such poor conditions.

The goal of the organization is to have the orphanage self-sustaining, right now they have their own water filtration system, they have solar power and a generator to assist with the electricity, and they have 100 plants and trees for food supply. It is home to 66 beautiful children living and thriving in an earthquake-proof orphanage in Grand Goave, raising the next generation of leaders in Haiti.

BeLikeBrit is always in need of donations of all kinds; they have a list of items needed and they are always needing funding for education as well as keeping the orphanage running, or you can be a Britsionary as well. You can go to [www.BeLikeBrit.org](http://www.BeLikeBrit.org) for more information.

Lisa Zia (Sister of Mark Taylor and daughter of Jackie Taylor)

## OUR TALENTED YOUTH

MERCEDES SUAREZ has the lead role in *Once on This Island* at Bourne H.S. on June 2 @ 6:30 p.m.

DONOVIN TAVARES will be playing keyboard @ the St. Margaret's School talent show on June 6 @ 7 p.m.  
Congratulations to both of you!!

## YOUR GARDEN

*When you plant this garden, may God richly bless you in your sincere endeavor.*

### **Plant three rows of squash:**

1. *Squash gossip*
2. *Squash criticism*
3. *Squash indifference.*

### **Plant seven rows of peas:**

1. *Prayer*
2. *Promptness*
3. *Perseverance*
4. *Politeness*
5. *Preparedness*
6. *Purity*
7. *Patience*

### **Plant seven heads of lettuce:**

1. *Let us be unselfish and loyal*
2. *Let us be faithful to duty*
3. *Let us search the Scriptures*
4. *Let us not be weary in well doing*
5. *Let us be obedient in all things*
6. *Let us be truthful*
7. *Let us love one another*

### **No garden is complete without turnips**

1. *Turn up for Church*
2. *Turn up for meetings, in prayer and Bible study*
3. *Turn up with a smile, even when things are difficult*
4. *Turn up with determination to do your best in God's service.*

*After planting, may you grow in Grace and in knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (2 Peter 3:18). And may you reap rich results. "The measure of a person's character is what he would do if he knew he would never be found out." To the world, you may be one person, but to one person, you may be the world.*

**PRAISE THE LORD!**

(Submitted by Barbara Cain)



## *INGATHERING FOR THE VILLAGE AT CATAUMET*

St. Peter's has for several years provided aid to the families living temporarily at the Village at Cataumet. Parishioners have supplied various needs, choosing a different category each month. **During the month of June, we will be collecting anything for the beach, such as sunscreen, beach toys for children, beach balls, etc.** Seasonal children's clothing in good condition is always acceptable. The items can be left in the Narthex in the provided baskets under the pews.

Thank you to all parishioners who participate in this wonderful outreach. These donations have been so gratefully received by families who have endured a period of homelessness.

### *FROM THE PARISH SECRETARY*

After services, please put bulletin inserts in the Narthex table basket to be re-used. Music inserts and special prayer service pages can be re-used week-by-week or season-by-season. Doing this will help keep down paper and printing costs. We encourage you to take home the bulletin itself to review the announcements for activities you might like to participate in or lend your special talents to, and to pray for those on our parish prayer list throughout the week. Thank you and God Bless! Kathy Letzeisen

### *NEWSLETTER DEADLINE*

The Newsletter Deadline for the **July** issue is **Friday, June 17, 2016**. Send all articles to Susan Hebb at [susanhebb@comcast.net](mailto:susanhebb@comcast.net).

## *JUNE 2016*

2	Thursday	6:00 p.m.	<b>Deanery at Christ Church / Plymouth</b>
5	Sunday	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	<b>Baptism Pancake Breakfast Baptism</b>
9	Thursday	4:30 p.m.	<b>Brownies</b>
12	Sunday		<b>Amazing Grace presentations at both services</b>
13	Monday	11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	<b>Last Bible Study until the Fall Last Women's Bible Study until the Fall Vestry</b>
17	Friday		<b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b>
18	Saturday	8:00 a.m.	<b>Men's Breakfast Gathering</b>
19	Sunday	9:00 a.m.	<b>Healing Service</b>
21	Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	<b>God's Faithful Stewards (Outreach)</b>

### *Upcoming Dates*

<b>July 4</b>	<b>Vendors on the Lawn</b>	<b>September 3</b>	<b>Fall Fair</b>
<b>September 11</b>	<b>Parish Picnic</b>	<b>October 1</b>	<b>Yard Sale</b>
<b>October 1</b>	<b>Blessing of the Animals</b>	<b>November 4-5</b>	<b>Diocesan Convention</b>
<b>November 5</b>	<b>Holiday Fair</b>	<b>November 6</b>	<b>All Saints Sunday</b>

## *Weekly Schedule*

Sundays	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I Holy Eucharist, Rite II
Mondays	10:00 – 4:00 11:00 a.m. 5:15 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Church Office Open Bible Study <b>[LAST BIBLE STUDY - JUNE 13]</b> Friendly Kitchen AA (Men's Closed Meeting)
Wednesdays	7:30 p.m.	AA (Co-ed Open Meeting)
Fridays	10:00 – 4:00	Church Office Open

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