

The Shamrock



July Calendar

Sundays	8 am Worship service 9 am Christian Education 10 am Worship service
Wednesdays	11:30 am Healing service 12 Noon Bible study 6 pm Inquirer's class
Thursdays	10 am - 2 pm Food boxes 2 pm Prayer quilters 7 pm Faith Formation
Mon. July 4	Independence Day Office closed
Tue. July 5	Women's Bible Study
Wed. July 6	6-8p Inquirer's class
Thu. July 7	4-5:30p Choir rehearsal
Fri. July 8	No potluck - picnic 24th
Sat. July 9	9a Quilting workshop
Sun. July 10	African Min. Jewelry sale Kathy Donahue preaching
Mon. July 11	1p ECW meeting
Tue. July 12	Women's Bible Study
Wed. July 13	6-8p Inquirer's class
Fri. July 15	6:30p Choral workshop
Sat. July 16	8:30a Men's Fellowship 9a-4p Choral workshop
Sun. July 17	African Min. Jewelry sale 2-5p Choral rehearsal 5p Sun. Night Unplugged
Mon. July 18	12p DOK luncheon
Tue. July 19	Women's Bible Study
Wed. July 20	6-8p Inquirer's class <u>August Shamrock deadline</u>
Sun. July 24	African Min. Jewelry sale Church Picnic @White's
Wed July 27	6-8p Inquirer's Class
Thu. July 28	8:30a Loaves & Fishes

From the Pulpit

Dear Fellow Pilgrims of the Way:
 Summer has finally arrived. The winds still seem abnormally strong, but the weather is absolutely outstanding. Most of the snow in the high country has melted and the rivers are a white water dream. The critters have come out of hibernation and already many of you have seen bears prowling around your homes and neighborhoods. The mountains are calling: it is time to hike, camp, and explore the beauty which surrounds us.



It did not take long after my arrival to Pagosa Springs to realize that the calendar for our church is upside down. In case you did not know, in most Episcopal Churches, both the ministry and attendance take a summer vacation. But not here! Our parish family does many wonderful things from October to April. But our life together intensifies significantly during the summer months. First, we welcome back all our summer associate members. It is truly a joyful reunion to greet many dear friends that we have not seen for nine months or more. I know that I am energized by the arrival of our associate members and I suspect that our entire parish family feels the same way.

Our life together is also strengthened by the additional ministry and fellowship opportunities that are added during the summer months. This year we have the spirituality groups studying Sarah

Berlin's book called *Contemplative Compassion* and a new women's bible study. St. Patrick's has invited Peter Schindler to join us again to conduct a choir workshop that will benefit choristers from the entire community. We will have our full

consort of golf, hiking, and fishing groups and will continue our numerous outreach ministries. There is always plenty for everyone to do as we prepare for the Shamrock Festival, our major fundraising event of the year. During the summer, we also use additional lectors for our 10:00 Sunday service,

so our associate members can participate in that ministry, too. And this is our summer to finish the labyrinth.

I have also set personal goals for the summer. I want to climb Pagosa Peak. A member of our church has graciously volunteered to guide me to the top. I have to say that I am quite excited about huffing and puffing my way up our local 13,000 foot peak! As many of you already know, I will be submitting the manuscript for my book to our publisher. This has been a four and a half year project and it is personally exciting to see it come to the next stage of development. Your prayers, support and time listening to me ramble about first century food and feasts has actually been quite helpful. I do hope and pray that all of us will take time this summer for some moments of solitude, dedicated to

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being in the presence of God. This can happen on the side of a mountain, sitting in our church, or relaxing on a back porch. Time of solitude with God is always time well spent.

Your fellow Pagosa Pilgrim,
Fr. Doug

Faith Formation Community - Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.
The book to be studied is *Contemplative Compassion: Creating a Culture Of Care in Faith Communities* written by Rev. Sarah Berlin. The group will run through the summer, meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall library. Come and join anytime. For more information contact Barbara Ward at 731-0452.



Weeds Be Gone;

Have you noticed the new gardens? Have you noticed the weeds....help our church look its best by pulling a few weeds as you walk up the walkways. There is a covered plastic trash can by the door into the Sunday School classroom on the west side of the building, near the white plastic chairs. Put your weeds in the trash can, and help our "house" look its best. If you feel really energetic the office has a key to the shed where you will find Round-up, ready to be sprayed on those lovely dandelions and chickweeds. Thanks, Lynne

From the Senior Warden...

IT'S SUMMER!

How many reminders do you need? The calendar says its June 22; the thermometer says it's 88, and did you see all those familiar "summer faces" that have been showing up in church the last few Sundays? What a glorious time the Lord has provided us, especially here in Pagosa Springs...and at St. Patrick's. Did you look over the schedule of events planned for the next few months? It seems like there is something for everyone and we hope you participate. Most people say that fellowship at St. Patrick's is one of our strong suits, and we ask you to participate, to enjoy one another.

But being Senior Warden I have to ask more of you, both our regular year-round members and our Summer Associates. Activities don't just happen; they take lots of planning and lots of implementing. St. Patrick's has a rich resource base, both here in Pagosa and from all the members who come from a wide variety of parishes across Texas and the southwest. Let's blend all that experience and enthusiasm together for the growth of St. Patrick's and for the betterment of your spiritual experience. We have social events planned, Bible studies, the Shamrock Festival, etc. Join in and make Summer 2011 a special time for you, for St. Patrick's and for Pagosa Springs. Together we will make this summer special!!

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus (Phillipians 2:4).

Jim Vierbicher, Sr. Warden

Help Wanted

Shamrock Newsletter – Temporary newsletter editor desperately seeking replacement. Please contact Joan Scott or the church office.

Men's Fellowship - Opening for new leader. If you can help with men's activities this year, please contact the office, Fr. Doug or Jim Vierbicher.

A big "yee haw" and thank you to the members of St. Patrick's who recently supported LASSO at the Tim Sullivan Benefit and to those who have generously supported the horse rescue in the past. St. Patrick's is truly a generous, loving community and the LASSO Board wants you to know that you are much appreciated.

Gracias!

Women's Bible Study

Women: mark your calendars now!

A Women's Bible Study is underway to study Women of the Old Testament. The study will consist of four weekly meetings with a different discussion leader each week. The first meeting will be Tuesday, June 28, at the home of Elinor Dickson where she will lead a discussion about Eve, the first woman mentioned in the Bible.

The second night's study will focus on Miriam and will be led by Sara Hoklotubbe at her home on Tuesday, July 5. Barbara Ward will lead the study of Esther and Kate Ellison's study choice will be announced soon. Stay tuned for more information.

Scripture assignments and study questions will be provided prior to each week's meeting by the discussion leaders and will be available through the church office. The information will also be distributed by email so participants can come prepared to discuss each of these interesting women.

Plan now to join in this fun study and bring along a friend to learn about the Women of the Old Testament. For more information, you may contact Elinor Dickson, Sara Hoklotubbe, Barbara Ward, or Kate Ellison.



All Women of the Parish

Please come for lunch and fellowship with the members of the St. Anne's Chapter of Daughters of the King on Monday, July 18. We will have lunch at the Asian restaurant downtown at noon to enjoy each other's company and to visit with some members of the parish that are not able to be at Sunday service. Everyone is welcome to attend the mid summer gathering.

Please call Sally High at 799-1693 or email sallyhigh@skywerx.com



July Celebrations Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1 Dick Boblit
Joyce Howay
Cheryl Staggers
Bill & Sue Gottschalk
- 2 Chuck Bankhead
- 4 Judy Cole
Robert Pohly
- 7 Sally High
Rob Cole
Sharon Garrison
- 8 Ben Collins
- 9 Cherlyn Gwin
- 11 Evan I. Greer
Aidan O'Donnell
- 16 Nancy Crouse
B. Ann & Don Luffel
- 17 Linda & Spanky Warren
John & Carol Knapp
- 18 Stephanie Jones
- 19 Tom Greenly
Jan Wittwer
- 20 Annie O'Donnell
- 22 Nolan Kay
George Greenberg
Bob & Kathy Pohly
- 23 Sally Neel
- 25 Bart & Jackie Cox
- 26 Derek Caudle
- 27 Anne Grad

Directory Updates

Hoklotubbe, Eddie & Sara	New home phone: 970-804-3616
Kay, Chantelle	New PO Box: Box 3699
Pohly, Bob & Kathy	New home: 20400 Keystone Ct., Bend, OR 97702
Page, Bob & Margaret	New home: 110 Wine Cup Way, Georgetown, TX 78633, 512-863-9753
Howay, Joyce	New home: 6101 Ohio Dr., #1403, Plano, TX 75024, 408-499-3495

Report from the Jr. Warden

Here it is summer and the wildflowers are returning to brighten our highways and pastures. Our dear summer friends are returning and our town is hopping with summer tourists and friendly folks trying to figure out where the pancake mix is at City Market. I hope that those of you who are returning to your second homes are finding everything intact, and that with a couple of passes of the broom or vacuum things are feeling like home again.

I trust you received my very chatty letter about what is happening at St. Patrick's this summer and that you found something of interest. The Shamrock Festival this year is a week earlier than usual, so I am making my plea for help now because by the time the August newsletter comes out it will be too late.

So, what we need is the following:

1. Donations for the Garage Sale: any Saturday from 9 until noon - drop off at Airport Storage on Piedra Road. Stop at the storage office and they will let you in and tell you where our unit is.
2. Donations for the Silent Auction: Siri Schuchardt and Sharon Garrison are waiting for your donations...or call the church office where Charlotte can take your items and store them at church. We have a tax donation form if you would like, so we would love donations of great value! Please don't wait until the last minute to make your donation.
3. Cocktail Party and Dinner: Nancy Williams, Patti Bankhead, Susan Thorpe and Marlene Meiners are the organizers of this event. The caterer has been chosen, now they need help with donations of appetizers for the cocktail party and names of people who would be willing to help with set up, also the preparation of dessert for the dinner.
4. Publicity: Sally Neel is working this by herself and could really use some assistance. If you can take a picture for the newspaper or help write articles, Sally would greatly appreciate your help.

As we get closer to the event there will be sign-up sheets in the Narthex, and broadcast emails about places and times to show up to help move, collect and set up. As our only fund raiser of the year in support of our Outreach Program, we need everyone to participate in some way. Please consider what your donation will be and if you have questions about how you can help either contact one of the ladies above or give me a call.

Lynne McCrudden, 264-4629

Asparagus with horseradish

Toss asparagus with olive oil, salt and pepper. Roast about 10 minutes at 450 degrees.

Mix 2½ Tbsp unsalted butter, 1½ Tbsp horseradish, 1/8 tsp salt. Toss with roasted asparagus.

Recipe courtesy of Sharon Vierbicher

Silent Auction

We are now looking for quality silent auction items - new or ever so slightly used that they look "new". Anything will be considered: several years ago we sold a motor home and last year we sold an elliptical machine. Gift baskets are always popular as is artwork, hand crafted items, time share units, children's items, and items that people can bid on for Christmas presents. Please try to help out with the auction this year by donating one or more items. Large item pick up can be arranged and smaller items may be brought to the church or to the storage unit on Piedra Road on Saturday mornings in care of Joanne Ferko. All donations are tax deductible.



For more information please call Siri Schuchardt 731-9670 or Sharon Garrison at 731-1701.

Monday Golf

We have been blessed with almost perfect conditions for the past several weeks. Sadly, I cannot say as much for the quality of play. Fellowship and fun are what are important and what our golf outings are all about. Now that we have almost a full complement of Associate Members on board, I would encourage each and every one of you who wishes to join us to do so. All levels of play are welcomed. We have a special deal with the club that is hard to beat. Tee times start on Mondays at 11:00 am but we often have been able to go off a bit earlier so it is better to be there at 10:30 or so. If you are at all interested or have any questions, please contact Rudy Sapper at 731-1727, or email guatesapo77@centurytel.net



Outreach



Dear Friends:

The last month has found Katherine and me on several river trips which, I admit, has taken my focus elsewhere. In the meantime, our major Outreach efforts since my last note have been on the Food Bank program. I thought it would

be good for me to give some well-deserved kudos to various folks and tell you what their roles have been. The food is purchased based on a well-balanced but cost-effective menu that was developed by Cherlyn Gwin. She also developed a protocol for ordering the food supplies from City Market which buys the items for us in bulk quantities. Bill Gottschalk is now our lead in ordering food but, with his recent wrist surgery (healing well!), the lead has been taken by Chuck Bankhead. The menu is set up for items that are given out each week, some that are given out every other week, and those given out monthly.

The pantry area, helpfully cleaned up and organized by the Men's Group some months back, is now easily scanned to see what needs to be ordered. Your donated food items asked for in the Order of Service are on these shelves along with the purchased items. Next, we come to the amazing filling of the boxes by Erica and Mark DeVoti. I watched one Wednesday evening as Mark rapidly and with the expertise of long experience completed 20 food boxes to be ready for handing out the next day. Each Thursday we schedule two persons for each of the two-hour segments of food box handouts. Nancy Williams and Sue Gottschalk have faithfully handled this task and/or found volunteers to help. Here is the satisfaction end of the process - providing much needed food boxes to individuals and families who come to our door.

I really encourage you to consider volunteering two hours and have the chance to meet some really great people who come to us in need! It brings home the meaning of our Christian faith in sharing with those in need in a way that is very gratifying and satisfying. Thank you to each of these persons I have mentioned as well as those many others of you who volunteer your time and treasure to support this key outreach effort. Next month I will tell you more about the Loaves and Fishes program and our role in that community lunch program.

May God bless each of you for supporting our own church family and as well as those in our community.

Tom Cruse, Vestry member for Outreach

Rifle Raffle

A Ruger M 77 Hawkeye Rifle, 7MM Magnum with Nikon 3-9x40 Scope has been donated to the Men's Fellowship to raffle off to raise money for Outreach at St. Patrick's. The rifle and scope are on display at Eagle Mountain Mercantile.

Raffle tickets may be purchased there, at the Outfitter or from Jim Dorian or David Brooks.

The drawing will be September 9, 2011, at approximately 6:30 PM, just in time for the fall hunting season. The tickets are \$20 each and only 250 tickets will be sold. Your odds of winning is better than buying a lottery ticket!

You need not be present to win but must be able to clear a state background check.



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Angel Eyes "S.I.D.S." Lobster/Steak Fundraiser

Our annual "Lobster Day" was a big success at our new location, the Pagosa Brewing Co. on Sat., June 18. We thank everyone who supported this event and who brought wonderful dishes for our huge "sides & desserts" buffet.

We had great weather and were comfortable outside, under the big tent. This year was our 30th for hosting this dinner, and it was our best ever, thanks to all the help & support of St. Patrick's.

Some facts: The biggest single party from Denver this year had 70 lobsters; we had 62! Of all the participating mountain towns, Pagosa had the highest turnout by far. Thanks to everyone, we raised over \$2,600 for SIDS support to families.

Thanks again, and God Bless!

Ken & Dinah Rogers

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.



To the Daughters of the King for sponsoring the "Simplicity of the Spiritual Life" Workshop with Rev. Sara Berlin. Joanne and Jim Ferko provided their apartment for the Berlin's stay. Barbara Ward and Charlotte Jones were workshop hosts. Nancy Williams and Sue Gottschalk were on the clean-up detail. Your help is appreciated.

The Frezia Family for all the donations made from the James and Pat Frezia Estate. Generous donations of food, furnishings, books, and garage sale items are greatly appreciated.

The Habitat for Humanity house build continues thanks to Jim Dorian, Jim Vierbicher, and Jeff Schaupp. Many thanks to all who helped with the Habitat build day, especially our visitor, Bill Smith.

Our Kitchen Angel for the month of June was Lynne McCrudden. Thanks to Lynne and others who helped her in the kitchen.

The altar guild continues their work week after week. Although it isn't said often enough, your ministry is appreciated by all.

The Pentecost gospel readers who read the gospel in foreign languages, including Charlotte Jones, Ron Jyleen, Sara Hoklotubbe, Ellen Seyler, Linda Warren, and Fr. Doug. This was our first time to hear the gospel read in Cherokee.

Again, the Food Box Distribution team has worked hard to distribute, purchase, stack food, and minister to the people who pick up boxes. Team members include Mark and Erica DeVoti, Nancy Williams, Sue Gottschalk, Sandy Artzberger, Carolyn Shipman, Mary Bailey, Patty and Chuck Bankhead, Tom Cruse, Mary Ann Stewart, and Don MacLeod.

To Kathy and Bob Pohly for all they have done for St. Patrick's. The newsletters, working with the Men's Fellowship, and always supporting the ministries of St. Patrick's just to mention a few. The Pohly's have donated a new park bench and boxes of office supplies to St. Pats that will save us money for a long time. They will be missed by all.

Our choir for their musical support all year. During the summer, they will be sitting in the congregation and singing only during the offertory and communion. Your devotion and talents are appreciated.

Robert Neel earned kudos for teaching and participating with the Community United Methodist Church and John Paul II Vacation Bible School. Father Doug Neel taught classes also. Thank you, Robert and Father Doug for representing St. Patrick's in the community.

Special thanks to all the ECW women for making the cookies for the "No Bake – Bake Sale". The sale was a huge success! Thanks also to everyone who donated toward this worthy cause.

The Lobster Potluck Dinner was a most delightful evening. Dinah and Kenny Rogers did a wonderful job of planning, coordinating, getting

the live lobsters to town, with all of it benefiting the "Angel Eyes" (S.I.D.S.) foundation. Also thanks to Susie Reno for assisting and Fr. Doug for cooking lobsters.

All of the "Baby Bottle Boomerang" bottles have returned with money inside! Thanks to all who helped support the Pagosa Pregnancy Support Center. St. Patrick's continues to be a loving and supporting community.

Another thank you to Jim Dorian and all who helped work on the Labyrinth again. We will now be able to have the Youth Group from Dallas help put the finishing touches on the Labyrinth.



2011 Shamrock Festival Raffle Quilt

Each year St. Patrick's quilters make a beautiful handmade quilt to be raffled off at the annual Shamrock Festival with all proceeds benefitting Archuleta County non-profit charitable organizations. This year's quilt is named "Pagosa Peaks" and is representative of the colors we find in our area. It is queen size with matching pillow shams and made of 100% cotton fabrics from Eagle Mountain Mercantile.

Tickets are available in the parish hall after Sunday services, in the church office, or by calling Joan Scott at 731-1727. The drawing will be held on August 13, 2011, and you do not need to be present to win.

Recipe courtesy of Sharon Vierbicher:

Island Grilled Halibut

- 2 cloves garlic
- ¼ tsp ground white pepper
- 2 Tbsp sugar
- 1/3 cup soy sauce
- 6 Tbsp corn oil
- 3 green onions, chopped
- 1 Tbsp sesame seeds
- 6 halibut steaks, 1 inch thick

Combine marinade ingredients and pour over halibut steaks. Cover and marinate in refrigerator overnight. Place steaks on grill and cook 7 minutes per side or until fish flakes easily.



Sunday Worship Schedule

July 3		
Chalice:	8 am 10 am	Ron Jyleen Ken & Charlotte Jones
Lector:		Katherine Cruse
Ushers:		Bill & Nancy Crouse
Greeter:		Charlotte Jones

July 10		
Chalice:	8 am 10 am	Ron Jyleen Tom Thorpe, Don MacLeod
Lector:		Barbara Ward
Ushers:		Tom & Katherine Cruse
Greeter:		Linda Altman

July 17		
Chalice:	8 am 10 am	Linda Warren Ken Rogers, Bill Crouse
Lector:		Bryan Sickbert
Ushers:		Jim & Becky Dorian
Greeter:		Connie O'Donnell

July 24		
Chalice:	8 am 10 am	Ron Jyleen Jan Wittwer, Don MacLeod
Lector:		Sally High, Bart Cox
Ushers:		Rudy Sapper & Joan Scott
Greeter:		Becky Dorian

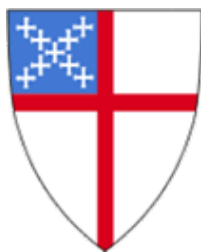
July 31		
Chalice:	8 am 10 am	Ron Jyleen Ken & Charlotte Jones
Lector:		Cherlyn Gwin
Ushers:		Don MacLeod, Ken Rogers
Greeter:		Carl & Elizabeth Fischer

Deadline for the August Shamrock Newsletter is Wednesday, July 20.

Please email your articles, along with any relevant photos, to jscott77@centurytel.net, note "Shamrock Newsletter" in the subject line.

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St. Patrick's is God's House, open to all: a Community called to love and serve the Lord by God's grace with joy and gratitude.

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