

# The Epistle

## Warden's Wonderings

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Melinda Rucinski challenged me to post on Facebook three things for which I was grateful each day for seven days. So I thought that gratitude would make an excellent topic for this month's Warden Wonderings.

Merriam-Webster Dictionary defines gratitude as a feeling of appreciation or thanks.

Melanie Greenberg, Ph.D. wrote in an article in *Psychology Today*:

"Experiencing and expressing *gratitude* is an important part of any *spiritual* practice. It opens the heart and activates positive emotion centers in the *brain*. Regular practice of gratitude can change the way our brain neurons fire into more positive automatic patterns. The positive emotions we evoke can soothe distress and broaden our thinking patterns so we develop a larger and more expansive view of our lives. Gratitude is an emotion of connectedness, which reminds us we are part of a larger universe with all living things.

"To begin bringing gratitude into your life, you can deliberately meditate on all the things in your own life that

help you or give you pleasure. You can also write a gratitude diary, posting pictures and writing about the things you feel grateful for each day. Gratitude can lead to feelings of love, appreciation, *generosity*, and compassion, which further open our hearts and help rewire our brains to fire in more positive ways."

I have a friend who teaches a class in journaling: a Gratitude Journal does not have to be difficult.

1. Buy a spiral bound notebook. With all the back to school specials, you should be able to pick one up for under \$1.00.

2. Leave it on the night stand with a pen or pencil.

3. Before going to bed, review the day and include anything, big and small, that was a source of gratitude. Your entries don't have to be long. An example of one of mine today is, "I looked up from writing the newsletter and saw a humming bird getting nectar from the blooms on the hostas."

4. Begin looking for the positive every day.

5. If you want to be more creative, you can include pictures, articles, quotes

you've read, newspaper clippings, etc.

The more negative my day, the harder I look for positive things to write down. Ending the day by entering in your journal puts you in a positive state of mind. And you are more likely start off the next day with a positive attitude.

While doing a little research for this article, I came across the following quotations that I liked:

"Let us be grateful to people who make us happy; they are the charming gardeners who make our souls blossom."

~ Marcel Proust

"If the only prayer you say in your life is thank you, that would suffice."

~ Meister Eckhart

### Be Thankful

Be thankful that you don't already have everything you desire. If you did, what would there be to look forward to?

Be thankful when you don't know something, For it gives you the opportunity to learn.

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## Episcopal Youth Community

August is pretty quiet for the Youth Group. We have no Wednesday evening meetings scheduled this month. We are trying to plan two separate Saturdays this month to go to the Zoo and the Aquarium in Cleveland. We are trying to find a Saturday that works the best for most of us.

Our four youth who attended EYE in Philadelphia are back and ready to share the five points of mission with

everyone. It was a remarkable week for everyone, myself included. I am always amazed by how much our youth grow spiritually in their lives and the transformations they make. God is truly at work in them. Juliana Powell, Dylan Powell, Nicholas Coyle and Hannah Rucinski are our youth who attended this year. Please take the time to talk to them at Coffee Hour on Sundays and ask them about their experience.

Youth Group will resume on Wednesday night, September 10.

*Mary Anthony,*  
Youth Group Advisor



## Wardens Wonderings (cont)

Be thankful for the difficult times. During those times you grow.

Be thankful for your limitations, because they give you opportunities for improvement.

Be thankful for each new challenge, because it will build your strength and character.

Be thankful for your mistakes. They will teach you valuable lessons.

Be thankful when you're tired and weary, because it means you've made a difference.

It is easy to be thankful for the good things. A life of rich fulfillment comes to those who are also thankful for the setbacks.

GRATITUDE can turn a negative into a positive. Find a way to be thankful for your troubles and they can become your blessings.  
~ **Author Unknown**

*Chris Fulton*  
Senior Warden

## Christian Education

Soon our children will be back in school. Classes begin in Medina the middle of this month. Where does time go? August will be a time to start getting ready for Sunday School 2014-2015, though we will not start for another month.

Storytime continues through the summer for children ages 3 to 7. Our older children are in church with their parents during the summer. The stories the children will hear during this month are Sunday, August 3, the Story of Jacob, Sunday, August 10, The Story of Joseph, Sunday, August 17, the Story of Moses, and Sun-

day, August 24, the Story of Ruth.

On Sunday, August 24 there will be a parent meeting following the 10 a.m. service. We will meet in the Common Room. This meeting will be to discuss the upcoming school year. This is the time to sign up to teach.

All classrooms are in Canterbury House now so we will once again have a 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade class. We will be using the curriculum *Weaving God's Promises* in the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades. Teachers will be needed for this class as well as for the *Godly Play* class. All teachers must be Safeguard

trained. I will be holding training classes in September.

I will also hold training classes for those new to the *Godly Play* method of teaching and for those who have taught in the *Godly Play* class but would like a refresher. Watch for those dates to be posted.

Looking ahead, Rally Sunday will be Sunday, September 7 and Sunday School will start Sunday, September 14.

Enjoy these last weeks of summer with your families.

*Mary Anthony*  
Director of Religious Education

# *Holy Land Potluck*

September 5 — 6:00 p.m.

*Come share the Funstons' Pilgrimage!*

## Worship Ministers

### August 3

*8:00 am*

Mary Jane Brewer (1<sup>st</sup>)  
Jeff Berno (2<sup>nd</sup> & LEM)  
Chuck Catanese (PoP & LEM)

*10:00 am*

Marc Stamper (1<sup>st</sup>)  
Paul Bunner (2<sup>nd</sup>)  
Linda Garman (Ps & LEM)  
Mary Anthony (PoP & LEM)  
Roger Tiffany (LEM)  
Hannah Rucinski (acolyte)

### August 10

*8:00 am*

Marial Bulmer (1<sup>st</sup>)  
Hildegarde Bender (2<sup>nd</sup> & LEM)  
Barbara Baird (PoP & LEM)

*10:00 am*

Judy Delahoyde (1<sup>st</sup>)  
Eldon Bush (2<sup>nd</sup>)  
Tim Scheel (Ps & LEM)  
Kim Kelly (PoP & LEM)

Gary Garman (LEM)  
TBA (acolyte)

### August 17

*8:00 am*

Ted Freas (1<sup>st</sup>)  
Kathy Stehno (2<sup>nd</sup> & LEM)  
Jeff Berno (PoP & LEM)

*10:00 am*

Linda Darling (1<sup>st</sup>)  
Bobbie Foy (2<sup>nd</sup>)  
Shirley Brown (Ps & LEM)  
Linda Garman (PoP & LEM)  
Craig Kolendo (LEM)  
Nicholas Coyle (acolyte)

### August 24

*8:00 am*

Sue Potterton (1<sup>st</sup>)  
Chuck Catanese (2<sup>nd</sup> & LEM)  
Hildegarde Bender (PoP & LEM)

*10:00 am*

Dennis Foy (1<sup>st</sup>)  
Joe Mahn (2<sup>nd</sup>)  
Carol Goslee (Ps & LEM)

Gary Garman (PoP & LEM)  
Evelyn Funston (LEM)  
Dylan Powell (acolyte)

### August 31

*8:00 am*

Mary Jane Brewer (1<sup>st</sup>)  
Barbara Baird (2<sup>nd</sup> & LEM)  
Jeff Berno (PoP & LEM)

*10:00 am*

Sandra Herbst (1<sup>st</sup>)  
Vicki Sizemore (2<sup>nd</sup>)  
Kim Kelly (Ps & LEM)  
Kirsten Lisi (acolyte)





## Birthdays

8/1	Barbara Fieger	8/7	Jennifer Bender	8/22	Lynda Erickson
8/3	Linda Bostwick	8/9	Kathryn Calco		Roger Tiffany
	Ken Demers	8/11	Jane Maurer	8/26	Bobbie Badovick
8/4	Gina Turella	8/13	Doreen Phillips	8/28	Juliana Powell
8/5	Russ Huston	8/14	Margaret Wadsworth	8/31	Bill Kelly



## Anniversaries

8/7	Dennis & Bobbie Foy	8/24	Steve & Melinda Rucinski
8/11	Roger & Kathy Buhovecky	8/25	Lou & Patti Papesh
8/15	Tim & Bertie Stamper	8/29	Craig & Lorraine Dorer
8/16	Bill & Kim Kelly		Nevada & Roberta Johnson
8/20	Stephen & Karen Foley		



## Prayers & Thanksgiving

**At All Times**  
 Our National Church  
 Our Armed Forces  
 Our President &  
 National Leaders

**For Healing & Strength.**  
 Hildegard Bender  
 Barbara Blair  
 Amy Boster  
 Patti Buckelew  
 Kathy Catanese  
 Susan Doraty  
 Darleen Duke  
 Gwendolyn Eagleson  
 Emily Felton  
 Caitlin Funston

Elizah Gattiker  
 Linda Irvin  
 Paula Kampf  
 Jim Kasel  
 Bob Keller  
 Kirsten Lisi  
 Seth Lisi  
 Martha & Harvey  
 Petersen  
 Elizabeth Rucinski  
 Dylan Ruesch  
 Allie Santodomingo  
 Bill Shiel  
 Ray Sizemore, Jr.  
 Ray Sizemore, Sr.  
 Michelle Sullivan  
 Becky Tough

**Thanksgiving for a Healthy Birth**  
 Samantha Marcille Pfahl

**For Healthy Pregnancies**  
 Michael & Patrick  
 Funston  
 Kate & Andrew Johnson  
 Jennifer & Steve Leider  
 Jeni & Matt Scheel  
 Michelle & Brett  
 Thomas

## Rector's Reflection

### *The Community Is a Mosaic*



*41 million!* That's the number of tiles (tesserae) in the mosaics which cover the walls, arches, domes, and vaulted ceilings of the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis, the Roman Catholic cathedral in the Missouri city of the same name.

*41 million!* I heard that number several times from the volunteer docent who guided my daughter and me, and several others, through the cathedral when I visited Caitlin last month. 41 million tiles, nearly all no bigger than 1/4 inch square, put in place under the watchful supervision of (if not personally by) two immigrant mosaicists (a father-son team) over a 76-year span from 1912 to 1988.

*41 million!* They are assembled into pictures of prominent persons in St. Louis city history, stories of the life of St. Louis of France, portraits from Hebrew history, of saints of the church and of angels of heaven, scenes from the life of Christ, verses of scripture, Celtic knotwork (with dragons!), Moorish tracery, floral designs. One could spend days in the cathedral and not really see all of the mosaic art it contains.

*41 million!* We followed our guide through the narthex (where St. Louis's life is portrayed), down the center aisle of the nave (as she pointed out the important events of the city's history depicted on

the walls), up to the crossing (where the arches are decorated with saints and angels in scenes of judgment, justice, and mercy).

*41 million!* An interesting fact, that number, but hardly the point of the mosaicists' work; they weren't installing 41 million tiles - they were creating a whole cathedral full of scenes, pictures, and designs; they were creating a work of religious art, not a collection of individual tiles. Our docent's focus on the number of tesserae detracted from appreciation of the overall beauty of the work. We left the tour group.

A few weeks before that, I was standing on a light rail metropolitan transit platform in Jerusalem discussing the Israeli-Palestinian political situation with some friends (the fighting had not yet erupted in Gaza) when a Jewish woman approached us and joined our conversation. Her name is Marguerita and she is an immigrant from Nicaragua; she has lived in Israel for fourteen years.

She is what is called a "secular Jew" -- she is ethnically Jewish and identifies with the Zionist project of a Jewish homeland, but she is not particularly religiously active or observant. Her dress and the fact that she was willing to engage in conversation with a group composed mostly of Gentile men was evidence that she is certainly not a member of one of the Orthodox

groups. During our conversation, in which we all agreed that the situation is complex and does not lend itself to easy answers, Marguerita proved herself quite a theologian; she was refreshingly adept at speaking in metaphors!

At one point she suggested that any peace process is more like a group of bicycle riders than train passengers. She was riding her bicycle, as a matter of fact. Train passengers are all headed down the track at the same speed, going to the same clear destination, everyone arriving at the same time. The bicycle riders, on the other hand, are all trying to get to the same place, she said, but they are going at different speeds, riding bikes of differing styles; some bikes in better repair than others; some riders can pedal faster than others; some riders have a clear idea of the way to the destination; others are clueless and can only follow the pack hoping it is going where they want to go. Some will arrive at the destination early; some late; some, perhaps, not at all.

She also suggested that life in the Holy Land amongst Jews and Palestinians is like a mosaic, "and we -- Jews and Palestinians -- are the broken tiles that make up the picture." One must see the big picture, but in order to do so, she suggested, one must pay attention to the individual broken pieces. Every one has a story, every one contributes in a different way to the overall story, the big picture. Without

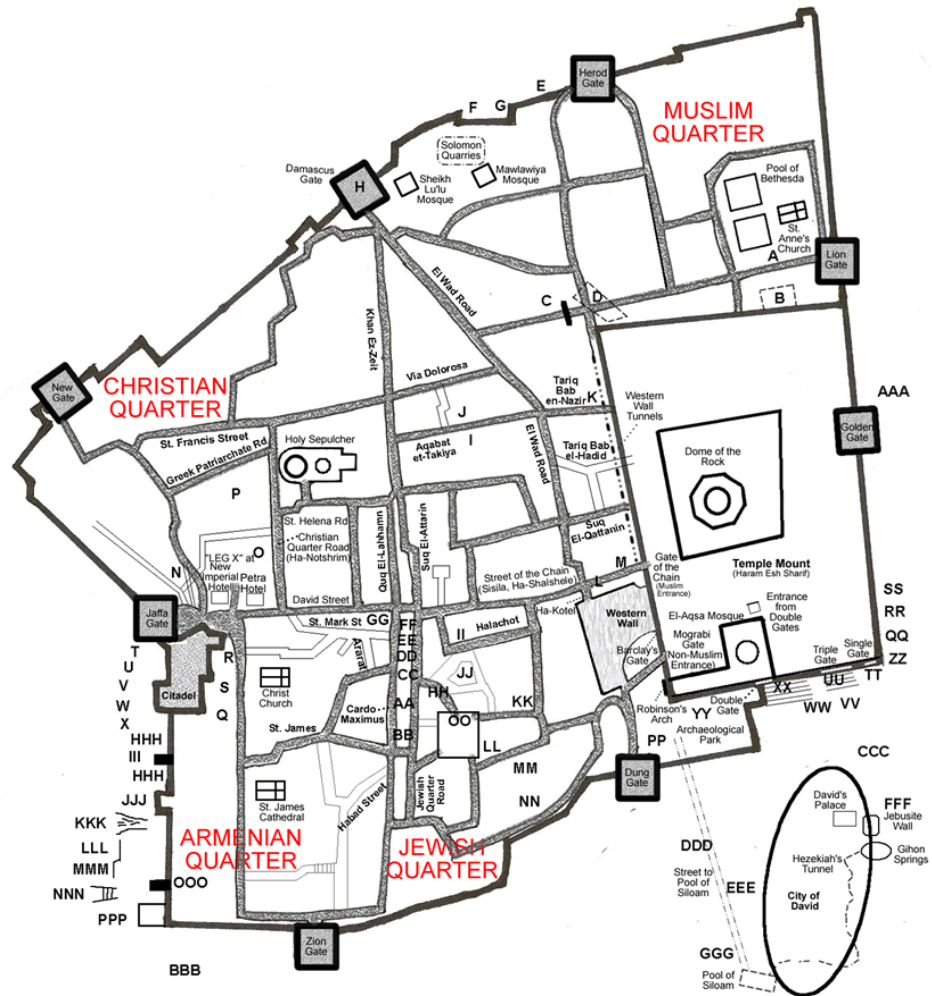
appreciating the individuals, one cannot truly appreciate the whole.

So perhaps our docent in the St. Louis cathedral was partially right. The individual tiles do matter, not in place of or as a distraction from the overall beauty of the whole, but for their participation in and contribution to the entire work. That is what Marguerita was saying about the community, the fractured and difficult community that is the Holy Land. And that is also true of the community which is St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Medina, Ohio.

Each member of the congregation has a part to play and a contribution to make. Each member of the congregation adds to the beauty of the whole and when a member is missing for any reason the community is diminished. If you are absent from worship, from volunteer ministry, from social events, from board or committee meetings due to illness, travel, vacation, or other reason, your presence is not only missed, it has an effect. When you are there, your presence adds to community's appreciation of the Holy Spirit among us, to the beauty which is the Christian church.

You are a part of the whole. Remember that, and know that when you are not among us, you are missed, and you are prayed for.

Summer blessings to all,  
*Fr. Eric*



The Old City of Jerusalem

*Come Share the Funstons' Pilgrimage!*

# Holy Land Potluck

September 5 — 6 p.m.

*Sign-up Sheet in the Gallery*

### Altar Guild



#### 8/3 - Team B

Mary Anthony, Rosana Powell, Judy Delahoyde, Liz Fellhoelter, Kathy & Chuck Catanese

#### 8/10 - Team C

Sue Potterton, Ginny Selmants, Peggy Bush & Rose Hose

#### 8/16 - Team D

Kim Kelly, Bonnie Freas, Nancy Marquard, Barbara Michaelson & Marial Bulmer

#### 8/24 - Team A

Diane Scheel, Mary Jane Brewer, Linda Darling & Sandra Herbst

#### 8/31 - Team B

Mary Anthony, Rosana Powell, Judy Delahoyde, Liz Fellhoelter, Kathy & Chuck Catanese

### Ushers and Greeters

8/3

8:00 am

Chris Fulton

8/10

8:00 am

Dave Muffet

8/17

8:00 am

Claudia Boone

8/24

8:00 am

Phil Brewer

8/31

8:00 am

Chris Fulton

10:00 am

Paul Bunner

Marc Stamper

10:00 am

Patti Papesh

Tim Stamper

10:00 am

Sean Hennigan

Roanne Lisi

10:00 am

Joe Mahn

Kathleen Mahn

10:00 am

Mark Hansen

Paul Bunner

### Coffee Hour Hosts



8/3 Bunnors  
Funstons

8/10 Chases

8/17 Rucinskis  
Sizemores

8/24 Hansens  
Foys

8/31 Garmans  
Bunnors

*There are open Sundays in September! Please consider signing up to host a Coffee Hour following our 10 a.m. worship!*

### Lectionary Readings

8/3 Isaiah 55:1-5  
Psalm 145:8-9, 15-22  
Romans 9:1-5  
Matthew 14:13-21

8/10 1 Kings 19:9-18  
Psalm 85:8-13  
Romans 10:5-15  
Matthew 14:22-33

8/17 Isaiah 56:1, 6-8  
Psalm 67  
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32  
Matthew 15:10-28

8/24 Isaiah 51:1-6  
Psalm 138  
Romans 12:1-8  
Matthew 16:13-20

8/31 Jeremiah 15:15-21  
Psalm 26:1-8  
Romans 12:9-21  
Matthew 16:21-28





## Worship

One of the web sites that I read scripture from is [www.d365.com](http://www.d365.com). The week of July 7 – 13 had the title of *Wise to Hear*. It starts out with the following: There are two steps in the process; first, you must listen, paying attention to what is being shared. Then, you must hear; that means you try to take in all the meaning of what you have been listening to, making an effort to understand.

Living in relationship with another requires that you are willing to become vulnerable to the life and experience of another, and care enough to experience it yourself—at least to some small degree.

The scripture it has been using is from Matthew (which we have also been

listening to as our Gospel readings). July 10 shared a passage from Matthew 13: 18-19: “Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path.”

Bruce Reyes-Chow was the author of the *Thinking* section on July 10. He said: “Sometimes we hear words that mean nothing to us, even words that should mean something. There are times when things going on around us are so overwhelming that we cannot hear words of care, encouragement, or love-from anyone. Like the seeds that are never able to feel the

warmth of the soil, sometimes we don’t allow words of care to enter the warmth of our hearts. While it is never easy to know when we may be allowing words to be snatched from our grasp, it is important to know that this does happen. For when we are aware that we often ignore God’s words, we can take extra care to listen deeply and hold on when God is speaking into our hearts.”

It ended with the following: *LISTEN. God is speaking. Do you hear?*

May you have a Blessed Month.

*Kim Kelly*

## East Liberty Street Historic Neighborhood Association

Our neighbors along East Liberty Street have formed the East Liberty Street Historic Neighborhood Association and have invited the church community of St. Paul’s Parish to participate.

They are planning three major summer events:

**August 16** - Neighborhood Picnic at the Jones resi-

dence, 328 East Liberty. Bring a side dish or dessert.

**August 23** - Neighborhood Yard Sale on St. Paul’s Parish’s eastern lawn. We’ll recruit some parish volunteers to sell hot dogs and soft drinks as we did last year.

Junior Warden Dennis Foy is in regular conversation

with Paul Becks, our neighbor to the east who is the coordinator of the association, and vestry member Sandra Herbst, as part of her vestry ministry, will be attending their meetings. Any questions about our involvement in the Neighborhood Association can be asked of them.

## Battered Women's Shelter

### From the Battered Women's Website:

Not only are women between the ages of 19 and 28 abused, so too are many other persons who become the "hidden" victims in our communities.

### Elderly

Abuse of elderly men and women is increasing. Approximately 1 in 25 seniors are battered. Financial abuse of seniors is one of the fastest growing crimes of our time. Domestic Violence, in the case of this population, includes not only physical abuse, but neglect as well. Elderly individuals experience a decrease in their physical abilities and their ability to earn income past the fixed rate of a pension or Social Security check. As a result, they are frequently more financially dependent upon family members. Of-

ten, they are no longer able to drive and become more isolated from social supports. Lastly, if the elderly person has a diagnosis of dementia, they are less likely to be validated and/or believed when accusations of abuse and mistreatment are made.

### Help Stuff the Big Red Box with School Supplies

- Pencils, pens, markers
- Glue, glue sticks, tape
- Rulers, compasses, protractors, scissors
- Self stick notes – all sizes
- Book covers

### Urgent Need

Currently the shelters are in need of these items:

- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels
- Trash Bags (all sizes)
- Cleaning Supplies (Glass Cleaner, Furniture

Polish, Floor Cleaner, etc...)

### Help for Battered Women

If you are a victim of domestic violence, help is available. You can call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-SAFE or any of the following Battered Women's Shelter of Summit and Medina County 24-Hour Confidential Domestic Violence Hotlines:

Summit County Hotline  
(330) 374-1111

Summit County Toll Free  
Hotline (888) 395-4357

Medina County Hotline  
(330) 723-3900

Medina County Toll Free  
Hotline (877) 414-1344

Your support is appreciated!

*Susan Bunner*

*Have you  
remembered  
the church  
in your will?*



### *When is updating your will important?*

When children graduate.

When children marry.

When your charitable interests change.

Before you take the trip of a lifetime.

## Education for Ministry

Education for Ministry, affectionately known as EfM, is a four-year ecumenical program designed to prepare you for lay ministry within the diverse contexts of contemporary life. It offers a mentored program of study, prayer, and reflection in a community of faith limited to 12 learners. (Our St. Paul's seminar group currently has eight members, so we are open to welcoming four new members.) The program focuses on

more tangible sense of God's loving presence in the world and how to share that love in lay ministry.

Students sign up one year at a time for the four-year program. By the end of the four years, you will cover the basics of a theological education in the Hebrew and Christian Testaments, church history, liturgy, and theology. We meet regularly, once each week during the aca-

dem, participants pay the full year's fee. The current tuition for EfM in the Diocese of Ohio is \$350 annually. The tuition includes all EfM materials, books, administration, and so forth. In addition to books provided by the program, students will need a Bible and may wish to obtain additional reading materials suggested in the bibliographies.

Our continuing students will be studying the Christian scriptures during the next nine month session (beginning in September). New students will study the Old Testament. All students meet together in the seminar class for review of their home studies and to engage in the theological reflection process. Participants are given weekly assignments to study with the help of written resource guides. In the seminars, members have an opportunity to share their insights and discoveries, as well as to dialogue about the questions their study materials and prayer lives raise for them.

If you would like to become an EfM participant, please talk with Fr. Funston soon. Our continuing students have already registered for the coming year, but there is still time to enroll as a new learner.

Our group meets on Monday evenings three times each month and on one Sunday afternoon each month.



formation in addition to information, and enables participants to be attentive to the call and workings of the Holy Spirit as we attend to a deeper awareness of ministry and God's presence in all dimensions of life.

The curriculum is centered on theological reflection, which is the artful discipline of putting our life experiences into conversation with the living God of our faith. It's a practical skill that will provide a way for you to experience greater meaning in your day-to-day life and a

demic year, in seminars under the guidance of a nationally certified mentor. (Fr. Funston is our group's mentor, as well as a fellow student.) The program grants a certificate at the completion of the four years and 18 Continue Education Units for each year's work.

To be viable, a seminar group must have a minimum of six students; to foster and maintain an effective learning environment and to ensure an opportunity for everyone's participation, EfM groups are limited to no more than twelve participants. At the time of enroll-

## Musically Speaking



### CLEANING THE ORGAN

The recent construction created a lot of dust on the organ pipes, and its mechanisms. So cleaning and retuning of the pipes will be performed by the Holtkamp Organ Company of Cleveland. August 19 thru the 21 are the scheduled dates.

### WHO'S THAT TRUMPETER?

His name is James Tinsley and he and his wife, Linda have moved to Oberlin. His experience is long and impressive. He was principal trumpet of the Boston Pops, Boston, MA; the Boston Opera Company; Portland Symphony Orchestra, Portland, ME; Handel & Haydn Society, in Boston, MA; Caracas Philharmonic in Venezuela; Toronto Pops in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. We don't have room in this article to include all of his accomplishments, but you get the idea.

James and his wife were driving through Medina and noticed St. Paul's

Church. He said, "You know what, Linda, I think I would like to stop in and say hello." He had a conversation with Fr. Eric and Laura and mentioned his interest in just wanting to play his trumpet.

So Sundays, August 17 and August 31, James will be playing his trumpet at our worship service, and also on September 7 when the choir returns.

### CHOIR PICNIC

The Chancel Choir is looking forward to a picnic and its first rehearsal of the season at the home of Susan McKiernan on Thursday evening, September 4 at 6 o'clock p.m. Like one of our choir members said, "Gee, there is nothing like standing around the piano in the living room singing hymns together." Our rehearsal will include the anthem for Sunday September 7.

James and his wife are planning on joining us that evening. Please look at your calendar and consider singing with us. Bring a dish to share. RSVP by

calling Susan at 330-725-2106, rgcspm@mac.com or Bertie at 330-483-3428. Please don't hesitate to contact one of us if you need more information.

### BROWN BAG CONCERTS

We have new guest performers for this fall season.

*Tuesday, September 16 at 12 noon*

Gary Komjati, playing and singing Gershwin, Cole Porter, Irving Berlin and Duke Ellington

*Tuesday, October 21 at 12 noon*

Matinee Singers, singing barbershop harmony.

*Tuesday, November 18 at 12 noon*

Jim Gill, who performed for our St. Patrick's Last Gasp festival in March

*Bertie Stamper*



## Year-to-Date Financial Statement

### Operating Fund — June 2014

<i>Income</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Difference</i>
General Fund Contributions	\$116,816.13	\$130,971.44	-\$14,155.31
Other Contributions	\$5,674.64	\$3,558.96	\$2,115.68
Non-Contribution Income	\$9,027.75	\$3,594.96	\$5,432.79
Grants Received	\$1,883.33	\$3,200.02	-\$1,316.69
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$133,429.81</b>	<b>\$141,350.40</b>	<b>-\$7,920.59</b>
Transfers in	\$15,165.36	\$704.52	\$14,460.84
<b>Total Resources</b>	<b>\$148,595.17</b>	<b>\$142,054.92</b>	<b>\$6,540.25</b>
<b><i>Expenses</i></b>			
Payroll Expense	\$75,407.52	\$75,274.50	-\$133.02
Program Expenses	\$29,937.41	\$29,808.00	-\$129.41
Operations	\$48,468.86	\$39,158.08	-\$9,310.78
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$153,813.79</b>	<b>\$144,240.58</b>	<b>-\$9,573.21</b>
Transfers to Savings	\$750.00	\$0.00	-\$750.00
<b>Total Outflows</b>	<b>\$154,563.79</b>	<b>\$144,240.58</b>	<b>-\$10,323.21</b>
<b>Excess/Deficit</b>	<b>-\$5,968.62</b>	<b>-\$2,185.66</b>	<b>-\$3,782.96</b>

Things financial are a little better this month (June) than last (May), but not too much. We did have to transfer additional funds from savings into the operating accounts. So far this year, we have withdrawn a little more than \$15,000 from savings to pay bills.

Why? Not only because the bills have been so large, but also because the contributions have been smaller than budgeted. About half of the deficit is attributable to each.

Contributions are much lower than we had thought they would be, and \$7,000 of that deficit is unpaid pledges!

If you made a pledge commitment during last year's Annual Campaign, please review your year-to-date

giving and, if not current, make a catch-up contribution.

If you pledge an annual amount and usually wait until the end of the year, consider make a partial payment now. It will help a lot!

There have been about \$7,000 in unanticipated expenses, mostly repairs and utilities! Those, we can make up . . . especially if donations are brought up-to-date!

Thanks to all!

Have a blessed August!

**Joseph W. Mahn,**  
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