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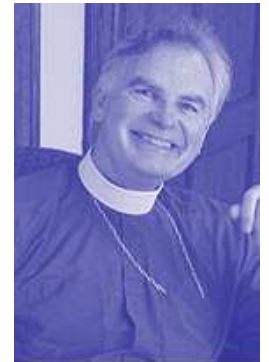


## Bishop visits Holy Apostles on May 1

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The Bishop is Coming! The Right Reverend Don E. Johnson, Bishop of West Tennessee, will be at Holy Apostles on Sunday, May 1, for Confirmation, Reception and Reaffirmation. Four young people and several adults will be confirmed or received on this very special occasion, including Katharine Terry, Madison See, Maria Kramer, George Kawell, Bill Barnes, Susan Terry, Taylor Beasley, Ronnie Kelly, Jeff Dlabach, Kristin Byars, Mitch Byars, Elaine Sanders, Rhett Kramer, Diana Kelly and Margaret Kramer. Rather than have Rector's Forum, we will extend the time of hospitality in order to visit with Bishop Johnson.



## Youth Sunday on May 8

Our youth are certainly looking forward to Youth Sunday 2011—one of the highlights of the year. Scheduled each Spring, Youth Sunday is a day when our young people organize and lead the liturgy and music of Sunday morning Eucharist. We honor and celebrate our ministry with young people with this year's theme—"Love each other deeply from the heart," 1 Peter 1:22.

Our celebration will include Cameron Kawell as guest preacher, the recognition of graduating seniors, as well as musical contributions from Bill Barnes, Anna Underwood, and Michael Carpenter.

This is always a very special and moving service and we look forward to sharing it with the congregation. When a church supports its youth, it truly supports its future.

Our celebration will include Cameron

### Mark Your Calendar:

- May 1: Bishop's Visit
- May 3: Dubose Round-Up at St. John's
- May 8: Youth Sunday
- May 13: Saints' Alive! at the home of Kevin & Angela Reynolds
- May 15: Teacher Recognition Sunday
- May 16: ECW Annual Meeting

## Summer Service Schedule

Beginning May 22, the Sunday Schedule will be:

8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Rite I (spoken service)
10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Rite II
5:15 p.m.	Bluegrass Mass

## RECTOR'S REFLECTIONS



The Rev. John P. Leach

## Summer brings change to rhythm of life

As we enter the summer months, the pace of life at Holy Apostles changes markedly. Our Sunday morning schedule will reflect this new rhythm through offering Holy Eucharist at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Bluegrass Mass will continue to meet at 5:15 p.m. each week. We'll also allow our faithful and tireless teachers (over 40 volunteers), who teach our children and young people, a well-deserved Sabbatical. This means that we will not have Sunday morning classes in the summer months.

The 8:00 a.m. summer service will be Holy Eucharist Rite I, which uses more traditional language—there will be no congregational singing or music. Holy Eucharist at 10:00 a.m. will remain the same with nursery care provided. We hope that by offering three services instead of two, many more of you will be able to attend Holy Apostles during the summer months.

The schedule will begin on May 22, with the Rev. Mike Ehmer as the preacher and celebrant. He has served in my absence at Holy Apostles before and is a fine priest. Lisa, Henry and I will be out of town making preparations for his enrollment in college this fall while also enjoying a short vacation.

As we travel, I am mindful that in addition to the changing rhythm of the parish life in the summer, our lives and yours generally have a different feel. The days are longer, we spend more time outside, there are no carpool lines and homework, no trips to the bus stop, we see old friends and family as they travel and as we travel to see them, and we tend to relax a little more. All of these represent summer and in a sense Sabbath, to take a break from the routine. Sabbath time allows for rest and re-orientation, a renewed appreciation for that which is good and honorable. I hope and pray that you may find Sabbath this summer and that our worship and our fellowship may give you refreshment and renewal.

Peace,  
John+

## Special Report: Loading Up and Heading West

*As I make my slow pilgrimage through the world, a certain sense of beautiful mystery seems to gather and grow*  
A.C. Benson



Excitement continues to build as the Youth of Holy Apostles begin to anticipate our summer trip to Santa Fe, New Mexico, May 29-June 4. We will stay at Bishop Stoney Camp & Retreat Center on the Old Santa Fe Trail, just outside of Santa Fe, located on 200 acres of pristine natural beauty. We'll be surveying the elevated ropes course and making use of the nature trails. For most of the week, we'll be in the old city of Santa Fe, touring the historic churches of Santa Fe, including a service day with Saint Elizabeth's Shelter, and we'll also take time to raft the Racecourse section of the Rio Chama river.

The highlight of the trip will be a pilgrimage walk at Chimayo. Settled in the 17<sup>th</sup> century by Spanish missionaries, in the mountains north of Santa Fe, Chimayo is home to a centuries-old mission church said to contain "holy dirt," that has miraculously cured scores of people. On Thursday evening, following Evening Prayer at Saint Bede's Episcopal Church, our youth will accompany Peter Lipscomb of Astronomy Adventures on a guided tour of the spectacular Southwestern night sky. No doubt we'll be sad to leave for home on Friday afternoon, spending Friday night at St. Paul's Cathedral in Oklahoma City. On Saturday morning, we'll tour the Oklahoma City Bombing Memorial before completing the final leg of our pilgrimage.

Please pray for our pilgrims: Tracey McDaniel, Jack Mayfield, Virginia Barron, Thomas Carpenter, Michael Carpenter, Katherine Terry, Mary Preston Brooksbank, Alex Beason, Mary Layne Beason, Will Adkins, Mason Goldberg, Kelly Gillean, Penny Goldberg, and Jay Biedenham.

## EYC News & Events

May is the single busiest month of the year for our Holy Apostles Youth! Congratulations to our confirmands: Katharine Terry, Madison See, Maria Kramer, and George Kawell. Please pray for them as they prepare to affirm their Baptismal vows on May 1. Thanks are in order to their sponsors: Louise Chandler Biedenharn (Katharine), Anna Underwood (Madison), Ted Raynor (George) and Hart Applegate (Maria).

Youth Sunday will be May 8. Our youth will lead both the 9:00 and the 11:15 services, with brunch in the courtyard during the 10:15 Christian Education hour.

On May 15, we'll have an end of the year celebration and on May 29, fourteen of our youth and chaperones will depart for a week-long trip to Santa Fe, NM. We will stay at the Bishop Stoney Conference and Retreat Center.

As summer approaches, remember our EYC schedule for the summer months. Though we won't gather every Sunday night, there will be events scheduled for any and all youth who are in town throughout the summer. Check out the scheduled events.

### May Schedule

May 1 Confirmation, 9:00 a.m.  
Youth Sunday practice, 12:30 p.m.  
May 8 Youth Sunday, 9:00 & 11:15 a.m.  
Youth brunch, 10:15 a.m.  
May 15 Year's End party  
May 19 C&Y Formation Comm. Mtg. 12:00 p.m.  
May 29 Depart for Santa Fe, New Mexico

### Summer Schedule:

June 8 Breakfast & Bible Study, 10:30 a.m.  
June 12 EYC Lunch. 11:30 a.m.  
June 22 Breakfast & Bible Study, 10:30 a.m.  
June 26 EYC Lunch, 11:30 a.m.  
July 10 EYC Lunch, 11:30 a.m.  
July 13 Breakfast & Bible Study, 10:30 a.m.  
July 24 EYC Lunch, 11:30 a.m.  
July 27 Breakfast & Bible Study, 10:30 a.m.

## Teacher Recognition Sunday on May 15

Each year, we recognize all the hard-working and dedicated volunteers that lead Christian Education for all of our Children and Youth. We have over 40 volunteers that lead and assist in Sunday School, Children's Chapel and Children's Choir. It is because of their efforts that Christian Formation is possible.

## Vacation Bible School: PandaMania!

PandaMania VBS will be hosted at Holy Apostles from June 13-16, ending with a Celebration Dinner for kids and their families the evening of the 16th at 6:30pm in the PLC. Kids will participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, dig into yummy treats, experience electrifying Bible adventures, and create Bible Point crafts they'll take home and play with all summer long. Each day concludes with a Rowdy Wrap-Up—family members and friends are encouraged to join in daily for this special time at 11:45.

Kids at PandaMania will also bring loose change each day for the Episcopal Relief and Development Gifts for Life program for their Vacation Bible School service project.

VBS is for children three years old (fully potty-trained) to rising fifth graders and will run from 9:00-12:00 each day. For more information, call 901-937-3830 or email Penny Goldberg at penny@holypostlestn.net. Please fill out the registration form and attach your payment, which you can either mail or drop off to:

Church of the Holy Apostles, 1380 Wolf River Blvd., Collierville, TN 38017.

### Holy Apostles' 2011 Graduates

Arielle Carpenter: Rhodes College;  
Robert Johnson: University of Alabama;  
Cameron Kawell: University of Tennessee, Knoxville;  
Christopher F. 'Trey' Kotara: University of Tennessee, Knoxville;  
Lindsay Long: Northeast Mississippi Community College;  
Drew McAlister: Mississippi State University;  
Mary Hattie McAlister: Mississippi State University;  
Katie O'Bar: Birmingham-Southern University;  
Henry Simanson: Xavier University

*Graduates will be recognized on Sunday, May 8, at both morning services.*



## FELLOWSHIP

**Men's Group: Dubose Round-Up on Tuesday, May 3**

On Tuesday, May 3, St. John's, Holy Communion, Grace-St. Luke's and Calvary Men's Groups will be hosting a reception at St. John's Episcopal Church. All men of Holy Apostles are invited to attend for food, drinks, fellowship and to discuss the upcoming Episcopal Laymen's Conference in August. The Rt. Rev. Don E.

Johnson will be speaking.

Drinks at 5:45; dinner at 6:15—cost is \$12. Contact Ted Raynor (758-5003) or RSVP directly to 323-8597 or [margo@stjohnsmemphis.org](mailto:margo@stjohnsmemphis.org). Visit [stjohnsmemphis.org](http://stjohnsmemphis.org) for more information.

**Episcopal Church Women**

The Diocese of West Tennessee Episcopal Church Women's annual Spring Meeting will be held on May 7, at St. Luke's in Jackson, Tennessee.

All Episcopal women are invited and encouraged to attend. Part of the meeting will include a tour to highlight the many renovations made to the church (on May 4, 2003, St. Luke's was hit by an F4 tornado, tearing the roof off the building and scattering bricks from the front of the building).

For reservations, please include a \$10 check payable to ECW WTN, sent to Merrill Ann Cole, Treasurer; 120 S. Mendenhall Rd., Memphis, TN 38117. The deadline for reservations is Monday, May 2. If you plan to carpool to Jackson or need additional information, please contact Agnes Gordon at 278-5027 or [jefferds@aol.com](mailto:jefferds@aol.com).

May 7 Schedule of Events:  
9:00: Meet at St. John's to carpool to St. Luke's  
11:00: ECW Spring Meeting  
11:30: Tour of St. Luke's  
12:00: Lunch

In addition to the Diocesan Spring Meeting, Holy Apostles' ECW will be holding their **Annual Meeting on Monday, May 16, at 6:30 p.m.** in the PLC. All women of Holy Apostles are invited to attend.

Jeannie Johnson, wife of the Bishop of West Tennessee, The Rt. Rev. Don E. Johnson, will be our speaker for the evening. Dinner will be provided. Please RSVP on the sign-up sheet, located on the usher's table in the main hallway, by Tuesday, May 10, or email Lee Carpenter at [c\\_tomlee@bellsouth.net](mailto:c_tomlee@bellsouth.net).

**Saints' Alive! on May 13 at 6:30 p.m.**

Saints Alive! is a wonderful opportunity for the adults of Holy Apostles to gather for good food, great fun and fellowship. Please join us on Friday, May 13, at the home of Angela and Kevin Reynolds, 2471 Shrewsbury Run East in Halle Plantation. Guests are asked to bring a

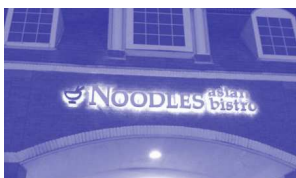
heavy hors d'oeuvre or dessert and choice of beverage. The hosts will provide soft drinks and paper products. We hope to see you there! Please call or text Courtney Dukes at 409-8965 or email at [csdukes@live.com](mailto:csdukes@live.com) with any questions.

**ECW Out to Dinner on Tuesday, May 24**

Last month's dinner at Mary's German Restaurant in Collierville had a great time—seven women dined on traditional German cuisine and shared great fellowship.

For May, we've decided to meet at Noodles

Asian Bistro in Germantown on Tuesday, May 24, at 6:30 p.m. (Poplar and Exeter in the Germantown Collection). We hope you'll be able to join us for fun conversation and a chance to make some new friends.





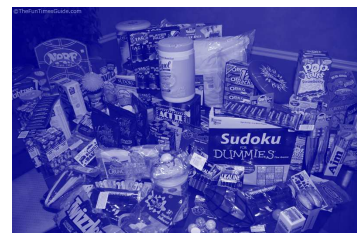
## Soldier Appreciation Packages

Once again during the month of May, the Outreach Committee is coordinating the collection of articles for Soldier Appreciation Packages. These articles will be delivered to the Southaven, Mississippi, sponsoring group the first week in June, at which time the Holy Apostles troop support team will help in the actual packing of these gift boxes. This particular packaging effort will have a goal of getting the boxes stuffed, wrapped, and delivered to the designated military units in time for a Fourth of July observance. In each package we would like to include a letter from individual parishioners expressing our appreciation to these men and women who are serving in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Please deposit your gifts in the boxes which will be in the hall leading to the Parish Life Center. The following is an expanded list of requested and needed items:

Baby wipes (unscented), batteries (any size), beef jerky, bug spray/wipes, candy bars, cereal/granola bars, cookies (individual packages), crossword/Sudoku books, deodorant, decks of cards, disposable razors, flip flops, foot powder, fruit cups, gum, hand sanitizer, hard candy (individually wrapped), Little Debbie snacks, lotion, magazines, mouthwash (small size), military/history novels (paperback), nuts, oatmeal cream pies, Pop Tarts, popcorn, pre-sweetened drink packets (individual size), Q-tips, Slim Jims, snack crackers, sunflower seeds, toilet tissue, toothbrush with case, toothpaste, trail mix, tuna packets, Vienna sausage, Zip Lock bags (quart or sandwich).

If you would like to serve on the delivery/packaging team, please call or e-mail Bryce Smith (861-1333; bsmith5@bellsouth.net).



## Financial Update: March 2011

	Month	Year to Date	Budget
Pledge	36,469	110,310	123,750
Prepaid Pledge	0	1,500	0
Plate	4,770	13,790	9,599
Church Home Grant	4,334	13,304	9,599
Revenue	45,573	138,904	148,349
Operating Expenses	\$41,776	\$130,318	\$143,480

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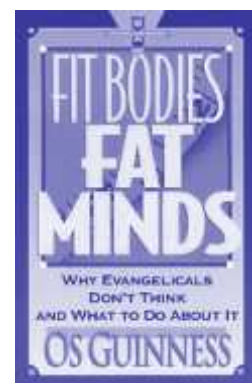
## Book Club on Tuesday, May 17

The May book club selection is *Fit Bodies Fat Minds*, by Os Guinness. We'll meet at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, May 17, in the conference room at the church.

Ever wonder why some of the more conservative-evangelical Christians tend to dismiss reasonable questions about their faith, make statements such as "The Bible says it, I believe it, that settles it!", or presuppose a theocratic ideal in a democratic government (i.e. the USA)? As an evangelical, Guinness is in a unique position

to write this book—he critiques his own camp. The problem Guinness posits is that American evangelicals are more concerned with their abs and cardio than with the development of their minds, while tracing the development of anti-intellectualism.

Many other such characterizations of the evangelical attitude could be mentioned, but getting to its core is the task undertaken by Os Guinness in his book. Everyone, regardless of previous participation, is invited to join the conversation.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### Holy Apostles welcomes the Byars

We welcome Kristin and Mitch Byars to the Holy Apostles family!

The Byars moved to Collierville from downtown Memphis three years ago and have visited various Episcopal churches in the area before finding Holy Apostles (they've been worshipping with us for over a year). Though raised in different denominations (Kristin a Catholic and Mitch a Baptist), they've both found a home in the Episcopal Church and are due to be confirmed on May 1 at Holy Apostles, with Bishop Johnson.

Kristin is a CPA and works as an audit manager at Ernst & Young—she enjoys coaching and judging gymnastics in her spare time, as well as jogging. Mitch is a homebuilder with Keith & David Grant Homes and can be found on the golf course every weekend, in addition to watching football and basketball.

Kristin says of Holy Apostles, "We have enjoyed meeting the diverse group of parishioners and have found everyone to be very warm and welcoming." Please welcome them to Holy Apostles!

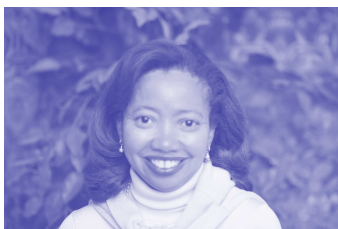
### Helen Webb Beaty to join Diocesan staff

Helen Webb Beaty, our Assistant for Communications, has accepted the position of Director of Communications for the Diocese of West Tennessee. Helen will be joining the staff of Bishop

Johnson and will be responsible for the Diocese's print and electronic media and communications. While we are sorry to see her leave our office, we are grateful for her ministry among us.

### A Letter from Dorothy Wells

*I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me. Philippians 1:3-7a*



Dear People of God of the Church of Holy Apostles,

As I was preparing to write this letter to you, these verses from Paul's letter to the Christians at Philippi immediately came to mind. In these verses at the beginning of Paul's letter, Paul expresses his thanksgiving for these partners in the Gospel, and his confidence that God would continue the good work already begun in the Christians in that community.

I could think of no better words to describe my sentiments for you, my beloved brothers and sisters, as my service here at Holy Apostles draws near its close.

It would be an understatement to say that this time at Holy Apostles has been a treasure for me. You have all welcomed me so warmly, you have uplifted me in prayer, and you have given me so much support and encouragement during this time of my continued learning and formation. I have learned much from all of you, and I have learned much about myself.

And, so, I thank you. I thank God for you daily as I remember you in prayer. And I encourage you to continue to "wear out" this magnificent church property as you live out your mission of providing a welcoming community in which all can, with open hearts and open minds, receive God's Grace through worship, fellowship, learning, and outreach to others. I am confident that God will continue the good work already begun with you in this worshipping community.

My thoughts and prayers will always be with you.

In Christ,  
Dorothy Sanders Wells



# May 2011 Bulletin

## Prayer List

Hudson Atkins  
 Amanda Carmichael  
 Sue Cliner  
 Noah Crowe  
 Marilyn Faithful  
 Frances Farrell  
 Carrie Fegley  
 Jennifer Fegley  
 Chet Felts  
 Katie Flynn  
 Hank Gregory  
 Caitlin Griffith  
 Haynes Greer  
 Tomi Hall  
 Alicia Johnson  
 Lucy Krull  
 Barry McCrory  
 Phillip Newman  
 Bryan Peddy  
 Ralph Peterson  
 Paul Rebella  
 Anna Roberts  
 Chuck Sertich  
 Melanie Sleeman  
 Joseph Theodore  
 Lydel Turner  
 Ed Thomas

*As Christians in a faith community, we invite you to share names of those who are in need of prayer. We offer these concerns in weekly worship, in individual times of prayer and through the Intercessory Prayer group. We also do our best to maintain the prayer list and ask for your cooperation in doing so. Typically, we will keep someone on the list for one month unless otherwise requested. You may call the office, or fill out a prayer request card found in the pews. If you need to speak with Fr. John about any pastoral concerns, please do not hesitate to call or email him.*

## Anniversaries

Diana & Ronnie Kelly	May 1
Carey & Frank Mayfield	May 11
Peggy & Ed Moore	May 15
Cheri & Brian Brittain	May 17
Lynne & Tom Kissell	May 18
Amy & Scott Meyers	May 20
Amelia & Macey Johnson	May 21
Jean & Earl Morris	May 23
Gerry & Cliff Long	May 23
Barbara & Ray Fenner	May 24
Jennifer & Bill Taylor	May 24
Cheryl & Vann Moore	May 24
Louise & Jay Biedenharn	May 24
Christina & Guy See	May 25
Angela & Kevin Reynolds	May 25
Bonnie & Allan Klodzinski	May 27
Lillian Rinker & Bentley Burnham	May 27
Alice & Curtis Finn	May 29
Susan & Chris Squillaciotti	May 29
Kristin Lensch & Tim Huebner	May 29
Carole Hinely & Jim Fegley	May 29
Lisa & Eugene Tarjan	May 31

## Baptism

Isabel Leslie Long

## Grocery Card Fund Balance

The balance for the grocery card program is \$4,531.09. Don't forget to use your Kroger and Schnucks grocery cards!

## ☞ Remembered & Honored ☞

*In memory of Margie McCrory*  
 Pat & John Wasilik

*In memory of Joe Woodward*  
 Maida & Marshall Smith

*In celebration of the birth of*  
*Benjamin Thomas Kimmer*  
 Pat & John Wasilik

## Birthdays

Peggy Huffman	May 2
Will Beasley	May 2
Cynthia Haynes	May 3
Bryan Massey	May 6
Debbie Sloan	May 8
Colin McEntee	May 8
Shelby Sims	May 8
Ally Grace Bjorkman	May 8
Sally Barron	May 9
Madison Akins	May 9
David Burnham	May 11
Clint Bratton	May 13
Clay Christian	May 13
Inez Karr	May 15
John Leach	May 16
Sam McCann	May 17
Jessica Stone	May 18
Mary Jane Hatley	May 21
Lauren Fang	May 21
Phyllis Pollard	May 22
Katie Davis	May 22
Cliff Long	May 24
Katherine Peterson	May 25
Bob Klesges	May 26
Jillian Kahn	May 27
Caroline Farrell	May 28
Rupert Leslie, Jr.	May 29
Christina See	May 29
Edward Robert	May 30
Leslie Zurburg	May 31

## Altar Flowers & Outreach

When you purchase altar flowers for a particular occasion, you not only beautify the church for worship, but you also are helping the Altar Guild outreach, Our Little Roses, a home for children. If you would like to honor someone or remember a special event, you may order flowers by completing the order envelope in the hallway.

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To provide a welcoming community  
in which all can, with open hearts  
and open minds, receive God's  
grace through worship, fellowship,  
learning and outreach to others.



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Dan Barron  
Carole Capra

Courtney Dukes  
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Curtis Finn  
Mac McCarroll  
Jennifer Warrillow

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