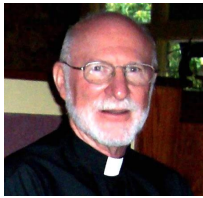


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From Fr. George's notebook....



“9/11”

***An attack on
what's best
in our nation***

There are times when clergy bear a responsibility to clearly comment on the events that determine the direction a nation takes.

The events of September 11, 2001, are a perfect example.

On that day, it was not what is wrong with our nation that was attacked; it was all that is good about our country as a product of sacrifice and faith, hard work, and adherence to a standard of morality that is unsurpassed, that was attacked.

There are those in the world who will seek to extinguish the shining light that our nation represents, has represented since its founding more than 200 years ago, and with God's help will continue to represent.

Though we were attacked from without, there are those within who are eager to pull down the foundations set firm by the likes of Thomas Jefferson, Alexander Hamilton, Patrick Henry, Thomas Paine, George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, and so many more.

Regardless of politics, the character of our nation should be sacred to all those who call themselves citizens; it should not be compromised; it should not be up for debate.

The oath of office for any elected official, appointee, or member of government, should be as sacred as life itself in full realization of where that life originates.

Our manifest destiny came from God not from man; it is that shining light we are to

spread throughout all the world. And what is that light?

It is a truth, not that just that all men are created equal but that they are created by God and, as a creation of God, are endowed with certain inalienable rights defined in the Declaration of Independence as, among other things, “life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.”

That Declaration is supported by our Constitution, where we are guaranteed freedom *of* certain things such as *religion* as well as freedom *from* other things, such as oppression as, expressed in the first ten amendments of the Constitution, known as the “Bill of Rights.”

The light itself comes from God but it can only be visible when the nation, as demanded by its citizens, accepts its moral responsibility.

Many attempts have been made to extinguish the light, to destroy the bastion of hope, and to bring darkness to every land.

On September 11, we will take pause to remember all those who lost their lives in an attack on our soil that can best be compared to Pearl Harbor in 1941, even more tragic, as the lives lost on “9/11” exceed those lost in 1941.

September 11th is especially significant for us at All Saints' for we are directly connected to the attack on the Twin Towers through Lena and Linzee Whittaker whose daughter, Karen, lost her life on that tragic day, a shining light in the world.

Karen was in the South Tower waiting to evacuate when the plane hit, ending her beautiful life. Lena has provided a brief biography of Karen that, in reading, draws us ever so close to this young woman, so talented and caring.

In our special memorial service on September 11th, we will dedicate a fountain

and a cupola for the bell. Through its flowing water, this fountain will represent Karen's life and the lives of all those lost on that day, and the bell covered with its cupola will ring out then and every year, tolling for all those souls who on that day went up to join all the Saints in Heaven.

For Lena and Linzee Whittaker, our little church garden will become a place of peace, a place of rest, and a place of beauty. For us, too. Here, we may pause and feel the gentle touch of God as the water stirs, the birds sing, and the seasons change.

In Memoriam to Karen Elizabeth Hagerty

Karen Elizabeth Hagerty was born June 9, 1967 and perished in the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001. She was the daughter of Lena and Linzee Whittaker.

Karen was born and raised in Locust Valley, NY on Long Island. She attended high school at Garrison Forest near Baltimore, MD and graduated college from Randolph Macon Women's College in Lynchburg, VA.



Karen had a very successful career in the insurance industry and became one of the youngest female Senior Vice President's in the history at Aon Risk Services. She occupied an office on the 105th floor of the South tower of the World Trade Center.

Karen was killed by the impact from the second airplane during evacuation on the 78th floor waiting for the elevator where nearly 200 other people lost their lives and only 12 survived.

Among many things, Karen was a philanthropist and every year she single-handedly raised funds and purchased

gifts for all the children at the Jackson Avenue Family Residence in Bronx, NY. She also raised funds to build a playground which was completed and dedicated to the Karen Hagerty Foundation in 2006.

Karen was an accomplished equestrian and her horse, *Ricardo*, is retired in Aiken, S.C.

Order of Events for Sunday, September 11th

- 8:25 Seating of Special Guests
Piping of Black Watch
- 8:30 Presentation of Colors
National Anthem
Retire Colors

Remarks by Fr. Alexander Rick Durant, NYPD (Retired)
Reading by Aiken Mayor Fred Cavanaugh
Reading by Sandra Harris
- 8:46 Ringing of Bell for North Tower - Rick Durant

Dedication - Fr. Alexander
Blessing of Fountain & Cupola - Abp. Haverland
- 9:06 Ringing of Bell for South Tower - Rick Durant
- 9:07 Procession into Church - *Amazing Grace* (Bagpipes)
Celebration of the Holy Eucharist
- 9:37 Ringing of Bell for Pentagon - Larry Byers
- 10:03 Ringing of Bell for Flight 93 (Shenksville) - Larry Byers
- 10:15 Coffee Hour in Parish Hall

In all that is published officially about that tragic day in 2001, there is one thing consistent that is asked of us:

Always Remember

Coming Up in September....

Turning from the events of September 11th, there are the usual activities including the resumption of monthly meetings of the ACW with a **luncheon** on the **20th**.

The **Men of All Saints'** will meet as usual on the **third Tuesday**, 6:00 p.m., at the **Bowery**.

Parish Night Out will be on the **second Wednesday** following the 5:30 p.m. service but there are some suggestions for change in future months that will be detailed later.

Services other than Sundays and Wednesday include the **Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary** on the **8th** at the usual time, 5:30 p.m.; **St. Raphael, Archangel** on the **24th** at 5:30 p.m.; **St. Michael & All Angels** on the **29th**, 5:30 p.m.; and **St. Jerome** on the **30th**, 5:30 p.m.

Looking ahead....

Turning to October, plans are to hold our annual **Blessing of the Animals** and **picnic** on **October 1st**. Hopefully, the weather will have begun to cool down some by then.

On November 1st, we will celebrate All Saints' Day, the patronal festival of our Parish, and the celebration of its establishment in 1977. As always, we'll have a Parish Pot Luck following the 5:30 p.m. service.

August in Review....

It was a slow month that seemed to whiz by ever so quickly. The "**9/11**" **Committee** was busy with preparations and tying up loose ends.

We would like to express our appreciation to the committee members: **Larry Byers, Trina Crocker, Sandy Harris, Lena Whittaker**, and **Sara Wood**. They have done a wonderful job of putting together the program and selecting and acquiring the fountain and cupola for the garden.

We can't overlook **Mike Wood** who has constructed the cupola that will be placed over the bell. It will match the Lych Gate.

Mike is also overseeing the installation of the fountain.

Once again, a hearty group met for Parish Night Out on August 10th at Up Your Alley. Fr. Alexander forgot his camera so had to resort to the cell phone to record the occasion for posterity.



Seated around the table were: **Betty Alexander, Gabby Philipp, Andy Philipp, Ken Gordon, Chris Roberts, Jack Miller, Pat Miller, and Stephen Boyko**; also present were **Diane Gordon, Mardena Boyko, Sandy Harris, Tony Harris, and Lena Whittaker**.



The food was good and everyone enjoyed the opportunity to get together and chat.

The **Men of All Saints'** met on the 16th at the **Bowery**. A small group but ready and willing to take on and solve the world's problems. This time Fr. Alexander remembered the camera and the waiter took a fairly good photo of the hearty souls imbibing and enjoying a nice dinner.

From left to right around the table, we find



Fr. Alexander, Jack Miller, Willard Rappleye, Dn. Davies, and Chris Roberts.

Many members of the Parish were away during the summer and now we look forward to the start of a new year as we so often refer to September through May. Truly, as the old but popular song says, "It's a long, long time from May to September...."

From a hot summer, we move into fall with hopes of a cooling trend. Fortunately, the church was cool this summer, though at first a little too cool as we grappled with adjusting the new air conditioning system.

And, even with some rather erratic Office hours, it was, otherwise, pretty much a typical summer in the Sunny South.

ACW News

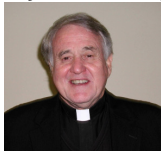
By Susan Thomas

The **All Saints ACW** is set to resume activities for the fall with a luncheon at **Travinia's** on **Tuesday, September 20th** at **11:30 a.m.** We have reserved the "Wine Room" for the occasion. Travinia's has never disappointed us and I am sure that we have a lot of catching up to do after so many of us have been away over the summer. Please call **Susan Thomas** at **648-4431** to reserve your spot by **Sunday, September 18th.**

Our first meeting of the fall will be held **Tuesday, October 4th** in the **Parish House** at **2:00 p.m.** We will hold a brief business meeting to discuss activities for the remainder of the fall, then use the remainder of our time for a program suggested by **Judi Hammond.** She suggested that we each share something about a book, a movie or perhaps a real life event that has inspired us. I hope everyone can think of at least one inspirational item to share. See you then!

From the Deacon's Bench:

By Dn. Christopher Davies



*....this treasure
of the Trinity Season
Lectionary....*

The Trinity Season Lectionary is that system of Collects, Epistles and Gospels that we hear prayed, read and preached

each year on Sundays at the Holy Communion services in the Book of Common Prayer.

The pattern of readings begins on Trinity Sunday, the Sunday after Pentecost, and stretches through the last half of the Church year up to the Sunday Next before Advent. The length of the season varies depending on how late Easter is in a given year but normally we have at least 24 Sundays after Trinity

J.H. Blunt, in a much read commentary on the Book of Common Prayer in the 19th Century, says

The Sundays after Trinity may be regarded as a system illustrating the practical life of Christianity, founded on the truths previously represented [in the first half of the Church year], and guided by the example of our Blessed Lord.

We are led from looking at our outward actions and passions (Trinity 3-9) to look more deeply into our souls to root out disordered love at its source in our thoughts (Trinity 10-16).

Then we are led to the heights of perfection (Trinity 17-23). We move from dealing with the "outer man" to the unlocking and transformation of the hidden inner man.....that aspect of our soul made in the image and likeness of God

Of course we are not just dealing with disorder in the soul, but also are being encouraged at every stage with the particular promises of God and the blessings, the gifts, the virtues, adorning our souls as we grow in Christ.

We have this treasure of the Trinity Season lectionary, which could become an annual opportunity to ponder in the last half of the Church year in a supremely ordered way the mystery of the divine ascent of our souls by grace.

How appropriate the Trinity season lectionary is for Anglicans, who cherish the idea that the Prayer Book is a spiritual system helping to foster our vocations as Christians living in this sinful world.

Anglican Cathedral Stands On Historic Slave Trade Site In Stone Town, Zanzibar

Story and Photos by Forrest Roberts

On our recent trip to Tanzania we visited the island of Zanzibar. Back in the late 1400's Zanzibar was famous for its spice trade and notorious for its slave trade. The Chinese were purchasing spices there as well as Arabs, Portuguese and many other nations.

The slave trade began about 1499 and was finally stopped by decree from the Sultan of Zanzibar on 6 June 1873. The

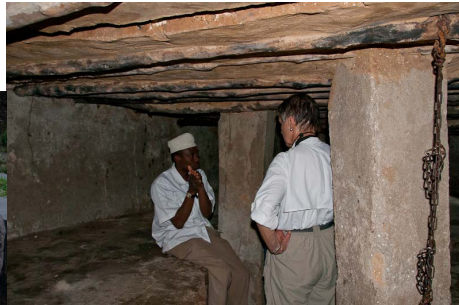


trade continued behind closed doors until about 1907.



1874. It stands exactly on the site of the former slave market and the High Altar marks the location of the old whipping post. This Cathedral is in the historic centre known as Stone Town, which is now a World Heritage Site.

I have posted some images on the bulletin board of the Cathedral, school and slave trading area.



Zanzibar was controlled by the Omanis in the 18th & 19th centuries and today Zanzibar is still about 98% Muslim.

If you want more information on this very interesting island just use Google.

Dr. David Livingstone led the appeal to liberate Africa from slavery.

The Anglican Christ Church Cathedral was built by Bishop Edward Steere in



(More pictures may be seen on the bulletin board in the Parish House.)

Loose Ends!

By Fr. Alexander

Some time ago, I put together for the Anglican Studies Class, a collection of thoughts as a kind of summary of what we had been talking about over the course of the year.

For any better title, I called it **Loose Ends!**

What is the Church? It is a society, visible and organic whose members are known and are admitted by an outward rite, bound by written rules, and subject to known officers. It is not invisible, composed of the elect who are known only to God. It is, as St. Paul and St. John most certainly have attested, the Body of Christ. Admission is by baptism.

The Church was formed by God to which and through which He can reveal Himself. By this definition, we can say the Church is older than Christianity, for the Jews of the Old Testament were a society through and to which God revealed Himself. They were "Chosen People" that God had selected to prepare for His coming in Christ.

This preparation was to take place over time and during this period of preparation, the Jewish people had to be kept separate from other peoples, other races of mankind. God, therefore, gave them a Law, and part of the Law was a moral code designed to make the Jews a holy people, to differentiate them from other peoples, and to make them ready to receive His final revelation of Himself through Christ.

By definition, the Jewish Church fulfilled the requirements of a church: it had its official teaching; its rites, ceremonies, and forms of worship; and a clearly defined membership.

The Jewish Church also had its prophets to remind them of their requirements under the Law and to call them to repentance and sincere devotion of God. The Jews usurped the Law. They elaborated ritual at the expense of the moral law, demanding God's favor and support for their performance of the ceremonial law.

It was into this Church that Jesus Christ came.

He came to fulfill the Law, the Law of Moses. In doing so, Jesus kept the Law. He and His disciples were strictly faithful to the Law. While He did not reject the organization of the Jewish Church and the Law as being foreign to His Gospel, it was Christ's Will that the old exclusive Law which disallowed the gentile world access to the Jewish Church should be done away and replaced; thus, He provided the Church with its own law and rites and ceremonies.

Christ provided the Church with its own organization and officials, i.e. the Apostles. He chose His Apostles and gave them special training, committing to them His Gospel and making them its official guardians and teachers.

Christ committed to the Apostles His sacraments of which they were to be the ministers.

The Apostles were the commissioned leaders of the Church: they ran its affairs and authorized its successors. They were the official agents of Christ and as His agents, they stood in His stead just as in today's world the holder of a "power of attorney" acts as the agent of the person named.

Christ established His Church as a means whereby He could continue His work on earth. His teaching was entirely oral and committed to His Apostles and through them to the Church.

That oral teaching in turn was written down by the Apostles and other members of the Church to form the books that were eventually endorsed by the Church. The endorsement meant that those books reflected faithfully the Apostles' teaching. As Bonnell Spenser has written: "...the Church did not derive its teaching from the Bible. It recorded its teaching in the Bible."

The Bible thus is the record of all essentials of the Church's teaching and nothing is to

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be declared as necessary to the religion of the Church that cannot be proven from the Bible.

This does not mean that everything that can be proven from the Bible is a direct revelation of God. As we know, any document, the Bible included, can be used to prove many things that are contradictory.

However, as Spenser writes: Only that interpretation which the Church intended when it wrote and endorsed the Bible is to be taken as authentic. Christianity is not a religion of a book. It is the religion of the living Christ who continues to speak and act on earth through the Church..."

The Church as instituted by Christ is based on a Sacramental System. This



system has been preserved and continued in the Catholic Traditions, as in the Anglican, Roman, and Eastern Communion: all orthodox in the faith and the practice of Christianity.

The Church continues the sacraments that, in reality, began with the Incarnation, God becoming man in Christ. The Word of God, the spiritual, took upon Himself the material. This is reflected in the sacraments of the Church: in each there is the spiritual and the material.

In Baptism: the spiritual in our regeneration by the Holy Spirit; the material in the cleansing by water.

In Confirmation: the spiritual in our receiving the Holy Spirit to strengthen us; the material in the Laying On of Hands by the bishop.

In the Eucharist: the spiritual wherein we receive the Body and Blood of Christ through His Real Presence and are fed by the Bread of Heaven; the material being the bread and wine.

In Holy Matrimony: the spiritual joining together as one; the material, the joining

of hands and exchanging of rings before the minister.

In Penance: the spiritual where our sins are forgiven; the material, where we confess our sins, ask forgiveness, and receive the assurance of forgiveness through the priest.

In Holy Orders: the spiritual where the person to be ordained receives the Holy Ghost and commission for the order for which he is presented; the material, the Laying On of Hands by the bishop.

In Unction: the spiritual where our bodies and souls are strengthened and healed by the Holy Spirit; the material, the Laying On of Hands by the priest and the anointing with oil.

We must remember that it is Christ Himself only Who works through the sacraments; only He can do these things. It is the minister as His agent, commissioned through a valid ordination, who administers the sacraments in His stead. It is often said that the priest stands at the altar in the shoes of Christ as he celebrates the Eucharist and administers the sacraments.

That authority; that empowerment comes only through the unbroken succession from the Apostles. The whole Catholic concept of sacraments and Christ acting through His Body the Church depends on a ministry so authorized.

September Birthdays

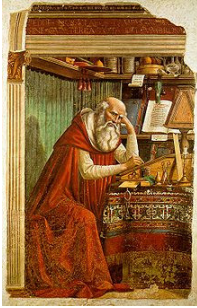
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| 7 | Dn. Christopher Davies |
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| 25 | Alice Larison |
| 28 | Larry Byers |

September Anniversaries

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| 18 | Fr. Clanton (Ord. Priest) |
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Saint of the Month: St. Jerome (c. 342-420)

St. Jerome is venerated as one of the doctors of the Church and is perhaps best known for his translation of the Old Testament from Hebrew to Latin and his revision of the Latin version of the New Testament which was called the Vulgate, or official text of the Roman Catholic Bible.



Jerome wrote a number of biblical commentaries and left behind a large number of letters that are still extant.

Born at Strido in Dalmatia, near Aquileia, Jerome studied at Rome under Donatus, becoming skilled in Latin and Greek. He was baptized by Pope Liberius in Rome in 360.

After his baptism, Jerome studied at Treves and traveled in Gaul before settling in Aquileia where he became an ascetic in 370 under Bishop Valerian.

Following a quarrel with the group at Aquileia, he moved to Antioch in 374. There he had a vision of Christ prompting him to retreat to the Syrian desert, where after a serious illness he lived for four years, praying and fasting.

From there, Jerome returned to Antioch where he was ordained by St. Paulinus. He also became involved in the Meletian schism controversy, of which he wrote a treatise, *Altercatio luciferiani et orthodoxi*.

Next, St. Jerome traveled to Constantinople where he studied Scripture under St. Gregory Nazianzen.

In 382, he traveled to Rome to attend a council and remained there as secretary to Pope Damasus.

His tenure in Rome was not without controversy, notably his series of sermons on the virtues of celibacy to a group of noble ladies who were studying Scripture under his tutelage.

On the death of Pope Damasus, who had been his protector, Jerome returned to the East, finally settling in Bethlehem. There, he was joined by St. Paula and others from his group in Rome. St. Paula established several convents for women and a monastery for men which was headed by Jerome.

There, he devoted his efforts totally to the translation of the Bible from its original tongues into Latin, except for writing his denunciation of Pelagianism in his *Dialogi contra Pelagianos*, which resulted in the burning of his monastery by armed Pelagian monks.

Jerome escaped unharmed but was left poverty-stricken. He died in September 30, 420, after a lingering illness.

Church Humor :)

Too Quiet Perhaps!

A Sunday school teacher asked her little children, as they were on the way to church service, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?"

One bright little girl replied, "Because people are sleeping."

How Many Wives?

A little boy was attending his first wedding. After the service, his cousin asked him, "How many women can a man marry?"

"Sixteen," the boy responded.

His cousin was amazed that he had an answer so quickly. "How do you know that?"

"Easy," the little boy said. "All you have to do is add it up, like the Bishop said: 4 better, 4 worse, 4 richer, 4 poorer."

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| (s) | Doctor | S. | Saint |
| D. | | V. | Virgin |

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| Office Hours Tuesday & Thursday 10:00 am to Noon | | | | 1 <i>S. Giles, Abt.</i> | 2 <i>S. Stephen of Hungary, K.C.</i> | 3 <i>Feria</i> |
| 4 Trinity 11 MP & HC 8:30 Bible Study 9:30 HC 10:30 Healing Service | 5 <i>Feria</i> | 6 <i>Feria</i> | 7 S. Evurtius, B.C. H.C. 5:30 pm Anglican Studies 6:15 | 8 Nativity of B.V.M. H.C. at 5:30 pm | 9 <i>S. Peter Claver, C.</i> | 10 <i>Feria</i> |
| 11 Trinity 12 "9/11" Memorial Dedication 8:30 Holy Communion 9:05 Reception 10:15 | 12 <i>Holy Name of Mary</i> | 13 <i>Feria</i> <i>Vestry meets at 2 pm</i> | 14 Exaltation of the Holy Cross H.C. 5:30 pm Parish Night Out 6:15 | 15 <i>Seven Sorrows, B.V.M</i> | 16 <i>S. Cyprian, B.M.</i> | 17 <i>S. Hildegard, V.</i> |
| 18 Trinity 13 MP & HC 8:30 Bible Study 9:30 HC 10:30 | 19 <i>S. Theodore, B.C.</i> | 20 <i>Bl. John Coleridge Pattenon, B.M.</i> <i>ACW Luncheon 11:30</i> <i>Men of All Saints 6 pm</i> | 21 <i>S. Matthew, Ap. Ev.</i> H.C. 5:30 pm Anglican Studies 6:15 | 22 <i>Ss. Maurice & Companions, Mm.</i> | 23 <i>S. Linus, B.M.</i> | 24 <i>Our Lady of Clemency</i> |
| 25 Trinity 14 MP & HC 8:30 Bible Study 9:30 HC 10:30 | 26 <i>Feria</i> | 27 <i>Ss. Cosmas & Damian, Mm.</i> | 28 S. Wenceslas, Prince, M. H.C. 5:30 pm Anglican Studies 6:15 | 29 S. Michael & All Angeles H.C. at 5:30 pm | 30 S. Jerome, C.D. H.C. at 5:30 pm | |