

## MONEY MATTERS ~ May 2009

**Income:** \$24,651.84 YTD \$86,783.57\*  
**Expenses:** \$16,370.36 YTD \$81,449.85\*

\*Income & expenses not reconciled.

Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7

**Loan Repaid:** St. Francis received a bequest from the Estate of Jeanne Driscoll. This bequest has enabled us to pay off the remainder of the loan of \$12,000, which has been a debt to St. Francis since March 2007, and to pay a portion of our Diocesan pledge.

**Learn more about and plan a visit to Washington National Cathedral,** “a church for national purposes called to embody God’s love and to welcome people of all faiths and perspectives. A unique blend of the spiritual and the civic, this Episcopal Cathedral is a voice for generous-spirited Christianity and a catalyst for reconciliation and interfaith dialogue to promote respect and understanding.” Schedule of events and more information: <http://www.nationalcathedral.org/>

### June 2009 Prayer Book Quiz

**What is the Holy Eucharist?**

**What are the benefits we receive in the Lord’s Supper?**

**What is required of us when we come to the Eucharist?**

### Answers to May’s Prayer Book Quiz:

**How is the Church described in the Bible?**

*The Church is described as the Body of which Jesus Christ is the Head and of which all baptized persons are members*

**Why is the Church described as catholic?**

*The Church is catholic because it proclaims the whole Faith to all people to the end of time.*

**What is the mission of the Church?**

*The mission of the Church is to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ. Prayer Book, p.854-855.*

**St. Francis Focus**  
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## WHAT’S HAPPENING AT ST. FRANCIS

**Honey Creek Summer Camp** registration forms are available in Hoonstra Parish Hall. \$75 deposit due with application, balance of \$275 due upon arrival. More information: <http://www.honeycreek.org>.

High School (completed 9-12)	6/14 – 6/20
St. Gregory (completed 3-6)	6/21 – 6/27
St. Peter (completed 6-8)	7/5 – 7/11
St. Joseph & Mary (grades 3-5)	7/12 – 7/18
St. Francis (completed grades 7-9)	7/19 – 7/25

Honey Creek needs to raise \$50,000 for repairs by August 1. To donate immediately, do so online at <http://www.honeycreek.org>. If you would like to help with fundraising, please contact [schampion@championpartnrs.org](mailto:schampion@championpartnrs.org) or [sandy@honeycreek.org](mailto:sandy@honeycreek.org)

**“Blessed to be an Episcopalian” and St. Francis stickers** are available in Hoonstra Parish Hall. Put one or both on your car today!

**Meals on Wheels, a St. Francis outreach program,** is looking for volunteers. Teams of three or four people plan and prepare a meal and deliver it to the 18-20 residents of Williams Court, a low-rent housing facility, on Saturday morning. At present, each team is scheduled approximately once every two months. With additional volunteers, the time between rotations will be longer.

If you are interested in joining a team or starting a team of your own, please contact the Church office at 897-5725 or Sue Avery at 897-1850. Children are also encouraged to help prepare and deliver. This is a very satisfying and rewarding ministry.

**Members of ECW and the Men’s Club met on May 28, 2009,** for the last dinner meeting before the summer break. Serena & John Nasworthy prepared a tasty spaghetti dinner. (If you forgot to make a donation for dinner, please give your \$5 to Serena or John.) Those present were entertained by Thad Welch’s mother, Thelma Welch Hodges, who is 101! She told about her experiences as a young girl in Savannah, high school experiences (lettered in 4 sports), and working at the shipyard (knows how to use an acetylene torch!). Thelma is a good storyteller and the evening was thoroughly enjoyable. ECW and Men’s Club meetings will resume in September.

## St. Francis Focus ~ June 2009

- There will be one service of Morning Prayer on June 14 at 9:00 a.m. Please come and experience a very uplifting and worshipful service. It's also an opportunity for 8:00 and 10:15 congregations to meet and mingle!
- Three priests are interested in serving our parish as Interim Rector: Father Jack Nietert, Father Konrad White, and Father Richard McDonnell. The Finance Committee and the Vestry hope to reach a decision very soon. If you would like to comment on the selection, please contact a Vestry member.
- The slate of candidates for the 10<sup>th</sup> Bishop of our Diocese will be announced on June 9. On August 26<sup>th</sup>, the candidates will be in Savannah to meet the electing delegates and members of the Diocese. Any member of the Diocese may attend to meet and question the candidates. For additional information about the process of selection, please visit: <http://www.georgiabishopsearch.org/>
- The 188<sup>th</sup> Special Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Georgia will be held September 12, 2009, in Dublin, Georgia. St. Francis's delegates are: Hap Boyd, Pat Locklear, and Heather Walker.
- **Save the Date: On August 30, 2009, Sunday School will reconvene, our Annual Stewardship Campaign will begin, and the Annual Picnic will be held at St. Francis!**
- **Kim Tutan will meet with other island church representatives to discuss bringing our youth groups together to form an ecumenical group.**

## PARISH NEWS ~ July Birthdays

7/1	Gary Norsworthy, Andrew Reilley
7/3	Aaron Rall
7/4	Linda Bryant, Hannah Foster, Russ Hindman
7/5	Gretchen Bateski, Kathy Pearson
7/6	Reagan Brode, Devin Horan
7/8	Arthur Ohmer
7/10	Margaret Dixon, Chadwick Gaudry, Clare Hunt
7/15	Brennan Smith, Rebecca Yocum,
7/16	Jace Reilley, Keene Saulsbury, Ashley Walker
7/18	Jerrold Miller
7/19	Abby Brown, Patrick Byrnes, Sophie Horan
7/20	Robert Lum
7/21	Ellen Lea, Maria Sayers, Don Stubbs
7/23	Rebecca Lentz
7/24	Bob Adams, Lindsay Peterson, David Stubbs
7/29	Eugene Godbold
7/30	Ken Kennickell, Ruth McGuire

### Rest in Peace:

5/30/09 Jeanne E. Cheshire Meyer, a founding member of St. Francis, mother of Kenneth Meyer  
6/3/09 Jerry Whitlow, father of Jeff Whitlow

**Birth: Noah Sebastian Franklin, 5/20/09, 7lb 14 1/2 oz., 20". Parents Andrew and Shelley Franklin, proud grandparents Dulcie & Chandra Franklin**

### Prayer for Fathers (Father's Day 6/21/09):

Father, it is Your Commandment that we should honor our fathers;  
Hear the prayers we offer You for them.  
Grant them many years on earth and keep them in health of mind and body.  
Bless their work and all they do.  
Give them back a hundred-fold whatever they have done for us.  
Inspire them with Your love and help them to fulfill Your holy law.  
One day, may we be their comfort and support,  
So that having enjoyed their affection on earth,  
We may have the joy of being with them forever in Your home in Heaven.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Pastoral Care:** Need pastoral care or know of someone who does? Please contact St. Francis, 897-5725, or Dan Drake, Senior Warden, 897-3936. If your request is urgent, please contact the Episcopal Diocese of Georgia, 236-4279.

**Sign Up, Please:** Celebrate a birthday, wedding anniversary, baptism or other special occasion, please sign up to provide refreshments, sanctuary candle (\$15), and flowers (\$70) for that day. These donations assist the Altar and Flower Guilds. Providing simple refreshments encourages fellowship. Sign-up sheets are on the pin board in the Hoonstra Parish Hall.

**Needed: A willing individual who will be responsible for scheduling volunteers to clean up the St. Francis "Adopted Highway."**

Our portion of Johnny Mercer Boulevard (both sides of the road) stretches from Bryan Woods Road to Walgreens. Please contact the Church Office if you'd like to assist in this project.

**Thank you!** We were able to fill a station wagon with needed supplies for the Women's Unit at the Inner City Night Shelter. Your gifts of sheets, towels, clothing, and personal hygiene products help to meet the needs of women working their way out of homelessness and poverty. Several of these women are learning job skills and/or are in training for positions in the work force. Again, thank you for reaching out to those in need of our ministries.

## CALENDAR

June 14 ~ Morning Prayer at 9:00 a.m.

June 21 ~ Father's Day

June 22 ~ 7:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting

June 27 ~ 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Friendship

Dinner at the home of  
Marcia & Randy Smith

August 30 ~ Annual Picnic (held at St.

Francis), Sunday School and  
Stewardship Campaign Kickoffs

## SUPPLY PRIESTS JUNE 2009

June 21

Rev. Louis Tonsmeire

June 28

Fr. Buck Lea