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# July Epistle

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## From the Rector

Picked out your summer reading yet?

If you haven't, consider these:

- ***Eat this Book***, by Eugene Peterson, or
- ***The Heart of Christianity***, by Marcus Borg.

No kidding! Each is a great read. Romance, suspense, even self-help - all you expect in a summer read are there. And, they are lively writers. Why, it's almost like taking Gene Montague with you to the beach!

The past few weeks, months and years have brought enormous challenges and changes to individual and corporate lives. If you have wondered "What is going on?", welcome to the club.

Peterson and Borg help us see again what we need to see. A taste of it is captured in Borg's subtitles:

- ***Rediscovering a Life of Faith - How We Can Be Passionate Believers Today***".

So, while we are enjoying the look of the Columbarium area and some colors and

textures given by the architects to think about for the ground floor of the education building, how about picking up a summer read for our own well being?

An important piece of work will begin soon—trenching for waterproofing. It's not too glamorous but it is very necessary! Bricks and mortar, plants and plantings, colors and textures are easy to do. But the most important work for us and the most long lasting is that of Christian living, inside and out.

*Eat this Book* and *The Heart of Christianity* are available from your bookseller or, because they are so worthwhile, you can find them soon in the narthex of St. John's for borrowing at no cost or for purchase at \$12 each.

Have a pleasant summer and a good read. *Jerry Fisher*



## A Letter from Alex

Dear Friends at St. John's,

Thank you so much for your generous donation to the Boys & Girls Club via my Eagle Project.

As you know, many families and individuals in our community go without proper child care. While all of us are susceptible to hard times, children are at the most risk, and they make up all of the members of the Club.

With the generous support of people like you, we will be able to help many of these families and individuals not only to meet essential daily needs, but to work toward a brighter future with programs in education, counseling, and team building skills.

For more information on how your donation is helping to make a difference in the lives of so many in our community, I invite you to visit the Boys & Girls Club Web site at <http://www.wakebgc.org>. You can also find information there on their upcoming events for this year and volunteer opportunities.

Thank you again, and we look forward to your continued support.

Sincerely,

Alex Reichmeider  
Future Eagle Scout



## Senior Warden's Corner

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### OFF THE BUDGET!!!

Our federal government often goes “off the budget”. For example, the entire Iraq war is “off the budget”. They just don't count it. So the federal deficit, as THEY count it, is FALLING. Sure it is ... if you believe that, I want to talk to you about a bridge.

Here at St. John's, we aren't allowed to go “off the budget”. Not the church books, at least. But look around and you will see “off the budget” everywhere. Just a small sampling ... hospitality hour, care group, TAM contributions, volunteer time, mileage, etc, etc. “Off the budget”, no official credit or deduction given, but it is vital support for those in need. Much of this work goes unnoticed, except by those who benefit from it and those who benefit

by doing it. Some of my most satisfying contributions are “off the budget” and done just for my own pleasure and satisfaction. And they're fun things. It's like being Santa Claus. Look around and you'll find some for your own enjoyment. It's a great way to start or end the week!

*Bill Goldston*

## Christian Education Pre-K through 6th Grade

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### CHURCH SCHOOL

On May 27, the children enjoyed a delightful Pentecost lesson and celebration! We started with a dramatic representation of the Tower of Babel falling down and progressed a few thousand years to learn how the disciples became apostles and went forth to spread the good news enlivened with the power of the Holy Spirit. Finally, the children treated the congregation to a lively parade around the sanctuary with their own representation of the Holy Spirit - red helium-filled balloons.



Summer Sundays are underway and, based upon the smiling faces we are seeing when the children join us at the Peace, some wonderfully enriching activities and lessons are going on! If you are interested in helping with this important piece of work, please see the sign-up

poster in the narthex. There is space for 2 volunteers each Sunday, but there is always room for more to help if you would like to assist the leaders. It is a wonderful way to get to better know some of the children at St. John's! - Ann Holmes



## Miscellaneous News

**Preschool News:** There are 3 openings for next school year in the Tuesday One's class. These children must be 15 months old by October 16th, 2007. There is also an opening for a staff member. Please contact Kristen Baron at [kbaron@stjohnswf.com](mailto:kbaron@stjohnswf.com) or 562-8619 for more information.

- Kristen Baron

**Hospitality Committee News:** There are many blank spaces left on the Hospitality sign-up, please pick a Sunday to sponsor and bring goodies for all of us. You may ask someone else to help you!

It's always easier when you share the task at hand. One of the members can help you - all you have to do is ask us! We also need more of the following for the kitchen:

- Coffee supplies (regular and decaf 2# cans, Sweet n Low, Splenda, Creamora, etc.)
- Paper goods
- Dish towels
- Lysol kitchen cleaner
- 3M sponges

We don't need a lot at one time, so you can call Durward Matheny, Dot Hinton, or Bob Nelligar to ask what/how much is needed. Thanks for everyone's help! -Dot Hinton

## Vacation Bible School

If you are interested in sending your child to Vacation Bible School, please fill out the registration form to the right or pick up a form at church.



Register today for...

St John's Episcopal Church

Vacation Bible School 2007

Preschool-4<sup>th</sup> grade

August 6 - 10<sup>th</sup>, 6-8 pm

Registration deadline July 29<sup>th</sup>

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Grade completed \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Name/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact \_\_\_\_\_

Contact relation/# \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies/Special needs \_\_\_\_\_

Place this form in the box located in the parish hall

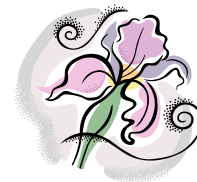
Please fill out a separate registration for each child

# In Our Prayers - June 2007

## Our Parishioners and Their Families:

**Ray and Judy Barnes**, Drew Hoover's parents  
**Nancy**, Karen Bell's mother  
**Karen Bell**  
**Bob**, Kathy Binns' husband  
**Maria Contreras**, Laura Santos's sister-in-law  
**R.V. Cate**, Jackie & Amy Bailey's brother-in-law  
**Mary Alyce Calhoun**, Maggie Goldston's sister  
**Parkley Cubberley**, Patty & Rob Reichmeider's nephew  
**Ruth Dancy**, Mollie River's daughter  
**Sharen Davenport**  
**Florence Denues**, Kitty Kovacs' mother  
**Virginia Currie / Emily DuPlessis**  
**Frankie Eppes / Sarah Fort**  
**Brenda Gainey**, Milly Nelligar's sister  
**B.C. Garris**, Mildred Wilkinson's cousin  
**Donna Gooding**, Tony Graber's sister  
**Steve Gould**  
**Arlene Homan**, Joyce McPherson's mother  
**Katheryn Klump**  
**Cheryl Lasek**, Cindy Nanni's sister-in-law  
**Doug McHose / Anna Melvin**, Roger's sister,  
**Barbara Montague / Gene Montague**  
**Ruth Monteith**, Dick's mother  
**Lisa M. Robertson**, Gene and Barbara's daughter  
**Regina Morris**, friend of The Hall Family  
**Susan Neely / Bill Nelson**  
**Liz Newberry**, Sallie Newberry's daughter-in-law  
**Hudson Nowell**, Shawn and Craig's nephew,  
**Robert Hart Raynor**, Milly Nelligar's cousin

**Ada Revelle**, Judy Baran's mother  
**Langly Rooney**  
**Juan Santos**, Laura Santos's husband  
**Derwood**, Terry Tubbs' father  
**Linda Wolfgang**, Dave McPherson's cousin



## Our Friends:

<b>Jacob</b>	<b>Laura Lynne</b>	<b>Anna Lee Long</b>
<b>Mary Barham</b>	<b>Drover</b>	<b>Paul Mosier</b>
<b>Lille Boyte</b>	<b>Dee Gillespie</b>	<b>Laura Murray</b>
<b>Darlene Bolan</b>	<b>Elke Hansard</b>	<b>Gary Pike</b>
<b>Claudia Brugaletta</b>	<b>Marie Hines</b>	<b>Tim Reynolds</b>
<b>Barbara Crockett</b>	<b>Janeen Irvin</b>	<b>Marisa Rosa</b>
<b>Jackie Diaz-Cid</b>	<b>Peter Kimosh</b>	<b>Clark Shelton</b>
		<b>Amber Violette</b>

## Our Men and Women in the Armed Services:

**Thomas Baker**, son of Tom and Darden  
**John**, son of Pinky & David Cooke  
**Eric Fancher**, brother of Jessica Graber  
**Kenneth Farrar III**  
**David and Steven**, grandson and son of Carolyn Filo  
**Matt Jeanerett**, nephew of Greg & Sonia Ingra  
**Michael Klump**, son of Kathryn  
**Michael**, son of Bonnie LaBarbera  
**Megan Leone**, daughter of Gene & Shelley Leone  
**Zachary McBee**  
**Thomas McDonald**, friend of Kristen Davis  
**Ben Miller**, nephew of Lee and Perri Holt  
**Josh Norton**, friend of Mike Barger  
**Luke Sabre**, friend of Todd & Cindy Hall



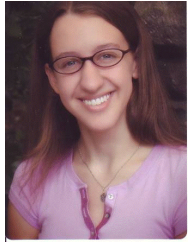
## July Birthdays

*We offer thanksgivings for those celebrating birthdays this month that they may grow in wisdom and grace all the days of their lives*

1 Hunter Kramer	6 William Kramer	18 Andrew Dickhart	27 Tom Baker II
Terry Tubbs	Elwood Munz	Anne Fisher	Marilyn Crawford
2 John Derrick	7 Henry Allen	Dan Rembold	Drew Hylton
Cindy Hall	10 Caroline Kessler	20 Sidney Bean	28 John Kessler
Marc Lownes	Bill McHose	Susan Bebeau	Lowell LaFreniere
Matthew Medlin	12 Karen Matchunis	Julie Rembold	Barbara Montague
Molly Shirley	13 Ellen Wickersham	21 Christopher Clement	Mark Paige
3 Bob Bidwell	14 Mike Husinko II	Rachel Puszczyński	31 Bethany Collins
Alex Reichmeider	15 Bill Batton	22 Kristen Davis	James Cooke
4 Jenny Brewer	Carrie Fisher	23 Elisabeth Vohwinkel	David Crawford
Mynn Paige	Lauren Gould	25 Catherine King	
Andy Wilkinson III	16 Mike Dearstyne	26 Nancy Clausen	
5 Shirley Matheny	17 Michael Turner	Patty Ray	

# Class of 2007

**Lauren Demanovich** is a recent graduate of Wake Forest–Rolesville High School. In high school, Lauren served as both



President and Secretary of the Junior Civitans club, President of the Future Business Leaders of America, was a member of National Honor Society, and participated in Latin Club.

Lauren likes to travel and is an avid reader. She has shared her passion for books and reading by volunteering in the community at the Green Road and Wake Forest libraries as part of the Teen Corps program. She also likes to read about and retain random facts and consistently beats her parents at Jeopardy. She has worked at Rudino’s in Wake Forest since July

2005.

Lauren will attend NC State University in the fall where she plans to pursue History and Pre-law.

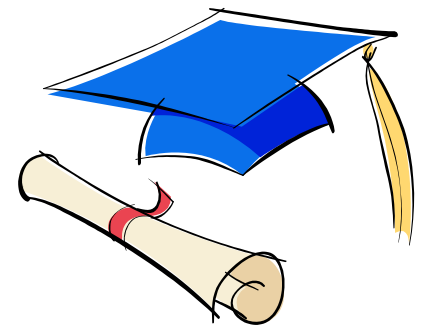
**Kate Scott**, daughter of Peggy and Roger Scott, graduated from Wakefield High School on June 8th. She will be working at Camp Kanada during the summer.



During high school, Kate participated in Relay for Life the last 3 years and was in the YMCA Leaders

program for 2 years. She often volunteered at the YMCA Child care programs. She played volleyball, basketball, softball, and soccer for Franklin Academy. She won first place in the Wake Forest Cultural Arts Association Junior Amateur Art Show in 2005 for one of her modern art pieces.

Kate will be attending Patrick Henry Jr. College in the fall.



## Some Financial Considerations

We are “on budget”. It is always important to live with a budget and to live within one’s means. To the side is a brief Fund Activity Report. More detailed reports are available in the parish hall. But, what does it mean to “be on budget” or “live within one’s means”?

The Vestry has always worked at combining prudence with vision, and frugality with foresight.

That is part of the equation. Another part is knowing what we mean by “means”. Perhaps it means living with what monies come in and using them in ways that are

Fund Activity Report - Year to Date for May 2007				
	Receipts	Disbursements	Net Activity	
Church Operating	\$ 108,896	\$ 105,231	\$ 3,665	
Discretionary	\$ 580	\$ 1,127	\$ (547)	
Capital Campaign	\$ 45,444	\$ 8,737	\$ 36,707	

appropriate to our purpose.

We are doing that. The grounds are looking great and mirror the glory of God and the gentle care of his people, living and dead.

Architectural work continues in preparation for offering our youth and ourselves much needed meeting space.

Keep us about our means in three important ways:

- Remember that your on-going gifts during the summer, pledged and unpledged, are vitally important to your well being and that of the parish; and,
- If you give to both the Operating and Capital Campaign, indicate the amounts to each on the check or envelope so that our Contribution Reports to you will be correct.
- Remember that you are our “means”.



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## From the Parish Register

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**Born** - Let us know of any births you would like announced

**Baptized** - *Sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked as Christ's own forever.*

**Bonnie Anne Rembold**, June 17<sup>th</sup>

**Nicholas Raymond Roberts**, June 24<sup>th</sup>

**Married** - *That their home may be a haven of blessing and peace.*

**Deborah Fay Powers and William Francis LaPierre**, June 30<sup>th</sup>

**Died** - *That they may go from strength to strength in the life of perfect service.*

**Samuel Wait Brewer**, May 28<sup>th</sup>

**Pamela Wines Edwards**, June 13<sup>th</sup>

**Membership Letters Received or Sent** - *Give them courage, patience, vision and strength in our Christian vocation of witness to the world and of service to others.*

**Jennifer Lauria** to Church of the Nativity, Raleigh, NC