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Is presenting...

Equip yourself to pass your wisdom, values and memories to the next generation. Participant will gain an understanding of ethical wills, be inspired to explore their individual values and stories and go home with concrete ways to share with their loved ones. Co-sponsored by Crane's Mill and Caldwell LIVE.

Legacies: Connecting Past to Future

Tuesday, October 25th
1:30-3:30 (Registration at 1:00)
Crane's Mill
459 Passaic Avenue, West Caldwell

Enter at Town Square parking lot
event is in Hinman Hall

Onward

A newsletter for and about
the people of
St. Peter's Church

OCTOBER 2011

Join us at St. Peter's this October for...

Fall Clean Up 10/8 9-12noon

Men's Social 10/15 5-7pm

Mission Trip Presentation 10/16 10am service

Christine's Kitchen 10/22 10am

Pumpkin Carving 10/30 10am service



St. Peter's Outreach Ministry

Christine's Kitchen

*Mark your Calendars - Manly Men
Dust off those Chili recipes!*

October 22, we are scheduled to serve lunch at Christine's Kitchen, West Orange.

Remember there are 3 ways to help out:

- ✓ Certainly we need volunteers to serve food on Saturday morning – this is a 10AM- 2PM commitment.
- ✓ Even if you're busy that day you can help out by cooking in advance or buying portions of the food and staples.
- ✓ If you are new or just want to get your feet wet with this ministry: Christine's Kitchen Pantry is asking for Cake mix or frosting. Just buy a box and leave it on the bench at the rear to the church or chapel. We will gather it up and bring it with us.

I guarantee that a trip to Christine's Kitchen is a worthwhile experience.

Please see Alan Pulitano at coffee hour or call 973-228-0328 for more details.

St. Paul's Shelter

Food and delivery service is still needed for St. Paul's Shelter on October 3rd. If you can cook, bake dessert or drive to St. Paul's Shelter at 5:30 p.m. that day, could you please email Jill McClain at jmcclain36@aol.com. We need enough food to feed and serve 40 men at the shelter. This is an easy project for a few people to get together, have fun, and help those in need! The shelter is located in Paterson, so there is a great need for our helping hands!

Jill McClain



An Important Piece of St. Peter's Church

Do you sit one row behind and slightly to the right of the same person every Sunday? Shake hands at the Peace, and later wonder, "What exactly is her name?" Just want to put a face on a name you hear around the Church all the time? Get ready for the upcoming Parish Photo Directory. This directory will be stored on our website, with full security and password-only access. We will also be making up some printed copies.

There are three ways to be included in the directory:

- You may email a photo to photo-dir.stpeters@gmail.com
- Drop off a photo at the Office, we will scan it and return it to you
- Smile for the friendly photographer in the courtyard after services

Deadline for the first Version is October 16th, don't be the missing piece!

Milestones

Baptisms	Chikezie Orjiekwe Son of Ogonna & Chiamaka Orjiekwe
	Zurie Cataldi, daughter of Michael & Ingrid Cataldi
Deaths	George Bartholomew Edith Rathbun Dr. Eugene Bradford



Thank you all who contributed to the food drive held at St. Peter's and the youth who worked the Community Food Drive organized by Dan Collins as his Eagle Scout Project.

Over 800 items were collected at Saint Peter's and the food was donated to the Caldwell Food Pantry and the Community Food Bank of New Jersey.

Health and Healing Minute

High blood cholesterol is a serious condition that increases your risk for heart disease. High cholesterol does not cause symptoms itself. The higher your cholesterol the greater your risk of developing heart disease or having a heart attack. Too much cholesterol in your blood will build up and along the walls your arteries. This narrows your arteries, reducing blood and oxygen throughout your body. Lack of blood and oxygen to the heart, damages the heart resulting in heart disease. A heart attack occurs when blood to the heart is blocked.

There are three numbers you should know.

- ♥ Total cholesterol less than 200mg/dL
- ♥ LDL cholesterol (bad) less than 100mg/dL
- ♥ HDL cholesterol (good) greater than 60mg/dL

Get your cholesterol levels checked this month!

Property Matters

I want to keep you all abreast of three important property issues.

1. We discovered this summer that our boilers in the church and chapel/nursery school had deteriorated and had to be replaced. I recommended and the vestry accepted that we take this opportunity to switch to natural gas to save money in the long term. The boilers are expected to be installed in the next couple of weeks, but we must wait until PSE&G installs the new gas lines until we can bring the boilers online. We will also be removing the underground oil tank in the courtyard and the oil tank in this the church boiler room. **This means we won't have heat in the church and chapel for**

for the next few weeks if it's chilly outside, dress in layers when you come to church.

2. Several of the floors have been professionally stripped and waxed this summer in an effort to properly maintain them.

3. Over the summer we began the renovation of the four bathrooms in the Piel Building (the Christian Education Building). The bathrooms are working but they still need to be painted.

I want to thank a number of parishioners for their help. Steve Yavorski (AirMetal works) for donating a new wrought iron rail for the balcony in the church. Jason Brown and Peter McCabe for donating their time and material for a new drainage system around the Chapel. Mark Livingston for donating topsoil to replant the grass areas around the sidewalks on Oak Lane and Roseland Avenue.

We have several small carpentry and painting projects that need to be done. If you can help, please contact me.

Toby West

Fall Clean Up @ St. Pete's

**October 8th 9-12noon
Pruning, Planting, Weeding!**

**We need lots of help!
Join us for fellowship and making
the place look great!**

I Wonder What Happens in Sunday School?

Our Pre-K through 3rd graders participate in a special Sunday school program called Godly Play. They have their own routine, similar to the grown-ups in church, where they slowly settle down and settle in and get ready to listen to God's stories.

We have wonderful lessons based on sacred stories, liturgical actions and parables. There are visual aids (people, blocks, sand, string, felt cut outs...) for each lesson which are used by the storyteller to focus young minds as each story is told slowly and quietly with pauses and intensity. They see Abram and Sarai listen to God and walk out across the desert where there is no food or water; they experience the Good Shepherd looking in the dark places for his lost sheep; they can touch the serious, purple times when we are all getting ready to enter the mysteries of Christmas & Easter; and they watch as the tiny mustard seed turns into a large tree where the birds of the air come and make their nests.

Then comes the best part...after each lesson the children are asked open ended questions, "I wonder what part of the story you liked best?" "I wonder what was the most important part?" "I wonder if there is any part of the story we can leave out and still have all we need?" The children take these stories of God's and, during the long pause after each question, they THINK about them, and sometimes they TALK about them. Yes, 4 to 8 year olds discuss God and their faith and try to sort it out in their own way and in relation to their knowledge and experience. There are no wrong answers here. These "wondering questions" show our children not how to question the church and God, but that these stories are for them and about them as is the church and God.

As we sit in church and hear the lessons read aloud from the bible our children are in their own space hearing stories from the same source told in a way special to them. I encourage you to do what you can to have your children attend Sunday school regularly so they will hear these wonderful lessons and start to THINK about them. Then as they get more comfortable they may open up and TALK, with their peers, the storyteller and maybe even you about those thoughts. Godly Play is a wonderful way to introduce young children to our common story.

Dana Leach

Sunday School

October 16th is Family Church. There is no Sunday School that Sunday and the children attend the whole service.

Children and Youth are invited to be the readers, ushers, chalice bearers and element bearers. If your child or youth would like to participate please send Ronald an email (rbyoung.stpeters@gmail.com). **You do not need to wait to be invited!**

Please Register your child(ren) for Sunday School. We are updating our children's database. Registration forms are available at the back of the church and in the Sunday School classrooms. You may also send an email to Ronald at rbyoung.stpeters@gmail.com with your contact information, your child(ren)'s name(s), date of birth, grade (as of September 2011) and whether the child has been baptized.

Ron Young

Blessing of the Animals



SPY

There will be a Mission Trip Presentation during the 10:00am service on October 16th. Following the service there will be a brunch for the Mission Trip Sponsors and Mission Trip Scholarship Angels. Sponsors and Scholarship Angels will be receiving an invitation by mail.



SPY meetings: October 16th and 30th
Jr. SPY 4:00 - 5:30 pm
Sr. SPY 5:30 - 7:00 pm

We love our Pets!
They deserve a special blessing!
October 1, 2011
4:30pm
The Courtyard



ST. PETER'S NURSERY SCHOOL

This September we have started our 40th year. We were founded in 1972 by a dedicated group of Church women. Several of our currently enrolled students are children of our alumni. The founders of this school would be amazed and proud of what they started and what kind of school we are today.

Reverend Stephanie had an opportunity to meet our families at one of the recent "Back to School Nights". One hundred and fourteen students are participating this year. We offer 2, 3 or 4 half-day programs. We offer a lunch bunch program as well as additional enrichment classes for the older groups.

A special thank you to Nan Ramé. She faithfully brings calendars for the children to enjoy. The children enjoy cutting out all the interesting pictures.

This month we will have our annual "Bedtime Story Night". Parents and children come to school in PJ's to read stories together. In addition, we also collect pajamas for donation at this time. What fun!

Pumpkin Carving

Sunday October 30, 2011

Following the
9:00 & 10:00am services



Buy a pumpkin to support the SPY 2012 Mission Trip and then decorate or carve the pumpkin. SPY will be on hand to assist you with the decorating and carving.

Planned Giving

Have you named St. Peter's in your will? Did you know you can donate stock to satisfy your pledge?

For questions or more information on how you can provide a lasting gift please contact Mark Livingston for the Planned Giving Committee at 973-493-4769 or email Mark at markliv2003@yahoo.com.

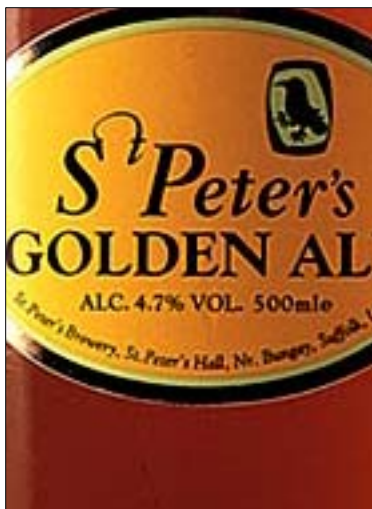
**Creating a Tradition of
Giving by Leaving
a Legacy
Of Your Stewardship**

The OpShop
Opened
September 24th
With Much Success!



Something for the Men

A Men's Social Event - Barbecue & Beer
Saturday October 15th 5:00 – 7:00 pm



Join us for a time of fellowship & fun at the church. We will begin with a beer tasting, including St. Peter's Golden Ale from Suffolk, England, followed by a barbecue of ribs, beans and Toby's Cole Slaw.

For information, or to find out how you can help, please speak to Ronald or Toby.

Please RSVP to rbyoung.stpeters@gmail.com or call the parish office. Requested donation \$7.00.