

Dates to Remember – January 2010

Jan. 3 EPIPHANY SUNDAY

Full Acolyte Procession
St. Andrew's Gospel Groove Band
New Year's Potluck Brunch
Gifts for Life Offering for Deanery Youth Group

Jan. 4 4:30-7 Family Group – Making Prayer Shawls

Jan. 10 4-6:30 p.m. Deanery Youth Group

Jan. 17 noon Annual Meeting

2 p.m. Community Prayer Service at Newfane
Rehabilitation Center

Jan. 18 Office Closed - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Jan. 20 7 p.m. Vestry Meeting

Jan. 24 Our Little Roses Sunday

Noon 90th Birthday Celebration for Dick Pascoe
6 p.m. *Sundays Live at St. Andrew's* –
Women of Creative Sound will perform

Jan. 25 7 p.m. Deanery Council –St. Paul's Lewiston

Looking Ahead

Feb. 7 Scout Sunday

Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord
Choral Eucharist & Acolyte Procession

Feb. 12 4 p.m. Fish Fry #1

Feb. 16 4-7 p.m. Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
at St. John's

Feb. 17 Ash Wednesday

11:30 a.m. St. John's - Holy Eucharist with
Imposition of Ashes

7 p.m. St. Andrew's-Holy Eucharist with
Imposition of Ashes

Niagara Deanery Youth Group

Sunday, January 3rd - *Gifts for Life* Collection

Sunday, January 10th - Annual "Un-Birthday" Party

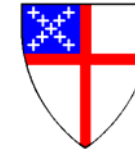
4 - 6:30 pm @ Christ Church, Lockport

*Bring a small wrapped gift (\$5 or under) suitable
for a boy or a girl

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News from Saint Andrew's - Burt

January 2010

*We are a diverse community of faith called by God to
love, worship, pray, support, and serve.*

Your Vicar's View

Sing to the Lord a new song. [Psalm 96.1]

We greet the new year at St. Andrew's with this
blessing:

*God has called you out of darkness,
into his wonderful light.*

*May you experience his kindness and blessings,
and be strong in faith, in hope, and in love.*

*Because you are followers of Christ,
who appeared on this day as a light shining in darkness,
may he make you a light to all your sisters and brothers.*

*The wise men followed the star,
and found Christ who is light from light.*

*May you too find the Lord
when your pilgrimage is ended.*

Judith

**The Annual Meeting and Pot Luck Luncheon
will be held on Sunday, January 17th
following the service.**

Don't miss it!!

Schedules – January 2010

Acolytes (10:00 am arrival time)

3rd Full Procession

Melissa Pestinger, Mark Vogt, Jake Knott, Mrs. Villeneuve

10th Seth Gregg, Matthew Vogt, Jacob Roeseler

17th Zach Roeseler, Chad Gilson, Mrs. Villeneuve, Mark Vogt

24th Matthew Roeseler, Jarrett Gilson, Jake Knott

31st Mrs. Villeneuve, Chad Gilson, Matthew Vogt

Lay Readers

3rd Dorothy Cheasty & Jerry Harrington

10th Jeff Edmister & Stacy Lampman

17th Jeff Edmister & Margaret Moran

24th Jerry Harrington & Matt Pestinger

31st Jerry Harrington & Stacy Lampman

Altar Guild Stacy Lampman & Liz Gilson

Collection Counters Cindy & Jerry Harrington

Greeters - Currently no one is signed up

Thank You

Thank you to **Kathy Gregg & Nancy Pestinger** for their tireless leadership and guidance in preparing the Christmas pageant this year. **Thanks** also to **Liz Depew, Cindy Harrington, & Lisa Roeseler** for all their work. **Thanks** to all the **parents and grandparents** who encouraged our children in this ministry.

Thank you to the anonymous donor who purchased our Christmas tree for the sanctuary.

Thank you to **Jeff Edmister, Stacy Lampman, Dottie Cheasty,** and **Lois Carter** for their work in preparing our first Advent Vespers. **Thanks** to **Joe Breczka, Jr.** and the **choir** for their participation.

Thank you to everyone for your generous commitment to St. Andrew's mission & ministries in 2010. With the vigilance of your Vestry and your commitment, we begin the year with a spirit of confidence and trust in God's abundance.

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Vision Statement - To deepen our individual relationship with God together
The Rt. Rev. J. Michael Garrison, Bishop of Western New York. The Very Rev. Dr. Judith Lee, Vicar. Michael Depew, Office Manager. Joe Breczka, Jr., Music Director & Organist. Jerilyn Carney, Sexton. Judi Naylor, Parish Nurse. Stacy Lampman & Cynthia Harrington, Wardens. Office: 2239 West Creek Road, P.O. Box 133, Burt, N.Y. 14028 Phone: (716) 778-7633. + Vicar home: (716) 633-6941; cell: (716) 949-8194 + Website: www.standrewsburt.com + E-Mail: Standrewsburt@verizon.net

Thank you to the Ladies' Guild for their generous contribution to the Vicar's Discretionary Fund.

Thank you to **Doug & Bonnie Wintersteen, Emily, Jerry & Cindy Harrington, Kathy & Seth Gregg, and Mike & Liz Depew** for Christmas caroling at Newfane homes and the Newfane Rehabilitation Center on December 19th. You brought great joy to everyone.

News and Notes

January 3 – Epiphany Sunday & New Year's Potluck Brunch. We will observe the Feast of the Epiphany and the first Sunday of the new year with a potluck Brunch following the service. Please bring a breakfast food to share.

Our Little Roses Sunday – January 24 – We'll have a special collection for Our Little Roses Orphanage in Honduras prior to Lois Carter's participation in the diocesan mission trip. Watch for more information.

Family Group – We have a new group for families with young children who will meet regularly for fellowship, learning, and fun. On **Monday, January 4th,** **Kathy Massie** will introduce us to a new Prayer Shawl Ministry, including a lesson on knitting or crocheting a prayer shawl, while our children play. If you're interested in participating, or if you would like to join Judith+ in babysitting during the lesson, please see Natalie Beilein or Reannon Rhoring. To learn more about the Prayer Shawl Ministry see Kathy Massie.

New Vestry Members and Wardens – At our Annual Meeting on January 17, we will present the following slate for new officers: **Doug Wintersteen** – Warden for 2-year term; **Jerry Harrington** – Warden for 1-year term; **Bill Buchanan & Larry Waters,** Vestry for 3-year terms.

Sundays Live at St. Andrew's – January 24th - Women of Creative Sound, a women's percussion & vocal group, was a huge success at Diocesan Convention this year. This is a performance not to be missed! Mark your calendars & invite your friends.

January Birthdays

3 rd	Diane Breczka	10 th	Lynn Schauer Bewley
4 th	Branden Winkley	10 th	Agnes Kagels
8 th	Gerald Harrington	15 th	Mark Gilson
8 th	Ethen Bronschidle	15 th	Hannah Jock

16 th	Prudy Waters	24 th	Allie Seeloff
16 th	Shaun Finley	25 th	Joanne Flewell
18 th	Dale Duhow	25 th	Dick Pascoe
18 th	Sue Villeneuve	26 th	Dale Haidvogel
19 th	Melissa Pestinger	28 th	Matthew Vogt
20 th	Gary Few	28 th	Bradley Duhow
21 st	Dorothy Cheasty	31 st	Morgan Bedford
		31 st	Dale Nikitas

January Anniversaries

10th Thomas & Marilyn Olsen

14th Joe & Diane Breczka

Why Run for Warden?

It has been rewarding but also a lot of work serving the Church as a member of the Vestry for the past three years.

I could justify in my mind the need to retire from the Vestry, re-charge a little, and become active again at some time in the future. I chose however, to become a candidate for the 2-year Warden position starting in January 2010.

I am proud of the accomplishments we have made as a church during this time. We are a vibrant and healthy church at a time when many parishes are struggling to survive. Our goal-setting and goal-achieving process is working well. We have strengthened this process this year by conducting Mutual Ministry interviews to provide needed input from the Congregation. We are fortunate to have a Pastor with vision and a Vestry and congregation to “make vision happen.”

We can be generous and manage our budget at the same time. We have met our financial commitments, and strengthened our outreach program in our community while meeting our goal to reduce our deficit by \$5000.

We also share the common threads of good friendship, good food and good music. Our youth participation and Sunday school are strong and help to preserve our future.

We have challenges ahead, as well. I want to continue the momentum in strengthening our Church and work hard in the areas we need to improve. God gave us the gift of prayer. He also gave us hearts, brains, and hands. We are going to need them all to work together in faith to keep St. Andrews a healthy church, spiritually, physically, and financially.

Doug Wintersteen