



St Margaret's Notebook

April 10, 2008

From the rector

For three Sundays in a row, we have baptisms at St. Margaret's.
beginning last Sunday with Julianna,
Luke and Jack Lenaeus this Sunday
and then Shelby Hitchcock.

I delight in baptisms but not only because
I get to dance down the aisle with an infant on my hip.
For something very holy happens when the Body of Christ
gets a glimpse of the one with baptismal water still dripping off them.
Something very holy happens in the smiles and touches, as well as the tears.
Something very holy happens in the promises to help one another
live into our own baptismal covenants,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ,
to seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbors as ourselves,
and to respect the dignity of every human being.

At every baptism we pledge to support the baptized in their life in Christ,
“cradle to grave” as they say
We also pledge to support one another;
when we struggle with what matters in life,
when we disappoint ourselves and others,
as well as when we are surprised by joy.

Looking forward to the sprinkling,

Hayes +

Signs and Symbols of Easter

Continuing the theme from the last newsletter are several more signs and symbols associated with the Easter season. Many of these symbols carry not only the meaning of the resurrection of Christ but also of the Christian's ultimate resurrection and eternal life.

Phoenix

This mythical bird with its beautiful red and gold plumage has been associated with the Easter season since the early Christian period where it was commonly depicted in art and literature. The phoenix symbolized Christ's resurrection, immortality and life after death. Ancient legend says that the phoenix lived a very long time (some sources say 400-500 years) and at this time it builds a nest from cinnamon twigs and other spices. The heat of the sun sets the nest on fire consuming the phoenix, leaving behind a pile of ashes. From these ashes arise a new, young phoenix thus beginning a new life cycle of never ending life. Legend has it that the phoenix regenerated when hurt or wounded making the bird almost immortal and invincible.

The phoenix is a prominent symbol on the City of Atlanta's seal and flag with the Latin word *Resurgens* written above the phoenix. Here the phoenix symbolizes the continual rebirth of the city following the devastating fires during the Civil War and the Great Atlanta Fire of 1917.

Jesus Christ the Victor

This symbol is a Greek cross with the Greek letters IC and XC on the top with the word NIKAI on the bottom. IC is the first and last letters of the word Jesus (Ιησους) and XC means Christ (Χριστος). NIKAI means victor or conqueror.



Baptism

This month St. Margaret's will welcome several new members into its community through the rite of baptism. Baptism is an especially appropriate symbol of Easter and the resurrection. The Thanksgiving over the Water (BCP 306) is a wonderful prayer connecting the Exodus Narrative with Christ's death and resurrection. Also notice that this prayer bears resemblance to the Eucharistic prayer and invites the whole congregation into the prayer. Baptism is one of the most powerful symbols of the risen Christ as it celebrates the gathered praying community as the body of Christ itself. Romans chapter six contains one of the most eloquent passages on baptism in the New Testament. Paul writes: "Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.



Meredith+

Dear community of St. Margaret's,

Thank you very much for all of the support you have given me during my husband's recent illness. I greatly appreciate all of your prayers, food, child care, assistance and the generous monetary gift. All of these have meant so very much to me and my family and has given us the strength and hope to continue on this journey each day.

Yours in Christ,
Meredith Kefauver Olsen+



ECW to Begin Shawl Ministry

Knitting shawls for the sick and needy is a new ministry to start on Thursday, April 17, at 10:00 AM in St. Margaret's parish hall, with knitting and crochet lessons for those who want to participate. Knitting needles and yarn will be provided for those who do not already have them. ECW members, Brenda Grubb and Pamela Saunders, will offer lessons and coaching for creating beautiful shawls, which can also serve as bed covers, to be blessed by our priest and given, along with a printed prayer, to the infirm and anyone in need. Even baby size shawls or blankets are needed. This is an activity that can be done at home, in the car, on the airplane, or wherever you find the time. Anyone, male or female, is invited to take part in this worthy cause. If you are interested and would like more information, please call **Brenda Grubb at 770 809-9168.**



J2A Pilgrim / Parent Meeting

Sunday, April 20 at 10:00 am in the den of the Gable House



26th Annual Ecumenical Quiche Luncheon

The Our Lady of Perpetual Help Altar Society, cordially invites the church ladies of Carroll and Haralson Counties to the Twenty Sixth Annual Ecumenical Quiche Luncheon in the parish center on Wednesday, April 23 at Twelve Noon. No reservations are needed. A nursery will be provided and a light lunch will be served to the youngsters.

We receive you into the household of God

Julianna Eden Ward McDonald

on Sunday, April 6, 2008.

Julianna is the daughter of

Eric and Jenny, sister of Liam McDonald, and granddaughter of Joann Ward.



glimpses of hope

. . . . a peek inside St. Margaret's Community Outreach . . .

Giving help. Sharing hope.

Spring 2008

*For the hungry, the homeless and the outcasts of the world:
that the love of Christ may teach us hospitality, hope
and care for the least of our sisters and brothers,
we pray to you, Living God.
Lord, hear our Prayer.*

-taken from the Prayers of the People, Anglican Prayer Book, New Zealand



Congratulations to SMC0 Volunteer Kate Grusauskas

(active 4th quarter 2007) on her Peace Corps assignment to the Ukraine. We wish her all the best as she accepts this note-worthy challenge.

SMCO YEAR-TO-DATE NUMBERS THROUGH MONTH-END MARCH 2008

Households Served: 150

Individuals Served: 435

Children Served: 229

Services Provided: 547

Individuals Served by Paper Pantry: 158



\$\$\$ Money Matters \$\$\$ / "In-Kind" Abundance

*SMCO continues to allocate grant proceeds awarded by **Community Foundation of West Georgia** during 4th quarter 2007. Proceeds go directly to **General Assistance** needs of families and individuals who come to our St. Margaret's Community Outreach for such assistance.*

*St. Margaret's **ECWomen** and **ECMen** again successfully presented annual **Valentine Luncheon**, awarding 100% of proceeds from Luncheon to **SMCO**.*

*SMCO again invited to apply for funding from **Carrollton Golden K Kiwanis Club Grant Program** (distribution of proceeds from annual pancake breakfasts).*

SMCO again invited to sell tickets for above breakfasts, receiving 1/2 of ticket price for each ticket sold.

*Carroll EMC Foundation provided generous donation to **SMCO** to assist needy families and individuals with food.*

SMCO continues to seek funding sources from local community and beyond.

*Support from both inside and outside our parish family remains strong, in both monetary and in-kind donations. **Individuals, organizations and churches** are among those who want to help us help.*

*St. Margaret's **EYC** created Valentine goody-bags, each one uniquely decorated and packed with Valentine treasures, for our Homework Helper friends.*

St. Margaret's Youth Sunday School Classes conducted Lenten collection of Paper Pantry items for hospital and Gable House distribution.

*Carrollton Presbyterian Church donated gently-used baby items to **SMCO** Nursery.*

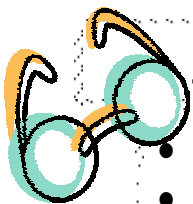
*Grace Lutheran Church continues to provide miscellaneous baby items for distribution through Paper Pantry and **SMCO** Nursery.*



Special thanks . . .

. . . to Alice Jakubiak, Andra Morris, John Muffley and Richard Smith for the time and energy they have so freely given to our **SMCO**.

. . . to Elaine Holmes and Paper Pantry Volunteers who provide 24/7 hospital coverage for babes in need, Tanner Medical Center, Carrollton.



. . . **SMCO** . . . Spotted around C'ton. . .

- **SMCO** featured program at **Carrollton DawnBreakers Rotary Club**, January 2008.
- **SMCO** featured program at **First Baptist Church** assembly, January 2008.
- **SMCO** invited to again display information at **Carrollton Presbyterian Outreach Jamboree March 2008**. Community organizations/efforts funded by Carrollton Presbyterian featured.



Memories of 2008 Valentine Luncheon



THE HOMEWORK HELPER 4-1-1



spring semester 2008

"HOMEWORK HELPER" AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM EXTENDS SINCERE THANKS TO ITS LOYAL VOLUNTEERS FROM ST. MARGARET'S, AREA HIGH SCHOOLS, THE UNIVERSITY OF WEST GEORGIA AND THE COMMUNITY. WE ALSO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE PROVIDED FUN AND INTERESTING PROGRAMS FOR OUR STUDENTS.



City Councilman, Artist, CJHS After-school Coordinator **Gerald Byrd** was presented a "Homework Helper original," a visual interpretation of the excerpt from Dr. MLK, Jr.'s "I Have A Dream" speech Byrd shared with the children in observance of Black History Month.

Joe and Emily Cumming, long-time volunteers with Homework Helper program, were presented a one million dollar note of thanks, designed by the children and featuring the Cummings as the "first" couple of the million dollar bill. Bill was designed in Cummings' honor after their most recent visit portraying early American Presidents.



Jeff Gordon, better known as **Big Daddy**, shared information about planting vegetables. Each student planted vegetable seeds. **Big Daddy** returns on Earth Day (April 22) to help students transplant new plants to individual pots to take home and enjoy.



Susanna Stone,
Central Middle School
Student "Shadow"

the future of SMCO...



Allison Gordon,
Carrollton High School Sopho-
more and one of St. M's own



Tyesha McCovey,
UWG Homework
Helper Volunteer



Caroline Batch, Carrollton
High School Sophomore
Homework Helper Volunteer



Jackie Cain, Carrollton Middle
School student and St. M's
member, volunteered record-
breaking number of hours
over 5-day period.

**St. Margaret's Godly Play 1st-3rd Grades Sunday School Class
"PAPER PANTRY PATROL" for Lenten collection:**
(1-r, front) Pete Sciolis, Ella Daniel, Joe Lee Palladino, Gittle
Sciolis, (2nd row) Cate Paul, Elizabeth Cochran, Maggie Den-
mon, Daniel Reed, (3rd row) Harper Minor, Julia Bernhardt,
Will Cochran, Charlie Minor, Mark Edwards-Opperman,
(back row) The Very Rev. Hazel Glover, Julie Cain (teacher),
Kathy Edwards-Opperman(teacher) , Catherine Gordon
(SMCO Director). **Not pictured: students Emmalee Blosser,
Adam Block, Edward Bohannon, Lilly Cary, BW Chase, Lilly
Parmer, Lucy Hughes Parrish, Martin Shook and Joe Shook
and teachers Martha Goodson and Heather Sciolis.**



Jonathan Edwards-Opperman,
Carrollton High School Sopho-
more and another of St. M's own



Rita DeMoura,
UWG Homework
Helper Volunteer

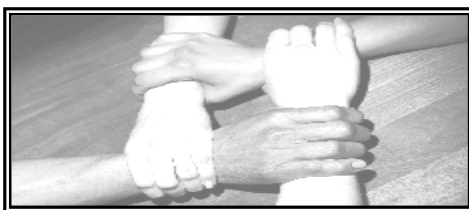
VERY BRIGHT... with a lot of help

from our young friends!



Andrew McKnight,
UWG Homework
Helper Volunteer

PHOTOS ONLY INCLUDE
2008 YOUTH VOLUNTEERS



To all those SMCO volunteers and supporters who enable us continue in the pursuit of our organization's original mission to serve poor and disadvantaged families and individuals in our community. . .THANK YOU. In all of our programs, services, hopes and dreams, your help is vital for our success. Together, may we continue to do the job we have been given to do.



. . . glimpses. . .

The call came in from an employee at the cancer treatment center in Carrollton. The caller was concerned about a chemo patient. She asked if there was any way we could assist this woman with her unmanageable expenses. Her medical care was not of concern – that part was okay. Yes. When “they” arrived at 606 Newnan Street later that day, they introduced themselves by their rhyming names and told me why they’d been sent our way. “They said y’all might could help us. See,” the younger of the two women said, “I gotta take Momma for her cancer medicine for 7 more weeks and we just ain’t got enough money for the gas to get there ‘cause she’s gotta go for the chemotherapy on Monday through Friday and Thursday she gets radiation. Do y’all help with stuff like that?”

We visited a bit and I found out all I needed to know before I told them we could help with “stuff like that” for the 7 weeks remaining for her “medicine.” The pair came in weekly, as was convenient for them during the times I suggested. They were always so gracious. Some days Momma had her oxygen flowing. Some days she just looked tired. She always had to “hug me a big thank you.” One day was really cold and they asked if we had an extra blanket they might could have. Every time they left they said something about “y’all not knowin’ how much this is helpin’.”

The seven weeks have passed. We haven’t heard from the rhyming-name mother / daughter pair. I don’t know if that is good news or bad. I hope Momma is, at the very least, at ease, warm and comfortable. Her unmanageable expenses turned out to be a little gasoline and a warm blanket. . . and an ap-

pointment to keep that didn’t involve needles or complicated words. Yeah, we sure can help with stuff like that.

The couple is expecting their first baby in April. The father, a concrete finisher, has no work. He has accepted a part-time job as a walk-around billboard for a local business, just to create some cash flow. Her mom is helping them as best she can, but has reached the end of her means as well. Can we help them with the rent?

We went through the process of reviewing the lease, contacting the landlord, talking about the particular difficulties preventing the couple from paying as agreed and offering to pay an amount somewhat less than the agreed-upon rent, just to “buy some time.” Landlord said he would call me back, and I assured the couple that I would notify them as soon as I knew if our offer was accepted.

When Mr. Landlord did call me back, the news wasn’t good. It was great. Yes, our offer was accepted. Furthermore, in an effort to further assist the couple, he was amending the lease, temporarily reducing the rent for the following three months. He asked if I would let the couple know to come by his office and sign the lease amendment. Yes. Yes. Yes. The monthly amount of the reduced rent? Exactly equal to the payment SMCO had offered. Help – just for the asking.



The invitation stands, to all who desire to help us help.

Giving help. Sharing hope.

-csg



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 02-Apr Susan McMillin, Mikell Wells
- 03-Apr Lynda Gerber, Gareth Hoffman,
- 04-Apr Aaron Reynolds
- 05-Apr Debbie Pyles

- 06-Apr Lauren Nassetta
- 07-Apr Mary Sarner
- 09-Apr Kip Carter, Leslie Hunsicker, Bill Jacobus, Catherine Lindahl
- 10-Apr Steven Minor, Audrey Perdue, B.W. Chase
- 11-Apr P.J. Hovey
- 12-Apr Jason Robinson, Paul Campbell
- 13-Apr John Hull
- 15-Apr Betty Gaddis, Ben Kennedy, Beth Smith, Lisa Gezon
- 16-Apr Glenn Folds, Shell Bush
- 17-Apr Jo Fortner
- 18-Apr Jill Jarrell, Tom Miller
- 20-Apr Lee Griffin, Will Cochran
- 23-Apr Ron Adams, Julia Richards, Peg Callahan
- 24-Apr Reba DeGaris, Alice Sawyer
- 25-Apr Michelle Shook
- 26-Apr Irving DeGaris, Megan Hooper
- 27-Apr Nelson Gerber, Peter Maierhofer, Suzi Blosser
- 28-Apr Joe Shook
- 29-Apr Carol Chapman, Mac McCoy
- 30-Apr Karen Swanson, Debbie Bernhardt, Ella Daniel

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

- 05-Apr Tom & Sherry Foreman
- 06-Apr Dan & Julie Cain
- 11-Apr Tom & Brenda Fitzgerald
- 19-Apr Vaughn & Betty Gaddis
- 29-Apr Frank & Heather Sciolis

DID WE LEAVE YOUR BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY OFF OUR LIST? CALL JULIE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE, 770-832-3931 OR EMAIL: STMARGARETS@CHARTERINTERNET.COM WITH THE DATES.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- April 8 ECW Meeting - 12 noon in the Parish Hall
- Vestry Meeting - 7:00 pm in the den of the Gable House
- April 13 Baptism of Jack and Luke Lenaeus - 9am
- April 20 Baptism of Shelby Hitchcock - 11am
- Apr 21-28 Hazel at CREDO
- April 21-28 **NO NEWSLETTER**
- May 4 Senior Night
- May 9 EYC Pool Party
- May 11 9:00 am Sunday School graduation
10:10 am Annual Slideshow
- May 12-26 Julie vacation
- May 27 / June 4 J2A Pilgrimage to Canterbury

JUNE 1 10:00 AM SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE BEGINS

April 13, 2008

	9:00 am	11:00 am
Crucifer	Andrew Gordon	Christopher Keene
Book Bearer	Allison Gordon	Tom Fitzpatrick
Taper	Wrenn Parrish Delaney Paul	

Altar Guild Susan Souligny, Lisa Crafton, Andra McGill, Diane Fulkerson, Gloria Johnston

Children's Church Bonnie Cooper, Cyle Bohannon

Lay Readers	9:00 am	11:00 am
	John Muffley	Patrick Malloy
	Pauline Rodwell	Tony McGaughey

Ushers	9:00 am	11:00 am
	Jim Rash	David Basil
	David Lovvorn	Fred Bernhardt

Thrift Shop

April 11

10-1:00 pm	Bob and Karen Swanson
1-4:00 pm	Susan Lenaeus, Andra McGill

April 13

10-1:00 pm	Roseanne Godsey, Ann Price
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APRIL HOSTESSES

Rose Dufour, Shirely Hewitt, Alice Jakubiak, Julie Lindahl, Andra Morris, Diana Rash, Heather Sciolis, Carolyn Stone, Ann Ward

APRIL PAPER PANTRY Gloria Johnston, Stephanie Turner

APRIL VESTRY PERSON OF THE MONTH

Lin Reed

April 20, 2008

	9:00 am	11:00 am
Crucifer	Allison Gordon	Randy Hooper
Book Bearer	Kelsey Cain	Megan Hooper
Taper	Jackie Cain Will Cochran	

Altar Guild Julie Lindahl, Andra Morris, Alice Jakubiak

Children's Church Mary Alice Cochran, Karen Adams

Lay Readers	9:00 am	11:00 am
	Jo Fortner	Stephanie Turner
	Marcy Alexander	Jim Cunningham

Ushers	9:00 am	11:00 am
	Dan Cain	Tom Foreman
	Taylor Gordon	Bob Graf

Thrift Shop

April 18

10-1:00 pm	Jo Hunsicker, Gail Manley
1-4:00 pm	Nancy Disinger, Pam Saunders

April 19

10-1:00 pm	Chris Brown, Teresa Perdue
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PRAYER LIST

Our parish family: Nicole, Katherine, Sumner, Luke and Jack, Larry, Joann, Jan, Alice, Derek, Jim

Family and friends: Ethan, Annalee, Jackie, Lainey, Eddie, Jon, Betty, Angela, Steve, Jamie, Hubert, Bryan, Randy, Nicky, Georgina, Caitlin, Stan, Larry, Brenda, Tina, Hope, Philip, Andrew, Eileen, Esther, Anne, Theresa, Tina, Lee, Billie, Mary Anne, Murphy, Jeff, Lois, Lisa, Cy, Steve, Mike, Charlotte, Brian, Henry, Lisa, Newbern, Carlton, Janie, Drew, Jeanette, Sarah, Catherine, Elvira, Bo, Jochen, Cliff

Military: Walker, Steven, Drew, Lyle, Doug, Jessie, Matthew, Sarah, Robert, Elizabeth, Marshall, Will, Jordan, Stacey

Deaths: Steve Weems

PRAYER REQUESTS may be submitted by emailing Julie at Stmargarets@charterinternet.com or by phone 770-832-3931.

ST. MARGARET'S VESTRY

Bruce Bobick - Sr. Warden
Randy Coggins - Jr. Warden
Guyton Cochran
Cindy Hull
Tony McGaughey
Catherine Minor
Andra Morris
John Muffley
Hugh Mitchell
Judy Reed
Lin Reed
Susan Souigny



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