



# Trinity Episcopal Church



Celebrating More than 160 Years of Changing Lives

July 2011 Newsletter

## Notes from the Junior Warden

Another busy month! Father Thomas Rosa has agreed to be our ongoing supply Priest through the end of the year. Many parishioners felt that having different Priests every week made them feel uncomfortable. Father Rosa will meet that need! In the four services he has performed for us, we have found him to be very high Church, a skilled musician and cantor, quite child oriented and wonderfully attentive to the minute details that make so much of a difference! We welcome him!

Also on a high note (pun intended), after conducting a search our Organist Committee offered the Job to Ken Baxter, and he accepted! Ken has demonstrated a high level of skill as a substitute and brings a deep Episcopal Background to Trinity. Welcome Ken!

The Building and Grounds Committee met and set a bunch of goals for the summer: getting bids on fixing the horrible heating/cooling situation in the apartment, for a new gutter on the North end of the parish hall which should abate some of the basement flooding we have been experiencing, and for getting heat back to the Guild room. The Restoration of the Guild room is complete and beautiful. The last thing we're waiting on is for the broken Cross of Jesus to be repaired. Michael is hard at work painting our fence black and it looks terrific! More to come!

The audit is more than 50% completed and I've been able to respond to and correct those exceptions that I have control over! We're presenting part of the Audit to the Vestry this month and the remainder in July!

At the 2010 Diocesan Convention a resolution was passed to mandate energy efficiency a mandate in all our Churches. To that end I attended a session at the Leadership and Ministry Fair which I have presented to both the Building and Grounds Committee and to the Green Team. I also attended Energy Star Portfolio Training and am currently updating the last four years of data in it to get our benchmark – our place to measure progress against! The Vestry will consider an energy policy at the June Meeting assuring our efforts in this area and establishing an energy efficiency team as a sub-committee of the Green Team.

One of the other things I learned at the Leadership and Ministry Fair is how important it is to communicate with the Congregation on a regular, almost daily basis. So I have been trying to post things on our Facebook Group Page daily, sending out announcements and our Parish Prayers weekly, and blogging more frequently. If you aren't getting these, please email me your email address to [rob@trinityaurora.org](mailto:rob@trinityaurora.org) and I will get you on the list!

I thought it was supposed to slow down in the summer? May God bless each of you and yours this summer season!

Rob Borchert

## Recent Deaths

Mary Elizabeth Stephens, mother of Guy and Janet, grandmother of Hannah and Matthew, died recently in Kansas. Mary Elizabeth was our guest organist at Trinity the week after Easter. Memorial service is pending at Trinity Episcopal in Lawrence, Kansas where she was a long-time organist.

Gayle Hunt, mother of Sonni and Tom Herget died recently in Aurora. A memorial service was held.

*May they rest in peace and light perpetual shine upon them. Amen.*

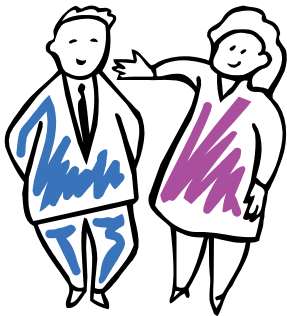
Donations were made by the following:

In memory of Mary Elizabeth Stephens

Georgia Sanborn (Organ Fund)

In memory of Gayle Hunt

Linda Barber (Endowment)



### **Welcome:**

Javier Terrazas has recently joined Trinity. Please say hello.

Also, a hearty welcome to Trinity's new organist Ken Baxter! We are happy to be working together and hearing him play each Sunday!



### **PRAYERS NEEDED**

We pray for Jim, Malcolm, Mona, Cynthia, Lucile, John, Naomi, Jean, Sarah, Mary, Jackie, Barb, Trish, Kathy, Mike, Bessie, Petra, Bob, Norma, Ms. Lee, Tom (for health), Hannah, Pam, Priya (for the guidance of the Holy Spirit) the victims and survivors of the Claim St. fire (for peace and healing), Timmothy (for a safe return).

## Recently Attended:

Rob Borchert represented Trinity at Energy Star Portfolio Manager Training held on Saturday, June 4th at St. Benedict Episcopal Church, Bolingbrook. This is first step in trying to control our Energy Costs.

Gale Blogg and Linda Barber attended the Asset Based Community Development Training. This conference of Province V Peace & Justice and Jubilee was held at St. Mary of the Lake Conference Center, Mundelein. More information on this will follow.



Thanks to Chireen deKing and Brian Dunn for giving of their time and home to host a Trinity Garage Sale. They opened their doors for two weekends. Many, many thanks to them and all that helped, contributed, etc.

You are wonderful!

Radius Camps, a mission group of teenagers, used Trinity's kitchen on June 20-24. We were happy to help them with their work in Aurora.

Radius Camp is a non-profit ministry that coordinates mission camps for junior high and high school students around the country. Radius Camp combines elements of a Christian summer camp – a worship band and speaker – into the curriculum of a mission trip. Students and leaders gather together for morning and evening worship sessions, and during the day groups are partnered with existing relational ministries or service projects in the area. Our week-long camps seek to strengthen students' personal faith in a way that cultivates a heart for service and love for others.

For more information, see their website, [radiuscamps.com](http://radiuscamps.com).



## **July 10th is Trinity's Annual Church Picnic!**

At about 11:00 we'll gather at Jericho Lake Park pavilion for a service and then the picnic. (regular 9:00 service at church as well that morning)

**Water Balloon Toss**  
**Fishing in Lake Jericho**  
**Other games and prizes!**

Bring your own meats, beverages, and a dish or dessert to share.

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### **Trinity's Deacon's Softball Team Schedule**

All games are played at Pierce Field on Montgomery Road east of Douglas Road in Montgomery. Come cheer the team!

June 26 at 3:00

July 10 at 1:00 (unless we can reschedule for the picnic)

July 17 at 1:00

July 24 at 5:00

July 31 at 5:00

Playoffs start in August.

