



June/July 2015

*St. Mary's Episcopal Church*

# The Bell Ringer

Online at [www.stmaryskinston.com](http://www.stmaryskinston.com)

## The Choir School at St. Peter's



The Choir School at St. Peter's consists of five auditioned choirs ranging in age from six to eighteen. The Choir School calls St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Charlotte, NC, home. The choristers come from throughout the Charlotte area, and represent varied denominations, culture and economic backgrounds. Ben Outen, the director and Kay Johnson, the managing director, began the program in 1993 with a small choir of boys. The choir has significantly grown from there.

As part of the program, each year they take the three older choirs on tour. This July, the older singers will be in residence for a week at Salisbury Cathedral, England. Therefore, the Tour Choir will travel throughout Eastern North Carolina.

We are excited to announce that The Tour Choir will present a concert at St. Mary's on **Wednesday, June 17, 2015, at 7:30 p.m.** The choir singing at St. Mary's is composed of 17 girls and 15 boys, ranging in age from 10 - 14.

Invite your family and friends to attend this concert which lasts a little more than an hour. Parents with school aged children, we hope you will make the effort to attend.

At the conclusion of the concert a free-will offering will be taken to help the choir cover some of their traveling expenses.

We are currently looking for families to host choir members in their homes the night of June 17th. In hosting choir members you are asked to: provide a snack for the young people following the concert on June 17th, provide sleeping arrangements, and breakfast the morning of June 18th. Breakfast need not be elaborate. You will then return the choir member to the church on Thursday morning. More explicit directions will be given to host families at a later time. Kathy Gilmore has agreed to coordinate host families. If you would be willing to host, please contact Kathy at [kathygilmore@me.com](mailto:kathygilmore@me.com). or 252-523-0546. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

## The Episcopal Church

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### In the Anglican Communion

A global community of 80 million Anglicans  
in 40 member provinces/churches.

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Established in 1788.

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A community of more than 15,000  
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Founded in 1883.

Bishop

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### St. Mary's Episcopal Church

A church of 405 baptized members whose  
mission is to worship and serve God joyfully,  
to nurture each other in faith and wholeness,  
to minister to others, and to manifest the  
"good news" of Christ.

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Rector	The Rev'd A. Michael Singer
Assistant	The Rev'd Thomas P.H. Warren
Director of Music	Mr. Nick Voermans
Parish Administrator	Mrs. LaTonya Smith
Parish Secretary	Mrs. Linda Johnson
Director of Children's Ministries	Mrs. Shelly L. Yarbrough
Sr. Warden	Mr. W. Scott Newton II
Jr. Warden	Mr. J. Mark Herring

## News at St. Mary's

### Congratulations Graduates

#### Arendell Parrott Academy

**Thomas Grady** - will defer for a year in order to study in Germany  
but in the fall of 2016 will attend Columbia University

**Zack Hill** - to attend East Carolina University

**Eliza Newton** - to attend East Carolina University

**Sydney Vick** - to attend North Carolina State University

**Lilli Wooten** - to attend East Carolina University

#### Kinston High School

**Melissa Glen** - to attend East Carolina University

#### East Carolina University

**Maggie Bizzell** - MPA - Master's in Public Administration  
with a Certificate in Sustainable Community Development  
with an emphasis on Economic Development

#### North Carolina State University

**Elisabeth Webster** - BS in Environmental Technology  
and Management

### From the Parish Register

Burial -

Jean Moseley Henry Long

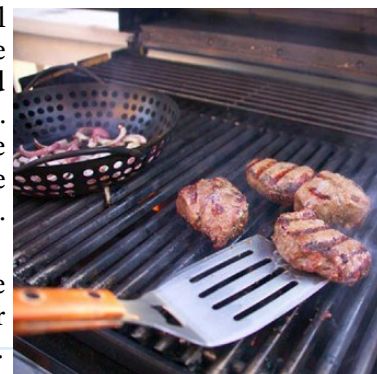
May 14, 2015 - Maplewood Cemetery

**St. Mary's offers sympathy** to Tom Hengel and family  
upon the death of his sister Katherine Wilson. Kathy died May 5,  
2015, and was buried in Minnesota on May 16, 2015. *Give rest, O  
Christ, to your servants with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no  
more neither death, but life everlasting.*

### We're grilling

In recent weeks a new gas grill  
has been added at St. Mary's. The  
large grill is behind the kitchen and  
has already been put to good use.  
This has been a joint venture of the  
parish with the grill purchased by the  
Episcopal Church Women of St.  
Mary's.

A special thank you to Anne  
Lindley and Mark Herring, Junior  
Warden, for getting this accomplished.



# From the Rector - Father Michael Singer

## Summer plans

My summer plans will include me being away about 6 weeks. Some of the time will be vacation and the remaining time will be spent serving the Church.

A year ago I was one of four clergy elected in the Diocese of East Carolina to serve as a deputy to the 78th General Convention of the Episcopal Church. General Convention, which meets June 25th - July 3rd, in Salt Lake City, Utah. I ask that you please keep me, our others deputies, our bishops, and the Church in your thoughts and prayers.



Teresa is going along with me. It will be exciting to see the Church as it gathers. I am particularly excited to participate in wonderful worship and to hear from Anglicans from around the world.

As Bishop Santosh said when he was assisting in our diocese, "The Episcopal Church is part of a mega church with over 80 million members."

I'll have a few days at home and will be with you on Sunday, July 12th, before the Singer family, and others from St. Mary's head off to the Diocese of the Dominican Republic. We depart on July 14th and return July 21st. While in the Dominican Republic we will again return the La Divina Gracia in Mosovi. This is St. Mary's third trip in four years. While there we will offer Vacation Bible School every morning in a small church, only twice the size of our chapel. On previous visits we averaged more than 80 children a day. While there we will power wash the church, paint the exterior of the church, seal the flat roof and do small repairs. We are still working to bring fresh water to the village.

As was reported in last month's issue of *The Bell Ringer*, we plan to give each child a New Testament Bible and the church, a few copies of *The Book of Common Prayer* in Spanish.

Upon my return in August we will send Father Tom and others from St. Mary's off to Glory Ridge, for a week long mission trip in Madison County, North Carolina.

Please keep all those serving on mission trips this summer in your thoughts and prayers.

## Continuing the conversation

Over the course of the past year many people at St. Mary's has heard of *RenwalWorks*. *RenewalWorks* is a catalyst for refocusing parishes (and the individuals in them) on spiritual vitality. It has been tailored to the Episcopal tradition, adapting 10 years of research that has uncovered key characteristics of flourishing congregations.

During Lent we devoted time on Wednesday evenings to hear about the groundwork already begun, the survey results and the final report. If you would like a printed copy or email copy of the survey results or final report, please contact Linda or LaTonya in the Parish Office.

### Where Do We Go From Here?"

Utilizing survey results and the final report, it's time to move on to the next step. During the summer, we will be offering two sessions to hear responses. Father Michael has asked that small groups be formed. These small groups will consist of individuals who were part of the design committee and members of the Vestry who have received and reviewed the report.

It is ideal to have at least three members of the design committee, and at least three members of the Vestry in each group. So that the group is manageable we'd like to invite 6 -8 members of the parish, who were not part of the design team nor Vestry to be part of the discussions.

A signup sheet is located on the bulletin board in the Narthex. You are encouraged to sign up for a date in the near future. The dates for continuing conversation are:

**Monday, June 8th at 7:30 p.m. in the Parlor**

**Wednesday, June 24th at 7:30 p.m. in the Parlor**

Those with questions are asked to contact Father Michael. We hope you will consider helping us to keep the conversation going.

## Mary's Kitchen Challenge

In April we informed you the Feinstein Foundation had suspended its annual \$1 Million Giveaway to Fight Hunger for 2015, but a generous member of St. Mary's had stepped forward to offer their own challenge. The donor, who wished to remain anonymous, would match up to \$5,000 of money collected through April 30, 2015. If this challenge was met, Mary's Kitchen will net more proceeds this year than in previous Feinstein challenge campaigns.

We are very happy to announce that you came through and met the challenge. On April 30th, we received \$6,039.91 in contributions. Thank you to everyone from St. Mary's, and friends of the parish who stepped forward to meet the challenge. We also thank our anonymous donor.



# Worship

## Worship at St. Barnabas Church

A service from the 1928 Book of Common Prayer will be held Saturday, June 6th, at 10:00 a.m. at St. Barnabas Church in Snow Hill.

Father Michel Singer will celebrate and preach the service of Holy Communion.

St. Barnabas was designated an historic site in 1979. The setting of St. Barnabas' cornerstone was in 1884. The Rt. Rev. Alfred Augustine Watson, DD, First Bishop of the Diocese, consecrated the building in 1893.

You are invited to attend this summer worship service which begins at 10:00 a.m. Following the service, there will be a covered dish potluck lunch at the home of Frank and Sandra Warren, 106 West Greene Street, 252-747-3529. All are welcome.



**Sara Cruz** recently completed her Junior year at East Carolina University majoring in Violin Performance.

Sara has helped enhance worship at St.

Mary's as part of our string quartet for Lessons and Carols. Sara will be sharing the music of Heitor Villa-Lobos, an early 20th Century Romantic composer from her native country of Brazil. Sara will be with us this summer.

**The Worship Commission** will meet on Wednesday, June 10th, in the Parlor at 7:00 p.m. Worship Commission Chair, Ike Hines, has called for a meeting and we encourage all those interested in liturgy (the work of the people) to come. We will review what we currently do and discuss what we might do to enhance our worship experiences. So, if you've been at St. Mary's just a few months, or if you've been here for several years, please join us.



## Summer Music at St. Mary's

During the summer, the adult choir takes a break from regularly rehearsing on Wednesday nights and performing an anthem for the offertory on Sundays. This summer, members of St. Mary's as well as other area musicians will be providing their musical gifts each week at the offertory. If you are interested in sharing your musical gifts during the offertory this summer, please do not hesitate to e-mail Nick Voermans at [nvoermans@stmaryskinston.com](mailto:nvoermans@stmaryskinston.com).

Sara Cruz and Laura Morgan are two of the musicians who will be with us over the coming months:



**Laura Morgan** recently completed her first year as a Masters student at East Carolina University majoring in Orchestral Conducting. Laura has provided music at St. Mary's on several occasions as a violist in our string quartet for Lessons and Carols. Laura is originally from Jacksonville, North Carolina and is a member of St. Anne's Episcopal Church. Laura will be sharing the music of Johann Sebastian Bach.



# June 2015

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	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>				
	<b>29 St. Peter and St. Paul</b> 8:30a Morning Prayer 9:00a Staff meeting 8:00p A.A. and Al-Anon meetings					

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				<b>1</b> 6:45a Men's Prayer Breakfast	<b>2</b> 8:30a Morning Prayer 6:00p Boy Scout Round Table	<b>3</b> <i>St. Thomas</i> <b>Office closed</b>	<b>4</b> <i>Independence Day</i>
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<b>19 8 Pentecost</b> 8:00a H.E. - Rite I 10:00a H.E. - Rite II 11:15a Lemonade on the Lawn	<b>20</b> <i>Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Amelia Bloomer, Sojourner Truth, and Harriet Ross Tubman</i>	<b>21</b> 8:30a Morning Prayer 9:00a Staff Meeting  8:00p A.A. & Al-Anon	<b>22</b> <i>St. Mary Magdalene</i> 6:45a Men's Prayer Breakfast 6:30-8p Youth & Adult Journey in Faith mid-summer Feast	<b>23</b> 8:30a Morning Prayer	<b>24</b> <i>Thomas a Kempis</i>	<b>25</b> <i>St. James</i>	
<b>26 9 Pentecost</b> 8:00a H.E. - Rite I 10:00a H.E. - Rite II 11:15a Lemonade on the Lawn 1:30-3pm Glory Ridge skills workshop 8:00p A.A meeting	<b>27</b> <i>William Reed Huntington</i>	<b>28</b> 8:30 a Morning Prayer 9:00 a Staff Meeting  8:00p A.A. & Al-Anon meetings	<b>29</b> <i>Mary, Martha of Bethany</i> 6:45a Men's Prayer Breakfast	<b>30</b> <i>William Wilberforce</i> 8:30a Morning Prayer	<b>31</b> <i>Ignatius of Loyola</i>		

# June 2015 Serving Schedule

2015	June 7	June 14	June 21	June 28
<b>Acolytes</b>	<p><b>Cr:</b> George Haddad  <b>T. Br.</b> Aiden Robertson            Anna Haddad  <b>Gospel:</b> Will Connolly</p> <p>8 a.m. Ron Michalowicz</p> <p>10 a.m.  <b>OT:</b> Dee Warner  <b>Ps:</b> Dee Warner  <b>NT:</b> Kelli Stroud  <b>Prayers:</b> Jay Barker  <b>EM:</b> Jay Barker            Kelli Stroud</p>	<p><b>Cr:</b> Jacob John  <b>T. Br.:</b> Chloe Albritton            Ty Wentz  <b>Gospel:</b> Matthew Glen</p> <p>8 a.m. Scott Turik</p> <p>10 a.m.  <b>OT:</b> Terah Archie  <b>Ps:</b> Terah Archie  <b>NT:</b> Jo Parrott  <b>Prayers:</b> Teresa Singer  <b>EM:</b> Jo Parrott            Terah Archie</p>	<p><b>Cr:</b> Raelynn Sheffield  <b>T. Br.:</b> Jane Herring            Brandon Zoltek  <b>Gospel:</b> Anne Grayson Lindley</p> <p>8 a.m. P.C. Barwick</p> <p>10 a.m.  <b>OT:</b> Diane Bowen  <b>Ps:</b> Diane Bowen  <b>NT:</b> Melissa Glen  <b>Prayers:</b> Jessica Shimer  <b>EM:</b> Melissa Glen            Stuart Stroud</p>	<p><b>Cr:</b> Nathaniel Glen  <b>Tr. Br.</b> Seth Ling            Ava Haddad  <b>Gospel:</b> Will Sargeant</p> <p>8 am Marvel Turik</p> <p>10 am  <b>OT:</b> Sam Gilmore  <b>Ps.</b> Sam Gilmore  <b>NT:</b> Joe Saracino  <b>Prayers:</b> Sandra Warren  <b>EM:</b> Joe Saracino            Susan Fox</p>
<b>Lectors/ Eucharistic Ministers</b>	<p>8 a.m. Ron Michalowicz</p> <p>10 a.m.  <b>OT:</b> Dee Warner  <b>Ps:</b> Dee Warner  <b>NT:</b> Kelli Stroud  <b>Prayers:</b> Jay Barker  <b>EM:</b> Jay Barker            Kelli Stroud</p>	<p>8 a.m. Scott Turik</p> <p>10 a.m.            Brandon Zoltek            Bill Ferguson            Ron Albertson            Bill Connolly</p>	<p>8 a.m. Andrew Duppstadt</p> <p>10 a.m.            Jess Edwards            Kevin Zoltek            Gerry Fox            Stuart Lindley</p>	<p>8 a.m. Bill Sumner</p> <p>10 a.m.            Mitch Bryan            Clifton Carey            Billy Carraway            Jon Sargeant</p>
<b>Ushers</b>	<p>8 a.m. Ron Michalowicz</p> <p>10 a.m.            Sandy Shimer            Greg Turner            Dee Warner            Harry Wooten</p>	<p>8 a.m. Scott Turik</p> <p>10 a.m.            Susan Fox            Pat Patrick            Louise Mauck            Carrie Dale Purnell            Sarah Turner            Linda Hines</p>	<p>8 a.m. Andrew Duppstadt</p> <p>10 a.m.            Jess Edwards            Kevin Zoltek            Gerry Fox            Stuart Lindley</p>	<p>8 a.m. Bill Sumner</p> <p>10 a.m.            Mitch Bryan            Clifton Carey            Billy Carraway            Jon Sargeant</p>
<b>Altar Guild</b>	<p>Diane Bowen            Anne Lindley            Sarah Warner            Jane Newton            Sandra Warren</p>	<p>Susan Fox            Pat Patrick            Louise Mauck            Carrie Dale Purnell            Sarah Turner            Linda Hines</p>	<p>Cyndi Rafferty            Kelli Stroud            Teresa Singer            Crystal Wooten            Lilli Wooten            Audra Haddad</p>	<p>Lorraine Spader            Dianne Stadiem            Jo Parrott            Marvel Turik            Ann Rouse</p>
<b>Bookstore</b>	Closed	Linda Page	Closed	Closed

\*Ushers are asked to arrive and be in place by no later than 9:35 a.m. - Acolytes are asked to arrive, be vested, and ready to go by 9:45 a.m.

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2015	July 5	July 12	July 19	July 26
<b>Acolytes</b>	<b>Cr:</b> Harper Ballard <b>T. Br.:</b> Kirby Ballard Dori Ballard <b>Gospel:</b> Wilson Archie	<b>Cr:</b> Emma Herlong <b>T. Br.:</b> Chloe Albritton Sydney Herlong <b>Gospel:</b> Ava Haddad	<b>Cr:</b> Will Sargeant <b>T. Br.:</b> Aiden Robertson Seth Ling <b>Gospel:</b> Ellie Wooten	<b>Cr:</b> Joseph John <b>Tr. Br.:</b> Jane Herring Thomas Grady <b>Gospel:</b> Levi Wentz
<b>Lectors/ Eucharis- tic Ministers</b>	<b>8 a.m.</b> Ron Michalowicz  <b>10 a.m.</b> <b>OT:</b> Cyndi Rafferty <b>Ps:</b> Cyndi Rafferty <b>NT:</b> Lesa Cunningham <b>Prayers:</b> Adrian King <b>EM:</b> Adrian King Susan Fox	<b>8 a.m.</b> Scott Turik  <b>10 a.m.</b> <b>OT:</b> Ike Hines <b>Ps:</b> Ike Hines <b>NT:</b> Kelli Stroud <b>Prayers:</b> Jessica Shimer <b>EM:</b> Kelli Stroud Ike Hines	<b>8 a.m.</b> Greg Gridley  <b>10 a.m.</b> <b>OT:</b> Scott Newton <b>Ps:</b> Scott Newton <b>NT:</b> Stuart Stroud <b>Prayers:</b> Jo Parrott <b>EM:</b> Jo Parrott Stuart Stroud	<b>8 a.m.</b> Marvel Turik  <b>10 a.m.</b> <b>OT:</b> Frances Herring <b>Ps:</b> Frances Herring <b>NT:</b> Jay Barker <b>Prayers:</b> Diane Bowen <b>EM:</b> Jay Barker Sarah Turner
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>8 a.m.</b> Ron Michalowicz <b>10 a.m.</b> Jimmy Ballard Mark Herring Mark Hollar Randy Holton	<b>8 a.m.</b> Scott Turik <b>10 a.m.</b> Randy Jones Richard Lane George LaRoque Stuart Lindley	<b>8 a.m.</b> Bob Bright <b>10 a.m.</b> Scott Newton Jimmy Parrott Jim Purnell Bruce Rafferty	<b>8 a.m.</b> Bill Sumner <b>10 a.m.</b> Blake Rouse Mark Herring Jack Herring Phil Sanders
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Emily Exum Tempe Younger Beth Webster Judy Sanders Allyson Sugg	Diane Bowen Anne Lindley Sarah Warner Jane Newton Sandra Warren	Susan Fox Pat Patrick Louise Mauck Carrie Dale Purnell Sarah Turner Linda Hines	Lorraine Spader Dianne Stadiem Jo Parrott Marvel Turik Ann Rouse
<b>Bookstore</b>	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed

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# Christian Formation



*Christian Formation Leaders!!!!*

*At our Mass on the Grass, those who ministered with the children and youth of this parish were recognized and thanked for the blessing that they have been this year... the thanks came along with a movie ticket! Many thanks to God for these servant ministers who make a BLOCKBUSTER impact in the St. Mary's family!!!*

*Well Done & Happy Summer!!!*

## Journey in Faith & Youth Journey in Faith

The journey continues through the summer:

- ◆ Youth: June 7, 11:15-noon
- ◆ Adults: June 14, 12:15-1pm (lunch)
- ◆ All: Mid-Summer Feast July 22, 6:30-8pm (Place TBD)



## Vacation Bible School!! June 15-18

Gordon Street Christian Church will host VBS this year with help from St. Mary's and First Presbyterian. Join us for an amazing week of "Conquering Challenges with God's Mighty Power" through life-giving bible stories, upbeat music, crafts, fun games, yummy snacks, and hands-on service.

*All children, ages 3 - completed 5th Grade!*

*Youth & Adult volunteers are needed. Training will be June 14, 6pm @ Gordon Street CC.*

*Contact Shelly Yarbrough at  
syarbrough@stmaryskinston.com  
with any questions.*

## THE DIFFERENCE ST. MARY'S MAKES

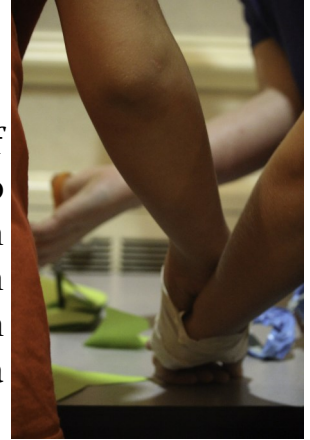
On Sunday, **June 14th, from 11:15-noon**, please join us as we host our Diocesan Coordinator for Youth and Young Adult ministries, Mrs. Emily Gowdy-Canady. She will lead us in a workshop/conversation about the vision that we have for Christian Formation at St. Mary's. In other words, what is the difference we hope St. Mary's makes in forming our lives as Christians and how should we orient our programming around that vision? The nursery will be open and special age-appropriate sessions on this topic will be held at the same time for children and youth.

# Youth Community News

**I AM** *the vine, YOU are the branches.*

*from John 15:1-8*

In one of His final messages to the disciples, Jesus reminded them of the necessity to stay connected to Him, even when they would no longer see each other daily as they had for so long. Just as a branch dies if it is separated from the vine, so will we wither spiritually when we aren't connected to God. As we look ahead to a summer season that may have very different rhythms of life for some of us, this is a



Stay Connected  
this summer!

perfect reminder for us to keep our connection with God as our most important priority. Worshipping with other Christians every Sunday morning, praying, reading God's Word regularly, and stepping up to the plate to love & serve others when Jesus calls us are the basic ways for us to stay connected to Him. I can't wait to hear all about your summer experiences!!

## Mark Your Calendars!!

Sunday, June 14; 6pm  
*VBS Volunteer Training*  
*@Gordon Street Cristian Church*

Mon-Thu, Jun 15-18, 9am-noon

*Vacation Bible School*  
*Jr. & Sr. EYC volunteers who*  
*have registered as helpers*

Mon-Fri, Jun 22-26  
Erasing the Lines

Sunday, July 26, 2-3:30pm  
Glory Ridge Team Skills  
Workshop

Saturday, August 1  
Glory Ridge Team Packing

August 2 - 8  
Glory Ridge Mission Trip!!!

*Have a safe &*  
*blessed summer!!!!*



*"I was so impressed with the youth group today. They are not shy at the garden at all and are engaged and very productive. They have a sense of ownership & are very confident to do whatever is asked. And ask for more to do!"*



*-Karen Mulcahy, Garden Manager at Common Ground*



**THANK YOU!!!!**

Thank you so much to the wonderful adults of St. Mary's whose gifts of hospitality have allowed the EYC to enjoy food and fellowship together in May: Natalia Castro with Azyiah & Miyanna; Stephanie & Jason Posey with Stella; Heather & Brant Wentz with Ty; and Anne & Stuart Lindley.



## Our church

### St. Francis needs your help!

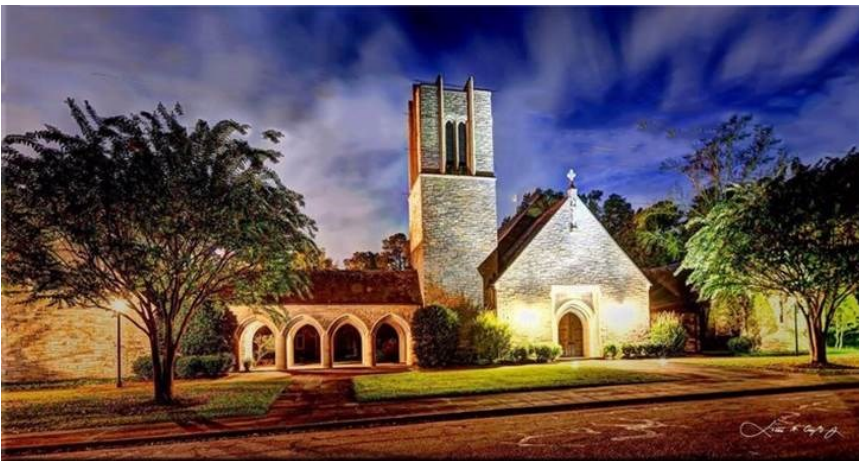
Well . . . actually, St. Francis Garden needs your help.

Beth Greene's ministry is caring for St. Francis Garden. She sees to it that the garden has something of color throughout the year.

The funds used to maintain the garden; buying plants, bushes, etc., are running low. If you would like to make a financial contribution to maintain the garden, please make your check payable to St. Mary's Church and in the memo portion of your check, please write St. Francis Garden.



### St. Mary's Episcopal Church



Several weeks ago Laddie Crisp, a Kinston physician, submitted a photograph of St. Mary's Church to the Community Council for the Arts in Kinston as part of an exhibition which contained several local church and businesses.

We thank Dr. Crisp for taking the photograph and to Marion Classen for purchasing the framed copy for St. Mary's. Soon the photo will be displayed in the office wing.

### They loved their books!

There were plenty of smiling faces at Northwest Elementary School on Tuesday, May 12th, when 418 students received a new book, thanks to the people of St. Mary's Church. As part of St. Mary's Hand-in-Hand ministry, volunteers handed out books to all children through the Fourth Grade. Children were reported leaving school to get on their busses reading their new books.

### I've come to church during the day and found the doors locked!

Every so often people have made the comment, "I've come to the church during office hours and I can't get in because the doors are locked." All doors are locked in the mornings when the nursery school is in session. The doors are locked to protect the children. The doors may also be locked on those occasions when a female staff person is here by herself.

To gain easy access, we encourage everyone to enter the office wing on Rountree Street. If you press the buzzer, a staff member will ask you to identify yourself and you will be let in. The camera is in place to identify people. The doors are unlocked during parish functions.

We are sorry for this inconvenience. Our aim is to protect people. Office hours throughout the year are:

**Mon. - Thurs.: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**Fri.: 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

Thank you for your attention to these matters.

### New trailer

Through the efforts of George LaRoque, and Habitat for Humanity, we have secured a 6 foot cargo trailer.

The trailer will make it's maiden voyage in early August to Glory Ridge, in Madison County, NC. Again this year youth and adults will head out west for a week-long mission trip. The trailer will be used to haul work tools and supplies. This is St. Mary's third mission trip to Glory Ridge.

John-Luke LaRoque, a student at East Carolina University, has made two pervious trips as a volunteer. This summer John-Luke is working on staff at Glory Ridge. The mission team looks forward to working with John-Luke this summer.



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## “Lemonade on the Lawn”



Light summer refreshments will be offered

on Sundays following the 10:00 am celebration of the Holy Eucharist. “Lemonade on the Lawn” is June 21st--August 16th.

Individuals or families can go together to host the refreshments. You are asked to provide lemonade and something to eat. A sign-up sheet may be found on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Paper products will be provided.

Linda Johnson, our Parish Secretary, will be coordinating this ministry. Should you have any questions, call Linda at 252-523-6146 ext. 21 or email her at [www.ljohnson@stmaryskinston.com](mailto:www.ljohnson@stmaryskinston.com).

### SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP SERVICES

Sundays 8:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite I

10:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:30 a.m.—Morning Prayer

### ST. MARY'S VESTRY

2015	2016	2017
W. Scott Newton, II	Stephen B. Hill	H. Earl Harper
Cyndi L. Rafferty	Isaac C. Hines	J. Mark Herring
Joseph V. Stark	Barbara A. LaRoque	John K. John
Stuart L. Stroud	Kevin M. Zoltek	John “Sandy” Shimer, Jr.

Senior Warden – W. Scott Newton, II

Junior Warden – J. Mark Herring

Clerk – Cyndi L. Rafferty

Treasurer – D. Stuart Lindley