

# Congregational Communications

...keeping in touch with each

## LOOKING FORWARD TO A GREAT YEAR!

### IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday Mass & School  
10:30am

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9/12/2015

Prayer Shawl Meeting

9:30 – 11:00 AM

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9/13/2015

Homecoming Sunday Service  
10:30am

Celebration & BBQ  
Noon

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9/16/2015

ECW Meeting  
7:00 – 9:00PM

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9/21/2015

Bishop's Committee Mtg  
7:30 – 9PM

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10/3/2015

Clean Up The Playground  
10:00AM – 1:00PM

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10/4/2015

Youth Sunday



### Fall Church Clean-up

(feeling frustrated? Wanna knock something apart?)

The Fall Church Clean-up is October 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 10am until 1pm. It will focus this year on clearing out the broken fixtures in the playground; include getting rid of junk in the parish basement (having it there is a building code violation) and, if we have enough help, whatever else that needs to be done! There will be Pizza & beer/soda after all the work is done. Please see Bob Williams for details as he is organizing this event. We hope to see you there!

### Sunday School

St. Andrew's Sunday School will begin on September 13, 2015. Our classes start at the beginning of the 10:30am service in the Parish Hall, then everyone goes into Church just before Communion.

Depending on the number of teachers and students we have, I hope to have: preschool, elementary, middle and high school classes. The materials we use are from David Cook. They include readings and art projects which require little advance preparations. The classes last approximately 30 minutes and there is plenty of material to cover that time period. Anyone interested in teaching please let me know.

Parents, please register your children with me. Have them bring a friend, too! See you then.  
~ Olive Archer

### YOUTH SUNDAYS

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH WILL BE DEDICATED TO OUR YOUTH. THEY WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE.



### WANTED

**Kids of all ages!**  
**Some to teach & some to learn!**

Please see Olive Archer, Sunday School Superintendent for more information

## So, what's your story, Jack & Janet?

*Talking to Jack & Janet Rate about their history with St. Andrew's  
and the ministries they've been part of over the years...*

In 1984 Jack and Janet Rate followed Father Chapin to St. Andrew's Yaphank. Janet and Jack, both look towards the Holy Spirit for guidance as to where they should focus their talents for the church. Over the years they have been called to many services, taking on rolls in the church to help where there were gaps or where they saw a need.

As the Parish Secretary in her previous church, Janet developed a mindset for getting things done and an understanding about the needs of a congregation. She feels that it is important to keep in touch with the families in the church, sometimes with a phone call and at other times it is with a card. Currently Janet has 4 ministries: 1) Correspondent - keeping in touch with those our church family that are not seen in church for a few Sundays, when someone is ill or suffering, or to share someone's celebration; 2) Coffee Hour Host/Hostess coordinator, 3) Altar Guild coordinator; 4) official form filler-outer (yes that's Janet's calligraphy on the Baptismal, Confirmation and Marriage documents you receive). Janet also just helps, like when Heather and Bill, as new members, were about to get married and we did not have a priest; it was Janet that helped them with finding one.

You will find Jack at St. Andrew's on Thursdays doing odds and ends to maintain the church. He's the guy that touches up the paint on the pews, cleans up and makes minor repairs. Jack is also our greeter on Sundays, welcoming everyone into church as he hands out the Bulletin. Over the years he has been a Collection/Plate counter, has run the church audit, and been a member of the Bishop's Committee.

This is the longest amount of time that Jack and Janet have stayed at one church. What does St. Andrew's have that keeps them here? It's the music and family focus, it's a welcome to see and hear little children in the congregation. Even as they are honorary grandparents to many of their neighborhood children, they feel that same connection with the children in St. Andrew's as they watch them grow.

Both Jack and Janet have helped the church from behind the scenes for years. As time goes by, Janet feels that there are things they are doing that should be passed on to others. Several years ago Jack stepped down from the Bishop's Committee to allow new people to become involved. Janet now feels it's time to pass the torch on scheduling coffee hour hosts/hostesses to another family member of St. Andrew's.

Jack and Janet Rate have offered us so much over the years; we are blessed to have them in our midst!

Article by Rich Ohlsen

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## HELP WANTED

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### NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

**Please see Sue Fischer if you are interested in helping with the newsletter. We need reporters, someone to get the letter printed, others to fold & stamp & mail. We would meet once a month to make sure everything is ready for publishing, but most of the work is done 'virtually' by e-mail...Thanks ~Sue**

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### Coffee Hour Coordinator

**Please see Janet Rate if you are interested in being the Coffee Hour Coordinator. It's such a vital part of our Sundays! As Coordinator, you would keep track of the list and make sure someone is assigned every week...  
Thanks ~Janet**

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### Audit Committee

**Each year we audit our financial records and send a report to the Diocese. We need people for 2015's audit. If you are interested, please Sue Fischer or Ed Rambarran...  
Thanks ~Ed & Sue**

FYI-our newsletter will be going paperless eventually – Please make sure we have your e-mail address! (talk to Bob Williams or Bill Jablonsky)

*Is your information up to date? Does the Church have your birthdates, anniversary dates, address, phone number, cell phone number and e-mail address? Talk to Bob Williams !*

## Homecoming Celebration & End of Summer Get Together! September 13, 2015

Homecoming Sunday starts with Church and Sunday School at 10:30am. Afterwards we will be having a celebration! There will be a BBQ, fun and good company! We will also be having some of our Ministries represented at our first 'Ministry Fair'. It's a coming together where we can all catch up after a beautiful summer. I know I have missed so many of my fellow parishioners, because of vacations and family activities. Those things are important. Those things keep us involved with those we love outside of our congregation and allow us to meet people of many different backgrounds. All of that gives us a chance to live our faith in the world....but it is nice to come home, gather together, relax and share our experiences and love!

See you Sunday!  
~Sue Fischer  
Warden, Bishop's Committee

If you aren't a member, but would like to join the festivities, you are welcome to either or both the Sunday service &/or the celebration. The celebration starts at noon & there is no charge.

## Readers' Schedule

Can you decode this?



September	October	November
06 Jen Hovestadt Donna Trusnovec	04 Youth Sunday	01 Youth Sunday
13 Bill Jablonsky Jenelin Chin Suey	11 Callie Douglas Jen Hovestadt	08 Ed Rambarran Olive Archer
20 Mary Collins Ed Rambarran	18 Donna Trusnovec Bill Jablonsky	15 Daniel Molloy Callie Douglas
27 Olive Archer Daniel Molloy	25 Jenelin Chin Suey Mary Collins	22 Jen Hovestadt Donna Trusnovec
		29 Bill Jablonsky Jenelin Chin Suey

**St. Andrew's Episcopal Church**

Reader's Schedule:

If for any reason you are not available for the designated date or would like to volunteer to read, please contact Edward Rambarran at (631) 448-2006 to reschedule. Thank you. God bless you! ~Ed

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**September**

Lesly Galloway  
and  
Jenelin Chen  
Suey

**October**

Janet Rate and  
Donna  
Trusnovac

**November**

Heather  
Jablonsky and  
Donna  
Trusnovac

**Coffee Hour**

**SEPTEMBER** 6 Jennifer Hovestadt  
13 Jenelin Chen Suey  
20 Tara Mooney  
27 Donna Trusnovac

**OCTOBER** 4 Donna Ohlsen  
11 Heather Jablonsky  
18 Dana Conners  
25 Olive Archer

**NOVEMBER** 1 Aleida Perez  
8 Sue Fischer  
15 Robert Williams  
22 Gayle Lattanzio  
29 Callie Douglas

**Vicar:**

**Fr. John Jeffrey Purchal**

**Bishop's Committee**

Richard Ohlsen, Senior Warden  
Susan Fischer, Junior Warden  
Judy Seif  
Mike Seif  
Donna Ohlsen  
Heather Jablonsky  
Bill Jablonsky  
Lesly Galloway  
Ed Rambarran

**Sunday Services: & Sunday School at 10:30AM  
September Supplemental!  
Neighborly News!**

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**The Yaphank Presbyterian Church wants vendors for their Fall Festival on 10/1/2015, from 10am to 4pm. Contact Joan Moreland at 631.504.6132 for more information.**

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**St. Andrew's Mastic Beach is having an Basket Auction on 10/17/2015. Doors open at 11am. Admission is \$20 for 20 tickets. No one under 12 years old admitted. For advanced ticket sales call Bea at 631.281.3082 or Wendy at 631.860.4862.**