

The Albanac

MAY 2014

Holy Week and Easter





Palm Sunday Services





Maundy Thursday Services





Easter Sunday Services

Even at the grave we make our song. Alleluia. Alleluia!

Holy Week and Easter was certainly a very different experience for my family this year. As we kept vigil with Dad, at times as an entire family and also each of us individually, the arrival of Dad's Easter was cleary drawing very near. Our hearts were breaking and yet it was a beautiful and holy time. Dad's final gift and lesson for us was to gently yet powerfully bring us along with him on his final journey until he ultimately had to go on alone. As the rest of Christendom began to gather to mark Maundy Thursday, Dad jumped ahead to Easter. Dad brought us right to the gate of heaven with him living to his last breath the strength of faith and love of family that had been his offering all the days of his life. My sister and I were there as he drew his final breath and was reunited with all who have gone before. As the rest of the family returned we gathered for our final good-byes and sang Dona, nobis pachem (Grant us peace) to bless him on his way. I know and imagine that as he heard our Lord's words "Well done, good and faithful servant. Come and enter into the rest prepared for you. "That the Good Shepherd heard him say "My Lord and my God. How may I continue to serve you."

The Monday after Easter we commended Dad to God's eternal care with a Requiem Holy Eucharist. My mother asked me to preside. Thanks to Deacon Barbara, I was able to do so in my own vestments and the cope that had been my father's. Lou Fifer and Joe Pickard live just 20 miles away in Ormond Beach and it was an essential gift to me to have Joe assist and Lou play all the hymns that Dad had chosen himself. Nicholas was among the family who spoke and I cannot imagine being more proud of him and the love he shared with his Pop-Pop. It was a grand celebration of Dad's life and ministry. The circle of family and friends who joined to raise the resurrection song were a testament to the legacy of my Dad, as well as his partner in life and ministry, my Mom.

Many of you have spoken to me of the grace of being held up by so many in difficult times. I have yet to fully account for all of the ways that Nicholas and I, along with our family, have been blessed and upheld. From the early days of the month when Dad's struggles really increased, and my continuing education trip to Florida was changed to help with his care, you have all offered every imaginable and even unimaginable prayer and help. You not only allowed, but encouraged, me to follow my heart with the assurance that you would handle everything here. And as he is in so much of our parish life, Don LaCass headed that line.

The Reverend Dr. Cathy Deats, a dear friend and colleague, called to tell me she would be arriving to take all the services so that I could be a daughter. She and her husband moved into the rectory and, in addition to stepping right in as priest, she and Ted, who love to garden, brought Spring to the raised garden patch outside the rectory.

Barbara Harriman and Cathie Studwell each did what I knew they would do ... they joined with Cathy to ensure that the liturgies of Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter were celebrated. The added challenge of Barbara being taken ill herself yet returning to serve on Easter is a sign of the grace of Barbara and the servanthood of Cathie. I am humbled to serve at the altar with these two women and graced by their faithfulness in Christ and their friendships.

Louise Gilliard, Diane Van Dyke and the members of the Altar Guild did not miss a step in filling in for all the demands of the days. Everything was in tip-top shape and polished to welcome the feast.

Thankfully, Christine and I had been working ahead on preparing all the bulletins, but it is no small undertaking to bring the final stages together, get the production under way, and handle everything that comes through the office at this most busy time. She had our most faithful Office Angel, Louise, by her side and navigated it all beautifully.

Olga, our organist and choir director, also navigated her first Episcopal Easter celebration with grace and led you and the choir in beautiful song. All of the service participants worked together and offered support to Reverend Deats in leading the celebration here. She has spoken with such appreciation and admiration for all of you. I told her it is you who make our ministry together vibrant and joyful.

And while she is not a regular member of the parish, Teresa Ercan was, as she always is, a steady presence and source of dedicated and loving care.

And even once the dawn had finally come on Easter you all faced another hurdle when Diane, our childcare attendant, was taken sick. Cindy Ludwig and Sue Lehman cared for the littlest ones setting aside their own need for Easter worship.

From the first guest at the table on Maundy Thursday to the last 'smile' for the family photo on Easter, you breathed life into the great days of faith and carried out all the details necessary to invite others in.

The truth is, of course, that I will never know all of the ways that all of you made it possible for me to be with my family at Dad's side in his final days. Yet, I absolutely know that you did and for that my heart with be forever thankful to you and to God for you.

Since our return, the signs of love keep coming as expressions of condolences continue to come in all forms. I thank you each and all for each and every one.

It is a different kind of time. My day-to-day life is not different ... but the world is. My Dad, my priest, and my strongest supporter is gone from sight. And I close this with the words I used to

close my homily at his service:

"So Dad, as we say good-bye and send you on to the saints in light ... to be reunited with all those you have loved and all those who have loved you ... all those for whom you have spoken the same words that we speak for you today ... I thank you for enriching our lives ... my life ... as you now enrich the heavens.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia!!"

Kathryn +

NEW EASTER BANNERS

We are delighted to have the new Easter Resurrection banners hanging in the Sanctuary. These banners, designed and created by our rector, Kathryn, and the Reverend Joseph Pickard were made possible with a memorial gift made by Patricia Mohamad in thanksgiving and memory of her husband Moheuidin Mohamad. Patricia is the mother of Dean who with his wife Chitra and their children Sierra, Sean and Shane are members of



St. Alban's. These banners will hang annually for all of the Great Fifty Days of Easter. We thank Patricia and the whole Mohamad family for this beautiful gift and most especially for their gift of their presence with us. May Moheuidin rest in peace and rise in glory. Alleluia. Alleluia!

We now have hangings for Advent and Easter. If you would like to be part of designing and making hangings for other times in our church year or for special occasions please speak with Reverend Kathryn. All skill levels welcomed and invited!! Thank you to Don LaCass and Peter Banach for hanging the pullies so the banners could be raised on Easter morning!

WARDEN'S CORNER

I just want to take this time to thank you all for taking the time to think about your Supplemental Pledge which will help us meet our financial goals. When we all pitch in and do what we can do, the road to our future will be less stressful.

We had the water heaters in the up stairs boys and girls bathrooms checked and service at a cost of \$385.00 and found out that we needed to replace the water heater in the girls bathroom at a cost of \$480.00. These have been the same heaters since they were installed in 2004 and with the hard water we are lucky with just replacing 1 heater.

WARDEN'S BIG THANKS

I just want to thank everyone for their help with keeping the Easter holiday spirit alive and well at St Albans. Even though we had a few hurdles to overcome, our family stayed strong and supportive for each other.

Thanks to The Rev. Dr. Cathy Deats for coming up for a long weekend to cover the services for Kathryn while she and her family prepared for the passing of her father. All of our prayers and well wishes were sent down to Kathryn, Nicholas and their family during this time.

Thanks to the Alter Guild for a beautiful and colorful altar with all of the flowers during Easter. Thanks to Kathryn and Joe Picker for the great Easter banners that hung behind the altar making the altar warm and inviting.

Thanks to Peter for helping me to get the rigging set up and then getting the banners ready to be hung. I don't want it to get around but Peter and I can handle an iron and we don't do windows.

Maundy Thursday had its own hurdles that we had to get through. We are thankful that Rev. Barbara Harriman is doing better. I need to thank Cathie Studwell for being strong and supportive to Cathy Deats when she was the last one who knew how the service was to go. Some of us used our brains when everything doesn't go just the way it was supposed to go. Diane Van Dyke didn't have a belt to hold up her robe so she used the next best thing that was in the room, she used the caution tape to hold up her robe. This gave everyone a good laugh after the service and was a great end to a crazy day.

Well this is just another chapter in life of the people in St Alban's. We are the church with the biggest heart and the busiest hands.

CONFIRMATION DAY!





Congratulations to Michael Capeci, William Capeci, Bryce Dugan, Gabriel Dugan and Christian Nazare who were presented to Bishop Mark Beckwith for the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, April 27, 2014. These wonderful young people shared a personal faith statement with the congregation that morning as part of our services. They have been meeting as a group and individually with their sponsors over the past two years in preparation to make an adult affirmation of their faith. We are so very proud of each of them.

We also celebrate with their parents and Godparents who have lived fully into the Baptismal promises they made for their children when they were Baptized. This is an important milestone day in their lives and we rejoice in celebrating this day with you and your family.

The service of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist was held at Trinity and St. Philip's Cathedral in Newark.

Paula Hoffman St. Alban's, Franklin Lakes, Oakland & Wyckoff World of Women Recipient 2014

Paula Hoffman is a woman of deep and abiding faith and the congregation to St. Alban's, Oakland / Franklin Lakes is privileged to count her among our members. Service to others is a core value for Paula whose volunteer commitments center around those whom society often neglects. She will often say 'Outreach is my thing' and no 'thing' could be more faithfully lived out than is this heart desire.



In addition to the many years of service to related to people with special needs through *Special Olympics* and *Northwest Bergen Special Education Association* as well as through public schools, Paula has served in every capacity within *STEED*, a therapeutic horseback riding program for the handicapped. Under the umbrella of the church Paula has served faithfully for three terms on Vestry and as a member of the Search Committee for our last Rector. Where her spirit truly takes flight is when she is coordinating the yearly parish *Christmas is for Children* program and in the monthly service at *St. Paul's Men's Shelter* in Paterson. These form the core of her volunteer efforts but by no means encompass them. In 2013 she helped St. Alban's launch a brand new ministry, *Table of Friends*, which provides quarterly luncheons and activities for 50+ developmentally disabled adults living in residential settings. This undertaking now involves 30 volunteers of all ages from the parish. She also helps to host the annual baby shower for *North Porch*, has coordinated the parish *Relay for Life* team "Saints of St. Alban's, and she has recently begun to serve as part of our prison ministry visitation team. Paula enjoys crafting with the St. Alban's Crafters and as such has helped to raise considerable funds for needed church projects.

Paula is a blessing to the community of faith at St. Alban's and, with pride and thanksgiving, we offer her service up for recognition within the Diocese of Newark.

HONOREE SUNDAY AT ST. ALBANS, Sunday, May 18th during the 10AM service. It has become our new custom to honor the recipients of both awards, and all those who have received them in the past, on a Sunday morning. This year that will be part of our Pentecost celebrations on May 19th. It will be followed by a festive coffee hour in their honor.

MOTHERS AND OTHERS BRUNCH SUNDAY, MAY 11TH

Following the 10AM Service

Calling all the men and young men of St Alban's. We need to come together and make Mothers day a happy morning for all of the ladies of the church. We need all hands on deck the morning of Mothers Day to help out



with the cooking and set up. We will be meeting at 9am to start the fun and fellowship with the men of St. Alban's, all are welcome.

Submitted by: Don LaCass

THE ALTAR OF ROSES A Mother's Day Tribute



Purchase a rose and honor, not only mothers, but any woman who has been important in your life (living or

deceased). It could be for wives, daughters, best friends as well as mothers and grandmothers.

The names of all the honored women and those who are honoring them will be included in the May 11th bulletin on Mother's Day. Help to beautify the altar on this day with dozens of roses.

If you are interested in ordering a rose, you **MUST** let us know by **WEDNESDAY, MAY 7th.** Please use the order form on the reverse side.

MOTHER'S DAY ROSE ORDER FORM:

\$5.00 per rose, per person remembered/honored

In memory of:			
In honor of:			
Name			
	(please print)		
Address			
Phone #		Amount \$	

Please make checks payable to St. Alban's Church. Return names and checks to Church office—there will be a basket on Diane's desk to collect them **no later than May 7th.** Any questions, call Rev. Kathryn King at 201-337-4909.

ALL PROCEEDS OF THE ALTAR OF ROSES SALE WILL GO TOWARDS THE YOUTH MISSION TRIP THIS SUMMER

EARTH DAY PRAYER

source unknown

O GOD, we thank you for this earth, our home; for the wide sky and the blessed sun, for the ocean and streams, for the towering hills and the whispering wind, for the trees and green grass.

WE THANK YOU for our senses by which we hear the songs of birds, and see the splendor of fields of golden wheat, and taste autumn's fruit, and rejoice in the feel of snow, and smell the breath of spring flowers.

GRANT US a heart opened wide to all this beauty; and save us from being so blind that we pass unseeing when even the common thornbush is aflame with your glory.

Submitted by: Jeanne Sylvester

St. Alban's Crafters

The Crafters group of St. Alban's presented a case of Bibles to the Rev. Deacon Barbara Harriman for distribution to the inmates for her Prison Ministry. Deacon Barbara visits the inmates at the Essex County jail regularly and has been participating with this ministry for 13 years.

Submitted by: Paula Hoffman



Pictured from I-r are Lois Mahonchak, Claire Mingalone, Paula Hoffman, Jill Hannifan, Louise Gilliard, Diane Van Dyke, Phyllis Alsdorf and Deacon Barbara Harriman

Dinner at St. Paul's - April 2014







BAKE SALE SUNDAY, MAY 18th following 8AM & 10AM Services

Melissa and Katherine, members of Girl Scout Troop 70305, are hosting a bake sale on Sunday, May 18th to support their Silver Award Project. The project involves building two raised garden beds outside St. Alban's Church and School. This garden will be educational for young students attending the early childhood school, as well as those attending the services. The bake sale will take place after 8AM and 10AM Services on May 18th. Please remember your wallets and your sweet tooth!

You can also support this project by donating any deer resistant perennials (such as bleeding heart, coreopsis, etc.) We will be glad to dig out your plants if you wish for assistance.

Thank you and if you have any questions or would like to donate plants please email us at: silverawardgarden@gmail.com or call Melissa at 201-677-1282.



The following Thank You notes were sent to the Parish:

In December, I received a bag of Christmas gifts for my son, from your church. I have been trying to find the words to express my gratitude, but I can't. How can I ever properly thank the people who saved my child's Christmas? Not only were the gifts incredibly generous, they were also exactly what my son wanted. His face absolutely beamed while he was opening them. When I received the bag from you, I had no idea what wonderful things were inside. I sobbed uncontrollably the entire time I was wrapping the gifts, because I was so thankful. I never thought I would receive help like that. What you all did was truly touching, and made such a difference in my son's life as well as mine. I will never forget it, and I hope to pay the favor forward to others in need, whenever and however I can. Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift.

2 Corinthians 9:15

O give thanks unto the Lord; for his mercy endureth forever.

1 Corinthians 16:34

May grace, mercy and peace be with all of you, always.

Love, "B" and "R"

Kathryn,

Many thanks to both you and your parish for your in-kind donations to North Porch 2013.

Last year North Porch provided a one week supply of emergency diapers, formula and related items to almost 2,700 infants and toddlers in Northern NJ. This was an increase over the prior year of 26%. We couldn't have done this without the support of parishes like yours. The Board of North Porch, our Center Director and her staff is so appreciative of your efforts.

Very conservatively if we plan for a 10% increase this year it will translate to a need of over 150,000 diapers 6.000 cans of formula

As you can imagine, it is critical to receive continued support from our parishes, to meet this ever increasing need.

For planning purposes, could you commit at this time for a repeat of what you contributed to North Porch in 2013? It would help for you to schedule it on your calendar and would be so helpful for our planning purposes....

Again, many thanks from North Porch.

Best regards, Dicki Lulay Dear Pastor King,

I must begin by wishing everyone at St. Alban's Church a blessed and a very happy New Year.

This seems the ideal time to express my sincerest thanks and appreciation for your congregation's ongoing support of our mission. Preliminary records indicate that in 2013, CFA provided 1,200,000 meals, 26,000 snack packs, and 12,000 Thanksgiving dinners. In addition, we were able to provide 1400 households with help paying rent, security and deposits and utility bills. Please know that these numbers would be greatly reduced without the compassion and generosity of good people like you.

Thank you for all that you do for us throughout the year, and especially during our key efforts: the: "Souper Bowl", the Back to School collection, our Thanksgiving event, and the Christmas supermarket gift card drive. All of the donations we receive make a significant impact in the lives of your neighbors in need.

With your continued support, CFA will be ready to respond in 2014 to those who seek our help. Together let us continue our struggle to fight against hunger and homelessness.

Warm regards, William "Jim" James

Dear Kathryn and Our St. Alban's Friends;

On behalf of Spectrum for Living, I extend our heartfelt thanks to you for the food, fun, and fellowship that you shared with us on March 9th.

Though I arrived after lunch had been served and dessert had been consumed, I heard many accounts from the residents as they arrived in the church decked out in their St. Patrick's Day hats. They were delighted!

I was thrilled to be a part of the sing-a-long and so were the residents. Kathryn, thanks so much for playing the guitar. It was my favorite event of the day. The visit from our "furry friends" was an exciting way to top off our visit. The pets are always a hit with our folks.

Many thanks to Paula Hoffman for II her efforts to make this day so special. Thanks to all those who gave their time that day to make everything so perfect for our visit.

Spectrum for Living is truly blessed to have so many friends at St. Alban's!

Sincerely, Marie Hacker Director Volunteer and Community Education Services



FRIDAY, May 30th - 6:00 – 9:00 PM in the Youth Center/Rectory

Kindergarten through 5th grade may participate (6th – 12th grade may assist)

PNO is a long-standing and loved tradition at St. Alban's and we were happy to bring it back starting in December! It was a fun (and BUSY!) night with a good time had by all. Thanks to Audrey Sounders and Reverend Kathryn who pulled it all together. The evening is meant to be an opportunity for our younger children to have a special time with their church friends while giving parents an opportunity to enjoy dinner together.

Kathryn is offering to continue to host the events at the rectory in the Youth Center. One additional adult volunteer is needed each time. Additionally youth (6th grade and up – up to 4 helpers each PNO) can volunteer to help out and enjoy being together as well!

Kids may come in pajamas or play clothes.

For planning purposes we need to know *by Wednesday, March 26th* who will be attending so that supper and supplies can be organized. PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL THE PARISH OFFICE TO RESERVE A SPOT FOR YOUR CHILD. IF YOU HAVE A MIDDLE SCHOOL OR HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH WHO WOULD LIKE TO ASSIST PLEASE ALSO NOTIFY THE OFFICE AND KATHRYN WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH THEM TO DISCUSS THE EVENING.



JOIN US FOR SUMMER FUN!

The Summer Session at St. Alban's Pre-School is scheduled to begin Monday, June 30th and end on Friday, August 15th. We are anticipating a funfilled summer consisting of free play, crafts, cooking,

nature study, physical education, music/movement, and water fun.

A minimum enrollment of two weeks is required, but the weeks need not be consecutive. We will offer camp from 9 AM - 3 PM. A minimum of three days is required. Selection of weeks must be made at the time of registration. There is a \$30 registration fee for children not enrolled at St. Alban's school. Applications will be available in the Narthex soon.

We look forward to a fun filled summer!

SPRING CLEAN UP! Sunday, June 1st after the 10 am service

Wear your work clothes to church so that we can start working right after the service. Please bring any tools that you might need to do a particular job that you would like to do—there will be things to do both inside and outside.



Subs and sodas will be provided for all.

Let's work together to make St. Alban's sparkle inside and out!



COFFEE HOUR – SIMPLIFIED June 29 through Sept. 14

Starting on June 29th and running through the summer until Sept 14th, we will be starting a simplified version of coffee hour. We will have juice, ice tea and cookies in the Narthex. In September we will return to coffee, bagels and veggies/or fruit.

YOUTH GROUP HAPPENINGS













Tri- Parish Youth Group Ice Skating Outing in April!

We had 12 Junior Youth Group Members from each church attend our first Church Overnight at St Alban's at the end of March!

God blessed us with a beautiful "Spring like" evening and we were able to play two intense games of basketball, got to know each other more with a game of "Would You Rather" which poses quite interesting scenarios that you need to think about and it was very insightful listening to all of their thoughts. We made our own pizzas, snacked most of the night and played Man Hunt and Sardines in a dark church!! Everyone was so respectful and got along so well with each other. I want to thank all of the parents who encourage their Youth to attend these events, I really enjoy being with them and fostering a unique social group where they can come together and feel comfortable.

I think all of our goals is for them to have a positive experience at church and these types of events really do reinforce these positive feelings.

And, of course, we ended with worshiping together which is always my favorite part! This is where they respect the institution by following along, even singing, sharing Peace with complete strangers, asking "how do we do communion here?" and enthusiastically volunteering to bring up the offerings.

Thank you all for your help in making this happen!

Senior Youth Mall Scavenger Hunt

This idea came up at our monthly Council Meeting when planning our calendar and it was a huge success!!

We had 12 Senior Youth attend and they split up into teams to look for specific items a group of parents put together (Thank you Carolyn Greenberg) They were all very responsible and had a lot of fun working together and the creativity was AMAZING!!

There was a winning team but all had fun trying. We ended with a dinner where everyone got to catch up!!





YOUTH MISSION TRIP

Week of Sunday, July 13, 2014

Youth from Trinity, Allendale & St. John's, Ramsey to join us!

Following a highly successful and fun Youth Mission Trip in 2013 we have booked a reservation at Cross Roads for the week of July 13th. To be determined by the youth participating will be whether we go Sunday to Friday or Sunday to Saturday. Also to be determined is if we will stay in the same lodge we did last year OR if we want to spend a little more and stay in the hotel-like Christ Center with twin beds and private baths for each room or 2 to 3 people.

We will again utilize the camp for meals and facility uses (pool, ropes course, archery) because that was such a great option last year. The group from last year (Julia Miles, Julia Hansen, Olivia Nazare, Bryce Dugan and Christian Nazare) especially indicated wanting to go back to Haven of Hope, the program that offers week long vacation to families of children with a life limiting illness. Our two days with this program last year was a highlight for us. How we will spend our volunteer work days will be determined by the group who sign up to participate.

If you didn't join us last year we hope you will consider joining us this year. If you did come last year we hope you will come again!

Youth who have finished at least 7th grade are eligible to participate. We also need adult chaperones to attend. We do not know how the new Youth Minister will fit into this program but certainly hope he / she will be able to participate along with youth from the other parishes. We had to make the reservation to hold the spot. We will be able to take up to 18 youth and 4 chaperones. Will you be one of them.

APRIL/MAY MILESTONES

April Birthdays: 2nd Leigh Lydecker, Katie Beier, 4th Connor Rogers, 6th Dagi Murphy, 9th John Allen, Peter Beyda, Colleen Habick, 10th Ivan Nedds, 12th Diane Van Dyke, 14th Greg Lehman, Jr., 17th Julius Young, 23rd Rich Huelbig, 24th Lois Mahonchak & the 26th Craig Flug.

April Anniversaries: 4th Lois & Joseph Mahonchak, 14th Pam & Paul Helleren, 18th Dolores & Bob Barker and the 29th Dawn & Wayne Berliner.

May Birthdays: 9th Robert Miles, 12th Janet Hong, 13th David Ludwig, Sr., Kendall Polk, 16th Gianna Giametta, 17th Andrew McCusker, 18th Patrick McCallum, 19th Tyler Preston, 21st Olivia Nazare, 22nd Lynn Potash, Frank Dugan, 23rd Brian Polk, Kathleen Kerin, 25th Jane Lydecker, David Ludwig, Jr., 28th Jennifer Friedman and the 31st Wayne Berliner.

May Anniversaries: 6th Linda & Gary Nazare, 21st Carla & Julius Young, 30th Anne & Bill De Lorenzo.



Thank you to all the saints of St. Alban's who give so generously of their time, talent and treasure.

BIBLE READINGS



Sunday, May 4 Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17 1 Peter 1:17-23 Luke 24:13-35 Sunday, May 11 Acts 2:42-47 Psalm 23 1 Peter 2:19-25 John 10:1-10

Sunday, May 18 Acts 7:55-60 Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 1 Peter 2:2-10 John 14:1-14 Sunday, May 25 Acts 17:22-31 Psalm 66:7-18 1 Peter 3:13-22 John 14:15-21

Prayers of the People – May

Our thanksgivings and intercessions:

We continue to pray for all who are affected by war, hunger and other calamities and ask for God's grace upon those who work for peace and restoration.

We give thanks for all the blessings of life. We pray for our companions in Paterson.

We pray for those who are unemployed and under-employed.

We pray for those who are ill: especially Brendan, Colton, Patty, Minerva "Minnie", Judy, Mercedes, Cassidy, Brenda, Carol, Margaret, Randa, Chris, Nancy, Bob, Warren, Joanne, Baldev (Dave), Rich, Jeannie, Kevin, Lucille, Cindy, Ailsa, Ashley, Jennifer, Pat, Donny, Dennis, Sarah, Victoria, Magda, Nicky and Donald.



We pray for those who have died. We pray especially for the Reverend William Alan King. May their souls, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

We thank you for the love of the mothers you have given us, whose love is so precious that it can never be measured, whose patience seems to have no end.

May we see your loving hand behind them and guiding them. We pray for those mothers who fear they will run out of love or time, or patience.

We ask you to bless them with your own special love. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our brother.

Amen.

Submitted by Jeanne Sylvester

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The Most Rev. Katharine J. Schori, *Presiding Bishop*The Rt. Rev. Mark Beckwith, *Bishop, Newark Diocese*The Rev. Kathryn L. King, *Rector*The Rev. Barbara Harriman, *Deacon*Cathie Studwell, *Seminarian*Megan Kendall, *Youth Missioner*Olga Koulcherova, *Organist*Christine Halloran, *Parish Administrator*Nell Burger, *Bookkeeper*

Don La Cass, *Warden*Pam Helleren, *Clerk* Kathy Miles, *Treasurer*

Vestry: Carol Guzzo, Paula Hoffman, Jeanne Sylvester, Linda Banach, Sandy Dugan and Cindy Ludwig

St. Alban's Pre-School

Teresa Ercan, Pre-School Director

Teachers:
Cathy Connolly, Cathy Mazzola,
Christy Macagne, Rosa Mignogni, Beth Schall, Freida Scillieri, Jill Zuidema

"Welcoming All To Share God's Love"