



***The Vision of Cornelius  
the Centurion (detail)  
by Gerbrand van den  
Eeckhout (1621–1674)***

# The Bellringer

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF SAINT DUNSTAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, MCLEAN, VIRGINIA

## The Cornelius Project

*"In Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius, a centurion of the Italian Cohort, as it was called. He was a devout man who feared God with his household; he gave generously to the people and prayed constantly." (Acts 10:1-2)*

Cornelius was a Gentile, a non-Jew, and through his life, God was seen in new and exciting ways. The account in the Book of Acts of his conversion and baptism into the Christian faith is an important turning point in Christian history. Through the faith and generosity of Cornelius, Peter came to see the work and love of Christ in a new dimension. Peter thought Christ's salvation was only for the Jews, but God, working through Cornelius, helped Peter to see that God's grace was for all of God's children. We are introducing the Cornelius Project at St. Dunstan's in the hope that through faith and generosity the participants can perceive God at work in their lives and our community in new ways.

The Cornelius Project is a new outreach initiative. Here's how it will

work: Beginning Sunday, February 9, individuals and families can begin registering to participate. You must be available to attend a meeting following the 10:15 service on Sunday, March 9. Participation will be limited to 20 individuals or families. If we have more than 20 signed up, we will have a lottery for the 20 slots. At the March 9th meeting, we will distribute \$4,000—\$200 for each participant. If there are fewer than 20 participants, the amount received by each participant will be raised so that the whole \$4,000 will be distributed.

Participants will be asked to use the \$200 to meet some need in the community. Rules are very few. Participants are asked not to merely write a check to an organization but to be physically involved with however they feel called to use the funds; the power of outreach and where God is found is in the relationships involved in caring/helping another. The second rule is if a participant feels called to help an existing organization, it can't be one currently supported by St. Dunstan's Church. The money could be used as seed money to create a needed service in the community. It

could be used to help a neighbor or coworker. The possibilities are only limited by your imagination—or, more importantly, God's imagination, working through you.

As well as attending the meeting on March 9, participants must be willing to share their experiences. The participants will gather again in early June to share their experiences with the rest of the group and even with the congregation. In Luke, we are told that Jesus sent out seventy disciples to prepare the way for him. When they returned, they had amazing stories of God at work through them and others. My hope is that your stories of seeing God at work in the world will enrich the understanding for the entire St. Dunstan's community and open our eyes to currently unknown needs.

"Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?" is one of the promises we make as part of our baptismal covenant. Participating in the Cornelius Project in faith and prayer is one way through our actions to answer, "We will, with God's help."

—Stephen +

## PARISH NEWS

## Lunch Bunch: Wed., Feb 12

Mylo's Grill in the Chesterbrook shopping Center is our choice for February. As always our car pool leaves the church at 11:45 AM. Bring a friend!

—Helen Vogel (703)534-4877

## Bookworms to Meet Sat., Feb. 15

We'll meet at 10 a.m. in the conference room. Our book will be *Swann's Way* by Marcel Proust. *Swann's Way: In Search of Lost Time* is the first volume of Proust's *Remembrance of Things Past*, one of the finest novels of the twentieth century. The story is told by the younger mind of the narrator. In a beautiful dream-like prose, the narrator tells of the romance of his country neighbor monsieur Swann. The important themes of memory, time and art are woven skillfully through the story.

## SHARE &amp; Alternative House: Winter Update

Currently, **SHARE** is completely OUT of the following items:

- Coffee (ground)
- Black Tea Bags
- White Rice
- White Sugar
- White Flour
- Vegetable Oil
- Mayonnaise
- Ketchup
- 100% Juice
- Canned Fruit.

ALSO, **SHARE** is out of items which cannot be purchased with food stamps:

- Paper Towels
- Feminine Products
- Toilet Paper
- Laundry Detergent.
- Diapers (especially sizes 5 and 6) and Baby Wipes

Food and supplies donations can be delivered to the baskets in the church vestibule, gift cards may be placed in the offering plate (use envelopes marked SHARE) or you can make these deliveries to SHARE directly at McLean Baptist Church, 1367 Chain Bridge Road (follow the walk next to the playground), Weds. and Sat., 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. There is also a bin for after hours drop-off.

**Alternative House** ([www.thealternativehouse.org](http://www.thealternativehouse.org)), located in Vienna, also needs your support as it provides a safe, nurturing haven for young people. There is a basket in St. Dunstan's vestibule where we are collecting small toiletries and travel-sized items for their use.

Your help is always appreciated and makes a difference. Thank You!

## Who Set Up for the Last Supper?

The Altar Guild evolved within the Episcopal Church to support the clergy and enable them to preach and lead services without also having to set them up. The duty of the Altar Guild is to prepare all things necessary for the services of the church, especially the celebration of the Eucharist. The preparations are done in a manner so that any service may be conducted in decency, order, and beauty for the worship of God.

St. Dunstan's Altar Guild needs more people! We have four teams so each of us works one weekend out of every four. The time commitment is about an hour on a Saturday morning and thirty to forty-five minutes on a Sunday morning. Some members have a hard time with Saturday mornings and come in Thursday or Friday instead. Members also switch weekends if there are conflicts with other parts of our lives.

We are a smaller group, including both men and women, within the congregation, so if you are looking for a group to join please consider joining us! We have no official training times; you start right in with a team and work with experienced people to learn what needs to be done. There is also a written manual of procedures.

If you are interested or have questions, please call Caroline Brethauer, current Altar Guild President, at 703-356-3816, or any member that you know, or the church office. We look forward to hearing from you soon! ■

## Falls Church to Host Easter Vigil

The Rev. John Ohmer of The Falls Church, Falls Church, and the Rev. Jo Belser of Resurrection, Alexandria, will host a Joint Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday, April 19, with Bishop Goff. Five or six other churches already have plans to participate, with hopes to fill the church and have opportunities for baptisms, confirmations, receptions and reaffirmations, with a large joint choir. Interested? Please contact John ([re@tfce.us](mailto:re@tfce.us)) or Jo ([priest@welcometoresurrection.org](mailto:priest@welcometoresurrection.org)). ■



## PARISH NEWS

## ‘Pathways to Peace’ Forum Coming March 2

**H**ave you ever wondered about the processes used to pursue peace and reconciliation in the world? Our congregation has a deep expert in this area: Hal Saunders, who is the architect of Sustained Dialogue, a “public peace process” designed to change relationships among those in deeply-rooted human conflict. As assistant secretary of state, Hal was intensively involved in the Arab-Israeli peace process of the 1970s, which produced six Arab-Israeli agreements between 1974 and 1979, including the Camp David accords and the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty.

At a March 2 parish forum after the 10:15 service, Hal will describe the historical peace process still in

use today. Parishioner Nancy Searby will describe how earth science is used to collaboratively address trans-boundary issues. St. Dunstan’s seminarian Justin Ivatts will reflect on his recent trip to Jerusalem about how religious leaders are contributing. Please join us for this presentation and dialogue, “Pathways to Peace: The Historical Peace Process, Use of Earth Sciences, and Reflections on Religious Leader Contributions.” Lunch will be served, and a free will offering will be collected. Any proceeds will go towards St. Dunstan’s ministry with Carpenter’s Kids, through which we are in relationship with Wilunze, Tanzania, to help meet village children’s educational needs. ■

## Ministry News: Bingo at Arleigh Burke

**I**n January, the family of Tina and Perry Williams kicked off a new ministry at nearby Arleigh Burke Pavilion Assisted Living by calling an evening of bingo for a roomful of residents. The heavy lifting—choosing the balls and announcing the letters and numbers—was done by young Julia Williams and her brother Tommy.

“This is something Fr. Stephen coordinated on our behalf,” Perry said. “He asked if we’d be interested in piloting this program between the parish and Arleigh Burke. Originally we thought we’d be meeting with one specific resident, but now it looks more likely to be activities with several residents at one time—arts and crafts, games, stuff like that.”

The family attended a preliminary orientation, which they shared with three girls from McLean High School who were preparing to satisfy a community-service requirement for graduation. Perry had kind words for the Arleigh Burke staff and added that the residents were “very appreciative and very sweet” about the evening of bingo, not least because the champion of each round won a dollar. ■

*At top, Julia and Tommy Williams run the show for a high-stakes bingo session with residents at Arleigh Burke, right.*



## PHOTO FEATURE



## Outreach Profile: Shepherd's Center

**S**hepherd's Center of McLean-Arlington-Falls Church is a volunteer organization dedicated to provide services to assist seniors. The primary service offered is transportation to medical/dental appointments, grocery shopping, pharmacy visits, and small errands. In 2013, over 800 such rides were given. There is no charge for these services. Shepherd's Center also holds informal luncheons three times a year with guest speakers or performers to give seniors opportunities to learn and socialize with others. Anyone wishing to avail themselves of these services should contact Shepherd's Center at 703-506-2199. The Center needs additional volunteers to act as drivers, event organizers and other administrative activities. Interested persons should call the Center or go on-line to [scmafc.org](http://scmafc.org). ■

Scout Sunday was February 3 at Saint Dunstan's and members of Boy Scout Troop 652, which meets on Monday nights in the parish hall, were joined at the 10:15 service by troop leaders and parents, along with several cub scouts and webelos. Scattered above are parishioners Sam and C.J. Taishoff, Indra and Judge Chalk, Alex Horenstein, and Fred, Fritz, and Will Vogel.

### February Birthdays

05 Catherine Beauchamp  
 06 Peter Connors  
 07 Sonia Barden  
 10 Jonathan Jester  
 12 Grant Yungner  
 12 Helen Vogel  
 21 Todd Brethauer  
 21 Cody Brown  
 24 Joseph Ambrosius  
 27 Clayton Postelle  
 27 Martha Taishoff  
 28 Linda Postelle



## PHOTO FEATURE

## Parish Youth Make Valentines for Vinson Hall

During January's annual parish meeting upstairs, St. Dunstan's youth volunteers teamed up in the undercroft to produce a total of 53 valentines for distribution to residents at nearby Vinson Hall Retirement Community. Led by Christian Education Director Gray Snead and parishioners Kelly and Jamie Veccia, the group included Suzanne Cole, Gabrielle Cole, Amy Verderame, Bennett Verderame, John Suringa, James Veccia, Lily Veccia, Fritz Vogel, Will Vogel, Lena Vogel, Connor Scanlon, Julia Williams, and Tommy Williams. ■



*Hard at work, clockwise from far left: James Veccia, John Suringa, Lily Veccia, Amy Verderame, Bennett Verderame, Connor Scanlon, and Gabrielle Cole*



*John Suringa, center, takes a break while Bennett Verderame, right, and Connor Scanlon finish up their Valentine's creations. (Photos: Gray Snead)*



## TWENTY QUESTIONS: ANN DIETRICH

# Wendy's Burgers, Ronald's Fries, and Really Good Wine (Together?)

**What is your full name?** Ann (Shane) King Dietrich.

**How long have you been an Episcopalian?** Since my birth and baptism at St. Albans in Washington, D.C. but active from the 1950s when the children were ready for Sunday school.

**How long have you been a member at Saint Dunstan's?** Forty-three years.

**Where were you born?** New York City.

**Where did you grow up?** Connecticut and Washington, D.C.

**Where have you gone to school?** Sweet Briar College for two years.

**What do you do from nine to five during the week?** Waste time—exercise, read, and socialize.

**What do you like most about what you do?** That I can do what I want when I wish, although I have taken on some responsibilities in the community.

**What do you like least about what you do?** I miss my husband Beau and my house.

**What's the best job you ever had, and why?** I was a city guide in Washington, D.C.—challenging, a fascinating learning experience, and people-oriented.

**What is the worst job you ever had, and why?** Office work—boring!!

**It's often said that all lives see their share of joy and sorrow.**

**Looking back, what would you say would be greatest of each for you?** Watching children become relatively happy, successful adults. The greatest sorrow of course was losing Beau—and also my mother.

**Where have you lived?** Up



A 2013 Dietrich beach wedding (from left): Will Dietrich, Louisa Dietrich, bride Josephine and groom Trip Dietrich, Ann Dietrich, and King Dietrich.

and down the East Coast and West Coast, as well as Japan, Spain, and France.

**Of the places you've lived, which did you like best and why?** I don't know—probably Northern Virginia. The foreign tours were kind of like vacation.

**How many U.S. states have you visited (not including airport stopovers)?** 39, plus or minus a few.

**How many countries have you visited?** Canada, Germany, Austria, Luxembourg, Monaco, Belgium, the Netherlands, England, Malta, Morocco, Gibraltar, China, Hong Kong, and the Balkan countries, including Russia (St. Petersburg) on a cruise.

**What would be your ideal trip?** Australia and New Zealand or Alaska or back to Europe—with family or a good traveling friend.

**If you could re-visit any restaurant that you've ever been to, which one would it be?** The Inn at Little Washington.

**Who has the best hamburgers in Northern Virginia or DC?** I have little experience other than the chains, but Wendy's has the best, I think—and McDonald's fries are the best.

**What are your guilty pleasures?** The above, once in a while—and really good wine.

**If you won a month, all expenses paid, to do whatever you wanted, what would you do?** Travel, as above!

**If you could eat any single meal, what would it be?** Seared scallops, potatoes, asparagus.

**What is the grossest thing you've ever eaten (and why did**

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**you have to eat it)?** I was a guest in a Japanese house for lunch and bridge, and there was beautiful-looking but foul-tasting custard in a little pot—which happily had a little cover!!

**What was your most memorable encounter with law enforcement?** Stopped trying to cross from Austria to Germany, where my baby son Will was!

**What is the most dangerous thing you've ever done?** Parasailing in Mexico.

**If you could choose one playlist to listen to, what would be on it?** Semiclassical or show music.

**If you could wave a magic wand and immediately be masterful at a sport, which one would it be?** Golf, of course.

**An instrument?** Piano.

**And a hobby or pastime?** Needlepoint.

**Do you have any favorite movies or books?** Movies: "The Sound of Music" (which I've seen



Beau and Ann Dietrich wave to onlookers in a 2004 military-retirement parade for Beau in Japan.

about 20 times so far), and recently "Quartet." Books: *Gone With the Wind*, which I read in less than 24 hours when I was 12 or so.

**When you find yourself worrying, what worries you the most?** My adult children!

**Looking back, what would you do over if you could?** I'd finish college.

**What are your hobbies?** Needlepoint, houseplants, and crossword puzzles.

**What is your favorite color?** Blue.

**If we asked your family what your most irritating trait is, what would they say?** Not keeping my cellphone on—but there's probably something worse they haven't told me about.

**If we turned on the TV after you were watching, what channel would it be on?** WETA or ABC or TCM—except maybe CBS for "NCIS." That's the only series I watch on network TV.

**What is your web browser's home page?** YAHOO, I think.

**What do you like best about**

**Saint Dunstan's?** Our family history there—wedding, baptisms, confirmations—as well as the wonderful people. And very especially three fine rectors—all very different, but each special.

**If you could change something about Saint Dunstan's, what would it be?** I wish families could encourage their children to join in more, but I think there are a lot of demands on their time.

**Complete this sentence: Yeah, I would be a better Christian if I...weren't so lazy and involved in myself.**

**If your house were on fire and you could grab three things to take with you as you fled outside, what would they be?** My glasses, without which I'm blind, photos, and who-knows-what-else!

**What's your favorite joke?** I can never remember one to tell! :( (Really, I used to have to write down punch lines so that I could come home to tell jokes to Beau.) ■



Beau and Ann in Wyoming, 2002

## PATHS TO GOD: MAUREEN JENKINS

## 'Me? Go to a Protestant Church?'

I was born in San Francisco and named Maureen Murphy. I lived in three families growing up as a foster child, and all three were what I would call faithful Catholics. In each of these families, weekly Sunday Mass was routine and expected, and I seem to remember a time when neighbors even gathered at someone's home to pray the Rosary as it was broadcast over the radio. In my early childhood, night prayers were said aloud by the bedside, and grace was said at meals. Not surprisingly, the major religious milestones of my youth were First Confession, First Communion, and Confirmation—all occurring right on schedule.

Throughout my school years, I attended Roman Catholic schools and my friends were mostly Roman Catholic (though my relatives were Protestant). In Catholic schools, the study of religion was a daily class just like spelling and math, and I can still recite the Baltimore Catechism from cover to cover; the study of the Bible did not begin for me until my high school years. My high school offered spiritual retreats annually which I recall everyone loving—spiritual reading and no homework!!

As a child and teenager, I never doubted my religious identity—probably because of this family and school influence. When I was in the seventh grade, however, my brother and I changed to a new family and new school, and I was so miserable in the new circumstance that God somehow became more 'real' to me, and I relied very heavily on my belief.

Moving from family to family and school to school left me confused and upset, and one thing that I remember very fondly is that the nuns in school were always so very kind

to me. I always wanted to be one of those loving, kind women when I grew up. So, in high school, I thought long and hard about whether or not God might be calling me to be a nun, and I gradually came to believe that I indeed was called. I entered the Sisters of St. Joseph in Orange, California, right after high school.



*Maureen Jenkins*

My first four years of college, then, encompassed postulancy, novitiate, and finally profession of vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience, followed by teaching fifth graders in a Catholic school for two years. Living in community as a nun meant living a life of prayer, and we began each day with the Daily Offices and Mass and ended each day with Compline. Praying in community is a powerful way to stay connected to God and each other.

When I first left the religious life, I felt that "I had paid my dues" and felt no compunction to find a church home right away. But the habit of prayer was so ingrained in my life that I don't think I ever stopped praying and staying connected with God. And within a few years, I married

someone who grew up in the Mormon tradition, although his parents didn't go to church when I met him.

In the early 1980s, when we had moved to McLean from San Francisco, Roman Catholics were required to attend the parish church in their assigned geographical area, so we did. But the sermons were loud and shaming and upsetting, and our oldest child, who was three-and-a-half, would cry after Mass, asking, "why is that man so mad at us?" We needed to try something else.

A friend suggested that we try her church, St. Dunstan's. I said, "What?? Me?? Go to a Protestant church??" So she suggested that I try Morning Prayer. Having been a nun for seven years, I knew all the songs and prayers, and I felt that this just might work for me and my family. So I've been an Episcopalian since 1980.

Looking back, I have had so many 'conversion' experiences that it's hard to pick out just one. God seems to get my attention in numerous—often very surprising—ways. Also, I have been blessed by having many spiritual mentors throughout my life. It seems that God has always provided me with a loving, compassionate spiritual guide. They have always reminded me of who I am and Whose I am. They have loved me when I found it difficult to love myself. They have held my hand, figuratively speaking, through the dark times and encouraged me to remain faithful to God in prayer.

I am always impressed when I have a conversation with people who have studied other faiths in depth. It seems to me that the contemplative traditions within the various religions have much in common. Saint John of the Cross says that "silence

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## UNITED THANK OFFERING

## ‘Our Change Changes Lives’

Since 2009, Ellen Keck and I have been honored to serve as your United Thank Offering (UTO) coordinators and to represent the Women of St. Dunstan's at the Diocesan Episcopal Church Women (ECW) meetings. It has been our pleasure; and a gift from God, to support this ministry. As you probably realize; here at St. Dunstan's, we conduct both a Spring and Fall UTO Ingathering. These are opportunities for us to collect the coins we have accumulated in our "Blue Boxes" throughout the season, bring them into church, and combine them to those of our fellow parishioners. A check for the total amount gathered is then sent to our Diocesan UTO coordinator.

We would like to share with you a recent correspon-



dence from Ms. Cindy Helton, our current Diocesan coordinator, about the UTO, its history and significance. As you'll see, the United Thank Offering is an outward expression of the inward thankfulness we feel every day for all of God's blessings. Together, our offerings of thanksgiving combine them with Ingatherings of other Diocesan churches to

help support grants which fund wonderful ministries, both locally and throughout the world.

We hope you will enjoy reading this insightful message about the UTO. Please contact us if you have any questions about UTO here at St. Dunstan's.

Faithfully,  
Elizabeth and Ellen

## Fall ECW Meeting, October 17, 2013

*The United Thank Offering Mission: Put gifts in the Blue Box with thanksgiving, prayer and generosity. Take blessings out of the box for grants to expand the Church's faithfulness to God's mission.*

Thank you for keeping the Blue Box in the ministry of your parish! Together, we are using the change placed in the Blue Box in prayer and thanksgiving to change lives of those in compelling need. This past

year, as in most years, there were many more requests than the available funds could support. The UTO Board made forty-six grant awards, totaling \$1,517,280.81. Please see all the details at [www.utochange.org](http://www.utochange.org).

One of those awards came to the Diocese of Virginia. St. Andrews School in Richmond requested \$25,000 to partially fund "Guidance Counseling for At-Risk Youth, K-5." Their application was selected by the diocesan Grants Review Committee and sent to Bishop Johnston for his approval. Each diocese

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is the first language of God" so in the wordless prayer in which we are available for God, we may experience our true "oneness" with those of other traditions.

If I had to choose the few figures that I especially admire, Theresa of Avila and John of the Cross immediately come to mind. And, like so many people, I'm pretty impressed by Pope Francis. The author I'm currently reading and pondering and questioning is Richard Rohr. He identified for me the tendency for churches to focus on the needs of

people in the first half of their lives while leaving those in the second half of their lives to seek a more spiritually mature faith.

My favorite passages from the Bible would have to be "For God so loved the world that He sent His only begotten Son..." and from the Prayer Book, "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord." My favorite hymns are No. 312—"Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands"—and No. 482, "Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy."

At St. Dunstan's these days, I'm getting so much information in my EFM [Education for Ministry] classes! As for the Episcopal Church

at large, I am especially happy with the fairly recent ordination of women, and I see the Episcopal liturgy gradually using more inclusive language in worship as time passes. As for the church's recent decline in numbers, I wouldn't worry about numbers so much as being faithful to the Gospel. It's Christ's church, and I trust that, as I try to be faithful in my small way, God is much, much more faithful.

And if I could leave any statement or advice of a religious nature to my distant descendants, it would be: "Pray always! Do not lose heart! You are loved with an everlasting love!" ■

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of the Episcopal Church may apply for one domestic and one international grant. Bishop Johnston sent our request to the UTO Board, and at their meeting in May, the UTO Board granted this award.

Grant awards are the culmination of a granting cycle that begins with every person in every pew of the church placing coins in the Blue Box, with prayers of thanksgiving for the blessings in their life. Twice each year, in the fall and spring, the offerings are gathered in each church, thanks to the work of the faithful UTO Parish Coordinators. The Ingatherings are collected by the Diocesan UTO Coordinator and sent to the “lock box” of the national UTO, where the money accrues interest until it is granted each year. The Spring Ingathering for the Diocese of Virginia totaled \$58,158.31. The Fall Ingatherings are underway.

Every penny placed in the Blue Box is granted. The power of nickels, dimes, quarters, and pennies, when united altogether, constructs buildings that provide space away from violence and corruption in Burundi, shelters for the homeless in Alaska; provides a tractor for a garden project in Arkansas, medical care for mothers and their newborn children in Haiti, a film to help prevent bullying in Atlanta, a counselor to help children at risk for being kept out and held back from fulfilling their potential and dreams in Richmond; and many other projects that seek to transform lives. Yes, UTO goes beyond where the roads of the church end to change lives!

By the 125th UTO Anniversary next year, the UTO Board hopes to document through pictures and stories how lives have been changed by these projects. If you have been involved with a UTO project or worked with the recipients of a UTO Grant, please consider sending their story and pictures to Mary Anne Bryant at the diocesan Office of Mission and Outreach ([mabryant@thediocese.net](mailto:mabryant@thediocese.net)) where they can be archived and passed on to the appropriate writers.

UTO Grant applications for 2014 will become available January 1, 2014, at the website: [utochange.org](http://utochange.org) and must be completed online and forwarded to

the diocesan Office of Mission and Outreach ([mabryant@thediocese.net](mailto:mabryant@thediocese.net)) by the deadline in mid-February (The exact deadline date will be published as soon as it is known.). Do you know of a need in your parish or a mission project that could change lives? Start your grant application now. Go to [utochange.org](http://utochange.org) to review

the process and start gathering the necessary data. You may use the 2013 “grant writing” information to help you get started, and this will speed the process when the new 2014 application becomes available January 1.

If you need to order materials to help with your UTO Ingathering, go to: <http://episcopalmarketplace.org/Products/United-Thank-Offering> or call 866-937-2772.

Today, at the afternoon service, the Parish Coordinators from the Diocese of Virginia will participate in an Ingathering to symbolize the work of UTO.

Each Parish Coordinator or a representative from your parish is invited to come to the UTO display table before lunch and pick up a card that indicates the amount your parish has contributed in Ingatherings this year. If your church has not yet held its Ingathering, you may indicate on the card when the Ingathering will take place. Together, all Parish Coordinators will process to the front of the church to place

these cards in the large UTO box, a traditional part of the afternoon service.

*UTO Prayer: Gracious God, source of all creation, all love, all true joy: accept we pray these outward signs of our profound and continuing thankfulness for all of life.*

*Keep each of us ever thankful for all the blessings of joy and challenge that come our way. Bless those who will benefit from these gifts through the outreach of the United Thank Offering. This we ask through Jesus Christ, the greatest gift and blessing of all.*

*Amen*

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# FEBRUARY 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						<b>1</b>  9 AM-Noon McLean Youth Orchestra
<b>2</b> Scout Sunday 8:15 AM HE Rite I & Healing 9:15 AM Bible Study 10 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM HE Rite I & Healing 10 AM Confirmation Class 11:45 AM Lay Committee, Conference Room	<b>3</b>  7 PM Boy Scouts, Parish Hall	<b>4</b>  6:30 PM Outreach Meeting/Conference Room 7 PM Centering Prayer, Chapel	<b>5</b>  10:30 AM Bible Study/Conference Room 6:30 PM Bible Study/Seely 6:30 PM EFM/Common Room	<b>6</b>  6:15 PM Joy Choir/PH 6:45 PM Praise Choir/PH 7:30 PM Alleluia Choir/UC	<b>7</b>  	<b>8</b>  All Day- Pinewood Derby, PH
<b>9</b> 8:15 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I 9:15 AM Bible Study 10 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II Senior High/Chesterbrook Senior Living Spirit Choir	<b>10</b>  7 PM Boy Scouts, Parish Hall 7PM Young Adults/Irelands 4 Provinces	<b>11</b>  7 PM Vestery Meeting 7 PM Centering Prayer, Chapel	<b>12</b>  10:30 AM Bible Study/Conference Room Noon, Lunch Bunch 6:30 PM Bible Study/Seely 6:30 PM EFM/Common Room	<b>13</b>  6:15 PM Joy Choir/PH 6:45 PM Praise Choir/PH 7:30 PM Alleluia Choir/UC	<b>14</b>  	<b>15</b>  9 AM-Noon McLean Youth Orchestra  10 AM Bookworms, conference room
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