

# The Crucifer

Holy Cross Episcopal Church

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## Happy Anniversary Enfingers!

Max & Betty Enfinger will celebrate their Silver Wedding Anniversary on April 30th. Rev. Mike Hesse, the first rector of Holy Cross, married the couple in 2003. During their 26+ years at Holy Cross, they have volunteered for various projects. Max has served on the Vestry, labored during construction of the Education Building Phase I, and is still our A/C consultant.

Betty has served as coordinator of the Ladies Lunch Bunch, special events, and currently Club 55. Their combined energy resulted in much needed repair and paint of the Church exterior and Fellowship Hall in 2006-2007. Max & Betty invite you to join them in the Fellowship Hall after the service on April 27 for anniversary cake & punch.



## Search Committee Report #7

Britt Landrum, *Search Committee Chair*

It looks very much like the journey begun last July by our vestry and search committee is drawing to a close. The last of the three priest candidates participating in this discernment process with us will be in Pensacola for a visit the second week of April. We are very optimistic that one of the candidates will be selected and will ultimately accept the vestry's offer.

We are extremely fortunate to have three excellent priests who are still in the process with us. After we have finished the last interview the Search Committee will prayerfully consider each candidate, and conduct

our final vote to determine which one we will recommend to the vestry. The next step will be for the vestry to invite the candidate back for a final interview with them, at which time an offer is usually extended. Assuming he accepts the offer, we should have a rector in place by June.

Please continue to pray for the priest candidates, the search committee and vestry as we try to discern God's Will in choosing the best rector for Holy Cross. Stay tuned.

Blessings to all.

# Notes from the Senior Warden

Scott Wilson, *Senior Warden*

This past weekend I found myself reviewing the Parish Services Records so that the parochial report can be submitted. I put it off as long as I could but now there is no alternative, it has to be in. Father Ray spent a good deal of time earlier in 2007 getting the records in order. For that I am grateful as my job is much easier than it would have been for sure. Thank you Fr. Ray. You said I would be happy to see the results. Indeed, I am grateful!

I thought you would be interested in some of the numbers. In 2007 we added 16 new people to Holy Cross. Holy Cross records 299 Baptized members before December 31 of 2007. For 2007 we recorded 61 Sunday Eucharists, 50 weekday Eucharists and 214 Private Eucharists for our shut ins. Our average attendance for Sunday services for the year is 133. Our Sunday attendance is down slightly as we worship in one service rather than our normal two services but participation has remained strong. What a joy it is to come to the church on Sunday to worship together with faithful people that we see week after week. Our numbers since last July have remained around 125 on average.

Our Rector search is nearing completion. Our third candidate will visit with the search committee the second week of April. Hopefully the committee will have a recommendation of one for a call by the Vestry by month end. I for one will be glad to know a date when our Rector will arrive. I know you all will too. With that in mind though stop and think for a minute what the journey has been like for the last nine months. Nine months, that is an interesting amount of time! Well anyway, with all of our activities in the last nine months it hardly seems that it has been that long. I will say though that once our Rector is called, you will probably be able to hear a huge sigh of relief coming

## Club 55

Betty Enfinger, *Club 55 Coordinator*

Come join Holy Cross seniors at Club 55 for a potluck luncheon on Thursday, April 10, at noon in the Fellowship Hall. You are welcome to share a favorite dish, story, fun, or whatever with a very loquacious group. It is not required that you bring a dish--just bring yourself. A program will be provided by Sherry Challenor of Florida Tissue Services, a Division of Lifenet Health. Sherry has spent the last 17 years in the donation and transplant field. Mother Humphrey has assured that the presentation is very interesting & uplifting.

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from somewhere over in Pace. Yes there is a light at the end of the tunnel. Perhaps by the next writing for the Crucifer we will be able to share the good news about the next Rector.

Your Vestry is working hard on all aspects of the church life. For this we can all be thankful for the committed work of the vestry, committee chairs and all the ministries of the Parish. I wish to thank all of you. I cannot imagine what it must feel like to be a Senior Warden in a church without a Rector that does not have committed members of the Body of Christ. Without you all Holy Cross would sink like a stone. We are hardly sinking. The proof is in the numbers.

At the March Vestry meeting the Vestry voted Warren Post as the new Junior Warden. Warren will do a good job for Holy Cross but Warren will need your help and your prayers. It is a big job! Thank you Warren for accepting this new responsibility. ( Like we gave him any choice!) Did you notice the new roof over the office side of the building? No you didn't. That is what Warren intended when he picked out the new shingles. Nice job Warren it looks great and best of all there are no leaks!

We have a lot of challenges ahead to be sure but Thanks Be to God that we get to face them together as a church family. By the way, recently we had very kind comments about Holy Cross from one of the Priests in our search process about the involvement of our Parish Community. I thought about it and I think we need to suggest that rather than being a community we are indeed a FAMILY.

Thank you all for everything that you do, for His sake.



### Do You Speak Another Language?

Request for anyone who speaks a non-English language to contact me Carl at [carl.white56@gmail.com](mailto:carl.white56@gmail.com) or 698-8870.

# Blood Drive

Mike and Fay Scordato, *Blood Drive Coordinators*

The Blood Mobile will be at Holy Cross on April 13th from 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM. from 9am until 1pm. If you are able to donate on this day please mark your calendars. Sign in for the Blood Mobile will again be held in the dining hall but please also use the sign up sheet that will be posted in the narthex a couple of weeks prior to the drive to help give us an idea on how many donors we will have. There will be hot dogs and chips along with the usual Sunday refreshments for all blood donors, past blood donors, future blood donors and generally any person,

young or old that has blood running through their veins.

Here is the schedule for our remaining Blood Drives for 2008.

April 13th, 2008

June 15th , 2008

August 17th, 2008

November 2, 2008

# Episcopal Youth Community April Happenings

Rachel Iversen, *Youth Volunteer*

Our EYC group will hold activities on the following dates:

April 9, 6:15-7:15, EYC Movie Night

April 16, 6:15 - 7:15, Praise Service, Guitar and Youth Led

April 23, 6:15 - 7:15, Parent Meeting

April 30, High School Musical at the Civic Center, \$14.50, Show starts at 7:30 PM.

EYC Sunday School following the 9 AM Service  
Our EYC Sunday school starts immediately following the 9 AM service. We are using the Episcopal Lectionary to lead this time. Please encourage your youth to attend.

In the near future...May 18, Let's go to the movies, The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian

# Christian Education

Ede and Dean Craig, *Christian Education Directors*

Great News!! Mrs. Rachel Iversen has been hired as Holy Cross' new Youth Director! Her position will start as of April 1st, which, by the way, is her birthday. Happy Birthday, Mrs. Rachel! She brings in a lot of experience and renewed enthusiasm for our Episcopal Youth Community. Welcome back, Rachel!

Speaking of birthdays...

Happy Belated Birthdays to Natalie (Feb.24, 11yrs), Lexi (Mar.21, 11yrs), and Stephanie (Mar.29, 9yrs)! Happy April Birthdays to James Craig (Apr.2, 11yrs) and C J (Apr.29, 10yrs)!

Our kids had fun during all the Easter happenings. From the prep work of cleaning and sorting of plastic eggs, participating in the Seder dinner, making and eating Easter cookies, to the actual Easter Egg Hunt, our kids had so much fun while learning the significance of Easter!

Thank you's go out to...

Mother Shirley Humphrey for the Easter Cookie Activity, Alexandra and Philip for helping Mrs. Ede with baking knowledge, Mrs. Stacye Litton for the Seder dinner game for kids, Mrs. Rachel Iversen for inviting upcoming EYCs to the Cosmic Bowling, All those from our congregation who filled our plastic eggs, Mrs. Amanda Maddox for leading Children's Chapel, Rhett and Matthew for helping Mr.

Dean scatter and hid the Easter eggs, and any and all that made this Easter season enjoyable, especially our own Elementary Episcopal Youth Community for being the wonderful kids that you are!

I would also like to thank Mr. Bill & Mrs. Brenda Brown, our music directors, and the Children's Choir. I have been hearing lots of compliments about their improved voices. Keep up the good work!

We are planning to start our next Adult Bible Study to meet on Sundays, April 13 - May 11. Adult Bible Study will also meet on Wednesdays, April 23 - May 7. Curriculum will be determined soon.

Vacation Bible School plans are already in the works! This year's theme will be "Rainforest Adventure" A Tree Top Bible Blast! VBS is tentatively scheduled for the week of July 14 - July 18. We have secured a few volunteers and are always looking for more. If you are interested, our first VBS meeting is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, April 20, after church services and in the Conference Room across the church office. We will also try to meet on Sundays, May 4 & 25.

Please contact Ede Craig if you are interested in assisting or leading any of the Christian Education activities at cell# 341-2402 or via email at edecraig@cox.net.

## Music Direction

Bill Brown, *Music Director*

Put Sunday, April 27 at 6:00 PM on your calendar for the BELLFEST CONCERT at Holy Cross featuring the Community Handbell Choir directed by Dr. Donald Allured and Danny Lyons.

Seldom have I seen or heard a handbell ensemble that can equal the one we have right here in Pensacola. They are good because they spend several hours a week practicing under skilled directors. They are good because members have all been carefully selected through rigorous auditions.

You will hear a variety of music both sacred and secu-



lar. And you will see the group dressed in formal attire which is indicative of the pride they take in their work. Again, concert time on the 27th is 6:00 PM.

We are planning a nice reception for this group in our Fellowship Hall after the concert. I urge you to come and bring a friend. Please do spread the word and let's welcome BELLFEST to Holy Cross with a standing-room-only audience. A free-will offering will be taken at the door. No plates will be passed.

## Sexton's Corner

Vance Luedeke, *Sexton*

Easter is over and it went very well except for my misplacement of the large cross! On my third visit to the shed there it was, in plain site, so I was enabled to move it to the sanctuary just in time. Did our resident mischievous pixies have a hand in it? I don't believe we'll ever know.

Warren Post, as usual, helped me get both crosses out of the shed attic. Thanks Warren!

The brunch after the Easter service was a great success. What looked to me to be too much food was eaten to the last crumb. Those who made that brunch such a success were: Kathy Varner, Betty Enfinger, Neill Sidebotham, Kandy Kattau, and me (to a very small extent). I hope I didn't forget anyone.

Al Rognstad is keeping up with "Rebekah at the Well".

He's cleaned it wonderfully, but says we'll need a new pump. Anyone?

The two "Work Day's were very successful as well. The women doing a fine work with all the flower beds.

Jo Spencer took fine care of the Easter lilies, in spite of my attempt to "gas" them. Poor judgement on my part!

Jay Hoffman and Max Turner fixed the two "thresholds" (kitchen and shed). Wow! What a difference. Thanks to both of you.

That's all folks!

## Buildings and Grounds Report

Warren Post, Jr. *Warden*

I would like to thank Dan for a job well done and wish him the best. He has served in this capacity for more than the normal term and his job is keeping him away for the local area. Since Dan Healey resigned, I have been picking up some of the duties.

The following has been accomplished since the last Crucifer was printed:

- 1) The roof over the office and Rectors office was replaced at the cost of \$5445.00 (hurricane damage made it impossible to repair it)
- 2) The ceiling tiles in the office spaces had water damage and they have been replaced or repaired by Barry Rupert
- 3) The carpets in the office spaces and the EYC rooms

were cleaned.

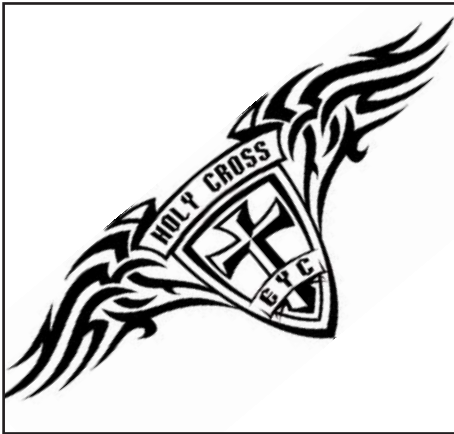
4) Air-conditioning is a major item in the facilities and we are contracting a local company to provide yearly inspection and maintenance. Max Enfinger has done a superb job of maintaining the air handling units but does not have the license to add Freon. These units will still remain under his purview.

I will have from major surgery on 27 March and will ask all of you to help me in maintaining the Church facilities in good working order. If you see something that needs to be done let me know. If you are capable of accomplishing or helping also let me know.

# Holy Week at Holy Cross



**Seder Dinner** - Held on Wednesday with Fr. Bob Graves as our officiant. Thank you to Stacye Litton, the coordinator and everyone who participated.



**EYC Cosmic Bowling** - Episcopal Youth Community went bowling following the Maundy Thursday Service with other area church youth groups. We also welcome Rachel Iversen as our new Youth Minister!



**Easter Sunday** - Fr. Bob Graves celebrated Easter with our Holy Cross Family, helping to “Dig Up the Alleluias” before the service. Children enjoyed the Egg Hunt organized. Thanks to Kathy Varner and Kandy Kattau and all our wonderful volunteers who organized a lovely Easter Brunch.

# Prayers of the People

IMMEDIATE PRAYER LIST (Said at each SUNDAY and WED. services for at least two weeks)

Sherry Atha • Angela Baker • Melba Cooper • Dixie Edwards • Wayne Elwood • Mary Harrison • Jamie Johnson • Keith Jones • Dave and Beverly Kiker • Patty Krueger • Julia Bell Livingston • Debora Lefort • Robert Neal • McKenzie Oerting • Warren Post • Christopher Scanlon • Emma White • Vicki Wilkins • Tim Wise

CONTINUING PRAYER LIST (Said at WED. services for three months and for personal daily prayer and other services.) Names may be removed or renewed, according to circumstances.

Our Members: Amanda Harper • Dottie Adams • Bill Barnard • Heather Duncan • Edda Glosque • Mary Harrison • Norm Perrin • Bob Pollard • Linda Rupert • Beverly Smithee • Jack Stenger  
Our Extended Family & Friends: Jimmy Clark • Chris Cochran • Margaret Cockman • Greg DiGiralamo • Jim Dorsey • Pauline Elwood • David Fouts • Joan Garneau • Kay Gartman • Keith Gilson • James Glover • Victoria Godwin • Jim Goodson • Javier Herdia • Valerie Hood • Neil Iversen • Jared Johannsen • Lowell Johannsen • Jessica Knott • Veronica Lane • Louise Mazzara • Alicia McDowell • Jerry McDowell • Jodey McMillan • Carol Nix • Lucille Osborne • Katie Potter • Steve Ramirez • Kevin Reid • Mary Royalty • Emily Silverwood • Gary Smith • Iris Suber • Martha Trammel • Philip Trammel • Tommie Turner • Madeleine Varner • Ariel Walker • Christine Whetston • Carl White Sr. • Ruth Wilson

Our Homebound: Ed Boyington • Patricia Boyington • Dixie Edwards • Joyce Fulton • Carlene Johnson • Jamie Patrick • Maybelle Scholle • Mig Smith

MILITARY PRAYER LIST for all service men and women on duty here and abroad, especially:

Josh Asselin • Ben Boyer • Lance Breeding • Ryan Broome • Raymond Buckalew Jr. • Travis Collard • Richard Cuny • Mike Darrah • Karin Eagan • Daniel Einsphar • Brian Fitch • Jason Fitch • Logan Fleming • Tyler Gardner • Ryan Garrison • Nick Gibson • Tim Gilson • John Glover • Alonzo Gonzales • Jeremy Harper • Zane Higgins • Jay Hunter • Grey Jewett III • Richard Kattau • Michael Lewis • Ken Libbin • David Lukavsky • Gary Marsh • Chris Miller • Mark Mitchell • Daniel Newsome • Marc Orgain • Nathan Pierce • Brad Post • Chase Rudd • Jason Sjodin • Shaun Southall • Ben Walton • Doug Wiessman

## Anglican Communion, TEC, Diocese

**The Most Rev. Dr. Rowan Williams,**  
Archbishop of Canterbury

**The Most Rev. Dr. Katharine Jefferts-Schori,**  
Presiding Bishop of TEC

**The Rt. Rev. Philip Duncan,** Bishop  
of the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast

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Warren Post Jr. Warden

John Briscione, Treasurer

Carl White, Clerk

### Class of 2007

Daniel Healy

Michele Larson

John Weber

Scott Wilson

### Class of 2008

Seigrid McAskill

Carl White

Hunter Walker

Jo Spencer

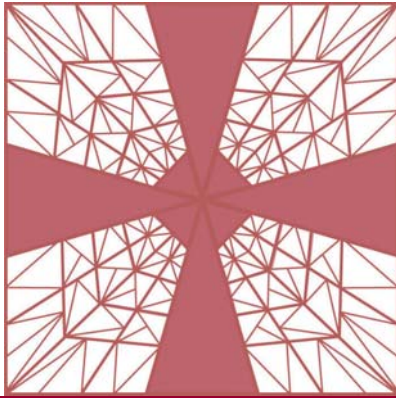
### Class of 2009

Ede Craig

Marc Orgain

Warren Post

Al Rognstad



# Holy Cross Episcopal Church

*April 2008*

| <i>Sunday</i>   | <i>Monday</i>    | <i>Tuesday</i>   | <i>Wednesday</i>   | <i>Thursday</i>  | <i>Friday</i>    | <i>Saturday</i>  |
|---|------------------|--|--|--|------------------|--|
| <p><b>Sunday</b><br/>Girl Scouts<br/>3:00 p.m.</p>  |                  | <p><b>1</b></p> <p>4:30 p.m.<br/>Cub Scouts<br/>6:30 p.m.<br/>Cub Scouts</p>   | <p><b>2</b></p> <p>8:30 a.m.<br/>Staff Meeting<br/><b>Mother Humphrey</b><br/>10:00 a.m.<br/>Holy Communion</p>  | <p><b>3</b></p> <p>3:30 p.m.<br/>Cub Scouts</p>  | <p><b>4</b></p>  | <p><b>5</b></p>  |
| <p><b>6</b></p> <p><b>Fr. Bill Buice</b><br/>9:00 a.m.<br/>Holy Communion<br/>10:00 a.m.<br/>Sunday School</p>        | <p><b>7</b></p>  | <p><b>8</b></p> <p>7:30 a.m.<br/>Clergy Breakfast<br/><br/>4:30 p.m.<br/>Cub Scouts<br/>6:30 p.m.<br/>Cub Scouts</p> | <p><b>9</b></p> <p>8:30 a.m.<br/>Staff Meeting<br/><b>Fr. Bob Graves</b><br/>10:00 a.m.<br/>Holy Communion</p>   | <p><b>10</b></p> <p>12:00 p.m.<br/>Club 55 Luncheon<br/><br/>3:30 p.m.<br/>Cub Scouts<br/>6:30 p.m.<br/>Cub Scout Leaders</p>  | <p><b>11</b></p> | <p><b>12</b></p> <p>7:30 a.m.<br/>Brotherhood of<br/>St. Andrew<br/><br/>9:00 a.m.<br/>Daughters of the King</p>         |
| <p><b>13</b></p> <p><b>Fr. Bill Buice</b><br/>9:00 a.m.<br/>Holy Communion<br/>10:00 a.m.<br/>Sunday School</p>       | <p><b>14</b></p> | <p><b>15</b></p> <p>4:30 p.m.<br/>Cub Scouts<br/>6:30 p.m.<br/>Cub Scouts</p>  | <p><b>16</b></p> <p>8:30 a.m.<br/>Staff Meeting<br/><b>Mother Humphrey</b><br/>10:00 a.m.<br/>Holy Communion<br/>6:30 p.m.<br/>Holy Communion<br/><b>Fr. Mike Hill</b></p> | <p><b>17</b></p> <p>3:30 p.m.<br/>Cub Scouts</p>   | <p><b>18</b></p> | <p><b>19</b></p> <p>9:00 a.m.<br/>Daughters of the King<br/>visit Baptist Manor<br/>10:00 a.m.<br/>Baptismal Meeting</p> |
| <p><b>20</b></p> <p><b>Fr. Bob Graves</b><br/>9:00 a.m.<br/>Holy Communion<br/>10:00 a.m.<br/>Sunday School</p>       | <p><b>21</b></p> | <p><b>22</b></p> <p>4:30 p.m.<br/>Cub Scouts<br/>6:00 p.m.<br/>Vestry Meeting</p>                                    | <p><b>23</b></p> <p>8:30 a.m.<br/>Staff Meeting<br/><b>Fr. Bob Graves</b><br/>10:00 a.m.<br/>Holy Communion</p>  | <p><b>24</b></p> <p>3:30 p.m.<br/>Cub Scouts</p>   | <p><b>25</b></p> | <p><b>26</b></p>   |
| <p><b>27</b></p> <p>9:00 a.m.<br/>Holy Communion<br/>10:00 a.m.<br/>Sunday School<br/><br/>6:00 p.m.<br/>BellFast</p> | <p><b>28</b></p> | <p><b>29</b></p> <p>4:30 p.m.<br/>Cub Scouts<br/>6:30 p.m.<br/>Cub Scouts</p>  | <p><b>30</b></p> <p>8:30 a.m.<br/>Staff Meeting<br/><b>Mother Humphrey</b><br/>10:00 a.m.<br/>Holy Communion</p>   | <p><b>Great Wednesdays</b><br/>5:00 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal<br/>5:30 p.m. Great Wednesday Dinner<br/>6:00 p.m. Youth Choir (last Weds of the month)<br/>6:15 p.m. Youth/Children's Programming<br/>6:15 p.m. Adult Christian Formation<br/>7:15 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal</p> |                  |  |

# Holy Cross Episcopal Church

## WORSHIP

### Schedule

**Sundays** 9:00 a.m. Holy Communion  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School  
*(Current service schedule will stay in effect indefinitely)*

**Wednesdays** 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion  
5:00 p.m. Children's Choir  
5:30 p.m. Great Wednesday Dinner  
6:15 p.m. Christian Education  
7:15 p.m. Choir

## UPCOMING EVENTS

*(Please see calendar for details)*

**April 9 United Ministries Guest Speaker**

**April 16 Evening Eucharist with Fr. Hill**

**April 19 FAST Clean Up Day**

**April 20 Baptisms**

**April 27 Belfast Group Performs at 6 pm**

### Do You Want to Knit Blessing?

The prayer shawl ministry will meet briefly immediately following church on the second and fourth Sundays. If you would like to know more about this powerful ministry, please join us. For more information please contact Sherry Atha at 776-3610 or athamom@aol.com.

**Are you wrinkled with burden? Come to  
the church for a faith-lift.**

**When praying, don't give God  
instructions - just report for duty.**

**Don't wait for six strong men to take you  
to church.**

**DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ARTICLES IS THE 20TH OF EACH MONTH.**

**Sarah Eagle Heart, Editor • Wendy Boyer, Graphic Design**

**Evening Holy  
Communion  
Weds, April 16  
at 6:30 p.m.**