

Church of the Good Shepherd

JUNE AND JULY 2011 NEWSLETTER

June 9, 2011

Dear Friends in Christ,

Pentecost season is upon us. It is the “birthday” of the church. It is the time of growth and preparation for the harvest. Nothing could be better than the harvest of a new soul for our Lord and Savior. Sunday, the 12th, we will formally welcome Rylan Paige Kennedy into the community of Christians. What a joyful way to start the new season. We are honored to have Father Tom Kennedy, SSC, take the service of Baptism and communion. Fr. Kennedy is the grandfather of little Rylan. I know a number of the family members will be worshipping with us, and I am counting on the usual Good Shepherd welcome for the whole family.

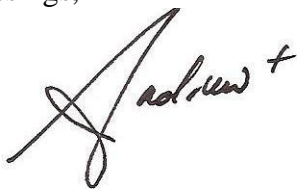
Summer is here and we plan a parish picnic in July or early August. I need to know two pieces of information. First, whether a Friday cook and Saturday feast works OR a Saturday cook with a Sunday feast. Then, I need to know the two best choices for the event. Pull out your calendars and check. If you don't let me know, I can only guess – and I don't do that well. When we feast, the meat will be supplied, and we would ask that you bring a side dish. There will be activities and (God willing) air conditioning for those adverse to the heat.

Servers will receive multi-month schedules. I know there will be some changes. Let me know. Bettis will give our homily on the 19th. She is off to school a year early and deserves our congratulations. Let's be there for her.

Soup and Scriptures needs your input. When we pick up again in the fall, we need to have some guidance. Monday lunch? Some evening? Follow the lectionary reading for the upcoming Sunday or some other format? One, both, neither, either? You decide and I will provide the format.

Please remember that summer time bills continue. This is the time of our highest electric bill. Don Dillard did a great job on our rate, but that doesn't mean we have a lot of flexibility. Jose has been keeping the units running so we don't have to dip into the fund at this point. Keep in mind that the units have got a decade and a half or so on their lives. That means they are getting crusty and less than reliable. If you see a problem, write it down and give copies to both Jose and yours truly. Catching a problem in its early stages may prove beneficial in the long run.

Blessings,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrew" followed by a small cross symbol.

Baptism on June 12



Plan to attend the baptism of Rylan Paige Kennedy on Sunday, June 12. Father Tom Kennedy will be on hand to baptize his granddaughter and step in while Father and Susan are out of town. A light brunch will be served following the morning service. Ben, Amber and Adalyn tell me that there will be several family members visiting that weekend to celebrate Adalyn's birthday and Rylan's baptism.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist – *Nave*
 11:15 a.m. Refreshments – *Parish Hall*
 Following Church School
Tuesday and Thursday
 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

Wednesday

6:30 a.m. Brotherhood of St. Andrew Service - *Nave*
 followed by Breakfast
 (All men and boys are invited)
 5:15 p.m. Simple Said Service – *Nave*

Nursery care available on Sunday mornings

Schedules for June & July

Chalice/Readers:

June 5	Harry Thomas, Jeff Marugg
June 12	Kathy and Jeff Marugg
June 19	Michael Schultz
June 26	Kit and Jay Timmins
July 3	Ann and Bob Beadel
July 10	Joe Tom Childs
July 17	Harry Thomas
July 24	Kit and Jay Timmins
July 31	Bob Rider

Acolytes & Candles:

June 5	
June 12	Sara Byrd
June 19	Bettis Morelock
June 26	Robert Orr
July 3	Sara Byrd
July 10	Bettis Morelock
July 17	Robert Orr
July 24	Sara Byrd
July 31	Bettis Morelock

Altar Guild (June): Lynda Thomas, Kit Timmins

Altar Guild (July): Deborah Childs, Sue Byrd

Greeter (June): Babbie Painter

Greeter (July): Mario Salazar



Meals on Wheels: Week of June 27, 2011

Member Updates

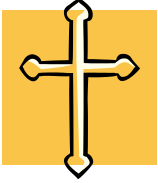
Kathy and Jeff Marugg

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Holy Days in July



2 Ascension Day
12 Pentecost
17 Ember Day

19 Trinity Sunday
24 Nativity of John the Baptist
29 St. Peter and St. Paul



The Truth Project

The Truth Project is a DVD-based small group curriculum comprised of 13 one-hour lessons taught by Dr. Del Tackett. This study helps Christians examine the Biblical truth claims of God. Each lesson discusses in great detail the relevance and importance of living the Christian worldview in daily life.

We believe this one project represents the possibility for exponential change within the Body of Christ, as we expect that thousands will be transformed by this curriculum. As it has been throughout history, God continues to call ordinary people to make an eternal difference in our world.

The series is continuing on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 after the 5:15 service. These sessions are led by Kit and Jay Timmins.

Father's Day



Father's Day is a celebration honoring fathers and celebrating fatherhood, paternal bonds, and the influence of fathers in society. June 19 is Father's Day!

Patience is waiting. Not passively waiting. That is laziness. But to keep going when the going is hard and slow -- that is patience. Source unknown

Recycle Greeting Card Covers

CGS continues its participation in the St. Jude's Ranch recycled card program. Please leave your card fronts at the church office. Here's a little history on the program from their website:

Card Donating Tips:

- *All types of greeting cards, including Christmas are used.*
- *Only the card front can be used*
- *We cannot accept Hallmark, Disney or American Greeting cards.*
- *5" x 7" size or smaller is preferred.*

Celebrating June & July Birthdays and Anniversaries



4	Babbie Painter	2	Clois Broome
	The Thomas'	3	Michael Schultz
8	Steven Schultz	4	The Riders
10	Adalyn Kennedy	10	The Jacksons
14	The Schultz'		Robert Orr
16	Bonnie Dillard	11	Morgan Dodson
	Carlotta Schwartz	12	The Ross'
19	Bob Beadel	16	Gene Watson
27	Jane Ellen Jamar	17	Kim Sliger
29	Jeff Smith	19	Kit Timmins
	Michael Henrich	21	The Maruggs
		23	Scott Morelock
		27	Peggy Ross
		30	Alyssa Salazar
		31	Carolyn Smith
			Olene Hart-Brown

*If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, it is not included in the parish roster.
Please contact Betty Broome at bbroome@hputx.edu to provide your family's information!*

"Some minds are like concrete...thoroughly mixed up and permanently set!" – author unknown

Food Pantry Items Needed



Collection of non-perishables food items is ongoing for the needy families of our community. The items are taken to the food pantry monthly.

Prayer Web

A group of women have committed to pray on a daily basis for the needs of parishioners and friends. Requests are delivered to e-mail addresses or by phone. *Please call any of the following to request prayer for a special need:*

Stephanie Adamez	Deborah Childs	Kit Timmins
Susan Bradley	Margaret Clayton	Susan Timmins
Betty Broome	Bonnie Dillard	Mary Jo Turner
Sue Byrd	Lynda Thomas	



Vestry Members

The next Vestry Meeting is June 19. Give input concerning your wishes, suggestions, or questions about our Parish to your vestry members. The July Vestry Meeting is scheduled for July 10.

2009-2012	2010-2013	2011-2014
Jose Brown	Clois Broome	Olene Hart-Brown
Bonnie Dillard	Robert McDaniel	Frank Niemiec
Cooper Morelock	Peggy Ross	Babbie Painter
Mario Salazar	Jay Timmins	Michael Schultz
Michael Heinrich		

Beautification Days

Beautification days are the third Saturdays of the months. June 18 and July 16 are the days set to give the grounds much needed TLC. There is something for everybody to do. Refreshments are always available to wet your “whistle while you work.” No list to sign, just show up and be ready to enjoy the company of friends!

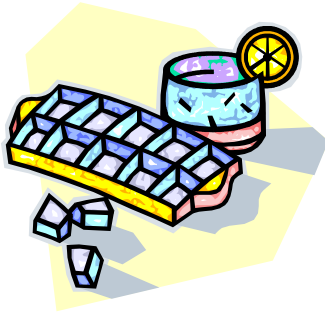


A lot of work has gone into the beautification of our grounds. **Remember – if you have planted anything, be sure to keep the plants alive by watering them regularly.** The summer heat is relentless!

Handgun Safety Course

Anyone interested in taking the handgun safety course is encouraged to contact Merle and Frank Niemiec – niemiecm1@hotmail.com or 325-641-1316.

Parish Picnic



Exciting summer parish picnic is on deck! Read Father's letter on page 1 for details. Learn how you and your family can be involved in making a Texas summer picnic a "cool" event.

Happy Fourth of July

235 years ago...on July 4th, 1776
This great nation, the United States of America,
In a struggle for what was right and free,
Was proudly born...
May we celebrate that precious freedom
For which our forbearers fought so bravely...
The freedom that is inherent
In the Stars and Stripes, our revered flag...
Celebrate Freedom
This Fourth of July!

Happy Summer!