

The Crossings

Saint David of Wales Episcopal Church

February 2011

Annual Meeting set for St. David's Day!

February 27 will be a day for celebration. The Rev. Canon Joan Anthony and our newly appointed Priest in Charge, the Rev. Joseph Mikel will both be here to celebrate with us. We will give out our annual St. David's cross, have one of our famous potlucks, and all the usual stuff at our annual meeting, elect new vestry members and convention delegates and see what our budget looks like for the coming year. Festivities will start at 10:30 so come early to get a good seat!

FAMILY MATTERS by Judy Ogden, Senior Warden

What a learning experience the last month has been for me and for the entire vestry. We've been referring to the "call" process and the "call" committee but it turns out that that is not quite correct. When St. David's is again able to support a full time rector we will enter into a true "call process". Until then we are seeking a priest in charge. A priest in charge is appointed by the bishop and, in our case, is a part-time position lasting until we are able to call a full-time rector. Your vestry was given the names of three clergy, all of them qualified and interested in such a position. We have visited with and interviewed each of them and reached unanimous agreement that we would like to have Fr. Joseph Mikel as our priest in charge. We gave that information to Joan Anthony to pass on to Bishop Rickel and he has let us know that he would be happy to appoint Fr. Joe. We still need to work out some of the details of the hiring process and sign a mutually satisfactory Letter of Agreement that will be filed with the diocese for everything to be official. We are looking forward to having our priest in charge with us very soon.

Fr. Joe was one of our supply priests early in January and will be with us again in that capacity on February 20th. We hope to have everything finalized by our annual meeting on the 27th. There will be only one service that day, at 10:30. Joan Anthony and Fr. Joe will both be here for the service and the meeting where we hope to make his appointment "official". But wait, there's more! The 27th is also the Sunday closest to March 1st which is St. David's feast day and we'll be celebrating that too. Trust me, this is one celebration you don't want to miss. There will likely be more information on these coming events elsewhere in this issue of Crossings so get the details and mark your calendars. I'll see you there!

St. David of Wales Episcopal Church
Meeting of the Vestry
January 12, 2011, 5:30 p.m.

Attending Vestry Members

Judy Ogden, Senior Warden
Bill Schaal, Junior Warden
Betti Haskins
Marcie McKaig
Carolyn Carlton
Rosemary Dawson
Jef Conklin

Guests

Doug Haskins
Ann Olli
Andrew & Shirley Beelik
Shelby Conklin

Judy Ogden, Senior Warden, opened the meeting by leading an abbreviated version of evening prayer.

Marcie moved and Betti seconded that the minutes of December 8, 2010 be approved. Passed.

Ongoing Business:

Financial Report There is enough money in the general account to pay the bills. Financial reports can be generated once all of the tweaks have been completed on the Church Windows program and last year's accounts have been completed and closed. The plan is to have this finished, and 2011 accounts ready for a report at the February meeting of Vestry. Wittenberg will continue to do payroll for outreach, for now, but checks will be cut by Betti.

Stewardship A second letter has gone out to those who have not yet pledged. Pledging is up for those who have returned their cards, with the average being \$3500.

Website Shelby reported on changes to the website, with the web address now being sdow.org. Auto replies for requests will be sent to those responsible for carrying through with the requests.

Christmas Dinner Doug Haskins and Mike Ogden prepared the hams prior to the day of serving and delivering. On December 23, 200 dinners were put together and delivered by volunteers from St. David's and others thru RSVP.

Farewell Party Norm Eveleth, Barb Weza and Ann Baker are planning the affair on February 11. Invitations are ready to go out to those beyond the regular congregation.

Parish Hall Kitchen We have the bill from Union City Plumbing and are waiting for approval from the city.

Shower Project The bid has been given, and the grant suggests the project begin by April and a final report be given the grantor by February 2012.

Rotary Lunches Jef Conklin will cook 1 week a month in addition to Doug and Barb. Servers are still needed, but until then, the lunches are being served buffet style.

Office Computer The computer has been rebuilt from others. It is running and will be in the office the 9th.

Annual Meeting The date has been changed to February 27th. Joan Anthony will be the celebrant that day and will be at the meeting. There will be one service that day, 10:30, with a potluck following in the Parish Hall. One item on the agenda would be the election of two new vestry members, but in the interest of continuity due to the present vestry also being the call team for a new priest, it was moved that all current vestry members be extended for one year. Bill seconded the move and the request will be sent to the Bishop for his approval.

New Business:

Locks & Keys The parking lot entry is the only door that can be opened with the keys issued to many. The locks on the Sacristy, Gift Shop and Financial Office have been changed with very limited distribution of those keys. Doug reported that changes came to around \$500. He also presented a security system proposal from Custom Security Systems for a little over \$3000. No decision will be made on this at this time, but may become part of the office remodeling project.

Grounds Clean Up Jef reported that he had hired a man to clean the roof and gutters and to rake up the leaves around the church. Bill moved we pay him for his work, it was seconded and passed.

Judy called for an executive session and the meeting then closed at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jen Deno, Clerk

Minutes subject to correction and approval at the next vestry meeting, February 9, 2011.

**Celebrating
The Ministries of
The Rev. Dr. Jeffery Sells
&
The Rev. Patti Sells, Deacon**

You are invited to a reception
February 11, 2011
From 3 – 6 pm

St. David's Episcopal Church
324 W. Cedar St, Shelton, WA

Donations for a 'Farewell gift' may be sent to
St. David's of Wales
PO Box 339, Shelton WA 98584

The Get Going Team

The Get Going Team will next meet at 7 p.m. on February 16. Fr. Joe Mikel will be with us to talk about where we go from here. Everyone is Welcome.

Mark your calendars for a **Shrove Tuesday pancake supper** on March 8 and **Ash Wednesday** services on March 9. Check the bulletins and our website for updates.

Annual Meeting & St. David's Day celebration with Fr. Joe Mikel and Canon Joan Anthony, Sunday Feb. 27. Festivities start at 10:30 a.m.

Spanish Class to start in March

St. David's Episcopal Church and Mason County Literacy are offering a ten-week Spanish Language instruction series beginning March 2, 2011. The classes will be held each Wednesday in St. David's Church, 324 West Cedar Street. The advanced class is scheduled from 4:00 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. and the beginning class from 5:35 p.m. until 7:05 p.m. Both sessions are designed to emphasize conversational Spanish. For fee information and registration please call Jo Ewart 432-9474 or Carolyn Carlton 427-5460.

**Begorra! Sure, and it's a
St. Paddy's Day Fundraiser
for the Emergency Cold
Weather Shelter!**



**March 17
at 40 et 8,
113 W Cota,
from 4 to 7 pm.
Corned beef and
cabbage dinner
with carrots,**

**taties, dessert, coffee and tea.
\$15 per person, children under 12, \$5.**

Key's

By now everyone is aware that your key to the Church building does not work in most doors. Your church key works only in the door coming from the parking lot. All other locks have been changed.

If you need a key to the sacristy ask Jen Deno. If you need a key the gift shop ask Elinor Lindquist. If you need into the finance office in the church ask Betti Haskins. The locks were changed because of the multiple break-ins we had awhile ago.

February 2011

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

		1 EFM 1 pm	2	3	4	5
6	7	1 EFM 1 pm	9	10	11 Farewell Reception 3-6 pm	12
13	14	15	16 GGT 7 pm	17 EFM 1 pm Photo Club 7 pm	18	19
20	21	22	23 Vestry meeting 7 pm	24 EFM 1 pm	25	26
27 Annual Meeting	28 GGT 3 pm					


 Saint David of Wales web site has changed.
 Our new web address is: sdow.org


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