

# The View from St. Chad's

August 2016

## Wardens' Words

Greetings from your Senior Warden! I find myself pondering why the days seem to go by so quickly, but I think I already know the answer. We are a BUSY parish. One year ago, we learned that Father Brian and Cheri Winter were starting a new adventure in their journey with Christ. Although one year has passed, Father Brian's words are more true now than they were when he wrote them in August 2015: "The ministry, worship, and outreach of St. Chad's will continue as strong as ever. Each ministry runs independent of any one person, and, yes, even of the Rector. Our ministry at St. Chad's is YOUR ministry, not mine, not Mother Jan's, nor any other one person's. So just know that things will continue; I know you are in good and loving hands."

Each month when the Vestry meets to discuss the work of our parish, it's easy to see how each of us plays an important part in the success of St. Chad's ministries, worship, and outreach.



As we bid farewell to Lisa May Smoogen (left) and thank her for her service on the Vestry, we welcome Kaipō McCartney (page 4) as the chair of the Communications committee. Please join me in thanking Kaipō for her sharing her time and talents with the congregation through her service on the Vestry.

The Vestry would like the congregation to join us in thanking Rich Simpson for his service as an Assistant Treasurer for the last seven years. Rich was instrumental in helping us establish the *Treasurer Trio*, which separates the treasurer duties among three officers as a way to maintain proper checks and balances in the church's finances. This model for managing the parish finances has become a benchmark of good business practices in the Diocese of the Rio Grande. Rich's business savvy and dedication to the congregation



have helped to make the business side of St. Chad's an efficient process for Treasurer Peter Lehrman, Assistant Treasurer Paul Brocard, the clergy, and the Vestry. THANK YOU, Rich – you made a difference!

The Vestry welcomes Bob Francis as the newest member of the *Treasurer Trio*. Bob and Paul Brocard will share the work of the Assistant Treasurer. Thanks for volunteering, Bob; we look forward to working with you.



## Adult Education: Budget 101 on Sunday, August 14th

Please join me on Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, as I provide a short presentation about how the Vestry prepares and manages St. Chad's operating budget. *St. Chad's Budget 101* workshop will be held after the 8 am service and again after the 10 am service. I hope to see you there!

As always, if you have questions or concerns please contact any member of the Vestry—we're here to help!

Cindy Frost

## Junior Warden's Whispers

Wow! Summer is over, kids are headed back to school soon, and we are welcoming the monsoons after an unusually hot summer.

This has been a really busy year with many things happening, not only personally, but here at St. Chad's too. We are so blessed to have so many members who tirelessly volunteer their time and talent to make St. Chad's such a special place. From volunteering to sit in the office allowing Sara to take some well-deserved time off, helping out with breakfast and dishes, dedicating time planting and caring for our landscaping and grounds, going  
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(continued from bottom of front page, Jr. Warden Whispers) to the church at the drop of a hat to fix a leak or catch a lost baby quail, serving as an usher, reader, greeter, and doing all the other things that need to be done day in and day out.

We are quickly approaching the time of the year when we celebrate Stewardship. Stewardship ... I ask you to think about what it means to you. We all know we can easily look it up in a dictionary or, for the more technology-centered, Google it, but what does Stewardship really mean to you? Time, Talent, and Treasure are the three pillars of Stewardship. Think about each one. How can you be a good steward? Could it be volunteering your time and talent for one (or more) of the wonderful ministries we have here at St. Chad's? Could it be skipping a couple drive-thru coffees and putting that money in the Bean Fund or Breakfast Jar? A little bit goes a long way, especially when we all get involved. For example, just think of what kind of a difference we could make in our community if everyone at St. Chad's committed to just \$5 a week for a year. Do the math. Just think of the possibilities and what a difference we could make. Every little bit of Time, Talent, and Treasure makes a big difference. I ask you again, what does Stewardship mean to you? Can you help?

Gunnar Mutz

## Mother Jan's Corner

My goodness, what a busy summer we have had so far. Saying goodbye to many wonderful saints has seemed to be the focus. May their souls rest in peace and rise in glory!

Two major things for this month:

(1) **Have you planned your memorial service?** Believe me; it is easier to plan a memorial service in your living room when you are healthy as opposed to making decisions in a hospital bed. I have planning sheets and would be delighted to meet with you as you have questions. Funeral planning sheets are in the rotating rack in the narthex. This type of planning opens up questions and areas of discussion for you and your loved ones. Please consider the following in your discussions.

(a) **Do you have an advanced directive or a living will?** This document is critical should you become incapacitated because it designates who will make decisions for you and about you. It also contains your wishes for advanced life support—or not. You have choices; this is a document that makes your choices clear.

(b) **Do you want memorial donations or part of your estate to go to a charity?** If you want to give to St. Chad's, the Foundation, or other charities, please make it clear to your loved ones. A codicil to your will is easy and may accomplish this task for you. This information can be included in your memorial service bulletin.

(2) **The Mustard Seed Gang!** The faith of a mustard seed is a familiar scriptural reference. I believe that when you decide to do something, no matter how small, to build up the Kingdom of God, the mustard seed of faith in you grows. For those of you who have not made a pledge to St. Chad's, please consider becoming a part of the **Mustard Seed Gang**, a group that will be recognized as new or first time pledgers. Your contribution in the form of a pledge, no matter the size, provides valuable information that assists our vestry planning the many ministries that build up the Kingdom of God by the transforming ministries we accomplish. The faith of a mustard seed grows both inside us and in the world when expressed. Generosity is a way of life and we live out our generous nature by an attitude of gratitude in all we do. Please consider expressing your faith by making a pledge—let it grow in you.

God Bless all of you and THANK YOU for your support, care, and wonderful talents you share so generously.

Blessings!  
Mo. Jan+



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## Children's Ministry

School starts soon and we will have our annual Blessing of the Backpacks on Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup>. Please have your children bring their backpacks for a blessing to send them off to school!

As summer vacation comes to an end, we are approaching a new Sunday school year as well. With kids moving into new grades at their regular schools, some of our kids may be ready to change classes and their level and style of learning as well. We are flexible about where our fifth graders decide to go to Sunday school—they are welcome to stay in the *Come to the Cross* classroom for another year or they may enter the Youth class. We will begin our new Sunday school year on Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. From that week and the weeks following we will be asking families to verify their registration information from the past year, update their information, or fill out a registration if they have not done so before. The registration information is especially important to inform teachers if your child has a medical condition (asthma, diabetes, food allergy, ADHD, etc.) or if there you can provide information about working with them in the classroom to make their experience a positive and comfortable one. Contact information you provide will be used if we send out a mailing to the kids and your email is used to keep you up-to-date on family and child/youth activities.

We are so glad to have growing children and youth programs. Thank you for consistently supporting our children's spiritual growth. Welcome, also, to our newer families; know that you can ask questions or give suggestions any time. We would love to have additional teaching and assisting help in either our *Come to the Cross* (Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup>) or Youth (5<sup>th</sup> grade up) classrooms.

Blessings to you all as we enter our 2016–17 school year!

*Leslea Lehoucq*



## Computer Club

**In Summer Recess  
Resumes Sept. 10th**

## Tool Talk Building & Grounds

**Kitchen Storage Room:** We will be remodeling this space. New shelves will be installed and rarely-used items moved to the outdoor storage room. Mops will now be hung in a rack installed outside by the trash bins. This is to allow the mops to dry. Signs will be posted to be clear what is and what is not to be stored in this closet.

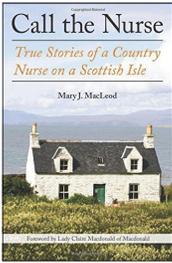
**Columbarium Project:** The committee has gathered information concerning the type, size, availability, and cost of the many columbaria on the market. The committee has drafted a document of Rules and Administration to guide the sale, reservation, and use of the columbaria niches.

The siting of the columbarium and memory garden at various locations has been considered. The final site to be recommended has been strongly driven by the type and size of the columbarium and design of the memory garden. The design is compatible with the new building layout and design. The committee has determined the best location is on the exterior southwest wall of the sanctuary. A memory garden will complement the wall mounted columbarium and will incorporate new trees, landscaping, and benches. This is a multi-phase project that will take several years.

As we progress, more information on the columbarium, to include renderings, costs, draft Rules and Administration documents, and fund-raising options will be made available to the parish. Our goal is to have this information ready later this year through an information campaign consisting of presentations made after services.

**Lights in the Sanctuary:** We found suitable LED bulbs to replace the 200-watt bulbs in the globe lights. We hope to have them all installed by the time the newsletter comes out. Switching the bulbs will reduce the amount of heat generated by the 200-watt bulbs, see savings in the electric bill, and most importantly reduce the risk of someone getting hurt climbing the ladder to replace bulbs.

**Upcoming Projects: Roof**—We'll begin contacting companies to obtain quotes for a re-roofing of the entire church. Options will be a  
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## Book Club

Meets at 2 pm on Monday, August 8th, at the home of Earl Tarble (717-2123) to discuss *Call the Nurse* by Mary MacLeod.

## Contemporary Holy Eucharist

Join us at 5 pm on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month for a Contemporary Holy Eucharist Service. The next service is on **August 13th**.



### August Birthdays

- 1 Barbara Gaus
- 4 Elizabeth Allbright
- 5 Ginny Gerard
- 8 Barbara Clark
- 16 Marcia McCleary
- 17 Emily Vavra  
Kylie Winter  
Ryan Winter
- 18 Ruth Mills  
Carolyn Waller
- 19 Ellen Coman
- 20 Catherine Lehoucq
- 21 Barrett Weems
- 22 Nancy Henry
- 24 Joy Eaton  
Sara Tinkcom
- 25 Teri Carpenter  
Rana Chan
- 27 Phyllis Boyadjian  
Bo Keith
- 30 Father Steve Caldwell
- 31 John Boyadjian

### August Anniversaries

- 4 Dick & Jan Stumph
- 14 Bob & Jan Kingsbury
- 26 Bruce & Tina Orem
- 28 George & Emily Vavra

If your Birthday or Anniversary is not on this list or the date is incorrect, please contact the church office.



## Communications Committee Chair

Mrs. Kaipo McCartney has been elected to serve as the chair of the communications committee. A big thanks to Lisa May Smoogen for her past service and Godspeed to her and her family in their new home in North Carolina.

Mrs. McCartney is a Colonel in the US Air Force and is currently serving as the Inspector General for the Air Force Nuclear Weapons Center at Kirtland Air Force Base.

Mrs. McCartney has been an Episcopalian her entire life, and grew up as a member of St. Elizabeth's in Honolulu, Hawaii. She attended the University of California at San Diego and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering.

Following her commissioning into the Air Force, Mrs. McCartney was assigned to Colorado Springs, CO, where she met her husband, another Air Force officer, Keith McCartney. After several tours in locations such as Montana, Texas, Virginia, and Hawaii, the McCartneys moved to New Mexico.

The McCartneys have two boys, Kenji (12) and Connor (10). All enjoy traveling, eating well, and being active (so they can continue to eat well).

*Kaipo McCartney*

**Blessing of the Backpacks & Commissioning of Teachers**  
**Sunday, August 7th**



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new tar and gravel or a membrane-type roof. Tar and gravel are least expensive, but have a shorter life. Membrane roofs are more expensive but last longer, have extensive warranties, and some manufacturers add insulation. We'll examine the quotes and determine the best path to take regarding financing and/or fundraising.

**Sanctuary Air Conditioning**—We're beginning to look at the costs of converting to refrigerated air conditioning for the sanctuary. Consultations with A/C companies will give us an idea of the costs and challenges (southern exposure, under-insulated, high ceilings with no ductwork, and large area) which we face. Converting and upgrading to a more efficient heating and cooling system will help reduce the temperature extremes and improve comfort for all throughout the entire year.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me. Thanks!

Gunnar Mutz

## Outreach News

Summer continues to be a busy time at St. Chad's. We are working on on-going projects and planning for fall activities.

**Habitat for Humanity Unity Build**—Saturday, November 5th: St. Chad's is signed up to help with the build on November 5th. We will be working on the house and serving lunch for the workers. Mark your calendars and come out to help a family with their new home. The sign-up sheet is on the outreach bulletin board.

**St. Martin's Hospitality Center:** Concert for Hope is featuring the world-renowned *The Tenors*. The concert is August 6th at the Sandia Resort Amphitheater. 100% of the proceeds raised go towards the SMHC efforts of ending homelessness. A fun evening for a good cause!

**Bean Can Donations:** Donations are significantly down this year; but there is good news. Two *Bean Angels* are willing to match donations up to \$1,000 through August. Let's keep helping the families served by The Storehouse.

**Individual Outreach Efforts:** We are collecting information on the outreach efforts of individuals and groups, including projects by the children and youth, who are extending St. Chad's service to others. Please advise us of your activities by filling out a form provided on the ushers table in the narthex and placing the completed form in the provided box. The information you provide will be summarized, and at the end of the year shared with the parish in a report on what we are doing to fulfill our outreach mission. (If you prefer, you do not need to sign the form.) There is also room on the form for suggesting new community service outlets that our parish might embrace.

**Questionnaire:** In the near future, we will be sending out a questionnaire requesting information on your preferences for St. Chad's outreach efforts. Please take a moment and share your thoughts.

Thanks for helping provide the platform for continuing and growing our opportunities to be God's hands. If you have any questions or comments, please contact any of your outreach committee members.

Larry Bost

## Sunday Adult Christian Formation



Join Joe Allotta and Rosalie Rice in the choir room 9:15–9:45 am to study *Women of the Gospel*.

## Tuesday Bible Study

In summer recess — resumes in September.

## Thursday Bible Study

June 7th thru September 1st

Join Mother Jean+ in the choir room 4–5:30 pm for a study of the Gospel of Luke.

## La Vida Llena Bible Study

Mondays, 1 pm

Join us in the conference room by the front desk for a study of Romans. All are welcome.



## The Mustard Seed Gang

The parable of the mustard seed appears three times: once each in the books of Matthew, Mark, and Luke... maybe someone was trying to get a point across to us. This parable suggests the growth of the kingdom of God from tiny beginnings to worldwide size. So how, you might ask, does this apply at St. Chad's?

Our congregation generously gives...to each other and to the community. From donations of "things" to our various outreach sponsorships (coats, socks, blankets), to the giving of "time" (kitchen crew, cookie bakers, ushers, readers, building helpers...the list is extensive). We see lots of "talent" utilized each Sunday.

When we talk to our members about their participation in the operations of our church and its ministries, there is a common thread... "I only have a little I can give." But when you multiply "a little" times all the members of our church, it becomes SO much!

Please take a moment to apply this thought to the gift of "treasure"...many don't feel they can commit to a pledge to St. Chad's because a small amount seems insignificant. A pledge of \$5 per week amounts to more than \$250 over the course of the year...that is enough to pay for 2 months of trash removal for the church, or approximately 1 month's worth of fellowship breakfast costs (that are actually reimbursed to members and not donated). Wow! \$5

a week for a year pays for our entire church family to share breakfast each Sunday for a month...that is evidence that "a little" really adds up. Your generous gifts are important and MATTER.

*The Mustard Seed Gang* consists of people that choose to make a tax deductible pledge this year, perhaps for the first time! We ask our new members and our members that have never pledged their financial gifts to St. Chad's, please consider making a financial pledge this year. Your timely generous gift in the form of a pledge makes the work of St. Chad's move forward. Pledge forms are available on the turnstile in the Narthex and can be submitted directly to the Treasurer team. Thank you for prayerfully considering, making your pledge, and joining *The Mustard Seed Gang*.

*The Stewardship Committee*

## Summer Sunday School The Arc



## TREASURER'S CORNER

As of June 30, 2016

	2016 Actual YTD	Annual Budget	% Annual Budget	2015 Actual YTD	Change
<b>Income</b>					
Offerings	191,251	341,648		204,336	(13,085)
Other	1,200	2,750		1,245	(45)
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>192,451</b>	<b>344,398</b>	<b>55.88%</b>	<b>205,581</b>	<b>(13,130)</b>
<b>Expenses</b>					
Operations	42,422	143,572		40,871	1,551
Ministries	103,972	200,826		140,521	(36,549)
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>146,394</b>	<b>344,398</b>	<b>42.51%</b>	<b>181,392</b>	<b>(34,998)</b>

# St. Chad's Episcopal Church

# August 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
<b>1</b> 1:00 pm La Vida Llana Bible Study 7:00 pm Boy Scouts	<b>2</b> Vestry Reports Due 6:00 pm Stewardship	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Mother Jan in Silver City 12:00 pm Healing Holy Eucharist 4:00 pm Bible Study	<b>5</b> Mother Jan in Silver City	<b>6</b> Mother Jan in Silver City			
<b>7</b> Bless Backpacks <b>Commission Teachers</b> Mother Jan in Silver City 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:15 am Adult Christian Formation 10:00 am Holy Eucharist 10:00 am Come to the Cross 10:00 am Youth Sunday School	<b>8</b> 1:00 pm La Vida Llana Bible Study 2:00 pm Book Club 7:00 pm Boy Scouts	<b>9</b> 10:00 am Lowell Memorial Service 6:00 pm Vestry Meeting 7:00 pm Rector Search Committee	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> APS First Day 11:00 am Holy Eucharist @ Montebello 12:00 pm Holy Eucharist 3:15 pm CLAD 4:00 pm Bible Study 5:30 pm Columbarium Committee 6:30 pm Cibola Search and Rescue	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 10:00 am AFS Orientation 5:00 pm Contemporary Holy Eucharist		
<b>14</b> 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:15 am Budget 101 Workshop 10:00 am Holy Eucharist 10:00 am Come to the Cross 10:00 am Youth Sunday School 11:15 am Budget 101 Workshop	<b>15</b> Newsletter Deadline 1:00 pm La Vida Llana Bible Study 4:30 pm Project Share 7:00 pm Boy Scouts	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 12:00 pm Holy Eucharist 4:00 pm Bible Study	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>		
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