



This Weeks News



12th Annual Walk For Housing April 3

Join Habitat Newburgh for the 12th Annual Walk for Housing fundraiser and help take a stand against poverty housing in Newburgh. With a new route this year, we'll begin at Habitat Headquarters (125 Washington Street) at 1PM for registration, and 2PM for the 5K walk through the City past completed and in-progress sites, including

the E. Parmenter Street neighborhood revitalization project! Whether you walk for hard-working families, for Newburgh, or for community building, bring your friends, family, co-workers, and club members for a fun-filled day of music, games, and the personal rewards of being part of Habitat's work. For more information, call 568-6035 x105 or check out Habitat's website: www.habitatnewburgh.org/events/walk.htm

Stop Bullying! workshop April 2d

"Stop Bullying!", a workshop for middle and high school youth, youth leaders, and interested adults, will be offered by the Diocesan Youth Ministry Committee Saturday, April 2d, at Trinity Church in Ossining, 10-2 p.m. Topics to be addressed include "What Is Bullying?," "Why Do Bullies Act the Way They Do?," "What Can I Do If I or Someone Else Is Bullied?," "What Can Adults Do?," "How Can Our Faith Help Us?"



Trinity is within walking distance of the MetroNorth Ossining station (Hudson Line). The address is 7 South Highland Ave, Ossining. Sessions will include discussion, video, and role play. Registration fee of \$5 will include lunch. Deadline for registration is March 25th.

[Registration forms](#) downloadable, or on the parish bulletin board.

Confirmation at the Cathedral June 11th

Interested in becoming an official "Episcopalian"? We'll be trekking to the Cathedral of St. John the Divine on Saturday, June 11th to confirm any who have not been confirmed elsewhere and to "receive" any who were previously confirmed.

For adults, preparation will involve a couple of dinner table conversations about who we are as Episcopalians and how we are unique among other denominations. For young people, preparation will involve a few Sunday afternoon meetings to talk about our faith.

"Confirm not Conform": A different path to Confirmation: September 2011-June 2012

Ulster clergy have begun conversations about joining together, beginning in September 2011, to prepare young people for confirmation at the Cathedral in the spring of 2011. The curriculum we're recommending is called "Confirm not Conform."

Writers of the curriculum realized that we needed a new message and new methodology for preparing kids for confirmation. It had to be about respecting the growing empowerment of the youth as well as the onset of more responsibilities for adults. They wanted to show, both in content and form, that we believed the kids to be capable of making their own faith choices. Our task was to expose them to ideas, religions, experiences and concepts, and let the Holy Spirit and their own engagement do the rest. Our program needed to focus more on their questions than our answers, and put us in the role of companions and guides rather than instructors.

The result is this curriculum, "Confirm not Conform," a program that celebrates young people's spirituality, creativity and responsibility. [Click here](#) to explore the "Confirm not Conform" website.

Birthdays & anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

3/9	Jim Gephard
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3/14	Erin Gephard
3/20	Andy Brew
4/5	Joanne Ward
4/5	Evelyn Gilman
4/7	Mary Ruvolo
4/18	Richard Chilcott
4/22	Felicia Harrington
4/26	Bryan Culty

ANNIVERSARIES

3/27	Wayne & Barbara Carroll
4/27	Bill & Renee Borchert

Calendar

Sunday, March 6, 9:30am	Last Sunday before Lent, International Women's Day, Girl Scout Sunday, and potluck!
Tuesday, March 8, 7:00pm	Choir practice
Wednesday, March 9, 7:00pm	Ash Wednesday: Imposition of ashes

Friday, March 11, 7:00pm	Integrity
Saturday, March 12, 10:00am	Antique & Craft Fair meeting
Sunday, March 13, 9:30am	First Sunday in Lent
Sunday, March 13, 2:15pm	Nursing home ministry
Monday, March 14, 3:00pm	Girl Scouts
Tuesday, March 15, 7:00pm	Choir practice
Sunday, March 20, 11:00 am	Visitors from St. Nicholas Church
Monday, March 21, 7:30pm	Vestry
Tuesday, March 22, 7:00pm	Choir practice
Friday, March 25	The Annunciation of our Lord Jesus Christ to the Blessed Virgin Mary (white)
Monday, March 28, 3:00pm	Girl Scouts
Tuesday, March 29, 7:00pm	Choir practice
Thursday, March 31, 9:30am	Mid-Hudson "Think Tank" meeting

Volunteers

	March 6 The Last Sunday of Epiphany (Kids in church)	March 13 1st Sunday in Lent
<i>Chalice</i>	Cindy Lanzetta	Barbara Carroll
<i>Acolyte</i>		
<i>1st lesson</i>	Richard Chilcott	Richard Chilcott
<i>2nd lesson</i>	Julie Segnit	Erin Gephard
<i>Prayers</i>	Cindy Lanzetta	Chris Egan
<i>Eucharistic visitor</i>		Cindy Lanzetta
<i>Ushers</i>	Sunday school	Segnits
<i>Altar care</i>	Martha McMullen	Bill Ogden
<i>Flowers given by</i>		
<i>Candle given by</i>		
<i>Sunday school</i>	Kids in church	Lea, Gwen, & Anne
<i>Coffee hosting*</i>	Potluck	Sandra Petrucci
<i>Counters</i>	Erin Gephard Paul Segnit	Wendy Watts, Joanne Ward



Welcome to The Episcopal Church!

Welcome to The Episcopal Church in Marlboro, where we believe that each of us reflects the image of God, that God loves every one of us unconditionally, and that God wants each of us to be all that it's possible for us to be. We are God's home, God's hands, and God's heart in this world.

- We believe we have found an approach to God through the life and teachings of Jesus.
- We respect the faithfulness of other people who have other names for the way to God's realm and acknowledge that their ways are true for them.
- We understand that the sharing of bread and wine in Jesus name is a meaningful way to experience the holy presence of God.
- We invite all people to participate in our community and worship life without insisting that they become like us.
- We know that the way we behave toward one another and toward other people is the fullest expression of what we believe.
- We find more grace in the search for understanding than we do in dogmatic certainty, more value in questioning than in absolutes.
- We strive for peace and justice among all people.
- We recognize that being followers of Jesus is costly and entails selfless love, conscientious resistance to evil, and renunciation of privilege.

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