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## **PRAYERS NEEDED**

Barbara Reid, the mother of Nann Bell died suddenly on April 28th. Nann is the wife of Mike, soon to be: ex-rector of Calvary, Hillman, and rector of Holy Trinity, Manistee.

Montie and Chuck Curtis (retired rector of St. Alban's, Bay City) say thank you for the prayers and send [an update](#).

## **H1N1**

no matter what you call it, it's still the flu. here's [the bishop's letter](#) to the Diocese. ERD has a [really good website](#). [information](#) from the pandemic folks at the U.S. Government and from the [CDC](#). a [bulletin insert](#) from Dio of Texas. the Church of England offers [these prayers](#).

## **PRAY FOR THEM ALL**

someone has observed that the **Cycle of Prayer** only listed the rector or priest in charge by name. What about the other clergy? what about the lay members of a Mutual Ministry Team? what about the wardens and other leaders? hereafter the **Cycle** will just list the congregation's name with the understanding that everyone in that parish is to be included in the prayer.

## **THE BISHOP'S PORTRAIT**

for those who would like to hang the bishop in the hall, here's an [order form](#) for Bishop Todd's formal portrait.

## **NAVIGATING THE STORM**

this year's Diocesan Leadership Gathering (May 16) will focus on building a healthy congregation. for clergy, vestries, youth workers, Eucharistic visitors, and others in leadership positions. [Reservations by May 8](#).

## **NEED SOME HELP WITH YOUTH PROGRAMMING?**

thanks to a grant from Breaking New Ground there will be some [trained youth workers](#) available this summer to help with VBS, day camps, etc.

## **FAMILY OF ORIGIN WORKSHOP — May 11**

part of a training series for clergy and lay leaders, [this workshop](#) utilizes the Bowen theory to understand family dynamics.

## **IT'S A REUNION — A HAPPENING REUNION — May 29-30**

location: St. Christopher's, Grand Blanc. Details when they become available.

## ***opportunities for you and your congregation***

5/8 — *Desmond Tutu at MSU*

5/11 — *Family of Origin*

5/16 — *Leadership Gathering*

5/22-25 — *Work Week at Chick*

5/29-6/30 — *Happening Reunion*

6/9-10 — *Clergy Conference*

6/13 — *Fund Run*

6/13-23 — *Eagle Butte Mission Trip*

6/28-7/5 — *Family Camp*

7/5-10 — *Junior Camp, CIT Camp*

7/8-17 — *General Convention*

7/12-18 — *Senior Camp*

7/13-19 — *Music Conference*

9/26 — *Magnetic Church*

## ***the Cycle of Prayer***

the second quarter [here](#).

## ***news sources***

[Anglican Connections](#)

[This month  
archived](#)

[Episcopal Life Online](#)

[Anglican World](#)

[AC News Service](#)

## **A FUND RUN — June 13**

St. Mark's, Bridgeport is hosting their 6th Annual 5K Run & Walk for Charity and [invite you](#).

## **THE ANNUAL CHECK UP**

the 2008 accounts of the Diocese and the Bishop's Discretionary Fund have been audited by Yeo & Yeo and been found in good order.

speaking of audits (and I know you wish we wouldn't) the accounts of all of the congregations must be audited every year. the 2008 audits are due by September 1, 2009. It's easier to do it sooner than later.

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## ***Old stuff, but it still might be useful.***

### **UNDERSTANDING THE "F" GENERATION**

Did you know there was an "F" generation? According to the *Wall Street Journal*, the F is for Facebook. They live in the online social environment and we need to consider their expectations if we hope to see them in church. [Here's a start](#).

### **READY OR NOT... IT'S COMING: GENERAL CONVENTION 76**

GC76 will be the topic of a live webcast on Wednesday, May 13 at 8 a.m. Pacific time. Questions will be accepted via email. To access the live webcast, go to the [Episcopal Church](#).

### **SUMMER CAMP — CHRISTIAN STYLE**

**three exciting youth camp programs** are being offered in two one-week programs. There are great opportunities and fun for campers, counselors, and youth who would like to be trained as counselors. [Brochure](#).

### **HELP WANTED**

**camp counselors** and **support staff** needed for the two weeks of Youth Camp this summer. [Application](#). thanks to a grant from *Breaking New Ground Camp Chick* is able hire several as **Core Staff** for 10 weeks this summer. [Details](#). [Application](#).

### **NEW SUPPLY LIST**

[here's](#) the latest list of clergy available for supply work. make a copy and mail all the old copies lying around in your files to your enemies to confuse them.

### **DESMOND TUTU TO SPEAK AT MSU — May 8**

At 1:00 PM, the former archbishop of South African and Nobel Peace Prize winner will address MSU's spring undergraduate convocation at the Breslin Center. The program is free and open to the public.

### **WORK WEEK AT CAMP CHICK — May 22-25**

give some time and effort while having fun. [here's how](#).

### **CLERGY CONFERENCE 2009 — June 9-10**

[Schedule](#). Clergy are expected to attend. [Reservation forms](#) are due by May 26th.

### **EAGLE BUTTE MISSION TRIP — June 13-23**

the Global Missions Task Force has set a date for the next Diocesan Mission trip to Eagle Butte, South Dakota. [you are invited](#) to consider going. [application](#).

### **FAMILY CAMP FOR THE DIOCESAN FAMILY — June 28 to July 5**

camp Chick is hosting a [church camp experience](#) for the whole family (however yours is constituted). [here's a flyer](#).

### **SEWANEE MUSIC CONFERENCE — July 13-19**

[a conference](#) for organists, choir directors and clergy. at the University of the South in Tennessee. they have 2 full-time scholarships for first-time attendees. contact Janet. application deadline, May 1st.

### **MAKING YOUR CONGREGATION MAGNETIC — September 26**

there will be a Magnetic Church Conference in Windsor, Ontario. it's lessons in practical evangelism taught by Andrew Weeks. the Essex Deanery of the Diocese of Huron is inviting all interest parties to attend. for [more on Magnetic Church program](#). Registration: [Jane Graham](#).

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