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*an e-bulletin from the episcopal diocese of eastern michigan*

## PRAYERS NEEDED

**Bishop Todd** and his family, as he continues to recover at home from a mild heart attack. Remember as well the folks from the Diocese who are this week working on **mission projects in Eagle Butte, SD.**

## SAGINAW PARISH ON TELEVISION TONIGHT

**St. John's will be on TNT** in the premier episode of *Wedding Day* June 16th at 8:00pm. it's a new reality TV show and St. John's is the location where the wedding in question takes place. [more.](#)

## JOINT CONVOCATION COUNCIL MEETING — June 20

the four convocation councils, together with all clergy and all parish leaders, will gather at St. Matthew's, Saginaw, 10-2:00, to consider how the flagging economy might effect diocesan and convocation programs in 2010 and beyond. **NOTICE:** St. Matthew's, Saginaw, is located at 1501 N. Center Rd. If you are coming down I-75 from the north, please note that I-675 S is closed. Take either M-84 exit (#160) and go all the way down Bay Rd., turn right on State St (M-58), and left on Center Rd **or** take the I-675 S detour, which takes you to I-675 N, take the Michigan/Davenport Ave. exit, and stay on Davenport (which becomes State St), and turn left onto Center Rd. If you are coming from the south on I-75, take I-675 N, then take the Michigan/Davenport Ave. exit. Stay on Davenport (which becomes State St.) and turn left on Center Rd

## GIVING TO CHURCHES IS UP

it's counterintuitive but an article in [National Catholic Reporter](#) says that while giving to charities over all was down, **giving to churches was up 5.5%.**

## IF WE KNEW THEN WHAT WE KNOW NOW

the author of the blog [Church Planting Central](#) asked church leaders if they knew twenty years ago what we know now, what would they have done differently. consensus: "Twenty years ago, we were actively pushing our young people out the doors of our churches and Dioceses. We didn't mean to – it's just that we wouldn't make room for them..." there's more...

## HAVE YOU FOUND eMINISTRY NETWORK YET?

it's a distance learning program for Episcopalians and others. [Two of this months offerings](#) focus on some of the resolutions coming to General Convention in July.

## *opportunities for you and your congregation*

6/20 — All Convo. Councils Meet

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.](#)

the third quarter [here.](#)

## *news sources*

[Anglican Connections](#)

[This month  
archived](#)

[Episcopal Life Online](#)

[Anglican World](#)

[AC News Service](#)

## LET'S STOP APOLOGIZING FOR BEING WHO WE ARE

**Ray Suarez**, life-long Episcopalian and the reporter/host of the news on the News Hour on PBS, gave [this speech](#) recently. “To use the marketplace, and success in the marketplace as a test of righteousness is not such an unusual idea in 21<sup>st</sup> century America... but for people who call themselves Christians to do it is baffling...”

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

### THEN THERE'S “FEEDING THE HUNGRY”

St. Paul's, Saginaw offers a weekly hot meal program. they invite congregations to “take a Sunday”. [here are the details](#).

### SAFE CHURCH / SAFEGUARDING GOD'S CHILDREN

face-to-face [workshops will be offered](#) in June and July.

### WE CAN DO MORE THAN PRAY

[CareForTheTroops](#) offers resources for ministry to those in the armed services and their families.

### A MESSAGE FROM THE EMERGENT GENERATION

here's a [blog from a young mother](#), new to the Episcopal Church, who explains why she's been attending. look for the clues about how to make your congregation the sort that might attract such a 34 year-old and her 5 children. don't miss the responses that follow the blog.

### EMERGENT CHURCH?

actually it's more of a movement. it had its origin in the Evangelical church. but now, some suggest, it is heading in our direction. here are [eight markers](#) of the emergent generation. see any in Molly's personal story above?

### HELP TO GIVE 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.

### 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.

### LOOKING FOR A VACATION AT A SECLUDED RESORT WITH A PRIVATE BEACH? — June 28 to July 5?

have we got [a place for you...](#) **Camp Chick** is hosting a [church camp experience](#) for the whole family (however yours is constituted). [here's a flyer](#).

### 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.

### 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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