

# The Bell Tower

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## FROM OUR RECTOR

The Rev. Robert Beauchamp



*"If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!"*

Spring! The time of year when we are so vividly reminded of God's new creation!

Lent is over, Palm Sunday has passed and we have embrace the Sunday of the Resurrection. Having heard the Passion of Christ -- the story of the extremes, of the evil, that humanity is capable of, and at the same time, the extremes of sacrifice and mercy that our compassionate Lord has for all of humanity, we were reminded that our story does not end at the cross. It begins in front of an open tomb, as does our journey in faith.

Holy Week is an important end to our Lenten journeys. It reminds us of what we are capable of and its culmination on Resurrection Sunday reminds us and encourages us with the promise that God is alive and with us in our day and time.

I invite you be a part of and to live into the resurrection power of Easter morning! Putting our sins behind us, may we live as a people who are constantly being made new in the compassionate Love of God, and sharing – witnessing – to that Love every day of our life.



With all the reminders of renewal that come with Easter and the beginning of spring, this is a time to rejoice and to live into the joy, abundance and promise that is ours as Children of the living God! Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord has risen indeed! Alleluia!

Happy Easter! As we continue in this Easter season (yes, we are in a *season* of Easter culminating with the celebration of the day of Pentecost) may God's grace and peace fill our lives and may we rejoice in the hope given us by our risen Lord.

God's Peace,  
Fr. Robert



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# PARISH NEWS...



—Caroline Burnette

## Sunday Church Nursery

**We will have nursery every Sunday until Memorial Day and resume Labor Day!**



## Wolfe Scholarship

—Marsha Nelson

Recipients of a Wolfe Scholarship must be a communicant or a clergy of Holy Innocents or an Episcopalian who resides in Vance County, NC. Wolfe Scholarships are annual awards for post-secondary education. Applications can be obtained from the church office.

Completed applications are due back to the church office by our deadline, May 1, 2024.



Everyone is invited to join the choir and make a joyful noise unto the Lord. We have choir practice on Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in the church. †



Allen Bean,,Church Musician

**We hope that you can join us!!**



Betsy Seifert, President

## Attention Churchwomen!



The next meeting of the ECW will be on Tuesday, April 23rd at 10:00 am, in the Ladies' Parlor. Please come to our meeting!

## Altar Flower Chart

Frank Madigan & Tracy Madigan



The 2024 Altar Flowers sign-up chart is located in the Bell Tower. If you have a date you would like to have reserved for you, you can sign on the chart or email your date to either ;

Frank Madigan (fhmadigan@ mail.com)  
or

Tracy Madigan (tracymadigan@yahoo.com)

Photos by MNelson



# Altar Guild News

—Anne Almand



The Altar Guild has had a busy month, but it offered all of us so many times and ways to worship. As we moved from Lent into Holy Week, the Altar Guild worked with the ECW to host daily lunches after our community worship services at noon. Our Maundy Thursday service was held at 5:30 that day, and all the Altar Guild members were working to facilitate this very solemn service.



Meanwhile, lilies were delivered and stored in the Great Hall for our celebration of Easter. On Friday, at 10:00 am we were busy preparing the Sanctuary for our Sunday services. All our efforts every week, and especially the annual celebrations, would not be possible without the cheerful, capable help of Keith, our Sexton.



With a focus on Easter and its meaning, our many activities for the month of March were closed.

As always, we invite any interested member of our congregation to join the Altar Guild in our outward and visible worship of the Holy Family.





**Volunteers Needed** for Reading at  
the Preschool the first Tuesday of each month.  
A sign up sheet is located in the Bell Tower .  
Thanks for helping us!

~ A big Thank You to all of our volunteers for helping with our youth activities ~

**CHURCH SCHOOL**  
We made resurrection rolls!



Photos provided by Caroline Burnette

# Treasurer's Report

Bob Nelson, Treasurer

3/02/2024

## Church Of The Holy Innocents Revenue and Expense Summary Year-to-date, Through February 2024

Accounts	MTD Actual (This Year)	MTD Budget (This Year)	YTD Actual (This Year)	YTD Budget (This Year)
<b>Revenues</b>				
Pledged Income	\$21,695.00	\$29,100.00	\$45,880.00	\$55,000.00
Other Income	\$1,413.72	\$1,167.00	\$2,431.43	\$2,334.00
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u>\$23,108.72</u>	<u>\$30,267.00</u>	<u>\$48,311.43</u>	<u>\$57,334.00</u>
<b>Expenses</b>				
<b>Compensation</b>				
Salaries	\$3,810.84	\$3,875.00	\$7,538.38	\$7,750.00
Employee Expenses				
Rector's Expenses	\$323.58	\$800.00	\$658.17	\$1,600.00
Other Employee Expenses	\$2,359.24	\$4,466.00	\$8,273.05	\$8,940.00
<b>Total Employee Expenses</b>	<u>\$2,682.82</u>	<u>\$5,266.00</u>	<u>\$8,931.22</u>	<u>\$10,540.00</u>
<b>Total Compensation</b>	<u>\$6,493.66</u>	<u>\$9,141.00</u>	<u>\$16,469.60</u>	<u>\$18,290.00</u>
<b>Administrative</b>				
Supplies	\$761.46	\$600.00	\$1,242.55	\$1,200.00
Preschool Income/Expense	(\$655.39)	(\$704.00)	(\$6,140.44)	(\$2,024.00)
General Insurance	\$3,056.00	\$1,000.00	\$5,907.25	\$3,000.00
Other Administrative Expenses	\$1,160.19	\$850.00	\$1,369.19	\$1,100.00
<b>Total Administrative</b>	<u>\$4,322.26</u>	<u>\$1,746.00</u>	<u>\$2,378.55</u>	<u>\$3,276.00</u>
<b>Utilities</b>	\$3,098.25	\$1,800.00	\$5,193.15	\$3,600.00
<b>Maintenance</b>	\$1,746.65	\$2,150.00	\$2,972.88	\$4,300.00
<b>Parish Life</b>	\$170.45	\$200.00	\$270.45	\$400.00
<b>Diocesan &amp; Seminary Support</b>	\$2,600.00	\$2,600.00	\$4,614.00	\$4,600.00
<b>Outreach</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$50.00)	\$0.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>\$18,431.27</u>	<u>\$17,637.00</u>	<u>\$31,848.63</u>	<u>\$34,466.00</u>
<b>Net Total</b>	\$4,677.45	\$12,630.00	\$16,462.80	\$22,868.00



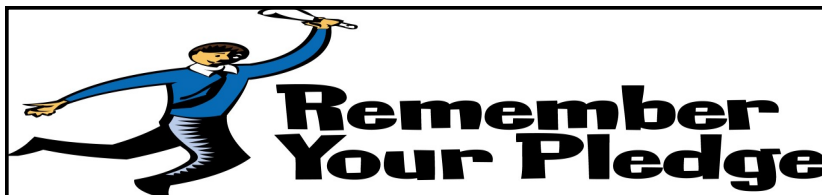
### Note from the Editor...

Marsha Nelson

**May**  
Newsletter items are due:  
**April 25<sup>th</sup>**

Please submit any  
newsletter items either to the  
church office or e-mail them to  
[MJNELSON@nc.rr.com](mailto:MJNELSON@nc.rr.com)

Thanks for your support!



Remember that the church has to pay its bills. Pledge checks and special donations are always appreciated and can be mailed in to the office at: The Church of the Holy Innocents / 210 S. Chestnut Street / Henderson, NC, 27536



## Birthdays

Juanita Brinkley ..... 4/03  
 Catherine Watkins.....4/05  
 Jean Palamar.....4/06  
 Henry Strause .....4/08  
 Meredith Ellis .....4/08  
 Yolanda Yoder .....4/12  
 Mariana Davis ..... 4/14  
 John Zollicoffer ..... 4/15  
 D. Boyd Kimball.....4/19  
 Fagan Goodwin..... 4/20  
 Thornton Gholson .....4/27  
 Bob Herford.....4/30

## Anniversaries

Fagan and James Goodwin..... 4/19



## Remember In Your Prayers

### *Pray for Healing and Comfort:*

Mary Shearin  
 Margaret McCaskill  
 Veneal Williams  
 Blanton Hartness  
 Rose Flannagan  
 Kimberly Hunter Hartness  
 Edna Moss, Noah Cross  
 Nancy Brooks  
 Cynthia Shaw  
 Tom Church  
 Peggy Mast  
 Kathy Hughes, Lee Hight  
 Mike Rainey  
 Betsy Catlett, Janet White  
 Perry LaGrange  
 Cass Meeks






## Special Dates

- Easter Monday  
April 1-2024
- The Annunciation of the Lord  
April 8, 2024
- World Day of Prayer for Vocations  
April 21, 2024
- Administrative Professionals Day  
April 24, 2024
- Passover Ends  
April 30, 2024



## APRIL UNIFIED SERVING SCHEDULE

APR	ACOLYTES	USHERS	LAY READER / CHALICE BEARER	ALTAR GUILD	Flowers	
7	Jack & Kaitlyn Paynter	Richard Young	8:00am -Bob Nelson 10:30am -Roberta Scott	Mariana Davis		
14	Jack & Kaitlyn Paynter	Richard Young	8:00am-Tracy Madigan 10:30am-Ruth Hartness	Anne Almand		
21	Chapman-Scott Burnette	Richard Young	8:00am-Greg Taylor 10:30am-Richard Davis	Anne Almand		
28	Chapman -Scott Burnette	Richard Young	8:00am-Rix Edwards 10:30am-Caroline Burnette	Ellen Dickerson	Janet White	

**NOTE: IF YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO SERVE AND HAVE A CONFLICT, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR OWN REPLACEMENT AND NOTIFY THE CHURCH OFFICE.**

## Old St. John's Visitation

Old St. John's will open at 3:30 pm Saturday afternoon, April 27. This is per request of the Diocese to recognize the first Diocesan Convention which was held at OSJ in 1824. People don't have to attend the morning session in Raleigh at Christ Church if they prefer to just attend the afternoon session at St. John's which will conclude at 5:00 pm with an Evening Prayer service led by Bishop Sam Rodman.

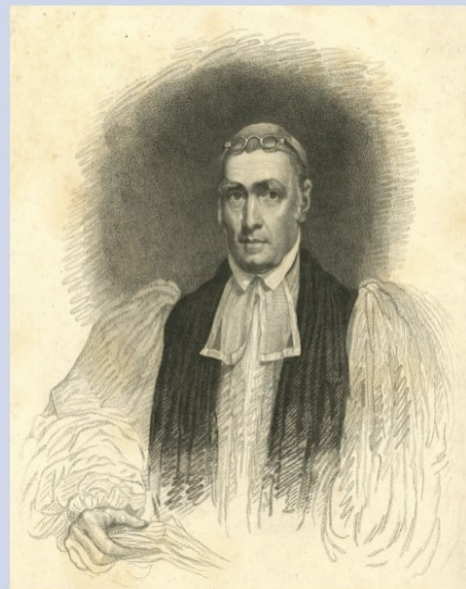


### Registration Now Open for History Day 2024

*April 27, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. | Christ Church, Raleigh*

History Day 2024 is set to explore the legacy of Bishop John Stark Ravenscroft, the first elected bishop of the Diocese of North Carolina, serving from 1823-1830. As this year marks the bicentennial of his episcopate we will explore understanding of church and society, setting those views in a larger historical context.

Setting Ravenscroft's views in a larger historical framework will be the Rev. Dr. Benjamin King, Professor of Church History at the Episcopal Seminary of the Southwest. King has written extensively about the Oxford Movement and most recently has concentrated his research and writing upon the connections between the Oxford Movement and the church's response to transatlantic slavery. His address is entitled: "From Proslavery to Black Liberation: The Revolution in High Church Theology."



Following these addresses, the Rev. Canon Lindsey Ardrey, canon missionary for diocesan restitution and reparations ministry, will offer a response to the presentations from the perspective of our diocesan commitment to restitution and reparations.

The day will begin at Christ Church, Raleigh, where Ravenscroft served from 1823-1828, and end at St. John's, Williamsboro, the oldest frame church in North Carolina and a historic property of the diocese, where Ravenscroft served from 1828-1830.

The cost of History Day 2024 is \$20; please register by April 21 for lunch planning considerations.

If you have questions, please feel free to [contact Lynn Hoke](#), diocesan archivist.  
PHONE # (919) 834-7474.

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# palm Sunday Spanish Service



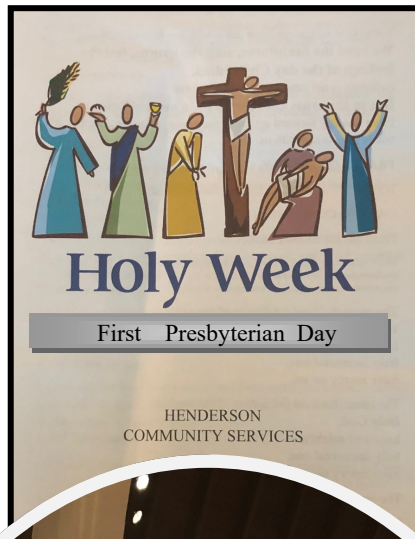
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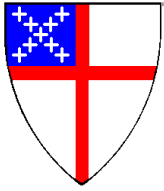
~ Holy Week Community Services held at the Church of the Holy Innocents of Henderson and led on Monday by Holy Innocents Episcopal Church ~











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## **The Church of the Holy Innocents**



**All are welcome to join us as  
we joyfully greet each person present at our worship.  
May our love and respect for one another be  
steady and true as we strive to follow Christ our Lord.**

