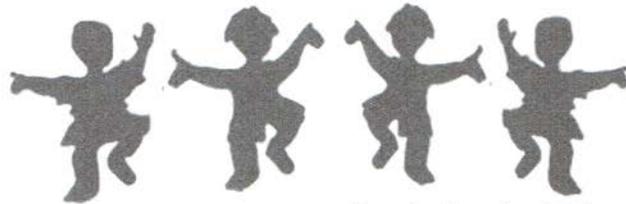


# The Trumpet

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HOLY TRINITY  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
SOUTH RIVER  
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# NOTES FROM FATHER JOHN

## UNCLE HARRY

Over the course of our lives, there are moments that are labeled “Rites of Passage”.

Those are awesome moments of birth, our first experience with nursery school, our first trip to the hospital for injury repair, graduation from high school, living on our own for the first time, the first date, marriage, a new job/career, bringing children into God’s world, moving away, separation & divorce, reconciliation’s, even death to life – all are “Rites of Passage”. Some of them may be times to say goodbye!

Jesus, Himself, experienced in a fully human sense many of these Rites of Passage including: His New Ministry, His call to the disciples, His miracle working and resuscitations from the dead, His own death on the cross and His Resurrection, however, even at the Ascension, He did not say goodbye.

The Ascension was a Rite of Passage in which Jesus promised that He would return. The Italian word “Arrivederci”: translated means: until we see each other again.

So now you know “Uncle Harry Vederici”. I have always had a hard time saying goodbye. It sounds so final. Uncle Harry (Arrivederci) helps me to deal with the sadness of leaving, and from a distance, to celebrate the JOY of your new priest’s arrival.

Thank you for all the Spiritual ways that you have touched my life. I hope that I have shared the same Jesus with you that you have shared with me on our journey together.

“Soon and very soon... “The time is drawing near... No time, no place for “lame ducks”! Once the CALL is made and “the ink dries” I can get to say: Arrivederci, Holy Trinity Church, South River!

With Uncle Harry’s help! May the Holy Spirit sent by Jesus be with you always as He promised.

Ciao Bella!

Affectionately,  
**Fr. John +**

## **SENIOR WARDEN'S REPORT**

I love Autumn. Back to School, Football games and Marching Band, collecting colored leaves, pumpkin picking, and fresh apples. I especially love the cooler weather, with less dependence on the air conditioning while waiting as long as possible before we turn on the heat. What does Fall mean to you?

I'm grateful to the people of the parish who have included Holy Trinity in their fall traditions and activities. We have several unsung volunteers working all around the grounds. Did you notice the new mums and weeding that was done out front by the sign? How about the neatly clipped hedge in the memorial garden? Are you missing the truckloads of yard waste that no longer makes an eyesore of the rear and side of our rectory, or have you even noted the regular grass cutting? Well done! We are so very blessed to have parishioners who care about our grounds and are willing to give of their own time to help to keep things looking good. If you are feeling left out you can contact any vestry member to get in on the fun.

Sunday School is up and running with plans to split into two groups of *Godly Play*: a younger group and an older group. Please contact Jennie Racek [jcracek@msn.com](mailto:jcracek@msn.com) to help out. She will lead you every step of the way.

The Calico Cat Board has hit the ground running. Bruce Richardson has been appointed by the Vestry to act as assistant treasurer for the school. The inaugural board consists of the Priest, the director of the school, both wardens, 2 finance team members and 2 parishioners who currently or recently have had children enrolled in the program.

The Budget Committee has been meeting almost every Sunday to gear up for the 2015 stewardship drive. This committee consists of Fr. John, 3 people from the endowment committee, 3 people from stewardship, and 3 people from finance. This group of 10 includes representation from the vestry and both wardens.

Calico Threads is looking ahead to plan for the conclusion of the thrift shop ministry, probably in the spring of 2015. Staffing help in the shop is always needed.

The Vestry is also completing final interviews with the rector candidates. Please keep Holy Trinity and the Vestry in your prayers. I expect an announcement to the parish by Halloween.

Have you bought your scrip for your groceries, gasoline, and Halloween candy?

Be good and do good,

**Kimberly Klitzke-DeSarno**

## **MENS' CLUB EVENTS PLANNED**

The Men's Club of Holy Trinity has long been known for the dinners it hosts during the year. The Men have plans for several events during the upcoming 12 months.

Here are some dates to put on your calendar and plan to attend to support these fund raisers for the church.. Even if you have a scheduling conflict, think about buying a ticket (or 2) and give them to one of your friends. Maybe that will entice them to buy their own tickets the next time around.

Here's what is on the schedule for 2014 and 2015:

**--ELECTION NIGHT ROAST BEEF DINNER**—November 4. The cost will be \$14 for adults and \$8 for children under 10. Tickets will be available following each Sunday service and at the coffee hours,

**--CHRISTMAS WREATH SALE**---Orders will be taken in November for grave blankets and Christmas wreaths.

**--2015 LENTEN EVENTS**---A Shrove Tuesday pancake supper is planned along with TWO FISH FRIES during the 40 days of Lent.

**--ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S DAY CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE DINNER**—  
The date will be announced later.

## **ACOLYTE CORNER**

**\*\*\*LOOKING FOR NEW ACOLYTES:** Parents if you have a child in the 2nd grade and up that is interested in becoming an Acolyte, please let Fr. John or Candice Donnelly know. We will be training the new Acolytes and older Acolytes will be training for new positions in October.

There will be a formal installation of Acolytes on October 19, 2014 at the 10am service. Candice Donnelly can be reached via e-mail at:  
[CandiceDonnelly@HolyTrinitySR.org](mailto:CandiceDonnelly@HolyTrinitySR.org)

The word "Acolyte" comes from the Greek word *akolouthos*, meaning, follower or attendant. It is a privileged opportunity to assist the Celebrant during the service and to be a servant at the altar.

As our acolytes graduate and go off to college, we need to replace them. Currently we have 13 acolytes on the rotation and we use four per 10 a.m. service, so we are in need.

This past June, Shelby DeSarno and Alexa Hornachak, two very active acolytes, graduated from high school and will be missed as they have moved on to college. We all wish them luck and look forward to seeing them during the holiday breaks.

**Candice Donnelly**

**Come One....Come All!  
Your Attendance Needed  
For Fellowship and Fun at  
An October 21<sup>st</sup> Fundraiser!**

A beaded bracelet making event is planned for October 21 at 6 p.m. in the Parish Hall. However a certain attendance is needed or the event will be cancelled. Please sign up and let Sue Kendrick know if you are planning to attend. Light refreshments will be served.

Instructor Susan Hye will be meeting with participants to help everyone make a “first rate” bracelet on their first attempt.

The cost will be \$20 per person which includes instruction and a bracelet kit. Signup sheets are available in the church and in the parish hall. You can contact Susan Kendrick at (732) 238-2518 for additional information.

**That Music before the Mass and at the  
Offertory:**

**The Prelude**—An important instrumental part of the church service is the prelude, which has for its objective creating an atmosphere of worship. When the members of the church assemble, their thoughts are often far from unified in an attitude of worship. Under the influence of the prelude, being organ, instrumental, or choral; they are brought more or less into an emotional unity which is conducive to spiritual unity and the spirit of worship. This is the spiritual function of a prelude. Any music which accomplishes this result is successful. Naturally, a

well-known love song, or music which reminds one of the concert hall, is unsuitable for church music.

**The Offertory.**—The music for the offertory should also be conducive to the act of worship. It should be of help to the congregation in their meditation upon spiritual things. Anthems are the usual choice at this place in worship and, while that are sung and performed by the choir and/or instrumentalists, this is not a performance. The texts of these choral offerings are tied in some way to the readings and the theme of the day. There are, in the Church year, days or shining Sun and days of shadow and darkness. . Anthems and hymns will reflect the season of the year.

**Richard Thomas Biernacki,, BSG**

## **Liturgy and Worship Committee**

The Liturgy and worship Committee will meet on October 17 after the 10 a.m. service.

The LEV's brought communion to Marion Aubrecht and Tom Miller during the month of September.

## **Celebrating All Saints' and All Souls' Day**

In our Baptismal Covenant we, along with traditional Christians around the globe, profess in the ancient Baptismal Creed the words: "I believe in... the communion of saints, ... the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting." (*Book of Common Prayer, page 304*)

In our annual observance of All Saints' Day, and the Commemoration of All Faithful Departed on the following Sunday (November 2), we make those words a tangible reality in the here and now by recognizing and celebrating our relationship, not only with those around us today, but also with all those who have gone before us in all times and places.

One of the important functions of religion is building and maintaining "Holy

Community,” which is a concept that is severely threatened in our modern world.

This has been done in the Judeo-Christian tradition by “remembering,” not nostalgic “looking back,” but by “making present” the greatness of God’s goodness and love in our lives today. This is done by means of story and ritual, as our Jewish friends do principally at Passover and we Christians do at Easter and, indeed, every Sunday in our celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

These celebrations are also tied to the natural cycle of the year as we experience them in the Northern Hemisphere. Just as Passover and Easter reflect the phenomenon of rebirth in spring, autumn naturally turns our thoughts to death and eternity. As the days shorten and the growing darkness overcomes us, our common ancestors marked this season with various rituals centered around fire, food gathered at the harvest, and being conscious of those who had gone before us. So this season of year is a natural time for the Church to remember her, and our, loved ones who made us who we are today.

All Saints’ Day, or the following Sunday as is often the case in our busy schedule, is when the Church honors all Holy Ones, known and unknown. Our English word “saint” literally means “holy.”

In the broad sense, all we who are baptized are included in this category, but from the beginning of the Christian tradition, certain of the faithful whose lives were exemplary have been held before us as our models and guides.

While we have information about many Saints, and we honor them on specific days, there are many unknown or unsung Saints, who may have been forgotten. On All Saints’ Day, we celebrate these Holy Ones of the Lord, and ask for their prayers for us.

This article was written by the Rev. Leo Joseph, a priest in California, who said:

“There is a Mexican saying that we die three deaths: the first is when our bodies die, the second is when our bodies are lowered into the earth out of sight, and the third is when our loved ones forget us. Christians forestall that last death by seeing the faithful dead as members of the Church, alive in Christ, and by praying for them and asking their prayers for us.”

***Rest eternal, grant unto them, O Lord;  
and let light perpetual shine upon them.***

**FYI...**



**JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT  
IS A MUST SEE IN DECEMBER AT THE STATE THEATRE!**

I'm putting out the word in October to encourage members of Holy Trinity to buy tickets to see The Middlesex County Plays in the Park production of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat at the State Theatre on Livingston Avenue in New Brunswick. Joseph 2014 marks the 20th Anniversary of this holiday tradition.

'Joseph' is a musical with lyrics by Tim Rice and music by Andrew Lloyd Webber. The story is based on the "coat of many colors" story of Joseph from the Bible's Book of Genesis.

Every December, Plays-in-the-Park moves from its home in Edison and travels to New Brunswick, lock, stock and 'camels', to do this annual production. Sale date for tickets has not been announced yet, but once the tickets go on sale, they sell out very quickly.

The four performance schedule is as follows:

Friday , December 26 at 7 p.m.  
Saturday, December 27 at 2 p.m.and 7 p.m.  
Sunday, December 28 at 2 p.m.

ALL SEATS ARE RESERVED. TICKET PRICE IS \$7.00. YOU CAN CALL THE STATE THEATRE TICKET OFFICE AT 732-246-7469. GROUPS OF 12 CAN GET A SPECIAL RATE FOR TICKETS.

This program is funded in part by the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders, Middlesex County Cultural and Heritage Commission with assistance thru a grant provided by New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Dept of State.

When Bruce and I first started going to see this show with our two daughters and later on with our grandchildren, tickets cost \$5. In 20 years, the price has only risen to \$7. Tickets go on sale late in October, or early in November. Keep checking the newspapers for sale dates. I'll also post it in The Weekly Bulletin.

## **TURN BACK THE CLOCKS ON NOV. 2 (DST ENDS)**

Before going to bed on Saturday, November 2, remember to "fall back" by setting your clocks back one hour. (The exceptions to DST are Arizona, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa.)

Credit for Daylight Saving Time belongs to Benjamin Franklin, who first suggested the idea in 1784. The idea was revived in 1907, when William Willett, an Englishman, proposed a similar system in the pamphlet *The Waste of Daylight*.

The Germans were the first to officially adopt the light-extending system in 1915 as a fuel-saving measure during World War I. The British switched one year later, and the United States followed in 1918, when Congress passed the Standard Time Act, which established our time zones. This experiment lasted only until 1920, when the law was repealed due to opposition from dairy farmers (cows don't pay attention to clocks).

During World War II, Daylight Saving Time was imposed once again (this time year-round) to save fuel. Since then, Daylight Saving Time has been used on and off, with different start and end dates. Currently, Daylight Saving Time begins at 2:00 A.M. on the second Sunday of March and ends at 2:00 A.M. on the first Sunday in November.

## **PAY IT FORWARD**

Holy Trinity needs your attendance and financial support. If you can not attend any of the church's fundraisers, please consider to "pay it forward." This phrase was explained to me by a friend recently. She heard it at an optimism group meeting at the Sayreville Library. It's considered an act of kindness.

**HELEN RICHARDSON**

## **HOW YOU LIKE OUR NEW COVER!**

A Trumpet reader recently suggested that the current cover for the monthly Trumpet might need a “new look.” The Editors agreed and we mentioned the idea at the fundraiser at Noodles & Company.

Brandon Spielman, son of Martin and Cherie Spielman, raised his hand and he gets credit for this month’s cover.

Are there any other artists out there than have a cover idea? We’ll have a contest between now and the end of the year. If you’d like to submit a drawing on an 8” by 10” sheet of paper for the new cover, do so and we’ll publish the covers so the entire parish can vote on a winner at the Parish meeting next year.

You can submit it via email or just put entry into “Trumpet mailbox---whichever is most convenient.

## **ELECTION DAY ROAST BEEF DINNER**

**Sponsored by**

**The Men of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church**

**November 4, 2014**

**Serving 6 p.m. until 7 p.m.**

**Adult--\$14.00**

**Child (under 10)--\$8.00**

### **Menu**

**Roast Beef**

**Potatoes**

**Penne Pasta**

**Cole Slaw**

**Green Beans**

**Corn**

**Rolls and Butter**

**Apple Pie**

**Coffee, Tea and Lemonade**

**Tickets will be available after both Sunday services and at coffee hours. Bring your friends to this great dinner!!**



# **Calico Threads**

## **Thrift Store**

***NEW: \$5 Bag Sale first 10 days  
of each month***

Location: 54 Ferry Street, South River

Hours:

Tuesdays 6-8PM; Wednesdays 9:30-11:30  
Saturdays 9-Noon

Clothing infants to adults, coats, shoes,  
bedding and more!!!

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