

THE INK WELL

Publication of The Well By The Sea

THIS WEEK'S SERVERS

VOD - Harry DuBose

Acolytes - (Crucifer) &
(Server) - Sam Ohanesian &
KayLee Gasque

Reader - Cathy Proctor

Prayers - Barbara Sterling

Altar Guild - Cathy Proctor &
Donna DeJesus

Offering - Andrea Smith &
Charlotte Piccinetti

Greeters - Donna Carbone &
Ruth Balis

Nursery - Mary Rife

Cook Team - Off For The
Summer - To resume on
September 22nd.

BLOOD DRIVE TEAM LEADERS

BLOOD
DRIVE



As you already know, we have a blood drive at the Well planned on October 21st, noon to 5pm, overseen by Barbara Sterling (843-655-7105 /

tapers02@aol.com). If you would like to volunteer to

help in some capacity on that day or share ideas in any of the following areas, here is the list of leaders. Please contact one of them for more info or to sign up to help.

* Jim Ewing - Leader Set Up & Tear Down - Set up for the event and then tear down and reset the fellowship hall.

* Joe Lucas - Assistant Leader Set Up & Tear Down - Set up for the event and then tear down and reset the fellowship hall.

* Andrea Smith - Food Team Leader - Set up food in kitchen, serve food to volunteers and Red Cross staff

* Ron Hamilton & Glenn Ohanesian - Prayer Team Leaders (clergy praying in advance for the success of this event)

* Sue Lucas - Media Team Leader

* Phyllis Tarsi - Volunteers Team Leader - Need volunteers to greet, give directions to and register blood donors.

DOK Training - A new DOK training class begins on Thursday, September 26th @ 10am. Those interested, please contact Elaine Crafton or Mary Rife.



ANGLICAN ACCENT

Sunday, September 15th, is the 14th Sunday after Pentecost. COLOR: **Green**

THE WELL MINISTRY FAIR



This coming Sunday, September 15th, each ministry leader of The Well will have a table set up in the Fellowship Hall relating to their particular ministry. If you are unfamiliar with many of the ministries operating at The Well and who is leading them, this will be the time to walk around and become more familiar with what is happening in the life of your church. You will be able to visit tables before church (9:30am - 10:25am) and after church (Noon - 1:30pm). Ask God how you can use the

gifts He has personally given you. As you walk around perhaps your heart will be nudged by the Holy Spirit to become involved in a ministry or two. You should at least leave that day with a much bigger picture of The Well By The Sea!

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW ABOUT YOUR ANGLICAN CHRISTIAN BELIEFS? Can you fill in the blanks?

Q. Why then do we live apart from God and out of harmony with creation?

A. From the beginning, human beings have m_____ their freedom and made w_____ choices.

Q. Why do we not use our freedom as we should?

A. Because we r_____ against God, and we put ourselves in the p_____ of God.



GIGGLES

A man is in a conversation with God.

MAN: "God, how long is a million years?"

GOD: "To me, it's about a minute."

MAN: "God, how much is a million dollars?"

GOD: "To me, it's a penny."

MAN: "God, may I have a penny?"

GOD: "Wait a minute." 😊

FR. TOM'S SUNDAY MORNING TEACHING SERIES

Difficult Things That Jesus Said -- A SUMMARY

Here are some Scriptures that embody hard sayings of Jesus. For further insight, please watch the video on our website.



Matthew 23: 8 - But do not be called Rabbi; for One is your Teacher, and you are all brothers. ⁹ Do not call *anyone* on earth your father; for One is your Father, He who is in heaven. ¹⁰ Do not be called leaders; for One is your Leader, *that is*, Christ.

Luke 14:26-27 - "If anyone comes to Me, and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be My disciple.

Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple.

Matthew 10: 35-36 - "I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. And a person's enemies will be those of his own household.

John 6:51-54, 59-60, 66 - I am the living bread that came down out of heaven; if anyone eats (Greek: phago) of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread also which I will give for the life of the world is My flesh." Then the Jews *began* to argue with one another, saying, "How can this man give us *His* flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat (Greek: trogo) the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in yourselves. These things He said in the synagogue as He taught in Capernaum... Therefore many

of His disciples, when they heard *this* said, "This is a difficult statement; who can listen to it?" ⁶⁶ As a result of this many of His disciples withdrew and were not walking with Him anymore.

Matthew 18:8-9 - "If your hand or your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it from you; it is better for you to enter life crippled or lame, than to have two hands or two feet and be cast into the eternal fire. If your eye causes you to stumble, pluck it out and throw it from you. It is better for you to enter life with one eye, than to have two eyes and be cast into the fiery hell."

JESUS' USE OF HYPERBOLE

Hyperbole are exaggerated statements or claims not meant to be taken literally.

Jesus often used hyperbole in order to get a point across. But other times, He meant exactly what He said.

So How Do We Tell The Difference?

When the sense of the passage makes sense, seek no other sense. If it does NOT make sense, seek what the actual meaning might be.

Make no mistake that Jesus used these exaggerations to drive home very real points, the first being that following Him is not something that can be entered into lightly. Salvation is free. Discipleship costs everything. But Jesus told his disciples to "Go make disciples of all nations." (Matthew 28:19)

SUMMARY NOTES

Jesus often used these exaggerated examples (as often Rabbi's did) in response to things that others' said which needed correcting, clarification, challenging or teaching. Most did not understand the spiritual meanings of the points Jesus was often trying to make. For instance, Jesus knew that the large crowds of people were following Him because He gave them food to eat. So, He used the "eat my flesh and drink my blood" saying to refer to Himself as the "living bread." This was a reference to "spiritual" food. Their eyes could not 'see' this. The vivid reference he used, though, offended so many of those following Him that most left Him. But the 12 disciples remained with Him.

Plucking out our eyes and cutting off our hands or feet is obviously not meant literally. Being a disciple is not something that can be entered into lightly. Salvation is and always will be free to all who receive God's grace through the sacrifice of Jesus for our sins, if we choose to believe in faith and receive it. Discipleship bears a cost. And Jesus' *Great Commission* is to, "Go, make DISCIPLES of all nations," not just gather in people who say a 'sinner's prayer.'

Keep in mind that all the different hardships in this fallen world have not been fashioned to be put upon us by God. Satan is the prince of this world and the father of everything that is evil; everything that is imperfect and destructive. We will be beat around as long as we are on this soil, but God has promised to be with us through all things until He comes back to make all things new again. Don't complain about not understanding our tribulations, trials, struggles, problems and troubles. Live as God's child who depends on Him through all difficulties in life.

To be a true Disciple of Jesus, we might have to leave behind things in order to follow His call on our lives or we might have to endure various hardships for following Jesus. The disciples left their nets behind; for them it was their livelihood, to follow Jesus. That is true discipleship. It will cost you something. Ah, but it is worth it!!! [The Well Website](http://www.thewellbythesea.org)

SCRIP CARDS can be obtained for hundreds of stores, restaurants and gas stations. Order on a Sunday, order placed on Monday and cards usually available by midweek. Arrangements can be made to pick them up during the week if you need them right away or you can pick them up on a Sunday. Some SCRIPS are on hand, others can be quickly ordered. CONTACT RAY DASILVA to place your orders or to inquire about cards in stock. Every time you use a SCRIP CARD, a donation of a specified percentage is donated back to The Well by that company. You never pay anything extra. It is a win-win transaction and fundraiser for The Well.

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* Olive Garden / Longhorn	\$25	* Target	\$25
* Outback / Bonefish	\$25	* Visa	\$50, \$100
* Ruby Tuesday	\$25	* Lowes Home Imp.	\$50
* Texas Roadhouse	\$25	* Walgreens	\$100
* Amazon	\$25	* Walmart	\$25, \$50, \$100
* iTunes	\$15	* Office Max/Depot	\$25
Barnes & Noble	\$25		

INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE

"Human things must be known to be loved; but Divine things must be loved to be known." ~ Blaise Pascal

WORSHIP: EFFECTS OF PRAISE (Part 6) ~ Andrew Wommack



"Jesus demonstrated the right way to bring our requests to God. He used what I call the 'sandwich technique,' where we sandwich our requests in between two slices of praise. We start with praise and we end with praise. We can just look at how Jesus did it in the Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13). He started by praising God: 'Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.' And He finished by praising God: 'For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.' That's the way to do it.

Even in the Old testament, believers were told to 'Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise; be thankful unto Him, and bless His name' (Psalm 100:4). But the nation of Israel didn't always do this. In fact, the Lord said that because they did not serve the Lord with joyfulness and gladness for the abundance of all things, He was going to bring judgment upon them (Deuteronomy 28:47-57). This shows that God holds us responsible for rejoicing, praising Him, and being thankful for all the good things He's given us."

THURSDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY COMMENCES

We are all looking forward to gathering together for Fr. Tom's Thursday Night Bible Study commencing on September 19th @ 6:30pm. Fr. Tom will teach an in-depth study of the Gospel of John. This Gospel, as told by John, is uniquely written when comparing it to Matthew, Mark and Luke. Mark your calendars and set reminders.



FOOD TEAMS ARE PREPARING TO "GET ON THEIR MARKS"



The Well's after-church Sunday meals are set to begin on the 22nd of September. We are looking forward to partaking of the food and fellowship that this ministry offers our congregation. The Food Teams not only prepare the food and serve it, but they have to do all of the cleaning up, too. It is all very time consuming and they are often still at church a good while after everyone else is already home. Let's make things a little easier on them by getting into the mindset of helping them by cleaning up after ourselves -- looking at the tables and floor around us, picking up and tossing things away even if it is something someone else has left behind. A spray bottle of cleaner and rag are available at the cart in the Fellowship Hall to wipe a table. Let's help our Food Teams.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Sunday, October 6th is the Blessing of the Animals. It's the one day of the year that The Well takes on somewhat of a look of a small Noah's Ark. We've had dogs, cats, chicken's, a snake, lizards, etc. Begin planning for that day for how you will transport your animal to church to be specially blessed by Fr. Tom. Think of others you could invite to church who would come to church because they could bring their pet on that day.

