

IDAHO IDYLL* - FEBRUARY 2007

**Idyll: A simple descriptive work in poetry or prose that deals with rustic life or pastoral scenes or suggests a mood of peace and contentment.*

AROUND THE DIOCESE

➤ LENTEN LUNCHESES SCHEDULED

As part of their regular Lenten ritual, two Boise area churches are gearing up for their Lenten Lunches and invite all interested persons to put these dates on their calendars:

- ✓ Every Thursday during Lent, **All Saints Church** will host all who pass through their doors.
- ✓ Every Friday during Lent will find **St. Michael's Cathedral** rolling out their welcome mats.

Both churches will serve the traditional clam chowder & soup, salad, bread and the most delicious pies ever to come out of an oven. As part of your Lenten discipline, make it a point to participate in both of these offerings.

- **St. David's, Caldwell**, is presenting the romantic comedy "Love Letters" on Friday & Saturday, February 16 & 17. Admission to Friday's performance is \$8.00 which includes the play and chocolate desserts. Saturday's admission is \$17.50 and includes dinner and the play. Reservations are required and can be obtained by calling the church at 208/459-9261 or D'Arcy Orde at 208/459-9308.
- **The Rev. Mike Spillane** recently announced his resignation from **Church of the Holy Nativity in Meridian**, effective the end of February. He has accepted a position as Rector of Trinity Episcopal Church in Menlo Park, California.

LATINO/MULTICULTURAL MINISTRY CONVERSATION 2007

Scheduled for Saturday, March 24 at Church of the Ascension in Twin Falls, this important event continues the development of multicultural ministry in our Diocese. Fr. Roberto Arcineiga, Multicultural Missioner for the Diocese of Oregon, will be our convener. Come to receive tools for developing multicultural ministries in your congregation; hear the stories of other congregations; and participate in forming our emerging Latino presence. Contact Joy in the Diocesan Office to register (208/345-4440 or joyz@idahodiocese.org). Cost is \$6.00 for lunch.

YOUNG ADULTS & MISSION

Did you know that the National Church offers many ways for young adults to put their faith into action? One of those is the Young Adult Service Corps, an opportunity for Episcopalians in their 20's to volunteer for one-year mission assignments in communities around the Anglican Communion. Go to www.episcopalchurch.org/20703_1700_ENG_HTML_htm for additional information. Another tool available to congregations is the Episcopal Mission Exchange, a website that matches youth groups with mission experiences. The list for 2007 opportunities is available at www.episcopalmissionexchange.org. Finally, at www.episcopalchurch.org/youngadults, there are resources for young adults ranging from internship and mission opportunities to the discernment process.

TWO ORDINATIONS SCHEDULED

Deacons **Rand Fagg** (Trinity Memorial, Rupert) and **Ray Oropeza** (St. James, Payette) will be ordained to the Priesthood in the next few months – Ray on March 2 and Rand on May 4. Ray will be ordained in his home parish in Payette, and Rand will be ordained during the Central Deanery Regional Celebration of Ministry at Ascension Church in Twin Falls.

CLERGY PICTURES WANTED

Our new website is being developed and one thing that we need as we move forward are good pictures of the clergy. Certainly the congregations with clergy harbor someone with a digital camera who can snap a picture and forward it to the Diocesan Office. Contributions can be emailed (in jpg format, please) to Joy at joyz@idahodiocese.org.

EPISCOPAL DISABILITY NETWORK OFFERS RESOURCES

The Episcopal Disability Network serves the needs of all people with disabilities throughout the church. It provides a lending library of over 400 books on tape for those who are visually impaired. It assists parishes in becoming architecturally accessible. It works for the inclusion of persons with disabilities into the full life of the congregation. More importantly, it educates congregations (both clergy and laity) about the pain and frustration often experienced by parents with developmentally disabled children. Some resources of the Network can be found at www.disability99.org.

ANGLICAN FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER TO SPONSOR LECTIO DIVINA WORKSHOP

Grace Church in Nampa will host a Lectio Divina Prayer Workshop on March 16 & 17. The workshop will be held from 7:00-8:30pm on Friday and continue from 9:00am-3:30pm on Saturday. Mary Leberknight, AFP Coordinator for the Diocese, will facilitate and lead the practice of this historical prayer form and the workshop will be interspersed with a recent video teaching by The Rev. Brendan Moss, O.S.B, a Benedictine Monk of St. Meinrad Archabbey (Roman Catholic) from Meinrad, Indiana.

Take this Lenten opportunity to come and practice another form of prayer. A donation of \$5-10 will go towards the cost of the workshop and lunch. For registration and further information, contact Jewel Lake at 208/467-5306 (idgemgal@aol.com) or Grace Church at 208/266-0782. Folks in the Eastern Deanery can contact Mary Leberknight (208/529-9357 or jmlt5@msn.com) for registration and carpool arrangements.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 15	Central Deanery Clergy, Christ Church, Shoshone
Feb 21	Ash Wednesday
Feb 24	Paradise Point Committee, Ascension, Twin Falls
Mar 3	Eastern Deanery Clergy, St. Luke's, Idaho Falls
	Commission on Ministry, Ascension, Twin Falls
Mar 16 & 17	Lectio Divina Prayer Workshop, Grace, Nampa
Mar 24	Latino Conversation, Calvary, Jerome