

The Bodylife, August 3, 2017

The Pastor's Corner

Hey All,

Last week was the final Summer barbeque at the YMCA camp in Rowley. Ann, the kids, and I had a great time as usual. When we got back in the car Ann shared a funny story. While she was getting food a woman from the church came up to her and introduced herself. After exchanging pleasantries the woman asked who Ann had come with. While the woman had seen Ann on Sundays she didn't recognize her in a non-Sunday environment. Ann awkwardly said that she came with her husband, the pastor. Both the woman and Ann had a good laugh.

I share this story to highlight the behavior of the lady. This is exactly what we should all be doing. We are often so worried about looking silly or not knowing what to say that we do nothing. The woman who initiated a conversation with Ann deserves credit for going out on a limb. We all need to be a little more willing to go out on a limb sometime to build the church.

In Christ,
Brent

P.S. Thank-you to the finance committee. The work you do is behind the scenes, but without it the BPC wouldn't exist.

Church Family:

To all BPC Committees and Boards.

Please submit your calendar requests for the September-May calendar to the church office by August 6th. Thank you.

You are invited: **Dessert with the Fugates**. Pastor Brent and his wife, Ann, will be hosting a monthly dessert on the 4th Thursday of each month at 6:30 PM. This is an opportunity for them to get to know the people of Byfield Parish Church better and vice versa. If you would like to attend please sign-up at the Welcome Table in the narthex. Space is limited. The Fugate family lives at 19 Manila Ave., Amesbury, Ma.

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University, a 9-week course teaching you how to handle money God's way, is being offered this fall. The class will begin on Sunday, Sept. 17th from 6:30-8:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. The price for the class materials is \$93. You can contact Mike or Karin Sylvester at 978-352-7013 or mksylvester95@gmail.com for more information. The link to register for the class is <https://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/classes/1044644>

The Flower committee offers you the opportunity to sign up and purchase flowers for Sunday morning service. Please see the flower chart on the bulletin board in the narthex for a spot available. Remember to put your phone number along with your name and a Flower committee member will contact you. Thank you.

Christian Ed.

Super Sunday Night, September 17 at 5:45 PM

Super Sunday Night is an opportunity for our church to continue building on the relationships that we established this summer at Vacation Bible School. We are meeting on the third Sunday evening for the months of September, October and November for a time of fun, games, crafts, and learning about Jesus. Perhaps more

importantly, we are providing a parenting class for all those folks who want to get some helpful tips for raising their children in today's culture. Joe and Carolyn Grifoni are facilitating a discussion with interested parents to help them develop strategies for boundaries and disciplining their children. And we pray that this may open their eyes to the truth of God's Word, the basis for the teaching that they will receive.

We can use people of many skills and interests to pull off Super Sunday Night. Nurturing adults to sit with toddlers while parents are in class. Folks with crafts ability to work with various age groups of boys and girls. People with the gift of hospitality to provide and clean up after a snack time at the end of the night. Excited musicians to help with singing. As you can tell this new ministry opportunity welcomes all kinds of participants. If you are willing to help or want to learn more, speak to Jim MacDonald or email him at jim.macdonald1952@gmail.com.

Calendar items.

NEXT WEEK, August 7-13 Visit ByfieldParish.org for more info.

Monday, August 7

6:00 AM Men's Prayer group Conference room

Tuesday, August 8

7:00 PM Administrative comm. Library

Sunday, August 13

9:00 AM Morning Worship Main Meeting room

Looking ahead on the calendar:

Sept. 4 Labor Day, Office Closed

Sept. 14 Reception for Bill & Miriam Boylan

Sept. 17 Sunday School Rally Day

Sept. 17 "Taste & See" Adult Sunday School

Sept. 17 Super Sunday Night 5:45pm

Sept. 24 Adult Sunday School starts



Prayer requests / Prayer updates:

*****Ellie Bauer. The latest update from the family's page.

August 1st:

After an unexpected week in the hospital due to fever and neutrophil counts that were super slow to rise, we are SO HAPPY to share that we were able to bring Ellie home last night! All 5 Bauer's in their own beds. Feels amazing. 😊

😊 Thank you so much for praying

*****Betty Stone has returned home. 135 Beach Road, Unit #101, Salisbury, MA 01952

MISSIONS

The yellow envelope is for contributions to our Faith-Promise Missions budget. What is Faith-Promise giving? The believer looks to the Lord in faith asking how much He would have the believer give; then the believer in faith promises to give as the Lord directs. Here at Byfield Parish, our mission budget is administered completely separate from our general administrative budget. Using the yellow envelope designates money that you want to go toward missions. All monies not designated by envelope or check memo will be put toward the general fund.

Notes from the Church Office

To the church family: either or both nights if there is a count of 20 seats reserved.

Minda,

I wanted to pass along information on our two Faith and Family Nights scheduled for Tuesday, September 5th and Friday, September 29th. If neither of these dates work for you, we do have other games available.

With a group of 20 or more, I can provide you with a block of tickets so that everyone in your parish can enjoy the experience together. A Red Sox game

is the perfect summer or fall outing and gives your members the opportunity to enjoy a day together! I've listed the prices for both nights below.

Tuesday, September 5th (day after Labor Day)

Right Field Upper Box ☐ \$38 per ticket

Grandstands ☐ \$38 per ticket

Bleachers ☐ \$23 per ticket

Friday, September 29th (Friday)

Right Field Upper Box ☐ \$59 per ticket

Right field Grandstands ☐ \$34 per seat

Bleachers ☐ \$34 per seat

Once we have picked a seat location and a date, we can put tickets on hold while you finalize numbers and payment. Final payment is due two weeks from when we reserve the seats. Also after we've selected a date, I can send over a flyer for you to put in the bulletin which outlines details of the game.

Please let me know if you have any questions. My phone number is (617) 226-6276.

Go Sox!

Best,

Ameena

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Dear Church Family, Please get back to me ASAP about the Red Sox tickets or If YOU would like to organize these events PLEASE do. Thank you, Minda

PS: ONLY A COUPLE PEOPLE HAVE SIGNED UP, WE NEED 20 PER DAY!!!!

First Parish Church of Newbury, UCC Fundraiser Golf Tournament

Date: Mon, Sept. 18 (Please note date)

Location: Ould Newbury Golf Club

Fee: \$125 per golfer in a foursome

Sponsorship opportunity: businesses may sponsor a tee for \$100

Cause: Proceeds go toward renovations to First Parish's historic building on High Road in Newbury

**For questions & to register, email Steve Spanger:
scspang@comcast.net**

The Recipe Box

Do you have a recipe that is a family favorite? Or a new recipe that is easy or complicated that you would like to share? It is fun to try out new recipes. Please send them to mfowler@byfieldparish.org and I will add them to the end of the e-mailing each week.