



# THE ILLUMINATION



## NEWS FROM ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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### Anniversary Greeting from the Rector

#### Grace and Peace in the Name of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

It is enough to make one dizzy if one tries to take it all in at once. I speak of the schedule for St. David's for the Fall. From September 20<sup>th</sup> forward, our schedule is pretty much non-stop until we take an intentional breath in early Advent. In addition to all of the activity surrounding new construction and growing program, we are blessed with the opportunity to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Parish. For all this we surely say "Thanks be to God."

In this short five years as your priest, I have formed bonds of affection with many of you; bonds that run deep, bonds that will last my lifetime. Many of you I serve in love, but we are still learning about one another. The truth be told, priest and parishioner are often thrust together by need. The relation therein is sealed forever. Sometimes, when we are very fortunate, the relationship is built not in moments of great need, but rather in shared ministry, fellowship, and daily life in the parish. I enjoy that sort of relationship with hundreds of you. For each of those relationships, I give thanks. In many cases, I have come to know you as we break bread in your home, or break bread with your children at school. Each of these moments are moments I treasure in my heart. For some of you, I know I am just the Rector. I preach and lead worship, teach and write and you are pretty sure I'll be there when you call. Not to worry: ours is not a passing relationship. There will come a time, by your invitation or mine, by the normal goings-on of the parish, or by a time of need, where God will bring us

together. In the meantime, I am your priest busy serving you and caring for you with "gladness and singleness of heart."

In my first three years at St. David's I devoted my energy to guiding St. David's toward a full life as a large parish Church. A glance at the calendar answers the question about how that worked out. Over the last two years, I have been guiding the parish toward its future. In the next few years, I have discerned that the call is to continue on the path of growth and then begin to position St. David's as a voice of leadership in the Episcopal Church. Part of being a "Church without Walls," it seems to me, is taking a leadership role in the greater Church. We have had our own knitting to tend to, but we are part of a larger faith community in very serious trouble. I believe we can be part of the solution. We are nearly ready, nearly strong enough, nearly prepared to do this important work. I ask your prayers as we continue to discern God's call to us.

For five years of near constant blessing, for your prayers, support, patience, understanding, tolerance, faithfulness, creativity, kindness, and generosity, I give thanks to Almighty God, and I give you each and all my thanks and abiding affection.

Most Fondly,

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#### Mark your calendars!

- ♦ **Women's Bible Study starts on 9/20 at 11:00 a.m., in the Parish Hall. Nursery not available.**
- ♦ **Blessing of the Animals on Saturday, 10/7**

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## CALENDAR

○a.m./●p.m.

- Saturday, August 19**  
○8:30 Men's Bible Study—  
Fr. Paul's backyard  
○9:00 Safeguarding God's Children  
training-PH  
○9:30 Children's Choir camp

**Sunday, August 20**  
**Sunday School starts!**  
**Fall Schedule begins!**

- Monday, August 21**  
●7:00 Special 9/11 Service Mtg.

- Tuesday, August 22**  
○9:00 Safeguarding God's Children  
training-PH  
●7:00 Vestry Mtg.-Bethany

- Wednesday, August 23**  
○10:00 H.E./Healing service  
●7:00 Adult Teacher Training—  
Bethany

- Thursday, August 24**  
●7:00 Stephen Min. Training-Naz.  
●7:00 50th Anniv. Mtg.-Bethany  
●7:30 Choir Rehearsal begins

- Friday, August 25**  
○6:30 Young Men's Bible Study  
○8:00 Life Line Screening—PH

- Saturday, August 26**  
○9:00 Safeguarding God's Children  
training-PH  
○10:00 Verger Training-Nave, Choir  
Room, Sacristy

- Sunday, August 27**  
○10:15 Adult C.E. Presentation-Nave

- Monday, August 28**  
●7:30 Brotherhood of St. Andrew-  
cottages

- Wednesday, August 30**  
○10:00 H.E./Healing service  
●7:00 Preschool Parent Orientation

- Thursday, August 31**  
●7:00 Stephen Min. Training-Naz.  
●7:00 Endowment Mtg.-Bethany  
●7:30 Choir Rehearsal

- Friday, September 1**  
●6:00 Wedding Rehearsal

- Saturday, September 2**  
●5:00 Wedding (Dwyer/Cochell)

Our church calendar is continuously  
updated on our website at  
[www.stdavidchurch.org](http://www.stdavidchurch.org).

## Worship Schedule

7:45 a.m.—H.E. Rite I  
9:00 a.m.—Family Svc., H.E. Rite II  
10:15 a.m.—Sunday School  
11:15 a.m.—H.E. Rite II  
1:15 p.m.—Mass in Spanish  
6:00 p.m.—Chapel Service

## Lectionary for August 20

Proverbs 9:1-6, Ephesians 5:15-20,  
John 6:53-59, Psalm 34:9-14

## Lectionary for August 27

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-25,  
Ephesians 5:21-33, John 6:60-69,  
Psalm 34:15-22

## St. David's Mugs for sale

The Adult Education Committee is  
selling these handsome coffee cups  
for \$12 each or two for \$20. The  
mugs are a MUST for every St.  
David's coffee aficionado. Make  
your check out to St. David's with  
"AEC Mug" in the memo line. Put  
the check in Fred Lickfold's box at  
church, and he will put the coffee  
cups in your mailbox.



## Adult Inquirers' Class

### Calling all persons...!

In Spring 2007, on Sunday mornings during the Sunday School hour at 10:15 a.m., the Rector will teach on Episcopal Church history, the Prayer Book—history and content, the Holy Scriptures, Episcopal worship and Anglican expression and ethos, Christian moral thought, and the outline of the Faith and how an Episcopal parish works. This is not only a class for those adults wishing to become Episcopalians, but is a wonderful refresher. This class is necessary in order to be confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church. Look for more information in the months ahead.

## St David's Men's Club "Family Night at the Braves"

Friday, September 29, 7:05 p.m.

Braves vs Houston Astros

Tickets are \$10 (retail \$15)

Section 401 behind home plate

Great fireworks after the game!

Contact Gary Dunsmore at 770-442-8849 or [gduns@comcast.net](mailto:gduns@comcast.net).



## Couples Night Out begins a new year!

The next Couples Night Out, to start our new year, will be held on Friday night, September 15, and we will go to Bahama Breeze at the intersection of Northpoint Parkway and Haynes Bridge Rd.

Childcare will be provided at the church, and the cost for this care will be \$10 per child with a maximum of \$20 per family. Childcare will open at 6:10 p.m., and we will meet at the restaurant at 6:30 p.m. The children will be fed at the church, so don't worry about the panic of trying to feed them before you come! Please call the church reservation number at 770-993-1094, ext. 126, by Monday, Sept. 11, to reserve your spot and to inform us of your childcare needs. Space is limited, so make sure you call so you won't miss this chance for great Christian community and fun! We hope to see you there!

## Ministries Fair coming soon!

**Opportunities abound** in the world of parish care and parish life at St. David's. We have ministries to meet all needs and interests.

- **Looking for a way to meet new people?** Then maybe the Welcome Committee, or Serendipity, or Flower Ambassadors or the Men's Club is the group for you.
- **Need a supportive prayer group?** Then what about Daughters of the King or The Brotherhood of St. Andrew?

**Opportunities are plentiful** to get involved in worship at St. David's!

- If "behind the scenes" is where you do your best work, then perhaps you should check out the Altar Guild or the Flower Guild to see if your talents are a fit for preparing the church for worship and other special services.
- Can you imagine how chaotic Sunday mornings would be without the help of our friendly ushers?
- If you've ever attended a wedding ceremony at St. David's, then you know the important role our Wedding Guild plays.

These are just a few of the ways you can volunteer your time and get involved in the parish.

### Mark the date...Sunday, September 10!

See all these ministries and more "up close and personal" at the Ministries Fair on Sunday, Sept. 10.

**The Fair will be held in the Parish Hall throughout the morning following the 7:45 a.m. service.**



**Adults are invited to a special presentation  
on Sunday, August 27, at 10:15 a.m., in the Nave.**

**Come hear firsthand from the teachers about the adult classes being  
offered on Sunday mornings, and also hear about Outreach events coming up.**

## **1. *Christian Discourse, “Talking Nice About Hard Things”***

Facilitated by Fr. Paul Winton, Amanda Scott

There are issues within the Church and in the world beyond the Church that merit conversation among people of faith. Those “conversations” unfortunately often become the cause of even more division and distance. This class is designed to teach people how to discuss very difficult issues in a fashion that fosters understanding and minimizes the risk of harmed relationship. Class size limited to 35. Registration opens on August 27. This class will be held in the Bethany room, in the upstairs back hallway.

**This is a covenant class;** meaning that students sign up for the class and promise to be faithful in attendance. The facilitators promise to be faithful in their preparation. This class starts September 24-October 29, and is repeated with the same material November 5-December 3 (class will not meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month).

## **2. *“Saints and Sinners”***

Facilitated by The Rev. Anne Elizabeth Swiedler

Join Rev'd Anne Elizabeth on Sunday mornings in the Parish Hall as she introduces you to just some of the fascinating folks the Church calls “Saints.” Meet Saints Francis, Julian, Anthony, Merton, and many others. Class starts Sept. 24 (class will not meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month).

## **3. *“Kerygma Book of Job & Advent Messiah”***

Facilitated by Jim White

The book of Job cuts straight to the heart of what it means to be human. It is the most profound exploration of the life of faith ever written, and wrestles with some of life's most perplexing questions. Join us for a 6-week venture into the book of Job starting September 24—November 5 (class will not meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month). We use the Kerygma program to study this book. This course requires a commitment to reading and study prior to each class and regular class attendance. If you want to learn more prior to fall registration go to [www.kerygma.com](http://www.kerygma.com) for an overview of the course and further information on Kerygma.

## **4. *“Parenting Christian Teens”***

Facilitated by Matthew and Carolann Johnson,  
Linda McRorie, Pamm and Leonard Ferrand

A teaching team of practitioners will present a class based on materials from the Episcopal Resource Center. Participants will consider such topics as: parenting styles, teen's success cycles, power struggles, effective discipline, courage and self esteem, and active communication. The class will discuss and collaborate to develop techniques and strategies geared to preserving the faith while raising teens, including the challenges and rewards of single parenting.

Networking will be encouraged, and by bringing together a network of parents and church family members who are facing similar issues and situations as parents, the hope is that course participants will become better acquainted, learn to support one another and reflect their care through discussion, contact, and love. This class starts on September 24 (class will not meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month).

## **5. *“St. David's 101/Tour of Grounds”***

Facilitated by Betsy Candler

Want to learn more about St. David's, and how you can get involved? **Once a month** during the school year, we offer St. David's 101 for visitors and new members from 10:15 to 11:00 a.m. This class is a casual and informative forum where the discussion introduces new members to the full life of St. David's: who, what, when, where, and how. Look for the sign marked “Visitors and New Members Meet Here!”

## **6. *“Rector's Forum”***

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month in the Nave. All other adult classes will be suspended, so all may attend the Forum. The Forum will cover topics of general interest to the entire parish.

## 50th Anniversary

### Celebration

September 16 & 17, 2006



There will be a Memorial Service in the Memorial Garden at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday evening, September 16.



Following the Memorial Service, an Old Fashioned Church BBQ will be hosted by the St. David's Men's Club at 6:00 p.m., with entertainment from The Folkmasters group. The Youth Group will provide lots of fun for the kids by hosting some good old fashioned games, such as a 3-legged race, sack race, and much more! Please call the reservation line to let us know how many are coming in your family: 770-993-1094, ext. 125. This will help us to know how many to plan for.



On Sunday, September 17, we will have special guests at our morning services. There will be 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary receptions following all the services in the Parish Hall.



High Teas for our Senior Members: There will be two Teas to honor our senior members during our 50<sup>th</sup> celebration. The first tea will be held on Monday, September 25, from 3:00-5:00 p.m. There will be a second tea offered on Thursday, October 12, from 3:00-5:00 p.m. Look for your invitations in the mail!



St. David's in 1975 when the "new education wing" was being built.

### Special Offerings:

- We are offering magnetic car decals to commemorate our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.
- A wonderful hardback commemorative book is being published by St. David's Episcopal Church, and will be offered for sale during the anniversary weekend events. We will also offer, at the same time, a book about our stained glass windows. All of the stained glass window articles, authored by parishioner Bruce Thomas, that have appeared in The Illumination newsletter for the past year, plus the ones forthcoming, are in the book.
- A special DVD is being made with candid interviews and stories from long-time and new parishioners. This certainly will be a special treat for all to watch.
- Special packets of note cards will be sold with different pen & ink drawings that have been done over the years of the church in different phases of its existence. We will also offer note cards showing our beautiful stained glass windows.

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## Habitat for Humanity Ecumenical Build

### Outreach helps celebrate St. David's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on September 16!

St. David's will be participating along with other area churches in an ecumenical home building project this fall on our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration weekend! Commemorate our 50<sup>th</sup> by taking the opportunity to work on the framing portion of a home build on Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. There will be room for 25 participants and additional support will be needed for breakfast and lunch. Sign-ups will be held on Sunday, August 20 and August 27. If you have any questions, please contact Robert Ward at 678-566-0673.

### Calling All Parishioners to... NFCC's "Rise 'n Run" on September 9<sup>th</sup>

North Fulton Community Charities (NFCC) is gearing up for a special family event in September for its year long capital campaign. The event is NFCC's 1st Annual Roswell "Rise 'n Run" road race Saturday, Sept. 9th, at 7:30 a.m. - starting at Elkins Point Middle School and winding through the beautiful Hembree Park. It is a 5K/1K event (childcare for the 1K runners will be available for Mom and Dad to complete the 5K). There will be giveaways, prizes, and great entertainment!

NFCC has asked St. David's to participate in the children's gazebo area at Hembree Park with face painting, which we have accepted gladly. It requires minimal talent and anyone can help in this area (pre-teens, teens, adults). Contact Daryl O'Hare if you can be a face painter or helper!

We can meet before the race to pray together for our neighbors' need and then run or walk together. Registration forms (with all information, including registration fees) will be in the church hallway starting August 20<sup>th</sup>, or you can register online via the NFCC website [www.nfchelp.org](http://www.nfchelp.org), which links to [www.active.com](http://www.active.com).

After the race, the center will be open for tours as well, so please contact Daryl if you would like to be given a tour of the facility on this day! Daryl O'Hare, 770-569-0836, [MyEnglishTutor@bellsouth.net](mailto:MyEnglishTutor@bellsouth.net).

## LAMB Institute Update

from Suzy McCall, Honduras, July, 2006

One month ago, our short-term coordinator, Wheeler Conkling (a St. David's parishioner and our missionary to Honduras) spied a tiny baby in the home of an older woman we were helping in the way of construction. He reported this "sighting" to me, and I went to investigate. The baby turned out to be the great-granddaughter of the older woman, Francisca, who said she was taking care of her for her granddaughter. The granddaughter, a drug user, had dropped her off one day after her birth with a can of formula. The baby was three days old when Wheeler saw her. We brought her home that very day, reported our activities to Social Services, and got to work caring for her. She weighed 5.2 pounds. A few days later she was in the hospital with intestinal troubles. After ten days in the hospital, we finally brought her home.

Baby Margaret is still tiny and recuperating, but we are praying that the worst is behind her, and that she will grow healthier each day. She reminded me of that saying: "One man's trash is another man's treasure." It is difficult to think of a baby as "trash," but some people do, sadly, and throw them off more readily than they would an old pair of shoes. But EVERY baby is a treasure to Jesus, and now to us, as we know that we are to look eagerly for opportunities to be a blessing to the babies born in our neighborhood. Baby Margaret (pictured below) has won all of our hearts, and she has reminded us of our calling to God's Littlest Lambs, "the least of these."



Blessings to all of you, Suzy

(P.S. The baby is named Margaret after Wheeler's late wife)

## Upcoming Events

- ◆ Sept.10: Ministry Fair –come see us at the Honduras Mission Table.
- ◆ Sept. 13: Wed. night supper and presentation of this year's mission trip to Honduras.
- ◆ Sept. 19: 1<sup>st</sup> meeting at 7:30 p.m. for all those interested in our next mission trip, March 16 – 24, 2007. We are looking for signups/commitments by late Sept.
- ◆ Questions? Call co-chairs Bonnie Underwood 770-552-0900 or Edith Cobourn 770-992-6019.



**Welcome  
our  
Newest  
Members!**

**New members who have joined since April 2006...**

**Lisa and Danny Brock**  
7110 Titchfield Place, Cumming, 30041 678-522-6580

**Rolf and June Erickson**  
2265 Azalea Drive, Roswell, 30075 770-640-8103  
Sten b. 7/28/04

**Linda Garlock**  
657 Granby Hill Place, Alpharetta, 30022 770-993-9444

**Debbie and Phil Rossignol**  
760 Lake Forest Pass, Roswell, 30076 678-585-0155

**Tim Campbell and Albanie Smith**  
700 Creekwood Crossing, Roswell, 30076 678-464-3169  
Skyler Smith b. 3/3/01

**Scott Monson and Diana Lynn**  
525 South Shore Place, Roswell, 30076 770-650-9944

**Lisa Crouse**  
3812 Thayer Trace, Duluth, 30096 770-497-9010

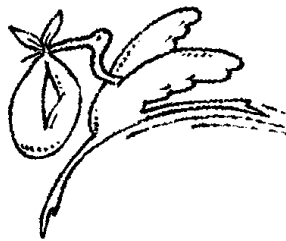
**Allen Erdely** (she is a former member)  
655 Mansell Rd., Apt. 218, Roswell, 30076 770-641-1583

**Carl and Robin Moore** (they are former members, also)  
290 Spring Creek Rd., Roswell, 30075 770-640-6141  
Kate b. 8/19/89, Caleigh b. 8/21/97, Maridy b. 5/18/01

**Hobie and Paula Corwin**  
5214 Deering Trail, Marietta, 30068 770-992-1273

**Scott and Olivia Oliver**  
3241 Gas Light Circle, Roswell, 30075 678-277-9173  
Luke b. 5/11/96

**Scott Phillips and Beth Yother**  
100 Sweetwater Trace, Roswell, 30076 770-753-4875



**Congratulations to...**

- ✿ ...to Merrick and Laura Dameron on the birth of a son, Benjamin (Ben) Robert, born on April 17, 2006, weighing 7 lb 11 oz, and 21 in. long.
- ✿ ...to Ryan and Kimbie Grovijohn on the birth of a daughter, Lacey Ryan, born on May 19, 2006, weighing 6 lb 9 oz, and 19½ in. long.
- ✿ ...Dave and Sara Carroll on the birth of a daughter, Sienna Marie, born on May 26, 2006, weighing 8 lb 3 oz, and 19 in. long.

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*The Honduras Mission Team invites the parish  
to a presentation of their mission trip to Honduras this past spring.*

**Wednesday, Sept.13, 2006  
at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall**

Come see pictures of their work and hear of their adventures as they served in a variety of ways; building houses, painting, sewing, gardening, refinishing furniture and working with the children. You will also be given an update on the LAMB Institute's land acquisition and what work that will offer for the March, 2007 Mission Trip.

Please join us!

The Honduras Mission Team

Co-chairs: Bonnie Underwood and Edith Cobourn

