

# The Reflection Pool

By The Rev. Dr. Joseph Hannah

You can find out a lot when you look at your Episcopal calendar. Every month is filled with days where important figures in church history are recognized. Let's take a look at April. I won't mention all of them because this is Grace notes, not Grace pamphlet or Grace book. On April 4 the church commemorates Martin Luther King and on the 9th Dietrich Bonhoeffer. King, as we know, was assassinated in his relentless pursuit of civil rights in this country. Bonhoeffer was a theologian who refused to back down when exposing the evils of fascism in WWII Germany. He was executed by the Nazis just before the end of the war. On April 14 three women who were "unmercenary" physicians in antiquity: Zenaida, Philonella, and Hermione, are recognized. An unmercenary physician is one who does not charge fees for his or her service. They also believed healing had a spiritual component. Marianne Cope comes next on April 15. She devoted much of her monastic life to serving the poor souls confined to a leper colony in Hawaii. John Muir was a 19th century naturalist and conservationist who co-founded the Sierra Club. He believed fiercely that God is present in nature in its purest form. Hudson Stuck was an Episcopal Priest noted for his work with indigenous Alaskans and his support for the stewardship of their environment. Both he and John Muir are remembered on April 21. St Mark the Evangelist himself has April 25 as his day. Before I go on, the Episcopal church will honor any person of great moral and spiritual character who has served God, the people, and the greater church. Their lives are their testimony.

Looking at the above names, who would carry out the mission of the worldwide church more than St. Mark? What greater examples are there than Drs. King and Bonhoeffer of seeking "justice for all" in this nation and all the world? Who could show more concern for those who suffer and are troubled than Zenaida, Philonella, and Hermione? Marianne Cope was deeply involved with the small community of lepers in Hawaii. John Muir and Hudson Stuck were guardians of God's green (and snowy and icy) earth and the peoples that lived close to it. They are all departed but not forgotten. They also account for all six basic categories for Prayers of the People - the Universal Church, our communities, the nation and the world: the suffering, and the departed. It's all there in the BCP on page 383. We Episcopalians know how to "cover the bases"!

Holy week is upon us.  
Please join us for the journey.  
Peace, Fr. Joe

# Holy<sup>+</sup>Week **SCHEDULE**

March 29 (Palm Sunday) 9:00 AM

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April 2 (Maundy Thursday) 7:00 PM

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April 3 (Stations of the Cross) 4:00 PM

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April 4 (Easter Egg Hunt) 1:00 PM  
(Easter Vigil) 7:00 PM

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April 5 (Easter Sunday) 9:00 AM

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## March Vestry Minutes

- Vestry approved the Vision committee to replace cabinet in office wing above the sink and to re upholster the chairs in the meeting room.
- Vestry approved Gannon bee prevention
- Chicken BBQ is looking for a new chair

### Ministry Fair

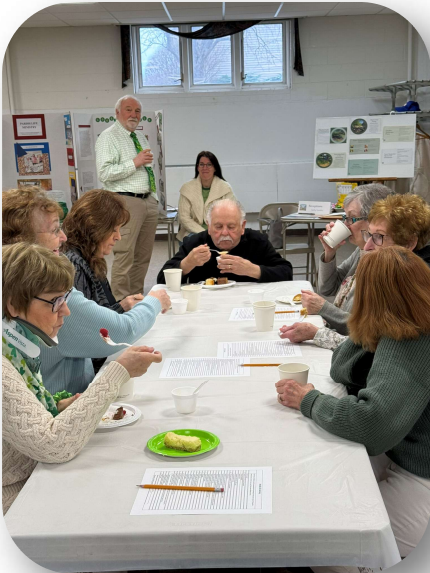
If you did not get a chance to discover at all the wonderful ministries at Grace, do not worry. The boards are in the Welcome Area and have a contact name with each one if you have any questions or are interested in participating in a ministry. Joining a ministry is a wonderful way to get to know your fellow parishioners better and helps us continue the mission of Grace!





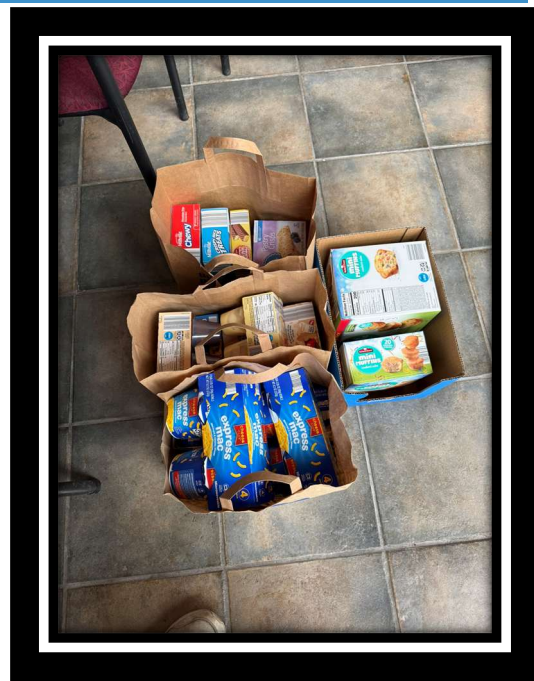
**Parish Life Cook-Off**  
Cheese dip, quiche, cheese soup, and cheesecake—oh my! There were so many tempting dishes that picking a favorite proved nearly impossible.

*Congratulations to the winners of the cookoff*



## Outreach

*Thank you for your generous donations to the BeeFull program at Baker High. Our collection of snacks and mac/cheese cups will help the kids over their spring break.*



### What Can You Do?

Let's protect and save our earth for the next generation! Think about an Earth wise commitment you can make. Take a paper strip from the basket next to the wall display in the Welcome Area. Write down your pledge to the earth, sign it, and we will tack it to the display. Our Earth Thanks You!

Plus, don't forget to bring in your used, washed medication bottles. We are gathering them to send to Matthew 25 charity. There is a collection box in the foyer. There is also an envelope with the organization's address if you have family and friends who might be interested and they don't live nearby or don't attend Grace.



### Have you liked our Facebook page?

If you haven't visited our new Facebook page yet, you should definitely check it out! Thanks to Sara A., the page has come to life with announcements and current events. It's easy to find—just click the link at the top of our website or the link in TWAG.

Don't forget to like and follow our page too!



### Grace Episcopal Church Baldwinsville

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7h  
Remember! Drop off of items for the Rummage Sale will happen tomorrow morning, March 28th from 10am-12pm at Grace Church!

## Rummage Sale

Grace Episcopal Church  
110 Oswego Rd.  
Baldwinsville, NY 13027

Friday and Saturday  
April 17 & 18  
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

#### Categories

- ✓ antiques
- ✓ collectibles
- ✓ baby accessories
- ✓ books
- ✓ small appliances
- ✓ small furniture
- ✓ clothing
- ✓ jewelry
- ✓ toys/games
- ✓ musical instruments
- ✓ sporting goods
- ✓ farm/garden items
- ✓ tools
- ✓ household items
- ✓ plants
- ✓ We will not accept electronics-monitors, tvs, computers, et.

#### \*Payment Methods\*

Cash  
and  
Local checks only



#### Community Donations

Donations from the community will be welcomed at Grace Episcopal Church on Saturday, March 28th, from 10 a.m. to noon.

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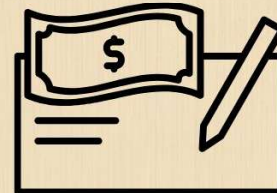
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Remaining items from the  
sale will be donated to the  
Rescue Mission and  
**PEACE.**





## OUTHOUSE CHALLENGE

Area FoodPantries Need  
OurHelp!!

Did you know that foodstamps  
do not cover paper  
productsand toiletries?

Many years ago, a request for a roll of toilet paper was made to Joseph Folckemer, pastor of the Hillview American Baptist Church in Baldwinsville. This inspired Pastor Joe to establish an "Outhouse Challenge". He built a rustic outhouse that traveled to various churches to encourage parishioners to donate toilet paper to the Baldwinsville Food Pantry. Over the years this project grew to include other paper products and toiletries, none of which are covered by food stamps. Recently, a local Boy Scout, Lukas Ryan, built a beautiful new outhouse for his Eagle Scout project.

**Food pantries cannot accept used items. Donations must be new and unopened.  
We will collect the following items during April.**

Toilet paper  
Paper  
towels  
Tissues  
Laundry  
soap Fabric  
softener  
Dryer sheets  
Toilet bowl  
cleaner

Disinfectant wipes  
Disinfectant spray  
Dish soap  
Liquid hand soap  
Bar soap  
Hand lotion  
Deodorant

Toothpaste  
Toothbrushes  
Mouthwash  
Dental floss  
Shampoo  
Conditioner  
Body wash

### Edwin P. Lewis Memorial Scholarship

The Edwin P. Lewis Scholarship is awarded to a parishioner who is:

- A) A graduating high school senior who has been accepted as a full-time student at a 2 or 4 year college or vocation school, and
- B) A Confirmed member in good standing (regular in attendance, and has contributed regularly to the life and ministry of the parish) on our parish list. If you are not sure if you are in good standing, contact Fr. Joe.

It is a four year scholarship while in attendance at an accredited institution. These years must be taken consecutively, and the student must maintain at least a 3.0 (B) average on a 4.0 grading system. Each year the award winner will be required to submit a transcript of grades to verify continued eligibility, and an account of continued participation at Grace Church, campus ministry or other religious activities in order to receive subsequent annual awards.

It is to be emphasized that this scholarship is an AWARD which recognizes and encourages Christian life and work. This may be seen in the criteria listed below. It is not primarily a scholarship given on the basis of financial need, or to recognize academic achievement.

In making its selection, the committee will focus on the following requirements:

- \* The applicant shall be a confirmed member the Episcopal Church.
- \* The applicant shall have demonstrated a commitment to Grace Episcopal Church by regular attendance, active participation in church events and in activities organized for charity.
- \* A first time applicant shall be completing his/her senior year of high school with a four year grade average of 3.0 (B) or better or its equivalent..
- \* The applicant shall be of good character and high moral standards.

If you are eligible, and would like to apply for this Award please contact the church office for an application by April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

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#### Worship

Sunday 9:00 A.M. Alternating Holy Eucharist Rite 1 & 2

Rev. Dr. Joseph Hannah

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Wednesday 10:00 A.M. Morning Prayer

Deacon Rev. Linda Murdock

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