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Voice of the Swan Newsletter

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The Holy Eucharist

Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

Tuesday: 7:00 AM

The Staff

Reverend Marion Phipps, Rector

Dr. Margaret Brady, Director of Music

Dan Dolney, Senior Warden

Craig Skeppstrom, Junior Warden

Karen Warner, Administrative Assistant

Ed Jamrog, Treasurer

Katie White, Vestry Clerk

Jeanne Rayner, Altar Guild

**November Birthdays
Happy Birthday!!**

Beverly Hopson	11-1
Brian Baumrind	11-2
Dan Dolney	11-4
Joan Garrett	11 - 4
Mike Rowe	11 - 6
Randy Lemcke	11 - 6
Joey Rayner	11 - 6
Sue Campbell	11 - 7
Gabriel Zawadzki	11 - 10
Paul Moeller	11 - 12
Marty Owens	11 - 15
Dean Johnson	11 - 15
Keith Rauschenberger	11 - 15
Walter Garrett	11 - 16
Roberta Adams	11 - 18
Mike Miner	11 - 18
Sheila Rose	11 - 20
Katie Puccio	11 - 22
Juanita Brook	11 - 25
Jody Rowe	11 - 27
Danielle Tabbert	11-29

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The News Letter of St. Hugh of Lincoln Church

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Dear Parish Family,

"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever." (1 Chronicles 16:34)
I hope you are enjoying this beautiful fall! Whether I am driving around, looking out the office or church windows, or walking my dog, everywhere I look I see God's glory and find myself filled with gratitude for the beauty which surrounds me. Programs are underway and the roof fund is growing and we are surrounded by God's love and blessings! Thanks to all who have donated so far to our roof fund, and have turned in their time, talent, and financial pledges for the upcoming year. The more information the finance committee has going into the new year, the better they can plan for our future! If you haven't had a chance to fill out your form yet please do and turn it in as soon as possible. Thanks to each of you who support the life and work of God's Kingdom in this place! We are blessed to be a part of this community and hopefully we can continue to share our blessings with others!

On a plus note, we were able to find a new insurance policy that will save us almost \$4000.00. With the new policy, there will be a requirement to have background checks done on everyone who is working with anyone within the parish even on a volunteer basis. This includes all Sunday school teachers, nursery volunteers, and Befrienders. The vestry voted to all undergo background checks themselves. We aren't trying to invade people's privacy, but we want to insure a safe environment for all and as a policy, this makes sense as it will be in place to screen newcomers before they start working with folks. When we get the new policy we will have find out what information we need for the background checks and keep you posted. The information we receive will be reviewed by me and kept in the locked safe where we store our parish records. If you have questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact me or any vestry member.

We just had a fun day with a bunch of our kids and some of their parents for an early Halloween Party last Saturday. Special thanks to Mike Phipps, Katie White, Leslie Scheffel and all the parents and kids who made for such a fun Halloween Party on the 25th! I posted some pictures on our church Facebook page if you're interested in seeing what we were up to!

As Dan notes in his letter there are a lot of things happening around here this month! Chili cook off and ice cream bar fund raiser on November 8th and our annual Thanksgiving brunch between services on the 23rd. Hope you will come and enjoy fellowship and good food with our parish family! It is a wonderful time to gather and give thanks for the love we share in this community. We have ordered Advent resources for individuals and families which we will pass out the day of the Thanksgiving brunch since Advent begins on November 30th.

There will be a Eucharist at 10:00AM on Thanksgiving Day, November 27th, and I hope if you're in town you can join us and give thanks around God's table before we scatter to our various celebrations! As Paul wrote to the Philippians, "I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now..." (Philippians 1:3-5)

Love and Blessings,

Marion+

Senior Warden Report

It's November. If you thought it's been a busy year up to now.....'you ain't seen nothin' yet!' Yes, my birthday is coming up, but that's not what I'm referring to. The RELICS are selling cookie dough again this year. What a great fundraiser! Everybody likes cookies and all the money goes to outreach. So stock up for the holiday and well beyond.

Of course, nobody cooks like the people of St. Hugh and November will prove that once again. Mark November 8th on your calendar to attend the St. Hugh Chili Cook-off and Ice Cream Social Roof fundraiser. There will be a variety of chili recipes to taste and then treat yourself to some ice cream with all the fixings and toppings. Your free-will offering will go towards the new roof we need for the Church. Come with a big appetite, bring the family and friends, and don't forget your checkbook.

Our Annual Thanksgiving Brunch will be held between services on November 23rd. This has always been a great day for fellowship, great food, a chance for the 8 o'clockers and the 10:30 people to mix it up.....not to mention to give thanks to God for all of our blessings in our lives.

In closing, I'd like to thank everyone that got their Time, Talent, and Pledge sheets in. I know it was earlier than usual so I appreciate it so much. If you haven't yet submitted your form yet, please do so as it allows us to make schedules, ministry and budget decisions in a timely and prudent manner. Take your faith beyond the pew. Participate. Involve yourself. Belong.

Dan Dolney, Senior Warden

Set your clocks before you go to bed -
Saturday night, November 1st.

*Sunday, November 2nd Food Pantry Sunday
Please bring non-perishables to church to be blessed and
delivered to the Elgin Community Crisis Center. It's Prayer Partner Sunday, too!*

St. Hugh's Annual Parish Thanksgiving

Sunday, November 23rd at 9AM

See you for brunch!

Watch for a sign up sheet!

Thanksgiving Day Service November 27th 10AM

Taize - Healing Service is the
second Sunday of the month... November 9th @
7pm.

We are collecting for the giving tree in Wiedrich Hall, starting Sunday, November 30. We are collecting trial sized personal care items such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorants, lotions, etc. Please bring them in, we'll bag them up as a set to give to the Community Crisis Center in December, after Sunday, the 21st and the Soup Kitchen on Christmas Day. As you are shopping or are staying at a hotel that provides these items, please consider donating to the cause.

**St. Hugh's
Chili Cook-off & Ice Cream Social
Roof Fundraiser on Saturday, November 8th!**

**Beautiful raffle items donated for the
Chili Cook-Off Roof Fundraiser Night**

Raffles are \$5 each or 3 for \$10

Quilt dimensions are 73 x 86, will fit a full sized bed.
Thanks to Murriel Riedesel for her generous and beautiful donation to the cause.

Thanks to Ed Jamrog for his generous donation of his set of fabulous framed photos from Utah, California and Arizona.

Parent's Christmas Shopping Day Out

Plan to leave the kids here at St. Hugh in good hands while you shop.

Sunday, December 7th Noon til 4PM

RELICS: Diets and Cookie Dough

Diets and healthy living is our focus for our Wednesday, November 5, meeting when Dr. Karin Broode from Healthy Habits will be speaking to us about how to successfully lose pounds as well as find pain relief through appropriate nutrition. Join us at noon in Wiedrich Hall. Bring your lunch or perhaps a healthy salad to share with others.

Moving to the other side of the spectrum, our December holiday luncheon will be Monday, December 1, so that we can distribute cookie dough orders as well as decide on monetary distributions for charities for this year. Bring a salad or dessert to share.

RELICS upcoming dates to remember:

- November 1 Craft Show at Christ the Lord Lutheran
- November 5 November meeting with speaker Dr. Karin Broode
- November 9 Cookie Dough orders due
- December 1 December holiday luncheon and cookie dough distribution

St. Hugh/Relics "Sweets" Fundraiser 2014

For local, national and international charities. Help us help others
With sales for **COOKIE DOUGH, POPCORN, FUDGE CAKES, CHOCOLATE**

___ ORDERS ARE DUE Mon. Nov. 10

--Please provide a phone number for each customer ordering

--Checks payable to St. Hugh

--Please place orders & checks in the "sweets" box in Wiedrich Hall

Extra flyers & order forms available in Wiedrich Hall as well

-----PICK UP YOUR ORDER ON MON. DEC. 1-----NOON UNTIL 6 P.M.

-----QUESTIONS????? Call Ele Proctor 847-669-9222

Thank you all!

Save the Date

December Soup Kitchen is Christmas Day, December 25th at

Church of the Redeemer 5 – 7PM

From the St. Hugh Music Director

November Rehearsal Calendar

November 5 Wednesday 7PM

November 12 Wednesday 7PM

November 19 Wednesday 7PM

Week of November 26th - no rehearsal

Christmas Services for 2014 (New Time)

Tuesday, December 24th 4PM Family Service

7:30 PM Carols

8PM Service

Wednesday, December 25th 10AM Service

November 4th
Elgin Episcopal Book Club

Books are \$21

See Juanita or Larry Brook for your autographed copy.

Frances Fuller is a captivating story teller, and *In Borrowed Houses*, her collection of true stories, is a pearl of great price. In the book, she shares the experiences of her family – and those of her Lebanese neighbors and loved ones – during the ordinariness and horror of war in Beirut, Lebanon in the 1970s. Frances writes for readers of all persuasions. She is articulate and restrained. Her compassion is inclusive. In each dialogue and interaction, we come to know and love the real people who are suffering conflict and pain. Somehow, despite all the violence and inhumanity, those who survive discover love, and, at times, even hope and faith. Given the events in the Middle East since the Arab Spring, especially in Syria, these stories are more timely than ever. But most of all, when you finish the book, you will come away with a sense of lasting beauty. - Larry Brook

Our RELICS' are participating as a vendor!
Christ the Lord Craft Show
West on Highland from St. Hugh of Lincoln Church
9 – 3PM

Temperature..

Please help when leaving the church to turn the heat down to 60 degrees. Make sure all the windows are closed, as well.

The Loving Memory Tree

This year the tree in the narthex will be decorated with white lights and white tags with ribbons. This is a tradition that St. Michael's in Barrington started. Beginning the evening of Sunday, December 11th at the 7PM Taize-Healing service, you are invited to write the name of a loved one who has passed away on one of the cards provided. The tree itself will go up on Sunday, December 21st.

By putting their names on the tree, we remind ourselves that our loved ones are not forgotten and that somehow that are with us in our Christmas worship. You are welcome to place as many tags on the tree as you would like. The names of beloved pets are also welcome. Messages of hope are also encouraged to be written. If you would like to place a small, ornament sized framed picture of your loved one that is welcomed too.

The hope is that this tree will serve as a source of comfort to all those who have recently lost a loved one, as well as to many people who still struggle at the holidays over the loss of someone who died some time ago.

The tree will stay up until after the celebration of Epiphany on January 6th. Thanks to St. Michael's for sharing this inspiration.

Jo Shelby's recipe for Hot Chicken Salad

A RELICS' favorite

HOT CHICKEN SALAD

4 cups cold chicken, cooked and chunked
2 cups celery, chopped
2 hard-boiled eggs, diced
2 tablespoons onion, finely minced
1 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons lemon juice
¾ cup mayonnaise
¾ cup condensed cream of chicken soup
1 can water chestnuts, slivered
1 cup cheese, grated
1 ½ cups potato chips, crushed
⅔ cup toasted almonds, finely chopped

Combine chicken, celery, eggs, onion, salt, lemon juice, mayonnaise, soup and slivered water chestnuts together mixing well. Spread in 9x13-inch baking dish. Combine cheese, potato chips and almonds and spread over top. Cover and refrigerate overnight. When ready to bake, remove casserole from refrigerator, preheat oven to 400 degrees and bake 20-25 minutes.
Yield 8 servings.

Prayer for Thanksgiving

Loving God,

We turn our hearts to you on this day for giving thanks, mindful of your many gifts.

For each one, we are grateful.

For each one, we are blessed.

For each one we are opened to the abundance of
your love.

May this Thanksgiving Day offer a reminder to be generous with others,
as you are with us.

We praise you.

We rejoice in you.

We give you thanks.

Amen.

8 Fun Facts about Thanksgiving

1. The first Thanksgiving celebration in 1621 lasted for three days. It included not only food, but also games. The Pilgrims gave thanks for the bountiful harvest with the Wampanoag Indians.
2. Pulling the "wishbone" is an ageless Thanksgiving tradition. Two people pull the turkey's breastbone apart and only the person who has the larger piece of bone is allowed to make a wish.
3. A full-grown turkey has over 3,000 feathers.
4. Firkee (or furky) is the Native American name for this tasty bird. Firkee sounds a bit like turkey.
5. When a Tom turkey [male turkey] gobbles, it can be heard from as far away as a mile. In fact, only the Tom turkeys gobble. Female turkeys make a clucking or clicking sound.
6. Benjamin Franklin, proposed that the turkey should become the official bird of the United States, but the Bald Eagle became the official USA bird.
7. According to the National Turkey Federation, 87% of Americans eat turkey on Thanksgiving. During any given year, the average American eats 17 pounds of turkey, or the weight of a decent sized bird.
8. On the first Thanksgiving the Pilgrims ate deer and not turkey.

Did you know?

The name pumpkin originated from the Greek word for "large melon" which is "pepon." "Pepon" was changed by the French into "pompon." The English termed it "pumpion" or "pompion."

Another Thanksgiving Tradition!

The National Football League has a traditional series of games played during the Thanksgiving holiday in the United States. It has been a regular occurrence since the league's inception in 1920. Currently, three NFL games are played every Thanksgiving. Here's this year's line up:

Time (CT)	Visitor	Home	TV
11:30 p.m.	Chicago Bears	Detroit Lions	CBS
3:30 p.m.	Philadelphia Eagles	Dallas Cowboys	FOX
6:30 p.m.	Seattle Seahawks	San Francisco 49ers	NBC

ADVENT RETREAT 2014

Everyone is invited to a Advent Retreat on **December 6th, 8:30AM to 3PM** at The Church of the Redeemer, 40 Center Street in Elgin. There will be sessions led by priests and lay leadership from St. Hugh of Lincoln and the Church of the Redeemer.

We will share a meal together and at 2PM, we will celebrate the Eucharist.

Everyone is welcome; please invite your family, friends and neighbors!

Childcare is available for children registered by **November 30th**.

There is no cost for registration. If you would like to purchase a lunch from *In The Neighborhood*, the cost is \$10. There is no charge for children to attend.

If parents wish to purchase a lunch for their child, the cost is \$8. Otherwise, parents will bring food for their children. Please submit your registration form and lunch money to the church offices by **November 30th**. See you there!

REGISTRATION FORM

ADVENT RETREAT DECEMBER 6 2014 8:30AM-3PM

Church of the Redeemer, 40 Center Street, Elgin

Name _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

Are you bringing children?

Name(s) and Ages of Children: _____

There is no cost for the retreat. If adults wish to order lunch from "In the Neighborhood", the cost is \$10. If parents wish to purchase a lunch for their child, the cost is \$8.

Registration forms and payment are due at the church offices by November 30th.

Contact Church of the Redeemer at 847.742.2428

Contact St. Hugh of Lincoln at 847.695.7695

LUNCH ORDER: Circle Drink Selection and Sandwich Selection:

Coke, Diet Coke, Water

Good Shepherd, Judson, Highland, St. Ed's, St. Johns, Reverend

Good Shepherd: Tomato, mozzarella, pesto, house dressing and spices on sourdough bread

Judson: Roasted veggie mix, lettuce, tomato, and house dressing on whole wheat ciabatta

Highland: Turkey, dill havarti cheese, lettuce, tomato and dill mayo on wheat ciabatta

St. Ed's: Tuna, black olives, caramelized onions, lettuce, tomato, house dressing on multigrain

St. John's: Roast beef, caramelized onions, bleu cheese, horseradish and tomato on sourdough

Reverend: Ham, turkey, bacon, BBQ sauce, caramelized onions and jack cheese on sourdough