



**Holy Comforter**  
Episcopal Church

# COMFORTABLE WORDS

... *A Monthly Communication from Holy Comforter Church...*

*Serving the Episcopal Community of Angleton Since 1897*

**JUNE 2011**

[www.holycomforterangleton.org](http://www.holycomforterangleton.org)

## **Sunday Worship Schedule**

8:30 AM Holy Eucharist  
9:30 AM Christian Education  
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist

## **Mission Statement**

“All are welcome to grow with us through worship, prayer, fellowship, and service at Holy Comforter, a Christ-centered family Church.”

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*Celebrate Pentecost!*

*Sunday, June 12*

*10:30 AM*

*(wear red!)*

*Acts 2:1-6 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting...All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each.*

*Join us for a Potluck Lunch in  
the Parish Hall at noon!*

## MOTHER CAROL'S COLUMN



I am always thankful for Holy Comforter Parish, but I have to say I am *especially* thankful now. Our May 14 wedding and reception were simply marvelous, thanks to all of you. You sang, served, cooked, cleaned, ushered, decorated, prepared---and on and on and on. The list of contributions is endless, as is our gratitude! George and I thank you for making our wedding day so very special. You have blessed us indeed!

The celebrating continues: Because Easter Sunday came in late April this year, we remain in the Season of Easter for one more Sunday in June. Alleluia! On **June 12**, as the newsletter cover reminds us, we celebrate **Pentecost Sunday**. This year, we'll have one service only at 10:30, followed by a Potluck lunch in the Parish Hall. In addition to Pentecost, we'll be celebrating **Holy Comforter's 114th Birthday!** Quite an accomplishment to celebrate, and a particularly great opportunity to invite your friends to experience the joy and goodness of Holy Comforter!

For those of you who want to experience Episcopal worship & celebration at its grandest, be sure to come to the **Diaconate Ordination at the Cathedral on Saturday, June 11 at 10 a.m.** Both permanent and transitional deacons (those who will later be ordained to the priesthood) will be ordained by Bishop Doyle. This service is a glorious service of worship with folks from across the diocese; I hope you can join us!

And, last but not least, this month is Episcopal Night at the Ballpark! Astros vs. Rangers: should be a good game! Buy your \$25 tickets from Donna Trusty...see details on page 3.

So much to celebrate! As I mentioned in the Children's Moment last week, the Scriptures are filled with stories of parties, dinners, and celebrations. God is pleased when we rejoice in God's goodness and in one another. Don't miss out on any of these opportunities for fellowship and fun, including of course, each Sunday morning!

Abundant blessings to you!

*Carol*



## Coffee Hosts for June



5 Paula Haenchen, Pat Arnold, Cathy Helms

12 Pentecost Potluck

19 The Eby Family

26 Coffee Host Needed

Please contact Betty Mogford at 979-345-2968 if you would like to sign up.



- 2 Alex Knapp
- 7 SuZan Carpenter
- 8 Greg Hawkins
- 15 Libba Lostak
- 24 Allan Dinsmore
- 28 Jack Carroll

## Episcopal Night at the Ballpark



vs.



Tuesday, June 28, 2011

7:05pm

Arrive early. Bishop Andy Doyle will be throwing out the first pitch!

Mezzanine level seats with "All you can eat" Ballpark fare (soda, water, peanuts, popcorn, nachos, and hot dogs) are \$25 each.

We have 20 seats reserved.  
Contact Donna Trusty for tickets.  
[drummom7@yahoo.com](mailto:drummom7@yahoo.com)  
or 979-529-9636



### "GREEN"

#### TIP OF THE MONTH

Forget trying to make your lawn look like a golf putting green, and keep your grass longer. Longer blades discourage weeds and pest insects, which means you are under less pressure to apply toxic pesticides and herbicides. Longer grass also shades the roots more, and helps prevent the soil from drying out. It tends to lead to healthier roots, so your green carpet will be hardier, and should require less water in the long run.



- 11 Don & Lola Kay Hood
- 27 Ronnie & Deborah White
- 30 James & Deborah Northrup



## *Discovery Day is coming Saturday, August 6!*

Come discover everything you always wanted to know about the Episcopal Church! *Discovery Day* is an interactive immersion into the Episcopal Church. It begins at 9 a.m. and concludes at 2 p.m. Lunch & snacks included!

Join us for a rousing game of Catechetical Pursuit, a fashion show of vestments and much, much more! You'll be able to ask (anonymously!) all the burning questions you've been dying to ask, such as: Why do people bow to the altar? Why is that red candle burning over the choir? And anything else you want to know!

Those who complete the day will be eligible (but not required) to be confirmed when Bishop Doyle visits us August 14. Those who have already been confirmed are welcomed and encouraged to attend as well.

Please register by: calling the Church Office: 849-1269 or e-mailing: [holycomforterangleton@gmail.com](mailto:holycomforterangleton@gmail.com)  
Child care will be available, but we need to know you are coming! We hope to see you there!

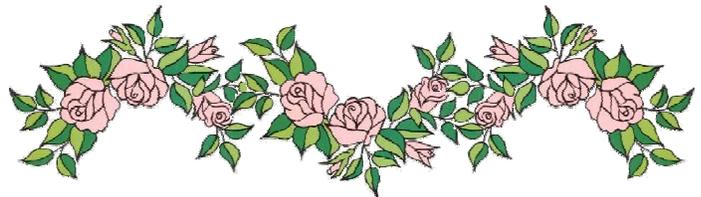
*thank you!*

*I wish to express my appreciation to Holy Comforter for the reception given in my honor on May 1st upon my licensing by the Episcopal Diocese of Texas. And, I am most appreciative of the personalized Prayer Book and Hymnal given me on that occasion. Plus, the cake was not only beautiful but also very tasty! It is a distinct joy to be a volunteer staff person to work with Mother Carol and all of you. Thank you for all that you have done for me and for welcoming Carolyn and me as you have.*

*--Father Preston*

*A special "thank you" and much heart-felt appreciation to The Church, Mother Carol, The Altar Guild, and all who participated in helping me to celebrate my birthday.*

*-- Mabel Hamlin*



*Flowers, flowers, flowers!  
The 2011 Flower Calendar is up in the  
Parish Hall.*

*All are invited to sign up to underwrite flowers in honor of/memory of/celebration of a special person or event! Donation needed is \$20 per vase. After Sunday worship, the flowers are shared with others so the gift keeps on giving!*

*Join us for Vacation Bible School*



*Featuring Favorite Stories  
from the New Testament*

*Ages  
3-5  
&  
K-3rd*      *Come discover  
Godly Play!  
Join us for fun  
activities, games,  
crafts and singing!*

*Sunday, July 17th thru  
Thursday, July 21st  
from 6 – 8 PM  
Space is limited, so call  
849-1269 to register today!*

**Mark your calendars  
For Bishop, Blessing  
& BBQ!**



**Sunday, August 14**



The Rt. Rev. C. Andrew Doyle, the ninth Bishop of the Diocese of Texas, will visit Holy Comforter for a service of Confirmation, Baptism, & Reaffirmation. After the service we'll head to the Parish House and Playground for a blessing of our expanded campus, after which we'll enjoy a BBQ lunch cooked by the best BBQers in Texas: the men of Holy Comforter!

If you desire confirmation, baptism, or to reaffirm your faith, please contact Mother Carol.



*Towards a more profound Alleluia*

Greetings Everyone,

First off, I would like to thank everyone who took part in the music for George and Carol's wedding. It was a beautiful service and many thanks to the people that helped to make that possible. It was great to have a "full house" up in the choir area.

During the summer, the choir will be taking a break from rehearsing after church; they have worked very hard and deserve a summer vacation! However, they will still be meeting at 10:00 to warm-up and prepare for the worship service. I would like to extend an invitation to the congregation to take part in our "Summer Pick-up Choir." If you have ever wondered what it is like to be part of the music ministry at Holy Comforter now is the time. Merely show up at 10:00 on Sunday morning, we will have a quick rehearsal, find you a robe, and then sing the service. I hope some of you will take part in summer choir and I will see you in the choir loft.

In Christ,  
*Daniel*



*The Episcopal Diocese of Texas  
invites you to the  
Ordination of Deacons*

*Saturday, June 18  
Christ Cathedral  
1117 Texas St.  
Houston*

*Bishop C. Andrew Doyle will ordain  
numerous candidates to the Holy  
Order of Deacons.*

*A reception will follow in the Great  
Hall of the Cathedral.  
Witness the pomp and circumstance  
of the Episcopal Church at its finest!*



*Join us for a  
Hot Dog Picnic Celebration  
Sunday, July 3  
in the Parish Hall after the 10:30 service!*



*Coffeehouse Theology*

*Parish Hall 9:30*

**Our baptismal covenant invites us to "continue in the apostle's teaching and fellowship." Christian education is a part of the way we fulfill our covenant vows.**

**You are invited to join us every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. as we delve into scripture to consider the stories of our faith and apply God's word to our own lives.**



*Boy Scout Buzz*

*The scouts went camping at  
Lake Texana on the 14th & 15th  
where they spent their time  
fishing, hiking and canoeing.  
They also worked on their  
camping skills in preparation  
for summer camp. In June the  
scouts will be working on CPR,  
learn about wildfires and get  
ready for summer camp in  
West Texas.*

## *Holy Comforter Episcopal Church Vestry Synopsis*.....

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Holy Comforter Episcopal Parish Vestry was held on April 12, 2011, with Rev. Carol Petty presiding. The meeting was opened with prayer led by Mother Carol at 7:00 p.m. Those vestry members present were: Dianne Kilgus, Barbara Thomas, SuZan Carpenter, Jerry Powell, Ed White, Trey Picard, and Ellen Eby. Also present was Pam Massingill, Clerk of the Vestry. Members absent were Lori Hawkins, Mike Hattaway, and Chip Cole.

Vestry members toured the Parish House and school grounds to view the progress. They are coming along very nicely.

The minutes of the March 15, 2011, regular vestry meeting were presented. Corrections were made to the March minutes. Corrections were approved and seconded.

The new Head of Schools is Nancy Standlee of Lake Jackson. She comes with many years experience teaching, particularly PPCD. The school board and committee are very pleased and excited for Nancy to join HCES. It was also reported that the Spring Fundraiser was successful and a fun day for all.

Junior Warden, Jerry Powell presented information on the yard service and bids he had received. He felt he had received a very good response and the rates ranged from \$80 to \$375 per week. The current service person was willing to reduce his rate. Jerry will be making his final decision after the upcoming Clean Up Day. He is hoping to have a large turnout of helpers and perhaps have CUDs several times per year to help with maintenance costs. All were encouraged to attend even if only for a short time.

Mother Carol reminded all of the upcoming Holy Week plans and work schedule. Attendance was encouraged. Ellen Eby gave her report on the Vestry breakfast to be hosted on Easter Sunday. A simple menu of breakfast casseroles, fruit, breads, muffins, milk and orange juice was to be served. She accepted contributions and encouraged all to expect about 190 persons to eat that morning. We will need to arrive Sunday morning by 8:45 to get all the food out for the 9:30 breakfast. Pam Massingill and Annabelle Powell are the decorating committee and will meet on Sunday, April 17th at 9:15 to discuss particulars of Easter Sunday decorations. Connie Hattaway is in charge of flowering the cross with the children on Sunday morning. Donna Lewis is in charge of the Easter egg hunt for the children after the Easter service.

Dianne Kilgus presented the Treasurers report. Ellen moved to accept the report. Trey seconded the motion. Motion passed.

With there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m. with prayer led by Mother Carol.

Respectfully submitted,

*Pam Massingill*, Clerk of the Vestry

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### **Financial Report**

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>April</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Operating Income	15,478.00	64,832.75
Operating Expense	18,056.31	70,964.76
Surplus or (Deficit)	2,578.31	(6,132.01)
<u>Designated Gifts (Memorial, Disc. Fund, etc.)</u>		
Income	1,327.00	7,749.80
Expenditures	39.00	6,996.04

Endowment Fund Balance as of 4/30/11 was \$518,494.61

Value of mineral properties is in addition to this amount.

# June 2011

## Monthly Planner

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