

## Announcements – 10.18.20

**Join us for coffee hour** after the diocesan-wide service. Our coffee hour hosts will be Paule French and other available delegates to the Annual Convention. We'll report on, discuss, and entertain questions about the Convention, as well as, chat and get caught up with one another!, See Nina's News and Notes email for the Zoom invitation.

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**Weekly St. Bart's Children's Homily!** I invite all interested families and parishioners to check out our weekly St. Bart's Children's Homilies. The first homily video from last Sunday has been posted to the St. Bart's website, and this is where all future homilies can be found. On the main page, hover over "Our Community" and then click on "Children and Youth." Follow this link to that page: <https://stbyarmouth.wordpress.com/children-and-youth/>  
Or follow this link directly to the YouTube video: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qoVIEz5zF0A&feature=emb\\_logo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qoVIEz5zF0A&feature=emb_logo)

**Youth Small Groups on Zoom! Beginning next week on October 20<sup>th</sup>**, St. Bart's kids can join other kids their age in a weekly virtual Zoom meeting. An email will go out to parents on Monday with the links to join. The meetings are as follows:

Ages 5-7: Wednesday mornings from 7:30-8am

Ages 8-10: Wednesdays from 11:30am-12pm

Ages 11-13: Tuesday nights from 7-7:30pm

**Journals for St. Bart's kids** are still available for **pick-up at church!** Find a blue bin labeled "Sunday School" on the bench outside the entrance. Start recording your "Godservations" and tracking your spiritual journey with the weekly homily reflection questions.

**Opportunity for youth in grades 6-12!** A Zoom meeting occurs on the third Monday of every month for all Episcopal youth in Maine in grades 6-12. This is a chance to "pray, play, and connect" with other youth around the state. **The next meeting is Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7pm.** The Zoom link to attend is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81625716888>.

ALSO, check out and follow their **Instagram account: maineyouth\_episcopals!**

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**The 2020 Yarmouth Art Festival will be up and online beginning Monday, October 19-31, with a new e-commerce system and no-contact pickup for buyers. Please mark your calendars, and spread the word to your art-loving friends!** More information is on the website, <http://yarmouthartfestival.com>

Any questions, contact Joe Michaud, [michaud.joe@gmail.com](mailto:michaud.joe@gmail.com)

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**St. Elizabeth's Essentials Pantry -- Annual Coat Distribution on Tues. Oct. 20 - Volunteers are needed!** There are indoor and outdoor volunteer options. Here is the link to sign-up and details follow:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C48AEA62BA7FF2-stelizabeths>

**We need people in three roles on Tuesday, October 20: PLEASE SIGN UP FOR AS MANY SHIFTS and ROLES AS YOU WOULD LIKE / CAN SERVE. You can sign up all day for one role, if you'd like. Just fill in the spots on the Sign up.**

**1) Personal Shopper (TOP priority!):** Assisting with personal shopping by working directly with people in a socially distanced, masked way: *2 people needed EACH slot. (Indoors following Maine CDC retail protocols)*

**2) Outside Facilitator:** Helping outside with orderly, socially distanced lines (and giving anyone who does not have a mask one that we provide): *8 people needed EACH slot.*

**3) Restocking Inventory:** Working indoors behind the scenes to restock racks with coats organized by size for men and women: *1 person needed EACH slot.*

The first shift begins at 8am and we will work until all coats are gone, which might be until late afternoon. If we are out of inventory earlier, we will close. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you, Anne

Jacobs, [ajacobs207@gmail.com](mailto:ajacobs207@gmail.com).

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### **Coping with COVID: A Community Conversation.**

All are welcome to join in a conversation to acknowledge the struggle and to chart personal and community intention and planning for self-care and resilience. Join us as we explore paths for coping and building resilience on **Wednesday, Oct 21 from 7 - 8:30pm.**

Leslie Hyde facilitates a conversation between Greg Marley, LCSW, Clinical Director of NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) for Maine and Kate Braestrup, Community Minister, New York Times best selling author and chaplain for the Maine State Game Wardens.

Registration Information: If you link to: <https://yarmouthme.myrec.com/info/default.aspx> Then, click on **Programs**. Then look under "Adult Classes & Activities" and click on **Coping with COVID: A Community Conversation.**

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### **BOOK NOTES – Donations now being accepted!**

Thanks to a recent visit from book dealer Kevin Nowack (of Giddyworm Books in Saco), the book room at St. Bart's now has some open shelf space for new donations. Although the book room is still off limits to browsers until the church building is open, we are now stocking our shelves with new inventory in anticipation of eventually getting back into the book selling business. So, if you have books to donate, and have an opportunity to leave them at the church on a **Wednesday between 9am and 3pm, when the office is open**, please do. **Otherwise, books can be left in the shed but please be sure to notify one of us\*** Margaret Betts ([mmbetts@roadrunner.com](mailto:mmbetts@roadrunner.com)), Linda Draper ([ldraper347@gmail.com](mailto:ldraper347@gmail.com)), or Jan Burson ([janzimsu64@gmail.com](mailto:janzimsu64@gmail.com)), so that we can bring them indoors for dry, bug-free storage. \*With apologies to Linda Perkins ([lindaperkins77@gmail.com](mailto:lindaperkins77@gmail.com)) who is temporarily off duty, but still very much a part of our team.

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### **Hannaford Gift Cards a Big Winner!**

Do you shop at Hannaford's or Bow Street Market? If you do you could earn \$5 for St. Bart's with every \$100 you spend buying groceries. So far this year thirty-three (33) St. Bart's households have earned \$6,000 for St. Bart's. Let's see...that's a LOT of grocery shopping at 5% donation to St. Bart's by Hannaford!

Many thanks to folks who are participating! It's an extra step in your grocery shopping process, but at the rate we are going we will earn \$8,000 for the St. Bart's education program this year.

Please contact John Duncan at 232-6743 or [johnwduncan29@gmail.com](mailto:johnwduncan29@gmail.com) if you want to learn more.

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**CLYNK Bags are available:** We all still need to be recycling our bottle deposits correctly. CLYNK bags are available to help support St Bart's. We have placed a clear plastic container with CLYNK bags under the wooden bench that sits below the overhang at the front of St Bart's. Thanks for your continued support.

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**Mask sewing continues!** We are looking for more people to help us out. We have very simple patterns and fabric to give to you. You can pickup and drop off at 3 Church St, Yarmouth. If you don't want to go out, Leigh Kirchner, [leighmk2050@gmail.com](mailto:leighmk2050@gmail.com), Yarmouth Aging in Place and CV Task Force member, will pick up and deliver for you. FMI: Contact Mary Calvin at 713-385-4708 or [maryecalvin@gmail.com](mailto:maryecalvin@gmail.com).

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**Zoom Knitting gathers every Monday!!** All handicrafts really - we hope you will join us on Mondays from 3-4pm as we work on our handicrafts and chat on zoom. Check Nina's News and Notes for the weekly invitation.

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**Friendship House** - We are collecting donations of: **MEN'S WINTER CLOTHES, BLANKETS, pillows, razors, shaving cream, shampoo, toothpaste and body wash.** They can be dropped off in the plastic box labeled "Friendship House" under the wooden bench that sits below the overhang at the front of the church. Also, financial contributions are welcomed and can be mailed to: Friendship House, 390 Lincoln Street, South Portland, Maine 04106.

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## St. Elizabeth's Essentials Pantry

~ Thank you for the coat donations. We now have a full supply! ~

**Current Needs: Hats, gloves, mittens, scarves and Boots: Please label the toe of the boots with its size (ex. Men's 10) using masking tape and tie the laces together.**

### We Need Volunteers:

If you are willing to serve directly with the public during our distributions on Tuesdays this fall and winter, please contact Linda Draper ldraper347@gmail.com. Masks and face shields will be provided.

Cash Donations: If you would like to make a cash donation to St. Elizabeth's for the purchase of coats and boots in hard to find sizes or for the purchase of wool socks, please send checks payable to: St. Elizabeth's Jubilee Center, Attn: Rev. Holly Hoffmann, PO Box 4036, Portland, ME 04101

In Kind Donations: Consider purchasing our high need items listed on our Amazon wishlist: <http://a.co/eV6rZyn>

### **October Lawn Care Schedule**

Oct 11-17: Gregg Hoerr

Oct 18-24: John Perkins

Oct 25-31: Mark Goettel

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**Healing Prayers -** The Pastoral Care Committee is available to offer healing prayers upon request via a phone call or video call. If you would like to arrange such a call, please contact Barbara Barhydt, [jbml@gwi.net](mailto:jbml@gwi.net) or Pam Hobson, [pamhobson46@gmail.com](mailto:pamhobson46@gmail.com) and they will schedule a convenient time with one of the Committee members.

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### **Facing Stigma: Creating Solutions**

*Stigma is ubiquitous and takes different forms in our community. Join together in learning about its roots, its manifestations, its consequences and how we may come together in community to overcome and combat. To address the impact of Stigma on people who are even more desperate during the pandemic,* The Episcopal Church of Saint Mary the Virgin invites you to attend the first in a series on Stigma to be held virtually on Zoom **Sunday, Oct. 25 from 4-6 PM**. The community discussion features Suzanne Fox, Executive Director of the Yellow Tulip Project, a national program to eradicate the Stigma of mental illness. For this program, she will provide a general overview on Stigma and will then facilitate small group discussions in "break-out rooms."

Click here [St. Mary's - Facing Stigma Creating Solutions](#) for more information and the Zoom link.