

hot lunches to students in Figaro (often their only meal for the day), teachers' salaries and funds for school construction. Please notice the beautiful posters around STG, featuring Haitian art. For photos of more Haitian art, please visit STG's website, www.stgeorgesyorkharbor.org.

Eliot Festival Day on September 27, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at State Road, Eliot. The 28th annual Eliot Festival Day is full of a variety of crafters, food vendors and entertainment including a chili cook-off, an antique car show, parade, road-race, and fireworks. FMI call 207-439-5033.

Summer Rental. Are you looking for a place for friends or relatives to stay this summer? St. Thomas' Episcopal Church in Camden has remodeled its rectory. The upstairs, with its own entrance, is now a 2-BR rental apartment with full kitchen, bathroom with shower, sitting room and more. Available for weekly summer rentals (\$950/week July/August and \$750/week June/September) and winter rental October 1—June 1 (\$800/month). Pictures available on downstairs bulletin board or go to their website. FMI or if interested, contact John Doncaster 207-236-4136 or jaydonc@verizon.net.

Schedule for St. George's This Week

Sunday:	10:00 a.m. - Living Our Baptismal Promises
Monday:	5:00 p.m. - Deadline: <i>October issue of Dragon Tales</i>
Tuesday:	6:00 p.m. - Youth Group meeting 7:00 p.m. - Craft Group meeting
Wednesday:	12 noon - Deadline: <i>September 21 bulletin</i>
Thursday:	10:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist & Healing 7:00 p.m. - Parish choir practice
Saturday:	9:00-2:00 - Fall Rummage Sale

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Dragon News
Weekly Notices
Week of September 14, 2008
Celebrating 60 Years! 1948-2008

EVENTS, DATES & ACTIVITIES

Baptismal Preparation. A host of you have asked about having your children baptized, so we are planning a baptismal preparation group early this fall. Please contact Paige+ at 363-7376 or pblair1@earthlink.net to let her know your interest. September 14 at 10:00 is the first session—*Living our Baptismal Promises*.

Our program year began on September 7. Coming up soon are the following:

- Our **three-service worship schedule resumed** on September 7 (7:45, 9:00, 11:00)
- **Church School classes** begin on Sunday, September 14
- **Time & Talent** will take place in the form of several speakers each Sunday between October 19 and November 16, speaking briefly on their ministries at the end of services.

Adult Spiritual Formation in September.

Living our Baptismal Promises, September 14, 10 a.m. If you are planning to be baptized, have your child baptized, be or have been a godparent, if your children have been baptized or if you have ever said the words, “We Will!” to the question, “Will you do all in your power to uphold this person in her new life in Christ?” at a baptismal service, this gathering is for you. We will ask what the baptismal vows they mean the day of baptism, or if you are contemplating confirmation, and what the baptismal vows mean down the road as we try to help our children or godchildren live into them, even as we live into them ourselves.

Stump the Rector! September 21, 10 a.m. Ever wondered why the Episcopal Church has no Pope? Why the clergy wear funny collars? What's that scarf called that they wear over their shoulders or around their necks? What's the difference between the Episcopal Church and another denomination? What was that Lambast (sic) Conference in England about anyway? Who is the Archbishop of Canterbury and how did he land that fancy job? What does the Episcopal church believe about __? Come, try to stump the Rector with your questions, trivial and deep alike! If you're wondering, chances are someone else is too!

On September 28, Paige+ will explore *Generations*, a view of how we are influenced in our perceptions and interactions by the timing of our birth and place in history and culture.

(For a complete list of formation offerings, see the September issue of *Dragon Tales*.)

Newsletter deadline. To place an article in the October issue of *Dragon Tales*, please email it to office@stgeorgesnyorkharbor.org, the parish administrator, by Monday, September 15, 5:00 p.m.

Blood Drives. The Red Cross always needs more blood. There are several blood drives happening in the Kittery-York area in the immediate future. Please consider giving! Call 800-482-0743 for blood drive locations and times.

Craft Group Meeting. Come join us for an evening of knitting on Tuesday, September 16, at 7:00 p.m. If you know how to knit or want to learn, we will have yarn and needles for those interested. We will focus on making hats to send to The Salvation Army, Crossroads House or the shelter in Portland. Coffee and cookies will be served.

The Annual Fall Rummage Sale is Saturday, September 20, from 9:00 to 2:00 in the parish hall. Please start gathering your rummage now—clothes, coats, shoes, accessories (jewelry, scarves, etc.) handbags, and linens (towels, sheets). Starting Monday, September 15, you can drop things off right in the parish hall; before the 15th, you should take them to the lower floor hallway. Donations can be received until Friday, September 19. Notations as to size would be greatly appreciated, as this really helps in the sorting. If you need assistance getting items to the church, let us know. We need people to set up, sort and price, sell on the day of the sale, and clean up. We also need posters delivered and put up in various locations. See the sign-up sheets in the parish hall, or contact Mary Anne Smith 363-3539 or nanas@maine.rr.com. It will be a fun group of workers. Please sign up!!

September 21: possible traffic problems. The Maine Coast Half Marathon will take place on Sunday, September 21. It begins at 9:00 at the high school and its route will take the runners on a course which includes the area in YH and York Village past St. George's. No roads are scheduled to be closed and no detours created for the event, but there may be some slowdowns or delays wherever the bulk of runners are at any one time. There will be police officers to help move traffic along smoothly. Although the planners have tried to plan the route in order to avoid the bulk of runners impeding churchgoers getting to services, **plan for delays in getting to or leaving St. George's!** FYI, the diagram of the planned route is on the downstairs bulletin board.

Haitian Singers in York. On September 29, Les Petits Chanteurs will be in York, with an evening concert and reception at Trinity. We need a few more households to house the musicians for the night. We also need food for the reception and donations toward the

expense of a group lunch and breakfast. Please contact Peter Blanchard (207-363-1369, email pblancha@maine.rr.com) or Susan Mullens (207-361-1210, email js.mullens@att.net). And spread the word about their visit!!

Gathering in the Berwicks. On the fourth Thursday of each month, we gather to worship at the Federated Church of South Berwick, at 5:45 p.m. The next gathering is on September 25. It includes a Eucharist that is friendly for all ages, and a potluck supper afterwards. If you would like to help lead the service, say, by offering a Godly Play story or other sermon, please let Kit Wang know (363-2314 dckabar@yahoo.com)! Your gifts are very welcome.

Blessing of the Animals. On October 5, at the 9:00 and 11:00 services, we will celebrate the Feast of St. Francis with services featuring the Blessing of the Animals. Please bring your pets on/in appropriate leashes, cages, etc.

Aging With Spirit. Engaging the sacred with lectio divina, yoga and contemplative prayer. Saturday, September 20, 9:30 - 3:00. St. Paul's, 27 Pleasant St., Brunswick. Lunch will be provided. Reservations appreciated - contact Marby Payson 207-781-4769 or Mary Ann Hoy mahoy@suscom-maine.net. Freewill offering gratefully accepted.

Memory Walk 2008 on Saturday, September 20, convening at the York Beach ballfield with registration at 8:30 a.m. Opening ceremony at 9:15 a.m., walk begins at 9:30. Refreshments will be provided prior to the three-mile walk (there will be an optional shorter route). Our vision is a world with Alzheimer's. FMI about joining or forming a team or to make a contribution, visit www.alz.org or call 363-6550. Sponsored by Home Instead Senior Care, York Hospital Home Care and the Maine Chapter of the Alzheimer's Assoc. for care and support of those affected by the disease and research for diagnosis, treatment and prevention of Alzheimer's.

Diocesan Youth Calendar Events: September 26-27: Leadership Training for Awakening. Grace Church, Bath ME. Youth and adults prepare to lead. FMI on youth events, call 800-244-6062 x-29 or go to www.maine-youth.org.

Haitian Art Sale. On Sunday, October 5, 9:00 - 2:00, the vibrant art of Haiti will fill St. George's parish hall. A wonderful, whimsical collection of paintings, iron sculptures, painted decorative items, silk scarves, and many other items will be on sale. All proceeds will return to Haiti. Sponsored by St. Andrew's Episcopal Church of Newcastle, ME. St. Andrew's is partnered with the village of Figaro in northern Haiti. St. Andrew's Haiti Fund helps provide

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