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Beverly Burnes |Sr. Warden| Russ Jennings |Jr. Warden| |Through 2013| Jenna Black Beverly Burnes Ed Hine Jack Niedrach

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Newly Elected -[Through 2015] Cooper Crawford David Hunter John S. Kirkland, Jr. Jimmy Smith

2013 Graduates













Clockwise from top left: Asa Crawford, Julia Taylor, Andrew McDaniel, Alexandra Carlton, Remy Jennings and Christina Hubbard, Patrick Tarrant. Not pictured – Alex Berry, Franklin Schrum

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2013 graduates

Alex Berry graduated from Darlington School. The son of Andrew and Susan Berry, Alex participated in lacrosse and soccer during his high school years. He is headed for the University of Alabama in the fall.

Alexandra Carlton is a graduate of Rome High School where she excelled in academics, music and athletics. The daughter of David and Dagmar Carlton, she was a member of the National Honor Society, a Governor's Honors finalist and a Duke TIPS participant. A member of the band, color guard, chorus, and soccer team for her four years of high school, she received many honors in these fields.

An active member of St. Peter's since her family moved to Rome when Alex was in third grade, she has served as a lay reader, a VBS volunteer, in EYC, and choirs. She was a banner bearer at Bishop Wright's ordination last October. She has been a counselor for New Beginnings at Camp Mikell. She was the student preacher on Youth Sunday this year.

"I've been attending St. Peter's since I moved to Rome in third grade. It has helped form me into the young woman I am today,. The support I feel from the members of St. Peter's is overwhelming, and I look forward to coming back into that when I return to visit. From Schroeder's nights to the New York City mission trips, St. Peter's will always have a place in my heart," says Alex.

Alexandra will attend the University of Georgia in the Honors Program in the fall and plans to major in Biology.

Asa Crawford, son of Cooper and Madge Crawford, grandson of Bess Crawford and of Henry and Madge Brown, graduated *Cum Laude* from Darlington School. He belonged to the National Honor Society, Sociedad Honoraria Nacional de El Coronel (the Spanish Language Honor Society), and Mu Alpha Theta, an international society that strives to stimulate a deeper, more effective interest in mathematics. He made the Headmaster's list during all four years at the Upper School. His other academic awards include: the Yale Book Award, Advanced Placement Scholar with Honor, the DAR Medal for American History, and the Class Citizenship Award.

He participated in Varsity Athletic Teams (Lacrosse, Crew, and Cross Country) and served as team captain on the Lacrosse and Crew teams. His other extracurricular activities included serving as Head Day Prefect for the Summerbell House, Head Day Mentor for Summerbell House, and on the House Senate in grades 11 and 12.

His volunteer activities at St. Peter's included participation with the EYC in the Hunger Walk, the AIDS walk, Mission trips to New York City and Washington D.C., and serving as an acolyte.

He will matriculate at Vanderbilt University this fall.

Christina Hubbard, daughter of Clint and Laurie Hubbard, graduated from Darlington and will attend Duke University in the fall.

Remy Jennings, daughter of Linda and Russ Jennings, graduated from Darlington School where she was valedictorian. While at Darlington, Remy was on the Varsity Track, Cross Country, and basketball teams and was active on the Darlington Servant Leadership Committee and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Additionally, Remy is a member of Cum Laude Society, National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, and the Spanish National Honor Society. She has received numerous awards, including the Walker-Smith Award for Unselfish Service, the Daniel P. Hanks Medal, the Phi Beta Kappa Book Award, the Harvard Club Award, the Rhodes College Book Award, the A.J. Huffman Memorial Award, the Wofford Scholar Award, and numerous E.L. Wright Awards for scholastic excellence. At St. Peter's, Remy served as chief acolyte for 3 years, was an EYC member, and attended the EYC NYC mission trips. Remy says that, "St. Peter's has been a great church to grow up in and a great, supportive community to be a part of! Through EYC, I have forged friendships with other youth in the church that I hope to maintain through college. My work as chief acolyte has given me greater insight into the Episcopal liturgy and taught me valuable leadership skills." Remy will attend Davidson College in the fall.

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Andrew McDaniel is the son of Elizabeth and Scott McDaniel, and he graduated from Darlington School with an "A" average. Active in the arts at Darlington, Andrew participated in several theatre productions and exhibited his sculptures in the Senior Art Show. Andrew was a Youth Theological Initiative Scholar at Emory University, an Eagle Scout, and a member of the Order of the Arrow, a Scouting Honorary Society. While at St. Peter's, Andrew served as an acolyte, was a member of EYC, and also attended the mission trips to NYC and the Murphy Harpst Home. He states that "St. Peter's has allowed me to expand my spiritual awareness and has given me many opportunities that I would not have had otherwise." In the fall, Andrew will attend Birmingham Southern College on academic and scouting scholarships in the Donald C. Harrison Honors Program where he will major in theology and medieval history.

Patrick Tarrant is the Son of Fredrick and Melissa Tarrant. Patrick graduated *Cum Laude* from Darlington School. His extracurricular activities there included Crew, Band, and the Robotics club. He began attending St. Peter's 9 years ago upon moving to Georgia with his family. He says that since then, "St. Peter's has been an extension of my family. Whether it be 'Wrestling with God,' or singing with Mrs. Scott, life at St. Peter's has been a core part of my being." He has been active at the church as an Acolyte, in the EYC, and in the Youth choir. He will matriculate at Georgia Tech this fall with plans to study Civil/Environmental Engineering.

Julia Taylor is the daughter of Joel and Wanda Taylor and graduated from Rome High School. Her long list of extracurricular activities includes 10 years of participation in the Rome Civic Ballet, the Interact Club, the Jr. Civitan Club, the German Club, the Health Occupation Students of America, Bringing Environmental Awareness to Rome, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the National League of Junior Cotillions, Varsity Cheerleading, and Younglife. She says that "growing up at St. Peters has been an absolute blessing. [St. Peters] allowed me to grow and mature in my faith, creating special relationships with people I will never forget. It was [a part of] my childhood, the beginning of my faith, and a place that I always knew I could be myself. I am so thankful for its influence." Her activities at St. Peter's included serving as an Acolyte, a mission trip to New York City that included working in the area's largest soup kitchen, volunteering at Emmaus House, supplying Christmas presents for children in need, chaperoning at Vacation Bible School, and participating in the Youth Choir. She will attend the College of Charleston in the fall, where she plans to major in Marine Biology, and then possibly medical school.





Acolyte seniors – Andrew McDaniel, Asa Crawford, Patrick Tarrant, Alexandra Carlton, and Remy Jennings, pictured with Cameron O'Riley

Canterbury Tales

Janice Bracken Wright

During the months ahead, this column will shine a spotlight on Canterbury Club graduates whose lives our parish has touched through campus ministry at Berry College, Georgia Highlands College and Shorter University. Often you ask me, "Where are they now and what are they doing?" I think you will be surprised and delighted to hear their stories.



Allen Pruitt was a member of Canterbury Club from 2000-2003. He graduated from Shorter College in 2002 with a B.S. in History, with a Religion minor. Here is an update from Allen in his own words:

I came to the Episcopal Church halfway through my college career. Strangely enough, I found St. Peter's because of Shorter College (an irony which has only grown through the years). Through the encouragement of Janice Wright, president Natalie Williams, and Andrew Whatley (who worked at St. Peter's at the time), I joined Canterbury Club and found a fun, caring community, the likes of which I hadn't known before.

After graduation, I worked at St. Peter's for about a year in two (slightly) different capacities, Coordinator of Children's Ministries and Coordinator of Children's and Youth Ministries. Throughout my time in Canterbury Club and at St. Peter's, I was discerning a call to the priesthood. In August of 2004 I began my first semester at Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria, Virginia. Upon graduating in 2007, I began work as Assistant Rector at St. Francis Episcopal Church in Great Falls, Virginia, where I worked for a little over three years. My focus was on youth

ministry, but I had the good fortune to work there during the rector's 4 month sabbatical, at which time I was able to exercise leadership in a number of different areas.

In October 2010, I was called to serve as Rector of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in LaGrange, Georgia. St. Mark's is a church with an average attendance of 115 on Sundays and is growing. Much like St. Peter's, St. Mark's is the kind of place where folks grow up at the church and then wind up on the vestry at some point! Of course we also have lots of folks brand new to town and everything in between.

About a year after moving to LaGrange, I started dating a lovely woman with two beautiful children. Casey and I are now married (as of April 13)! I'm excited to begin this part of my life, not only with a wonderful woman but also with a wonderful new family, all at once. Abby Grace is 8 years old (going on 18) and Ila is 3 (going on 83). The three are simply the loves of my life.

One thing that I have carried with me from seminary and through my first two churches is the "Celtic Evening Eucharist" that we all first experienced at St. Peter's. St. Mark's now does this lovely service on Wednesday evenings at 5:30, and everyone who experiences it is so taken with the language and the reflective nature of the service. I am more than grateful for everything that St. Peter's offered me in my formation. I would not be a priest today if it were not for the loving care of the Canterbury Club and I would not be the priest I am if it were not for Jim Yeary, Janice Wright, and Roger Ard. Thank you for being supportive of a ministry which sometimes floats under the surface, but which has an enormous impact on those of us who have the opportunity to experience it. And next time you get the chance, say "thank you" to Janice for being an amazing mentor to countless college students lost in the maze of early adulthood! \\$\frac{1}{2}\$

St. Peter's Day!

It's time to get your red on!

Mark your calendars for St. Peter's Day on

Wednesday, June 26, at St. Peter's

There will be children's activities, including inflatables, the Pollard Greens and tasty barbecue, plus a vegetarian fare.

Meet 'n greet begins at 6:00 pm, followed by dinner at 6:45 pm.

Cost is \$8 for adults and \$3 for children up to age 12, with a family maximum of \$25.

Don't forget to wear your red! Prizes awarded!

No reservations required.

Pray for our military

Our bishops want us to reach out to military families in our parish who may need support. One way is through prayer. We currently pray for family members serving in the military, but we need to invite parishioners to submit names.

St. Peter's cares about all men and women serving in the military in our behalf and especially those who are family members of our parishioners. If you have a family member serving in the military and would like to add his/her name to the Prayers of the People, please contact the church office at 706 291 9111. For additional resources, we recommend this website:

http://www.careforthetroops.org/index.php

Summer schedules

Altar Gui	ild Contact: Frieda Yeary/Helen Keaten						
June	Sunny Knauss©, Michael Ann Booth, Suzy Gilbert, Sue Ann						
	Kalkus, Patricia Richards, Beth Starnes, Frieda Yeary						
July	MJ Chisholm & Laura Davis©, Patti Barron, Lea Duncan, Vicki						
	Gilliam, Gin Gunther, Helen Keaten, Mary Patton						
August	Jackie Mooney & Marny Busbin©, Nancy Smith, Janet						
	Byington, Dana Edgens, Liz Mozley, Jan Flippen						
Breakfas	t Crew Contact: Anne/George Pullen, 295-0010						
6/23	Team 1 John Hine, Bruce Hunter, Joe Seigler, Wright Smith,						
	Bill Fricks						
6/30	Team 2 Doug Lansing, Russ Jennings, Jack Knight, Sasa						
	Vance, Andrew Berry						
7/7	Team 3 Sarah/Charlie Hardaker, Ann/George Pullen,						
	Winston Sirmans						
7/14	Team 4 Tricia Richards, Jimmy Kelley, Mike Alexander,						
	David Hunter, Peter Gilbert						
7/21	Team 5 Jack Niedrach, David Harvey, Tracy/John Schroeder,						
	Cary Kilgore, Bryan Johnson						
7/28	Team 6 Rob Page, Allien McNair, Clem Trammell, Al						
	Bonnyman, Bill Schoepski, Bill Byington						
8/4	Team 1						
8/11	Team 2						
8/18	Team 3						
8/25	Team 4						
	Contact: Mary Kirkland, 291-0558						
June:	Nancy Hunter©, Peggy Nash, Tricia Richards, Mary Patton,						
	Russ Jennings						
July:	Sarah Kilgore©, Andye Moss, David Carlton, Karen Hellriegel						
August:	Sylvia Hine©, Michael Ann Booth, Mary Sib Banks, MJ						
	Chisolm						
Loaves a	nd Fishes Contact: Peggy Nash, 235-4911 or						
	Kathy Steinbruegge, 234-5908						
June:	Elaine Smith©, Christie Thomason, Dana Edgens, Jackie						
	Mooney, Janet Morris, Jean Clark, June Dellis, Susan Harvey,						
luba	Tricia Richards						
July:	Nancy Knight©, Anthea Evans, Dana Edgens, Hollye Smith,						
	Laura Frederick, MaiMai Kelly, Marny Busbin, Mary Kirkland,						
August:	Meredith Cole, Nancy Hunter Stofani Ortman® Appette Morris Rambi Borry Cissy						
August:	Stefani Ortman©, Annette Morris, Bambi Berry, Cissy Rogers, D'Ann Downey, Laura Davis, Mary Yarbrough, Meg						
	nugers, D Arm Duwney, Laura Davis, Mary Tarbrough, Meg						

Soup Kit	cchen Contact: Bill Schoepski, 235-2109 or Sue Anderson, 291-2599							
Mon:	Frances Knight©, Irby Ledbetter, Mary McGuffey, Helen							
	Keaten, Ann Kaiser, Bob Evans, Beth Starnes, Cary Kilgore							
Tues:	Ann Laughlin©, Peggy Nash, Ruth Forrester, Suzy Gilbert,							
	June Dellis, Janet Morris, Cary Kilgore, Anne Kerr, Marny							
	Busbin							
Wed:	Cary Kilgore©, Sylvia Hine, John Hine, Dana Edgens, Elaine							
	Smith, David Norman, Larry Osborn, Randy Muller							
Thurs:	Rich Molnar©, Barb Molnar, Laura Frederick, Betsy Awsumb,							
	Lilli Tucker, Tracy Page, Cary Kilgore, Kathy Steinbruegge, Em							
	Dempsey							
Friday:	Andye Moss©, Ann Laughlin, Zibby White, Bill Knight, Cissy							
	Rogers, Larry Osborn, Cary Kilgore, Randy Muller, Llesl Bold							
Subs	Laurie Hubbard, Barbara Dixon, Meg Eberhart, Nancy							
	Hunter, Sherron Mull, Nell Warren, Ann Spears, Ann Pullen,							
	Laura Davis, Gin Gunther, Patti Brown, Randa Mixon, Mai							
	Mai Kelly, Jan Flippen, Bess Crawford (tally), Beth Hughes, Al							
	Bonnyman, Jim Dixon, Larry Osborn, Will Dellis, George							
	Pullen, Leamon Scott, Henry Brown, Spencer Musick							
Ushers	Contact: Leamon Scott, 234-7545							
June	Ronnie Mixon, David Carlton, Norman Fletcher, Pat Patton							
July	Brad Roberts, Randy Warley, Tricia Richards, Frank Minor							
August	Nat Massey, Andy Anderson, Allien McNair, Bill Schoepski							
•	of the Month:							
June – E	d Hine July – Andye Moss August – Bob Steinbruegge							

2013 Summer Dates to Remember

EYC Campout: June 29
EYC Mission Trip to Houston, TX, June 15-23
Office closed: July 4
Choir practice: July 10 at 7pm
Soup Kitchen: weeks of June 24, July 22, August 26
St. Peter's Day: June 26 at 6pm
Vestry Meetings: No meeting in July, August 20
Office closed Fridays in July
Backpack Blessing: August 4

Soup kitchen news for May

Eberhart, Randa Mixon, George Awsumb

Sue Anderson and Bill Schoepski

Day of week	Adult	Child	Male	Female	White	Black	Hispanic	To-Go	TOTAL SERVED
MAY 27-31		_		_		_	_	_	
Monday	61	6	52	15	42	18	7	20	87
Tuesday	99	12	54	57	55	50	6	26	137
Wednesday	111	22	74	37	49	55	7	0	133
Thursday	97	11	66	45	46	49	16	34	142
Friday	63	2	50	16	32	28	6	50	115
TOTALS:	431	53	296	170	224	200	42	130	614

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Thank you from Jerry Dunwoody

To All at St. Peters,

When I look at a the list of all the people who did so much for us during Madeline's illness and subsequent death, I realize I have many thank you notes to write. We were uplifted during this time with your prayers, your thoughts, your gifts of food, and your physical presence. The reception was lovely. And Loaves and Fishes did an outstanding job with food for us over a long period of time.

I thought in lieu of thank you notes I might share some thoughts I have had during this time:

We stand before the Altar with family and friends when we are married and announce that at the beginning of our marriages we tell the end also. We say, till death do us part or now until we are parted by death. We run out the door in a shower of rice to begin a fantastic journey.

It is not easy to make two people into one flesh as the Bible describes a marriage. We want our way, sparks fly, and there are ruffled feelings. But the marriage vows are always in play. Slowly but surely we start to give up self and see the other one's needs. We learn that love is a verb. We slowly evolve into what we need to be to our mate.

All the good things start to happen. Children arrive, careers evolve, and we start to be a family. It is a wonderful era. Children graduate but do not necessarily leave. Some are born with rubber umbilical cords and bounce back from time to time. The wonderful era continues. Children marry, have children. Life becomes much easier. We now have money to do things like travel and buy something we want but do not need.

It starts to change. Bob Beeland once said in a sermon that he realized that he had done more things than he would do the rest of his life. Your health becomes an issue. Parents die as do some of your best friends.

Back to you marriage and your vows. As I watched the quality of Madeline's life deteriorate, I thought about what was next and I returned to our marriage vows and knew we would be shortly to the "till death do we part."

Madeline died on Pentecost Sunday and I thought that if she had died on Saturday she would have died while it was still Easter. I thought about Easter and the day of Pentecost a lot. I suddenly realized that within each one of us is our own Easter Day. Through baptism, confirmation, and later as an adult, we embrace all of the claims of Jesus as true and make an adult commitment.

When Madeline got closer to the end, I realized that she had her own Easter Day safely tucked in her body, soul, and spirit. It was alive and had been freely paid for by the Son and guarded by the Holy Spirit until the day of Redemption. In a New York minute, in warp speed, a nanosecond and the speed of light, she moved from death to being a new creature. Like a dove or the most beautiful butterfly we had ever seen and adorned better than King Solomon, she had truly gone to be with the Father and Son. Paul said, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him".

I will always miss Madeline, but our Creator God had it all worked before the beginning of time. I think it is neat when I finally catch up to what He is doing.

Faithfully, Jerry Dunwoody





During the 10:00 a.m. service on Sunday, June 16, **Al and Jean Bonnyman** were recognized for completing the four years of EfM study (Old Testament, New Testament, Church History, and Contemporary Theology and Ethics) and of participating in over 100 theological reflections. In addition, Al has had training as a mentor and plans to return to the St. Peter's group in that capacity next year. Congratulations to both Al and Jean.

All of us, at our baptisms and again at our confirmations, were given gifts and challenges for our ministries. EfM is another gift

and challenge provided by the church, but at an adult stage of life. EfM involves the study earlier outlined, but it is much more. The major focus of the program is learning and practicing (because that is how we learn the important things in life) a process called theological reflection. This is a group activity, as is appropriate for the church. Graduates of EfM will attest that the practice of theological reflection week after week trains us to approach almost every aspect, issue, and decision of our lives theologically.

There will be a new group beginning next fall. Ask yourself if you might benefit from this opportunity and contact Betsy Awsumb, Al Bonnyman, or Randy Warley if you have any questions.



Randy Warley presents Certificates of Completion to Al and Jean Bonneyman. [picture by Curt Yarbrough]

Daughters of the King installation



Pictured, left to right: Amy Summerlin, Beth Novian Hughes,
Maria Chapman (President, Atlanta Diocese), Elaine Smith, Dagmar Schmitz Carlton,
Meredith Cole, Juanita Jackman (Hospitality Chairman, Atlanta Diocese), Delores Nowell,
Carole Novian (President, Maryland Diocese) [picture courtesy of Stephanie Thrasher]

Pictures from around the parish



Commissioning of EYC Mission Team [photo by Curt Yarbrough]



EYC Mission Team just prior to departing for Houston, Texas



Caroline Dean's "children," George and Gracie, at a recent Celtic service



Bianca enjoying her blue cupcake at Soup Kitchen [photo by Al Bonneyman]





JOY trip to the Atlanta Botanical Garden [photo by Curt Yarbrough]

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An essay by Garrison Keillor

We make fun of Episcopalians for their blandness, their excessive calm, their fear of giving offense, their lack of speed and also for their secret fondness for macaroni and cheese. But nobody sings like them.

If you were to ask an audience in Des Moines, a relatively Episcopalianless place, to sing along on the chorus of "Michael Row the Boat Ashore," they will look daggers at you as if you had asked them to strip to their underwear. But if you do this among Episcopalians, they'd smile and row that boat ashore and up on the beach!And down the road!



Many Episcopalians are bred from childhood to sing in four-part harmony, a talent that comes from sitting on the lap of someone singing alto or tenor or bass and hearing the harmonic intervals by putting your little head against that person's rib cage. It's natural for Episcopalians to sing in harmony. We are too modest to be soloists, too worldly to sing in unison.

When you're singing in the key of C and you slide into the A7th and D7th chords, all two hundred of you, it's an emotionally fulfilling moment. By our joining in harmony, we somehow promise that we will not forsake each other.

I do believe this, people: Episcopalians, who love to sing in four-part harmony are the sort of people you could call up when you're in deep distress. If you are dying, they will comfort you. If you are lonely, they'll talk to you. And if you are hungry, they'll give you tuna salad!

Episcopalians believe in prayer, but would practically die if asked to pray out loud. Episcopalians like to sing, except when confronted with a new hymn or a hymn with more than four stanzas. Episcopalians believe their Rectors will visit them in the hospital, even if they don't notify them that they are there. Episcopalians usually follow the official liturgy and will feel it is their way of suffering for their sins.

Episcopalians believe in miracles and even expect miracles, especially during their stewardship visitation programs or when passing the plate. Episcopalians feel that applauding for their children's choirs will not make the kids too proud and conceited.

Episcopalians think that the Bible forbids them from crossing the aisle while passing the peace.

Episcopalians drink coffee as if it were the Third Sacrament.

Episcopalians feel guilty for not staying to clean up after their own wedding reception in the Fellowship Hall.

Episcopalians are willing to pay up to one dollar for a meal at church.

Episcopalians still serve Jell-O in the proper liturgical color of the season and Episcopalians believe that it is OK to poke fun at themselves and never take themselves too seriously.

And finally, you know you are a Episcopalian when:

- -It's 100 degrees, with 90% humidity, and you still have coffee after the service.
- -You hear something really funny during the sermon and smile as loudly as you can.
- -Donuts are a line item in the church budget, just like coffee.
- When you watch a Star Wars movie and they say, "May the Force be with you," and you respond, "and also with you."
- And lastly, it takes ten minutes to say good-bye

(NOTE: Garrison Keillor attends St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church in St. Paul, Minnesota)

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Return service requested.

Parish news

The congratulations of the parish is extended to

- Patrick Tarrant, son of Melissa and Fred Tarrant, who received his Eagle Scout award in a ceremony at First United Methodist Church. For his project, Patrick designed, built, and installed an information kiosk and a compost bin for the East Central Elementary Nature Trail
- 4 Andye Moss who received the Volunteer of the Year award for the Floyd Rome Retired Teachers' Association with over 1,000 hours
- Dean Bonnyman who received the James Douglas Brown Jr. Faculty Award for excellence at the Darlington Teacher Appreciation dinner
- Eva Marie Burns and Madge Crawford who were recognized at the Brown Faculty Appreciation Dinner for 10 year anniversaries at Darlington; Lea Duncan was also recognized on her retirement after 25 years of service to Darlington
- Ashley and Jack Smith on the birth of their daughter, Kathryn Rae, on May 15, 2013. Katy is the granddaughter of Ellen and Roger Smith and the great granddaughter of Cissy Rogers
- The new members of the St. Francis Chapter of the Daughters of the King: Meredith Cole, Dagmar Schmitz Carlton, Beth Hughes, Delores Nowell, Elaine Smith, and Amy Summerlin
- Cameron O'Riley who has chosen The University of the South, Sewanee, for her preparation into the priesthood of the Episcopal Church and for the receiving of a \$2000 scholarship from The Church Training and Deaconess House of the Diocese of Pennsylvania
- 🕆 Beth Mooney and Skye Wellesley on their marriage June 15, 2013, at St. Peter's. Beth is the daughter of Jackie Mooney
- Our college graduates:
 - Logan O'Riley, Oklahoma City University
 - Clara Smith, the Owen Graduate School of Management at Vanderbilt University
 - Nash Cooper, Georgia Southern University
 - Jake Taylor, University of Georgia
 - Karen Jones Hunnicutt, Armstrong Atlantic University
 - Bess Kelley, University of Mississippi
 - Spencer Carroll, Emory University
 - James Chidsey, Medical College of Georgia

The sympathy of the parish is extended to

- The family of Jerry, Richard, and Alison Dunwoody on the death of his wife and their mother, Madeline Stillwell Dunwoody, on May 19, 2013
- The family of Charlotte Parsons on the death of her husband, Duane Parsons who died May 21, 2013
- The family of Nicole Hajosy Dellis who died May 30, 2013. Nickki was the wife of Brian Dellis and the daughter-in-law of Don and June Dellis

The thanks of the parish is extended to

Our "roving photographers": Stephanie Thrasher who took the Daughters of the King picture and Al Bonnyman for his picture of Bianca in the Soup Kitchen