

St. Peter's Bald Head

St. Peter's by
the Sea Church

Royce Morgan, editor

An Author Amongst Us!

(Unlike the reviewing of the "De Vinci Code" in last month's issue, this editor feels quite qualified to offer this review, having taught and worked in an Episcopal boarding school in the '70's.)

Who knew? I guess family and close friends did, but did you know that our own **Reverend Doctor D. Stuart Dunnan** has given us: **From the Pulpit of Saint James School** (collected thoughts of a priest headmaster).

A collection of sermons and letters from 1992 until 2002, it is a celebration of ten years of service to a

very special ministry by a very special minister. Boarding schools are rare, Episcopal boarding schools are rarer, an Episcopal school led by a priest is the rarest. And what you find woven in the ten years of readings is the same message delivered with new insight, new growth, new commitment throughout the ten years and the message was formed at the beginning of the school.

We all feel we may "know" Fr. Dunnan on some level, since

he is "one of our own" but to read his words of commitment and dedication to what might seem to some at first to be a job, you realize what is being said throughout the book to students and teachers and parents and alumni are words not only meant for adolescents, but are the words needed by all for a philosophy of life for us all. (This was especially true in words given regarding 9/11.)

Laid out chronologically, these sermons/letters/essays give us

work hard to make St. Peter's-by-the-Sea a church community that welcomes "people of all faiths." We continue to look for ways to make our Sunday worship services more meaningful and lively and friendly while recognizing we are a summer chapel, with worshippers from

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Don't let your worries get the best of you; remember, Moses started out as a basket case!

St. James School, Fr. Dunnan and, I believe a better understanding of who we are and why we were created and the guidance needed to make a life for which we were created. I highly recommend "**From the Pulpit of Saint James School**" for all ages.
The Editor

many traditions. Repeatedly, our visitors tell us how much they have felt warmly received and sincerely welcomed. The comment on the high quality of our music and wonderful Hospitality at Marion House. This is where we can spend some quality time and get to know each other. Your Trustees and I want to hear from you about our life together, along with ideas to improve our beloved St. Peter's, Bald Head.

The Second Half Bp. Longest

Yes, we are starting the second half of the summer of 2004, making this a good time for Barbara and me to thank you all for your warm reception as we enjoy our

first complete summer here. It's been a good "first half"! And you have made it so. You are to be commended for your cooperative spirit and your willingness to

Jane Says...

by Jane Greene

On Sunday, July 25, 2004, **Virginia and Dexter Spiller** presented Bishop Longest with two books published by **The York Historical Society**, “**350 Years as York, focusing on the Twentieth Century.**” One of these is for the St. Peter’s Rectory-Marmion House and the other is for the Longests to take with them to their home in Baltimore. This wonderful publication was edited by Virginia and her husband Dexter prepared the photographs for print. The St. Peter’s community can’t thank them enough for this wonderful gift, which all of us can enjoy now and which will be of benefit to many generations to come.

Oops! (again)

The name of an important guild member was omitted from this year’s St. Peter’s Guild List, and this editor apologizes for this error. **Mrs. Barbara Smith** should have been included as an honorary member. We hope by the time

This is a good news, bad news story! As reported in a previous edition of this newsletter, **Catherine Goodwin** had a knee replacement back in February and has been in severe pain and on heavy medication for the last few months. The bad news is that she took a fall about three weeks and in the process of going down twisted this knee under her body. The good news is that immediately afterward she told her husband, **John**, “My knee doesn’t hurt anymore.” Not only has it not hurt since the fall, she hasn’t needed any pain medication. Her doctors are still scratching their heads!!

We all enjoy the view of the ocean of this publication she and her husband **Phil** will read this correction with us in person.

The listing should read:
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from the rectory. Back in 1986 there was a much smaller tunnel view from both the rectory and our house next door, due to a large stand of trees with underbrush separating the houses. Upon encouragement from **Bp. Bill & Blossom Marmion**, neighbor **Jackie Villinski**, and his wife **Jane, Bob Greene** started trimming up the trees and clearing the underbrush. It was a long and difficult process and Bob incurred a bad case of Lyme disease as a result; but aren’t we glad he did the work? I know he is!

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Top Ten Reasons to be a Episcopalian

(This list was offered by comedian, Robin Williams, himself an Episcopalian, and appears here as the humor it was offered in.)

10. No snake handling.
9. You can believe in dinosaurs.
8. Male and female, God created them, we ordain them.

7. You don’t have to check your brain at the door.
6. Pew Aerobics
5. Church year is color-coded
4. Free wine on Sunday
3. All of the pageantry...none of the guilt.

2. You don’t have to know how to swim to get baptised.

AND THE # 1 REASON:

No matter what you believe, there’s bound to be at least one other Episcopalian who agrees with you!