

HOS Hot Topics - October

REMINDERS

- Oct. 6 - Coffee & Conversation w/ PTF
- Oct. 9 - Parent Conferences
- Oct. 12 Spirit Night, Mueller Kirby Lane, 4-8 PM
- Oct. 15 - Blessing of the Animals, 3:30
- Oct. 28 - "Not so Scary" Haunted House, 4-7 PM
- Oct. 31 - Halloween Parade, 9:00 AM

Friday, October 6 - Free Early Birds for those attending the meeting



Parent-Teacher Conferences - Why?

Face-to Face time is important to discuss how we partner together for your child. We are advocates like you for your children. This is the perfect opportunity to discuss the glows and grows of your child and how we can partner together to ensure their future development is strong.

Oct. 12, 4- 8 PM
Spirit Night
@
Mueller Kirby Lane

The school receives 20% of proceeds when you say, "I'm here for St. George's Spirit Night". This is a come-and-go at your own time.



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS
15 October, 3:30
@St. George's Church



Puppies and Kitties and Fishies, oh my! God made all these and "all creatures, great and small." Come join Fr. Matt and St. George's friends for a Blessing of the Animals, in honor of St. Francis and our love for all creatures. Bring your pets, or pictures, or even your stuffie pals! All are welcome.

Halloween Parade & Chapel on Tuesday, Oct. 31 @ 9:00 AM.
Please no scary costumes or weapons.





Who is Bridgette Beinecke and why is the building named after her?

The Story Behind the Beinecke Building:

Bridgette Beinecke joined St. George Episcopal Church when she moved to a nearby neighborhood. She was attracted by the fact that the Church has a pre-school associated with it and has numerous other outreach ministries. She has served on the School Board and the Vestry of the Church.

She retired as a licensed architect in 2016 after a 40-year career. She has a passion for historic preservation and adaptive use of older buildings and used her skills in this area as a preservation planner and project manager for commercial and institutional employers and clients in Alaska, Texas, and Massachusetts.

She is the widow of Walter Beinecke Jr., the mother of two sons- James and Paul Schleicher, and a new grandmother to Ben.

When she is not volunteering her time to various endeavors she enjoys water coloring, learning classical guitar, and spending time with family and friends in places of scenic beauty.

*I am forever grateful for Bridgette's experience because without her knowledge of project management, design, and architecture this building project would not have happened. She was instrumental in pushing it through all the barriers we came across and using her connections with Bartlett Cocke to get us to the finish line. So it felt only fitting to name the building after her -- Jerri
Thank you Bridgette!!*



A Word from Father Matt

Parish life. That's what I call it when you live, work, and play near your church. It's a real gift (and how things are supposed to be, actually). It's one of the main reasons I wanted to be the rector of St. George's: the church is a mere 8-minute bike ride from my house!

So it's not that surprising when I bump into folks from our St. George's community who are out & about in the neighborhood. That's just what happened recently one morning, when I stopped into the coffee shop to get a refill (second one of the day!) of dark roast. One of our moms called out from one of the outside tables, "Oh, look, there's Father Matt!" ... and I turned around to find her sharing a pastry with her little one (from the Rainbow Room, I think), who was sad, and having a tough morning.

"We're having a pre-K pep talk," mom told me.

"Oh, yes," I replied, "Sometimes going to school is hard."

Mom & daughter both nodded (the little one with tears in her eyes).

"But it is good," I said.

For any Narnia fans out there, Aslan the Lion is much the same. You might remember the four children from those stories when they first heard of the great lion. As Mr. Beaver describes him, the children begin to quake in their boots (so scary is the beaver's description of the lion).

"Um, Mr. Beaver," asks one of the children tepidly, "Is Aslan safe?"

"Oh, no," Mr. Beaver replies. "Aslan is anything but safe. He's not safe, but he is good."

Sometimes going to school (or even getting out of bed in the morning!) is similar. It's not easy—no one said it would be—but it is, most assuredly, good.

Deep Peace,
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