

ANNOUNCEMENTS  
SUNDAY, MAY 4, 2008  
ST. ALBAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Today at 9:30am, Margaret will meet with the youth to brainstorm what you all want in our new youth minister and what you want our youth ministry to look like. Margaret requests all youths and their parents to be present. As a first step, Margaret wants to form a Youth Ministry Council to consist of two middle school students, two high school students and two parents to be a steering committee for this ministry. We will also need some parents and other mentors from the parish to help teach Christian formation and to sponsor activities during the summer. We need volunteers to bring drinks for the youth fridge as well. After the meeting, Margaret will take everyone upstairs to see the new, bigger youth room if you promise not to fall down the elevator shaft.

Today after the 10:30 service, we will have our All Parish Picnic, hosted by the masters of barbecue, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. We'll leave from here to go to Camp Ben McCulloch for food and fun. Bring a side dish to share and those friends you have wanted to show what a wonderful and friendly church family we have. Camp Ben McCulloch is located at 18301 FM 1826, across the street from the Salt Lick BBQ Restaurant . FM 1826 intersects Hwy 290 W. west of Austin in Oak Hill, Loop 1 at its south end, FM 967 from Buda's Loop 4, and FM 150 at Driftwood, between Kyle and Dripping Springs.

Congratulations to all Education for Ministry (EFM) graduates: Tom Brotherton, Randall Kerr, Ed Lach, Sylvia Evans, John Rouse, and Barbara Goodson. These people spent 4 years studying the bible and theology, and their graduation marks a great accomplishment.

Ann Brotherton's graduation from ETSS will be on Tuesday, May 13 at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church on Mesa at Steck at 10:00 a.m. The speaker this year is the Very Rev. Alan Jones, Dean of Grace Cathedral, San Francisco. Jones is an excellent preacher and the author of a number of worthwhile books. Plan to arrive early to get a parking place and a seat.

The Diocese of Texas will be electing a new Diocesan Bishop on Saturday, May 24 at Christ Cathedral in Houston. Our delegates to Diocesan Council will be representing St. Alban's. On Wednesday, May 7 at 5:30 we will have the opportunity to meet and listen to the six nominees at the Episcopal Seminary of the Southwest. Registration is at [www.epicenter.org](http://www.epicenter.org).

Our next Baptismal Date is the Feast of the Pentecost, which is May 11 this year. Please contact Margaret as soon as possible if you or your child would like to be baptized.

The Floral Guild is doing a fabulous job arranging the altar flowers. Please sign up to contribute \$25 for one arrangement or \$50 for both. The flower registry is located in the narthex. Following the service the flowers are given to someone in the hospital, nursing home, etc. Also, please call the office if you know of someone in our parish family who might enjoy receiving the flowers.

Lisa has a new computer and she's updating her email list. If you are not receiving emails from Lisa, please let her know so that she can add your email address to our list. Also, please let her know if you have an email address where you prefer St. Alban's messages be sent to. Thank you for your patience as we try to find ways to serve you better.