

Lenten School 2012

Columbus Deanery-Registration



Worship, Fellowship and Education for Christian Formation

The Lenten School's purpose is to bring together members of the various Episcopal Churches in the Columbus Deanery in order to promote collegiality and offer excellent education options.

This year's hosts are the congregation of St. Mark's in Upper Arlington and their clergy.

The dates of this year's school are March 6, 13, 20 and 27.

We begin each Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. with Holy Eucharist. A short fellowship time follows worship and classes begin at 7:15 p.m. We end each evening's activities at 8:30 p.m.

Child care will be made available, but must be requested in advance. Persons requiring accommodations for a disability also must notify the registrar in advance.

Classes run either two or four weeks in length.

Please indicate your 1st and 2nd class choices on the registration form.

Lenten School registration fees are \$10/person. Fees cover expenses for coffee hour, child care, musicians, printing and postage. Unused registration funds are deposited in the deanery treasury. Individual courses may have additional costs for materials or books.

Instructors for this year's Lenten School are:

Rev. Richard Burnett
Trinity, Columbus

Rev. Lee Anne Reat
St. John's, Columbus

Rev. Karl Ruttan
St. John's, Columbus

Rev. Stephen Smith
Rev. Cricket Park
St. Patrick's, Dublin

Rev. Frank Edmands
Trinity, London

Lay Leadership
St. John's, Worthington

Rev. Deniray Mueller
Diocese of Southern Ohio

Complete the registration form on page three of this flyer and send it with your check for \$10.00 (payable to **St. Patrick's Episcopal Church**) to the registrar:
Rev. Cricket Park
St. Patrick's Episcopal Church
7121 Muirfield Drive
Dublin, OH 43017

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It's Our Fifth Year—Celebrate and Bring a Friend to Lenten School!

Lenten School is an opportunity to introduce your unchurched friends to how much fun an Episcopal community can be. While your friend might be reticent to come to church on Sunday, he or she may find one of our classes intriguing. Don't keep the Episcopal Church a secret!

Sign up for Liturgical Duty!

We invite deanery priests, deacons, and lay preachers to participate in the opening liturgies each night. If you would like to serve in this capacity, please contact Cricket Park at St. Patrick's (614-766-2664).

2012 Course Offerings

FOUR WEEK COURSES

"Light: A Theology" Rev. Dick Burnett

From the psalmist - "in your light we see light" - to 'sacred containers of light' designed by LeCorbusier, and in dark nights of the soul experienced by mystics and poets, we are both drawn to and fearful of light. Using images and texts, and in dialogue with artists and spiritual companions, we will engage LIGHT as a window to the soul and a showing of the holy. Bring to the class one "light object" - a poem or portion of Scripture, a picture or a personal story - that renders the holy for you. These will join other examples as we learn to look anew at and through LIGHT this Lent.

Holy Women, Holy Men: Great Divines, Thinkers, and Writers of the Anglican Tradition St. John's, Worthington Lay Leadership

March 6: The Birth of the Anglican Tradition

- a) Thomas Cranmer (†1556), the leading figure of the English Reformation.
- b) Richard Hooker (†1600), the greatest of the early Anglican theologians.

March 13: The Oxford Movement
Edward Pusey (†1882), the leading theologian and teacher of the Oxford Movement
Christina Rossetti (†1894), brilliant poet who presented the mystery of the Incarnation through her poems

March 20: The Growth of the Anglican Tradition in America

- a) Philander Chase (†1852), first rector of St. John's Worthington and pioneer of the Episcopal Church in Ohio, Michigan, and Illinois
- b) William DuBose (†1918), "perhaps the most original and creative thinker the American Episcopal Church has ever produced"

March 27: Reason and Faith
Dorothy L. Sayers (†1957), prominent novelist, essayist, and Christian Humanist
C. S. Lewis (†1963), the leading Christian apologist of the 20th century

The Church of the Future Rev. Stephen Smith

Since the mid-1990s, studies that compare population to attendance records show that approximately 20% of the U.S. population attends any religious service each week (church, mosque, synagogue, whatever). Recent surveys show that though the majority of people believe in God, just under half say they are affiliated with a religious institution. This past year a survey about the new Mass being used in the Roman Catholic Church found that two-thirds of those who claim Catholicism *never* go to Church (not just Christmas and Easter attendance—never).

Given these statistics what will the Church of the future look like? This four-week class will examine the concepts of Christendom, institutional religion, secularism, and ritual in the midst of changing

paradigms. It will also provide an open forum for discussion, ideas, and possible ways to move forward in a rapidly changing cultural landscape.

Creation Spirituality: Toward a Creation-affirming Christian Theology and Spirituality

Rev. Karl Ruttan

Drawing on the wisdom of Celtic spirituality, Thomas Aquinas, Meister Eckhart, Ken Wilber and Brian Swimme, the class will explore a theological and spiritual approach for our time which invites us to live in harmony and respect for creation.

The 'Who', 'What' and 'Wherefore' of the Proposed Anglican Covenant

Rev. Deniray Mueller

A four-week course looking at the proposed Anglican Covenant. Components will include:

1. History of the contention within the Anglican Community
2. What prompted the development of the proposed covenant
3. What is contained with the covenant
4. Our Diocese's position on the covenant (representative of the Diocesan Deputies will be there to explain our Diocesan position and answer questions)

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Two-week courses

Registration Information

Fees for Lenten School are \$10/ person.

Select two two-week classes or one four-week class. (If you wish to attend part of a four-week class and a two-week class, that's okay too.)

All courses are intended for High School or Adult audiences.

Course instructors will be given class rosters two-weeks before Lenten School begins. They will contact you if you need to purchase additional books or materials.

Please register as soon as possible if you require child care or disability accommodations so that these may be arranged in a timely fashion.

Lenten School is hosted by St. Mark's Episcopal Church Upper Arlington, Ohio

St. Mark's is located on Dorset Road, across the street from Tremont Center in Upper Arlington. They are also across the road from the Upper Arlington Library on Tremont Road. Parking is available at Tremont Center. Please do not park at the library. Maps are available via the Internet or call 614-486-9452 for directions.

Questions about the courses should be directed to the instructors. Registration questions should be directed to the registrar (614-766-2664 or cbpark@aol.com).

Registration—2012 Columbus Deanery Lenten School

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Parish affiliation: _____

Course Selection (indicate 1st and 2nd choices)

- ___ Light: A Theology (4-weeks)
- ___ Holy Women, Holy Men (4-weeks)
- ___ Church of the Future (4-weeks)
- ___ Creation Spirituality (4-weeks)
- ___ The Anglican Covenant (4-weeks)

___ The Venerable Bead (2-weeks; 1st session)

___ Middle-Aged Women (2-weeks; 2nd session)

___ I will need child care for ___ child(ren) ages _____.

___ I will need the following disability accommodation to participate fully:

*Please mail this form with a check payable to **St. Patrick's Episcopal Church** (no cash, please) to the registrar:*

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 St. Patrick's Episcopal Church
 7121 Muirfield Drive
 Dublin, OH 43017

Questions: Call Cricket at St. Patrick's—614-766-2664 or e-mail cbpark@aol.com.

Rev. C. B. Park, Lenten School Registrar
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FIRST SESSION COURSE

The Venerable Bead

Rev. Lee Anne Reat and

Rev. Frank Edmands

Idle hands are the devil's workshop, the old adage says. Keeping your hands busy certainly is good for your soul! Join this two-week class and learn how prayer beads can assist you in your meditation and prayer life. Offered March 6th and 13th.

SECOND SESSION COURSE

Middle-aged Women

Rev. Cricket Park

Spend some time during Lent with medieval feminine mystics. We'll learn about the lives and contributions to the faith of Julian of Norwich, Hildegard of Bingen, Clare of Assisi, and Catherine of Siena. Offered March 20th and 27th.



An Invitation to a Holy Lent—BCP pg. 264

Dear People of God:
The first Christians observed with great devotion the days of our Lord's passion and resurrection, and it became the custom of the Church to prepare for them by a season of penitence and fasting. This season of Lent provided a time in which converts to the faith were prepared for Holy Baptism. It was also a time when those who, because of notorious sins, had been separated from the body of the faithful were reconciled by penitence and forgiveness, and restored to

the fellowship of the Church. Thereby, the whole congregation was put in mind of the message of pardon and absolution set forth in the Gospel of our Savior, and of the need which all Christians continually have to renew their repentance and faith.

You, therefore, in the name of the Church, are invited to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word.

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.