



# The Dragon Scoop

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**Mission Statement:**  
“Loving God, Loving Our  
Neighbors”

The Episcopal Church Welcomes You



## Bishop Michael's Visit



The Rt. Rev. Michael Hanley, Bishop of the Diocese of Oregon, celebrated Holy Eucharist at St. George's on July 22. He was assisted by the Rev. Deacon Marla McGarry-Lawrence from Portland and by our own Father Jim Boston.

Every 15 months, Bishop Michael visits each church in the diocese. This time, he came a day early to officiate at Fr. Lonergan's service. Later Saturday, he met with the Vestry and Profile and Search Committee members.

He pointed out that we may have to wait a bit to find a new Rector because Oregon's salaries are lower than most states' and because the position is only half time. But we *will* find the right priest for us!



Bishop Michael noted that St. George's is an “anchor church” and of great importance to the Diocese because of our history and location.

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# Rector's Letter

Dear Friends,

Summer is upon us, in full strength. We are blessed to live in the era of air conditioning. I, and most of you, remember what it was like before air conditioning. In my case, my family lived on the muggy, humid East Coast. At least we had summer off from school in those days.

Now, most of us are officially retired. We are on vacation all the time! Yet it does not feel that way for many of us. Our bodies are not as functional as when we were young. Household chores seem more demanding. We are saddened by the deaths of friends and family. As they say, growing old is not for sissies. In fact, in general, you all appear to be heroes.

Sometimes people do their best work when they are least capable. Certainly Jesus did.... from the Cross.

You and I are baptized into the death and resurrection of Jesus. We have been "sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever." We are therefore, as St. Paul wrote, ambassadors for Christ. We have work to do. The core of that is in the two great commandments, to love God and to love our neighbors. And ourselves. Let's start with the last.

We love ourselves when we care for our bodies: food, work and fun, exercise for both body and brain, rest, medical care, controlling unhealthy habits and nurturing healthy ones.

We also do so when we nurture ourselves with prayer, Christian learning, worship, and the sacraments. We do so when we nurture our relationships with family and friends. And when we practice kindness and generosity as we are able, especially to those who most need our kindness. (And we are more able than we think!)

Get the idea? When we act in love to God and neighbors, we are also caring for ourselves.

Which brings us to self-management. I have read a lot about it. I don't do it nearly as well as I wish. But I do better when I manage my time and resources with self-examination, inquiry, prayer, and Pam's good advice. So can anyone.

Have a great summer. Have fun. Try not to miss church, whether at home or travelling. You are much loved by God. And me.

In Christ,

Fr. Jim+



# In Memoriam

## The Rev. Robert Thomas Lonergan

August 23, 1935—June 17, 2018



Fr. Lonergan was ordained to the priesthood in 1992 by Bishop Ladehoff at St. George's in Roseburg. He served as Vicar of the Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit, Sutherlin, from 1992 until 2010, and was Vicar of the Church of the Ascension in Riddle at the time of his death.

The Right Reverend Michael Hanley presided over Fr. Lonergan's memorial service on July 21.

At the reception following the service, friends and family spoke lovingly of him:

- ♥ He was always positive, always had a smile, and the word "no" was not part of his vocabulary.
- ♥ He never raised his voice. He set such an example.
- ♥ He had an ecumenical spirit.
- ♥ A scholar—such interesting sermons.



# Upcoming

## Memorial Eucharist

For **Allan Romeril**, Saturday, **August 4**, at 10:00 a.m.

## Connected Church

Connected Church is a communications collaboration and training for parishes of the diocese. This conference will be **August 11** from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at **St. Luke's, Grants Pass**, and is for any church staff or volunteers who would like to learn more about using communications tools and strategies.

A short description and registration are here:  
<https://www.diocese-oregon.org/event/connected-church-st-lukes-grants-pass/>

## Diaconal Discernment Meeting

On Sunday, **August 19**, Archdeacon Carter Hawley and Academy Director Maureen Hagen will hold a conversation on discernment and the diaconate. During this time, participants will hear stories of calls, examine what the Book of Common Prayer says about the diaconate, and learn about the process.

This session will be from 1:30 – 3:00 at **St. George's in Roseburg** on Sunday, **August 19**.

Please RSVP at  
<https://doodle.com/poll/nbrrqz72utksfkr4>

If you have questions, contact Carter at [carterh@diocese-oregon.org](mailto:carterh@diocese-oregon.org) or Maureen at [maureenhagen@gmail.com](mailto:maureenhagen@gmail.com)

## Parish Picnic

at **Kathy Glockner's house**

Sunday, **August 26**, at 1:00

173 Roband Lane, Roseburg

Kathy will provide drinks and table service. Lunch is potluck, but no need to sign up ahead of time. You are welcome to bring your family and friends!



# Parish News

On Saturday, June 30, parishioners came together to prepare the church and grounds for the Bishop's visitation.

Mike Waggoner and Kim Ashdown did a super job of cleaning up the walkway between the Parish Hall and Rectory and along the south side of the Parish Hall.

Doug Holloway, David Sayers, and Steve Thomas power-washed the walkways and Doug cleaned out the gutter over the church entryway.

Margaret Thomas, Jean Bowden, Jewell Gates, and Faye Benham worked inside and also cleaned up around the flower bed by the entry.

Bob Spielman helped clean and also started repairs on the bench by the columbarium.

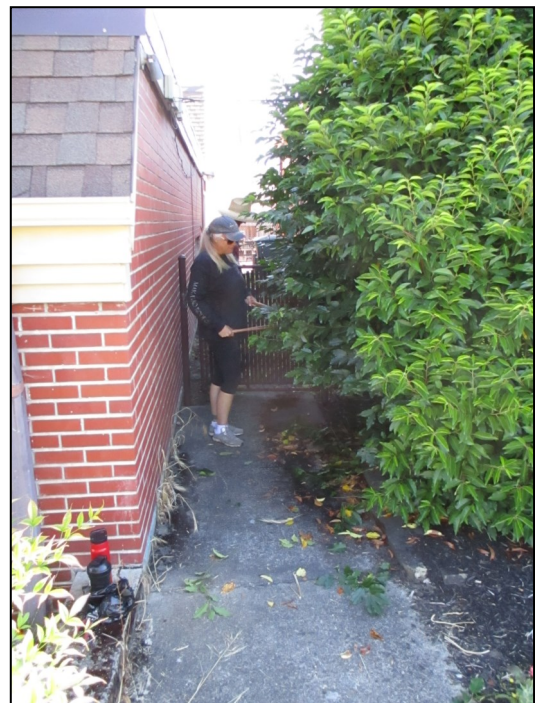
Pete Benham was overall supervisor and he and David hauled refuse to the dump.

Kathy Glockner helped with cleaning and brought pizza for lunch.

~ Bill Riley

*Clockwise  
from top:*

*Doug  
Bob  
Kim  
Mike*



*Photos by Bill Riley*

## Parish News

On Saturday July 7, parishioners sold pop and popcorn at the Graffiti Cruise. Sue Phelps had the idea and organized the event. ECW purchased the popper for the church. Charles Van Sickle helped with the set-up, Jean Bowden took the money, Tricia Holt made and bagged the popcorn, and Betty Jo Hoffman and Sue poured.

Sue noted that after all of the supplies were paid for we made about \$18, but there is always lots of expense up front and going forward it will all be profit. About 60 people bought a pop. Also, more than one person said “keep the change” and there were even some donations without any purchases. It was great fun and a resounding success!



*“Celestial Waltz”*

Every year, in July, the Umpqua Valley Art Association has an art exhibit of the work of its artist members, showcasing their latest works. The opening for the exhibit is Friday, July 13, from 5-7 p.m., and the exhibit will run until September 7. There will be a variety of artwork by the members, filling the whole building.

One of our St. George parishioners, Hellene Chapman, has a painting in the exhibit, called “Celestial Waltz.” She invites any and all of you to come see the showing of artworks.

The hours of the art center are:  
Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.—4 p.m.  
Saturday, 10 a.m.—2 p.m.

There is no fee to come in and view the work and enjoy the new creations. You are all welcome.

The Umpqua Valley Arts Association is located at 1624 W. Harvard Avenue, near Fir Grove Elementary School and next to the theater.

## Parish News



Birthday blessings for Melvin Wilcox and Tricia Holt



Birthday blessings for Jill Hammerle, accompanied by Miggs the Goldendoodle



Have a blessed retirement, Steve and Margaret Thomas



Travel blessings for Charles Kittendorf, returning to Peoria after a 3-month stay, and birthday blessings for Kathy Glockner

*Blessings  
Abound*



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### FISH ALERT

The next Roseburg Food Project pick-up day will be Saturday, August 11.



St. George Episcopal Church publishes THE DRAGON SCOOP monthly. If you would like something to be considered for the newsletter please talk to Leigh Van Sickle. E-mailed articles and photographs can be sent to [saintgeorgepix@gmail.com](mailto:saintgeorgepix@gmail.com).

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**Interim Rector: The Rev. James Boston**  
**Senior Warden: Pete Benham**  
**Junior Warden: Steve Thomas**  
**Treasurer: Kathy Glockner**

**OFFICE HOURS**  
**10:00 am—2:00 pm**  
**Monday through Friday**

### ST. GEORGE WORSHIP

**Sunday**  
**10:00 am**

**Holy Eucharist**  
**or Morning Prayer**

