

August 1, 2015



## Introducing the New Assistant Rector

### The Reverend Jay Peter Burkardt

Jay Burkardt was born and raised in the Rochester area and is excited about the opportunity to serve--and serve with--the people of St. Paul's. He has served churches and schools in Corpus Christi, TX and in Greensboro and Concord, NC.

He and his wife, Leslie, who is also an Episcopal priest, met while in seminary in Austin, TX. They have a son, Noah, who will begin kindergarten in the fall, and their dog, Nita.

Jay loves to cook and kayak and wishes he could call himself a better fisherman. Some of his specialties include homemade bread, pizza, cinnamon rolls, and chili, but he is always up for a new challenge.

He believes that each person, no matter how young or how old, has wisdom and a ministry to offer to the Church and he enjoys helping people discover the gifts they hold within. His deep love for the Church makes reaching out to visitors and new members a passion of his. Even before becoming a father, Jay recognized the power that comes from families praying together and was leading classes on how to develop a common family prayer life.

Although Jay will miss roasting marshmallows on the beach and paddling in the saltwater, he is looking forward to rediscovering his love of winter and being able to visit the Adirondacks more frequently. He is grateful for the opportunity to begin serving with St. Paul's and is looking forward to growing to know you all soon.

## Welcome Back Breakfast on September 13<sup>th</sup>!



Please join your fellow parishioners on September 13th starting at 9am for breakfast in the Parish Hall to help kick off the fall season.

We'll have class information and sign up opportunities for youth and adults, and children can meet their Sunday School teachers for their first day back to class!

If you are willing to volunteer your time, help will be needed in the kitchen for breakfast. Please sign up in the activities book located in the Parish Hall.

All are welcome!

Dear Friends,

Greetings in the Name of Christ.

It's hard to believe that Fall is just around the corner. You should have received a mailing in early June with information about the many good things that will be going on at St. Paul's during the 2015-2016 program year.

As you read this, I will be at the Royal School of Church Music Course at St. Mark's School in Southborough, Massachusetts. This is my fifth year involved with this choir course for boys, teens and young adults. I am thrilled that, in addition to Robert and Karl, two of our choristers will be joining this week-long course. Our final services – morning Eucharist and Choral Evensong – will be held at Trinity Church, Copley Square in Boston.

When I return, I look forward to gearing up for the beginning of the program year. We have much to look forward to, including welcoming our new Assistant Rector and his family.

I hope that you all are having a very refreshing and safe summer. As always, I remain,

Your friend and Rector,



(The Rev'd) Robert A. Picken

## Welcome New Members

### Through Baptism

May 31, 2015

Ellie Maeve Coleman

Daughter of Aaron and Jaime Hayssen Coleman

And sister to Olivia and Ian Coleman

June 26, 2016

Charles Vladimir Boulatniko

Son of Vladimir N. and Teal Templeton Boulatnikov

July 5, 2015

Maya Marie Roehrig

Daughter of Stephen G. and Leigh M. Houghton Roehrig

## We receive letters...



**From the Episcopal Church:** Thank you for the financial support provided through the Good Friday Offering, from our Presiding Bishop, Katherine Jefferts Schori

**From the General Theological Seminary of the Episcopal Church:** Thank you for the contribution of \$250 to the Annual Fund, from Jonathan Silver, Director of Development, Alumni, and Church Relations

**From Foodlink:** Thank you for the **395 lbs** of food donated to Foodlink during the month of May 2015, helping them to provide 18 million pounds of food to 500 local non-profit agencies and serving over 700,000 meals to seniors and children through Freshwise Kitchen, from Jeanette Batiste and Julia Tedesco, Co-Executive Directors of Foodlink (Note: the food donation in May was from the Foodlink benefit concert held here at St. Paul's on Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>.)

**From St. Joseph's House of Hospitality:** Thank you for the \$305 gift from "Lent Madness." Your gift helps ensure that our guests will continue to receive at least a meal a day as well as the use of a telephone, washer and dryer, and showers. From: the Community at St. Joseph's House

**From Andrew VanBuren:** To everyone at St. Paul's: Thank you for your continued support of my ministry and most recently for the two lovely stoles. This past Sunday we had a baptism at St. John's, so the white stole made its first appearance (and earned several compliments). I appreciate all your prayers and support, and know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. All the best, Andrew VanBuren



Merciful God,  
we entrust to your never-failing care and love . .

Tamsen Fergusson Voss

May 7, 2015

Phyllis Metcalfe Taylor

May 28, 2015

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord;  
And let light perpetual shine upon them.  
May their souls, and the souls of all the departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.





Please help us congratulate this year's graduates of the Education for Ministry program. A Sung Evensong was held on June 7<sup>th</sup> here at St. Paul's to honor them. The graduates are: Jeanne Clidas from St. Paul's, Deb Lattime from St. Luke's in Fairport, Alan Lattime from Christ Church in Pittsford and Elsa Schaefer from Two Saints in Rochester. The Education for Ministry program involves a four-year commitment to reading the Bible, both Old and New Testaments, creating spiritual autobiographies, and reflecting on where we see God in our own lives and in the lives of our communities. As you can see, the group at St. Paul's is made up of individuals from a number of parishes in the Diocese, which creates an atmosphere of sharing more broadly than one's own parish.

The Monday morning group will begin again on September 21<sup>st</sup>. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Nancy Gear at 585-271-2240 or [ngrear@stpaulsec.org](mailto:ngrear@stpaulsec.org).



The article below appeared in the Brighton-Pittsford Post on July 26, 2015.

## ROCHESTER ORGANISTS COMPETE IN INTERNATIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL



When 17 of the world's best young organists gather in England for a prestigious competition this week, four of them will be from the Rochester area.

Participating in the prestigious St. Alban's International Organ Festival are Karl Robson of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Rochester; David Baskeyfield and Thomas Gaynor of Christ Episcopal Church, Pittsford; and Amanda Mole of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Webster. All four are from the Eastman School of Music, the only American institution represented in the event.

The St. Alban's International Organ Festival was founded by Peter Hurford, then Organist and Choirmaster of St. Alban's Cathedral, in 1963. At that time, it was one of the first music festivals combining organ competitions with concerts of other genres of music. Today, it remains one of the most prestigious competitions of its kind in the world.

The Rev. Robert Picken, Rector of St. Paul's, said the high percentage of organists from here not only represents the strength of Eastman, but also the high level of church music to be found in the Rochester area.

"It is a great honor that Mr. Robson, our Assistant Director of Music, has been awarded the opportunity to play in this competition," Picken said. "This festival embodies the high standard of music that we value at St. Paul's. We are very proud of him and wish all the competitors the best of luck."



**Follow-up to the competition:** While these organists did not advance to the final round, having this experience was one which provided opportunities for great growth and the chance to perform on an international stage. Congratulations to them all!

**Many thanks to the RAIHN volunteers who served during the May 31<sup>st</sup> to June 7<sup>th</sup> Rotation!**

Jackie Barnes (2)  
Nan Brown  
Ann Buerschaper (2)  
Mary Callaway  
Judy Carpenter (3)  
Jane Chapman  
Alex Comardo  
Corinne Coone  
Carol Cunningham (2)  
Victoria Deng (2)  
Patricia Denham  
Tim Dewart (2)  
Alice Eldredge  
Mary Farone (2)  
Nancy and Bob Frank  
Kevin Frisch  
Nancy Grear  
Mary Gulick  
Grace Henshaw  
Nobuko Ichishita  
Sheryl Infantino  
Linda and Andy Johnson  
Susan Kaemmerlen  
Neely Kelley (2)  
Doug Kelley (2)  
Les Kernan  
Charlotte Kimberly-Haag  
Hank Kingston  
Lindsey Korth

Coleen Kunz (4)  
Rita Lancy  
Linda Lazore (2)  
Bob and Liz Litwiller  
Judy Loveland  
Abuk Mabut  
Dorene and Ed MacDonald  
Kitty MacDowell  
Cheryl Marshall  
Judy McGrath (2)  
Karen McShane  
Kara McShane  
Wataru Okada  
Carol and Neal Panzer  
Rob Picken  
Mary and Stan Pietrzykowski  
Bob Potter (3)  
Anne and Stan Refermat  
Robert Shaddock  
Lisa Stiffler  
Bev Strohm  
Barb and Fred Suter  
June Talarico  
Jim Talpey (2)  
Nyaiik Thongiang  
John Volpel  
Andrew Welker (2)  
Linda White

And “uber thanks” to those doing more than one shift!

Excerpt from a letter from a recent graduate of RAIHN program: “Things are looking up and I only expect it to get better. Thank you guys @ RAIHN for everything it really has been a long road and struggle and now I can finally start to see the light and it feels awesome!! I have not been this happy in a good year and I am on the road to providing stability for my son and I.” Nancy Frank, Paul’s Place Communications Chm

Welcome New Members  
**Through Transfer**

Thomas Philip Whitbeck  
&  
Marielle Santoriello

**AA Meetings @ St. Paul’s**

Tuesday – 6:00pm – The Women’s Home Group  
Wednesday – 8:15pm – The Young & The Reckless  
Thursday – 8:15pm – The Academy Group  
Friday – 10:05pm – Heard It Through the Grapevine  
Saturday – 10:00pm – Last House on the Block

**Al-Anon Meetings @ St. Paul’s**

Wednesday – 7:00pm – Wednesday Nite Al-Anon Family Group (WNAFG)

Sun—8/02	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
	9:00 AM	Adult Bible Study - Exploring the Bible
	9:00 AM	Forum: Summer Read: Glorious Companions
	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist (Outdoor Service/Paul's Cross)
Wed—8/05	12:00 PM	Holy Eucharist with Healing
Thu—8/06	8:00 AM	Morning Prayer
Sun—8/09	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
	9:00 AM	Forum: Summer Read: Glorious Companions
	9:00 AM	Adult Bible Study - Exploring the Bible
	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
	11:00 AM	Stewardship Meeting
Tue—8/11	5:30 PM	Parish Operations Council
Wed—8/12	12:00 PM	Holy Eucharist with Healing
	5:15 PM	Water for South Sudan Executive Committee
Thu—8/13	8:00 AM	Morning Prayer
	4:30 PM	Holy Eucharist at St. John's Meadows
	4:30 PM	<b>Newsletter Deadline</b>
Sun—8/16	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
	9:00 AM	Adult Bible Study - Exploring the Bible
	9:00 AM	Forum: Summer Read: Glorious Companions
	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
Tue—8/18	12:00 PM	RAIHN Executive Committee Meeting
	7:00 PM	Vestry Meeting
Wed—8/19	12:00 PM	Holy Eucharist with Healing
Thu—8/20	8:00 AM	Morning Prayer
	4:00 PM	Holy Eucharist at Valley Manor
Sun—8/23	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
	9:00 AM	Adult Bible Study - Exploring the Bible
	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
Tue—8/25	5:30 PM	RAIHN Board of Director's Meeting
Wed—8/26	12:00 PM	Holy Eucharist with Healing
	6:15 PM	Water for South Sudan Board Meeting
Thu—8/27	8:00 AM	Morning Prayer
Sun—8/30	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
	9:00 AM	Adult Bible Study - Exploring the Bible
	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist



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## Our Vision

We pray that all who enter St. Paul's experience God's presence in this community of faith, a community that through Christ strives to be loving, joyous, inclusive, transforming and filled with God's Grace.

## St. Paul's Ministry Staff

<b>Rector</b> The Rev. Robert A. Picken	<b>Priest Associate</b> The Very Rev. William H. Petersen
<b>Director of Music</b> Dr. Robert Poovey	<b>Clergy Assistant</b> Judy Loveland
<b>Music Assistant</b> Karl Robson	<b>Finance &amp; Operations Mgr.</b> Dick Stryker
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