

**St. Antony of Egypt Episcopal Church
Silverdale, WA 98383**

**BC Monthly Reports
May 2021**

VICAR'S REPORT – Bill Fulton

May 13, 2021

Reopening Plan

We had an ushers' meeting last week and carefully worked through the procedures needed for entry, Communion, and exit, when we return to in-person worship on May 23. We'll have a socially distanced coffee hour under the picnic shelter.

Livestream technology

Now that we will be back to in-person services, we'll need to connect the overhead speakers to the sound system. We'll continue to livestream our services.

Columbarium question

Pat Reese has asked for an exception to the Columbarium policy. The policy states that the columbarium spaces may only be used for St. Antony's members and their families. Pat would like to give up her reserved space and allow it to be used for a friend who died recently. He was indigent and has nowhere for his ashes to be buried or interred. We'll discuss this at our meeting.

AA Request

Richard Secrest, the coordinator for the Silverdale Alcoholics Anonymous group, called to ask if we can host weekly AA groups. Currently they are meeting in the blue house just East of Maynard's Restaurant. However, the house is being sold and they have to move. They have 19 meetings a week at varying times of the day. I told him we probably couldn't host all 19 meetings, but we could possibly host some. We'll discuss this at our meeting.

Playset for kids

Julie Sherwin has asked about getting a playset for kids so that they can have outdoor activities available. We need to discuss funding for this and designate a place for it.

Stewardship Webinar with Bishop Rickel

Bishop Rickel is offering an online stewardship training program beginning September 5. This training is offered from 2:00 to 4:00 pm every Sunday for five Sundays. It's geared toward the fall stewardship drive and would result in a complete stewardship plan for the fall drive. The cost is normally \$450 but is being offered for free. I think this would be an excellent way for us to roll out our stewardship drive.

Septic System Repair

At our annual septic inspection, our septic contractor issued us a "notice of correction" because of leaks in the riser. Essentially, ground water is flowing into our tank during the wet season, overwhelming the septic system. As required, the contractor notified Kitsap County Public Health who will require us to make the repair. I called the installer, Whitaker Excavation, and they gave an estimate of \$1,177.20. I

called Shawn Bowen, our septic contractor, and he said he thinks that's a fair price considering all the digging that will be required.

Sacred Ground Lent study

The study on racial reconciliation has had good attendance and lively discussions, and we're continuing on with sessions 6-10.

Joint Service with New Fellowship Church May 2

I thought our joint service with our friends at New Fellowship was very successful. Pastor Johnson and I mentioned that it would be good to have a joint picnic this summer.

Diocesan "One Service" on April 25

I thought that this service gave us a view of the wide variety of voices and faces in the Episcopal Church so that we can visualize ourselves as part of a multicultural church.

Community Garden

David Sorrell is getting estimates for garden fencing and garden boxes.

Deacon Bill's knee surgery

I'm glad to say that Deacon Bill is back at Sunday Eucharists after his successful knee replacement surgery.

Vacation

I'd like to take five days vacation during June to travel to Colorado to see my mother and my family, and four days in August, the 12-15, to attend my 50th High School Reunion.

PEOPLE'S WARDEN AND PASTORAL CARE – Penny Whitney

No report.

BISHOP'S WARDEN – Peter Stockwell

Events involving church functions and the building opening has kept me busy since our last meeting.

After meeting with Arienne Davison on Zoom regarding our next vicar search, I have written to her about a few questions that needed addressing. She forwarded a link to the videos that will guide us. I have included the link of the videos here: [Diocese of Olympia Transition Video on Vimeo](#).

B.C. members should view the first video – "So You're in Transition." The other videos will be viewed by members of the profile committee and search committee when they are formed. All videos can be viewed at any time.

Father Bill asked me to audit his 2019 and 2020 discretionary accounts. I completed the audit and found one minor correction which was clarified.

To help with the opening of the building on May 23rd, I purchased signage to help with directions for our congregation. These signs will be installed before the opening.

Peter Stockwell, Bishop's Warden

FINANCE – Jim Foley

No report.

OUTREACH – Loretta McGinley & Dee Perreira

There was good turnout for the Outreach Zoom team meeting on 11 May. Members shared about contacts they've had with some of the organizations we've chosen to support this year: Kitsap Community Resources, Coffee Oasis, Seafarers' Mission, Clear Creek Elementary School, ERD. The Lord's Diner ministry is still operating out of the Salvation Army; a request will be made to the congregation to volunteer with this ministry in their temporary location. There needs to be a new St. Antony's liaison identified for supporting the Lord's Diner. The team voted to adopt one family through the KCR Kinship Program; they will receive a \$100 monthly gift card and periodic requests will be made to the congregation to help with specific family needs (e.g. food, clothing, small household items). The team also voted to give a \$500 donation to Coffee Oasis.

It was suggested and agreed on to have an outreach guest speaker be part of our church services on a quarterly basis. A request will be made to Coffee Oasis to be our first Outreach guest speaker within the next few months.

There was discussion about the Brandenburg fund, and suggestion made to further explore and develop written specific guidelines regarding how to use this fund as the donor might have most desired.

Two facility use requests submitted to Outreach two months ago by Carol Nau are awaiting a decision by the BC (Linus Project, Quilting group). The current Facility Use guide needs revision to address oversight, specific processes and determination of how, if any, fees are charged.

ENVIRONMENT – Dave Peterson

No report.

COMMUNICATIONS – Chelsea Reeder

No report.

WELCOMING – Emily Nickerson

No report.

FAITH FORMATION – Julie Sherwin & Esther Osborne

No report.

PARISH LIFE - Dave Peterson & Chelsea Reeder

No report.