

# THE PARISH REGISTER

St. Andrew's Church

18001 94th Avenue • Tinley Park, IL 60477 • (708) 614-7404

Non-Profit Org.  
U.S. Postage  
**PAID**  
Tinley Park, IL  
Permit No. 111

The Very Reverend  
Frank M. Levi, MA  
*Rector*

The Rt. Reverend  
Franklin H. Sellers, D.D.  
*Rector Emeritus*

The Reverend  
Craig H. Smith, M. Div.  
*Curate*

AUGUST 2004

## On The Mount

One day Jesus took Peter, James and John to a certain mountain. There on that mountain our Lord was transfigured and in that state Moses and Elijah appeared to Him. (see Mt. 17:1-8; Mk. 9:2-13; Lk. 9:28-36) The three of them, Jesus, Moses and Elijah were discussing Christ's, "departure, which he was to accomplish at Jerusalem." (Lk. 9:31)

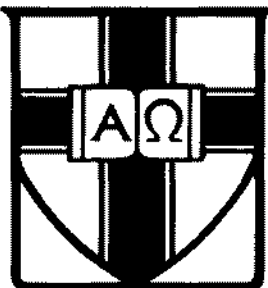
Why was it that of all the Old Testament saints Moses and Elijah were the ones who appeared to Christ on the Mount? It was undoubtedly because those two men and what they represent had a major role in bringing events to that moment in salvation history. In the New Testament the Old Testament is often referred to as the Law and the Prophets. It is Moses who represents the Law and Elijah who symbolizes the Prophets. Christ Himself is the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets.

When we think of Moses and the Law there are three events that come to mind. The first is Passover. Moses was sent by God to deliver a captive people. At the first Passover a lamb was slain and its blood applied to the doorposts to prevent the death angel from destroying any within the house. Christ came to be the final Passover lamb who would be slain to free us from death.

A second event associated with Moses was the Exodus. At the Red Sea an undefeatable tyrant was defeated by God and an uncrossable barrier was divided by the Lord. Christ is the ultimate deliverer of the captive, freeing us from Satan and sin.

The third major event took place on Mt. Sinai as Moses ascended that mountain of smoke and fire. On his return he brought God's Law which reveals God's holy character and standards. The Law reveals to us our true condition and our need of a Savior. The grace of Christ goes beyond and fulfills the Law. "For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth comes through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God; the only Son, who is

**REFORMED  
EPISCOPAL**



in the bosom of the Father, he has made him known." (John 1:17,18) In Christ we see a greater truth about God; revealed is His incomprehensible love and grace.

Elijah, although he left no writings, was always considered to be the preeminent prophet of the Old Testament. The prophets spoke for God calling upon the people to keep the covenant and appealing to them to repent of sin and have faith in God.

Without a doubt the most memorable event in the ministry of Elijah occurred on Mount Carmel. Elijah issued a bold challenge to King Ahab, Queen Jezebel and the prophets of Baal. On Mount Carmel the false prophets called upon Baal to consume their offering with fire; there was no answer. Elijah prayed to the Lord and his offering was immediately consumed in blazing flames revealing the presence and power of God. Christ is the ultimate prophet; a voice from God. His life was a challenge to Satan and all the powers of evil. And Christ won a much greater victory on another hill, Mount Calvary.

Shortly before Christ's path turned toward Jerusalem for the final time He met and talked with Moses and Elijah, the two men who best represent the Old Testament and the long history of God's plan of redemption. There on the Mount of Transfiguration Christ was preparing Himself for the coming events which would complete God's plan of salvation.

By Rev. F. M. Levi

## **VBS, A Huge Success!**

God's All\*Star Champions Trained To Win God's Way! The power of God was felt throughout the week of VBS, June 28 -July 2nd. There were 52 children attending from 3 yrs. to 6th grade. The children raised \$370.33 (with donations over \$400.00) for the "Children Helping Children" Mission Project to purchase Bibles for orphans in India and Asia. We thank our Very Exciting Bible



School staff this year for serving the Lord in this life changing way.

Barb Smith, Soccer Coach  
 Anita Rago, Bicycling Camp Training Coach  
 Derrick Hassert, Softball Camp Coach  
 Craig Smith, Field Hockey Training Camp Coach  
 Nancy Toomey, Mountaineering Coach  
 Shirley Drobnak, Cheerleader Coach  
 Lisa Sellers, Asst. Cheerleader Trainer  
 Edwina Greco, Concessions, Snack Water Lady  
 Patty Levi, Head Coach

Assistance Coaches:

Annamarie Sellers, Janet Novak, Krystine Tempinski, Carolyn Toomey and Dan Anderson

Team Captains:

Daniel Whitehead, Sarah Buescher, Elizabeth Rumbaugh, A.J., Jawad & Jubril Adekoya

Bible Cheerleaders:

Mackenzie Thomas and Casey Kochniarczyk

**Other Staff Trainers or Helpers:**

Loretta Sellers, Beth Levi, Michaela Smith,  
Michelle Klingen and Rev. Frank Levi

**Missionary of The Month**

Rev. & Mrs. Gerhard Meyer (Grace) Esther,  
Melody, Jessica, Joy. Youth/Camp/Pastoral  
Ministries. Schwarzenborn, Germany.

**Happy Birthday!**

Aug. 1 - Anne Robertson  
Aug. 7 - Rev. Frank Levi  
Aug. 7 - Florence Auman  
Aug. 18 - Adam Sellers  
Aug. 22 - John Robertson  
Aug. 24 - Joan Reagan  
Aug. 29 - Bob Fulk



**St. Andrew's  
Preschool/Kindergarten  
Open House**

Sunday, August 29, 2004, 2:00 - 4:00, school begins  
September 7th. Register today!

**New Mission Starting**

St. Paul's Mission will hold its first service Sunday  
evening, August 8, 2004 in Barrington, IL. Do be  
in prayer for this new work.

**Sunday School  
Rally Day & Picnic**

September 12, 2004 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Classes for all ages. Picnic following church.  
Invite others to come with you to Sunday School  
this year.

**Baptism**

Logan James Sellers, the infant son of Adam &  
Lisa Sellers, was baptized at St. Andrew's on  
Sunday, July 11, 2004. We thank God for this  
young life and pray for his continued spiritual  
development.

**New Member**

Sonia Stiklius was formally received into  
membership in this parish on Sunday, July 11,  
2004. We thank Sunny for her commitment to  
the church and pledge to her our support.

**Pledge Campaign**

Thank you to those who have sent in pledge  
cards. Your support of St. Andrew's is sincerely  
appreciated.

**Shield of Faith**

WJYS channel 62 in Chicago, 9:00 a.m. Thursday  
mornings. There will be a special round table  
discussion with area ministers on August 5, 2004.  
Do be in prayer for this television ministry of St.  
Andrew's. DVD or VHS copies of the programs  
are available by contacting the church office.

# AUGUST 2004 CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b>  8th Sunday After Trinity HC - 10:30 am	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>  Bible Study 7:30 pm	<b>6</b>  <i>Transfiguration</i>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b>  9th Sunday After Trinity MP - 10:30 am <i>Coffee Hour</i>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>  Vestry Meeting 7:30 pm	<b>12</b>  Bible Study 7:30 pm	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b>  10th Sunday After Trinity HC - 10:30 am	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>  Bible Study 7:30 pm	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>  11th Sunday After Trinity MP - 10:30 am	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>  <i>St. Bartholomew</i>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>  Bible Study 7:30 pm	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>  12th Sunday After Trinity MP - 10:30 am	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>				