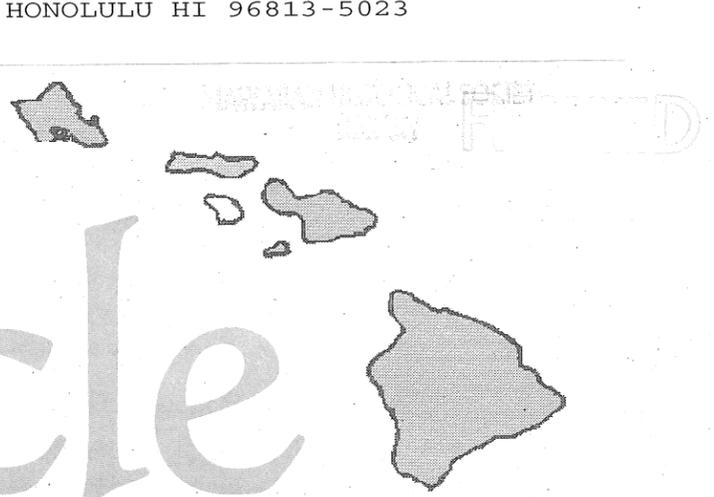


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## Diocesan Event "Bridges the Gap" Among the Generations

BY THE REV. LIZ BEASLEY  
 Editor

Have You Ever: Had a lava lamp? Played Pac Man? Worn gloves to church? Had a Pez collection?

These are just some of the questions that participants were invited to answer for one another at the "Spirituality: Bridging the Gap" conference on Saturday, March 31. More than 200 people from around the Diocese gathered at St. Andrew's Cathedral for plenary sessions and workshops focused on the theme of how people of different generations view God, worship, and understand the world and their place in it. The generations were divided into "Builders" (born before 1946); "Boomers" (born between 1946 and 1961/64); "Generation X" or "Busters" (born between 1961/64 and

1981); and the "Millennial Generation" (born 1981 to the present).

The day began with a welcome by Bishop Richard Chang and singing led by the music ministry at Calvary Church, Kaneohe. We then proceeded to an exercise entitled "Authority of Generations." Representatives of the different generations sat in front of the group and shared a "sacred object" — something significant to them in their spirituality. The gathered assembly was charged with the task of then coming up with a song or hymn that reflected what the person had said.

Plenary speakers Robin Szoke, Betsy Boyd, and Thom Chu from the Episcopal Church Center (the national office of the Episcopal Church in New York City) described to us the charac-



teristics of each of the four generations and how the later generations differ from their parents. For example, here is a sampling of the core values of each:

- Builders: Dedication/sacrifice, hard work, law and order, patience, adherence to rules, honor, loyalty.
- Boomers: Optimism, team orientation, personal gratification, health and wellness, youth, personal growth.
- Generation X: Diversity, thinking globally, balance, technoliteracy, fun,

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### West Hawai'i Youth Enjoy Trip to Oahu

Twelve youth from Christ Church, St. James', and St. John's, Kula, journeyed to Oahu for the Bridging the Gap conference. We kicked off the trip with an all-day visit to the water park, followed with evening shopping. Saturday we helped bridge the gap, and Sunday we went to church at Holy Nativity. We are very thankful to our hosts at Holy Nativity for a place to sleep and cook and for (usually) warm showers! Mahalo from the youth to the Diocese and to Holy Nativity!

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### Diocese of Okinawa Celebrates 50 Years

BY THE REV. DONOR MACNEICE  
 Christ Memorial, Kilauea, &  
 St. Thomas, Hanalei

On Tuesday, March 20, 2001, the Diocese of Okinawa — the Companion Diocese of the Diocese of Hawai'i — celebrated its 50th Anniversary at a moving service held at All Souls' Church in Naha, Okinawa. The Rev. Robert Walden, formerly rector of All Saints' Church in Kapa'a is the Rector of All Souls'.

The service was presided over by The Right Reverend David Tani, Bishop of Okinawa. Bishop Nakamura, Bishop of Okinawa (retired), and the Bishop of Kyoto were also present, together with the Bishop of Pusan (Korea) who was the Preacher. Present from the Diocese of Hawai'i were the Rev. David Kennedy —



Mrs. Helen Mitsui, of Christ Memorial, Kilauea, Kaua'i, stands with Bishop Nakamura, retired Bishop of Okinawa.

whose father was the first Missionary Bishop to Okinawa — and Miss Sue Ann Wilson from St. Andrew's Priory, as well as the Rev. Donor Macneice and Mrs. Helen Mitsui from Christ Memorial Church in Kilauea.

During the service, Bishop Tani recognized the many distinguished guests who were present, as well as the visitors from the Diocese of Hawai'i. After the service there was a big reception in the Parish hall, during which members of various churches in the Diocese of Okinawa entertained the many people there with singing, dancing, and drumming. Bishop Tani joined one group of singers in presenting some local Okinawan songs.

During their short stay in Okinawa, the four visitors from Hawai'i visited some of the churches and schools in the Diocese as well as the Battle of Okinawa Memorial and Museum.

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# Bishop's Letter

Dear Brothers and Sisters  
in Christ,

Transitions can be times of immeasurable ambiguity, generating anxiety, fear, anger, guilt, and despair. The loss of one's job that provided a deep sense of personal fulfillment, the death of a relationship that seemed so permanent, or the geographical or psychological relocation from the familiar to the strange, are just a few of the times when we might experience transitions.

As the Diocese of Hawai'i we have been in a time of transition since 1996 when I began my episcopate with you. We are currently engaged in a process of renewal and conversation that continues our transition from "that which was" towards "that which might become." It has not been the easiest of times. But it has been a time of great excitement for many within our Diocesan community. It has been exciting to watch this Diocese engage so deeply with each other. An ongoing transition, with all of

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BISHOP OF HAWAII



its associated emotions, has been part of our lives as we seek to define our identity and vision as the Episcopal Diocese of Hawai'i.

In coping and living with transition, it is important to keep focused on where we are going, who leads us, and what we are doing. As Easter people we are sustained during this transition time by our focus on Jesus Christ as our Risen Lord and Savior. The Alpha and the Omega are the beginning and the end of transition in our lives. As disciples we are on a journey that follows in the

## Bishop's Visitations

MAY

6 St. James's  
20 Emmanuel  
27 St. John's, Kula

JUNE

3 St. Andrew's Cathedral  
10 St. Michael's  
24 St. Clement's



footsteps of our Risen Savior. The mission of the Church is what we are called to do. As we as the Diocese of Hawai'i continue our pilgrimage of faith and transition, let us continually remind ourselves of who we are and whose Church it is. We are the Lord's and it is His Church.

"He Lanakila Ma Ke Kea!"

+Dick Chang

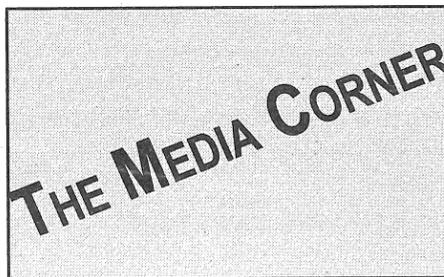
## Morehouse Releases General Convention Edition of "Red Book"

In late March, Morehouse Publishing released the 2001 Episcopal Church Annual, informally known as "The Red Book," to hundreds of Episcopal churches, dioceses, and organizations across the nation.

The 2001 Annual, the first edition since the General Convention in Denver in July 2000, includes the names and contact information for the newly elected and appointed members of the committees and commissions of the new Triennial. It also shows the new structure of Executive Council.

This year's edition uses fewer abbreviations and more complete clergy names in the section listing more than 7,300 churches by diocese. It mirrors the format used on <www.theredbook.org>, a useful online database of church and diocesan information that can be updated by each church or diocese. The website was used this year to help gather the most current information possible for the Annual.

The book contains all of its usual sections, including the names and addresses of more than 16,800 Episcopal bishops, deacons, and priests; biographies of recently consecrated bishops; detailed contact information for the churches and dioceses of the worldwide Anglican Communion, including e-mail and website addresses; current statistics on the Episcopal Church; and detailed information on



hundreds of Episcopal agencies and organizations.

The Episcopal Church Annual 2001 is available for \$32.00 from bookstores or from Morehouse Publishing. To order from Morehouse call (800) 877-0012 (in the U.S. and Canada) or (717) 541-8130 outside the U.S., or e-mail: <morehouse@morehousegroup.com>.

## Church Pension Fund Launches Web Site

The Church Pension Group website is now up and running, and you are invited to check it out at <www.cpg.org>. The user-friendly site allows you to search by area of interest or by affiliate. The top tabs, organized by types of service, make the site easy to navigate. And there are extensive internal links, so you can start anywhere on the home page and quickly find what you're looking for. (In addition to extensive site planning, focus groups were held with clients and staff to help refine the design.) There are downloadable forms and brochures, e-mail links to the CPG staff, web links to the Episcopal Church Center and other sites, and e-services such as the ClergyFinder and ParishFinder. And more interactivity is planned for the future.



# AROUND THE DIOCESE

## “Continuing Our Conversations”

All members of our Diocese are invited to share in conversations that will lead to the shaping of a common vision and the setting of ministry priorities for the Diocese of Hawaii in the new millennium. The first set of conversations, on “Formation,” were held on March 18. Below are the times and places for the next two sets of conversations.

### Sunday, April 22: “Mission”

2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Hawaii	Christ Church, Kealahou
Kauai	St. Michael's and All Angels, Lihue
Maui	Good Shepherd, Wailuku
Honolulu	St. Andrew's Cathedral, Honolulu
Windward Oahu	St. Christopher's, Kailua
West Oahu	St. Timothy's, Aiea

### Sunday, May 20: “Shared Ministry”

2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Hawaii	Christ Church, Kealahou
Kauai	St. Michael's and All Angels, Lihue
Maui	St. John's, Kula
Honolulu	St. Andrew's Cathedral, Honolulu
Windward Oahu	St. Christopher's, Kailua
West Oahu	St. Stephen's, Wahiawa

## Sign Up for EFM Training

BY DAVID CALDWELL

Diocesan EFM Coordinator

EFM (Education for Ministry) is a four-year program of small group (6 to 12 persons) worship, theological reflection, Bible study, and sharing that is offered by extension from the Episcopal seminary of the University of the South at Sewanee, Tennessee. Each group is convened and coordinated by a certified mentor, and members of the group meet weekly over a nine-month period for approximately 2 1/2 to 3 hours. The program is intended to equip lay ministers with the kind of theological education that supports their faith and to help them act out that faith in daily living. The annual fee of \$325 per person is our diocesan rate and covers text, worship materials, and common lessons. Though the program may seem at first glance to be extravagant in time and money, no other program available brings the depth of study, worship, and sharing alive in quite the same measure. You need only commit to the program on a year-to-year basis, though most members do continue through the full four-year cycle.

The purpose of Mentor Training is to discern whether an individual has the desire and skills to be a mentor for an EFM group. It allows an EFM trainer the opportunity to evaluate the skills of each trainee and to accredit as mentor those who qualify. The role of

the mentor includes an ability to articulate one's own thoughts and feelings, to seek understanding of others' thoughts and feelings, and to respond appropriately and effectively to group dynamics. The role of the mentor is as a facilitator rather than a teacher. A mentor should be mature in a life of faith, comfortable with the diversity of our rich Biblical heritage, and willing to become familiar with the study of Biblical criticism. Mentors also take on administrative responsibilities within their groups for which they receive a small stipend.

Basic Training is available to anyone interested in becoming a mentor or seeking more hands-on information about the program before committing to mentoring a group. Basic Training group sizes are limited to 6 to 8 persons, and preference will be given to those currently mentoring or co-mentoring groups. Formation Training is available to persons who are currently active in a group and have attended at least two basic training events.

Basic Training sessions will be led by Fr. John Millen and will be held at Glantz Hall, The Church of the Holy Nativity, 'Aina Haina, on May 25-27, 2001, and August 3-5, 2001.

Formation Training will be on the topic of “Spirituality” and will be led by Ms. Gail Jones from the Diocese of Olympia. It will also be held at Glantz



A rendition of Camp Pecusa by artist Rik Fitch of Kula, Maui. (The original is in color!)

## Camp Pecusa, Maui, Offers Ten Days of Fun, Education, and Community

The Maui Episcopal Churches are working together to offer a ten-day camp, from July 20-30. The Rev. Morley Frech and the Rev. Heather Mueller-Fitch, along with Lorna Lubawski and Diane Hermes, will be some of the on-site leadership during camp.

The Session is ten days, and the activities will include swimming, hiking, drama, snorkeling, arts and crafts, and campfires. Children between the ages of 7 and 12 are invited to come together to make new friends, ride some waves, have adventures, enjoy life, and create a gift.

The Camp Pecusa session provides a safe, fun, caring environment free of tobacco, alcohol, and drugs where campers and staff can work and play together. The program emphasizes spiritual education, recreation, and community building.

Camp Pecusa is one of the two camps in the Episcopal Diocese of

Hawai'i. It is located about ten miles south of Lahaina, Maui, near Olowalu village on the ocean. The facilities consist of a large dining hall and counselors quarters. We have room for 30 campers.

Please write to St. John's Church, RR2, Box 212, Kula, HI 96790, or e-mail <janetn@aloha.net> to request an application for Camp.

The camp fee is \$200.00 for ten days. To help keep expenses down we depend on volunteers to help with programs, and we are always grateful when we receive fruits and vegetables, as well as donations for camper scholarships.

The Maui Episcopal Churches work together to provide this camp experience with the opportunity for children, counselors, and staff to experience “The Holy Rhythm of life in God's creation.”

Hall, The Church of the Holy Nativity, 'Aina Haina, on June 15-17, 2001.

Please note that registration fees are \$55.00 per person for Basic Training and \$75.00 per person for Formation Training.

Registration deadlines are two weeks prior to each training event.

Anyone interested in joining a group or attending one of the sessions should contact David Caldwell, EFM Coordinator, at (808) 487-5436 or by email: dbc@aloha.net, or contact a mentor in your area.

### EFM Mentors

#### Oahu:

Tish Bailey (St. Christopher's)	262-6322
Ann Brotherton (Holy Nativity)	395-1467
John Condrey (St. Andrew's)	536-0022
Pam McCoy (St. George's)	236-1792
Nancy Rowe (Emmanuel)	262-5082

#### Kauai:

Margee Faunce (St. Michael's)	742-9387
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#### Maui:

David Barratt (St. John's)	283-3577
Dr. Meredith Moon (St. John's)	573-1188

#### Big Island:

The Rev. Carol Arney (Christ Church)	323-3429
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# TALENT AND TREASURE

## Positions Open in the Diocese of Hawai'i

FROM THE REV. CANON ROBERT L. FITZPATRICK  
*Diocesan Deployment Officer*

### Diocesan

Youth and Young Adult Coordinator, Office of the Bishop — Accepting names.

### Big Island

St. Augustine's, Kapaau: Vicar — Self-study with interim; mission statement complete; preparing to start search.

St. Jude's, Ocean View: Vicar — Evaluating ministry options.

West Hawai'i Youth Ministry: Youth Worker — Accepting names.

### Kaua'i

Episcopal Church on West Kaua'i: Vicar — Preparing for Interim.

### Maui

Holy Innocents, Lahaina: Rector — Vestry organization started; looking to interim beginning in the Summer.

### O'ahu

St. Andrew's Cathedral, Honolulu: Dean — Interim in place; preparing for search.

St. Andrew's Cathedral, Honolulu: Canon Pastor — Ministry needs evaluation.

St. Andrew's Priory School, Honolulu: Chaplain — Accepting names.

St. Clement's, Honolulu: Rector — Interim in place, profile complete, accepting names.

St. Luke's, Honolulu: Rector — Interim in place; evaluating ministry.

St. Mary's, Honolulu: Rector — Accepting names.

St. Peter's, Honolulu: Rector — Seeking priest-in-charge.

Waikiki Chapel, Honolulu: Pastor — Interim being appointed.

Holy Cross, Kahuku: Vicar — Receiving names.

Emmanuel, Kailua: Vicar — Vicar left in April.

St. John's By-the-Sea, Kaneohe: Vicar — Organizing for interim; search committee formed.

St. Stephen's, Wahiawa: Rector — Interim in place; search committee formed.

St. Philip's, Waianae: Vicar — Preparing for self-study.

If anyone is interested in a position or knows of someone who you think might be right, please give me a call at 536-7776, 1-800-522-8418, ext. 110. Be especially aware of those entrepreneurial and mission-minded ordained souls in the broader church who might like to be called to ministry in Hawai'i. There will be other congregations coming open in the future, and we need to actively seek out those who may be called to minister here with us!



### Congratulations, Walter!

The Rev. Walter Stevens looks out from his many leis following his ordination to the priesthood on Sunday, March 25, at St. Timothy's, Aiea. St. Philip's of Waianae, where Walter served throughout his diaconate, hosted a reception following the ceremony. As of March 18, Walter has begun a ministry as the Pastoral Assistant for Youth and Education at Calvary Church, Kaneohe.

## Discerning God's Call

### ✦ Mentors Clarify a Call to Be a Priest

BY THE REV. CANON ROBERT L. FITZPATRICK  
*Canon Missioner, & Vicar, St. Barnabas*

*Editor's Note: This is the third in a series organized by the Commission on Ministry on discerning God's call. This is the Year of Discernment in the Diocese of Hawai'i. Each month we will feature a person, lay or ordained, and how she/he came to discern God's call to her/his particular ministry. Mahalo to the Rev. Bob Fitzpatrick, Canon Missioner of the Diocese, Deployment Officer, and Vicar of St. Barnabas, for sharing with us how various mentors have shaped him as a priest in the Church.*

My sense of *call* as a priest has its root in my baptism and my first months as a Christian. I was a college student in a small liberal arts school in Indiana (DePauw University, Greencastle) in the mid-seventies. I was a political science major with a philosophical and romantic bent. I thought I was destined to be a lawyer fighting for justice or perhaps a professor teaching Plato and Marx. In fact when Bea (she was a nursing student) first met me, my hair was long and my room including nothing but a bed, stacks of books, and a large red-and-white Communist poster from Portugal (I had been a student there). I questioned everything in a safe, distant, intellectual way. My family never went to church and I had never been baptized. The first time I read the Bible and the writings of Christian thinkers in a serious way was in a political theory class. Those readings, my own doubts about humanity and myself, and coming to know Bea, an active Roman Catholic at the time, set me on a spiritual quest.

My roommate at the time was an Episcopalian (Mel is now an active Roman Catholic and an attorney) seriously struggling with the call to the priesthood, but I, of course, did not join him at his *early* Sunday morning sojourns to church. I talked with the local Presbyterian pastor and the United Methodist chaplain. I would join Bea at Mass on Saturday evenings. I avoided Sunday morning services at all costs.

One Wednesday at noontime, I happened by St. Andrew's Episcopal Church (a quaint stone church) and the bell was ringing. On a whim, I walked in. The Eucharist was underway. The celebrant looked for the life of me like W.C. Fields in a dress — a really nice purple-satin dress with velvet trim. There were a few students and several older people in the congregation. I did not go up for communion. I

had no idea what was going on. The priest, Father Harlan, was the rector. Immediately following the service, he walked up to me and started a conversation. Father Harlan spent the afternoon talking with me. He called his wife, a professor of music, and I was duly invited to dinner. That evening included a fine meal, my first really good cigar, and several hours of conversation. I was in church the next Sunday and baptized soon thereafter. I was confirmed on April Fool's Day. I was soon at church more often than my roommate.

By the time I met him, Father Harlan was already in his mid-sixties. His ministry had included years in chaplancy on a university campus and in a prison. He answered my odd questions with ease. He was a priest of robust and joyful faith in Jesus Christ. He had me serving as an acolyte and painting the church basement restrooms in no time. His was a ministry of welcome, and he had the ability to nurture those with no faith into a life with Jesus Christ. I was taking part in parish rummage sales and visiting the nursing home. Once a month the Harlans and I would drive an hour for the eight o'clock Sunday morning service at a small church in an old coal-mining town on the banks of the Wabash River. St. George's Church had been founded for English miners who were not welcome at the "big church" in Terre Haute. Their children (all over seventy) were still in the little clapboard church. I was the lector and acolyte. I learned to use the 1928 Prayer Book. I did not realize it at the time, but I had a mentor in ministry. My understanding of the priesthood was being formed.

Father Harlan had a "staff" that did not include a secretary or a sexton. John Eigenbrodt was a college professor who taught New Testament. He had studied at Yale and Oxford. If Father Harlan was earthy and the country parson, John was the picture of an Oxford Dom brimming with "Anglican ethos." John affirmed my academic abilities. In the corner of an exam, he wrote: "You'll be a fine priest — especially if you go to Yale!" The third member of the team joined my senior year. He was the young curly-

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# THE WIDER WORLD

## Host Families Sought for International Students

Host families are currently being sought in the State of Hawaii to provide homestays during the academic year 2001-2002 for high school aged students (male and female) under the auspices of the International Hospitality Center (IHC). Hosts may be located on Oahu or any neighbor island. Students will, in general, attend the local public school in the district in which the hosts reside. Several private independent schools also offer full scholarships for IHC exchange students. Participants are carefully selected and take part in an intensive orientation program. Although hosts provide room and board without

remuneration, the expense of hosting can be taken as a tax-deductible contribution to the sponsoring non-profit organization. Participants are sponsored by major international educational and cultural exchange programs, e.g., the Center for Cultural Interchange, Soros Foundation, Freedom Support Act (US Congress). All participants are covered by health and accident insurance and have their own spending money. The English level of the students allows them to carry a standard academic course load and participate fully in host family life.

Hosts may choose sex, nationality, and age (15-17) and work closely with

the International Hospitality Center in the selection process. Counseling and assistance by the International Hospitality Center is provided throughout the academic year. Students in 2001-2002 will include participants from Russia and the Independent States, Spain, Germany, Belgium, Czech Republic, Hungary, France, Thailand, Poland, Vietnam, Australia, Japan, several South American countries, and other European nations.

The International Hospitality Center is Hawaii's private, community-based, volunteer agency providing programming and hospitality services to government and foundation grantees

and sponsored international exchange students. Touching the lives of 4,887 participants from 43 countries in the past year, IHC involves over 1,500 community volunteers statewide. Host families are also sought for short-term hospitality and homestays from two days to three weeks in duration. Summer 2001 will bring short-term participants from France, Spain, Germany, Italy, Japan, Taiwan, Brazil, Chile, Tahiti, and others. For additional information, please contact Barbara Bancel, Executive Director of the International Hospitality Center, at (808) 521-3554.

## Summer Opportunities for Youth

Although the deadlines for both of these activities will have passed by the time this issue is published, it seems important to note two events during the summer in which some of our youth will be participating.

The first is the Provincial Youth Event (PYE) that will be held July 24-29, 2001, on the University of San Diego campus in San Diego, California. The theme is "Teach Us to Pray - Tools for the Journey." This event is restricted to youth who have completed any grade between 9th and 12th. Ten youth from the Diocese will be able to attend.

The second event is Mission with the Diocese of Okinawa. The objective of this mission is to appreciate and celebrate the spiritual and cultural relationships with the peoples of Okinawa and Hawai'i. It is jointly sponsored by the Companion Diocese Committee and Hawai'i Episcopal Youth (HEY). For this Mission, youth must have completed any grade between 10th and 12th. The mission is scheduled for July 30 to August 13. The mission includes working with children in a church/school setting and working at Airakuen, which is a ministry of the Anglican Church in Okinawa serving the elderly who have survived the effects of Hansen's Disease.

There is a selection process for each event, and the deadline for submission of applications was April 20. However, please keep the youth and adults attending these events in your prayers!

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haired assistant chaplain at the university. Jim Lemler, now the Dean of Seabury-Western Theological Seminary, was an enthusiastic broad minded Anglo-Catholic. Incense began to challenge Father Harlan's cigars in the air at St. Andrew's Church. Jim was the first person to talk to me about seminary and verbally encourage my vocation. John and Jim included me in their fellowship.

Near the end of my last year in college, I approached Father Harlan about the priesthood and seminary. He laughed and assured me he had known since the first day I was in church. I was still unsure. My parents had long assumed I would go to law school and would make money. I was the first person in my family to attend college. They did not attend church; my father had been raised in a strict Baptist family and he would not go to church. My mother had been baptized by a Christian and Missionary Alliance evangelist in the Little Wabash River and still prayed and read the Bible, but years of working on Sundays and struggling on her own to get the family to worship had left her tired and not in any church. Father Harlan made a special effort to meet my parents and to get them ready for a change in direction in my life. After graduation, he directed me to Indianapolis. I got a job in the trust department in a small family-owned bank. At Harlan's suggestion, I went to talk to the new Rector of Trinity Church, Roger White (now the Bishop of Milwaukee). He immediately offered me the apartment above the church in exchange for taking over the youth group

(clearly, folk had talked before I arrived for our interview).

Roger's big Yorkshire personality gave me a living lesson in vibrant ministry. He was after me to do more and was always there to support me in my new adventure. One Saturday morning after a lock-in in the church with thirty middle-schoolers and adult leaders, I was cooking pancakes in the kitchen, and kids were all over the parish hall. I heard a loud "Oh, my God!" By the time I got to the door, there was one of the parish matriarchs driving off in her Rolls Royce. The phone rang in a few minutes. Roger checked in and he told me not to worry about Mrs. F. Roger taught me that a priest has to support others in their ministries. He affirmed my ministry. When Bea and I married, Father Harlan, Jim, and Roger were at the altar.

Newly married and driving a U-Haul, Bea and I packed off to the General Theological Seminary in New York City. Once on the Close (General Seminary encloses a city block in the Chelsea neighborhood in Manhattan, and it is the oldest seminary in the Episcopal Church), I began my formal training to be a priest. The classes in history, biblical studies, pastoral care, and liturgy were a part of my formation. I most remember those individuals who ministered to me and showed me by example what it means to be a priest. Bob Wright pounded odd historical details into my head, but he also witnessed to be a deep pastoral care in a traditional catholic form. Jim Fenhagen, the Dean, shared a vision of inclusivity and welcome within the Seminary community, and honesty, humanity, integrity, and care in his ministry to the students.

Two people were very important mentors for me. Patricia Wilson-Kastner was my advisor and friend (and the Godmother of my son). Pat was a former Roman Catholic nun who, as she jokingly put it, was "kicked out for organizing." She married, completed her PhD and was ordained in the United Church of Christ. Once the Episcopal Church approved the ordination of women, she was ordained a priest. Pat shared with me her vision of being a priest: joy of preaching, continual intellectual pursuits, and a deep prayer life. Ron (her husband), Pat, Bea, and I were once in Little Italy for a street fair. Bea and Ron were listening to a band while Pat and I wandered into a Roman Catholic Church. Pat began laughing. She told me, "Bob, the Trinity is about a God of life, a God of relationship, a great dance of creation. Not that God: the Son is dead, the Father's an old white man, and the Holy Spirit is a bird nose-diving into the Father's tiara." Pat pointed to a larger-than-life painted statue of the Trinity: Jesus just off the cross lying dead in the Father's lap. God the Father portrayed as an old man with a long white beard and an extra-large papal tiara on his head. God the Holy Spirit was a dove on top.

As her teaching assistant (and that of Bob Wright), I was encouraged in my ministry as a teacher and a preacher. Rachel Hosmer was a priest and a nun. She was in fact the first woman monastic ordained a priest. During a crisis in my life, she offered counsel and spiritual direction that helped me to maintain my sanity, to stay in seminary, and to form my vocation. From these two women, I was shown the centrality of the spiritual

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# FOCUS ON PEOPLE

## Discerning God's Call

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life to my vocation. Regular prayer, spiritual direction, private confession, and study were central to their lives as priests. I have tried to make them central to mine. They affirmed my vocation in my brokenness and humanity.

I graduated from seminary, was ordained to the diaconate in Indianapolis, and moved with Bea to Morristown, New Jersey, to become the assistant to the rector at St. Peter's Church. It was there that I was ordained a priest. My call and formation continued after my ordination and hopefully continues today.

I recounted these stories of individuals who mentored and encouraged me in my early struggle with the call to the priesthood because I am convinced that people live and think in stories and relationships. That early time of formation and clarification was encouraged and nurtured by lay folk and by my Bishop, Ted Jones. The monks of the Order of the Holy Cross, especially Timothy Jolly, helped to shape my spirituality. There were particular books that helped to shape my understanding (an understanding that has continued to evolve) about the priesthood. I

especially remember two: Michael Ramsey's *The Christian Priest Today* and a long out-of-print book, *A Priest Forever* by Walter Conrad Klein. It was the priests, however, who became my mentors and modeled a way of life to which I knew I was called. These priests called out my ministry and focused my vocation. They were the ones who, by words and actions, said to me, "Bob, you should be a priest. How can I help make that happen?"

In my Prayer Book, I have a copy of the four duties of a priest outlined by Michael Ramsey, the 100<sup>th</sup> Archbishop of Canterbury, in an ordination address (these are found, I think, in *The Christian Priest Today*). I try to read these everyday when I say the daily office. The language is of another time, and for the limitations of his words for our day, I am sorry. The vision I hope is still true:

1. First, the priest is the teacher and preacher, and as such he is the man of theology.
2. Next, the priest is still the minister of reconciliation; and by this office he links the common life of the Church

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to the gospel of divine forgiveness upon which its common life depends.

3. Then, the priest, in the Church and for the Church, is the man of

prayer.... As absolver and pastor, no less than as theologian and teacher, the priest has a prayer which focuses the Church's prayer.

4. So too the priest is the man of the Eucharist.... In taking,

breaking and consecrating he acts in Christ's name and in the name not only of the particular congregation but of the Holy Catholic Church down the ages.

These words have helped me set my call from God as a priest to match my gifts from God. My mentors and encouragers allowed me to see how they could live into their vocations as priests so that I could live mine.

The other words I have printed below Ramsey's words in my Prayer Book are those of George Herbert's written in 1632: "The Parson's yea is yea, and nay, nay: and his apparel plain, but reverend, and clean, without

spots, or dust, or smell: the purity of his mind breaking out, and dilating itself even to his body, clothes, and habitation." The call from God to the priesthood is witnessed by lives of humility, simplicity, and integrity. I saw in my mentors and encouragers the life to which I knew I was called.

In this time of a "shortage" of priests, I am left to ponder the questions: "Is there a shortage of vocations? Have we failed to ask?" My own experience is that priests modeled for me the life to which I am called. Priests nurtured my vocation and encouraged me. I would hope that every priest is calling others to their unique ministries as the baptized children of God: lay, deacon, and priest. I particularly pray that by our words and living examples we are calling young folk to live into their vocations. I pray they see in our priests women and men with faith in Jesus Christ, integrity of words and actions that live the Gospel of Jesus Christ, scholarship that allows the teaching and preaching of our new life in Jesus Christ in effective and understandable ways, and humility that assures others we do not think ourselves to be Jesus Christ. I certainly pray that I can be a mentor and encourager for the new priests we are raising here in Hawai'i.



## Love Legacy Lives On at Holy Innocents'

BY RANDI SOMERS

*Holy Innocents', Lahaina*

The historic Holy Innocents' Episcopal Church on Front Street in Lahaina, Maui, lost its dynamic duo March 17, but Fr. Chuck and Shirley Cannon's legacy promises to live on.

Chuck and his energetic and productive mate of 17 years, Shirley, brought tradition and stability, as well as some chaos, to their ministry at Holy Innocents'. "Life at its best is a thin ridge between chaos and tradition," Shirley said, sipping coffee in the mellow pre-dawn glow of the rectory dining room. Chuck chimed in, "And the cutting edge is on that fine line. If you go back into the tradition or stability then things get absolute. They get solidified. They don't grow. And if you go too far over into the chaos, things get torn apart or confused. The center does not hold. And right on that line, things will grow and the tradition sustains you as you move into new territory."

Tracy Flanagan, current vestry member and long-time parishioner,

says of them, "One of the joys that Shirley and Chuck brought, besides their incredible energy, is their desire to give themselves to the church parish and the community. They opened all the doors and it was a breath of fresh air."

Chuck and Shirley came to the church from the sea where they met, fell in love, and adventured for years on sailboats before responding to the

call (via ham radio) to Holy Innocents'. Lessons in Father Chuck's sermons often draw from that life at sea. "This chaos and tradition balance is the same with sailing," he said. "Your tradition and your seamanship skills let you go out into the chaos or to the edge of chaos and sometimes it overwhelms you; you go too far. Sometimes you don't go far enough and you don't get anywhere."



"Like going up on the [square-rigged museum ship] *Carthaginian* yesterday too," he elaborated. "For the past couple of years, I didn't climb into the rigging because I was thinking I was getting too old. I didn't think I had the stability or agility or the strength. It was too dangerous. Too risky. So I wasn't going to do it. But it needed doing. And another part of me said 'I can do it.' So it's like being ready to move to that edge of the chaos in order to keep on growing." Fr. Cannon has served on the *Carthaginian* subcommittee of the Lahaina Restoration Foundation for several years and has spent many hours working in the rigging.

Looking back on their ministry, and with tears glistening on her lashes, Shirley said, "It's a good time to leave, while everything is on an upbeat."

As they retire and close this chapter of their lives, the Cannons leave solid loving friends as well as a handful of enemies. The well-wishers who gathered to bid them bon voyage on their final Sunday evening conveyed the feel that the spirit of love and acceptance and openness the Cannons have nurtured in the past seven years will live on in the classic little church that has been a landmark on Front Street since 1862.

# FOCUS ON PEOPLE

## Annual "Fun and Fashion" Show at Christ Memorial

BY THE REV. DONOR MACNEICE  
*Christ Memorial, Kilauea, & St. Thomas', Hanalei*

Christ Memorial Church in Kilauea has organized and run a Thrift Shop in one of its buildings across the road from the Church. In addition to being a necessary source of income for the church itself, the Thrift Shop is a big outreach program of the Christ Memorial. Every month it sends boxes of clothing to the Philippines, with members of the Kilauea Filipino community, as well as giving necessary clothing and other items needed by those



Diane Torkelson models a flaming red Hawaiian wedding dress for the crowd at Christ Memorial's Fun and Fashion Show.

who are unable to afford to buy them. Once a year — as an extra fundraiser for the church — the volunteers at the Thrift Shop organize a "Fun & Fashion" Show. At this event, which is preceded by a dinner organized by the Senior Warden, Mrs. Linda Sproat, the volunteers of all ages, and their friends, model the clothes that are given to the Shop. These range from the outrageous and ridiculous to the beautiful and the dignified, and every year people look forward to this fun event. This year's Show was held recently, and the photograph shows Diane Torkelson of St. Thomas' Church, Hanalei, looking very elegant in a period Hawaiian wedding dress from the Big Island.

## Hugs and Kisses for Father Walt

BY LOT LAU  
*St. John's-by-the-Sea, Kahalu'u*

On February 25, a brisk kona wind helped gather neighbors, friends, and family to a retirement party for Walt Harris after his last service as vicar of St. John's by-the-Sea Church in Kahalu'u. The 9:30 AM service was packed with well-wishers: diocesan staff, friends from Kaneohe, retired priests, and present and former members of St. John's. A potluck luncheon followed the service. A



message from Bishop Chang was read and good wishes passed from persons unable to attend. There were presentations of mementos: heartfelt sentiments written on stationery designed by Lois Murphy; a sculpture of a guardian angel created by artist Christine Hopkins; a pillow splashed with hearts and kisses motifs crafted by Leone Leong so the Harrises would always have the affection of St. John's close by; and a monkeypod bowl to hold souvenirs of his time at St. John's. Walt, usually a man of ample words, could only say, "Mahalo nui loa." We

know the diocesan 'ohana joins St. John's congregation in wishing Walt and Harriet Godspeed on their continuing journey. Walt intends to devote his time to artwork and family, and to help the diocese as he is able.

## Good Shepherd Celebrates 10 Years of Musical Direction

On Sunday, March 18, the Good Shepherd Episcopal Church in Wailuku, Maui, celebrated the 10th Anniversary of their Organist and Choir Director, Tannis Grimes. Members of the Youth Choir presented leis to Tannis during the morning service while the Rev. Marvin Foltz spoke of her ten years of musical ministry at the church. During her tenure as organist/choir director, Good Shepherd Church replaced its ailing organ with a three-manual Rodgers Organ; the Adult Choir has increased to 20 members; the Youth Choir last year numbered nearly 40 young singers (attendance rises and falls each year); and a number of professional musicians have visited and played for the services, including the Maui Brass Ensemble who have become a tradition on Christmas Eve. A new project being initiated is a Handbell Choir, which will make its debut in the fall, after the handbells arrive this summer. After church, the entire congregation was invited to join Tannis and the Youth and Adult Choirs for a potluck brunch in the Parish Hall.

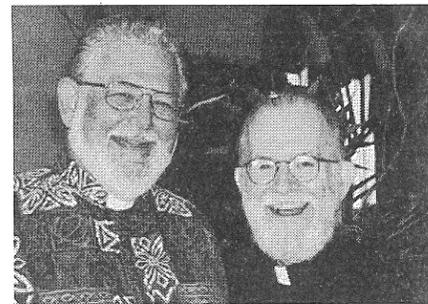


Tannis Grimes, Organist/Choir Director of Good Shepherd, Wailuku, seated at the organ. The church honored Tannis on March 18 for her ten years of service.

## Clergy Celebrate Chrism Mass Together

On Tuesday, April 10, the clergy of the Diocese, with some spouses and others, gathered at St. Andrew's Cathedral to celebrate the annual Chrism Mass and Renewal of Ordination Vows. During this service of Holy Eucharist, Bishop Richard Chang blesses the sacred oils of chrism, for baptism, and of the sick, for anointing, for distribution among all the churches of the Diocese for the coming year.

The clergy renew their ordination vows each year at this time. Tradition is that one of the newest clergy of the Diocese preach the sermon; on this occasion, that honor fell to the Rev. Tom McCart, interim rector of St. Clement's, Honolulu. The service was followed by a luncheon for all.



Santas at Easter? The Revs. Tom Van Culin and Len Howard show off their beards at the annual Chrism Mass on April 10.

### GENERATIONS, FROM PAGE A

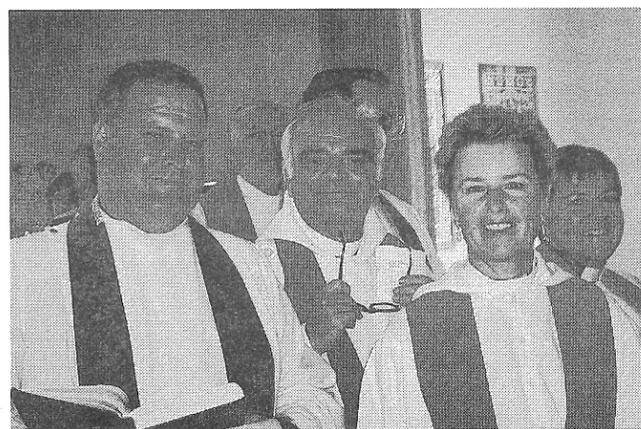
informality, self-reliance, pragmatism.

- Millennials: Optimism, civic duty, confidence, achievement, sociability, morality, street smarts, diversity.

(These characteristics are from the Center for Ministry Development in Naugatuck, Connecticut, <[www.cmdnet.org](http://www.cmdnet.org)>.)

After lunch, conference participants attended a variety of workshops that touched more closely on some specific aspect of "bridging the gap" between the generations. The day concluded (except for optional "Twilight Workshops") with a celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

Mahalo nui loa to the conference planners for all their hard work in organizing this day for our Diocese!



Clergy line up for the procession at the Chrism Mass on April 10. In the foreground, L to R: The Revs. Marvin Foltz, Gerhard Laun, Polly Hilsabeck, and Allison Dingley. Somewhat visible in the background are the Revs. David Kennedy, John Millen, and Donor Macneice.

# COMING SOON

## MAY

### 1 Tuesday

- Support Dept. Meeting 11:30 a.m.

### 2 Wednesday

- Compensation Review 12:30 p.m.
- Diocesan Institute Board 3:00 p.m.

### 3-6 Thursday-Sunday

- B+E+S+T Conference

### 3 Thursday

- Commission on Ministry 3:00 p.m.

### 4 Friday

- Maui Clericus Meeting 9:30 a.m.

### 8-9 Tuesday-Wednesday

- Clergy Conference

### 9 Wednesday

- Chronicle Deadline

### 12 Saturday

- ECW Meeting 9:00 a.m.

### 17 Thursday

- Applications Due for Bishop's & HPU Scholarships
- Cathedral Chapter 4:30 p.m.

### 18 Friday

- Standing Committee 9:30 a.m.

### 19 Saturday

- Council Dept. Meetings 9:00 a.m.
- Diocesan Council 12:00 p.m.

### 23 Wednesday

- Stewardship Committee 12:00 p.m.
- Bishop's Priory Seniors Reception 4:00 p.m.

### 24 Thursday

- Priory Ascension Day Services 9:00 a.m.

### 25 Friday

- Seabury Hall Baccalaureate

### 26 Saturday

- Seabury Hall Graduation

### 27 Sunday

- Priory Baccalaureate 3:00 p.m.
- Iolani Baccalaureate 6:00 p.m.

### 28 Monday

- Diocesan Offices Closed Memorial Day

## JUNE

### 1 Friday

- Bishop's Staff Planning Meeting
- Maui Clericus Meeting

### 2 Saturday

- Iolani Graduation 4:00 p.m.

### 3 Sunday

- Pentecost
- Priory Graduation 4:00 p.m.

### 5 Tuesday

- Support Dept. Meeting 11:30 a.m.

### 6 Wednesday

- Compensation Review 11:30 a.m.

### 7 Thursday

- Commission on Ministry 3:00 p.m.

### 8 Friday

- Chronicle Deadline 4:00 p.m.

### 9 Saturday

- Deacons Meeting 9:00 a.m.
- ECW Meeting, Holy Nativity

### 11 Monday

- Diocesan Offices Closed Kamehameha Day

### 12 Tuesday

- 1st Mailing Deadline, Diocesan Convention

### 15 Friday

- Standing Committee 9:30 a.m.

### 16 Saturday

- Council Dept. Meetings 9:00 a.m.
- Diocesan Council 12:00 p.m.

### 20 Wednesday

- Clergy Newsletter
- Diocesan Convention First Mailing

### 21 Thursday

- Cathedral Chapter 4:30 p.m.

### 27 Wednesday

- Stewardship Committee 12:00 p.m.

### 28 June - 3 July

- EAM Consultation

## LOOKING AHEAD

### July 24-29

- Provincial Youth Event

### July 30 - August 13

- Mission to Okinawa

### September 28-30

- Men's Retreat

### October 26-28

- Diocesan Convention



## Bits & Pieces

### Recital and Evensong at St. Andrew's

Dr. Arlan Sunnarborg, Cathedral Musician at St. Andrew's Cathedral in downtown Honolulu, will present an organ recital on Sunday, June 3, at 7:30 PM.

The Cathedral, located at Beretania and Queen Emma Streets, is privileged to house the largest organ in the state of Hawai'i, a four-manual Aeolian-Skinner instrument. The organ, built in 1961, had its latest additions in 1996.

The evening will conclude with the singing of Choral Evensong by the Cathedral Choir. The Diocese is invited to attend this evening of music and prayer.

### Episcopal Religious Order Invites New Members

The Community of the Ascension, a traditional Episcopal religious order for women, is seeking new members. We work with those who are disenfranchised by society and those who are in need, take on a responsibility of regular intercessory prayer, and actively protect and nurture the natural environment. If you believe that God may be calling you to vowed life in community, we welcome your inquiry: Community of the Ascension, Sanctuary House, PO Box 1439, Cambridge, MD 21613. 410-228-7180. <sancthse@fastol.com>.

George Gershwin's "Someone to Watch Over Me," "Embracable You," "I've Got Rhythm," Duke Ellington's "It Don't Mean a Thing (if it ain't got that swing)," and "Mood Indigo," Cole Porter's "Anything Goes," "Night and Day," and many more. Join the Hawai'i Vocal Arts Ensemble for a romantic evening of music in the intimate setting of the newly renovated Mystical Rose Oratory.

### Hawaii Vocal Arts Ensemble to Feature Gershwin, Kern, and Porter Songs

The Hawai'i Vocal Arts Ensemble will present their final concerts of the 2000-2001 season, "Stardust & Moonlight: An American Songbook," on Friday and Saturday evenings, May 4 and 5, at 7:30 PM. Both concerts will be held at the Mystical Rose Oratory, on the campus of Chaminade University of Honolulu. Special guest artist Leslie "Buz" Tennent, baritone, will join the ensemble for this tribute to great songs of the 1920s, 30s, and 40s.

Music from the great era of American song, in rich arrangements for soloists and chorus, will include

The Ensemble was founded in 1992 by its Music Director, Timothy Carney, who is also music director at St. Christopher's, Kailua. For nine years, the Hawai'i Vocal Arts Ensemble has delighted audiences with its versatility, performing a *cappella* choral miniatures, sacred and secular music accompanied by chamber ensembles, and masterworks with full symphony orchestras.

The Ensemble has commissioned many new choral pieces and inaugurated a Choral Chamber Works series in cooperation with Chaminade University of Honolulu, where it serves as the University's Choir-in-Residence. It now brings a wide range of music to Kaua'i, Hawai'i, and Maui, as well as to O'ahu, and its Christmas CD, *Pōla'ie*, carries holiday melodies throughout the world. For hundreds here in Hawai'i, the Christmas season is not

complete without the stirring seasonal music of the Ensemble's Candlelight Christmas Concerts at Saint Andrew's Cathedral.

Special guest artist Leslie "Buz" Tennent is internationally recognized as a versatile performing artist, equally at home in opera, oratorio, concerts, and recitals, as well as musical theater. An alumnus of the University of Hawai'i, Mr. Tennent earned his Master's in Voice at the Manhattan School of Music, working with such notable baritones as Sherrill Milnes and Thomas Stewart.

For tickets to "Stardust & Moonlight" or for more information please call Dana Myers, the Ensemble's Manager, at 263-6341.

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