A newsletter from us for all of you.

OCTOBER 2023 - CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



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In-Person Holy Eucharist Rite II and virtual attendance via Zoom posted to YouTube 8 a.m. In-Person Holy Eucharist Rite II and virtual attendance via Zoom posted to Facebook 10 a.m.

The Right Reverend Santosh Marray, Bishop of Easton

The Reverend Joseph Rushton, Rector

The Reverend Alisha M. King, Deacon

Bonnie Rease, Bookkeeper and Secretary to the Rector

Monica Martin, Senior Warden • Cal Hook, Junior Warden • Kathy Elmer, Sunday School • Tim DeSilver, Music Minister

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My Dear Church of the Holy Spirit Family,

My hope is that all are well and will continue to enjoy the fall season as things have quieted down in Ocean City and local environs.

We are currently amidst the academic calendar season of the parish's life and work. The children have returned to school and our Sunday school has already completed three weeks of classes. It is wonderful to have our children back in church and to see their smiling faces again. We have 7 children attending on a regular basis and hope to have a few more families to return soon.

The pancake breakfast will return on October 8, 2023, following the 10 a.m. worship service. The Annual Blessing of the Pets is scheduled for the following week on Sunday, October 15, 2023. Animal blessing will be offered between 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. - come and go as you please. Some bring a pet(s), others may bring ashes of remains, photos of lost/deceased pets and even stuffed animals. All are welcome.

Advent Adult Study Program: The program begins on November 29, 2023. We will meet on the following Wednesdays during Advent. Sessions will be in the afternoon at 1 o'clock and evening sessions beginning at 6 p.m. Sessions will run between 60 and 90 minutes. This will be conducted in the parish hall and will include a snack or light supper, followed by the viewing of one session of the DVD followed by an educational discussion and sharing of thoughts for those who wish.

We will be using a DVD: Embracing an Adult Faith - Marcus Borg on What it Means to be Christian. Marcus Joel Borg (March 11, 1942 - January 21, 2015) was an American New Testament scholar and theologian. He was among the most widely known and influential voices in Liberal Christianity. Contact Fr. Rushton if you have interest or questions.

OCTOBER 1, 2023 18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Matthew 21:23-32

Chief priest and elders of the people question Jesus' authority to teach.

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority? Jesus said to them, I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human







origin? And they argued with one another, If we say, From heaven, he will say to us, Why then did you not believe him? But if we say, Of human origin, we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet. So, they answered Jesus, We do not know. And he said to them, Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

OCTOBER 8, 2023 19TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Matthew 21:33-46 Chief priest and elders are told how they can receive the kingdom of God

Therefore, I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. ... When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

OCTOBER 15, 2023 20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Matthew 22:1-14 All are invited into the kingdom of heaven, yet not all accept the invitation.

Then he said to his slaves, The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet. Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so, the wedding hall was filled with guests.

OCTOBER 22, 2023 21ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Matthew 22:15-22 Pharisees plot to entrap Jesus fails and they just went away.

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said ... Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not? And they brought Jesus a denarius. Then Jesus said to them, Whose head is this, and whose title? They answered, The emperor's. Then he said to them, Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's. When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

OCTOBER 29, 2023 22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Matthew 22:34-46 Pharisees test Jesus, Jesus turns the question on them; they can not answer Jesus and the questions stop.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest? He said to him, You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

I hope that our beautiful and somewhat quieter fall season brings you peaceful and pleasant gatherings with family and friends. Please remember your Church family. I look forward to seeing you on Sundays as we gather for Worship or when our paths cross in the Ocean City area.

May we continue to be aware of our blessings from God and be willing to share with others.

Faithfully yours,
Father Joe Rushton





PARISH PRAYER LIST

OUR PARISH: Our staff, our vestry and its officers, and our ministries and committees.

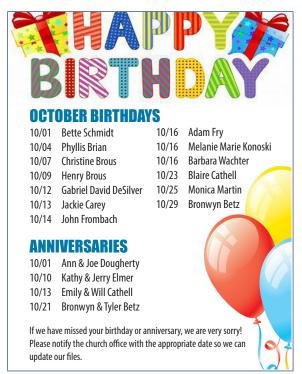
OUR PARISH FAMILY: John Frombach, Cal Hook, Sara & Frank Price, Jack Panuska, Rochelle Desimone, Joe D., Bob Wauhop, Katherine Wauhop, Victoria DeSilver, Jane Florentino, Jane, Cris, Carol Lee Hensyl, Fr. Joe Rushton

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Robyn Van Bruggen, Willem & Joyce, Kelly, John Haller, Chas Kinelski, Wendy Purnell, Claudia & Bill Troy, J. Paul, The Family of Katherine Werner, The Cymek Family, Jasmine, Katherine J, Bryan, Regina, Amy Curry, Aaron Call, Jennifer Giro, Rosa Lee, Pam Barrier, Gen Haller, The Payne Family, Judah, Deanna Turner, Ron Jones, Ladd Layton, Alisha Kornfuehrer, Edith Vogl, Bob Spradlin, Flo Donoway, Steve Hall, Bobby Wertz, Ronin Kenneth Haines, Joan Faulkner, Dee, Lane & Liam, Anne Grabenstein, Bruce, Nicki Ridenour, David, Phyllis, Jane E., Sandy, Jim Popa, Marian Cannon, Linda Rolfes, Ziggy, Mary, Sabrina & Joey Helms, Margo Cahill, Nancy Meadows

Please notify the office or complete a yellow prayer card to include loved ones on our prayer list and to remove loved ones from our prayer list.

*Memorial Cards are available through the Parish Office

In the unfortunate event that a member of your family requires hospitalization or other acute care, please notify the parish office at 410.723.1973 or Father Rushton at 410.279.2582.



YOUR VESTRY	****
2023: Jackie Carey, Marena Konoski	+, +
2024: Ann Dougherty, Barbara Wachter	
2025: Birgitt Brevard, Sue Flaherty	
Monica Martin, Sr. Warden	443.235.8942
Cal Hook, <i>Jr. Warden</i>	302.775.4043
Melanie Konoski, Treasurer	443.497.2163
Diane Fromback, Registrar	443.523.4519
Bonnie Rease, Bookkeeper/Secretary	
Tim DeSilver, Music Minister	

BUDGET			
	August	YTD Actual	YTD Buget
OPERATING INCOME	\$17,263	\$94,201	\$80,871
OPERATING EXPENSES	\$12,791	\$87,315	\$85,218
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$4,472	\$6,886	(\$4,347)

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10/01 10/07 10/08	Crab Feast Cara Mar Condor Property Commi	ttee Meeting	9 a.m.	- 1:30 p.m.	

10/01	Crap Feast	2 - 5 p.m.
10/07	Cara Mar Condominium Meeting	9:30 a.m 1:30 p.m.
10/08	Property Committee Meeting	9 a.m.
10/08	Pancake Breakfasts Resume	after 10 a.m. Services
10/15	Blessing of the Pets	11:30 a.m 12:30 p.m.
10/09	Vestry Meeting	7 p.m.
10/15	Hope4Recovery	4 p.m.
11/05	Single Service - All Saints Day	9 a.m.
11/05	Pancake Breakfast	after 9 a.m. Service
11/13	Vestry Meeting	7 p.m.
11/22	Thanksgiving Eve Service	6 p.m.
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12/03 1st Sunday of Advent

AA Meetings: Every Wednesday evening at 6 p m. (*Parish Hall*) Parish Hall is reserved from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Every Thursday evening at 7 p.m.

Parish Hall is reserved from 6:15 - 8:30 p.m.



Kathy Elmer, Sunday School





SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE -ANOTHER SUCCESS

A big Thank You to everyone who helped make this year's school supply drive a success. And a special Thank You to Sue Flaherty, who coordinated this effort.

Sue delivered loaded backpacks and bags of extra supplies to 10 children in 4 families. She met at least half of the children, and they were all very excited and grateful. Sue heard things like, "Paw Patrol! I love Paw Patrol!," "Purple is my favorite color," and "He loves Marvel." The parents were very appreciative and sent along their thanks. Sue especially appreciated that everyone got their donations in on time, so that she was able to get everything delivered the week before school started.

You are appreciated!-

The Church of the Holy Spirit thanks you all for your commitment.

The Episcopal Church defines stewardship as: What I do, with all that I have, after I say, "I believe." It is using the gifts God has given us, to do the work God is calling us to do. Christian stewardship is the grateful and responsible use of God's gifts in the light of God's purpose as revealed in Jesus Christ.

3 Types of Stewardship:

Motivation, Capacity, and Action

4 Principals of Stewardship:

Ownership, Responsibility, Accountability, and Reward



This is **YOUR opportunity to take charge** and support your Church of the Holy Spirit.

Just choose one of the suggested projects below and make it your own. **We need your creativity and "go getter" spirit.** You certainly may come up with your own idea in case none of the suggestions appeal to you. In any case, contact the church office at 410.723.1973.

I want to lead the following activity:

Homework Helpers

Chair Tai Chi
Chair Yoga
A trip to the National Cathedral in Washington DC
A trip to Sight & Sound Theatres in Pennsylvania
Visit a Shorebirds game
Personalized bricks for new sidewalk
Self-defense class
Community clean-up event for children and adults
Book club
Car clinic

Here are just a few benefits to serving:

- Serving others gives us a deeper purpose.
- It helps us establish a connection with others.
- It allows us to follow God's example.

Movie night(s)

- Serving others teaches us about humility.
- Serving others allows us to become selfless.
- It advances the teachings of God.
- Serving helps us make a difference in other people's lives.









Something good is happening here ...

We made it through the summer! Now it's time to cool off and enjoy the change of the season!

Your vestry met on Monday, September 11 from 7-9 p.m. Father Rushton, bookkeeper and secretary Bonnie Reese, and vestry members continue to work hard for your spiritual home, the Church of the Holy Spirit.

During the meeting, the rector and the warden reported on expenses, upcoming events, concerns, and celebrations. Individual committees updated on outreach, pastoral care, fundraisers, fellowship, and more.

The group dicussed old, continued, and new business. Additionally, they listened to a presentation by Marti McNiff and Suzi Windemuth regarding how their New York parish increased membership.

For any questions, feel free to contact the church office at office@holy-spiritoc.org.











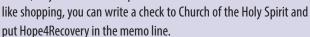


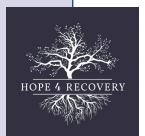


The Ocean Cluster of Churches continues to support the residents of the Hope4Recovery House with a monthly

dinner. The entrée, bread and salad, drinks and dessert rotate among the three churches. Holy Spirit is due to bring the main dish on October 15.

We are also planning our annual paper goods drive for Advent. Details will be in the November Dove. As will details on the Christmas bags we fill for the residents (we end up with too many items to fit in traditional boxes!). If you want to take part in this but don't feel







LOOK OUT for upcoming fellowship event at Windmill Creek Winery

11206 Worcester Highway, Berlin, Maryland 21811 **Sunday, October 22 – late afternoon** Details are forthcoming.

Christmas Tree Raffle

IT'S BACK! We will be doing the Christmas Tree Raffle again this year. **Tickets will be available beginning Sunday, October 8. Tickets are \$5 each or 3/\$10.** We will be raffling off 3 small Christmas Trees loaded with gift cards. The trees will have gift cards totaling \$500, \$300, and \$200. The **drawing will be held on Sunday, December 3** (just in time for Christmas gifts) during pancake breakfast. Tickets will be available during the 8 a.m. (Martha Stone) and 10 a.m. services (Monica Martin). This has been a successful event in the past 2 years and we hope you can help to make it another success. You can also contact Monica at 443.235.8942 for tickets.









Church Of The Holy Spirit Crab & Chicken Feast

(Limited tickets available at the door.)

DATE: Sunday, October 1

TIME: 2 - 5 p.m.

WHERE: **Church of the Holy Spirit**

10001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, Maryland 21842

COST: **\$45** (Adults) **\$20** (Children 6 - 10) **Free** (Children 6 and under)

DINE IN: Includes crabs, fried chicken, corn on the cob, hush puppies, lemonade, ice tea, soda, desserts.

(Please bring your own mallets!)

CARRY OUT AVAILABLE: Includes 6 crabs, 2 pieces of fried chicken, corn on the cob, hush puppies, drink, and dessert.

> Crabs are medium-large to large from Rippon's Seafood and the fried chicken is provided by Higgins Crab House.

CHANCE AUCTION & 50/50 RAFFLE: For tickets, contact the office at 410.723.1973 or Monica at 443.235.8942

REFUNDS: Provided only in the event we need to cancel the crab feast.



SHARE!

We finished your Church of the Holy Spirit brochure. It is a tool to share basic information and hopefully spark some interest in people. If you want to share a few details about our church with friends, family, anyone who may want to know, please pick up a copy in the Parish Office or call the office at

410.723.1973.



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YOUR SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER



8 a.m.	10 a.m.
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USHERS/GREETERS

01	Skip & Jackie Carey	Joe Dougherty
08	Skip & Jackie Carey	Ann Dougherty
15	Jackie Carey	Joe Dougherty
22	Skip & Jackie Carey	Ann Dougherty
29	Skip & Jackie Carey	Joe Dougherty

LECTORS

01	Jackie Carey	Joe Dougherty
80	Jackie Carey	Diane Frombach
15	Diane Frombach	Marena Konoski
22	Birgitt Brevard	John Frombach
29	Jackie Carey	Monica Martin

ACOLYTES

Skip Carey	John Frombach
Skip Carey	Diane Frombach
Jackie Carey	Marena Konoski
Skip Carey	John Frombach
Skip Carey	Monica Martin
	Skip Carey Jackie Carey Skip Carey

CHALICE BEARER

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01	Skip Carey	John Frombachi
08	Skip Carey	Carolyn Johnston
15	Jackie Carey	Melanie Konoskin
22	Skip Carey	Diane Frombach
29	Skip Carey	Carolyn Johnston

ALTAR GUILD

01	Diane Frombach & Barbara Wachter
08	Sue Flaherty & Barbara Wachter
15	Sue Flaherty & Diane Frombach
22	Diane Frombach & Barbara Wachter
29	Monica Martin & Sue Flaherty

COUNTERS

01	Sue Flaherty & Barbara Wachter
80	Jane Florentino & Ann Dougherty
15	Jane Florentino & Melanie Konoski
22	Rudy Brevard & Ann Dougherty
29	Rudy Brevard & Ann Dougherty

COFFEE HOUR

01	Diane Frombach
08	Pancake Breakfast
15	Ann Dougherty & Bonnie Reese
22	Marena & Melanie Konoski
29	Diane Frombach







Sun	Mon	Mon Tue Wed		Thu	Fri	Sat
8 & 10 a.m. 1 EUCHARIST CRAB FEAST 2 p.m.	2	3	AA 4 MEETING Parish Hall 6 p.m.	AA MEETING Parish Hall 7 p.m.	6	CARA MAR 7 CONDO MTG. Parish Hall 9:30 a.m 1:30 p.m.
8 & 10 a.m. 8 EUCHARIST PROPERTY COM. MTG. 9 a.m. PANCAKE BREAKFAST After 10 a.m. Service	VESTRY 9 MEETING Parish Hall 7 p.m.	10	AA 11 MEETING Parish Hall 6 p.m.	AA 12 MEETING Parish Hall 7 p.m.	13	14
8 & 10 a.m. 15 EUCHARIST PET BLESSING 11:30 a.m12:30 p.m. HOPE4RECOVERY 4 p.m.	16	17	AA 18 MEETING Parish Hall 6 p.m.	AA 19 MEETING Parish Hall 7 p.m.	20	21
8 & 10 a.m. 22 EUCHARIST Submission Deadline for November DOVE Newsletter	23	24	AA 25 MEETING Parish Hall 6 p.m.	AA 26 MEETING Parish Hall 7 p.m.	27	28
8 & 10 a.m. 29 EUCHARIST	30	31	1	2	3	4

OCEAN CITY EVENTS

10/4 - 8 Endless Summer Cruisin'

01/12 - 14 MLK Weekend Dreamfest 2024

MORE INFO: https://www.oceancity.com

OC LOST & FOUND ON FACEBOOK

It works! (My husband got his wedding band back after 4 weeks. There are many good people out there.)

FB: Lost and Found in Ocean City Maryland



WORCESTER COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS OCTOBER 2023

11 Early Dismissal for Students: Professional

Development - All Day

17 Board of Education Meeting

10 a.m.

20 Schools/Offices Closed: MSEA Convention

- All Day

MORE INFO: https://www.worcesterk12.org





ABOUT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

March	1968	Ground broken for the Chapel of the Holy Spirit.
June 23	1968	First service, the Rev William R. Dewees rector; one service average; attendance 33.
July 14	1968	Building dedicated and blessed.
Sept. 1	1968	Last service for the first year. Building completed in fall.
June - August	1969	Same as previous year.
	1970-75	Two services held each Sunday. June-first Sunday of September. Some of the priests
		were William Dewees, Elmer Baker, L. Barton, Edward Bushong. Average attendance 45.
May 30-Sept 5	1976	Two services (more at 8.) Priests: Walt Reuschling and N. Acton. Average attendance 66. Steeple added.
May 29-Sept.18	1977	Two services. Priests: N. Acton and L Barton. Average attendance 95 (again, more at 8.)
May 28-Sept 17	1978	Two services. Vicar Walt Reuschling. Average attendance about 95. About equal attendance at services.
a) 20 3cpt	1979 thru 1984	Pattern about the same as 1979. Attendance increases gradually to about 110, flags and fair linens dedicated in 1979 and mid-week
	1777 tina 1701	prayer service added in 1984.
May 26	1985	Chapel becomes a year-round mission and John Wright is the vicar. Two services May thru Oct. Attendance about 97. One service Oct.
May 20	1703	thru Dec. Attendance about 71.
	1986	One service Jan thru May and Sept thru Dec. Two services May thru Sept. John Wright vicar. John Wright completes 21 months of service,
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	1007	June 1985 to Feb. 1987
	1987	One service winter months, two in summer. John Wright, John Hurd, and Norbert served as priests. Average attendance drops to 50s.
	4000	December 1 – Full time Vicar Larry Hill begins service.
	1988	Two services in the summer: Saturday evening at 6 p.m. and one on Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Attendance begins to build to average 66.
	1989	Average attendance 89 in 1989. Trailer used for Sunday School.
	1990	Average attendance 103 October 1 - parish hall dedicated.
Jan. 25	1991	Chapel receives parish status and is called Church of the Holy Spirit. Two services for longer time of the year. Average attendance 154.
	1992	Continued growth - average attendance 178.
	1993	Fall of 1993: Additions begin to church and parish hall.
	1994	New additions dedicated in March. Father Nickerson and Father Larry Hill serve as priests. Two services year-round. Average attendance 166
	1995	Larry Hill leaves as rector in Nov. and Father Nickerson fills in.
June 17	1996	Ronald Robinson begins as new Rector. Average attendance 124.
	1997	R. Robinson rector. Two services, one midweek on Wed. Average attendance 151.
	1998	R. Robinson rector. Two Sunday services. Average attendance 165.
Jan.17	1999	R. Robertson's last service and now only one service with Graham Rowley or Richard Swartout. Average attendance drops to 96.
	2000	Rev. Philip Houghton becomes rector May 7 and serves until Oct. 29. Rev Bill Truitt begins services on Nov. 5. Only one service during
	2000	this year. Average attendance 84.
	2001	Easter Sunday begins two services. Rev. Truitt serves thru May. Father Bryan Glancey and Father Ken Thom (priests from SPBTS) begin
	2001	serving in June. Average attendance 92.
	2002	Father Bryan Glancey and Father Ken Thom continue to serve. Average attendance 96.
	2003	Father Walt Reuschling begins serving Jan.26. Average attendance at the two services 100. Father Glenn A. Duffy called as rector and
	2003	begins services June 1. Average attendance 109.
	2004	
		Father Glenn A. Duffy, rector. Average attendance grows to 145.
	2005	Father Glenn A. Duffy, rector. Mortgage paid off for parish house and church additions in June. Average attendance 121.
	2006	Average attendance 126.
	2007	Parishioner since 2000, Carl Mosley ordained as deacon by the Rt. Rev. James Shand, Bishop of Easton; Average attendance 112.
	2008	900 sq. ft. addition for new kitchen started. Average attendance 108.
	2009	Average attendance 101.
	2010	Kitchen completed. Average attendance 101.
	2011	Average Attendance 101.
	2012	After completing seminary and a Master's Degree from 2008-2011 through the Nashotah House in Wisconsin, Deacon Carl Mosely
		ordained a priest by the Rt. Rev. James Shand, Bishop of Easton. Barry Neville of St. Paul's Berlin served at Holy Spirit from JunDec. as
		part of his educational program to become an ordained deacon. Average attendance 95.
	2013	After serving as assistant priest at Holy Spirit and supply priest in the Diocese of Easton, Father Carl Mosley was appointed to St. Mary's in
		Bridgeville, Delaware. Average attendance 96.
	2014	Father Glenn A. Duffy retires after the December 7th annual meeting. Father G. Allen LaMontagne begins serving as priest-in-charge on
		Dec.14. Average attendance 84.
	2015	Parishioner since October 2014, Deacon Sherry Snyder begins service in June. Average attendance 74.
	2016	Father G. Allen LaMontagne retires on September 30. The Reverend Doctor Mark Cyr is brought in as Interim Rector on November 1.
		Average attendance 75
October 1	2017	The Reverend Joseph Michael Rushton becomes rector.
January 21	2018	Welcoming a new rector & renewal of ministry service with Bishop Santosh Kumar Marray April 22. 50th Anniversary Celebration.
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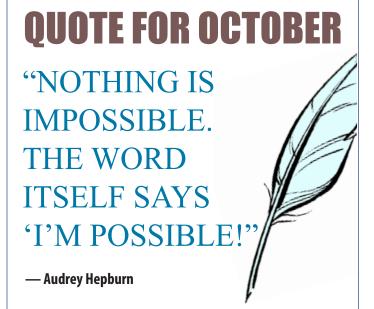
SUBMISSIONS

The content deadline for the November 2023 issue of "THE DOVE" is Sunday, October 22, 2023.

Please submit your content in Microsoft Word document with text only, no designs. Email your letters, ideas, articles, comments, information, photos, questions - carefully labeled to **Birgitt Brevard at bsbrevard@yahoo.com.**

NOTE: Dates, times, locations mentioned in this newletter are subject to change. All information has been edited to the best of our abilities. Be kind and understanding. PEACE!

REMEMBER the October 22 deadline.





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