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FROM THE RECTOR

Explosive ending to the election season

*Remember, remember, the Fifth of November,
Gunpowder treason and plot!
I see no reason why gunpowder treason
Should ever be forgot!*

IS IT ENTIRELY coincidental that Americans hold their general elections just three days prior to the anniversary of the infamous Gunpowder Plot – the failed attempt to blow up the English Parliament during its State Opening ceremony.

The plotters' aim was to slaughter, in one fell swoop, King James I, his Privy Council, the Bishops of the Church of England, as well as the members of both the Houses of Lords and Commons. This, they hoped, would be followed by the institution of a regime more favorable to England's Roman Catholics.

The conspirators were all influential English Roman Catholics who had sworn an oath on the Blessed Sacrament to carry out the mass assassination. The powder was to be fired off by a professional soldier named Guy Fawkes, who had spent more than 10 years fighting for Spain in the regiment of English Roman Catholic exiles.

They succeeded in renting a cellar in the Parliament buildings, themselves, in which they carefully hid a huge quantity of explosives – 36 barrels of gunpowder – under billets of wood and pieces of iron.

On the 26th of October 1605, 10 days before Parliament was to be opened, a letter was delivered to William Parker, Lord Monteagle, a formerly staunch Roman Catholic who had recently obtained favor with the new regime.

It warned Monteagle not to attend the opening of Parliament because a great calamity would consume it. Monteagle at once delivered the letter to Robert Cecil, King James' Secretary of State and England's intelligence chief.

Though the conspirators learned of the letter, they unwisely concluded that the government had not been alerted, so they continued with their plans. On the night of November 4th, 1605, the day before Parliament was scheduled to open, Guy Fawkes was caught in the cellar beneath the Parliament buildings with the powder and tools necessary to fire the powder train.

He was immediately arrested and brought before the king. Over the next few days, Fawkes was interrogated in the Tower of London. At first he claimed to be John Johnson, servant to Thomas Percy, but under torture he revealed his true identity and the names of his fellow conspirators.

In the early hours of November 5th, news spread of Fawkes' capture and the plotters who remained free saddled their horses and fled London. Posing as a hunting party, they rendezvoused at Holbeche House on the Staffordshire border on the evening of November 7th.

That evening, several of the fugitives were injured by an accidental explosion which occurred while they were drying powder in front of an open fire. A few less courageous souls fled, but the others tried to rally support from the surrounding area.

Shortly before midday on November 8th, the Sheriff of Worcester arrived with a posse and surrounded the house. After a skirmish in which four of the leading plotters were killed, the rest were arrested and taken first to Worcester jail, and then to London to await trial.

On Monday, January 27th, 1606, the trial of the eight surviving conspirators began. None denied the charge of treason, and all were condemned to be executed. Three days later Sir Everard Digby, Robert Wintour, John Grant and Thomas Bates were executed in St. Paul's Churchyard.

The following day, Thomas Wintour, Ambrose Rookwood, Robert Keyes and Guy Fawkes were executed in the Old Palace Yard at Westminster. All eight men were hanged, drawn and quartered as was customary for traitors. In a grisly side note, those conspirators who died in the fighting at Holbeche House were exhumed, and their heads removed to be displayed on pikes.

The Gunpowder Plot was one of many plots hatched against English monarchs in the violent years of late 16th/early 17th centuries. But the enormity of this one caught the English imagination in a way none of the others have done.

To this day it is marked with fireworks and huge neighborhood bonfires upon which effigies of Guy Fawkes are ceremonially burned. Moreover, for days prior to November the Fifth, it has for been a tradition for small boys to tote Guy Fawkes effigies around the streets, chanting "Penny for the Guy" to raise money for fireworks.

Cries of "Penny for the Guy!" are generally accompanied by a blood curdling rhyme that goes "Guy! Guy! Guy! Stick him in the eye! Hang him on a lamp post, and there let him die! But the unfortunate Mr. Fawkes is not without his supporters. It is not uncommon to encounter bumper stickers that read: "Here's to Guy Fawkes! The only man to enter Parliament with honourable intentions!" GUY HAWTIN ✕

FROM ANNE HAWKINS

Scrumptious cookie recipes from the Cookie Walk kooks

HERE ARE are two really great Cookie Recipes for you to prepare now and freeze ready for our big day. Maybe you could make a weekly batch whilst it's quiet before the Christmas rush. These recipes are tried and tested and freeze extremely well, and were take from our **Cookbook 2000**, copies of which are available from the church office at \$3.00

Snickerdoodles

INGREDIENTS

1 cup Shortening,
1 1/2 cups sugar,
2 eggs,
2 3/4 cups flour,
1 teaspoon cream of tartar,
1 teaspoon baking soda,
1/4 teaspoonsalt.

Heat oven to 375degrees. Mix shortening, sugar and eggs thoroughly. Measure flour by sifting. Blend all dry ingredients, stir in shortening mixture. Roll into balls the size of walnuts, then roll each one in a mixture of 2 tablespoons of sugar and 2 teaspoons of cinnamon. Place on cookie sheet. Bake for 8 to 10 mins.Cool, place in airtight container, label and freeze until ready to use.

Lydia Wood's Oatmeal Cookies

INGREDIENTS

3/4 pound butter;
1 cup sugar;
2 eggs;
1 teaspoon vanilla;
1 cup flour;
1/2 teaspoon salt;
1teaspoon nutmeg;
2 cups old fashioned rolled oats;
3/4 teaspoon baking powder dissolved in 1 teaspoon hot water;
1 cup raisins;
1/2 cup nut pieces.

**THE SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE
TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**
being Sunday, November 14th, 2010

8.00 AM & 9.15 AM
HOLY COMMUNION

The Epistle: Colossians 1:3-12
The Gospel: St. Matthew 9:18-26

11.15 AM MORNING PRAYER

The Psalter: Psalm 86
The First Lesson: II Kings 4:18-37
The Second Lesson: St. Matthew 9:18-26

Cream together butter and sugar. Add eggs and combine well. Add vanilla then other ingredients in the order listed, stirring after each addition. Fold in raisins & nuts and combine. Drop by teaspoons onto greased sheet one & half inched apart and bake for 12 to 15 mins. Cool on rack. (Should you be using "quick oats", increase the quantity to 2 and 1/3 cups.

FROM THE TREASURER

The Endowment Fund Drive reaches \$28,870

THE ENDOWMENT Fund Drive has gotten off to an excellent start. So far the parish has received \$28,870 towards our initial goal of \$200,000. The Vestry is appealing to parishioners and friends prayerfully to consider making a gift to the newly established Endowment Fund. It is intended to provide the parish with the financial stability essential to sustain its growth.

The fund is currently being invested in a parish money market account, managed by the investment firm T. Rowe Price. The income will be primarily devoted to reducing the parish's outstanding mortgage.

The Endowment Fund Drive team welcomes contributions large and small. If you would like to donate to the fund, please send your check to the Treasurer, made out to *St. Stephen's Traditional Episcopal Church* and marked on the memo line "*Endowment Fund.*"

If you wish to make an donation in memory, or in honor of

a loved one or friend, please give us the information in a separate note. Also let us know if you would like to be named in the newsletter as a donor. We hope you will respond as generously to this as you have to past appeals. **BILL HAWKINS**

✠ PARISH PRAYER LIST ✠

OUR Prayer Chain offers prayer daily for people on the Prayer List and guests of the Joseph Richey Hospice. To add a name to the list, or to the visiting list, or to join the Prayer Chain, call the office at 410 560 6776.

RECOVERY: Lynn, Helen, Georgetta, Katherine, Hindra, Sara, Ravi, Elizabeth, Brian, Tracey, Linda, Robert, Nancy, Sharp, Edithann, Doris, Jay, Perry, Amelia, Shirley, Adrian, Kimberly, Dean, Barb, Tanya, Jane, Brook, Val, Helen, Joseph, Joshua, Rachel, Carl, Cal, Catherine, Sam, Ruth, Kristi, Paul, Sue, James, Patty, Antonio, Lauren-Michelle, McKayla, Randy, Jack, Grace, Bob, Fran, Carolyn, Ken, Serina, Wyatt, Bobby, Alexander, Erlene, Kathleen, Earle, Judy, William, Betty, Trisha, Peggy, Linda, Millie, Walt, Bruce, Cienna, Tracy, Tom, Lelillah, Jennifer, Miriam, Karen, George, Eliza, Mel, John, Randy, James, Sarah, Linda, Suzanne, Marian, Steven, Jeanne, Tammy; Ellen, Jim, Patricia, Bonnie, Mary Ann, Robert, Christine, Dee, Brian, Barbara, Gillian, Eileen, Matthew, George, Bryan, Jason, Jane, Joan, Frances, Pat, Michael, Ray, Leslie, Brandon, May, Scott, Stephen, Robert, Danny, Billy, Betty-Ann, Mildred, D'Metrius, Laura, Stacey, Frank, Alma, Christine, John, Henry, Naomi, Pam, John, Ben, Kevin, Gwen, Elizabeth, Gloria, Lee Emily, Elsie, Bruce, Regina, Lewis, Madolin, Linda, Carol, Bernie, Charlene, Josephine, Margaret, Jody, Sheila, Jo Anne, John, Geradine, Thomas, Jeanne, Sister Catherine-Grace, Maxine, Ann Sharon, Dennis, Mae, Anita, Marilyn, Lawrence, Rebecca, Dorothy, Joanne, Albion, Martha, Jackie, Charles, Tony, Edward, Kim, Vivian and Carol.

LIGHT, STRENGTH & GUIDANCE: June, Anna, Jean, Garrett, Ned, & Stephen, Rachel, Robert & Renee, Lydia; Richard, Melba, Debbie, Phyllis, Georgetta, Carolyn, Suzanne, Tony, Erik, Doris, Drake, The Norris family; Gillian, Beverley, Adrienn, Jhana, Marla, Matthew, Joan, David, Laurie, Ellen, Lynn, Mildred, Sarah Lee, Tom, Susan, Kathy, Owen, Douglas, Amy, Jo Anne, Mary, Gregory, Isabel, Bobby, Dorothy, Darren, Scott, Rebecca, William, Charles, Joyce, Asfa, Eleanor, Kathy, Linda, James, Barry, Ann, Evelyn, Jeanette, Elizabeth, Virginia, Mildred, Chris, Micki, Stephen, Carol, Sandra, Elsie, John, Mary, Michael and David

ON ACTIVE SERVICE: LTC. R. J. Lytle, PFC Charles E. Heintz, IV, U.S. Army, Alex Bursi, US. Navy; Capt. Charles Bursi & LTC Harry Hughes, U.S. Air Force.

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SUNDAY SERVICES

8.00am -- Holy Communion
9.15am -- Holy Communion (Nursery & Church School)
11.15am -- Morning Prayer (Nursery)
(1st. Sun. of the month: Holy Communion at 11.15am)

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Wednesday: 6.00pm Evening Prayer
Friday: Noon: Healing Eucharist
Saturday: 5.00PM Family Eucharist.

COLLECTS FOR SUNDAY, TRINITY XXIII AND ALL SAINTS' DAY

O GOD, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all godliness; Be ready, we beseech thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *AMEN.*

O ALMIGHTY GOD, who knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys which thou has prepared for those who unfeignedly love thee; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *AMEN. B.C.P. Pages 222 & 256*

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