

## READERS CIRCLE BOOK DISCUSSION FOR 2011 – 2012

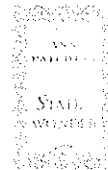
*St. David's Skylight Room, 7:30PM*

The reading year got off to a roaring start with three very different books; **Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet**, **The Innocent Man** and **Ape House**. The reading list for the remainder of the year is shown below. Please mark your calendars with these dates and join the Readers Circle on the first Monday of each month for some stimulating discussion. All are welcome to join at any time. For more information: [readerscircle@stdavidskinnelon.org](mailto:readerscircle@stdavidskinnelon.org)



*February 6<sup>th</sup>*  
**SISTERS OF SINAI** by Janet Soskice  
Discussion Leader: John Simonelli

*March 5<sup>th</sup>*  
**STATE OF WONDER**, by Ann Patchett  
Discussion Leader: Mike Odian



*April 2nd*  
**THE GREATER JOURNEY**  
by David McCulloch  
Discussion Leader: Julie Dolci

*May 7th*  
**HOUSE RULES** by Jodi Picoult  
Discussion Leader: Chris Snyder



*June 4th*  
**THE HARE WITH THE AMBER EYES** by Edmund De Waal  
Discussion Leader: David DeSmith



### **REPORT FROM THE November 17 Vestry Meeting:**

The Vestry approved the purchase of an electronic piano/keyboard to be placed in the sanctuary. It is a generous gift from a member.

David provided an update from the newly-formed Worship Planning Group. Christmas services were reviewed. The Vestry approved the recommendations of the Worship Planning group to follow last year's Christmas Eve schedule with **one service at 5:00 pm**. Whether or not to include a Christmas pageant has not been decided. The Christmas Day service would remain at 10:00 am. The First Sunday after Christmas this year is also New Year's Day. There will be one service at 10:00 am and follow last year's schedule of Christmas Lessons and Carols.

The following Sunday, January 8, is 1 Epiphany and the traditional day of our Parish Annual Meeting. The Vestry approved moving the Annual Meeting to the following Sunday, January 15, with one service at 9:30 am. The Sunday before, January 8, we will have our usual two services at 8:00 am and 10:15 am.

December 11, 2011—"THE EPISCOPAL VISITATION" was discussed.

The Vestry is holding a Vestry Day on Saturday, December 10, from 9-2. The purpose of the day is to focus on vestry functioning at a spiritual level and also at a concrete behavioral level and to examine how congregational issues affect the vestry's state.

Parish Budget Forum, the annual time to share our budget deliberations with the parish, conflicts with the Bishop's Visit. In an effort for the Vestry to receive input before we vote on the finalized budget at our December meeting, we have decided to move the Forum to Monday, December 12, at 7:30 pm. Budget information will be sent out to the parish prior to the meeting and we encourage everyone's input! The budget was discussed at length. There are still some who have not returned their commitments. Mary-Esther is following up with those members.

Ed Horton provided some recommended accounting practices that the Vestry fully supports. Some of the recommendations are already in place and others will be implemented by the end of the year.

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