



# ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

IN THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

Our mission is to proclaim, by word and example,  
the good news of God in Christ, and to build a spiritual community  
forming Christians of all ages through worship, education, and outreach.

## THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Holy Eucharist Rite II – 9:30am**  
**September 10, 2023**

### SUNDAY SERVICES

8:00 Holy Eucharist Rite I

9:30 Holy Eucharist Rite II

*Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent, for this is the house of God.*

*Before the service speak to the Lord;  
during the service let the Lord speak to you;  
after the service speak to one another.*

## The Rector's Welcome

Happy new academic year! The hustle and bustle of this thriving parish is upon us again! The children are back in school, singing like little angels. The Choir has returned from a well-deserved break, and we are ready to put the pedal to the metal to make Jesus Christ known, worshipped, and adored here in Tampa!

Sunday School, Children's Chapel, adult formation opportunities on Sunday mornings, and parish-wide Wednesday night activities, including a meal for the whole family, have returned. The clergy all hope you will join us for a ten to fifteen-minute class most Sunday mornings following the 9:30 a.m. Sunday service. We offer Sunday School for all school-aged children; please be sure to receive Communion first and head to Sunday School.

All are invited to join us in these various ministries, and all visitors are especially encouraged to join Saint John's and be welcomed into this incredible parish and day school. Nothing makes us happier here at Saint John's than welcoming visitors and new members. If you are looking for a church home, look no further; you're home!

God bless all who come through the doors of this church, and may God continue to guide each of us each day.

Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Christian M. Wood". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Fr. Christian M. Wood

*Rector*

**VOLUNTARY** *Evensong*

Easthope Martin

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN 518**

*Westminster Abbey*

*The people stand*

**PROPER ACCLAMATION**

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

**THE COLLECT FOR PURITY**

*Celebrant* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**HYMN OF PRAISE S278**

William Mathias

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**THE LESSON**

Ezekiel 33:7-11

*The people sit*

*Lector* A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel.

You, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life. Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: "Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?" Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the

death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**PSALM 119:33-40** (COVERDALE TRANSLATION)

John Jones

33 Teach me, O LORD, the way of thy statutes, \*  
and I shall keep it unto the end.

34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law; \*  
yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart.

35 Make me to go in the path of thy commandments; \*  
for therein is my desire.

36 Incline my heart unto thy testimonies, \*  
and not to covetousness.

37 O turn away mine eyes, lest they behold vanity; \*  
and quicken thou me in thy way.

38 O stablish thy word in thy servant, \*  
that I may fear thee.

39 Take away the rebuke that I am afraid of; \*  
for thy judgments are good.

40 Behold, my delight is in thy commandments; \*  
O quicken me in thy righteousness.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**THE EPISTLE**

Romans 13:8-14

*Lector* A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord

*People* Thanks be to God.

**THE GOSPEL**

Matthew 18:15-21

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**THE SERMON**

Father Wood

*The people sit*

**THE NICENE CREED** (*standing*)

*Celebrant* We believe in one God,

*All* the Father, the Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** (*Form III*)

*The people kneel*

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
*That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
*That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons especially Justin, Archbishop of  
Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Douglas, our Bishop;  
*That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
*That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
*That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Give to the departed eternal rest.  
*Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially those in hospital and  
those in hospice.

*Silence*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All* Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

## THE PEACE

*All stand*

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

*The people sit*

## GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Offertory Anthem** *I Heard the voice of Jesus say*

Philip Stopford

I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'Come unto me and rest; and in your weariness lay down your head upon my breast.' I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad; I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'Behold, I freely give the living water; thirsty one, stoop down and drink, and live.' I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream; my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'I am this dark world's light; look unto me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright.' I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my Star, my Sun; and in that light of life I'll walk 'til travelling days are done.

**Hymn 380 Stanza 3**

*Old 100<sup>th</sup>*

*The people stand*

## **The Great Thanksgiving**    *Eucharistic Prayer A*

*The people stand*

*Celebrant*    The Lord be with you.

*People*        And also with you.

*Celebrant*    Lift up your hearts.

*People*        We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*    Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*        It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*Celebrant*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Preface of the Lord's Day*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

### **Sanctus and Benedictus**    S128

William Mathias

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

*The people kneel*

*Celebrant*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."



After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

*Celebrant*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*People and Celebrant*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.

## **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

### **Fraction Anthem S165**

William Mathias

Jesus, Lamb of God: Have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: Have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world: Give us your peace.

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Lord's Table. If you are not receiving, you are invited to come forward for a blessing (indicated by crossing your arms over your chest). If you have not been baptized, and find yourself drawn to Jesus Christ and life in him, please let one of our clergy know. We would be honored to have a conversation with you about the possibility of baptism, or any other questions. Baptism and life in the Body of Christ is open to all.*

**Please fill in the kneelers at the altar during Communion from the middle out.**

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words*

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. *[Amen.]*

*or with these words*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. *[Amen.]*

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. *[Amen.]*

**Communion Motet** *Ubi Caritas*

Maurice Durufle

Where true charity and love dwell, God himself is there. Since the love of Christ has joined us in one body, let us all rejoice and be glad now and always. And as we hear and love our Lord, the living God, so let us in sincerity love all people. As we are all of one body, when we gather let no discord or enmity break our oneness. May all our petty jealousies and hatred cease that Christ the Lord may be with us all our days. Now we pray that with the blessed you grant us grace to see your exalted glory. O Christ our God, our boundless source of joy and truth, of peace and love, for ever and for ever more, world without end.

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**THE BLESSING** *The Celebrant*

**THE DISMISSAL** *The Deacon*

*People* Thanks be to God.

*The people stand*

**CLOSING HYMN 400, 1-3, 7**

Laast uns erfreuen

**VOLUNTARY** *Fanfare*

Percy Whitlock

**Please leave the church quietly  
in respect for those who choose to stay for the Voluntary.**



**ASSISTING IN THE SERVICES**

**ALTAR GUILD:** Pat Rice, Nancy Watkins, Cece Lane, Janice Straske, Vera Farmen, Lisa Leal, Trish McKay, Laura Silva; **LINENS:** Yvonne Santiago

**ACOLYTES:** 8:00 David Kenyon; 9:30 Olivia Gray, Charles Williams, Wren Wankelman, Bailey Turnquist, Declan Keller

**LECTORS:** 8:00 Richard Hadlow; 9:30 Drew Graham, Andy Brown, Lisa Leal

**CHALICE BEARERS:** 9:30 Andy Brown, Lisa Leal

**USHERS:** 8:00 Ben Nelson, Kenneth Lane; 9:30 Mike Barna, Doug Arthur, Stephen French, John Giordano, Stephen Leal, John McKay

**VERGER:** Dave Kenyon

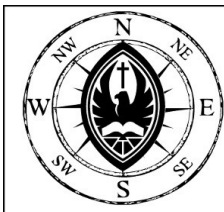
**The Flowers at the Church Altar are given to the Glory of God by Jane Williams in loving memory of her husband Jerry L. Williams.**

**The Flowers at the Church Altar are given to the Glory of God by the Divers family in loving memory of Roy Lee Childers.**

**The Flowers at the Chapel Altar are given to the Glory of God by Irene Few in memory of Richard D. Pointer, Patricia L. Pointer, Christina M. Kleiss, and Tami Wilson.**

**The Candle in the Sanctuary Light is given to the Glory of God in thanksgiving.**





# The Weekly Compass

## St. John's Episcopal Church and Parish Day School

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

### Worship at St. John's Today

- 8:00 a.m. The Holy Eucharist, Rite I, in the Church
- 9:30 a.m. The Holy Eucharist, Rite II, in the Church, live on [Facebook](#), on [our website](#), and on [our YouTube channel](#) followed by Sunday School for all ages.

### Worship During the Week

#### The Holy Eucharist

The Holy Eucharist is celebrated in the Church at 12:15 p.m. on Wednesdays and 10:00 a.m. on Thursdays with healing (**note Thursday time change**).

#### Adult Faith Formation

##### Women's Mid Morning Bible Study: 10:00 a.m. on Tuesdays

This group meets on alternate Tuesdays in the Lowry Room and on Zoom. Contact Sally Wiley at [wiley48sm@gmail.com](mailto:wiley48sm@gmail.com).

##### Contemporary Women's Bible Study: 6:00 p.m. on Tuesdays

CWBS holds a weekly study on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. by Zoom. Contact Sally Thompson at [tampasal@gmail.com](mailto:tampasal@gmail.com) for more information and the link.

##### Wednesday Afternoon Adult Formation: 3:30 p.m.

The group meets on Wednesdays by Zoom. Contact the Parish Office at [parish@stjohnstampa.org](mailto:parish@stjohnstampa.org) for more information and the link.

##### Wednesday Nights at St. John's: 6:00 p.m. Dinner, 6:30 p.m. Formation

Our all-parish dinner starts at 6:00 p.m., then formation offerings for children, youth, and adults are at 6:30 p.m. **Resumes this week!**

##### Men's Interactive Bible Study and Lunch: 11:45 a.m. on Thursdays

This group meets in the Lowry Room and on Zoom to discuss the readings for each upcoming Sunday. Contact Lanny Russell at [dlrncrtpa@verizon.net](mailto:dlrncrtpa@verizon.net).

#### Youth and Children's Ministries

EYC meets on Sunday afternoons during the school year. The nursery is open at both services year-round. Sunday School takes place following the 9:30 a.m. service during the school year. Contact Youth Minister Ayana Grady at [agrady@stjohnstampa.org](mailto:agrady@stjohnstampa.org) with questions.

#### Service Notes

Our regular Sunday services are the Holy Eucharist, Rite I, at 8:00 a.m. and the Holy Eucharist, Rite II, at 9:30 a.m. The 9:30 a.m. is also streamed live [on Facebook](#), [on our website](#) and [on YouTube](#).

#### Sunday Sermons

Sunday sermons are available [on our YouTube channel](#) and from the link in our bio [on Instagram](#).

#### Pastoral Care

Parish Office: 259.1570

Pastoral Emergencies: 726.3108

Fr. Chris: 917.822.9741

Deacon Lopez: 813.493.8337

Fr. Dale: 607.481.4702

Fr. Goodheart: 321.446.4934

#### Giving to St. John's

There are many ways to make a one time or recurring gift to your parish. Visit [stjohnstampa.org/stewardship](http://stjohnstampa.org/stewardship) to give online.

You can also give safely by text. In the "To" field of the text message, type **73256**. Then in the message, type **SJE**. You will immediately receive a text back with a link to complete payment. Or use this QR code!



#### Stay in Touch with St. John's!

Want to receive our e-newsletter, *The Weekly Wednesday Scroll*? Contact Lee Lowry at [llowry@stjohnstampa.org](mailto:llowry@stjohnstampa.org). You can also stay in touch by liking [our Facebook page](#) or [Instagram](#) and subscribing to [our YouTube channel](#)!

# **Compass Points**

## **Adult Sunday School Begins Today, Continues for Kids**

Following the 9:30 a.m. service starting today, your clergy will lead an engaging adult series called "Tell Me More," an opportunity for the congregation to ask questions of the preacher and for the preacher to say a little more about the readings of the day and sermon. Sunday School for children and youth also continues. Join us!

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## **Wednesday Nights at St. John's Are Back This Week!**

Wednesday Nights at St. John's, our popular Christian formation evenings for all ages, resume September 13. The evenings begin at 6:00 p.m. with a shared meal in the Parish Hall, prepared by our Kitchen Krewe. Dinner is followed by engaging, age-appropriate Christian education for children, youth, and adults. Join us!

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## **Newcomers Classes Begin Today**

If you are new or relatively new (less than a year) to St. John's, join us after the 9:30 a.m. service for an introduction to our many wonderful ministries and learn how you can become involved! These will be four informal weekly classes from September 10 to October 1 in a small group where you can meet new people and learn about St. John's. Coffee and donuts will be served and childcare will be available. Contact Donna Gem at [donnaagem@aol.com](mailto:donnaagem@aol.com) with questions!

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## **Strategic Plan Launch: Come. Worship. Grow**

On Sunday, September 24, after the 9:30 a.m. service, please join the Vestry and Strategic Planning Committee at our monthly parish breakfast to hear about the recently completed St. John's Strategic Plan: *Come. Worship. Grow*. Over the past year, we gathered valuable feedback from you through an all-parish survey, Olive Tree Forums, interviews, and conversations. You shared what you value most about St. John's, where you see opportunities for improvement, and what you envision for our future. Having met regularly to prayerfully consider all of these details, we have developed an actionable plan for the next five years. We'll share the vision for the future of St. John's over a delicious breakfast and learn how each of us can help achieve our goals. Come, worship, and grow with us!

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## **Cornerstone Kids Receive Backpacks**

At the start of the year, all 35 Cornerstone Kids went back to school with new backpacks filled with required supplies, thanks to the generosity of St. John's parishioners. We exceeded our goal of \$1,000! Thanks to everyone who made this effort a success.

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## **Foster Youth Initiative Needs your Lov(ies)!**

FYI, St. John's foster youth support program, is doing a "lovie" drive for our local Child Protective Investigators (CPIs) to gift to a child. If a CPI arrives first on the scene when a child is being removed from their home, this extra comfort can be essential for the child to make this difficult transition. New "lovies" (small stuffed animals under 12 inches or smaller throw blankets) can be donated on or before Sunday, October 22. Check out the FYI- "Lovie" Drive Wishlist on Amazon for ideas or to order an item for a local child. Thank you!

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## **Help Share St. John's History**

Do you have photos of events at St. John's, or important documents from the many years of our history? We are putting together a tour of St. John's Church, in part for our role as a stop on the Hyde Park Historic Home Tour on December 2, 2023! Not only will this help us prepare for the tour, but it will also offer the opportunity to digitize, organize, and curate the history of St. John's to save for future generations. Your items may become part of a PowerPoint presentation titled "The History of St. John's" that will be prepared by volunteers from the Tampa Bay History Center and our newly-formed St. John's Episcopal Tour Committee (SJETC). Contact Fr. Dale at [dvanwormer@stjohnstampa.org](mailto:dvanwormer@stjohnstampa.org) and he will help you safely share your precious photos and documents with us!

# Prayer Requests

*Your prayers are bid today and throughout the week for:*

**All bishops and other ministers:** Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Douglas, our Bishop; the clergy and staff of our parish.

**Those who govern:** Joseph, our President; Ronald, our Governor; and Jane, our Mayor;

**The sick and others for whom our prayers have been especially requested:**

Jackie Faircloth and family; Jeff LeVines; Pam and Shailee; Anna, her family and her medical team; Nancy Watkins; Jayce Hicks; Rick and Pat LeVarge; Ken and Maureen; Martha Bartlett; Richard; Mary; Nancy; Mary Bryan; Winkie Game; Michael Wood; Pat; Art and Constance Severn; Mark; Cole, Caroline, William Janes, his family and medical team; and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

**The Departed:**

*Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon them. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

**Our Companion Diocese in the Dominican Republic**

**Our Parish Day School**

**Our Pastoral Care Team**

**Those who celebrate the anniversary of their birth this week**

September 10, The Rev. Don Goodheart, Luke Hunter, The Rev. Christian Wood

September 11, Karen Chastain, Charley Griffin, Mimi Leroy-Marler, Amylynn Seider, Marci Thomas, Charlie Williams

September 12, Olivia Hasselbach, Scott Lowke, Rob Norton, II, Elizabeth Pento, Meaghan Robertson, Jill Wankelman, Patrick Whittlesey, Charlene Whittlesey

September 13, Ansley Graff, Greg Hearing, Tom Reed

September 14, Mary Beth Carastro, Chris Carnahan, Monica Tappan, Jacqueline Thomson, Ken Walker, III

September 15, Mary Jo Shenk, Graham Stacy, Barbara Taylor

September 16, Paul Carastro, Mollie Dolcimascolo, Emily Farrell, Bill Henry, Eleanor Johnson, Ben Little, Cora Littlewood, Jake Littlewood

**The members of our armed forces deployed abroad and their families,** especially Rich, Mike, Jake, Matthew and Winston

**The people and for peace in Ukraine.**

**Health care workers, first responders, and all others whose work puts them in danger.** We give thanks for their many sacrifices for the common good. Protect them from injury and illness; renew their wisdom, compassion, and strength.

**For those affected by hurricane Ian.**

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** St. Mary's, Bonita Springs; St. Mark's, Marco Island; St. John's, Naples; St. Monica's, Naples; St. Paul's, Naples, and Trinity-by-the-Cove, Naples.

**In the Anglican cycle of prayer:** The Church of Ireland

# SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH

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**THE DIOCESE OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA**  
THE RIGHT REVEREND DOUGLAS FREDERICK SCHARF  
*VI Bishop of Southwest Florida*

## THE WARDENS, VESTRY, AND OFFICERS OF THE PARISH

SARAH M. BRICKLEMYER (2023)  
*Senior Warden*

RODDY D. BELFATTI (2025)  
ANDREW M. BROWN (2025)  
LAURA M. CRUSE (2023)  
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## STANDING NOTICES

**VISITORS WHO ARE HERE FOR THE FIRST TIME** are invited to sign the guest register by the courtyard doors in the rear of the church. If you are searching for a church home, or if you have a special need of which you would like us to be aware, please complete one of the ivory pew cards and place it in an alms basin or give it to one of the clergy. Newcomers are also invited to take home with them one of the welcoming bags on the lower shelves of the tables at the back.

**WE WANT TO BE AVAILABLE FOR YOU IN YOUR TIMES OF NEED.** If you have a pastoral emergency when the parish offices are closed, please call 813-906-5199.

**HAVE YOU REMEMBERED GOD IN YOUR WILL?** The rubric on page 445 of the Prayer Book outlines the importance of estate planning and charitable giving. When you prepare your will, please remember the work of God and his Church, and especially the Endowment Fund of Saint John's Church and School. Please also remember the importance of making your funeral wishes known now to your family and clergy. Information to help you do that is available through the parish offices.