

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Choral Eucharist Rite I – 10:00am September 5, 2021

> SUNDAY SERVICES 8:00 Holy Eucharist Rite I 10:00 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.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 47

Gott sei Dank

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

The Celebrant may say

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

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

The Celebrant says

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS: Missa Secunda (sung by the choir)

Hans Leo Hassler

Glory be to God on high,

and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee,

we worship thee,

we glorify thee,

we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

- O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.
- O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ;
- O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sins of the world,

have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,

have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy;

thou only art the Lord;

thou only, O Christ,

with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, we pray thee, to trust in thee with all our heart; seeing that, as thou dost alway resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so thou dost not forsake those who make their boast of thy mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE LESSON Isaiah 35:4-7a

The people sit

Lector A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.' Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

Lector The Word of the Lord People Thanks be to God

PSALM 146 (COVERDALE TRANSLATION) (sung by the choir)

Charles South

- 1 Praise the Lord, O my soul; while I live will I praise the Lord * yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God.
- 2 O put not your trust in princes, nor in any child of man * for there is no help in them.
- 3 For when the breath of man goeth forth he shall turn again to his earth * and then all his thoughts perish.
- 4 Blessed is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help * and whose hope is in the Lord his God;
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is * who keepeth his promise for ever.
- 6 Who helpeth them to right that suffer wrong * who feedeth the hungry.
- 7 The Lord looseth men out of prison * the Lord giveth sight to the blind.
- 8 The Lord helpeth them that are fallen * the Lord careth for the righteous.
- 9 The Lord careth for the strangers; he defendeth the fatherless and widow * as for the way of the ungodly, he turneth it upside down.
- 10 The Lord thy God, O Sion, shall be King for evermore * and throughout all generations.

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 James 2:1-10, 14-17

Lector A Reading from the Letter of James.

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace: keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Lector The Word of the Lord People Thanks be to God.

The people stand

SEQUENCE HYMN 508

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THE GOSPEL Mark 7:24-37

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE HOMILY Father Goodheart

The people sit

THE NICENE CREED

Officiant and People together, all standing

I believe in one God,

the Father Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth,

and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of his Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light,

very God of very God,

begotten, not made,

being of one substance with the Father;

by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation

came down from heaven,

and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,

and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered and was buried;

and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,

and ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;

and he shall come again, with glory,

to judge both the quick and the dead;

whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,

who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;

who spake by the Prophets.

And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;

and I look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

The people kneel

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor those for whom our prayers are requested, remembering especially those on our parish prayer list, and all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included here.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Minister and People

Almighty God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
maker of all things, judge of all men:
We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins
and wickedness,
which we from time to time most grievously have committed,
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.

We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable.

Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Minister may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 Timothy 1:15

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. 1 John 2:1-2

THE PEACE

All stand

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

The people sit

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Offertory Sentence

Christopher Tye

Give almes of thy goods, and turn never thy face from any poor man: and then the face of the Lord shall not be turned away from thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer II

The people stand

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus and Benedictus

Hans Leo Hassler

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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.

WE BREAK BREAD AND SHARE THE GIFTS OF GOD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Fraction Anthem Agnus Dei (sung by the choir)

Hans Leo Hassler

- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

The following prayer may be said. The People may join in saying this prayer

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

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.

The Host is given to the communicants with these words

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Motet Call to remembrance, O Lord (sung by the choir)

Richard Farrant

Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercies and thy loving kindness, which hath been ever of old, O remember not the sins and offences of my youth: but according to thy mercy think thou on me, O Lord, for thy goodness.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING A Priest gives the Blessing

THE DISMISSAL The Deacon dismisses the people

People Thanks be to God.

CLOSING HYMN 567 St. Matthew

VOLUNTARY Fugue in B minor (BWV 544)

J.S. Bach

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

CHOIR:

Simon Morley - Organist and Director of Music Kristen Walker - Soprano Tori Swilley - Alto Marty Angiulli - Tenor Steve Galloway - Bass

ASSISTING IN THE SERVICES

ALTAR GUILD: 8:00 Francie Brooks, Lelia Clewis, Pam Scruggs; 10:00 Katey Brown, Laura Silva, Miriam Faircloth; LINENS: Nora Russell

ACOLYTES: 8:00 Donna Gem; 10:00 Bailey Turnquist, Declan Kellar, William Farmen, Issa Allbritton, Mae Allbritton

LECTORS: 10:00 David Wheaton, Dallas Coffield

USHERS: 8:00 Harry Hedges, John Thompson; 10:00 Rick Barrs, Jim Whittlesey, John Marston, Gregory

Hearing, Thomas Cassedy, Stephen Fluharty

VERGER: Donnan Gem

The Flowers at the Church Altar are given to the Glory of God by Jamie and Ansley Graff in thanksgiving for their children, Annie, Witt and James.

The Flowers at the Chapel Altar are given to the Glory of God by Joan Lochridge in loving memory of Geneva Hopson Grubb.

The Candle in the Sanctuary Light is given to the Glory of God by Brett, Pam, Ryan and Hayley Divers in loving memory of The Reverend Robert J. Elliott.

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Worship in St. John's

8:00 a.m. The Holy Eucharist, Rite I, Church

10:00 a.m. The Holy Eucharist, Rite I, in the Church and streamed on

Facebook and our website

Virtual Ministries and Worship

Please visit <u>www.stjohnstampa.org/meetings-and-worship</u> for a full listing and links to resources.

Group Prayer and Pastoral Care

Healing Service with the Holy Eucharist

This service takes place on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. in the church.

Evening Prayer

Our clergy, staff, and parishioner volunteers stream evening prayer daily Monday through Saturday at 4:00 p.m. live on <u>our Facebook page</u>.

Compline (Night Prayer)

Compline is offered on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at 8:30 p.m. by the brothers of the Society of St John the Evangelist at www.ssje.org.

Ongoing Small Group Ministries and Classes

Wednesday Afternoon Adult Formation

The group meets on Wednesdays by Zoom from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. Contact Deacon Kathleen at kmoore@stjohnstampa.org for info.

Men's Thursday Bible Study and Lunch

This group meets in the Lowry Room and on Zoom to discuss the readings for each upcoming Sunday. Contact John Edgar at jedgar@stjohnstampa.org for more information.

Contemporary Women's Bible Study

CWBS holds a weekly virtual study time on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. Contact Deacon Kathleen at kmoore@stjohnstampa.org or Sally Thompson at kmoore@stjohnstampa.org or <a

Women's Mid Morning Bible Study

The group will resume on Tuesday, September 14. For more information, contact Sally Wiley at wiley48sm@gmail.com or 244.4497.

Youth and Children's Ministries

EYC has resumed meeting and the nursery is open at both the 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. services! Children's Sunday School will resume on September 19. Contact Ayana for more information at agrady@stjohnstampa.org.

Pastoral Care

Your clergy are available to you for individual pastoral conversations. If you can't reach them at the church office at 259.1570, please call directly: Pastoral Emergency Line: 813.906.5199; Fr. Robinson: 941.350.0043; Fr. Cannon: 864.320.7116; Fr. Goodheart: 321.446.4934; Deacon Moore: 813.785.9400; Fr. Reho: 917.526.0746.

Service Notes

Sunday services are the Holy Eucharist (Rite I) at 8:00 a.m. and the Holy Eucharist (Rite II, Rite I on the first Sunday of the month) at 10:00 a.m. The 10:00 a.m. service is streamed live on Facebook and on our website.

On the recommendation of Bishop Smith and according to the new guidance from the CDC, as well as in recognition that Florida has seen a significant rise in COVID cases in recent weeks, we ask that all parishioners, regardless of vaccination status, resume wearing masks in church and at all indoor parish events. We will continue Holy Communion in one kind only.

Please see more information about our policies at our website.

Giving to St. John's

There are many ways to make a one time or recurring gift to your parish! Visit https://stjohnstampa.org/stewardship to see the options or give online.

One of our options is giving by text. In the 'To' field of the text type 73256, then in the message, type SJE. You will receive a text back immediately with a link to complete the payment.

Sunday Sermon Audio Available

Audio versions of weekly sermons are on our website and uploaded on Mondays. Click on the **Worship** button in the top right of our homepage.

Compass Points

Rally Day is Next Sunday

Don't miss St. John's Rally Day 2021! Our annual ministry showcase and celebration will be on Sunday, September 12, after the 10:00 am service. The event will follow the same format as recent years, inviting all parishioners to get "A Taste of St. John's," enjoying food from Chef Dave as they visit stations to learn about our different ministries and decide where to best serve in the year ahead. Join us!

Anonymous Match Donation for our Facilities!

An anonymous matching gift of up to \$20,000 is being given to St. John's with the challenge that we raise another \$20,000 through parish contributions. The gift has been designated for our capital expenses, since we have had several unexpected expenses this year and anticipate several more in the near future.

If you would like to contribute toward this challenge gift, make your check out to St. John's Church, with memo: Matching Gift; or, if you prefer to give a gift of stock, contact Laurie Lawther, our Financial Administrator, at lawther@stjohnstampa.org or by phone at 727.510.0836 for guidance on how to do that. Gifts for our capital expenses are above and beyond our pledges to the Operating Fund. Don't forget, we will be coming back to you soon for your important pledge for 2022!

Fathers Ministry Canoe Trip Scheduled

Join us for our annual parish canoe trip, sponsored by the Fathers Ministry, on Saturday, September 11! <u>See the Weekly Wednesday Scroll for more details!</u>

Cornerstone Kids Receive Backpacks

At the start of the school year, all 25 children at Cornerstone Kids went back to school with new backpacks which were filled with required supplies, thanks to the generosity of St. John's parishioners. We well exceeded our goal of \$1000! The smiles on these children's faces say it all! Thanks to everyone who made this effort a success.



Annual Fathers Camping Trip Scheduled

The annual Fathers Ministry camping trip will be November 5 and 6 at Lakewood Retreat. Hold the date and <u>contact Kaivon Madani</u> at <u>kaivonmadani@hotmail.com</u>.

Women's Mid Morning Bible Study Resumes Next Week

On Tuesday, September 14, the Women's Mid Morning Bible Study will begin a study of the first and second letters of Paul to the Thessalonians using the study guide *Paul for Everyone, Galatians and Thessalonians* by N. T. Wright. They will meet by Zoom for the month of September on alternate Tuesdays, gathering at 10:00 a.m. for fellowship, followed by the lesson from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. Father Michael Cannon will lead the first session covering 1 Thessalonians, 1-2:12.

For more information, contact Sally Wiley at <u>wiley48sm@gmail.com</u> or 244.4497 or Pat Wilson at <u>patwilson68@tampabay.rr.com</u>. All women of the parish and those whom they would like to invite are welcome to join them as the group delves into Paul's earliest extant correspondence.

Pilgrimage Planned for October 27 through November 8, 2022

Fr. Fred and Linda Robinson invite you to learn more about a spiritually-oriented pilgrimage they are leading to The Holy Land. Please contact Linda at lindarobinsonsrq@gmail.com or 941.914.2688 for more information. Brochures also are available from Fr. Fred in the parish office.

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; Dabney, our Diocesan 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 specially requested:

Jackie Faircloth and family; Jeff LeVines; Jonathan; Pam and Shailee; Jane; Anna, her family and her medical team; Collin; Ray Olsson; Tory Stone and family; Nancy Watkins; Helen Turnquist; Kate; Clarence; Mary Anne; Linda Robinson; and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity;

The departed:

Geneva Hopson Grubb

The Reverend Robert J. Elliott

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

Our Rector Search Committee: Almighty God, giver of every good gift: look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Those who celebrate the anniversary of their birth this week

September 6, Cynthia Harper, Stephanie Galloway, Stephen French, Morgan Capen, Jessie Reffue

September 7, Ann Eatman, Lynn Stanford, Laine Walker, Roger Kurz, Steve Horan, Paige Rodriguez, Austin Blewitt

September 8, Steve Stanford, Clay Walker, Jim Gates, Anne Compton, Sam Lejkowski

September 9, Peyton Foley, Colby Way, Pamela Heller, Mason Cruse, Livingston Smith, Logan Drumsta

September 10, Don Goodheart

September 11, MaryAnna Leroy-Marler, Karen Chastain, Charlie Williams, Charley Griffin

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

The members of our armed forces deployed abroad, especially Rich, Mike, Jake, Matthew, Taylor, Winston, Blake and DJ.

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.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Mary Magdalene, Bradenton; St. Mary's, Bonita Springs; St. Mary's, Dade City; St. Mary's, Palmetto; St. Mary's, Tampa; St. Matthew's, St. Petersburg

In the Anglican cycle of prayer: Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan

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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.