

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Choral Eucharist Rite I - 10:00am May 2, 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.

VOLUNTARY Fidelis Percy Whitlock

PROPER ACCLAMATION

The people stand

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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 brevis St. Joannis de Deo (sung by the choir)

Joseph Haydn

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, Jesus 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.

O Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LESSON Acts 8:26-40

The people sit

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth." The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Lector The Word of the Lord People Thanks be to God

GRADUAL PSALM 22:23-32 (sung by the choir)

Jonathan Battishill

23 O praise the Lord, ye that fear him *

magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob, and fear him, all ye seed of Israel;

24 For he hath not despised, nor abhorred, the low estate of the poor *

he hath not hid his face from him,

but when he called unto him he heard him.

25 My praise is of thee in the great congregation * my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.

26 The poor shall eat, and be satisfied *

they that seek after the Lord shall praise him; your heart shall live for ever.

- 27 All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the Lord * and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.
- 28 For the kingdom is the Lord's *

and he is the Governor among the people.

29 All such as be fat upon earth *

have eaten, and worshipped.

- 30 All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before him * and no man hath quickened his own soul.
- 31 My seed shall serve him *

they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation.

32 They shall come, and the heavens shall declare his righteousness * unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord hath made.

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 1 John 4:7-21

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

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

The people stand

THE GOSPEL John 15:1-8

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

Choir Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
Choir Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE ADDRESSES: Seniors

Baldwin Barnes Charlotte Graham Noah Hearing John Banks Whiteley

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

administer thy holy Sacraments.

may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly

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 [especially _______], 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 _____ 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 [especially ______], beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of [______ and of] all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

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

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that,

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.

Pass the peace with a reverent bow to one another and without moving from your seat.

The people sit

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Offertory Anthem Kyrie eleison

Joseph Haydn

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

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. But chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath won for us 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, 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)

Joseph Haydn

- 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.

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.

Please remain in your pew until the ushers invite you to move forward toward the altar. <u>Face covering is required</u>. Family units must maintain safe distancing in the aisle. Receive the host standing in front of the priest or deacon with your arms outstretched. Return to your pew by the side aisles and consume the host after you are seated.

The Bread 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. [Amen.]

Communion Motet Ave verum corpus (sung by the choir)

W.A. Mozart

All hail, O true Body, of the blessed Virgin born, which in anguish to redeem us did'st suffer upon the cross; from whose side, when pierced by spear, there came forth both water and blood: be to us at our last hour the source of consolation. O loving, O holy, O Jesu, thou Son of Mary.

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 AND DISMISSAL

A Priest gives the Blessing and the Deacon dismisses the people.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

The people sit until the procession

VOLUNTARY Exultemus

Percy Whitlock

Please remain in your seats until the conclusion of the Voluntary.

The ushers will direct you to the appropriate exits.

CHOIR:

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

ACOLYTE: Bailey Turnquist

LECTORS: Bennett Cruse, Lauren Maya

VERGER: Dave Kenyon

The Flowers at the Church Altar are given to the Glory of God by Gwyn and Mark Schabacker in memory of Nancy Hahn Fogarty and Jerry Eugene Fogarty.

The Flowers at the Chapel Altar are given to the Glory of God by Dr. James R. Edgar in loving memory of his mother Eloise Cole Edgar.

The Candle in the Sanctuary Light is given to the Glory of God by MC Jenkins in thanksgiving for her husband John on his birthday.



ST. JOHN'S CLASS OF 2021

Baldwin Barnes Trey Norton

Bennett Cruse Paige Rodriguez

Charlotte Graham Kate Shamblin

Noah Hearing John Banks Whiteley

Lauren Maya

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

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Facebook Live and our website

Virtual Ministries and Worship

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

Group Prayer and Pastoral Care

Healing Service

This service takes place on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. in the church. There is appropriate safe distancing, masks, and no Eucharist.

Evening Prayer

Our clergy and staff stream evening prayer daily Monday through Saturday at 4:00 p.m. live on our Facebook page.

Compline (Night Prayer)

Nightly compline is offered by the brothers of the Society of St John the Evangelist on their web site at www.ssje.org.

Ongoing Small Group Ministries and Classes

Wednesday Afternoon Adult Formation

The group meets by Zoom from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. Contact Deacon Kathleen for info.

Men's Thursday Bible Study and Lunch

If you would like to join, contact John Edgar at jedgar@stjohnstampa.org.

Contemporary Women's Bible Study

CWBS holds a weekly virtual study time on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Contact Deacon Kathleen at kmoore@stjohnstampa.org or Sally Thompson at tampasal@gmail.com or 254.3009.

Women's Mid Morning Bible Study

The group meets every other Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. For more information, contact Pat Wilson at patwilson68@tampabay.rr.com or 245.9562 or Joan McKay at mckayihm@aol.com.

EYC (Episcopal Youth Community)

EYC meets on Sunday evenings, 6th through 8th graders from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., and 9th through 12th graders from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Once a month, the groups combine and meet for Outdoor EYC outside of Connelly House. Contact Ayana for more information.

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. Cannon: 864.320.7116; Fr. Goodheart: 321.446.4934; Deacon Moore: 813.785.9400; Fr. Reho: 917.526.0746.

Service Schedule Notes

Our regular 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.

Safe distancing procedures remain in place for entering, seating, exiting, and distribution of the Holy Eucharist, and there is a maximum capacity of 100 people at each service. Face coverings are highly recommended, not only for your safety, but for the safety of others. We welcome those who are vaccinated to rejoin us in the church. We also encourage all parishioners to get the vaccine as a way of expressing your love for your neighbor.

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.

<u>Sunday Sermon Audio</u> Available

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

Compass Points

Confirmation 2021

Confirmation was held this past Sunday for the 2020 and 2021 classes of St. John's confirmands. We had 30 youth and 17 adults confirmed by the Bishop! <u>Visit our Facebook page to see more photos.</u>

Thank You, Clean Up Volunteers!

Volunteers Joan McKay, John McKay, Alvie and Lee Casey, Blanche Puffer, the Cruse family of 5, the Bricklemyer family of 4, Chris McAdams, Beth Arthur, Helen Straske, Donna Gem, Melinda Pendino, Cynthia Peters, and Suzy Lopez did a clean up before last Sunday's Confirmation service. Dr. Laura Cruse wrangled the mammoth pressure washer, Clayton and Tommy Bricklemyer hauled debris, and John McKay cleaned it all in the Chapel. Hugh Cruse even washed the light fixtures after he finished cleaning and polishing the gorgeous wooden frieze above the doors in the North Portico. Our beautiful historic building will be 100 years old in 2024! To see photos of the clean up, visit our Facebook page, or join us for a Sunday service soon to see for yourself.

VBS Registration Open, Volunteers Needed

Registrations for our limited attendance 2021 St John's Vacation Bible School, June 14 through 17, are now open! VBS is for potty-trained 3 year olds through rising 4th graders, and the cost is \$40 per child for the week. We'll meet from 9:00 a.m. to noon in the Parish Hall on Monday through Thursday, in a modified, masked, socially distant (but FUN) program. Don't miss out on your spot--sign up here. Experience *Rocky Railway--Jesus' power pulls us through*! We are also in need of volunteers, both adult and youth. Sign up here to help!

Final EYC Today

Meet us today, Sunday, May 2, for our FINAL EYC of the school year--a combined 6th through 12th graders Messy Games Night from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. We will begin in the Parish Hall with our 2020-2021 EYC Slideshow!

Flowers Available

The flowers at the altar are available on June 20. If you would like to take this opportunity to honor a loved one and support St. John's, contact us at <u>parish@stjohnstampa.org</u>.

Lamentation, Grace, and Hope Concludes Today

St. John's invites parishioners to join us for the final session of our speaker program, today, Sunday, May 2 at 4:30 p.m. The hour long event will be held virtually on Zoom. Contact us at parish@stjohnstampa.org to get the link.

The speaker is Christian M. M. Brady, author of *Beautiful & Terrible Things: A Christian Struggle with Suffering, Grief, and Hope.* Gifts of thanksgiving for Christian's generous gift of time with us can be made to the <u>Mack Brady Memorial Men's Soccer Fund at Penn State</u>, in memory of Christian and Elizabeth Brady's son.

Evening Prayer: Help Wanted

We are now expanding Evening Prayer to include lay leaders. Evening Prayer is not an office that requires a member of the clergy and so represents a wonderful opportunity to expand lay participation in the spiritual life of the church. This will also give your clergy some needed sabbath. The time commitment is about 20 minutes at 4:00 p.m. one day a week for an agreed upon number of weeks. There is a little setup and training that Fr. Cannon will provide. Evening Prayer happens on Facebook, so a Facebook account is required. If you feel called to participate, please contact Fr. Cannon.

The Way of Love Small Group Meets this Wednesday

The Way of Love small group for those under 40 will meet next Wednesday evening, May 5, at 7:15 p.m. The group meets each month on the first Wednesday at the same time. Contact Fr. Cannon for more information. We hope you will join us!

Prayer Requests

Your prayers are bid today and throughout the week for:

Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Dabney, our Diocesan Bishop; the clergy and staff of our parish; Joseph, our President; Ronald, our Governor; and Jane, our Mayor;

The sick and others for whom our prayers have been specially requested

Harry Hedges; Baker; Mark Power; Robin Guinee; Jackie Faircloth and family; Bill Craig; Patty; Ansley and family; Nancy Watkins; Ray Olsson; Collin; Lyn Haddad; Tory Stone and family; Astrid Peacock; Jeff LeVines; Sid Stubbs; Clark Wichman; Suzanne; John Crosby; Nancy Adams; Ken and Maureen Johnston; Michelle Davidson; Jonathan; Pat; Jerry Denney; Pam; Edwin Mills and Beth Strong; Kevin Kellar; John; Drew, Brandi and Ruby Ann Gehrke; Mackenzie; Suzanne Kirkconnell; Allison Phommachanh; Antonio Otero; Candy Fender; Janice; Bill Hippenmeier; and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity;

The departed

Nancy Hahn Fogarty

Jerry Eugene Fogarty

Eloise Cole Edgar

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.

And we pray also for

Those who celebrate the anniversary of their birth this week

May 2, Nick Herrin

May 3, Ruth Hemmingway, Hartley Mellish, John Jenkins, Pickens Price, Michael Maguire

May 4, Cody Crosby, Kristina Angiulli, Kristen Decelles, Joe Swanson

May 5, Matthew Crane, Guy King, Robert Lewis, Scott Taylor, John Thompson

May 6, Stephen Bowles, Lynda Tappan, Leslie Bryant, Joseph Strickland, Addison Kriz

May 7, Wyatt Wankelman, Dawn Javino

May 8, Rogers Padgett, Lee Lowry, Susan Boyd, Britta Neugaard, Kelsey Killgoar, Shawn O'Brien, Alan Gay, Natalie Bedore

Our Companion Diocese in the Dominican Republic

Our Parish Day School

Pray for St. Alban's, St. Pete Beach; St. Alfred's, Palm Harbor; St. Andrew's, Boca Grande; St. Andrew's, Spring Hill; St. Andrew's, Tampa; St. Anne of Grace, Seminole; St. Anselm's, Lehigh Acres in the Diocesan cycle of prayer;

Pray for The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East in the Anglican cycle of prayer;

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

We pray for healthcare 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.

Pray for 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.

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