

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 LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Holy Eucharist Rite II – 9:30am February 11, 2024

**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

Dear Members and Friends of Saint John's,

I extend a warm welcome to you as we gather in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is a privilege to have you as a part of our active and vibrant faith community.

At Saint John's, we are committed to offering worship, fellowship, and service opportunities that will deepen our relationship with God and one another. Whether you are a long-time member or new to our church, we invite you to join us as we seek to grow in our faith, serve others, and share the love of Christ with the broader Tampa community.

We have a welcome table in the courtyard if you are visiting with us. After being greeted by our clergy, please head over and say hello to our volunteers so you can learn more about Saint John's. We also offer Sunday School for children and youth ages K-12. If you want to attend Sunday School, please come forward and receive communion first; ushers can help guide you.

As we continue to grow and engage with our community, we hope that visitors will become friends and friends will become members of Saint John's. Keep an eye on our announcements, e-mails, and newsletters. We offer numerous ways to engage with each other and God here at Saint John's. If you would like to get coffee or a bite to eat with me, please feel free to reach out and let me know.

Faithfully,

Fr. Chr. Word+

The Rev. Christian M. Wood

Rector

cwood@stjohnstampa.org

The people stand

# **Processional Hymn 427**

Laudes Domini

John Rutter

#### 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 S236

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; \* you are worthy of praise; glory to you.

Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; \* we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; \* on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.

Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; \* we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths; \* in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.

Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \* we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

THE LESSON 2 Kings 2:1-12

The people sit

*Lector* A reading from the second Book of Kings.

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

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

**GRADUAL:** PSALM 50:1-6 (COVERDALE TRANSLATION) *Sung by the choir* 

Henry Smart

THE Lord, even the Most Mighty God, hath spoken, \* and called the world, from the rising up of the sun unto the going down thereof.

- 2 Out of Sion hath God appeared \* in perfect beauty.
- 3 Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence; \* there shall go before him a consuming fire, and a mighty tempest shall be stirred up round about him.
  - 4 He shall call the heaven from above, \* and the earth, that he may judge his people.
  - 5 Gather my saints together unto me; \* those that have made a covenant with me with sacrifice.

6 And the heavens shall declare his righteousness; \* for God is Judge himself. 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 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

*Lector* A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

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

The people stand

All elementary-age students will now follow the cross down the center aisle and process to Children's Chapel in the parish hall.

**SEQUENCE HYMN 137** 

Wareham

THE GOSPEL Mark 9:2-9

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people sit

THE SERMON Father Van Wormer

# THE NICENE CREED (standing)

Celebrant and people

We believe in one God,

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 IV)

*Deacon* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

The people kneel

Leader

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

# Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

#### Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

# Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit [especially \_\_\_\_\_, those in hospital, \_\_\_\_\_ and those in hospice\_\_\_\_]; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

#### Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, [especially\_\_\_\_\_; and for \_\_\_\_\_ in whose memory the altar flowers are given today;] that your will for them may be fulfilled, and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Silence

Lord, in your mercy

# Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds this concluding collect

Hasten, O Father, the coming of thy kingdom; and grant that we thy servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold thy Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.** 

#### 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 Sentence**

# **Offertory Anthem** O Thou, the Central Orb

Charles Wood

O thou, the central orb of righteous love, Pure beam of the Most High, eternal light Of this our wintry world; thy radiance bright Awakes new joy in faith: hope soars above. Thy saints with holy lustre round thee move, As stars about thy throne, set in the height Of God's ordaining counsel, as thy sight Gives measured grace to each, thy power to prove.

Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine; Gilding our darksome heaven with rays divine. Let thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin: Our nature all shall feel eternal day In fellowship with thee, transforming ray To souls, erewhile unclean, now pure within. Amen.

# Offertory Hymn 94 Stanza 6

Winchester Old

The people stand

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Eucharistic Prayer B

CelebrantPeopleCelebrantThe Lord be with you.And also with you.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.

Preface of the Epiphany

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:

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

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

Celebrant

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed John, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 after which the following is sung

#### Fraction Anthem S155

Gerald Near

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*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 being baptized, 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 center aisle out, towards the side aisles.

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

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.] The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.] or with these words

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

# **Communion Motet** O Sing Joyfully

Adrian Batten

O sing joyfully unto God our strength: make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob. Take the song, bring hither the tabret: \* the merry harp with the lute. Blow up the trumpet in the new moon: e'en in the time appointed. And upon our solemn feast day. For this was made a statute for Israel: and a law of the God of Jacob.

# Communion Hymn 619

Martins

#### 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 gives the Blessing

#### THE DISMISSAL

The Deacon gives the Dismissal

People Thanks be to God.

The people stand

# **Processional Hymn 618**

Laast uns erfreuen

**VOLUNTARY** *Marche Pontificale (from Symphonie 1)* 

Charles-Marie Widor

# 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 Dr. Greg Gaar 9:30 Skip Eckard, Declan Keller, John Lawson, Frankie Gardner,

Cindy Gardner

LECTORS: 8:00 Rich Hadlow; 9:30 Drew Graham, Lisa Leal, Steve Straske

CHALICE BEARERS: 9:30 Lisa Leal, Janice Straske

USHERS: 8:00 Kenneth E. Lane, Harry Hedges; 9:30 Mike Barna, Doug Arthur, Stephen French,

John Giordano, Stephen Leal, John McKay

VERGER: Greg Gaar

**The Flowers at the Church Altar are given to the Glory of God** by Sandy, Elizabeth and Katie Rief in loving memory of Marian "Didi" White Rief.

The Flowers at the Church Altar are given to the Glory of God by Marci Thomas in honor of the prayerful women who are members of the Daughters of the King and Father Dale VanWormer, our chaplain.

**The Flowers at the Chapel Altar** are given to the Glory of God by Sara Hewitt in honor of and in loving memory of her father Charles Edward Hewitt, age 100.

**The Candle in the Sanctuary Light** is given to the Glory of God by Peter Dawson in memory of his father, Sydney Dawson.

THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

FEBRUARY 11, 2024

# 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), live on Facebook, on our

website, and on our YouTube channel

#### 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.

#### **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 Pat Wilson at <a href="mailto:patwilson68@tampabay.rr.com">patwilson68@tampabay.rr.com</a>.

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 <a href="mailto:tampasal@gmail.com">tampasal@gmail.com</a> to get 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 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 on February 21 for five weeks until March 20!

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 <a href="mailto:dlrncrtpa@verizon.net">dlrncrtpa@verizon.net</a>.

#### 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 <a href="mailto:agrady@stjohnstampa.org">agrady@stjohnstampa.org</a> to learn more!

#### **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 You Tube.

#### **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 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 <u>llowry@stjohnstampa.org</u>. You can also stay in touch by liking our Facebook page or Instagram and subscribing to our YouTube channel!

# **Compass Points**

#### Ash Wednesday: February 14

Join us for one of our Ash Wednesday liturgies on February 14: 7:00 a.m. in the Chapel; 12:15 p.m. in the Church; and 6:00 p.m. in the Church. The 6:00 p.m. service will include music by the St. John's Choir and a nursery will be provided, and it will be streamed live on our website, Facebook, and YouTube.

#### **Newcomers Classes Continue This Week**

The current session of Newcomers Classes continues today. If you are new or relatively new (less than a year) to St. John's, join us in the Church after the 9:30 a.m. service to learn more about our beautiful sanctuary. You do not need to have attended earlier classes to come!

#### St. John's Lenten Devotional Guide

Thank you to all who contributed! The Guide will be available on Ash Wednesday and the Sundays following at the back of the Church in hard copy, as well as in the Parish Office. You can access it on our website and via our emails, and devotions will be posted daily on the Parish Facebook page. Thank you to Samantha VanWormer for designing the beautiful cover. The Daughters of the King at St. John's hope this Guide will be a blessing to your Lenten journey.

#### The St. John's Book Club Features One of Our Own Parishioners

On Tuesday, February 20, at 4:00 p.m., in the Lowry Room, the St. John's Book Club will welcome parishioner Dallas Coffield to discuss his new novel, *Hwy. 98*. Melinda Pendino will facilitate the discussion. All women of the parish and their guests are welcome. If you have questions, please contact Chris McAdams at <a href="mailto:chris.mcadams@gmail.com">chris.mcadams@gmail.com</a>.

#### Wednesdays in Lent Begin February 21

Lenten discussions of "Five Hard Questions for Lent" will begin on February 21. There are optional Stations of the Cross in the Church at 5:30 p.m., then we'll gather at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall for a meal followed by discussion. These conversations will stem from five difficult questions which we will wrestle with together. Week 1 is "Why do bad things happen to good people?" Join us for fellowship and to learn from one another.

#### **Adult Confirmation Classes Start Next Month**

Whether you were baptized as a young child or as an adult, the Sacrament of Confirmation offers the opportunity to confirm your commitment to Christ Jesus and to receive more fully the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit (Isaiah 11:1-2), just as the Apostles did on the first Pentecost. If you have not yet been confirmed or wish to be received into the Episcopal Church if you were previously confirmed in the Catholic, Orthodox, or Lutheran Church, join us for Adult Confirmation classes, They will start on Wednesday, March 13, at 6:00 p.m. and continue on March 20 and 27, April 3, 10, and 17. Sunday, April 21 is Confirmation Day. Please contact Fr. Dale with questions.

### Lenten Quiet Day

All women of St. John's Parish are invited to a Lenten Quiet Day sponsored by St. John's Saint Clare Chapter of the Daughters of the King on Saturday, March 16, at Calvary Episcopal Church in Indian Rocks Beach from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The theme is *Forgiveness and Reconciliation*, led by Father Dale and Deacon Mary Alice. Since lunch will be provided, RSVP to Marci Thomas at <a href="marcithomas2018@gmail.com">marcithomas2018@gmail.com</a>. Carpooling is available.

#### **Flower Dedications**

Flowers and the candle adorning the Church Altar and the flowers at the Chapel Altar are financially supported by individuals and families. If you would like to honor a memorial or give a gift in thanksgiving, please contact <a href="mailto:jdepinto@stjohnstampa.org">jdepinto@stjohnstampa.org</a> or call us at 259.1570. Please note that during Lent, only the candle is available.

# **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 LeVarge; Ken and Maureen; Richard; Mary; Nancy; Mary Bryan; Elaine Watson, Winkie Game; Michael Wood; Pat; Art and Constance Severn; Cole, William Janes, his family and medical team; Tor; Karen Saam; Barbara, Angie, Marjorie, Tina, John, Nancy, and Greg, 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

February 11, Karri Johnson, Kelly Levy, William Shenk, Trudy Stracey, John Banks Whiteley, David Williams

February 12, McKay Bever, John Crosby, Drew Graham, Nicholas Nitch, Kim O'Brien, Sarah Sbar

February 13, Charles Allen, Ned Roberts, III, Steve Sper, Zachary Taylor, Wren Wankelman

February 14, Kiersten Bersch, Billy Carson, III, Sarah Casey, Evelyn Galavis, Judy Galloway, Katherine Hancock, Adeline Lee, Kimberly Poor

February 15, Lockwood Gray, Ellen Hulse, Mary Leach, Tony Mesker, Kim Reed, Melinda Rix, Kathleen Smith

February 16, Ralph Belfatti, Jr., John Grebe, Amy Shoukry

February 17, Peter Dawson, Evan Foley, Lindsay Mickler, Jill Niell, Jeremiah Pederson, Sandra Peterson, Pollard Taylor, William Whitcomb, II, Bill Young, Jr.

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

The people and for peace in the Ukraine and the Holy Land.

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.

For those affected by natural disasters.

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** St. Edmund's, Arcadia; Christ Church, Bradenton; St. George's, Bradenton; St. Mary Magdalene, Bradenton; Church of the Annunciation, Holmes Beach; All Angels by the Sea, Longboat Key; Holy Spirit, Osprey.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer: Province of the Episcopal Church of South 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.