



# The Weekly Compass

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

THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 19, 2023

### Worship at St. John's Today

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

#### Service Notes

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

### 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 Sally Wiley at [wiley48sm@gmail.com](mailto:wiley48sm@gmail.com). The next session will be on Tuesday, 11/28.

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

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

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

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

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

Our all-parish dinner starts at 6:00 p.m., then formation offerings for children, youth, and adults are at 6:30 p.m. The last of these sessions before the holidays will be on December 6th and will resume regularly in the New Year.

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

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

#### Youth and Children's Ministries

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

#### Sunday Sermons

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

#### Pastoral Care

Parish Office: 259.1570

Pastoral Emergencies: 726.3108

Fr. Chris: 917.822.9741

Deacon Lopez: 813.493.8337

Fr. Dale: 607.481.4702

Fr. Goodheart: 321.446.4934

#### Giving to St. John's

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

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



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

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

# Compass Points

## Come, Worship, Grow, with St. John's!

As Fr. Chris said in his recent letter to the Parish, "there are two ways we can all, together, as one body, participate in the Kingdom: worshipping together, especially on Sunday, and pledging to give to our Parish. These are truly two things all of us can do together to Come. Worship. Grow.!"

Pledge cards went out in the mail, or you can fill out our online pledge form by using the QR code. You can also pledge or give a gift at our website or on Realm. Thank you for your support!



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### Cornerstone Kids Family Support

Thanks to everyone who showed interest in our Giving Tree effort! All 30 children are spoken for, but no need to despair. You can still contribute by purchasing \$20 WalMart gift cards for the parents. Our goal is to give each family two cards, for a total of 50 cards collected. Please return the cards and labeled, wrapped gifts to the Parish Office no later than Thursday, December 14. Happy shopping! Questions? Contact MC Jenkins at 503.4605. Thank you!

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### St. John's History Presentation: Wednesday, November 29

Now that you've heard about the history of Hyde Park and Davis Islands, come and hear about the 112-year history of our own parish! Sally Thompson, Shelley Blood, Jack Wyatt, and Sally Olsson will use pictures and narrative for this presentation. If you have any archival information about St John's, please bring it to help us update our history!

Our Kitchen Krewe will provide a dinner of pizza, salad, and dessert. All ages are invited to this engaging event, bring the kids and grandkids! Please bring a beverage to share, dinner begins at 6:00 p.m., program to follow at 6:30 p.m.

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### St. John's Featured on HPPI Home Tour

Want more history? During Hyde Park Preservation's annual Home Tour on Saturday, December 2, St. John's is the first stop of the day! We expect some 300 or more folks to tour our church. You may order tickets in advance through <https://oldhydeparkfl.membershiptoolkit.com/hometour> or on the day of the tour at St. John's.

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### Advent Service of Lessons and Carols

The Annual Service of Advent Lessons and Carols will take place on Sunday, December 3, at 5:00 p.m. This service, which marks the beginning of the season of preparation and waiting for Christmas, will feature the music of Palestrina, Herbert Howells, Judith Weir, and Boris Ord, together with some of the great Advent hymns for choir and congregation. A reception, to which all are warmly invited, will follow in the Parish Hall. Please join us!

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### Christmas Pageant Cast Reveal!

Sign up for our annual St John's Christmas Pageant! The Christmas Pageant is open to 3 year olds through 5th graders, and the presentation will be during the 4:00 p.m. service on Christmas Eve! We have roles for everyone—from speaking roles, to angels (who get to do the famous angel dance), shepherds, and animals. The deadline to sign up is Sunday, November 19, and the cast will be announced during our Breakfast Sunday on Sunday, November 26!

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### Mission Trip Sign-Ups

The sign-ups for our 2024 Mission Trips--High School Trip to the Dominican Republic (June 2 through 9) and our Middle School Trip to Atlanta (June 15 through 22) -- are now open! programs. Please contact Youth Minister Ayana Grady for more info and to sign up!

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### Flower and Greenery Dedications Available

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 [parish@stjohnstampa.org](mailto:parish@stjohnstampa.org) or call us at 259.1570. Thanksgiving Day flowers are currently 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; Winkie Game; Michael Wood; Pat; Art and Constance Severn; Mark; Cole, William Janes, his family and medical team; Tor, Marjorie; and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

**The Departed:** Becky Abdoney, Martha Louise Bartlett, Garth Drewry, Elizabeth Guyton

*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**

November 19, Kristin Normandeau, Rusty Shenk

November 20, Caroline Cox, Emily Picone, David Webster

November 21, Bob Alter, Joyce Davidson, Sang-Hie Lee, Margaret Nelson, Rory Palermo, Amanda Sansone, Melissa Spring

November 22, Carol Blume, Dick Eatman

November 23, Kari Bradley, Suzanne Nelson, David Pearce

November 24, Helena Ringhoff, Anne-Sophie Roger, Samantha Van Wormer

November 25, Mark Adams, Emily Conlee

**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 hurricane Ian.**

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** St. Mary's, Palmetto; Church of the Apostles, Parrish; Church of the Nativity, Sarasota; Church of the Redeemer, Sarasota; St. Boniface, Siesta Key; St. Margaret of Scotland, Sarasota, and St. Wilfred 's, Sarasota.

**In the Anglican cycle of prayer:** The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)