

# St. John's Spring Newsletter

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### *From the Rector...* “Who Moved My Cheese?”

Leadership books can be good to read and reflect upon. I always look for guiding principles that make a difference. Recently, I finished re-reading a top selling book from a few years ago, “*Who Moved My Cheese?*” by Spencer Johnson. It has all the major parts with some basic principles of leadership clearly defined and yet related in fresh, funny and informative ways. The book is a good read; a primer which drives home some important points.

The book tells the story of little mice who get up every morning and put on their clothes and go off to work in Cheese Station C. This becomes such a habit in their lives that soon they are extremely comfortable. They even consider their place of work “their very own” and they could not possibly imagine change being a friend. Change has become a threat to every part of their being. They look suspiciously at anything that would cause discomfort or un-ease or adventure or new-ness in their well-organized life cycle.

Little do the complacent mice realize that the supply of cheese that they have been eating from in Cheese Station C has been gradually eaten up. It will not be there for very much longer. They have not made any arrangements to add fresh cheese and they have fallen in a gutter of complacency that has slowly faded like a wind-up toy that finally stopped.

Then the day arrives that there is no cheese. One of the mice summons enough courage to venture into the maze in search of new cheese. He tries, in vain to persuade his co-worker but he adamantly refuses to budge. He is so afraid of going into the maze because he has not ventured into it for so very long. He has spent all of his time focused on just what was before him and never taken the time to keep up with what was going on in his surroundings in the maze.

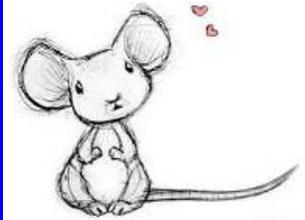
Of course, the wise mouse acknowledges the great fear he must fight and realizes that he does not know where the new cheese is located. However he realizes that nothing will be gained by staying behind and talking about the “good old days.” Eventually, he finds new cheese and forms Cheese Station N. Like the excellent friend he is, he makes his way back to Cheese Station C and finds his friend languishing in hunger, malnourished and in despair. Bringing back the good news and even a road map to the future does not move his friend. He insists on staying in the same place even if it ends in his own destruction.

Sadly, this is such a perfect picture of leadership in and out of the Church. We must always be looking into new avenues and new methods of creating a future for our ministry and our life. We can never grow so self-absorbed that we are focused inward. We must always be looking for the next move of God and ready to step out in faith in any circumstance to follow where God leads. Complacency and comfort are not words in the Christian language.

As leaders, we need to be able to see what changes lie ahead, but we also need to be able to translate them to those who are following our lead. Painting the vision so that others can make it their own is how successful change takes place.

Of course, for many, change can generate a significant amount of fear. But change is approached best as an adventure with our brother Jesus, one which is looming just ahead and which WILL eventually come. We can never become comfortable and believe that we have everything, all that God has in store for us.

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Many people constantly relive one year without making changes and believing if it worked once that it will always work. The word for that mindset is “stagnant.” Without a fresh flow of life, death begins to creep in and rot the very soul of any church, group or ministry program.

In our church setting, we can often grow uncomfortable with the few people who attend Sundays, never exploring what God has for us. When new people visit, or someone even brings up the topic of looking for new members, it’s common to become uneasy with the thought. But the new member that we’re not so sure about just might be the answer to many of our dilemmas, and that person also could be in desperate need of a community which will love and encourage him/her.

In situations where an action might make us uncomfortable, I truly believe that the Lord continually calls us to do more than stay “where the cheese is.” Life with Jesus Christ is not always comfortable. The Lord constantly seems to move us out of our “comfort zones” and into new areas where God calls us to minister in Christ’s Name.

The change must be in us and in our attitudes. God will never change, nor will the old-fashioned truths of the Gospel go out of style. But our leadership styles, attitudes and means of communication must change as the Lord directs.

Life is too important to stay out of the maze. Around every corner is something new, perhaps even something wonderful and fabulous. Perhaps around the next bend is someone who needs a friend to introduce him/her to Jesus Christ. Maybe it’s someone who needs encouragement. Or it could be a move in a new direction.

Be aware of some questions:

Have you or your group become stagnant?

Are you really open to change?

Would new leadership be good for the whole?

Are you really actively seeking new people?

What exciting things would happen if we didn’t do it the same old way?

What is God trying to tell you/us?

Whatever the challenge may be, we need to trust God and step out in faith, trusting the powerful name of Jesus. When we find ourselves in unfamiliar surroundings, and when change is inevitable, faith in God and Christ’s mercy and grace, in any situation, makes for our safe harbor.

God bless St. John’s Church in stepping out in faith,

***Fr. Ron***

## ***Where There’s a “Will” - There’s a Way***

*by Fr. Ron*

There is no time like the present for making a will. The best of intentions, the finest and fairest of plans, will have been made in vain if you have not left a valid will to direct the disposition of your estate. There are many excuses we can use to put off making a will, but no one can avoid an underlying factor for our procrastination - the very human fear of death.

As Christians, however, we are blessed with faith in the revelation from God that, through Christ, death is a natural part of life. In essence, God has a wonderful “will” for us: union with Love who created us, and who desires our everlasting fulfillment. We can do no less than to have a will for those we hold so dear to our hearts.

Please help us to continue our witness to the bountiful life of God by remembering St. John’s Church in your will. If you would like further information on how to do so, please write or call me at 908-722-1250.

God’s Peace, ***Fr. Ron***

## *An Easter Thank-You*

Once upon a time, Mark Twain was the highest paid writer in America, earning \$5 per word for a syndicated newspaper column. A reader sent him \$5 and requested his most important word. Twain responded with a letter bearing this single word: Thanks. Thanks may well be the most important word as well as the most important faith expression there is.

Having been through the depths of the liturgical season of Lent, Holy Week, & Easter, I pause now to say thank you for all that you continue to do to build-up the Body of Christ here at St. John's and in the world. Some things that stand out to me are:

- ✦ The many faithful people who showed up & participated in the Lenten Book Discussion and Episcopal Church 101 class.
- ✦ The Junior and Senior Choir members for their faithfulness and dedication to singing. Special thanks to John Plesniarski & Tracey Jameson, our Sr. & Jr. Choir Directors.
- ✦ The Altar Guild members for their quiet devotion in maintaining a sacred order in setting up the Altar for corporate worship. Special thank you to Pauline Boyer and Kay Halsted for arranging the flowers so beautifully.
- ✦ Those who participated in our Communion Breakfast. Thank you Neva Rae Fox for your presentation on your recent trip to Jordan. Thank you, Jon Anobile for cooking!
- ✦ For the many folks who supported the children in putting coins into their "Hope Chests" to be given to Episcopal Relief & Development Fund, to help alleviate areas of concern with Global Goals.
- ✦ The incredible & dynamic work of so many people helping with the Thrift Shop and SHIP'S Galley Soup Kitchen and the Somerset County Food Bank.
- ✦ For Sunday School teachers and children.
- ✦ For all Youth Group members, particularly our new Youth Group Advisors, Kevin & Kim Buchanan, and Bill Hoffman for coordinating the Over-Night on Maundy Thursday.
- ✦ For all women of the Episcopal Church Women's group for their fellowship in Christ and one another.
- ✦ For our talented, gifted, faithful and enlightening Deacon, Keith McCoy. Thank God for him! And for Bill Nesbitt, Postulant, in the School for Deacons.
- ✦ Thank you to Connie Van Arsdale for coordinating the Easter Egg Hunt!

There are some days when I hear people say, "I've never seen such a high level of participation at any church!" The recruitment of volunteers to engage in sacred ministry, will always be hard work, but at St. John's it is also one of the marks that makes this parish as special as it is.

The head of the church is Jesus Christ, but its soul is its people, people who continue to give of themselves beyond reason, even when they are tired, and who exceed all expectations. Thanks may be but a single word, but is there any other that matters more?!

As we go from Easter into Pentecost allow me to add my thank you to all of you who make this Church as it is. By Christ's Spirit we surpass our individual abilities and form a body that gives hope to the world and honors our blessed Lord & Savior, Jesus Christ.

Thanks and with love,

***Fr. Ron***

## *New Books in the Goldsack Parish Library*

The Book of Joy: lasting happiness in a changing world, by the Dalai Lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu. Two Nobel Peace Prize winners and moral leaders of our time talk about how joy can be transformed from a fleeting emotion into an enduring way of life.

Creation, by Cynthia Rylant. A book for children by the Newberry Award illustrator, based on the King James Version of the story in Genesis.

Cultivating Empathy: the worth and dignity of every person -- without exception, by Nathan C. Walker. How do we keep from “otherizing” people in this time of cultural conflict, and how might we develop a moral imagination to help us see those “others” as fellow human beings?

A First Bible Story Book / A First Book of Prayers. Two books for children from DK Publishing, known for its excellent illustrations. Geared towards 5 to 8 year olds, the Bible stories bring well known characters and tales to life. The volume of prayers ranges from prayers about a child’s feeling to prayers for the world around them.

Hallelujah Anyway: rediscovering mercy, by Anne Lamott. Mercy is radical kindness, but the process of being merciful starts with recognizing our own messy lives, before getting caught up in that of others.

Healing Spiritual Wounds: Reconnecting with a Loving God After Experiencing a Hurtful Church, by Carol Howard Merritt. Many people believe in God, but have been abused by religious institutions. The author helps readers move from pain to spiritual rebirth.

The Islamic Jesus: how the King of the Jews became a prophet of the Muslims, by Mustafa Akyol. There is an extraordinary historical connection between Judaism, Jewish Christianity, and Islam, which has been ignored by historians and theologians. This book offers a way to see again the common beliefs of the three Abrahamic faiths.

Protestants: the faith that made the modern world, by Alec Ryrie. In the 500 years since Martin Luther challenged the Pope, the Protestant version of Christianity has changed the world and everyone’s view of God.

Stewardship, by Bob Sitze. A modern yet biblical look at how to approach giving in the parish.

This Land Is Our Land: a history of American immigration, by Linda Barrett Osborne. This award winning book looks at the immigration issue over the last 150 years, and helps provide a perspective on why this nation of immigrants swings from pro to con on the issue.

*The Rev. W. Keith McCoy*  
*Deacon*



### ***What Kind of Background Do You Need to be a Monk or Nun?***

*Question:* What do the following people have in common? A librarian, a psychotherapist, a college professor, a radio talk-show host, a parish priest, a landscape gardener, a clerk with the police department.

*Answer:* They are now monks and nuns.

Whatever your background, whatever your training, you can consider the life of a monk or nun. The most important qualification is a desire to offer your life to God in a community of worship and service. If you love God, if you love prayer, if you love people, the life of a monastery or convent may be for you. Why not find out? If you are interested, contact **Father Ron** for more information.

# Rogationtide

In 1559, the Anglican Book of Common Prayer required a particular prayer to be read in all Anglican Churches on the Sunday before Ascension Day, and on the following Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. This year, it begins on Monday, May 22. Some of the more historical among you might know that these days in the Church Year are known as “Rogation Days.” In the pre-industrial world, the Church noted with great care the days we should pray for good planting and good harvest, the days we should pray for the earth. The word “Rogation” comes from the Latin word “rogare” which means “to ask.” In the Christian Church, Rogation Days were set aside for special prayer for God’s creation and the fruit of the earth. It is a sad pity, a tragedy really, that our industrial and even post-industrial society pays such little attention to that prayer. I pray that we return to those roots, that we return to these days, always just before the Feast of the Ascension on May 25, as Rogation Days.

Here is a portion of a particular prayer, the one required by Queen Elizabeth in 1559. Listen to its beauty and truth: “Almighty God, who has blessed the earth that it should be fruitful and bring forth everything that is necessary and has commanded us to work with quietness and eat our own bread; bless us in all our labors and grant us seasonable weather that we may gather in the fruits of the earth and ever rejoice in thy goodness to the praises of thy holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.” God has blessed the earth, that it should be fruitful!

In 1559, the Anglican Church required something else this time of year. The Church required a procession around the Church. The entire Parish was meant to go outside and walk around the Church, in Rogationtide. It’s time for us to take another look outside, too, to stop staying inside, cooped up, staring at TV screens and burning energy to stay comfortable, but to walk outside and observe the world. What do we see? Where do we see God at work in Creation? How can we improve our awareness in the stewardship of God’s Creation? Why should the Church be talking about Rogationtide? Quite simply, because the Church is in the business of Salvation. Jesus said, in John 3:16, “For God so loved the world....” That means “the world !” Not just the people in the world. God wants to save not just you and me, but the world itself. Salvation is not meant to be merely personal. It means salvation of others as well. And ultimately, salvation also refers to this very earth itself, to our land and air and water, all that sustains life here. Our ancestors made sure they asked their gracious God for fair and seasonable weather, for good planting and harvest.

And so should we!

*By Fr. Ronald Neal Pollock*

## No Church is Perfect

*If you should find the perfect church*

*Without one fault or smear*

*For goodness sake, don’t join that church,*

*You’d spoil the atmosphere!*

*If you should find the perfect church*

*Where all anxieties cease,*

*Then pass it by, lest joining it,*

*You’d mar the masterpiece.*

*If you should find the perfect church,*

*Then don’t you even dare*

*To tread upon such Holy Ground,*

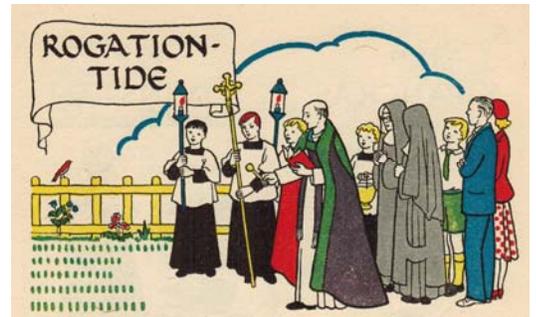
*You’d be a misfit there!*

*But since no perfect church exists,*

*Made of imperfect men,*

*Then lets cease looking for that church,*

*And LOVE the church we’re in.*



*Of course, it’s not a perfect church*

*That’s simple to discern,*

*But you and I and all of us*

*Could cause the tide to turn.*

*What fools we are to flee our post*

*In that unfruitful search,*

*To find at last where problems loom,*

*God proudly builds His Church!*

*So lets keep working in our church*

*Until the resurrection,*

*And then we’ll join God’s perfect church,*

*Without an imperfection.*

*- Author unknown*



## ***Please mark your calendars today!***

The Spring Altar Guild Meeting will be on Sunday, May 7 at 9:15 am in the Guild Room. Thank you to all who serve Christ in this rewarding ministry. ***Fr. Ron***

### ***I invite you to consider serving with the Altar Guild***

Are you looking for a way to get more involved at St. John's?

The Altar Guild may be the ministry for you!

The duty of the Altar Guild is to work alongside the rector to prepare things necessary for the celebration of the Eucharist at the mass on Sundays, and at other times, such as weddings, funerals or when the bishop comes to visit. It is a quiet, behind-the-scenes responsibility yet one that is important to our community worship. Our members have very different reasons for serving - some say it's a peaceful and spiritual experience, some enjoy the fellowship of working with other parishioners, and others take great pride in preparing the altar for our Lord as the clergy celebrate the Eucharist.

We currently have several sets of teams dedicated to this service and are hoping to expand our membership. Typically (but not always) there are three members on a team at a time, but we would like to have more members for each team so that there could be more flexibility in how to manage duties.

Members volunteer to serve and are asked by the rector to join the Altar Guild. In the grand scheme of things, volunteers faithfully serve about eight hours per month. Teams serve at least two months per year. Of course, there are other additional services, such as Easter, Christmas, weddings and funerals. We promise you that it's not too difficult! We will happily train you and then partner you up with a team of experienced members. We have a wonderful group of folks who serve in this ministry. Men are also cordially invited to consider serving in this capacity.

Altar Guild Co-Directresses are Pauline Boyer (908-722-1832) and Doreen Franko [dmf0505@yahoo.com](mailto:dmf0505@yahoo.com)

And I am available to answer any questions. Thank you, and God bless, ***Fr. Ron***

### ***Note of thanks from the Organist and Choirmaster***

Congratulations to the Junior and Adult choirs on a musically successful Holy Week! Both choirs sang anthems on Palm Sunday which sets the tone for Holy Week. Congratulations to the Senior Choir on a very successful Maundy Thursday, Easter Vigil and Easter Day services! Both groups continue to thrive and strive for musical excellence that enhances the Liturgy! I am very grateful for all of their hard work and dedication to the Music Program of St. John's Church! It does not go unnoticed and requires a lot of work.

The performances that you witness are the result of countless hours and rehearsals in preparation for the Holy Week Days. In most cases, practice for the anthems begins at a minimum of 6 weeks before its performance. This applies not to just the Adult choir but also the Junior Choir. It takes a great deal of time to put all of this together and I am very proud of both choirs.

Lastly, thank you to Fr Ron, Deacon Keith, Vestry and parishioners of St. John's for your unending support. I sincerely appreciate it.

***John Plesniarski***  
Organist and Choirmaster



## ***Postulants Corner***

*By Bill Nesbitt*

I read a book by my spiritual advisor, Barbara Crafton, that said people should write, turn off the television and turn on the radio with music that encourages you to write. The last part about the music is my thought not hers.

I have taken her advice to heart - so now the St. John's newsletter will have my writing in a corner. This "Postulants Corner," where I will share myself with you beyond my biographical information which really is not much to write about once you get beyond age, marital and family status, at least mine is not.

I can say I feel welcome at my new church home. I may refer at times to my sponsoring parish St. Luke's, Metuchen; but for the foreseeable future St. John's is my home. It is not, as we are told in Deacon's School, my internship parish, it is my church home and you all are my family with all that entails.

I cannot overstate how well many in my new family received my first sermon. It has encouraged me to request Fr. Ron to allow me to practice preaching in the St. John's pulpit.

I would like to suggest we pick a Sunday (not 2nd Sunday) and have a meal together. After the 10:15 service we would make reservations and go to a local eating establishment where we can chat and chew and get to know each other beyond the church walls. After Christ has risen I will have more information around the church for those who may be interested.

Finally, I am a hugger -- for those of you who are so disposed, I receive and return hugs freely and willingly. For me it is an expression that says "I Care". Even if you do not desire a hug but just conversation I am here for that too. Please do not be shy -- getting to know each of you and getting you to know me through conversation is important to me. We already pray together. Now the next step is to talk together, and even hug.

Peace, till next time,

*Bill, William, or Hey ... whatever you wish to call me.*

Postulant, School for Deacons

## ***Next Class Begins....***

Bishop Stokes announced recently that the next class of the School for Deacons would begin in September 2018.

If you have thought about ordained servant ministry, or see someone around St. John's who has those qualities, please speak with Deacon Keith or Father Ron so that a potential call can be explored further.



# *Holy Baptism at St. John's Church*

by Father Ron

**Holy Baptism** is one of the two major sacraments by which God adopts us as the children of God and makes us members of the Body of Christ, the Church, and inheritors of the Kingdom of God. It is an occasion, also, for the entire congregation to renew its own baptismal covenant and to promise to share with the parents and sponsors in the Christian nurture of the person being baptized.

A **sacrament** is an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace. The outward and visible sign in Baptism is water, in which the person is baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. The inward and spiritual grace in Baptism is the union with Christ in his death and resurrection, birth into the family of God the Church, forgiveness of sins, and new life in the Holy Spirit.

**Because Baptism** represents the most decisive moment in any person's life, we rejoice and give God thanks for the decision to make this step forward in faith.

**When Baptism is held** - Because Baptism is an act of initiation into membership in the Body of Christ, Baptism is always administered within the Eucharist at the main service for those feast days when the church celebrates those gifts and graces which become ours in Baptism or when the church is celebrating in thanksgiving its life as a community of faith:

- † The Great Easter Vigil, when we celebrate Christ's death and resurrection, in which we share through our Baptism.
- † The Day of Pentecost, when we celebrate the pouring out of the Holy Spirit in which we are endowed in Baptism.
- † The Sunday after All Saints' Day, when we celebrate the one communion of saints in which we are members through Baptism.
- † The Feast of The Baptism of Our Lord, when we celebrate Jesus' confession at his baptism in the Jordan to be the Christ in whom we have our Christian ministries.
- † The Episcopal Visitation of the Bishop of New Jersey, who is the chief overseer of our Christian ministries and by loyalty to whom we are united as one Church.
- † There will be other times designated by the rector during the year when, as a community of faith, we shall observe the joys of Christ's Church and celebrate the reality of our faith and baptism.
- † Baptisms are administered at other times only in rare situations of extenuating circumstances, such as an emergency (*someone near death*).

**Being Baptized** - All desiring to be baptized must notify the rector so that there is ample time for baptismal instructions to be held with the person being baptized or the parents of the child being baptized.

**Summer Baptisms** - Once again there will be baptisms offered at the 10:15 am Eucharist on a Sunday in the summer. If you have a candidate to be baptized, please call the rector.

***On Being An Episcopalian...*** The following is one insight on why so many adults have *chosen* the Episcopal Church. You might like to share it with one who is a searcher and could find a home in the Episcopal Church.

**Worship** that brings you in, instead of putting you on the sidelines. A **theology** that demands our intelligence rather than ignoring it. A **willingness** not only to tolerate but to celebrate differences. A **heritage** that takes the Bible very seriously but is not bound by literalism. A strong sense of **community** in which our consensus is in Christ, not to a conformity of opinion. A devotion to the **Biblical Sacraments** instituted by Jesus which evoke awe and mystery instead of factual explanation. A sense of **ministry** that is rightfully the obligation and privilege of every baptized person. An insistence upon **morality** (what is good and loving) and an avoidance of **moralism** (salvation by code and not by Christ). The heritage of Apostolic **faith** in the gospel of Jesus Christ and in the Apostolic **order** given to the Church by Him.

*The Rev. Canon James R. McLean, the Retired Canon Missioner, Diocese of Arkansas*

# *Liturgy, Theology and Prayer*

by Fr. Ron

A review of the Old and New Testaments reveals that worship has four movements or dramas. Three of these movements are vertical, directed to God, and one horizontal, directed to our lives in the world. We need to fully appreciate “vertical participation.” We need to learn how to more fully give ourselves to God before we do anything else.

The first vertical movement assembles God’s people for worship. We describe God’s movement toward us as the “call to worship.” All worship is based on God’s approaching us, not on us approaching God.

The second movement, our listening to God’s call and responding, covers our introduction to “The Word.”

In the third movement, we remember and give thanks to God. Here we break bread and participate in Christ’s death and anticipate his coming again.

The final movement sends us forth to serve God in the world. Worship always leads to action on our part - the horizontal part of worship.

Take a risk on Sunday and worship.... see what God may have in store for you.

## **The Easter Story is Just Beginning**

When we speak of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, we are naming the mystery that is at the heart of our Christian faith. New life is constantly emerging. And we are a part of that constantly emerging new life. If there is one thing that Christians can say with confidence in today’s world, it is that *Jesus Christ lives!*

The evidence of this is truly remarkable, and all the more so for the number of people unaware of it. It is exciting to hear someone speak of their Lord Jesus Christ with sincere love and excitement. To know that we have Jesus as companion in our daily living can be immensely strengthening, especially in times of challenge and stress.

God’s vision for us is new life in Jesus Christ. God’s vision is born in love, like a parent’s vision for the future of a child. The wonderful thing about God’s vision is that the mere fact of possessing it feeds the determination to achieve its fulfillment.

The early Christian Bishop Irenaeus has a particularly memorable phrase that expresses this truth: *“The glory of God is the human person fully alive and the life of the person is the vision of God.”* Our vision of God and of what God has done for us prompts a response from within us. We are moved to respond to God’s saving acts in our life, and to ask, with all people (newcomers especially), how shall I live now?

The Easter mystery presents us with a challenge: *Will we die to self and to a life without God or will we live our life to God?* The story is just beginning. What will you add to the book of life?

Joyfully,  
Father Ron

***The Bishop’s Spring Conference 2017 will be held on May 6, from 9:30 am - 3:00 pm at Trinity Cathedral in Trenton.***

Join us for a packed list of great speakers here to help you better tell your story!  
Check Diocese of New Jersey website for more information soon.

This is especially appropriate for church school teachers, parents, vestry and other interested folks.

***Fr. Ron***



## ***Episcopal Church Women Meetings and Events...***

**Mon, May 1 – 6:30 PM:**

**ECW Ladies Night Out!**



Meet us at *Alfonso's Restaurant on W. Main St. Somerville.*

All women of St. John's Church are welcome to join us. **Please sign-up** on the Main Bulletin Board.

Contact JoAnn Ivas at [joannivas1@gmail.com](mailto:joannivas1@gmail.com) (908) 359-5393 for more information.

**Sat, May 6 – 10 AM – 2 PM:**

**ECW SPRING PLANT SALE!**



Potted plants and hanging baskets for sale!! We'll be **outside in our Church Courtyard**...by the parking lot. Surprise your favorite mom for Mother's Day or purchase some for your spring garden.

Contact Terry McShane at [tlm49@comcast.net](mailto:tlm49@comcast.net) (732) 412-7342 for more information.

**Sun, May 7 – 9A M – 12 Noon:**



**ECW Spring Plant Sale CONTINUES out back in the St. Francis Garden Courtyard** by the back parking lot.

**Mon, June 5 – 6:30 PM: ECW Meeting – HOAGIE Night!!**



7:00 PM Meeting and Installation of New Officers -

Please sign-up on the main bulletin board and choose your sandwich prior to June 5.

Contact Dot Spolarich at [dottieann1@verizon.net](mailto:dottieann1@verizon.net) (908) 526-3987 for more info.

## **The Last of the Romanovs - Fundraiser!!**

St. John's Episcopal Church will sponsor a fundraiser at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 6 in its parish hall. The evening will feature historical storyteller Alisa Dupuy as the Tsarina Alexandra, wife of the Tsar Nicholas II of Russia, the last of the Romanovs. 2017 is the 100th anniversary of the forced abdication of the last tsar of Russia whose family, including his wife and five children, were executed the following year.

The evening will detail the tsarina's life and her love for her "Nicky" and her children. Alisa will also explain how and why Alexandra's behavior led to the family's ultimate deaths. She will be dressed as in 1917 and will visit each table for comments and questions after her presentation.

The event is one of two main fundraisers this year that will benefit St. John's Operating Fund. Seating is limited so don't delay in buying tickets. Adult tickets are \$25; high school students pay only \$10. Tickets are available in the parish hall after both Sunday services or by calling Paula Windus at 908-526-7150.

The presentation is also appropriate for students in middle school. Special pricing is available for families.

Special desserts, coffee, and tea will be served. Door prizes will be awarded at the end of the evening.



**If** any one is interested in dedicating the candle for a Sunday (\$10), or the elements (bread & wine) for a month (\$25),

Please contact the church office:

908-722-1250 [StJohnSomerville@verizon.net](mailto:StJohnSomerville@verizon.net)



## **May 4**

**From the Heart Thrift Shop** will be open on **Thursday, May 5**. We are in full swing with spring and summer clothes just in time for the warmer weather. Come and check us out. We are open from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. If you have time to help set up stop by Wednesday, May 3 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

## **June 1**

Our sale date for June will be Thursday, June 2. Set up is Wednesday, May 31 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

The From the Heart Thrift Shop will be closed during July and August.

The new hours for the thrift shop will be 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

We will reopen on Thursday, September 7. We will not be accepting clothing donations until after this sale date.

I would personally like to thank all the people that helped make the From the Heart Thrift Shop a success this year.

**Judy Marine** – [jmarine5@verizon.net](mailto:jmarine5@verizon.net)



## **SHIP's Galley at St. John's**

Please remember that the SHIP's Galley (aka Soup Kitchen) does function thru the Summer months. St. John's next 2 assignments for SHIP's Galley are **Wednesday, May 11 and Wednesday, June 8**. Our assignment is always the **2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday** of the month.

Clients at the Soup Kitchen have told us how much they look forward to *our* day, as they enjoy the food we serve.

We like to provide a variety of dishes that makes some choices available. Now that the weather is warming up cold casseroles/salads would be welcome. The entrees, soups and casseroles that have been brought in are outstanding and enjoyed by all.

Thanks to all those who have been supplying the food and to everyone who volunteers to serve on our day. Remember that the sign-up sheet contains suggestions but if anyone has a favorite they would like to make please feel free to do so. Just write it in on the sheet.

This support is truly a generous outreach by the parishioners of St. John's.

Any questions please contact **Dot Spolarich 908 526-3987**.

## ***Food & Fellowship***

**Come One, come All,**

**Between 8:00 am & 10:15 am services in the Parish Hall**

*To be held on:*

**Mother's Day - Sunday, May 14**

**Father's Day - Sunday, June 18**

**Grandparent's Day - Sunday, September 10**

*Sponsored by The Order of The Daughters of The King*

## *National Police Week*

We, at St. John's, are blessed to have many people who offer their professional lives serving the Police Forces. *The National Police Week* starts May 15. Would you join me in thanking God for all Police Officers!?!

In gratitude, **Fr. Ron**



### **History:**

In 1962, President John F. Kennedy signed a proclamation which designated May 15 as *Peace Officers Memorial Day* and the week in which that date falls as *Police Week*. Currently, tens of thousands of law enforcement officers from around the world converge on Washington D.C to participate in a number of planned events which honor those that have paid the ultimate sacrifice.

The Memorial Service began in 1982 as a gathering in Senate Park of approximately 120 survivors and supporters of law enforcement. Decades later, the event, more commonly known as National Police Week, has grown to a series of events which attracts thousands of survivors and law enforcement officers to or Nation's Capitol each year.

The National Peace Officers' Memorial Service, which is sponsored by the Grand Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police, is one in a series of events which includes the Candlelight Vigil, which is sponsored by the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund and seminars sponsored by Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.).

National Police Week draws in between 25,000 to 40,000 attendees. The attendees come from departments throughout the United States as well as from agencies throughout the world. This provides a unique opportunity to meet others who work in law enforcement. In that spirit, the Fraternal Order of Police DC Lodge #1 sponsors receptions each afternoon and evening during Police Week. These events are open to all law enforcement personnel and are an experience unlike any other.

## *Somerset County Residents Can Help 'Curb Hunger'*

Freeholder Director Peter S. Palmer has announced that the Somerset County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the county Recycling Center, county and municipal public works crews, the Food Bank Network of Somerset County and Curbing Hunger Inc. are conducting the **23rd Annual Curbing Hunger Month** food drive throughout Somerset County.

Orange plastic bags are distributed to all households in May – look for one tied to the handle of your recycling bucket. Or, you can use any plastic grocery bag – just mark it with the word "Food."

**Please place canned food donations in the bags and leave them at the curb on your regularly scheduled recycling collection days from June 5-30.** This gives every household two opportunities to donate. The food is distributed to the Food Bank Network and to other food pantries in the county.

The "most needed" list includes Parmalat milk, canned meat and fish, "meals-in-a-can" such as pasta, stews and meaty soups, canned tomato sauce, canned fruits, and peanut butter and jelly in plastic jars. Perishables and food in glass containers cannot be accepted curbside.

Anyone wishing to make a monetary donation may send a check payable to Curbing Hunger, Inc. at P.O. Box 202, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920.

**To volunteer to sort and distribute food donations at the food bank warehouse in Bridgewater, call the Food Bank Network at 732-560-1813. Anyone wishing to make a monetary donation may send a check to Curbing The Somerset County Food Bank. Questions, speak with Fr. Ron, Anne Tom or George Mullen**



## *In Case You Didn't Know*

In an effort to share "Good News", the thought occurred to me that maybe we have some members of our own community that are not aware of all of the wonderful activities that take place at St. John's. If you are looking to put some excitement into your day and make a much appreciated contribution, think of getting involved in one or more of the following activities.

**The Soup Kitchen:** is staffed by the hard workers of St. John's on the second Wednesday of each month. Casseroles, baked goods, meats, soups, stews whatever you would like to contribute would be much appreciated. And, most certainly your time is welcomed. Come join the wonderful individuals who work so hard to make the lives of those less fortunate more comfortable. Contact: *Dot Spolarich*.

**The Thrift Shop:** is open the first Thursday of each month and needs help setting up on the Wednesday before and then needs help taking down the shop on Thursday evenings. If you are looking for a way to make a difference this could be the place for you. Contact: *Judy Marine*.

**The Knit & Crochet Group:** make hats and scarves for shut-ins, newly baptized babies, and others. Make blankets for the nursery at the local hospital and shawls for shut-ins. Please consider joining us. You don't have to know how to knit or crochet because we have some great teachers - just come join us. Contact: *Pauline Boyer*.

**Loose Change Sunday:** The first Sunday of every month is the collection Sunday. If you need a jar to take home, please help yourself; you will find them on top of the mailboxes in the hall outside the office. The monies from this collection goes into the Discretionary Fund where the funds are put to use meeting the needs of those who have fallen on difficult times. Please consider taking home a jar and filling it. Thank You. Contact: *Fr. Ron*.

**Food Bank:** not only can you help keep the big blue barrel filled, but you can volunteer at the Food Bank itself. Contact: *Anne Tom*.

**Red Door Ministries:** this ministry is one that offers opportunities to be available to minister directly to those in need. Examples would be being available to take one of our parishioners to a doctor's appointment, take a meal to a new mom, helping out a family if mom becomes ill. There are many other areas that can be explored through this ministry. If you have any ideas for expanding this ministry they would be greatly appreciated.

St. John's is always open to new and exciting ideas that will allow us to broaden our mission-outreach programs. If you feel the Spirit has called you to a particular ministry, please let us help you to fulfill that calling.

From *Fr. Ron*



**Another Eskimo baptism gone bad....**

## *May Altar Flowers*

- May 7** by Deanna Jameson and family in loving memory of *Phillip Jameson*
- May 14** by Mrs. Marcia Bower in loving memory of her mother, *Thelma Hazlett*, her husband, *Gary Bower* and his mother, *Dolly Bower* and in honor of *All Mothers*
- May 21** Open
- May 28** Mrs. Alexis Silkin in loving memory of her husband, *Alex*

## *May Altar Candles*

- May 7** by John & Marielena Cardinale in thanksgiving for their granddaughter, *Emma Rose Cardinale*
- May 14** by Florence Mindos in loving memory of her mother, *Helen Lachowin*
- May 21** Open
- May 28** Open

## *Bread & Wine for May*

The offerings of bread and wine for the month of May are given to the Glory of God  
by John & Marielena Cardinale in thanksgiving for their granddaughter,  
*Emma Rose Cardinale*

## *Lectionary for May*

<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>LESSON</u>	<u>EPISTLE</u>	<u>GOSPEL</u>
<b>May 7</b>	Acts 2:42-47	1 Peter 2:19-25	John 10: 1-10
<b>May 14</b>	Acts 7:55-60	1 Peter 2:2-10	John 14: 1-14
<b>May 21</b>	Acts 17:22-31	1 Peter 3:13-22	John 14:15-21
<b>May 28</b>	Acts 1:6-14	1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11	John 17: 1-11

## *June Altar Flowers*

- June 4** by Mrs. Florence Mindos in loving memory of her husband, *George*, and her parents, *Helen & Michael Lachowin*
- June 11** by Samuel Galpin in loving memory of his parents, *Henry F. & Joyce M. Streuber-Galpin*
- June 18** Open
- June 25** by Betty Bomberger in loving memory of her husband, *Ray Bomberger*

## *June Altar Candles*

- June 4** Open
- June 11** Open
- June 18** Open
- June 25** Open

## *Bread & Wine for June*

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## *Lectionary for June*

<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>LESSON</u>	<u>EPISTLE</u>	<u>GOSPEL</u>
<b>June 4</b>	Acts 2:1-22	1 Corinthians 12:3b-13	John 20:19-23
<b>June 11</b>	Genesis 1:1-2:4a	2 Corinthians 13:11-13	Matthew 28:16-20
<b>June 18</b>	Genesis 18:1-15; [21:1-7]	Romans 5:1-8	Matthew 9:35-10:8,[9-23]
<b>June 25</b>	Genesis 21:8-21	Romans 6:1b-11	Matthew 10:24-39

## ***Ode to a Volunteer***

*Many will be shocked to find when the day of judgement nears  
That there's a special place in heaven set aside for volunteers.  
Furnished with big recliners, satin couches, and footstools,  
Where there's no committee chairman, no group leaders, or carpools.  
No eager team that needs a coach, no bazaar and no bake sale,  
There will be nothing to staple, not one thing to fold or mail.  
Telephone lists will be outlawed, but a finger snap will bring  
Cool drinks and gourmet dinners and rare treats fit for a king.  
You ask, who'll serve these privileged few and work for all their worth?  
Why all those who reaped the benefits and not once -volunteered on earth.*

- Arthur Unknown

After reading the above "Ode to a Volunteer" here's your chance to earn that satin couch and footstool ... Consider the many activities and programs at St. John's. Perhaps there is one you wish to start. Let's talk!

Fr. Ron

## **SPIRITUAL GARDENING**

### **First**

**Plant four rows of peas  
Presence,  
Promptness,  
Preparedness,  
Perseverance**



### **Second**

**Plant three rows of squash  
Squash gossip  
Squash criticism  
Squash indifference**

### **Third**

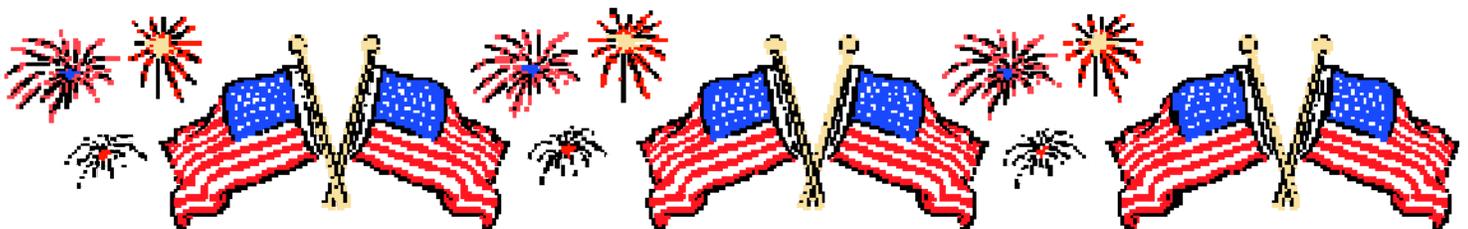
**Plant five rows of lettuce  
Let us be faithful to duty  
Let us be loyal and unselfish  
Let us be true to our obligations  
Let us obey rules and regulations  
Let us love one another**

**Finally, no garden is complete  
without turnips**

**Turn up at meetings  
Turn up with a smile  
Turn up with determination  
and make everything count  
for something good and  
worthwhile**

**—Sue Hook in  
Hythe Parish, Kent, England**

# **Happy Memorial Day!**





## *A Prayer for Memorial Day*

Almighty God,

You hold in your hands both the living and the dead.

We remember before you all those who have laid down their lives in the service of their country. Grant them your mercy and the light of your presence; and, that their death may not have been in vain, increase in us the will to work unceasingly for justice and peace among men and nations, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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*“To Know Christ and to Make Him Known”*

# May 2017

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	<p><b>1</b> <i>Episcopal Church Women's "Ladies Night Out" 6:30 pm See Sign-up Sheet.</i></p> <p>SHIP'S Galley AA Meeting</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p><u>7:00 pm Eucharist</u></p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>SHIP'S Galley</p> <p>Thrift Shop Set-up 2pm.</p>	<p><b>4</b> <u>10:00 am Eucharist</u> Mary &amp; Martha Guild Meeting</p> <p>"From the Heat" Thrift Shop 11 am - 6:00 pm.</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>SHIP'S Galley</p>	<p><b>6</b> <i>ECW plant sale-St. Francis Courtyard, back parking lot 10am-2pm</i> <i>Bishop's Spring Conference 9:30 am - 3:00 pm Trinity Cathedral</i> <i>Romanov's Fundraiser 7pm- Parish Hall</i></p>
<p><b>7</b> <i>9:15 am Altar guild Meeting in the Guild Room</i> 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:30 am Sr. Choir Rehearsal 10:15 am Church School 10:15 am Holy Eucharist <i>ECW plant sale-St. Francis Courtyard, back parking lot</i></p>	<p><b>8</b> SHIP'S Galley AA Meeting</p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>NO <u>7:00 pm Eucharist</u></p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p>St. John's Assignment to SHIP'S Galley</p> <p><b>7:30 pm Vestry Meeting</b></p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p><u>10:00 am Eucharist</u> Mary &amp; Martha Guild Meeting</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>SHIP'S Galley</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p><b>Fr. Ron away for one day: Diocesan Leadership Retreat</b></p>
<p><b>14</b> 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:30 am Sr. Choir Rehearsal 10:15 am Church School 10:15 am Holy Eucharist Daughters of the King Host Breakfast between services <b>Mother's Day</b></p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>SHIP'S Galley AA Meeting</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p><u>7:00 pm Holy Eucharist</u></p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>SHIP'S Galley</p> <p>Lillie Hardingham's 12th Anniversary with St. John's</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p><u>10:00 am Eucharist</u> Mary &amp; Martha Guild Meeting</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p>SHIP'S Galley</p>	<p><b>20 9 AM</b></p> <p><b>Trinity Cathedral - Diocesan Daughters of the King Annual Meeting</b></p>
<p><b>21</b> <i>9:15 am Fundraising Committee meeting in the Parish Hall</i> 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:30 am Sr. Choir Rehearsal 10:15 am Church School 10:15 am Holy Eucharist</p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>SHIP'S Galley AA Meeting</p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p><u>7:00 pm Holy Eucharist</u></p>	<p><b>24.</b></p> <p><b>5:30 pm - staff meeting</b></p> <p>SHIP'S Galley</p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p><u>10:00 am Eucharist</u> Mary &amp; Martha Guild Meeting</p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p>SHIP'S Galley</p>	<p><b>27</b></p>
<p><b>28</b></p> <p>8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:30 am Sr. Choir Rehearsal 10:15 am Church School 10:15 am Holy Eucharist</p>	<p><b>29 Memorial Day</b></p> <p>Office closed / 10:15 am - Memorial Service at the New Cemetery on Bridge St. All are invited to this public event. <b>Tour of Somerville Bike Races</b> <u>No</u> SHIP'S Galley AA Meeting</p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p><u>7:00 pm Holy Eucharist</u></p>	<p><b>31</b></p>			

# May Intercession List

## Birthdays

- May 1 Sophia Mandraccia, Casey Smith  
May 2 Emma Rose Cardinale, James Thomas Van Arsdale  
May 3 Justin Tyler Agins, Anne Finetto, Kimberly Britanak  
May 4 William Marshall, Antonietta Bekir  
May 5 Dick Meier, Heather DeSoto, Joseph Polonyi, Doreen Franko,  
Julianne Newton, Tiffany Raphel  
May 7 Alex Rogalsky, Christine Kelly  
May 8 John Cardinale  
May 9 Thomas Wilson, Nicole Boyer  
May 10 Emma Darcy, Matteo Giordano, Robert Marshall, Paige Dillard  
May 11 Dennis Mathews, Brad Moor  
May 12 Joseph Britanak, Charlie Pieroni  
May 14 Danielle Scott  
May 15 Tim Brown, Rajkumar Nirmal, Dana Keefer, Tyler Kelly  
May 16 John Kiernan  
May 17 Roy Barry, Kerry Edwards, Hal Wolverton, Jasmine Fox,  
Kenneth Cardinale, Brian Williams, Kerry Keker,  
Gabriella Nawrath  
May 19 Bill Loften, Anna Strano, Karl Apgar  
May 20 Harriet Osinski  
May 21 Eric Tipton, Daneka Ann Pieroni  
May 22 Kayla Marie Agins, Ryan Schofield, Anthony Pieroni,  
Byron Hamby, Jr.  
May 23 Sam Galpin  
May 25 Edward Gilroy, Caitlin Chudy, Darin Centolanza  
May 26 Marielena Cardinale, Jose Rivera, Karen Whitmore  
May 28 Joseph Callahan, Erica Daugherty, Dylan Tomaska,  
Stephanie Soden  
May 29 Tony Pieroni, Elizabeth Falconer-Salkeld, Jennifer Paladini  
May 31 Jennifer Yingst

## Wedding Anniversaries

- May 2 David & Susan Mathews, Edward & Linda Gimbut  
May 5 Clinton & Linda Bowers  
May 7 Chuck Agins & Tammy Harimon  
May 16 Mark & Michelle Hernandez  
May 18 David & Amanda Pierson  
Stephen & Ann Spolarich  
May 22 Steven & Ruth Roll  
May 24 James Richart & Deirdre Kramer  
May 26 Jose & Gloria Rivera,  
May 28 John & Vivien Ellis, Gregory & Karen Pasquale  
May 30 John & Julianne Newton  
May 31 Steve & Tina Mandraccia

## Anniversaries of Death

- May 1 Walter Miggins, Sr.  
May 3 Charles Chittenden  
May 4 Howard H. Demaray  
May 5 Ronald Quagliato, Sr.  
May 6 Patrick Gaughan, Elizabeth Holmes  
May 7 Charles Stokes, Gail M. Fredericks  
May 8 Elizabeth Anderson Thomson  
May 9 Sarah Louise Thompson, Phillip Jameson  
May 10 Marie Phyllis Durant Jacobs  
May 15 Squire Johnson  
May 16 Frederick S. Hallowell  
May 18 Rose Rililghera  
May 19 Emily H. Smith  
May 21 Mary Weill Lawrence  
May 22 Edward F. Schaub  
May 23 Bernard C. Bruckner  
May 24 Martha Chapman, Duane Wilson, Carmelo J. Vadala  
May 25 Henry M. Biggin  
May 29 Daniel Casey Jr.  
May 31 Frank Comiskey

# June 2017

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				<p><i>1</i> 10:00 am Holy Eucharist Mary &amp; Martha Guild Meeting</p> <p><b>“From the Heat” Thrift Shop</b> 11 am - 6:30 pm</p>	<p><i>2</i></p> <p>SHIP’S Galley</p>	<p><i>3</i></p>
<p><b>4 Pentecost</b></p> <p>8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:30 am Sr. Choir Rehearsal 10:00 am Children’s Chapel 10:15 am Holy Eucharist</p>	<p><i>5 Episcopal Church Women- Hoagie Supper at 6:30 pm. All are Welcome! Installation of new officers follows</i></p> <p>SHIP’S Galley AA Meeting</p>	<p><i>6</i></p> <p>7:00 pm Eucharist</p>	<p><i>7</i></p> <p>SHIP’S Galley</p>	<p><i>8</i> 10:00 am Holy Eucharist Mary &amp; Martha Guild Meeting</p>	<p><i>9</i></p> <p>SHIP’S Galley</p>	<p><i>10</i></p> <p><i>Daughters of the King</i> <i>9:30 am Holy Eucharist &amp; Meeting</i></p>
<p><i>11 Trinity Sunday</i></p> <p>8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:30 am Sr. Choir Rehearsal 10:00 am Children’s Chapel 10:15 am Holy Eucharist</p>	<p><i>12</i></p> <p>SHIP’S Galley AA Meeting</p>	<p><i>13</i></p> <p>7:00 pm Holy Eucharist</p>	<p><i>14</i></p> <p><b>7 pm Vestry Meeting</b></p> <p>St. John’s Assignment to SHIP’S Galley</p>	<p><i>15</i></p> <p>10:00 am Holy Eucharist - Mary &amp; Martha Guild Meeting</p> <p><b>Deadline for Summer Newsletter (July/Aug.)</b></p>	<p><i>16</i></p> <p>SHIP’S Galley</p>	<p><i>17</i></p>
<p><i>18</i></p> <p>8:00 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist</p> <p><b>Father’s Day!</b> <b>Daughters of the King</b> <b>Breakfast between services</b></p>	<p><i>19</i></p> <p>SHIP’S Galley AA Meeting</p>	<p><i>20</i></p> <p>7:00 pm Holy Eucharist</p>	<p><i>21</i></p> <p>SHIP’S Galley</p>	<p><i>22</i></p> <p>10:00 am Holy Eucharist Mary &amp; Martha Guild Meeting</p>	<p><i>23</i></p> <p>SHIP’S Galley</p>	<p><i>24</i></p>
<p><i>25</i></p> <p>8:00 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist</p>	<p><i>26</i></p> <p>SHIP’S Galley AA Meeting</p>	<p><i>27</i></p> <p>7:00 pm Holy Eucharist</p>	<p><i>28</i></p> <p>SHIP’S Galley</p>	<p><i>29</i></p> <p>10:00 am Holy Eucharist Mary &amp; Martha Guild Meeting</p>	<p><i>30</i></p> <p>SHIP’S Galley</p>	

# *June Intercession List*

## *Birthdays*

June 1 Delaney Billy  
June 2 Kayla Elyse Ford Charles Halsted  
June 3 Tracey Jameson, Edward Gimbut  
June 4 Vincentina Frazer, Michael Hoarle, Pamela Becker,  
Caitlin Chetwynd  
June 5 Steven Fraser, Linda Willard  
June 6 Patrick James Collins, Jean Jachim  
June 8 Ian McMullen, Rich Neff  
June 9 Natasha Marchick, Kimberly Fleming, Annie Aikens  
June 10 Barbara Meier  
June 11 Drew Cardinale, Alison Kiernan, Kate Burton Kelly  
June 12 Christine Massey, Frances Saunders, Dylan Van Allen,  
Amber Rose Van Allen  
June 13 Carl Spolarich, Dana Halsted, Connie Osinski, Liam Licht,  
Antonio De LosSantos, Rebecca Scott  
June 14 Valerie Yingst, Janine McTernan  
June 15 Adam Jacob  
June 16 Nicole Trotter, Brendan Keker, Joshua & Camryn Hussey  
June 17 Molly Dupuis, Nancy Haring  
June 18 Cherie Scott, Kimberly Nawrath, Adrienne Kurzawa,  
Allison Trabb  
June 19 Steven Marchick  
June 21 Lorraine Bernhardt, Gregory Massey  
June 23 Shannon Darcy  
June 24 Kelly Hayes, Michael Scott  
June 27 Joseph Guzzino  
June 28 Jonathan Kutlow  
June 29 Terrance Burton, Devron Robinson  
June 30 David Mathews, Susan Kiernan

## *Wedding Anniversaries*

June 2 Danielle & James Ball  
June 5 Ben & Jen Agins  
June 6 Tom & Dana Keefer  
June 7 Charlie & Paula Windus  
June 8 Gary & Diane Schuman  
June 11 Brad & Lisa Moor  
June 13 Carl & Dorothy Spolarich  
June 16 John & Kimberly Nawrath  
June 17 Elizabeth & Tore Lande  
June 22 David & Susan Connors  
June 23 John & Nicole Vorst  
June 24 John & Marielena Cardinale  
June 26 Kevin & Kim Buchanan  
June 27 William & Cheri Fox, Karl & Colleen Spolarich  
June 28 George & Candy Mullen, John & Marie Harvey  
June 29 Walter & Joann Ivas, Peter & Christine Miller  
June 30 Ralph & Mary McMullen

## *Anniversaries of Death*

June 2 Louise Reeve Wyman  
June 3 Florence Newton  
June 6 Howard Sloan  
June 10 Clara Logan  
June 11 Brad Taylor  
June 14 Raymond F. Frazer Jr.  
June 15 Harry M. Biggin, Lyman H. Demaray  
June 17 William Marshall, Sr., Richard L. Boyer  
June 19 Myrtle Haring  
June 24 Kayte Bowers  
June 26 Sydney Ellis  
June 29 Charlotte Frey Dennis.  
June 30 Hazel Jane Schaub, Jeffrey J. Yingst