



St. John's Church

The Parish Chronicle

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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

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Rector's Rambling

One of the greatest privileges of the catholic Christian (a title aptly applied to Episcopalians who believe in the 'one, holy, catholic and apostolic church') is to receive the Blessed Sacrament regularly. Every Sunday it is offered at St. John's, and as the Prayer Book Office of Instructions reminds us our 'bounden duty is to follow Christ, to worship every Sunday in Church' (p. 291). In the Sacrament of Jesus' Body and Blood we are nourished in our bodies and souls by His Sacramental Presence - an assurance of His Grace.

In addition to being offered on Sunday at the 8 AM and 10 AM Service, The Holy Communion Service is also prayed during the weekdays as well. Regularly scheduled Monday through Thursday, unless supplanted by a funeral service at the same hour or my being out of town. Occasionally we add a fifth or sixth weekday Holy Communion Service if there is a Prayer Book Holy Day, Wedding or Funeral scheduled on Friday or Saturday.

The weekday Masses (another word for the Holy Communion Service) differ in a few ways from our Sunday Celebration. Generally it is shorter because there is no sermon in a traditional sense. In its place is usually the reading of a hagiography (a biography of a saint) about the person being commemorated on the Church calendar for that day. The lives of the saints inspire us to strive for holiness, and are proof that God can take anyone, in any spiritual condition, and make them into holy people by His Grace. It can also be a reminder that we

still have a long way to go, personally. But then again that is why we are there! The Sacrament is the most powerful aid to holiness!

The weekday Holy Communion Service is also quieter and more intimate. I have heard the comparison that the Sunday Service is like a Royal Official State Banquet with all the trappings, but the weekday Service is like an intimate meal with the immediate family. In both cases we are being fed, but there is a different feel to it. Many of our weekday Masses have only two or three people present, but if even only one person is present, they represent the prayers of the entire parish incarnate!

A weekday Mass is not a substitute for Sunday attendance but is intended to be in addition to it. But if you are hindered by travel or illness from making it to Church on Sunday, making the effort to make a Mass during the week is efficacious for growth in the spiritual life.

Once a month? Once a week? How many weekday Masses can you add to your every Sunday attendance?





ABOUT ST. JOHN'S

To Our Visitors

Welcome! The parishioners and clergy of St. John's are delighted that you have come to worship with us. We hope this house of prayer provides you with a place in which you can find solace, comfort, and strength. We invite your inquiries about the ministries available here at St. John's.

We offer a barrier-free environment for the infirm and handicapped. An access ramp for wheel chairs is located at the **SOUTHWEST** entrance of the church, near Woodward Avenue in the garden. There is also an elevator in the building which provides access to the undercroft, so everyone may fully participate in activities and fellowship.

We would be very pleased if you plan to return to St. John's on a regular basis, to **WORSHIP** as part of our parish family. Please complete a Visitor's Form located in the Order of Service and place it in the collection plate or give it to an usher.

Thank you for coming! We look forward to greeting you following the service today and hope to chat with you during our time of fellowship in the undercroft.

Communion Procedure

The Episcopal House of Bishops, in a 1979 teaching, lays out the following guideline for non-Episcopalians to receive communion in an Episcopal Church: The persons should 1) have been Baptized with water in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, 2) believe Christ is present in the sacrament, 3) have been admitted to Holy Communion in their own denomination, and 4) are attempting, by God's grace, to live in love and charity with their neighbor. If you have any questions, please speak to the priest.

To receive the Host, raise your crossed hands, right palm over left. You may also receive directly on the tongue. If you do not wish to receive the Cup, cross your arms over your chest and wait for the chalice bearer to pass by.

If you are not receiving communion, you still may come forward to the rail, cross your arms over your chest, and receive a blessing.

If you are physically unable to approach the rail, please inform an usher and the Sacrament will be brought to you.

Pastoral Care

Please inform the clergy if you or a family member are ill, hospitalized, or unable to attend the regular worship of the Church so that a pastoral visit can be arranged. Please contact the clergy to discuss arrangements for baptisms, weddings, or burials **before** any announcement or other plans are made.

Outreach

Every Sunday: *Food or clothing* may be deposited in the basket at the entrance of the church to aid the neighborhood ministry to the poor through **Crossroads**.

First Sunday of the month: The *loose offerings* collected are given to support the mission work of the Church in Malawi, Central Africa. Please add a cash gift or extra check in the collection plate every first Sunday of the month!

Third Sunday of the month: The *loose offerings* collected are given to support the ministry of the Rector's Discretionary Fund.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S NOVEMBER 10—NOVEMBER 17

Sunday 11/10 TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	7:00 A 7:30 A 8:00 A 10:00 A 11:15 A 5:30 P	Morning Meditation (online) Morning Prayer (chapel) Holy Communion (chapel) Choral Holy Communion Coffee Hour Evening Prayer
Monday 11/11 St. Martin, Bishop of Tours, 397 A.D.	7:00 A 12:15 P 4:00 P 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer AA Meeting <i>Office Closed—Veterans</i>
Tuesday 11/12 St. Winifred, Virgin and Martyr, 650 A.D.	7:00 A 12:15 P 4:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer
Wednesday 11/13 St. Britius, Bishop of Tours, 444 A.D.	7:00 A 12:15 P 4:00 P 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer AA Meeting
Thursday 11/14 Consecration of Samuel Seabury, 1st American Bishop, 1789 A.D.	7:00 A 11:00 A 4:00 P 5:00 P 6:30 P	Morning Meditation (online) Burial Office for Joseph Jackson Evening prayer AA Meeting The Alpha Course
Friday 11/15 St. Albert the Great B.D., 1280 A.D.	7:00 A 11:00 A 1:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) AA Meeting Wedding
Saturday 11/16 St. Edmund, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1240 A.D.	7:00 A	Morning Meditation (online)
Sunday 11/17 TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	7:00 A 7:30 A 8:00 A 10:00 A 11:15 A 5:30 P	Morning Meditation (online) Morning Prayer (chapel) Holy Communion (chapel) Choral Holy Communion Coffee Hour Evening Prayer

NOTE: The Chronicle went to the printer last Tuesday. Calendar updates or changes can be found at www.StJohnsDetroit.org

Collect for the Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity

OLORD, we beseech thee, absolve thy people from their offences; that through thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed. Grant this, O heavenly Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our blessed Lord and Saviour. Amen.

THE DAILY OFFICE READINGS (The Lectionary)*

Morning Prayer

SUNDAY	66	Mal 3:13—4:3 Luke 10:17–24
Monday	63, 64	Lev. 19:1–2, 9–18 Phil. 1:1–11
Tuesday	68:1–19	Lev. 19:26 Phil. 1:12–26
Wednesday	71	Lev. 20:1–8 Phil. 1:27—2:18
Thursday	74	Lev. 25:23–31 Phil. 2:19
Friday	69:1–22, 30–37	Lev. 26:1–13 Phil. 3
Saturday	79	Lev. 26:27–42 Phil. 4

Evening Prayer

SUNDAY	139	Deut. 33:1–3, 26–29 Jude 1–4, 17–25
Monday	56, 57	Deut. 10:12 Matt. 27:11–26
Tuesday	67, 84	Deut. 13:1–11 Matt. 27:27–44
Wednesday	72	Deut. 15:7–15 Matt. 27:45–56
Thursday	77	Deut. 17:14 Matt. 27:57
Friday	80	Deut. 18:15 Matt. 28:1–10
Saturday	65	Deut. 19:11 Matt. 28:11

* If there is no “ending” verse listed, then read to the end of the chapter.

WISH LIST — PLEASE HELP US WITH THESE ITEMS

Replacement Fans for the Church - need 7 @ \$52 each
Coming Soon - sponsor a new kneeler in the Church.

Announcements

SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER

Sunday Evening Prayer is prayed at St. John’s at **5:30 PM**. Join us for this 25 minute Service to finish the Sabbath Day as we started it - in worship and thanksgiving.

Weekday Services This Week –

Daily Morning Meditation

Streamed daily @ 7:00 AM

Holy Communion

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday @ 12:15 PM

Thursday @ 11 AM Burial Service for Joseph Jackson

Evening Prayer

Monday through Thursday @ 4 PM

Services can be attended in person, or by livestream

Christian Education – Sunday School today at 10 AM in the Undercroft. Dante class is after the 10 AM Service and some time at coffee hour, Alpha Course begins October 10 at 6:30 PM.

Donations Accepted - we are accepting donations of individually wrapped packages of snacks (e.g., granola bars, cookies, nuts, etc.). While you’re shopping, please consider buying some, and bringing them in for the Church to use for Coffee Hour.

Parking Note - being a member of St. John’s does not mean that we can park in our side lot for free for Lions games, shows at the Fox, etc. The lot is leased to Olympia Development, and we have use of it for our church related events, but not at other times when they are using it.

Giving - If you are away on Sunday, you can mail your offering envelope to St. John’s, or contribute online with the our QR code through the GiveButter giving platform.



LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULES

November 10

Lay Ministers 8:00 AM:

E – Richard Moritz
S – C. Stevenson

Altar Guild 10:00 AM:

Sarah Babcock
Denise Grim

Lay Ministers 10:00 AM:

Brian Campbell
Morley Stevenson
Pam Beeghly
Tom Edwards
Cindy Edwards

Ushers 10:00 AM:

John Barge
Peter Grim
Bryan Monaco
William Porter
Libby Schudel
George Waters
Terry Donnelly
Darren Savage
Elijah Buxo

Coffee Hour

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November 17

Lay Ministers 8:00 AM:

E – Richard Moritz
S – C. Stevenson

Altar Guild 10:00 AM:

Sarah Babcock
Nancy Donnelly
Suzanne Porter
Melody Huffer

Lay Ministers 10:00 AM:

Brian Campbell
Morley Stevenson
Elizabeth Savage

Ushers 10:00 AM:

John Barge
Peter Grim
Bryan Monaco
William Porter
Libby Schudel
George Waters
Terry Donnelly
Darren Savage
Elijah Buxo

Coffee Hour

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Ushers in reserve: David Boulton, Morley Stevenson

The Vestry and Officers of St. John's

Charles Roby, Senior Warden
Pat Walter, Junior Warden
Durene Brown, Secretary
Jared Moody, Treasurer

Terms expire January 2025

Durene Brown Charles Roby

Terms expire January 2026

Elizabeth Butler David Gawrych
Bryan Monaco

Terms expire January 2027

Jared Moody Patrick Walters
Helene Waters

The Vestry typically meets monthly at 6:30 PM in the undercroft, September through June. All St. John's parishioners are welcome to attend.

St. John's Teaching Notes

Veterans' Day

Begun as a holiday to commemorate the ceasing of combat in World War I on November 11, 1918, this day was originally known as Armistice Day. It was a day when people stopped to remember those who gave their lives in that awful conflict. Known also as Remembrance Day, after World War II it became known in the U. S. as Veterans' Day to broaden the commemoration.

In the United States the Memorial Day holiday began as a commemoration of the Civil War dead and continues to be the primary celebration in this country. Veterans' Day seems to have morphed into a more general holiday to commemorate not only those who died in the service of our country, but also all those who served in the Armed Forces, our Veterans.

One particular poem, written in 1915 by Lt. Col. John McCrae after the battle of Ypres, summed up the sense of Remembrance, and poppies mentioned in the poem have become a symbol of this day.

*In Flanders Fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.*

*We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.*

*Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.*

We give thanks to Almighty God for all those who served our country in the Armed Forces, and for those who gave their lives we pray,

*Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord, and let light
perpetual shine upon them.*

May they rest in peace.

**A DAILY PRAYER FOR
St. John's Church**

Bless, O Lord, this parish, and grant that Thy Name may be worshipped here in truth and purity, to all generations. Give Thy grace and wisdom to our Clergy, that they may exercise holy discipline, and be themselves patterns of holiness, simplicity, and self-denial. Bless all who worship here; take from us all pride, vanity and self-conceit, and give to us true humility and self-abasement. Enlighten our minds, subdue our wills, purify our hearts, and so penetrate us with Thy Spirit, and fill us with Thy love that we may go forth animated with earnest zeal for Thy glory; and may Thy living Word so dwell within our hearts that we may speak with that resistless energy of love which shall melt the hearts of sinners to the love of Thee. Open, O Lord, the hearts and hands of Thy people, that we may be ready to give and glad to distribute to our necessities. Bless the founders and benefactors of this parish, and recompense them with the riches of Thine everlasting kingdom, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

Cycle of Prayer for Malawi, week of November 10:

Primate of the Province of Central Africa—The Most Rev'd Albert Chama; The Mothers Union of Malawi; Diocese of Chikwawa; Diocese of Dedza

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity: The Church of South India (United); The Diocese of South Kerala—The Church of South India (United); The Diocese of Kericho—The Anglican Church of Kenya; The Diocese of Kahlamba—The Anglican Church of Southern Africa; The Diocese of Khartoum—Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan; The Diocese of Kibondo—The Anglican Church of Tanzania; The Diocese of Kibungo—Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda

Episcopal Diocese of Michigan

Madison Heights—St. Patrick's
Santana, DR—St. Martha's

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS



- November 10**
Robert Sifferman
- November 11**
David Scott
Gillian Thomas
- November 13**
Christopher Smith

This Week's ANNIVERSARIES

- November 12**
Bruce & Jane Burton
- November 13**
Jeffrey & Loretta Smith
- November 15**
Christopher & Ariane Thomas



OUR PRAYER LIST

Healing and Comfort: Alice B., Sarah B., Al F., Bonnie B., Brianna W., Cathy M., Christopher B., Daria R., Durene B., Endolyn C., Elaine D., Eleanore S., Gail W., Gordon D., George W., Helene W., Jessica W., Jimmy J., Jim Z., Johny C., Julie B., Lawrence A., MJ B., Michael Z., Michael P., Paul M., Rexina M., Robert H., Sabrina H., Sandra Z., Sandy D., Virginia B.

If you would like to add a name to the Prayer List, please call the Church Office at 313-962-7358.

Serving in the United Nations: Sharon G. Lowery

Police Officers and Firefighters: For parishioner officers – Federal Service: Pat Walter; Orange County, NC: Michael Walter; and Fairfax County, VA: Stephen A. Shillingford.

Those Serving in the Military: Especially for Alan Mullin, Andrew Timpner, Brian Shea, Damon Dalby, Elijah Buxo, Ian Bass, Jonathan Walter, Kurt Helfrich, Nick Myers, Nick Norville, Steven Campbell, Joseph J. Sharpe, Ted Decker, Brian Finocchiaro, Catherine Finocchiaro, Zachary Livingston, & John R. Nicholson, III, graduate of West Point

Diocese and the National Episcopal Church: That there may be a greater understanding of the Authority of Holy Scripture, and our submission to that Authority.

Year's Mind of Death:

Gordon R. Bartell	November 10, 1961
Elizabeth Weber Walker	November 10, 2001
Freeman Wallace Brown	November 11, 2007
Delores Jeane Mosser	November 11, 2009
Edwin Christian Schwimmer	November 12, 1959
Sarah Louvenia Campbell Vaughn	November 12, 2006
Ella Macadam Wood	November 13, 1947
Elizabeth D. Fiske	November 13, 1967
George W. McAllister	November 14, 1957
Adelaide Grace Sutter	November 14, 1968
Ethel M. Taylor	November 15, 1972
Mabel R. Fisher	November 15, 1976
Ralph Fordon	November 16, 1974
Dilworth Walker	November 16, 1976