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Rector's Rambling

As you read this on Sunday morning I have been in Western Michigan for the weekend and am on my way, God willing, back home later this morning. I had the opportunity to do a wedding yesterday for family members, and I am grateful to have been asked and to be with Jennifer's family. God bless Samantha and Robert as they begin their new life together.

I am so grateful that Fr. Geoff Piper is available to celebrate today at the 8 and 10 AM Services! I have known him since 2001 and it is an honor to have him here to preach and care for you while I am away. Ordained in Quebec, he served in Canada, parishes in the Diocese of Michigan and in Western Massachusetts, and during the winter has care of a parish in Boca Raton, Florida.

Sunday School starts today during the new 9:15 AM time slot. We could still use a few volunteers to assist with the teaching on a rotating basis, and of course we could use more kids! Adult Education, also at 9:15 AM, will begin next week with a course on Comparative Denominations: who are we and they?

Our Fall Kick Off Luncheon will also be next Sunday after the 10 AM Service. Nothing beats a community lunch at St. John's and a chance to hear about the various ministries and groups in the parish.

Thursday is the Feast of the Stigmata of St. Francis, depicted here in the painting by Jan Van Eyck in the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

In 1224 St. Francis was deeply in prayer on the Feast of the Holy Cross (September 14), meditating on the great sacrifice that Jesus made for him and for all humanity by dying on the cross for our sins.

Suddenly there appeared to him a seraph, a heavenly being, and from him St. Francis received on his body the marks of the crucified Christ.

This is a rare occurrence in the church, when our Lord allows someone to share in His sufferings by bearing on their body the marks of The Crucified. Francis was embarrassed by it – not embarrassed to share in our Lord's suffering, but rather the public nature of it. He could not hide from others the special person God thought him to be (not that that was a great secret anyway by then!)

He bore these marks until he died in 1226. So much of Francis' life was one of utter contradiction to the world. Yet the world was attracted to "God's Fool", as he liked to refer to himself, because he radiated the love of God, and in his last two years literally reflected him to the world in his own body.





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

Food may be deposited in the basket at the entrance of the church to aid the neighborhood ministry to the poor through **Crossroads and Georgia Street Community Co-op**.

Dedicated donations for the support of the **Malawi Education Fund** and **Rector's Discretionary Fund** can be put in the collection plate with a note in the memo line or on the envelope.

Collections of school supplies, cleaning supplies, garden tools, Christmas presents, mittens, sweaters, etc. occur throughout the year to support our community.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S SEPTEMBER 13—SEPTEMBER 20

Sunday 9/13 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	7:00 A 7:30 A 8:00 A 9:15 A 10:00 A 11:15 A 5:30 P	Morning Meditation (online) Morning Prayer (chapel) Holy Communion (chapel) Sunday School/Adult Ed Choral Holy Communion Coffee Hour Evening Prayer
Monday 9/14 Exaltation of the Holy Cross	7:00 A 12:15 P 4:00 P 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer AA Meeting
Tuesday 9/15	7:00 A 12:15 P 4:00 P 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer AA Meeting
Wednesday 9/16 EMBER DAY St. Cyprian, Bishop of Carthage, 258 A.D.	7:00 A 12:15 P 4:00 P 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer AA Meeting
Thursday 9/17 Stigmata of St. Francis	7:00 A 10:30 A 4:00 P 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer AA Meeting
Friday 9/18 EMBER DAY	7:00 A 11:00 A 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) AA Meeting AA Meeting
Saturday 9/19 EMBER DAY St. Theodore, Archbishop of Canterbury 690 A.D.	7:00 A	Morning Meditation (online)
Sunday 9/20 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	7:00 A 7:30 A 8:00 A 9:15 A 10:00 A 11:15 5:30 P	Morning Meditation (online) Morning Prayer (chapel) Holy Communion (chapel) Sunday School/Adult Ed Holy Communion (church) 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 Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

KEEP, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy Church with thy perpetual mercy; and, because the frailty of man without thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE DAILY OFFICE READINGS (The Lectionary)***Morning Prayer**

SUNDAY	49	<i>Ecclus 5:1–10</i> <i>Luke 12:13–21</i>
Monday	75	<i>2 Sam. 19:24–39</i> <i>2 Cor. 10</i>
Tuesday	76	<i>2 Sam. 23:8–17</i> <i>2 Cor. 11:1–15</i>
Wednesday	77	<i>2 Sam. 24:1, 10–25</i> <i>2 Cor. 11:16</i>
Thursday	81	<i>1 Kings 2:1–4, 10–12</i> <i>2 Cor. 12:1–13</i>
Friday	85	<i>1 Kings 3:4–15</i> <i>2 Cor. 12:14</i>
Saturday	92	<i>1 Kings 3:16</i> <i>2 Cor. 13</i>

Evening Prayer

SUNDAY	26, 128	<i>Eccles. 5:8</i> <i>1 Tim. 6:1–10</i>
Monday	71	<i>Ecclus. 34:18–35:3</i> <i>Matt. 7:1–12</i>
Tuesday	72	<i>Ecclus. 36:1–17</i> <i>Matt. 7:13</i>
Wednesday	73	<i>Ecclus. 37:6–15</i> <i>Matt. 8:1–13</i>
Thursday	80	<i>Ecclus. 38:24</i> <i>Matt. 8:14–27</i>
Friday	89:1–19	<i>Ecclus. 42:15–21</i> <i>Matt. 8:28–9:8</i>
Saturday	46, 96	<i>Ecclus. 43:1–12</i> <i>Matt. 9:9–17</i>

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

WISH LIST — PLEASE HELP US WITH THESE ITEMS

Reprinting Parish Brochures for Tract Rack
250 color glossy brochures—\$200
Need 4 titles reprinted
“Why Jesus?” Booklets for Tract Rack
25 pack for \$100
Need 2 packs

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 10:30

Evening Prayer

Monday through Thursday @ 4:00 PM

Christian Education – Sunday School starts today at 9:15, and Adult Education begins next Sunday also at 9:15 AM.

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.

AED and Narcan - In case of medical emergency an Automated External Defibrillator and Narcan are located in the hallway between the Church and the Chapel, and also one in the Undercroft.

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.

There may be a tax advantage to **donating stocks, bonds, securities, and property** to St. John’s. Speak to your advisor and contact the Treasurer for information on how to donate



LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULES

September 13

Lay Ministers 8:00 AM:

E – Richard Moritz

Altar Guild 10:00 AM:

Sarah Babcock
Meloday Huffer

Lay Ministers 10:00 AM:

Brian Campbell
Morley Stevenson
Chelsea Hutchins
Pam Beeghly
Brian Campbell

Ushers 10:00 AM:

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

Coffee Hour

Coffee Hour

September 20

Lay Ministers 8:00 AM:

E – Richard Moritz

Altar Guild 10:00 AM:

Sarah Babcock
Nancy Donnelly
Suzanne Porter
Denise Grim

Lay Ministers 10:00 AM:

Brian Campbell
Morley Stevenson
Adrian Leskiw

Ushers 10:00 AM:

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

Coffee Hour

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The Vestry and Officers of St. John's

Peter Grim, Senior Warden
Pat Walter, Junior Warden
Cynthia Edwards, Secretary
Jared Moody, Treasurer

Terms expire January 2027

Jared Moody Pat Walter
Helene Waters

Terms expire January 2028

Cynthia Edwards Peter Grim
Morley Stevenson

Terms expire January 2029

Durene Brown Charles Roby
Renee Peck

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 Series

S.S.C. – Society of the Holy Cross

An order for priests in the Anglican Communion

SSC stands for *Societas Sanctae Crucis* – the Society of the Holy Cross. The Society was founded in London in 1855 by a small group of priests led by Father Charles Lowder. Fr. Lowder spelled out the objects of SSC: "To defend and strengthen the spiritual life of the clergy, to defend the faith of the Church, and to carry on and aid Mission work both at home and abroad."

The Society has now spread throughout the world and is organized in autonomous Provinces under Provincial Masters elected by their Brethren. Priests of the Society live under a common Rule and meet together in their local SSC Chapters for prayer, Mass and some kind of study or conversation. Presiding over the Society worldwide is a Master-General who has a special responsibility to ensure an on-going fidelity among the Brethren to the spirit of the Society.



SSC is not a devotional guild, but takes its stance upon a shared vision of "a disciplined priestly life fashioned after a definite spiritual rule." It is this Rule of Life which unites the Brethren in their various priestly ministries and lives. They are required to "consider their obligation to the Society as a close spiritual bond...which takes precedence to that of any other voluntary society." This obligation includes a commitment to attend local SSC Chapter meetings and annual Regional and Provincial Synods. The life of the Society is experienced primarily through the local Chapter, and attendance at Chapter is of obligation unless prevented by genuine pastoral duties.

Priests of the Society can be recognized by the small gold lapel cross that they generally wear. On it is inscribed the motto of the Society – *in hoc signo vinces* – in this sign, conquer!

~ Fr. Kelly

Fr. Kelly has been a member of the Society of the Holy Cross since 1995,

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 September 13:

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

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity: The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia; The Diocese of Blackburn—The Church of England; The Diocese of Botswana—The Church of the Province of West Africa; The Diocese of Boga—Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo; The Diocese of Bolivia—The Anglican Church of South America; The Diocese of Bongo—The Anglican Church of Kenya; The Diocese of Bor—Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

Episcopal Diocese of Michigan

Monroe—Trinity Church

Rochester—St. Philips's

Guerra, DR—Divine Providence

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS**September 18**

Fr. Cam Walker

September 19

Marne Walker

This Week's ANNIVERSARIES**September 14**

David & Annessa Scott

**OUR PRAYER LIST**

Healing and Comfort: Alice B., Sarah B., Al F., Bonnie B., Brianna W., Christopher B., Daria R., Durene B., Endolyn C., Elaine D., Harriett M., George W., Helene W., Jessica W., Jim Z., Julie B., Lawrence A., MJ B., Michael Z., Michael P., Paul M., Rexina M., Sabrina H., Sandra Z., Sandy D., Deb B., Rudy

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, Charles Lewis.

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:

Catherine R. Kaiser	September 13, 1961
Gail Weedon	September 13, 2025
Agnes McKnight	September 14, 1954
Warren J. Stanton	September 14, 1975
Agnes F. McClure	September 15, 1951
Mary Denning	September 15, 1956
Harry F. Rambler	September 16, 1954
Ragnor Pascal Tischer	September 16, 2004
Charles A. Hoag	September 17, 1957
Joan Rose Palmer	September 17, 2004
Samuel C. Hart	September 18, 1960
Dorothy M. Reidy	September 18, 1983
Matilda Hart	September 19, 1955
Edith Watson Marion	September 19, 1957