



St. John's Church

# The Parish Chronicle

February 13, 2022

SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY

THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

## Directory

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Fr. Steven J. Kelly, SSC

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## Ministry & Staff

### Office Manager

Harriett Mottley

### Senior Warden

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### Junior Warden

Morley Stevenson

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### Outreach Committee Chair

Catherine Morgan

### Usher Captains

John Barge & Peter Grim



## Rector's Rambling

Septuagesima—seventy days  
To Easter's primrose tide of praise;  
The Gesimas—Septua,

Sexa, Quinc  
Mean Lent is near, which makes you think.  
Septuagesima—when we're told  
To "run the race," to "keep our hold,"  
Ignore injustice, not give in, and practice stern self-discipline;  
A somewhat unattractive time  
Which hardly lends itself to rhyme.  
But still it gives the chance to me  
To praise our dear old C. of E.  
So other churches please forgive  
Lines on the church in which I live,  
The Church of England of my birth,  
The kindest church to me on Earth.  
There may be those who like things fully  
Argued out, and call you "woolly";  
Ignoring Creeds and Catechism  
They say the C. of E.'s "in schism."  
There may be those who much resent  
Priest, Liturgy, and Sacrament,  
Whose worship is what they call "free,"  
Well, let them be so, but for me  
There's refuge in the C. of E.  
And when it comes that I must die  
I hope the Vicar's standing by,  
I won't care if he's "Low" or "High"  
For he'll be there to aid my soul

On that dread journey to its goal,  
With Sacrament and prayer and Blessing  
After I've done my last confessing.  
And at that time may I receive  
The Grace most firmly to believe,  
For if the Christian's Faith's untrue  
What is the point of me and you?  
But this is all anticipating  
Septuagesima—time of waiting,  
Running the race or holding fast.  
Let's praise the man who goes to light  
The church stove on an icy night.  
Let's praise that hard-worked he or she  
The Treasurer of the vestry  
Let's praise the cleaner of the aisles,  
The nave and candlesticks and tiles.  
Let's praise the organist who tries  
To make the choir increase in size,  
Or if that simply cannot be,  
Just to improve its quality.  
Let's praise the ringers in the tower  
Who come to ring in cold and shower.  
But most of all let's praise the few  
Who are seen in their accustomed pew  
Throughout the year, whate'er the weather,  
That they may worship God together.  
These, like a fire of glowing coals,  
Strike warmth into each other's souls,  
And though they be but two or three  
They keep the church for you and me.

- Septuagesima by John Betjeman



## 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 FEBRUARY 6 – FEBRUARY 13

<b>Sunday</b> 2/6 THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY	7:00 A 7:30 A 8:00 A 10:00 A  5:30 P	Morning Meditation (online) Morning Prayer (chapel) Holy Communion (chapel) Choral Holy Communion Sunday School Evening Prayer
<b>Monday</b> 2/7 St. Romuald, Abbot, 1027 A.D.	7:00 A 12:15 P 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer AA Meeting
<b>Tuesday</b> 2/8 St. Titus, Bishop and Confessor, d. 107 A.D. (Transferred)	7:00 A 12:15 P 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer
<b>Wednesday</b> 2/9 St. Cyril, Pope of Alexandria, C.D. 444 A.D.	7:00 A 12:15 P 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer AA Meeting
<b>Thursday</b> 2/10 St. Scholastica, Virgin 543 A.D.	7:00 A 10:30 A 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion and Benediction Evening Prayer AA Meeting
<b>Friday</b> 2/11	7:00 A	Morning Meditation (online)
<b>Saturday</b> 2/12	7:00 A	Morning Meditation (online)
<b>Sunday</b> 2/13 SEPTUAGESIMA	7:00 A 7:30 A 8:00 10:00 A  5:30 P	Morning Meditation (online) Morning Prayer (chapel) Holy Communion (chapel) Choral Holy Communion Sunday School Evening Prayer
<p><i>Want to stay in touch during the week?</i>  <i>To join the newsgroup, e-mail a request to</i>  <i>Webmaster@stjohnsdetroit.org</i>  <b>Social Media</b>  <i>Wed</i> <a href="http://www.Facebook.com/StJohnsDetroit">www.Facebook.com/StJohnsDetroit</a>  <a href="http://www.Twitter.com/StJohnsDetroit">www.Twitter.com/StJohnsDetroit</a>  <a href="http://www.YouTube.com/StJohnsPriest">www.YouTube.com/StJohnsPriest</a>  <i>Listen to, and share, the latest sermons on-line at</i>  <a href="http://www.StJohnsDetroit.org/sermons">www.StJohnsDetroit.org/sermons</a></p>		

**Collect for Septuagesima**

**O** LORD, we beseech thee favourably to hear the prayers of thy people; that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by thy goodness, for the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

**THE DAILY OFFICE READINGS (The Lectionary)\***

**Morning Prayer**

SUNDAY	20, 121	Joshua 1:1-9 2 Tim. 2:1-13
Monday	123, 127	Gen. 1:1-19 Mark 6:7-13
Tuesday	135	Gen. 1:20-2:3 Mark 6:14-29
Wednesday	137:1-6 & 140	Gen. 2:4-9, 16-25 Mark 6:30-44
Thursday	141	Gen. 3 Mark 6:45
Friday	143	Gen. 4:1-16 Mark 7:1-13
Saturday	149	Gen. 6:5-8, 13-22 Mark 7:14-23

**Evening Prayer**

SUNDAY	144	1 Macc. 2:49-64 1 Tim. 6:11-19
Monday	126, 128, 131	Amos 7:1-8 & 8:1-3 Gal. 1:1-10
Tuesday	129, 130	Amos 1:1-5, 13-2:3 Gal. 1:11
Wednesday	132	Amos 2:6 Gal. 2:1-10
Thursday	139	Amos 3 Gal. 2:11
Friday	142, 146	Amos 4:4 Gal. 3:1-9
Saturday	148, 150	Amos 5:1-13 Gal. 3:10-18

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

In the place of the Psalms listed above, you are welcome to use the Psalm cycle listed in the Book of Common Prayer according to the days of the month.

**WISH LIST — PLEASE HELP US WITH THESE ITEMS**

**NEW CARRILLON BELL SYSTEM**..... \$17,500  
Our current system, which was lovingly and frequently repaired by the late Chris Sayers the last 4 years or so, stopped working completely in the summer of 2021, and the parts for that type unit are not longer available. These are the bells that play outside and inside on the quarter hour, and can play hymns outside as well. This is a great way to invite neighbors to notice us!

**Announcements**

**SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER**

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

**Weekday Services This Week** – JOIN US IN PERSON or FOR THE LIVESTREAM at [www.youtube.com/stjohnspriest](http://www.youtube.com/stjohnspriest)

**Morning Meditation**

- ◆ Streamed daily at 7:00 AM

**Holy Communion**

- ◆ Monday through Weds 12:15 PM, Thursday 10:30 AM.

**Evening Prayer**

- ◆ Monday through Thursday at 5:00 PM in the parish library; please use the back office entrance to join us.

**Christian Education** – Sunday School meets downstairs in the undercroft during the 10 AM Service

**Alcoholics Anonymous** – Meetings have once again resumed on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 5:00 PM. The Tuesday and Friday meetings at 11:00 AM will resume at a later date to be decided by that group.

## LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULES

### February 6

#### Lay Ministers 8:00 AM:

E – Richard Moritz  
S – Langmuir

#### Altar Guild 10:00 AM:

Jane Burton  
Elisabeth Johnson  
Carolyn Ricca

#### Lay Ministers 10:00 AM:

Reader - Morley Stevenson  
Server - Morley Stevenson

#### Ushers 10:00 AM:

John Barge  
Libby Schudel  
Christopher Smith  
George Waters

#### Coffee Hour

No Coffee Hour

### February 13

#### Lay Ministers 8:00 AM:

E – Richard Moritz  
S – Langmuir

#### Altar Guild 10:00 AM:

Judy Lees  
Denise Grim

#### Lay Ministers 10:00 AM:

Brian Campbell  
Morley Stevenson

#### Ushers 10:00 AM:

Peter Grim  
Bryan Monaco  
Thomas Nash  
William Porter

#### Coffee Hour

No Coffee Hour

**Ushers in reserve:** David Boulton, Morley Stevenson

### The Vestry and Officers of St. John's

Peter Grim, Senior Warden  
Morley Stevenson, Junior Warden  
Rod Gillespie, Secretary  
Glenn Burton, Interim Treasurer  
Cathy Morgan, Assistant Treasurer

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#### *Terms expire January 2023*

Sarah Babcock                      John Barge  
Jimmie Baber                        Rod Gillespie  
Peter Grim

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#### *Terms expire January 2024*

Glenn Burton                        Morley Stevenson  
Cathy Morgan                        Tristan Williams

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#### *Terms expire January 2024*

Durene Brown                        Charles Roby

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



**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.

**Cycles of Prayer for the week of February 6**

**Bishops of North Malawi Diocese**

Bishop - The Rt Rev'd Fanuel Emmanuel Magangani

**Hospitals** - St. Lukes, St. Ann's & St. Peters Hospitals

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer**

Pray for The Church of Ireland; The Diocese of Karachi - The (united) Church of Pakistan; The Diocese of Karachi - The Church of the Province of Uganda; The Diocese of North Karamoja - The Church of the Province; The Diocese of Karimnagar - The (united) Church of South India; The Diocese of Karnataka Central - The (united) Church of South India; The Diocese of Karnataka North - The (united) Church of South India

**Episcopal Diocese of Michigan**

Madison Heights - St. Patrick's  
Nizao, DR- St. Matthew's

**BIRTHDAY  
GREETINGS**

**February 6**

Robert R. Hudson

**February 7**

David Boulton  
Malinda Madison

**February 11**

Irle Boehm  
Chris Golembiewski

**February 12**

Terry Valerio



**This Week's  
ANNIVERSARIES**

**February 11, 1983**

Mr. & Mrs. Terry Valerio



**OUR PRAYER LIST**

**Healing and Comfort:** Alice B., Al F., Betty L., Bonnie B., Brianna W., Cathy M., Christopher B., Daria R., Doug R., Durene B., Elaine D., Gail W., Gordon D., George W., Helene W., Jimmy J., Jim Z., Johny C., Julie B., Lawrence A., MJ B., Michael B., 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; Chapel Hill, 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, Jessica Walter, Jonathan Walter, Kurt Helfrich, Nick Myers, Nick Norville, Steven Campbell, Joseph J. Sharpe, Ted Decker and Zachary Livingston.

**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:**

Mark Allen Spicer	Feb. 6, 2014
Helen Taylor	Feb. 6, 1979
Anna Ellis Grunow	Feb. 7, 1953
Charles Phillips	Feb. 7, 1944
Mary Agnes C. Glickner	Feb. 8, 2017
Delbert Giddis	Feb. 8, 1963
Jeannette Williams	Feb. 9, 1986
Allie Roop	Feb. 9, 1980
George Blair, III	Feb. 10, 2009
Raymond B. Eggen	Feb. 10, 1973
Helen Grace Hudson	Feb. 11, 1973
Alice Charles Carey	Feb. 11, 1961
The Rev. Floyd Buehler	Feb. 12, 1998
Fannie Jirovec	Feb. 12, 1979