



Saturday News Special - February 24, 2024



There's only one way to say this - if you haven't joined us these past two weeks for the first Wednesday Lenten services, you really missed a treat!

We begin each Wednesday with a contemplative walk of the Stations of the Cross at 5:30 pm. At 6:00, we gather in the Wade-Dalton Hall for a potluck supper and presentation. The first Wednesday, Jen Stall, JD Program Liaison of St Joseph of Cupertino, the new school for neuro-diversity at the Academy of Classical Christian Studies. The second week, Canon Steve Carlson of the Diocese came to speak about church vitality.

And we still have one more Lenten potluck this coming Wednesday, March 6. So you have one more chance to bring your favorite to share with you church family while enjoying each others company.

Back for the second year, by popular demand, the St. John's Choir and friends are presenting the last of the 1943 radio plays by Dorothy Sayers, from the collection of twelve plays in *The Man Born to be King*. This week, they will read the Twelfth play, *The King Comes to His Own* about the resurrection. This is a very special program that will really speak to your heart.

The choir has really been rehearsing fervently. Because the plays were written for radio, no picture to convey the story, they will really hold your attention. There is drama, and humor, and action - all

the elements of a good story. And of course, the story is a GOOD STORY in itself.

Please join us this coming Wednesday and then for Stations of the Cross at 5:30 pm the remaining Wednesdays leading up to Holy Week. You will be so happy that you did!

Here is your [bulletin](#) for this coming Sunday service. Enjoy the warm weekend and play outside when you get a chance!

Much love,
Nancy Jones

Remaining Wednesday Evening Lenten Services

Wednesday, March 6 - 5:30 pm Stations of the Cross;

6:00 pm Potluck and a reading by the choir and friends of *The Man Born to be King*.

Wednesday, March 13 – 5:30 pm Stations of the Cross

Wednesday, March 20 – 5:30 pm Stations of the Cross

Wednesday, March 27 – 5:30 pm Stations of the Cross





Sundays in Lent

Sunday - Feb 18 - The Great Litany
Sunday - Feb 25 - Decalogue
Sunday - March 3 - Third Sunday in Lent
Sunday - March 10 - Fourth Sunday in Lent
Time Change, Spring Forward
Sunday - March 17 - Rose Sunday
Sunday - March 24 - **Sunday of the Passion**
Palm Sunday
Sunday - March 31 - **Easter Sunrise Service**
 in the Outdoor Chapel - Rite I at 7:30 AM
Easter Breakfast - 9:15 in Wade-Dalton Hall
Sunday - March 31 - **Easter Sunday**
Easter egg hunt following the service



Weekday Services and Events

LENT

Tuesday, Feb 13 - Shrove Tuesday - 6:30 PM
Wednesday - Feb 14 - Ash Wednesday Eucharist - 7:00 PM
Wednesday, Feb 21 - Stations of the Cross at 5:30 with
 potluck and program at 6:00
Saturday - Feb 24 - Feast of St Mathias Evening Eucharist -
 5:30 PM
Wednesday, Feb 28 - Stations of the Cross at 5:30 with
 potluck and program at 6:00
Wednesday - March 6 - Stations of the Cross at 5:30 with
 potluck and program at 6:00
Wednesday - March 13 - Stations of the Cross at 5:30
Tuesday, March 19 - Feast of St. Joseph at 5:30 PM
Wednesday - March 20 - Stations of the Cross at 5:30
Wednesday - March 27 - Stations of the Cross at 5:30



ST JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

HOLY WEEK & EASTER TIMETABLE

You are invited to join us for Holy Week services at our church. Experience the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus through song, prayer, and reflection.

Sunday, March 24

10:15am Palm Sunday - Sunday of the Passion

Wednesday, March 26

5:30pm Stations of the Cross

Thursday, March 27

5:30pm Agape Dinner and Foot Washing

7:00pm Maundy Thursday Eucharist

8:00pm to Noon Friday - The Watch at the Altar of Repose

Good Friday

Noon Good Friday Eucharist from Reserved Sacraments

7:00pm Good Friday Eucharist from Reserved Sacraments

Holy Saturday

5:30pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday

7:30am Sunrise Service in the Outdoor Peace Chapel

9:15am Easter Breakfast in Wade-Dalton Hall

10:15am The Sunday of Resurrection Easter Service



Friends, we need your help donating candy for our Easter egg hunt. Please note that we kindly request no chocolate donations. We are asking that all donations be made by Tuesday, March 26, preferably by Palm Sunday, March 24.

See below about what to do with chocolate.



Outreach Ministry



As part of their continued support of our new Afghan neighbors, the Council on American Islamic Relations (CAIR) is partnering with YMCA again this year to host a Newcomer “Eid ul-Fitr” Festival for the Afghan community, and they need our help. St. John’s has been asked to collect candy donations for the goodie bags that each child will receive at the festival.

“Eid” (rhymes with “feed”) marks the end of the month-long dawn-to-sunset fasting of [Ramadan](#) and is celebrated by [Muslims](#) worldwide.

IMPORTANT: the candies must meet Islamic dietary laws (“halal”), that is, they can’t contain gelatin as gelatin can be derived from pork products. To make it easy, below is a list of commonly available candies and treats that are halal. Note that the listing of brand names is intentional as not all manufacturers of these items may be halal. Also, candies must be individually wrapped and party-size (not full-size).

Tic-Tacs, Reese’s Peanut Butter Cups, Reese’s Pieces, Reeses’s Peanut Butter Filled Eggs, Regular and Chewy Granola Bars, Nestle chocolates, Butterfingers, caramels, butterscotch, M&M’s (both peanut and plain), Snickers, Three Musketeers, Mars Bars, Twix, Skittles, Hershey bars, Baby Ruth, Kit Kats, York Peppermint Patties, and Cadbury Creme Eggs.

CAIR will be assembling 500 goodie bags so we will need as much candy as we can get - we can do this! Please place your donations in the designated collection basket in the narthex by Palm Sunday, March 24.

AND - there are volunteer opportunities for this festival as well.

- Saturday March 23, 1:00-4:00pm: Ramadan Day of Service at Regional Food Bank OK. This is an interfaith event and a great opportunity to serve side-by-side with your Muslim brothers and sisters.
 - Signup here by clicking "Get Tickets." <https://secure.ggiv.com/for/cairoklahomanoaddress/event/ramadandayofservice2024/>
- Friday April 5, 9:30am-3:30pm: Assemble 500 Goodie Bags for Eid ul-Fitr, the celebration of the end of fasting after Ramadan. We expect 500 kids to attend this year's Eid ul-Fitr festival that CAIR Oklahoma is co-hosting with the Bethany YMCA.
 - Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4EA5A82BA2F5C43-47450591-goodie>
- Saturday April 13, 4:00-8:00pm: Eid ul-Fitr festival for Muslim newcomers at Bethany YMCA. We need 100 volunteers for this event.
 - Sign up here. When you click this link, you'll see all the different volunteer descriptions and, shift times, etc.: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0D45AFA92DABFF2-48123008-eidalfitr#/>



Have you noticed the notes from Monroe School on the bulletin boards? Proof positive how valuable your donations to Teacher's Toolbox are. At this time, they are in need of **Crayons, Crayola Markers, Expo Markers (dry erase) and glue sticks**. There is a bin in the Narthex ready for your donations. Thank you for all you do for our local students!



Cookies, Bars, Cakes, Breads, and Scones, Oh My!

Help us raise money for a new adult-size changing table for St. John's Church. As our congregation grows, we want to be ready to welcome people of all ages and abilities. This is an important addition to our church to make this goal possible.

Bring your favorite sweet treat to sell at our Sunday bake sale to help us with this project.

