



Fab Friday, October 20, 2023

EVERYTHING HAPPENING AT ST. JOHN'S THIS WEEK (AND MORE)



Well, last week I didn't have anything to say - HAHA. This week I have a lot to share. Hold on to your hats.

Next week we will celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the Dedication of the Nave. Starting on Monday, at 5:30, we will celebrate the Feast of St. James of Jerusalem with a Eucharist in the Mary Chapel. Then we will rest until the weekend, when the fun begins.

On Saturday, October 28, we will gather together at Cynthia Cortright's home to raise a glass to 25 years in the "new" St. John's Nave. There will be a lot of great food, wine and fun for all, including the children. **IF YOU HAVEN'T SIGNED UP for the party, please put your name down on the list in the Narthex.** You won't want to miss this - rumor has it that Stanley Draper, EK Gaylord, Don Julio (he's bringing the Tequila) and John Kilpatrick and their entourages will all be in attendance. WOW - that will be a miracle! If you haven't been to a party at Cynthia's, you really should be there on Saturday. She really knows how to throw a party!

On Sunday morning, October 29, we will have a beautiful mass to rededicate the Nave, a sacred place where His will is done, and His name is glorified. This will be a high mass with

special music and prayers. The choir has been practicing diligently to make this a profound service.

Immediately following the mass, all parishioners are invited to "meet up" at Johnnie's on Britton Rd. We have reserved the party room in the back corner so we can be as noisy and rambunctious as we'd like. BTW, we're going "dutch" for lunch! We hope that you will enjoy this opportunity to get to know your fellow parishioners, relax and share some stories of old with the new parishioners in our growing community.

But that's not all!!! The following week, on Wednesday, Nov. 1, we will enjoy the All Saints Evensong at 7:00. The choir is preparing a stunning service of music to accompany beautiful scriptures. Then, in celebration of our extraordinary choir, we will have a reception in the Wade Dalton Hall with wine (again) and all the trimmings. We Episcopalians really know how to make the most of special occasions!

So, rest up, dust off your spats, and plan to kick up your heels! The next two weeks will be action packed.

Here is your [Sunday bulletin](#) for this week. We hope to see you in the pews on Sunday!

Peace be with you!
Nancy

Celebration of the Life of Jean Inge will be held on Saturday, October 28 at 10:00 am.



Storymakers for Children - with Sarah Carr in the Parish Hall

Youth Bible Studies - with Babette Patton in Library

New Episcopalians and Confirmation Class -

with Fr. Nate in WD Hall

Adult Formation - Year A Lectionary Study -

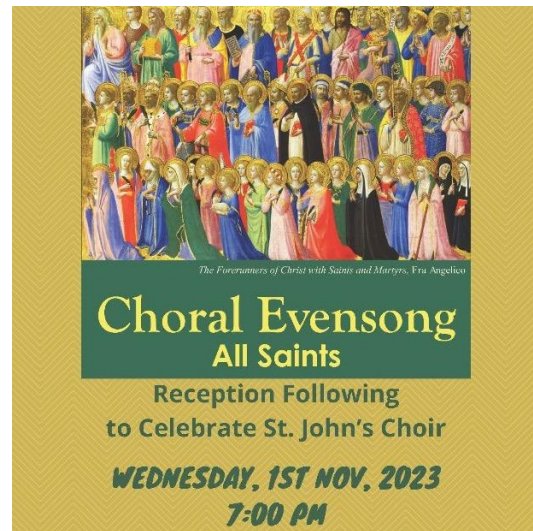
with Fr. Willie and Steve Orwig in the Parlor

Adult Formation - Year A: Matthew's Gospel Lesson Five Discussion Questions

Sunday, October 22: Matthew 22:15-22 (Proper 24). Jesus and the State—
The Political Opponents; God vs. Caesar

This week's discussion questions:

- Can you see the connection, relation, and conflict between the Gospel and politics?
- What words imply politics and conflicts in today's gospel?
- How do you interpret the last verses of the reading? How does Jesus challenge the political powers?



Calendar of Upcoming Events

Monday, October 23, 5:30 pm - Feast of St James of Jerusalem
Eucharist in the Mary Chapel

Wednesday, October 25, 5:30 pm - Evening Prayer

Saturday, October 28, 10:00 pm - Celebration of the Life of Jean Inge

Saturday, October 28, 4-6 pm – 25th Anniversary Party in Celebration of the Nave,
at Cynthia Cortright's home

Sunday, October 29, Worship Service – Service of Celebration of 25th Anniversary of the Nave

Sunday, October 29, following service – St. John's Community Lunch at Johnnies on Britton

Wednesday, November 1, 7:00 pm – All Saints Evensong with reception to honor the St. John's choir following the service

Thursday, November 2, 5:30 pm – All Souls Day Evening Eucharist

Sunday, November 5 – All Saints Worship Service with reading of memorials



INFORMATION CENTRAL

I have changed up some things in the Narthex this summer that may be of interest to you. I am repeatedly asked when an event is to happen with "I haven't seen anything about this event". I wanted to give you a brief list of places you can look to find information, especially calendared events.

1. This missive - there are many ways to get information you need in the Fab Friday. Please take time to check it out and keep it in your inbox for reference.
2. The large bulletin board at the front doors - here you will find announcements of everything from parties to service calendars (GO Team) to evening service listings.

3. The smaller bulletin boards between the kitchen and acolyte room will be a place to find photos of our most recent events.
4. The website - Did you know that there is a calendar on our website? You will find it under the Connects tab or at this [link](#). You will also find 3-4 *upcoming events* at the bottom of our Home page. Just keep scrolling down.
5. And of course, the Sunday Bulletin.

Disclaimer: I do my best to keep up with all these sources of information. Please bear with me if I make errors along the way.

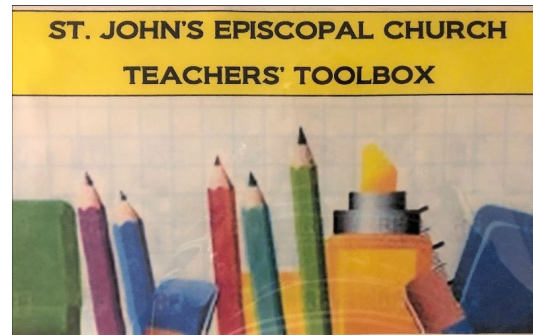
SPEAKING OF ALL SAINT'S DAY

Look for a form in your Sunday bulletins on October 22 and 29.

It's time to submit names of persons you wish to remember on All Saint's Day. Names will be read aloud during the All Saints' Sunday Worship on November 5. Please complete the form you find in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate OR email Nancy with your name, phone and the name(s) of those you wish to remember.

***DEADLINE: Wednesday, November 1, at noon.
Names received by Friday, October 27, will be included in the
Evensong Bulletin on November 1.***

Heh Everybody!
We really need Play Doh.





Upcoming Outreach Event

Watch for further information about the next volunteer service day at the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma. The event will be on Saturday, November 18, from 9:30-noon.

Instant Church Directory™

The St. John's Church Directory is Online!!!

The new online directory is available to you at members.InstantChurchDirectory.com. I have included a brief explanation of how-to login to the site on the image below. You will also find information on how to find and use the ICD app on your phone.

If you have questions or difficulty accessing the directory, please contact me.

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View our church directory online or via the FREE mobile app today.

To view the directory online, go to members.InstantChurchDirectory.com and follow the prompts under "Sign in" to "Create a login now." Please remember, you must confirm your email address before you can sign in.

There is also a free mobile app available for download at the Apple® App store in iTunes®, Google Play™ store and the Amazon Fire App Store. Simply search for "Instant Church Directory" to get the download.

You will need to use your email address as listed in our directory to create a log-in the first time you use the directory online and via the mobile app.

Need help or have questions?

Please contact [Nancy Jones](#)



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Employment Opportunity:

St. John's is once again looking to hire a nursery worker who can commit to two / two-and-a-half hours per week for consistent service in our nursery. Background check and Safe Church training will be required. Do you know a good child care worker that might want to pick up some extra money? Please contact Nancy if interested.

New St. John's Security Measures:

In light of recent events, the Bishops Committee has been reviewing our safety and security guidelines. **As a safety precaution, a member of Bishop's Committee (BC) will lock the front door of the church after the Sunday service begins.** The BC member will remain near the door, for the duration of the service, to provide access for anyone arriving late for the service. Safety precautions are under review for other services. More to come.

