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St. John's Church

The Parish Chronicle

October 25th, 2026

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

WITH A COMMEMORATION OF CHRIST THE KING



Rector's Rambling

As you read this on Sunday morning I am either attending 7:45 AM Morning Prayer and 8 AM Holy Communion at All Saints Church in Wynnewood, PA, a parish on the Philadelphia Mainline suburbs just west of the city, or driving home on the Schuylkill Expressway and Pennsylvania Turnpike while listening to the 10 AM Service livestream.

During the covid shutdowns I made the decision that as I was losing weight and starting to get back into shape that I was going to start rowing again, a sport I did in high school and college, and that all three of my sons have done. And having connected with some college friends I rowed with in college I set the goal to race with them in an alumni boat at a regatta in Philly. The 2020 regatta was cancelled but in 2021 I was finally back in something resembling rowing condition and not only raced with them but also raced in a single race too. In subsequent years I added a third 4000 meter race, this one with Andrew in the Father/Son double.

But the weekend has become more than just a return to my rowing roots in Phila-

delphia. I stay with friends near campus. I spend time with fraternity alumni and visit the undergrads, I go to some of the undergraduate team practices and get a few practice rows in on the river I plodded up and down for years in the 1980s. And I visit and worship at churches and with clergy that helped me figure out my vocation and supported me in it. It is so much more than a trip to race, it has become five days of retreat and renewal for me, something I didn't know how much I needed until I started doing so.

Thank you to all who pitched in today to lead worship while I am away. God willing I will be back later tonight and our regular worship schedule resumes tomorrow.

Next Sunday we celebrate All Saints Day (November 1) and on the next day we have our two Requiem Masses for All Souls Day - 10 AM at Elmwood Cemetery, and 12:15 at St. John's in the chapel where our Columbarium is located. Please be sure to get the list of those loved ones who have died to Elizabeth in the parish office. That list will be prayed at the 12:15 Requiem Mass.

November 8 we have our special collection in support of the Bishop Biggers School in Northern Malawi. Please be generous in your support of this special project.

Also next week we begin a series of 'get to know the choir' features. Thank you to Chelsea Hutchins for coordinating the effort and collecting information from the choir members.





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 OCTOBER 25 — NOVEMBER 1

Sunday 10/25 TWENTY-FIRST 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 10/26 Alfred the Great, King of England, 899 A.D.	7:00 A 12:15 P 4:00 P 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer AA Meeting
Tuesday 10/27 Ss. Crispin and Crispian Martyrs c. 320 A.D.	7:00 A 12:15 P 4:00 P 5:00 P 6:30 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer AA Meeting Vestry
Wednesday 10/28 ST. SIMON AND ST. JUDE, APOSTLES	7:00 A 12:15 P 4:00 P 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer AA Meeting
Thursday 10/29 Martyrs of Uganda	7:00 A 10:30 A 4:00 P 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer AA Meeting
Friday 10/30	7:00 A 11:00 A 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) AA Meeting AA Meeting
Saturday 10/31	7:00 A	Morning Meditation (online)
Sunday 11/1 ALL SAINTS DAY	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 Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

SUNDAY	76, 121	Isa. 59:15b 2 Cor. 10:1–7, 17–18
Monday	2, 3	2 Kings 6:8–14 2 Tim. 1:1–14
Tuesday	5	2 Kings 6:15–23 2 Tim. 1:15–2:13
Wednesday	9	2 Kings 9:1–6, 10b–16 2 Tim. 2:14
Thursday	10	2 Kings 9:17–28 2 Tim. 3
Friday	22	2 Kings 9:30 2 Tim. 4:1–8
Saturday	21:1–6 & 23	2 Kings 11:1–4, 9–16 2 Tim. 4:9

Evening Prayer

SUNDAY	25	Gen. 15:1–6 Rom. 4:1–8
Monday	4, 8	Eccles. 5:8 Matt. 22:15–33
Tuesday	11, 12	Eccles. 6:1–2, 7–12 Matt. 22:34
Wednesday	13, 14	Eccles. 8:12–9:1 Matt. 23:1–12
Thursday	16, 17	Eccles. 9:11 Matt 23:13–23
Friday	6, 26	Eccles. 11 Matt. 23:25
Saturday	18:1–20	Eccles. 12

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

WISH LIST — PLEASE HELP US WITH THESE ITEMS

New items coming soon!

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 AM

Evening Prayer

Monday through Thursday @ 4:00 PM

Christian Education – Sunday School at 9:15. Adult Education is off today and resumes, God willing, next Sunday

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

October 25

Lay Ministers 8:00 AM:
E – Richard Moritz

Altar Guild 10:00 AM:

Sarah Babcock
Sarah Jean Babcock
Helene Waters

Lay Ministers 10:00 AM:

Brian Campbell
Morley Stevenson
Pam Beeghly

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

November 1

Lay Ministers 8:00 AM:
E – Richard Moritz

Altar Guild 10:00 AM:

Jane Burton
Elisabeth Johnson
Carolyn Ricca

Lay Ministers 10:00 AM:

Brian Campbell
Morley Stevenson
Elizabeth Savage

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

Feast of Christ the King

Why do we need a Feast of Christ the King? What is written below, in 1925, is true today! Originally celebrated the last Sunday in October by Roman and Anglican Churches (as an antedote to Reformation Sunday?), it was been moved in the new lectionary to the last Sunday before Advent.

If we ordain that the whole world shall revere Christ as King, We shall minister to the need of the present day, and at the same time provide an excellent remedy for the plague which now infects society. We refer to the plague of anti-clericalism, its errors and impious activities. This evil spirit, as you are well aware, Venerable Brethren, has not come into being in one day; it has long lurked beneath the surface. The empire of Christ over all nations was rejected. The right which the Church has from Christ himself, to teach mankind, to make laws, to govern peoples in all that pertains to their eternal salvation, that right was denied. Then gradually the religion of Christ came to be likened to false religions and to be placed ignominiously on the same level with them. It was then put under the power of the state and tolerated more or less at the whim of princes and rulers. Some men went even further, and wished to set up in the place of God's religion a natural religion consisting in some instinctive affection of the heart. There were even some nations who thought they could dispense with God, and that their religion should consist in impiety and the neglect of God. We firmly hope, however, that the feast of the Kingship of Christ, which in future will be yearly observed, may hasten the return of society to our loving Savior. This state of things may perhaps be attributed to a certain slowness and timidity in good people, who are reluctant to engage in conflict or oppose but a weak resistance; thus the enemies of the Church become bolder in their attacks. But if the faithful were generally to understand that it behooves them ever to fight courageously under the banner of Christ their King, then, fired with apostolic zeal, they would strive to win over to their Lord those hearts that are bitter and estranged from him, and would valiantly defend his rights.

Moreover, the annual and universal celebration of the feast of the Kingship of Christ will draw attention to the evils which anticlericalism has brought upon society in drawing men away from Christ, and will also do much to remedy them. While nations insult the beloved name of our Redeemer by suppressing all mention of it in their conferences and parliaments, we must all the more loudly proclaim his kingly dignity and power, all the more universally affirm his rights.

~ Edited by Fr. Kelly from www.NewAdvent.org

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 October 18:

Diocese of Northern Malawi—The Rt Revd Francis Kaulanda; Leonard Kamungu Theological College; Diocese of Karonga; St. Ann's Hospital

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

The Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity: The Church of the Province of Central Africa; The Diocese of El Camino Real—The Episcopal Church; The Diocese of Canberra and Goulbourn—The Anglican Church of Australia; the Diocese of Canterbury—The Church of England; The Diocese of Cape Coast—The Church of the Province of West Africa; The Diocese of Cape Town—The Anglican Church of Southern Africa; The Diocese of North Eastern Caribbean and Aruba—The Church in the Province of the West Indies

Episcopal Diocese of Michigan

Milford—St. George's

San Cristobal, DR—St. Bartholomew

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS**October 24**

Tracey Mooney

October 25

Ken Roby

October 27

Joan Medlow

Faye Stevenson—Twist

October 31

Andre Smith

This Week's ANNIVERSARIES**October 26**

William & Jenny Chope

**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:

Charlotte Haberkorn	October 25, 1981
Kathleen Marlyn Livermore	October 25, 2010
Marguerite A. Hart	October 26, 1982
John Oliver Jackson	October 26, 1989
Evelyn LaVaune Casing	October 27, 1981
Harry Cloke	October 27, 1989
Beatrice Ann Hulme	October 28, 1996
Alexandra Elizabeth Hughes McAllister	October 28, 2019
Charles F. Maddox	October 29, 1969
Ralph J. Burton	October 29, 1973
Arthur M. Hinkley	October 30, 1965
Wilford Fiemore	October 30, 1977
Mary M. Collins	October 31, 1969
Wave Dawn Lowe	October 31, 1973