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St. John's Church

The Parish Chronicle

August 10, 2025

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



Rector's Rambling

Trinity in Midland, Texas (Diocese of Northwest Texas).

Last month Fr. Hennagin introduced himself to me via email.

I was born in Highland Park and attended St. John's from the time I was 8 (that would be 1965). My parents were very involved. My father was on the vestry, as was I many years later. Fr. Tom Frisby is still one of the most influential people in my life. He is the reason for me pursuing my call to ministry. When I graduated from Albion College, St. John's and the diocese were not in a good relationship and members were summarily excluded from the discernment process.

I moved to Dallas, as a banker, in 1982, married, went through the discernment process, went to Seminary of the Southwest in Austin and was ordained a deacon in 1992 and a priest in 1993.

Fr. Hennagin is in town for his 50th Highland Park High School reunion, and asked to celebrate today. He has never had the opportunity to do so here at St. John's, at the altar where he was formed for that vocation to the priesthood. I am so grateful that he asked and that we could provide that opportunity for him to do so today.

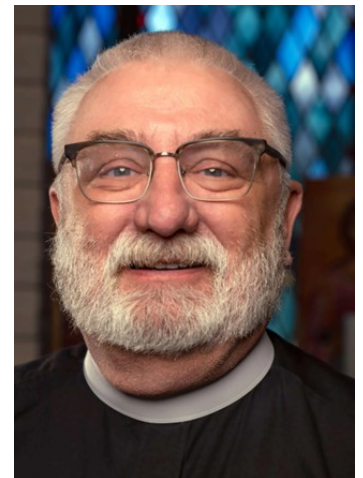
A few weeks ago we had Fr. Cam Walker, our parishioner who went to

seminary through the Diocese of Long Island and now serves there. In 2010 Fr. Alex Quick did an internship at St. John's, and Fr. Zachary Baker in 2015 did one as well as they both discerned their vocations.

In 2003 we welcomed Canon William Blewitt back to St. John's for the 50th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood, which took place here at St. John's where he served as curate.

Going back to our early years, one of the first Episcopal nuns in the Community of St. Mary was from our parish, and some of you will remember Louise Sutton who tried her vocation with the Sisters of the Holy Nativity, only to have it derailed by having to come home to help support her family during the depression. She never went back, and said that not a day went by that she didn't say her daily prayers in unison for the sisters in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

It is gratifying to hear about how God has used St. John's to inspire men and women to ordination or the religious life, and we give thanks today not only for that, but for those God may be calling now and in the future.





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 AUGUST 10—AUGUST 17

Sunday 8/10 EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	7:00 A 7:30 A 8:00 A 10:00 A 11:15 A	Morning Meditation (online) Morning Prayer (chapel) Holy Communion (chapel) Choral Holy Communion Coffee Hour
	5:30 P	Evening Prayer
Monday 8/11 St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr, 258 A.D.	7:00 A 12:15 P 4:00 P 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer AA Meeting
Tuesday 8/12 St. Clare of Assisi d. 1253 A.D.	7:00 A 12:15 P 4:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer
Wednesday 8/13 Jeremy Taylor, B.C. d. 1667 A.D.	7:00 A 12:15 P 4:00 P 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer AA Meeting
Thursday 8/14	7:00 A 10:30 A 4:00 P 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion and Benediction Evening Prayer AA Meeting
Friday 8/15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	7:00 A 11:00 A	Morning Meditation (online) AA Meeting
Saturday 8/16 St. Joachim, Father of the Blessed Virgin Mary	7:00 A 10:00 A	Morning Meditation (online) Requiem Mass - Phyllis Lewis
Sunday 8/17 NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	7:00 A 7:30 A 8:00 A 10:00 A 11:15 A	Morning Meditation (online) Morning Prayer (chapel) Holy Communion (chapel) Choral Holy Communion Coffee Hour
	5:30 P	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 Eighth Sunday after Trinity

O GOD, whose never-failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth; We humbly beseech thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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

SUNDAY	119:33–48	<i>Ecclus.</i> 1:18–27 John 7:14–24
Monday	104	1 Sam. 11:1–13 Luke 15:1–10
Tuesday	111, 114	1 Sam. 11:14–12:5 Luke 15:11
Wednesday	119:81–96	1 Sam. 12:19 Luke 16:1–18
Thursday	128, 129	1 Sam. 15:1–9 Luke 16:19
Friday	139	1 Sam. 15:10–23 Luke 17:1–10
Saturday	145	1 Sam. 15:24–34 Luke 17:11–19

Evening Prayer

SUNDAY	25	<i>Ecclus.</i> 6:22 Luke 10:38
Monday	116	Dan. 6:1–8 Acts 26:1–23
Tuesday	118	Dan. 6:9–15 Acts 26:24–27:8
Wednesday	119:97–112 & 117	Dan. 6:16–23, 25–27 Acts 27:9–26
Thursday	132, 134	Esther 2:5–8, 17–23 Acts 27:27
Friday	138, 146	Esther 3:1–12 Acts 28:1–15
Saturday	147	Esther 4:1, 5–17 Acts 28:16

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

WISH LIST — PLEASE HELP US WITH THESE ITEMS**ST. JOHN’S backlit signs -**

need 1 more at \$7500 each

(will be on the sides of the ministry center, visible from the freeway and by those walking to/from Comerica Park.)

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 resumes in September.

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.

Parking Note - being a member of St. John’s does not mean that we can park in our side lot for free for Tigers, Lions games, shows at the Fox, etc. The lot is leased to Olympia Development, and we have use of it only for our church related events

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.



Published Banns— “I publish the Banns of Marriage between Jeffrey Dale Glover and Lori Sunshine Wilhite. If you know cause or just impediment, why these two persons should not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, ye are to declare it. This is the first time of asking.”

LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULES

August 10

Lay Ministers 8:00 AM:

E – Richard Moritz
S – C. Stevenson

Altar Guild 10:00 AM:

Sarah Babcock
Denise Grim

Lay Ministers 10:00 AM:

Brian Campbell
Morley Stevenson
Suzanne Nicholson
Cindy Edwards
Tom Edwards

Ushers 10:00 AM:

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

Coffee Hour

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August 17

Lay Ministers 8:00 AM:

E – Richard Moritz
S – C. Stevenson

Altar Guild 10:00 AM:

Sarah Babcock
Nancy Donnelly
Suzanne Porter
Melody Huffer

Lay Ministers 10:00 AM:

Brian Campbell
Morley Stevenson
Elizabeth Savage

Ushers 10:00 AM:

John Barge
Peter Grim
Bryan Monaco
William Porter
Libby Schudel
George Waters
Terry Donnelly
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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 2026

Elizabeth Butler David Gawrych
Bryan Monaco

Terms expire January 2027

Jared Moody Pat Walter
Helene Waters

Terms expire January 2028

Cynthia Edwards Peter Grim
Morley Stevenson

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 Notes

August 11 on the modern calendar (August 12 on the traditional one) is the Feast of St. Clare of Assisi. She is the foundress of what is known as the Second Order Franciscans, and now better known as The Poor Clares.

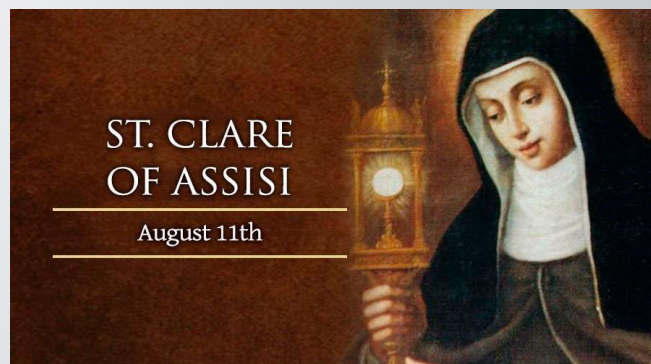
Born into upper middle class affluence in 1194, she happened upon the happy band of faithful led by St. Francis himself, who had eschewed all property ownership and were living in absolute poverty in order to serve the Lord more closely. Desiring to follow this way, she approached Francis when she was 18 years old and, against her parents objections, had her hair cut, was clothed in a religious habit, and then placed in a Benedictine Convent until the details of her unique vocation could be worked out.

Although she would have been happy to live a life like the men, sleeping on church floors, begging for food, and working as itinerant preachers, as a woman in the 13th century, this was too dangerous.

For 40 years, Clare gathered around her other women desiring to live a life of absolute devotion in poverty to our Lord, offering prayer in reparation to God on behalf of an ungrateful world.

One notable wonder attributed to her occurred in 1240 "...On the occasion of an invasion of that region by a band of Saracen (Muslim) soldiers who were intent on despoiling the convent and ravishing the nuns. Clare had no protection against them except her faith. Hence she took the Most Holy Sacrament from the altar, saying: have no fear, my daughters; trust in Jesus. And leading her sisters, she marched out through the enclosure door, with the Sacrament as her weapon, as if to attack the Saracens therewith. Who were so amazed by the evident and strange courage of these dedicated women, that they turned and fled." (Anglican Breviary, p. 1381).

The Poor Clares in Anglicanism and Roman Catholicism continue their ministry of prayer and reparation today.



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 August 10:

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

Eighth Sunday after Trinity: Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda; The Diocese of Norwich—The Church of England; The Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island—The Anglican Church of Canada; The Diocese of Nsukka—The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion); The Diocese of Nyahururu—The Anglican Church of Kenya; The Diocese of Nyamlel—Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan; The Diocese of Nyang—Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

Episcopal Diocese of Michigan

DeWitt—Christ United

Santo Domingo, DR—Cathedral of the Epiphany

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS**August 15**

Morley Stevenson

August 16

Sandy Zahrfeld

This Week's ANNIVERSARIES**August 15**

Andrew & Alice Baetz

**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., Eleanore S., Gail W., Gordon D., George W., Helene W., Jessica W., Jim Z., Julie B., Lawrence A., MJ B., Michael Z., Michael P., Paul M., Rexina M., Robert H., Sabrina H., Sandra Z., Sandy D., Carl P., Deb 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; 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:

Wilmoth Golding	August 10, 1978
Agnes L. Martin	August 10, 1979
Robert Hannigan	August 11, 1962
Marilyn Moorewood Jones Walker	August 11, 2021
Goerge Lee Dickens	August 12, 1986
Suzanne Clippint Hicks	August 12, 2017
Leo B. Robert	August 13, 1946
Charles H. Culver	August 13, 1949
Bessie D. Maitland	August 14, 1971
Marion M. Molesky	August 14, 1996
Baby William F. Bopp	August 15, 1985
Margaret A. Courtis	August 15, 1996
Barbara Ann Maher	August 16, 2007
David Wane McAllister, II	August 16, 2012