

The Evangelist



September 2021 A Newsletter for our Parish and Church Family

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Greetings!

Last March I shared with you how much I'd been moved by St. Paul's encouragement to the Romans, especially in the beginning of the letter's twelfth chapter. Romans 12:2 reads: "Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind." This message has remained on my mind throughout the year. And, the other day, the beauty of Paul's letter and its relevance for our life together was made even more manifest.

Some months ago, by crashing a Biblical Languages study session hosted by our own Josh Corsaro, I met a young Hebrew scholar who is currently teaching at Oral Roberts University. We struck up a friendship as we continued to meet and read through various passages of the Bible. Last week we returned to the Scripture. I mentioned that Romans 12:1-2 had been on my mind. As our conversation progressed, we realized that we hadn't thought about how that text works with Paul's preceding point. We decided it was worth investigating to see if there was something we'd missed. Indeed we had!

In Romans 11, Paul steadfastly refused the idea that God had completely abandoned his promise given to the people, patriarchs, and prophets of the Old Testament. As Paul concluded Chapter 11, he lamented that his kinsmen had not accepted Jesus as the Messiah, even as the Gentiles around them were coming to know Israel's Redeemer by Jesus' Gospel. Even still, Paul grounded the uncomfortable situation in the mystery of God's wisdom. In verse 11:33 Paul wrote, "O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!"

It seems Paul left a bit of a cliffhanger, as if he was throwing up his hands and saying, "Well, I guess we'll never actually figure this one out." Yet to our delight and surprise, my study companion and I discerned Paul was leading us in a much more hopeful direction in his letter. Romans 12 begins with an appeal for the church to offer their bodies, their lives, as a spiritual offering. And by the end of verse 2, he wrote, "that [you all] would prove what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."

Dear ones, we found delight in the recognition that the depths and richness of God's wisdom are shown forth in the Church working together as the Body of Christ, a wonderful image Paul developed in the rest of Chapter 12. In the busy season of ministry ahead of us, one which will call on each and every one of us to serve as living members of Christ's body, I pray that you will be similarly delighted as you participate in the unveiling of God's love, truth, and beauty in Christ. I, for one, delight in the opportunity to serve with you!

Your friend

The Rev. David Burnsted, Rector



Treasurer's Report

- Bill Chevaillier

The Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) is an excellent way to show your support for Saint John's Episcopal Church and receive tax benefits in return. As you plan your required minimum distributions (RMD), consider using your IRA account to make the most of your charitable giving. You receive a tax benefit even if you take the standard deduction!

Of note: while the new SECURE Act has raised the age to 72 for Required Minimum Distributions, donors may still make QCD gifts starting the year they turn age 70½.

To qualify:

- You must be 70½ years or older at the time of gift.
- Distributions must be made directly from a traditional IRA account by your IRA administrator to Saint John's Episcopal Church.
- Gifts must be outright, meaning they go directly to Saint John's Episcopal Church. Distributions to donor-advised funds do not qualify.
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Tax Benefits:

- IRA Qualified Charitable Distributions are excluded as gross income for federal income tax purposes on your IRS Form 1040.
- The gift counts toward your required minimum distribution for the year in which you made the gift.
- You could avoid a higher tax bracket that might otherwise result from adding an RMD to your income.

Example:

John is seventy-two years old and wants to make a gift to Saint John's Episcopal Church. He has \$500,000 in his IRA and wants to gift \$20,000. He can authorize the administrator of his IRA to distribute \$20,000 to Saint John's Church. Because the IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution is excluded from income, John will not be eligible for a charitable income tax deduction but will likely now utilize the standard deduction and therefore he still receives tax savings. The \$20,000 distributed to Saint John's Church will be counted toward his annual minimum required distribution and he will not pay income tax on the portion given to the organization.

Simple Giving by Smartphone

It's easier than ever to make a donation to Saint John's, especially on those days when you don't have cash in your wallet, forgot to write a check, or simply want to give fast but also get a receipt. To donate by scan, hover your smart phone over the QR code to the right and follow the steps.



Getting to Know: Our Treasurer

Perhaps you have known Bill Chevaillier many years, or are new to Saint John's and have not yet had a conversation over coffee with him in the Common Room. In either case, we hope you will discover something new, surprising, or that you have in common with him after reading this column about our Saint John's Treasurer.

Q: Where were you born and raised? A: Born in Pine Bluff, Arkansas and grew up in Russellville, Arkansas.

Q: Where did you attend college and what did you study? A: University of Arkansas for both accounting and law school.

Q: What brought you to Tulsa? A: A job and desire to learn the oil and gas business.

Q: Where are you employed and what is your role? A: I am a partner at Mysock, Chevaillier & Birdsong.

Q: Where did you meet Janice and tell us something fun about one of your first dates. A: We met on a blind date and I took Janice to S&J Oyster Bar. My friends were there and they all looked at Janice and then gave me a "thumbs up." Seriously, they all loved her.

Q: Who is the better cook or baker in the Chevaillier household? A: Definitely Janice, but during COVID I have made up a lot of ground.

Q: You and Janice have several grown children who are now out of the nest. Tell us a little about where they are now. A: Conner is our oldest, lives in Tulsa, and has developed cryptocurrency trading platforms which keep him busy. Scott is the middle child and is a barista in Brooklyn, New York. And Leigh is our youngest, also in NYC, and is working at a firm that provides research to investors.

Q: What is your favorite holiday? A: Thanksgiving.

Q: What does a perfect weekend in Tulsa look like for you? A: Tennis, golf, hiking and great dinner out to celebrate that I did it all!

Q: Do you have a favorite music genre or group that you most like to see or hear? A: I love old R&B, so any Motown group that still has any original member. Janice and I always go see St. Paul and the Broken Bones when they come to the Cains.

Q: What three words would you use to describe Saint John's Church? A: Continues to evolve.

Music at Midday

Make plans to attend in person, or watch online, these complimentary concerts and recitals presented each Wednesday at noon from Sept. 22 through Oct. 27

Music at Midday Season Seven

Our Music at Midday series resumes on September 22 with free half-hour recitals on Wednesdays at noon every week through the end of October. A boxed lunch from Queenies will follow at 12:30 p.m. To reserve a lunch and your sandwich option, call Diana Carter at (918) 742-7381 by the preceding Monday at noon. The lunches are \$12 per person.

The schedule of musicians for Fall 2021 includes:

September 22
Barron Ryan, piano →

September 29
Joseph Arndt, organ

October 6
Paul Sweet, piano

October 13
Caroline Robinson, organ

October 20
Duo Avanzando
David Carter, clarinet
Ricardo Souza, percussion

October 27
OTIS Trio →
Dawn Lindblade, clarinet
Tess Remy-Schumacher, cello
Sallie Pollack, piano



Howells Canticles to be Featured in Four Evensongs on Sundays at 5:30 p.m.

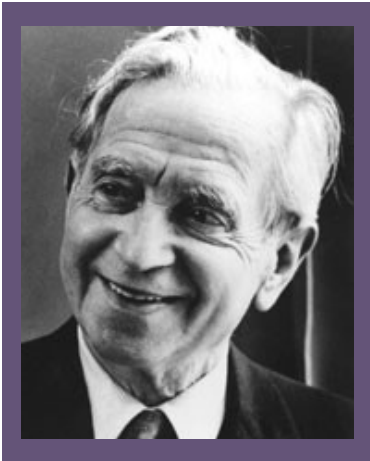
This fall the Canticles of Herbert Howells will be featured through our Evensong Service programming. The schedule of performances is below. To learn more about Howells and the role of a Canticle, read on in column two on this page!

- September 5 - Canticles in B minor (composed in 1956 for the 50th Anniversary of the Church Music Society)
- September 12 - Collegium Regale Canticles (finished in 1945 for King's College in Cambridge, England)
- October 3 - Gloucester Canticles (finished in 1946 for Gloucester Cathedral)
- November 7 - Dallas Canticles (finished in 1975 for St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Dallas)

What is a Canticle?

If you find yourself wondering, "what is a Canticle?" you are not alone. A Canticle is a piece of sacred music with scripture as its text (other than the Psalms). There are two Canticles traditionally sung at Choral Evensong: the Magnificat (the Song of Mary in Luke 1) and the Nunc dimittis (the Song of Simeon in Luke 2). Both the "Mag" and "Nunc" (as we call them in shorthand) have profound texts, and my favorite aspect of Choral Evensong is hearing how different composers interpret these timeless words.

Over the next two years, the Chamber Choir will undertake a major project in learning and offering the complete twenty Evening Canticle settings of Herbert Howells. We already regularly offer several, but there are well over a dozen more. We will learn them gradually, add them to our repertoire, and then offer them all in a special Choral Evensong series in 2023, the 40th anniversary of Howells' death.



Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Howells was a young musician at a time of great musical change in Great Britain. There was a revival for Gregorian Chant and early music, with Westminster Cathedral in London being the epicenter for renewed interest in masters of the high Renaissance such as Palestrina and William Byrd. This environment had a major impact on Howells. I'd say his Canticle settings bear some similarities with Gregorian Chant. The organ certainly "accompanies" the choir in a sense, but it often has a role that is more in dialogue with the choir. Over the course of his career, Howells composed with an increasingly daring harmonic framework. Settings from the 1940s have the "signature" Howells sound. Canticles after 1960 get progressively more adventurous.

Of his twenty Evening Canticle settings, Howells wrote the majority for a particular place and choir. These dedications are often reflected in the set names. Several sets from the 1940s are regularly sung at cathedrals throughout England and at some American churches. Many, however, are rarely sung (particularly the later ones).

I hope you will watch for more information about this Howells project. Over the next few years I will offer some occasional forums on the music, and I look forward to sharing my enthusiasm for Howells with you! - Joseph

Volunteer Appreciation Night

Sunday, September 19
5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong followed by 6:30 p.m. Reception

German Baroque Concert

On Friday, October 8 at 7 p.m., Saint John's will host the Sonare Chamber Ensemble as they perform music of the German Baroque. Presented by Chamber Music Tulsa, the cost to attend is \$25 per person. Purchase your tickets in advance at: chambermusictulsa.org. Save the date and look for more details in the October newsletter or on the CMT website.



Dupré Anniversary to be Celebrated

On Friday, November 5, Saint John's will host a lecture and recital in memory of composer Marcel Dupré. Presented by the Tulsa Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, the evening begins at 6:30 p.m. with a lecture by Dr. Jesse Eschbach, Professor of Organ at the University of North Texas. At 7:30 p.m. Adam Pajan and Joseph Arndt will offer an organ recital featuring two Dupré works: *Deuxième Symphonie*, Opus 26, and *Trois Préludes et Fugues*, Opus 7.

2021 marks the 50th anniversary of the death of Dupré, considered the most influential French organist-composer of the 20th century. The Pajan and Arndt recital highlights two of the composer's most significant organ works. Eschbach will discuss the artist's performing career in the United States as well as the music to be heard in the recital. Both events are free and open to the public.



Marcel Dupré (1886-1971)



Music Mondays Coming to Facebook

We're excited to share that Joseph Arndt is starting a new weekly educational vlog that will publish to our Facebook and Instagram pages. Called Music Mondays, Joseph's video shorts will be offered "most Mondays" to share a little bit about selections and events to be presented at the church in the week ahead.



These videos will be a mix of composer history, liturgical insight, guest introductions, and/or more about the wonderful repertoires coming up at Saint John's Church. We hope you will tune in to Music Mondays and all of the special offerings presented by the Saint John's music ministry each week.

The Bach Choir is Back - Save the Date!

The Oklahoma Bach Choir, an ensemble in residence at Saint John's Episcopal Church, is dedicated to performing the sacred vocal music of Johann Sebastian Bach with period instruments.

Save the date for Friday, December 3. That evening at 7 p.m., the Oklahoma Bach Choir will present Cantatas for the Advent Season. The choir and orchestra will perform BWV 35, 62 and 140. Admission will be free.

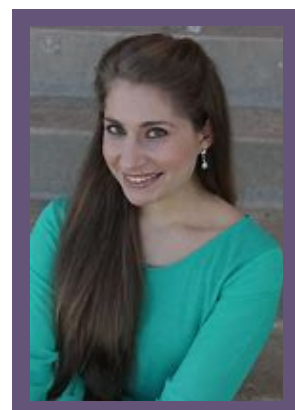


Comprised of many dedicated parish choral members, the choir and program will be led by Joseph Arndt, conductor, and feature: Adam Pajan, organ soloist, Meray Boustani, soprano soloist, Nicholas Garza, countertenor soloist, Steven Soph, tenor soloist, and Jason Awbrey, baritone soloist.

Trinity Woods Concert Open to the Public

Irene Monnet Brown, Life Enrichment Coordinator at Trinity Woods (formerly Oklahoma Methodist Manor), is pleased to share that their community will host a performance by Meray Boustani and Joseph Arndt on Thursday, September 30 at 7 p.m. This special event for residents will also be open to the public and held in the Westervelt Hall of the Community Life Center. Admission is free.

Boustani and Arndt will perform "The Lord's Prayer" as well as songs by Rodgers and Hammerstein. The duo is offering this concert in celebration of the new Steinway grand piano Trinity Woods recently received.



Getting to Know...Our Acolytes



We are so happy that new acolyte Dora Barber is joining the team of youth who assist Father David on Sundays! And, we really appreciate her fitting in this Q&A with the Evangelist during her first busy weeks back to school.

Q: Where were you born, raised, and attend school? A: I was born in Owasso, am living in Tulsa, and I am in the fourth grade at Barnes Elementary School.

Q: Who do you share a home with? A: Dada (Chris Barber), Moma (Jo Anna Dossett), Huey (brother), and our dog, Cookie.

Q: When you grow up, what would you like to do/be? A: I'd like to be an author or illustrator.

Q: You shared that you like to read. Do you have a favorite author? A: I love Judy Bloom's books, like *Fudge-a-Mania*.

Q: If you could have a superpower, what would you want it to be? A: It would be to be able to travel into stories or novels and bring characters into the real world through portals.

Q: What is your favorite...ice cream, place to get pizza, and drink? A: Cappuccino Chunky Chocolate, The Pie Hole, and a root beer float.

Q: If you could meet a famous person, living or not, who would you pick and why? A: Either Alexander Hamilton or Charles Schultz. Hamilton because I have seen the musical many times and love it. And Schultz because when COVID began, I read every Peanuts comic strip in chronological order (1950-2000) to pass the time at home.

Q: What three words would you use to describe Saint John's Church? A: Creative, kind, and fun.

Fun Facts About...Our Vestry

New vestryman Chris Barber has been a familiar face at Saint John's, having contributed his instrumental talents to many performances over the years. A native of Dalhart, Texas, he now calls Tulsa home where he lives with his wife, Jo Anna Dossett, and their kids, Dora (read more about her above) and Huey. Chris is the Director of Fine Arts for the Owasso Public School District. His favorite thing to do in his spare time is to "play with my kids."

Chris shared that a famous person he would like to meet is Tom Waits, because he is a big fan of Waits' music, acting, and poetry. If he could have a superpower, Chris would like to be able to snap his fingers like Mary Poppins and have the house clean itself while robins sing...but on second thought, perhaps without the robins. While he rarely has time to read for pleasure, when he gets the chance he'll go for historical fiction or a classic fiction novel that he hasn't read yet.

Several fun facts about Chris revolve around food, music and time outside. He has a self-defined weakness for cheeseburgers, french fries, chips and salsa. He loves craft beer and seeing musicals live. We kidded Chris and inquired what he'd like to do more of when he grows up, and he shared, "That would be fishing...all the time." And finally, when we asked if he could choose only three words to describe Saint John's to a new friend, Chris said quickly, "You'll love it!"

What's New with the Scouts?

Troop 153 is wrapping up a summer of adventure treks, camps, and leadership training. Our scouts have continued to meet which has promoted a sense of community and connection as well as presented opportunities to work on advancement. As we all transition back into the school year, we are expecting great things for our fall program and look forward to leadership under our new Senior Patrol Leader, Alex Philp. Alex and the Patrol Leaders Council have been busy planning meetings and campouts including this month's trip to Camp Garland, near Locust Grove.

Thanks to our committed adult leadership supporting our scouts, there will be much to celebrate at our upcoming Court of Honor ceremony. We will award new ranks and merit badges as well as recognize the many scouts who attended or served as staff for a leadership training course over the summer. We are truly blessed to have so many scouts, and adults, who make it a priority to give of their time serving others.

- Carolyn Davis



For Our Adults

Adult Education/Formation

Turning Points: A Walk through Church History with Father David Bumsted is offered at 9 a.m. in the Common Room of our church each Sunday. Classes follow the book *Turning Points* by Mark Noll. Anyone is welcome to join.

Following *Turning Points*, our next adult formation class will dive into the Bible and its context. Unlike *The Path*, this class will take a more detailed look at each individual book of the Bible. Class times and details are being firmed up now. Stay tuned!

Young Adults Brunch

The last Sunday of each month our Young Adults group meets at a restaurant close to the church, following the 10 a.m. service. All are welcome to join. RSVP to me at jcorsaro@sjtulsa.org, or call the office by the Friday prior. If you need childcare, communicate with me so we can have something arranged.

Volunteer Opportunity

We are asking any people who want to volunteer for children's ministries to reach out to me, either at jcorsaro@sjtulsa.org or the office phone. The church staff will also need volunteers to help lift up a super Trunk or Treat event for our parish and neighbors.

Iron Gate Outreach

In August a group of volunteers from Saint John's, led by Father David, registered for a Saturday morning shift serving our brothers and sisters in need at the Iron Gate ministry. If you have an interest in joining other parish members for a future service day, please get in touch with me for information on how to sign up (through the ministry's website) and when we'll go next time as a team.

Trekkers

Tuesday Trekkers is a great way to get to know other adults - of all ages - at Saint John's. Join us any Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. on the labyrinth for fellowship and healthy time outdoors!

- Josh Corsaro



Iron Gate Service Saturdays

Contact Josh Corsaro if you want to know more to sign up for a future Saturday!

Tuesday Trekkers

Meet us on the labyrinth for walks any Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.



Young Adults Brunch

Fourth Sunday of each month
at noon

See Josh Corsaro or Joseph Arndt
for more details or to RSVP



Family & Youth - Josh Corsaro

Here's a look at what is coming up for families and children in our fall programming:

Children's Chapel

We look forward to resuming Children's Chapel, held during the 10 a.m. service after the Sequence Hymn. Children's Chapel follows the Gospel lesson in our lectionary. Children's Chapel will be for children ages five to twelve and kicks off on September 19. The format of chapel will be: light candles, quick prayer, Gospel reading, Gospel lesson, Apostle's Creed, Lord's Prayer, and then return to service.

Sunday School

After the 10 a.m. service starting September 19, we'll have a Sunday formation time for children ages five to twelve. Unlike Children's Chapel, these lessons will focus on the other Sunday lectionary readings and will be around thirty minutes. The format of the lessons will be: prayer, lesson, activity, and fun time!

Sunday School Volunteers

We are recruiting volunteers for children's ministries this month. If you want to help, please reach out to me soon via my email (at jcorsaro@sjtulsa.org) or the office phone.

Acolytes

Hey Acolytes! Our official program is kicking off! If you want to be a part of this, please contact me.

Trunk or Treat

Save the date! Our Trunk or Treat festival will be Saturday, October 30. We will have games and activities for all ages, so come on down the day before Halloween and enjoy the festivities! In order to pull off this event, we are asking for adult volunteers. If you'd like to help, email me.

Snowball Fight in September?

You have all probably heard of Rally Sunday, but did you know we will have a snowball activity that day? That's right! We will have a snowball "fight" in the heat! No need to bring hats and mittens. Just come to church in something you can get wet in. This particular activity during the ministry fair is for ages five years and up. May the best aim win!

Getting to Know...Our Ushers

We begin our "getting to know ushers" Q&A column in the Evangelist with Jim Mulcahy, Usher leader. Ushers are often the first face and friendly voice to greet us when we arrive for mass, and they help ensure worship service logistics go smoothly each Sunday.

Q: How long have you been attending our church and what brought you here? A: I've been a member of Saint John's for about twenty years. I was raised a Catholic and attended Catholic schools all the way through tenth grade. After a divorce, I didn't feel welcome in the Catholic Church any longer and there was a period of many years where I did not attend anywhere. Realizing that something was missing, I visited many different

churches in Tulsa, but once I attended Saint John's I knew that I had found a new church home.

Q: When did you retire and what keeps you busy? A: I retired in 2009 from the practice of tax accounting in a large corporation. Prior to that position, I was a CPA and tax manager with Arthur Andersen & Company (AA&Co.). In 2009 I entered the Iron Butt Rally, which is an eleven-day motorcycle competition where you ride all over the United States and Canada covering approximately 11,000 miles. An avid motorcycle rider, I've ridden through forty-nine states and all of Canada.

Q: Where did you grow up and what are some of the places you have lived? A: I have called Tulsa home since 1967 but consider myself a native of upstate New York. My family moved quite a few times, so I have lived in Rochester, NY, Ypsilanti, Michigan, Des Moines, Iowa, Cleveland, Ohio, and Binghamton, NY. I moved to Tulsa to attend the University of Tulsa. Graduating in January 1969, I had started working at AA&Co. when the draft board found out I was no longer in school. So I enlisted in the Army and became an officer before going to Vietnam. After Vietnam, I returned to Tulsa in 1971 and resumed my career at AA&Co.

Q: Tell us about being an usher. A: I have been an usher or usher captain almost as long as I have attended Saint John's and have always enjoyed it. I love being able to greet people as they enter the church and always try to make sure that they feel welcome. By the way, we can always use new ushers and if someone is interested, please see me or any of the ushers and we will fill you in!

Q: In what other ways have you been involved in church activities? A: For several years I belonged to a Bible study group that met about once a month. Back when Bishop Cox was at Saint John's, he encouraged me to attend a Cursillo Weekend at St. Crispin's. That experience turned out to be one of the best weekends of my life. I will always cherish how that time brought me closer to God. Sometime after my Cursillo weekend I got more involved in the Cursillo movement and became a member of the secretariat (where I have served several years) and then as treasurer.

Q: Do you have a favorite season in the life of the church? A: I would have to say around Christmas time. Saint John's is beautifully decorated, the services and the singing are special, and the attendance is up. Plus, there are a lot of new faces in the pews.





Communication Corner

Sunday Refreshments and Nibbles: Adopt a Sunday

With a modest budget and facilitated by volunteers, we have resumed offering light breakfast treats on Sunday mornings before and after worship services. Ministries and groups are stepping up to make this happen and we thank them. If your guild or group would like to sign up for a Sunday to deliver treats, contact Kathleen Moss at (918) 633-8881.

Register Your Ministry for a Rally Day Booth

There are only two weeks left! If you have not registered your group for a Rally Day table, or haven't started planning your booth theme yet...it's time! Contact Mary Waller in the office for your table. Set up for all booths will be on September 11 from 3-5 p.m.

We Need Welcome Booth Volunteers

Help us welcome visitors and parish friends by volunteering at the Welcome Booth. Contact Diana Carter in the office if you can help.

Celebrate with Flowers

If you have a special birthday, anniversary or occasion to celebrate, consider a gift to the Flower Fund to share your joy. Contact Diana Carter in the office to arrange a day and obtain giving details.



**WE LOVE TO SEE
YOUR SMILE...BUT
SOMETIMES IT IS
SMART TO WEAR
A MASK!**

**AS TULSA COUNTY IS REPORTING
AN INCREASE IN NEW COVID-19
CASES, WE ENCOURAGE ALL OUR
PARISHIONERS TO FOLLOW THE
FOLLOWING GUIDELINES -**

- IF YOU ARE NOT VACCINATED, WEAR A MASK AT ALL TIMES WHILE IN OUR CHURCH BUILDING
- IF YOU ARE VACCINATED, THIS IS A GOOD TIME TO CONSIDER IF WEARING A MASK IN THE CHURCH ONCE MORE IS AN ADDED PRECAUTION YOU'D BENEFIT FROM
- IF YOU ARE NOT VACCINATED, PLEASE DISCUSS IT WITH YOUR PHYSICIAN AND CONSIDER THIS OPTION NOW
- IF YOUR CHILD IS SICK, DO NOT BRING THEM TO THE NURSERY
- PLEASE SUPPORT AND BE COURTEOUS TO THOSE WHO MAKE THE CHOICE TO WEAR A MASK
- PLEASE PLACE SOCIAL DISTANCE BETWEEN YOURSELF AND NON-HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS WHILE AT CHURCH.

**THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR
HELPING US CARE FOR ALL
OUR SAINT JOHN'S FAMILY
AND FRIENDS. LET'S HELP
KNOCK THIS VIRUS DOWN
IN TULSA!**

*Blessing
of our
Pets*

*Oct. 10
2 p.m.*

All Welcome.
Tell Your
Friends!



Sunday, Oct. 3, 5:30 p.m.

Blue Sunday Evensong

*Remembering Saint Michael and All Angels
Honoring police officers, firefighters and first-responders*



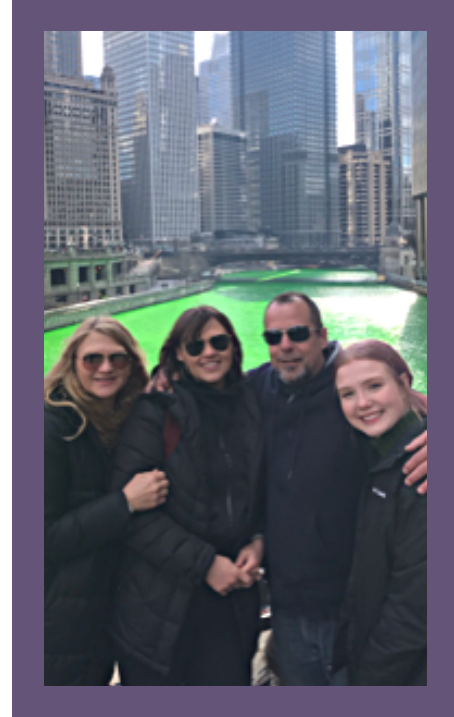
Getting to Know...Our Altar Guild

This month we catch up with Janice Cline, long-time Saint John's Church member and Altar Guild directress. She joined the Guild in 2013 and became the directress in 2017. She has been a faithful and cheerful leader and servant in this capacity. Janice describes the reward she gains from the role in this way: "For me there's no better feeling than being involved in helping our clergy with all our traditions and sacraments."

Married to Jay (a member and usher), they have operated a delicatessen and catering business, The Palate, for twenty-five years together. The Clines have two daughters who grew up in our parish community. Mariel is twenty-six years of age and is currently living and working in Chicago but will soon be moving to the Phoenix area. Olivia, age twenty, is currently a junior at the University of Oklahoma.

A few fun things you may not know about Janice are that she has extended family at Saint John's: her mother-in-law Dianne Schroedter, and the Schroedter family: Tom, Peggy, Paul, and Haley. Janice also shared that she has a convenient way to recycle the aging "greens" from their commercial kitchen. "Our next-door neighbors have two large pigs that we feed daily with lettuce scraps from work," she explained. "I enjoy taking care of them when the neighbors are away!"

The three words Janice uses to describe Saint John's Church are "peaceful, family, and home." When asked if she had a place in the building that was particularly special to her, Janice shared, "My favorite spot at church is of course the altar, and to be in the sanctuary among the cross, candles and beautiful stained glass."



Birthdays

Alex A	Dean L
Blu L	Al D
Marc M	Amanda D
Elizabeth C	Elliott M
Marian G	Barbara B
LeaAnn L	Trudy V
Noah B	Richard D
Peter G	Dale T
Kathy H	Iona H
Susie B	Bridget J
Ivan C	Steve D
Karen A	Jeff B
Cooper S	Angela S
John B	Scott R
Mari M	Lisa S
Michael O	Betty B
Harper T	Judy H
John B	Aubrey J
Claire C	Carolyn N
Rachel E	Jim P
Marilyn B	
Michael C	
Brad B	
Judy C	
Shannon J	
Hossein K	
Gretchen M	
Chelley W	
Rhonda B	
John G	
Charlie N	
Tim V	
Tony B	


Passings

May the souls of those who passed away recently be at peace, including our sisters in Christ, Margaret Beesley, Barbara DeKraai, and Betty Miller.

Join us any Monday through Friday for

The Daily Office

8:30 a.m. or 5:30 p.m. All welcome. Come as you are.



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