



The Weekly Compass

St. John's Episcopal Church and Parish Day School

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

JANUARY 19, 2025

Worship at St. John's Today

8:00 a.m. The Holy Eucharist (Rite I) in the Parish Hall

9:30 a.m. The Holy Eucharist (Rite II) in the Parish Hall.

Children's Chapel will take place in the Chapel during the 9:30 a.m. service

Sunday School for children takes place after the 9:30 a.m. service (except the fourth Sunday), as does Coffee Hour fellowship for adults

Service Notes

Our regular Sunday services are the Holy Eucharist, Rite I, at 8:00 a.m. and the Holy Eucharist, Rite II, at 9:30 a.m. The 9:30 a.m. is streamed live [on Facebook](#), [on our website](#) and [on YouTube](#).

Sunday Sermons

Available [on our YouTube channel](#) and from the link in our bio [on Instagram](#).

Worship and Formation During the Week

The Holy Eucharist

The Holy Eucharist is celebrated in the Chapel at 12:15 p.m. on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Thursdays include Healing Prayers.

Adult Faith Formation

Women's Mid Morning Bible Study: 10:00 a.m. on Tuesdays

This group meets on alternate Tuesdays in the Lowry Room during the school year. Contact Pat Wilson at patwilson68@tampabay.rr.com.

Contemporary Women's Bible Study: 6:00 p.m. on Tuesdays

CWBS holds a weekly study on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. on Zoom. Contact Sally Thompson at tampasal@gmail.com to get the link.

Wednesday Afternoon Adult Formation: 3:30 p.m.

The group meets on Wednesdays on Zoom. Contact the Parish Office at parish@stjohnstampa.org for more information and the link.

Men's Interactive Bible Study and Lunch: 11:45 a.m. on Thursdays

The group meets in the Lowry Room to discuss readings for the upcoming Sunday. Questions? Contact Lanny Russell at dlnrcrtpa@verizon.net.

Youth and Children's Ministries

EYC meets on Sunday afternoons during the school year. The nursery is open at services year-round. Sunday School for children takes place following the 9:30 a.m. service (except the fourth Sunday) during the school year. Contact Youth Minister Ayana Grady at agradyl@stjohnstampa.org!

Pastoral Care

Parish Office: 813.259.1570

Pastoral Emergencies:
813.726.3108

Fr. Chris: 917.822.9741

Deacon Lopez: 813.493.8337

Fr. Dale: 607.481.4702

Deacon Tania: 443.742.7542

Fr. Goodheart: 321.446.4934

Giving to St. John's

There are many ways to make a one-time or recurring gift to our parish. Visit stjohnstampa.org/stewardship to give online. You can give safely by text. In the "To" field of the text message, type **73256**. Then in the message, type **SJE**. You will immediately receive a text back with a link to complete payment. Or use the QR code!



Stay in Touch with St. John's!

Want to receive our e-newsletter, the *Weekly Wednesday Scroll*? Contact us at llowry@stjohnstampa.org. You can also stay in touch on [our Facebook page](#) or [Instagram](#) and subscribe to [our YouTube channel](#), all @stjohnstampa!

Compass Points

Annual Meeting of the Parish

Our annual Parish Meeting will take place on Sunday, February 2, following the 9:30 a.m. service. You have received an email with the Vestry candidates, who will be voted on that morning, as well as today and Sunday, January 26 and during regular Parish Office hours (9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday). Candidate photos and bios are also available in the Parish Office. There will also be reports from our ministries, clergy, finances, and programs.

Parish Office Closure Tomorrow

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 20, in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. We will reopen for regular business hours from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 21.

New to St. John's? Join us to Learn More!

If you've recently joined St. John's Tampa (within the last year), we warmly invite you to our Newcomers' Gathering in the Lowry Room after 9:30 a.m. services starting on Sunday, February 9, 2025. This is a wonderful chance to meet fellow newcomers, get to know some of our long-standing parishioners, and explore the many ministries available to you here at St. John's. This is a series of four informal, small-group classes designed to introduce you to our community, friendly and relaxed gatherings with coffee, donuts, and plenty of conversation. Childcare will be provided if needed.

The St. John's Book Club

The St. John's Book Club meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 3:00 p.m. in the Lowry Room. The next meeting is on Tuesday, January 21. Ronnie Goodheart will lead the discussion of Delia Ephron's *Left on Tenth*, and all women of the parish and their guests are welcome. If you have questions, please contact Chris McAdams at chris.mcadams@gmail.com.

The Daughters of the King Lenten Quiet Day

The Daughters of the King will host its Lenten Quiet Day on March 1 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at St. Mark's Episcopal Church. It will include Morning Prayer, time for reflection, and Eucharist. Our speaker will be Maisie Reddy. The theme for this year is *Servant Leadership*. All women of the parish are invited to RSVP to Marci Thomas (marcithomas2018@gmail.com) or call the Parish Office and let Jan DePinto know you would like to attend.

Flower and Candle Dedications

Flowers and the candle adorning the Altar and the flowers at the Church Altar are financially supported by individuals and families. If you would like to honor a memorial or give a gift in thanksgiving, please contact jdepinto@stjohnstampa.org or call 813.259.1570. Suggested donations: Church Altar Flowers—\$50; Chapel Altar Flowers —\$35. Chapel Altar Flower donations are needed for January 26.

Thanksgiving for the Birth of a Child

The birth of a child is a joyous occasion and it is fitting for the newborn to be brought into the Church by his or her parents to offer up prayers and thanksgivings to Almighty God. The Book of Common Prayer provides a brief service of thanksgiving for this specific occasion on pg. 439. The Clergy of St. John's therefore invite all parents of newborns to schedule a time for this brief and beautiful service. Contact them at parish@stjohnstampa.org or call 813.259.1570.

Hospital Visits: Please Inform Us

BCP p. 453 states: *in case of illness, the Minister(s) of the Congregation are to be notified.* However, due to HIPPA privacy laws, hospitals and healthcare professionals are not permitted to tell clergy if parishioners are in the hospital. Please make sure to let us know if you or a loved one is hospitalized or going to have surgery by telling a member of the clergy, or by calling 259.1570 or emailing the Parish Office at parish@stjohnstampa.org.

Prayer Requests

Your prayers are bid today and throughout the week for:

All bishops and other ministers: Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Douglas, our Bishop; and the clergy and staff of our parish.

Those who govern: Joseph, our President; Ronald, our Governor; and Jane, our Mayor;

The sick and others for whom our prayers have been especially requested:

Maureen and Ken Johnston; Jackie Faircloth and family; Jeff LeVines; Pam, Shailee, and Courtney; Anna, her family and her medical team; Jayce Hicks; Richard; Michael Wood; Tor, Collin, Lee, David, Sam, Absley, Karin, Jim B., Katy, Tom, Sue J., Jim H., Mike M., Patrick D., McKenzie N., Hillary M., Marjorie, Nancy M., Peggy C., Ron, Yvonne S., David and Suzanne, Carey, Lane, Donna L., Brad, Elizabeth, Scott, and all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

The departed: Kitty Daniels, The Rev. John R. Peterson, Gwen Roberts, Violet Lorraine Van Wormer

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon them. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Our Companion Diocese in the Dominican Republic

Our Parish Day School

Our Pastoral Care Team

Those celebrating the anniversary of their birth:

January 19, Karen Rabbitt, Jeff Hunt, Parker Milling, Ralph Sevelius, Jr., Ashley Reese

January 20, Ellis Weekley, Jenny Spencer, James Harrington, Alexandra Gerber, Carli Gargagliano

January 21, Laura Cruse, Marla Fariior, Brenna Garber, Isla Masella

January 22, James Graff, Doug Arthur, Kelly Holbrook

January 23, Jim Martin, Thomas Gardner, Carla Cole, Trace Linder, III

January 24, Dylan Crain, Ron Hulse, Jr., Richard Eatman, Jr., David Stillie, Andrew Galavis, Jr., Amy Ross, Maggie-Jane Wood, Jackson Yarnell

January 25, Laurie Lackman, David Wheaton, Calvin Hayes

The members of our armed forces deployed abroad and their families, especially Rich, Mike, Jake, Matthew, and Rusty.

The people and peace in Ukraine and the Holy Land.

Healthcare workers, first responders, and all others whose work puts them in danger. We give thanks for their many sacrifices for the common good. Protect them from injury and illness; renew their wisdom, compassion, and strength.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Diocese of Southwest Florida — The Rt. Rev. Douglas F. Scharf; Companion Diocese of the Dominican Republic; Companion Diocese of Georgia; Companion Diocese of South Carolina; Companion Diocese of Western Louisiana; St. Giles', Pinellas Park; St. Matthew's, St. Petersburg; St. Peter's Cathedral, St. Petersburg; St. Thomas', St. Petersburg, and St. Vincent's, St. Petersburg.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church in the Province of the West Indies

ASSISTING IN THE SERVICES

ALTAR GUILD: Pat Wilson, Ielia Clewis, Heddy Brown, Sally Olsson, Ruth Pasquarello, Marci Thomas, Ruby McCowan

LINENS: Pat Rice, Chris McAdams

ACOLYTES: 8:00 Michael Eachon; 9:30 William Farnen, Witt Graff, Elizabeth Welch, Maggie Welch

LECTORS: 8:00 Betsy Wood; 9:30 Dallas Coffield, Laura Cruse, Steve Straske

CHALICE BEARERS: 9:30 Clergy

USHERS: 8:00 Oliver Roberts, Lockwood Gray; 9:30 Paul Carastro, David Adams, Bob Alter, Joe Andrews, John Jenkins, Rob Kelly

VERGER: Michael Eachon

FLOWER DEDICATIONS

The Flowers at the Church Altar are given to the Glory of God by David and Dottie Webster in thanksgiving for the birth of grandson Thomas Baldwin Murphy born July 31, 2024.

The Flowers at the Church Altar are given to the Glory of God by Jeffrey Hunt in memory of his father, Richard P. Hunt.

The Flowers at the Chapel Altar are given to the Glory of God by Susan Lang in memory of The Rev. Dr. Robert Baker, The Rev. Robert Elliott, The Ven. Dr. Kathleen Moore, and The Rev. Alice Sadler.

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