



The Weekly Compass

St. John's Episcopal Church and Parish Day School

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: SENIOR/YOUTH SUNDAY

MAY 12, 2024

Worship at St. John's Today

- 8:00 a.m. The Holy Eucharist, Rite I, in the Church
- 9:30 a.m. The Holy Eucharist (Rite II) and Confirmation, live on [Facebook](#), on [our website](#), and on [our YouTube channel](#), followed by a reception in the Parish Hall

Worship and Formation During the Week

The Holy Eucharist

The Holy Eucharist is celebrated in the Church at 12:15 p.m. on Wednesdays and at 10:00 a.m. on Thursdays with 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. Contact Pat Wilson at patwilson68@tampabay.rr.com to learn more.

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

CWBS holds a weekly study on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. by 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 by Zoom. Contact the Parish Office at parish@stjohnstampa.org for more information and the link.

Wednesday Nights at St. John's: 6:00 p.m. Dinner, 6:30 p.m. Formation

Our all-parish dinner starts at 6:00 p.m., then formation offerings for children, youth, and adults are at 6:30 p.m. **Paused for summer**

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 dlrncrtpa@verizon.net.

Youth and Children's Ministries

EYC meets on Sunday afternoons during the school year (**paused until fall**). The nursery is open at both services year-round. Sunday School for children takes place following the 9:30 a.m. service during the school year (**paused until fall**). Contact Youth Minister Ayana Grady at agrady@stjohnstampa.org to learn more!

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](#).

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

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 Lee Lowry at lloewry@stjohnstampa.org. And stay in touch on [our Facebook page](#) or [Instagram](#) and subscribe to [our YouTube channel](#) all @stjohnstampa!

Compass Points

Today Is Senior/Youth Sunday!

Youth/Senior Sunday is today, Sunday, May 12! Youth will take many of the roles in the service, and speeches by our graduating Seniors will take the place of the sermon. A reception hosted by parents of high school Juniors will follow the 9:30 a.m. service. Please *also support our Mission Youth with a donation after the services!*

Kairos: Prayers Needed

The prayers of our Parish are requested for the upcoming four-day men's weekend at Sumter Correctional Institution in Bushnell. John Jenkins and Bob Alter will be serving with other Christians from our mid-state region from May 16 through 19, staying overnight in hotels and then spending their days at the prison. All of the volunteers will strive, with God's help, to fulfill the Kairos theme to "Listen, Listen, Love, Love" and the Kairos mission as stated in the program manual: "to share the transforming love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ to impact the hearts and lives of incarcerated men, women, and youth, as well as their families, to become loving and productive citizens of their communities." Contact MC Jenkins with any questions!

Women's Mid Morning Bible Study Concludes for the Year this Week

This Tuesday, May 14, the Women's Mid Morning Bible Study will be led by Deacon Mary Alice Lopez. They will discuss Ruth, Chapter 4, Unit 10, pp. 75-81 in their study guide, *Interpretation Bible Studies, Esther and Ruth* by Patricia K. Tull. After the May 14 meeting, the group will take a break for the summer and will resume in the fall on Tuesday, September 10. For more information contact Pat Wilson at patwilson68@tampabay.rr.com or Sharon Stoll at harpwings@aol.com.

The St. John's Book Club

The St John's Book Club will meet Tuesday, May 21, at 4:00 p.m. in the Lowry Room. Chris McAdams will lead the discussion of Bonnie Garmus's *Lessons in Chemistry*. They will also discuss selections for the 2024-2025 meetings. Contact Chris at chris.mcadams@gmail.com with questions.

Annual St. Michael's Youth Conference: Sign Ups Open

The St. Michael's Conference will take place July 21 through July 27 and Fr. Wood invites all young people who are rising 9th grade through age 21 to join him! St. Mike's is a conference for young people that will help them engage with Episcopal traditions, have conversations about Jesus, and make friends from all over the US. Fr. Wood began attending St. Mike's when he was 13 years old and loves to share this experience with the young people of St. John's. Please contact the Parish Office for the link. Scholarships are available; contact Fr. Wood. Once you sign up, Fr. Wood will let you know what flight to book, and will chaperone the group to and from the conference.

VBS 2024: A Little Child Shall Lead Them

Registration for St John's 2024 Vacation Bible School, July 29 through August 2, is now open! This year's theme is *A Little Child Shall Lead Them*—a special week of VBS with Bible lessons focusing on St John's own stained glass window! VBS is for potty-trained 3 year olds through rising 4th graders, and the cost is \$40 per child for the week. We'll meet from 9:00 a.m. to noon in the Parish Hall Monday through Friday for games, crafts, and faith. Don't miss out the chance to grab your spot—sign up using the QR code!



Flower Dedications

Flowers and the candle adorning the Church Altar and the flowers at the Chapel 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 us at 813.259.1570. **Chapel Altar flowers and the Candle in the Sanctuary light are available May 26.**

Prayer Requests

Your prayers are bid today and throughout the week for:

All bishops and other ministers: Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Douglas, our Bishop; 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:

Jackie Faircloth and family; Jeff LeVines; Pam and Shailee; Anna, her family and her medical team; Nancy Watkins; Jayce Hicks; Rick LeVarge; Ken and Maureen; Richard; Mary; Nancy; Mary Padgett Bryan; Winkie Game; Michael Wood; Pat; Art and Constance Severn; William Janes, his family and medical team; Tor, Angie, Marjorie, John, Jerry, Lorenzo, Collin, Lee, David, Sam, Mike, Ab, Paul, Billy & Candy, Bill, Amelia, Tyler and all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

The Departed: Patricia Matthews

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 who celebrate the anniversary of their birth this week

May 9, Jeremiah Roper (sorry for the accidental omission)

May 12, Pierce White, Paul Shoukry, Malloy Lacktman

May 13, Skip Eckhard, Abigail Weekley

May 14, Beth Rugg, Greg Orcutt, Payne Riffey, Kevin Blewitt, Naomi Stracey

May 15, Andrew Rollins

May 16, Priscilla Grotheer, George Leach, Dorothy Levy, William Salzer, Jennifer Arizu, David Karpan, Jeff Mitchell

May 17, none

May 18, Savannah Walker, Laurel Riffey, Susanne Conaty, Sophia Swain

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

The people and for peace in the 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. Edmund's, Arcadia; Christ Church, Bradenton; St. George's, Bradenton; St. Mary Magdalene, Bradenton; Church of the Annunciation, Holmes Beach; All Angels by the Sea, Longboat Key; Holy Spirit, Osprey.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Burundi

ASSISTING IN THE SERVICES

ALTAR GUILD: Pat Rice, Nancy Watkins, Cece Lane, Janice Straske, Vera Farmen, Lisa Leal, Trish McKay, Laura Silva

LINENS: Yvonne Santiago

ACOLYTES: 8:00 Greg Gaar; 9:30 Will Jennewein, Declan Keller, William Farmen, Allison Decelles, Trenten Decelles

LECTORS: 8:00 Rich Hadlow; 9:30 Jackson Andrews, Will Jennewein, Roy McCraw

CHALICE BEARERS: 9:30 Pam Scruggs, Dallas Coffield

USHERS: 8:00 Kenneth Lane, Harry Hedges ; 9:30 Mike Barna, Doug Arthur, Stephen French, John Giordano, Stephen Leal, John McKay

VERGER: Greg Gaar

FLOWER & CANDLE DEDICATIONS

The Flowers at the Church Altar are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of William and Ruth Shrader.

The Flowers at the Church Altar are given to the Glory of God by Pat Wilson in honor of her granddaughter, Addison Bailey Kriz.

The Flowers at the Chapel Altar are given to the Glory of God by Susan Lang in loving memory of Mary Alma Long.

The Candle in the Sanctuary Light is given to the Glory of God in thanksgiving for all blessings, seen and unseen.

Image: Sanctuary ceiling, Assumption of the Theotokos Greek Orthodox Cathedral of Denver

