



# *St. John's Messenger*

**March, 2018**

*from The Rev. Dr. Barbara J. Seras, Associate*

## *A Holy Mishmash*

These days I have an overflow of thoughts and feelings running through my head and heart. I knew this time was coming: Father John's leave-taking. Now it is here. And the experience of it is, as always, something different than what I might have imagined. Perhaps you have the same experience.

For me, these are mishmash days. Not that I am confused or overwhelmed. I feel steady and focused. And I attribute that in large part to what I have learned and experienced here: the great gift that is this Saint John's Community. I have seen it time and again in the little moments - like working together in the kitchen at a potluck or coffee hour or to the big experiences of folks praying and gathering around Danielle and Hal and Joe and their families following the recent auto accident. It is something special...it is truly the Love of God in action. And thank God all three are on the mend to full recovery.

Joe and Hal and Danielle were in route to the Happening weekend at Camp Mount Luther. Many of our St. John's youth and young adults take a leadership role in this entirely youth-led event. (This year Brooks Morgan was the rector and next year Tierza Mendez assumes that role.) It was a good weekend. It was a weekend of mixed emotions: the natural exuberance of a well-planned youth event mixed with the unfolding news of the accident. It was a weekend of concern and prayer mixed with laughter and song. You would have been very proud of our kids.

And I think that is part of the mishmash of thoughts and feelings: the ups and downs, the happy and sad, the expected and the unforeseen. And while that is part of life generally, it seems particularly evident in the time of transition. Yet as I begin to walk through this path, the mishmash has become more of a medley or patchwork, as I hear the thoughtful discussions and decisions of the Vestry and as I watch the incredible ministry and worship of this community continue and grow.

And as I listen, two words seem to surface. It may not always be the exact word spoken, yet it seems to be the sentiment expressed: time and change.

Change. Some years ago now, I was sitting in my living room with my Vestry. We were having a mini retreat at the rectory. And we were deeply engaged in an investigation into our reaction to change. I was the newly called rector and we all agreed that in terms of age, hair color, personality, height, and gender, there was not much similarity with the previous rector. It was a big change. And we agreed that most folks really don't like change, especially change in our deepest relationships and settled routines. But we came to recognize change happens. Change happens every minute of our day to our bodies, our environment, our community, our world. It is a fundamental of life and all living things. Change happens. And what we set out to do was help each other navigate the change together. We committed to acknowledge the change, embrace the change, manage the change. And that takes time.

## THE REV. DR. BARBARA J. SERAS (CONTINUED)

Time. I read once that: "Faith in God includes faith in God's timing." That thought aligns with my belief in the Christian teaching (in my words now) that "there is time and there is time." That is, there is God's time *óKairos* ( ) and there is our human time *óchronos* ( ). While the *chronos* refers to chronological or sequential time, *kairos* implies a proper or opportune time for action. *Chronos* is our human clock-calendar-based time and *kairos* is what I learned to call "God Time." And God Time is the perfect time for something to happen. As you might guess, these two timelines don't always align. And when that happens it may feel like "we are spinning our wheels"—not getting as much done as we ought. But sometimes when we are delayed or have a resting period we find in retrospect the time was well spent and we have moved far along.

Change and Time. Father John and Cindy are entering the next amazing time of their lives. For them and for all at St. John's, it is no small statement to say we are embarking into an incredible time of great change with amazing discoveries and new opportunities ahead.

Yes. Things will change in time! God's time I trust.

P.S. Thank you John+. I will miss you.

*Barbara+*

## SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Search Committee continues to meet monthly to plan and refine the best ways to accurately gather information to determine the kind of person and the skill set that they might possess in order to move St. John's forward in a positive manner. Simultaneously, we are looking at the way that St. John's presents itself through our website to potential candidates.

Our efforts to gather information will be taking a three-pronged approach. The first step is the Appreciative Inquiry (AI) process. This two-hour meeting involves the adults and older teens in considering what is good about our church so we are sure to include those aspects in a description that the Search Committee writes to attract potential candidates called a Parish Profile. This time might also bring out some areas that we would like to see changed or improved. All of this is important information. AI is planned as a special Sunday, March 18th. On this Sunday, we will worship as one congregation at 9:00 am. This will be followed by the AI experience in the auditorium from 10:30 am - 12:30 pm. During this two-hour period, we will be discussing our answers to the four questions below in table groups, and gathering that data to help us form our parish profile.

Here are the four questions:

1. Remember a moment that was a high point for you at St. John's, when you felt that our church was doing God's work and fulfilling its mission. What was happening?
2. Name three things that you value most about our congregation.
3. Look back over your entire life. Recall a time when you most appreciated the ministry of a priest. What was happening? What did you appreciate?
4. What will be our congregation's three most exciting, energizing, and important accomplishments to you over the next three years?

In April, our second prong of the Search Committee will take place in smaller groups called Focus Groups. The Focus Groups will be small gatherings at church or in people's homes. Each Focus Group will engage in conversation around a particular topic, such as Music or Youth ministries. You are invited to attend any and all that are of particular interest for you. Here, the Search Committee will be refining our understanding about each of these ministries. We will explore what is good about each focus area, and what we would like to see changed. We will also explore what we see as the priest's role in that ministry. These Focus Groups will be printed in both the April Messenger as well as the March and April bulletins.

In May, we will gather for a Parish Mini-meeting between services to report what the Search Committee has learned from the Appreciative Inquiry and the Focus Groups. We will also be launching a survey. This survey will be in both print and online versions. This survey is critical, as we will be ranking what is most important to each of us in a priest. We will also be answering questions that came up in Focus Groups. Information from this survey will directly correlate to our writing of the Parish Profile in statements such as, "83% of our parish favors....". It is crucial that we get everyone's participation in this survey, so this accurately reflects who we are as a parish.

## SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE (CONTINUED)

Moving forward, it will not be a quick process. From there, the Search Committee will need time to write the Parish Profile. The profile will be posted online for several weeks. During that time, potential candidates will submit letters of interest. The candidates will be vetted by the diocese, and we will begin to narrow our search.

Initial interviews and then second interviews will take place. A recommendation will be made to the Vestry. Vestry will make a decision, and then we will call our next rector. If the priest accepts the call, they may need time to arrange housing, a job for a spouse, and an exit strategy from their current parish. All this takes months, and it would be unrealistic to expect a new priest in less than a year. From our conversation with Dan Morrow, the Canon for Congregational Life and Mission, we understand that a search process regularly takes 12-18 months. We want to take our time and get this right.

If you should have any concerns or questions about this process, please reach out to one of the Search Committee members:

Debbie Carter  
Joel Cliff  
Fran Gouveia  
Betsy Hasircoglu  
Sue Heilman  
Ruth McFarland  
Glenn Miller  
Leslie Morgan  
Alice Ogwang  
Bruce Waskowicz  
Joe Way  
Andy Welaish  
Jeannie Zeller

*Together* we make a  
*Family*

# Saint John's Transfiguration Weekend

*A Lenten offering of Reflection ~ Learning ~ Prayer*



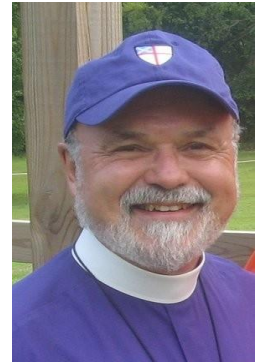
**Theme:** *Stepping Ahead . . .*

**Where is God calling us in ministry and parish life?**

**Friday, March 2 — Sunday, March 4, 2018**

Welcoming the Rt. Reverend Robert W. Ihloff  
Retired Bishop of Maryland

Bishop Ihloff (who likes to be called Bob) is in a transition himself; he is coming out of retirement to be the Assisting Bishop of Virginia, a ministry he will begin the day after St. John's weekend. He came out of retirement three years ago to become the Interim of Baltimore's largest parish, Church of the Redeemer. Throughout his ministry, he has led conferences, quiet days and retreats. He lives with his wife Nancy in Baltimore. They have two married children and six grandchildren and have two very spoiled cats. A lover of opera, art, and an avid reader, Bob has for his whole life loved gardening; now in a high rise downtown that gardening is confined to pots on the deck and house plants but not long ago he had over 200 varieties of bush roses under cultivation.



**\* The Weekend Agenda \***

## **Friday March 2**

5:30 to 6:00 p.m.—Registration

6:00 to 7:00 p.m.—Simple Supper (bring a salad topping)

7:00 to 8:00—First Session/Small Groups with Bishop Bob

8:00—Labyrinth Compline with time to walk the Labyrinth

## **Saturday March 3 — 8:30 am to 12:30 pm**

8:30 to 9:00 a.m.—Registration and Hospitality

9:00 to 9:30—Centering Prayer for experienced & beginners alike

10:00 to 11:00—Interactive Session with Bishop Bob (w/ break)

11:00 to Noon—Closing Session with Bishop Bob (w/ break)

Noon Prayer and Dismissal

**Sunday March 4 Holy Eucharist 8 & 10:15—Bishop Bob, Preacher**



# GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP CHALLENGES

*I Am, We Are.....One World - Here, There, Everywhere*

**MARCH 2018**

öEvery day, think as you wake up, today I am fortunate to be alive,  
I have a precious human life, I am not going to waste it.  
I am going to use all my energies to develop myself, to expand my heart out to others,  
to achieve enlightenment for the benefit of all beings.  
I am going to have kind thoughts toward others.  
I am going to benefit others as much as I can.ö  
*The Dalai Lama*

## **Global Partnership Challenge for March 4th**

öMeditation is not to *think* about God,  
But to *be* with God.ö

## **Global Partnership Challenge for March 11th**

How would you answer Mother Teresa's questions:  
öDo you know your neighbors? Do you know the poor of your neighborhood?ö  
Ask yourself: How can I help? The smallest steps will count!  
Here, There, Everywhere!

## **Global Partnership Challenge for March 18th**

öLet us strive, then, to enter into God's rest.ö Hebrews 4:11  
If among your Lenten resolutions there was not one about slowing down,  
begin now to take more time for yourself.  
Find more time to pray, to hold silence, time to spend with family or friends.  
Choose now how to budget your bank account of time.

## **Global Partnership Challenge for March 25th**

öThe world is round so that friendship may encircle it.ö *Pierre Teilhard de Chardin*  
Shake a hand, deliver a smile, say öthanks,ö do whatever you can  
that may seem like a ösmallö step but could be huge to someone else.  
The world is SO in need of expressions of caring and love.  
Be a messenger.



# EASTER FLOWER DEDICATIONS



**THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING DEDICATIONS IS: MARCH 18**

We will be compiling our Easter Flower Dedication list for the bulletins from the following form. Please complete and return this form to the church office via the offering plate or the U.S. mail, along with your donation check made payable to: **ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH** and note **EASTER FLOWERS**. Thank you for your contribution, and if you have any questions, please call our church office.

**IN MEMORY OF:** \_\_\_\_\_

**IN THANKSGIVING FOR:** \_\_\_\_\_

**GIVEN BY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DONATION AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

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## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE

**March 25 - Palm Sunday**

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I with Blessed Palms
- 10:15 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist Rite II with Procession

**March 29 - Maundy Thursday**

- 7:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Foot Washing, and Stripping of the Altar
- 8:45 p.m. Vigil until after the 12:00 p.m. Good Friday Service

**March 30 - Good Friday**

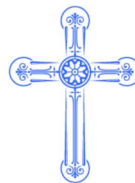
- 7:30 a.m. Youth Good Friday Liturgy with Communion
- 12:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross with Communion
- 7:30 p.m. Choral Good Friday Liturgy with Communion

**March 31 - Great Vigil of Easter Eve**

- 7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil with Renewal of Baptismal Vows (*with Incense*)

**April 1 - Easter Day**

- 7:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
- 8:30 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist Rite II with Renewal of Baptismal Vows
- 9:30 a.m. Parish Breakfast
- 10:30 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt (*for Toddlers through 3rd grade*)
- 11:00 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist Rite II with Baptism



**ALL PARISH  
EASTER  
BREAKFAST  
AT 9:30 AM  
IN THE  
PARISH HALL  
ALL ARE  
WELCOME!**

# SERVING SCHEDULE – MARCH, 2018

## FOR ALL THOSE SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S: PLEASE NOTE!

If you are unable to fulfill your serving duties, **it will be your responsibility to find a replacement.** Once you have located a replacement, please be sure to call the Church Office with your name, the name of your replacement, and the date you were scheduled to serve. If you reach our voice mail system, **simply dial "0"** to leave your message. If you call the Church Office after working hours, your call will still be received by a staff member prior to the Sunday service.

MARCH 4	8:00 a.m.	10:15 a.m.
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Sue Purdy	David Dissinger, Brooks Morgan
<b>Eucharistic Visitor</b>	--	Sibyl Seachrist
<b>Lector</b>	Bob Lee	Fran Gouveia, Bob Kilp
<b>Server</b>	--	Rob Williams
<b>Crucifer</b>	--	Glenn Miller
<b>Torch Bearer</b>	--	Helena & Evelyn Carroll
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Team 1	Team 1
<b>Steeple Bell Ringer</b>	--	Lorraine Nolan
<b>Verger</b>	--	Ben Creighton
<b>Ushers</b>	8:00 a.m.	Team A
<b>Greeter</b>	--	Brad Zuke
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Voyagers & Sunday School Teachers	Voyagers & Sunday School Teachers
<b>Nursery</b>	--	Leslie Morgan

MARCH 11	8:00 a.m.	10:15 a.m.
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Tom Bond	Brad Moyer, Sibyl Seachrist
<b>Eucharistic Visitor</b>		
<b>Lector</b>	Nicole Pham	Jane Lee, Paula Wolf
<b>Server</b>	--	Ian Thompson
<b>Crucifer</b>	--	Dave Pennell
<b>Torch Bearer</b>	--	Claire & Sophie Thompson
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Team 2	Team 2
<b>Steeple Bell Ringer</b>	--	Danielle Di Pace
<b>Verger</b>	--	Ben Creighton
<b>Ushers</b>	8:00 a.m.	Team B
<b>Greeter</b>	--	Dave Martin
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Vestry	Vestry
<b>Nursery</b>	--	Tracy Cliff



**PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE ONLY  
ONE (1) SERVICE ON THIS SUNDAY:**

<b>MARCH 18</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Peter Novosel, Michael Stank
<b>Lector</b>	Danielle Di Pace, Charlotte Weaver-Gelzer
<b>Server</b>	Rob Williams
<b>Crucifer</b>	Bob Kilp
<b>Torch Bearer</b>	Nicholas Di Pace, Greyson Way
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Team 3
<b>Steeple Bell Ringer</b>	Lorraine Nolan
<b>Verger</b>	Kathy Kyper
<b>Ushers</b>	8:00 a.m. & Team C
<b>Greeter</b>	Brad Zuke
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Community Breakfast
<b>Nursery</b>	Katie Mausolf

***THE MINISTERS' SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK  
WILL BE PUBLISHED AT A LATER DATE VIA E-MAIL.***

# VESTRY RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were passed by the Vestry on February 19, 2018:

1. Secretary to the Vestry ó Resolved, that the vestry of St. John's Episcopal Church elects Bob Kilp to serve a one-year term as Secretary to the Vestry.  
Treasurer ó Resolved, that the Vestry of St. John's Episcopal Church elects Rob Ashton to serve a one-year term as Treasurer.  
*This came from Executive Committee and doesn't need a second. Both the Secretary and the Treasurer affirmed their commitments to serve another year.*
2. 2018 Mission Imperatives ó Resolved, that the Vestry adopts for 2018 the following Mission Imperatives:  
Primary Imperatives
  - + Complete the Courtyard and Atrium building program.
  - + Call an Interim Rector.
  - + Initiate the search process for a new Rector.
  - + Launch Phase II of the Capital Campaign.Program Imperatives
  - + Improve website, social media, web streaming.
  - + Offer more adult gatherings.
  - + Explore partnering with a sister church in the city.
  - + Develop a plan for internal and external signage.
  - + Develop a plan and corresponding policies for the use of the Auditorium and Atrium.*Jeannie Zeller called the question. The motion carried.*
3. Staff Holidays ó Resolved, that the vestry of St. John's Church amends the Staff Holiday section of the Personnel Policy by deleting Martin Luther King Day as a designated holiday, and by adding the Friday after Thanksgiving as a designated holiday, and by adding Good Friday and Christmas Eve days as half days off. *This comes out of Executive Committee. Sue Heilman called the question. The motion carried.*
4. Seras Letter of Agreement ó The Terms and Conditions of the existing Letter of Agreement, dated July 2015, between The Reverend John Morris, Rector and the Reverend Barbara J. Seras, called to assist the Rector at St. John's Episcopal Church, Lancaster, are hereby reaffirmed with the following amendments, which reflect adjustments to compensation, duties, position title, and benefits, to take effect on March 1, 2018:
  1. The annual Cash Compensation including housing is \$91,917.00, paid semi-monthly on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> and the last day of each month, in the amount of \$3,829.87 per pay period.
  2. Mileage will be reimbursed in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code.
  3. The position title is changed to from Assistant to Associate.
  4. The Reverend Ms. Seras, no longer employed with Province III of the Episcopal Church, has assumed full-time ministry at St. John's Church.
  5. The Vestry agrees to pay the Associate up to two months' severance of compensation and health benefits as needed if Associate is terminated without cause.

As of March 1, 2018, The Reverend Barbara J. Seras assumes the responsibility for the liturgical and pastoral life of St. John's Parish.

*This resolution comes from Executive Committee. Sue Heilman called the question. The motion carried.*

## SENIOR WARDEN

### *Where Do We Begin?*

On January 27<sup>th</sup>, the Vestry of St. John's parish elected me to the position of Senior Warden. To some of the members, it was a natural progression, as I had served as Junior Warden the previous year. It does seem to make sense since I had a great mentor in Jenn Hreben, the retiring Senior Warden. After a few days I became a bit more confident, realizing that I followed in the footsteps of some pretty awesome people. And the added benefit was that I was part of an awesome group of twelve people who make up the Vestry. They are wonderfully committed and faith-filled representatives of the parish. With them by your side, nothing is insurmountable.

So, where do we begin? The Vestry started immediately identifying our *Primary Mission Imperatives* and other priorities. The four most important of the imperatives are: 1) completing the building program=2) calling an interim rector=3) initiating the process for calling a new rector=and 4) launching phase 2 of our Capital Campaign.

The Vestry has been interviewing candidates for interim rector. A selection is coming in the very near future. A search committee was selected last year and has been working with Fr. Dan Morrow of the diocesan staff in developing a process for seeking a new rector. Four Vestry members served on this search committee. Their first task is beginning on March 18, inviting parishioners to give their input into the qualities we seek in a new rector, etc.

The Vestry intends to make a decision about the second phase of our Capital Campaign, which will finance the completion of our building project and retire our debt. We will be working closely with the Finance Committee in choosing the professionals we need to accomplish this important goal.

There are also what are called our *Program Mission Imperatives*. There are five goals: 1) improve our website, social media endeavors, web streaming our worship services=2) offer more adult formational gatherings=3) explore partnering with a sister church in the city=4) develop a plan for internal and external signage=and 5) develop policies for use of our new Atrium and our newly accessible auditorium. All the above seems like a serious challenge. I firmly believe that our current Vestry is more than qualified and deeply committed to achieving most of the imperatives.

I joined St. John's parish back in 2013. I have been very involved in the area of worship since I joined. I was asked in 2015 to complete the term of a Vestry member and was elected that November to a full term. My first question was what qualifications I bring to this service to the parish. The answer I came to was my passion about my faith in God and the parish community of which I am a part. I firmly believe those are the qualifications I share with the members of the Vestry. Where do we begin? We begin with faith and let the Holy Spirit see us through. Pray for the Vestry as we will be praying for you!

Submitted by,

*Tom Bond*  
Senior Warden

## PARISH INFORMATION

### *Transferred In*

Nicole Pham

### *Deaths*

C. Richard Farmer  
December 17, 1918 - February 7, 2018

Joan F. Lahr  
March 8, 1933 - February 16, 2018

## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

### *Honoring Our Past... Welcoming Our Future: Capital Campaign Update*

Here's a quick update (as of February 21, 2018) on the financial support for our building renovations, which began in mid-June:

	<b>Amount Received</b>
Received toward total 114 pledges of \$781,553	\$ 673,494
Non-pledged (one-time or above pledged amt.)	57,621
Bequests	155,000
<b>Total received</b>	<b>\$ 886,115</b>

**Total anticipated (pledges + other giving): \$ 994,174**

Thanks to everyone for your generous support of our goal of "making the doors a little wider and the invitation a little warmer"!

The capital campaign fulfillment period runs through 2018. However, if you are able to join the 54 families who have already completed their pledges, that will reduce the amount that we need to borrow from the bank during construction. (And that, of course, will reduce the interest we have to pay.)

If you have a question about your pledge, please contact Gina Keiser, our Financial Secretary, at: [gina@stjohns-lancaster.org](mailto:gina@stjohns-lancaster.org) or 717-299-1188 on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

-- Submitted by Debbie Carter



# **An Outline of the Faith, or Catechism**

*the Book of Common Prayer—Page 860*

## ***Q. What is Confirmation?***

*A. Confirmation is the rite in which we express a mature commitment to Christ, and receive strength from the Holy Spirit through prayer and the laying on of hands by a bishop.*

## ***Q. What is required of those to be confirmed?***

*A. It is required of those to be confirmed that they have been baptized, are sufficiently instructed in the Christian Faith, are penitent for their sins, and are ready to affirm their confession of Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.*

*On Friday May 11, 2018 Bishop Audrey Scanlan will join us at St. John's Church for the Dedication of our New Addition*

**AND**

*Confirmation, Reception and Reaffirmation*



*Please contact Mother Barbara if you wish to learn more about this sacrament and discern whether God is calling you at this time to make this Commitment. If you have a “little stirring” when you read this notice, please call.*



## PROPERTY CORNER

Again, the construction is occupying much of our time with St. John's. The elevator passed its inspection on February 9<sup>th</sup> and is ready to use. Preparations included the installation of a dedicated phone line and the installation of a fire extinguisher by the elevator in the Parish Hall. Select Security installed alarm and supervisory devices for the elevator. We thank Kathy Kyper and Doug Brown for being present during the inspection.

A REMINDER: Nothing but sand or stone may be placed on the new concrete on our campus. As salt and other chemicals will damage even aged concrete, a recent pour is even more susceptible to damage from ice treatments, resulting in spalling and chipping of such surfaces. A period of one year is recommended before non-salt ice treatments are placed on these surfaces. We thank everyone for their attention to this effort, which will serve our Church well.

The Sunday school level of our Parish House has been approved for use. Please keep in mind that tools, cables and debris should not be touched. We appreciate everyone's understanding and patience as we continue with construction during the usual busy use of our facilities. We ask that you exercise caution while moving around our Church campus. We ask that everyone please use designated entrances for each of our buildings, while avoiding construction materials.

With Easter coming early this year and construction still being undertaken for the Atrium Project, it was decided to forego the Spring clean-up. This decision will allow energies to be more aptly placed at a time when their rewards will provide a more lasting impression. However, if there is something that you would like to do, please contact Bill Gross at the Church Office. There are always plenty of projects around the Church to be completed.

This month's Life Safety inspection was completed on February 1<sup>st</sup>. This inspection revealed the need to replace a battery to an emergency lighting unit. And, emergency lighting remains on our list of projects for this year.

Our committee extends its thanks to Fr. John Morris for his compassion and guidance toward repairs and maintenance of our Church campus during his tenure. Through his ministry and input to our committee, St. John's is benefitting from Safe Church protocols, enhanced security, a fire alarm system, Wi-Fi, web-streaming, safer rental properties, a 25-year maintenance/replacement plan, and enhanced accessibility to our campus. Accept our best wishes for a long and enjoyable retirement! May the sun and wind be at your back. And, may the fish jump into your boat!

The Property Committee is one of the few ministries that serve all of St. John's other ministries. It is served by the few dedicated individuals who coordinate the maintenance and repairs to our facilities that serve its members and numerous outreach ministries. Its strength is in its diversity of knowledge and backgrounds. We hope you can share yours on the first Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. in the Becker House. We look forward to seeing you!

Submitted by,

*Bill Gross, Property Manager*

Your Property Committee: Bruce Waskowicz, Andrew Carroll, Bill Gross, Kathy Kyper, Jane Lee, Dave Martin, Cynthia Minnich, and Jeannie Zeller.

## WEEKLY SUNDAY ALTAR FLOWERS

If you'd like to remember a loved one(s) with an altar flower or give thanks for a special occasion, please be sure to **stop by the bulletin board in the Parish Hall and add your name to the Flower Chart**. Details and **donation envelopes will also be available at the chart**. A **\$30** donation is appreciated and please make a notation on your check. If you are unable to travel to church but are interested in signing up, please contact our Parish Secretary, Patti Means, at 717-299-1188.

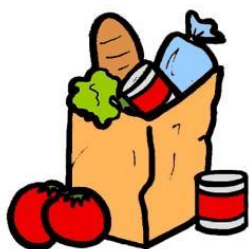
**We would like to receive two (2) remembrances per Sunday for the church altar and one (1) for the chapel. This information will appear in both service bulletins.** Following is the information we have received for the time-frame between **March & May 2018**. The blank areas remain available. Thank you for supporting our flower ministry at St. John's!

DATE	(1)	(2)	CHAPEL
March 4	Barbara Landis		John & Helen Miller
March 11			
March 18			
March 25			
April 1	<b>EASTER FLOWERS</b>	<b>EASTER FLOWERS</b>	<b>EASTER FLOWERS</b>
April 8	Patti Means		
April 15			
April 22			
April 29			
May 6			
May 13			
May 20	Patti Means		
May 27			

*GREEN AREA REPRESENTS GREENS ON ALTAR.*

## FOOD PANTRY

### FOOD PANTRY STAPLES—ALWAYS WELCOMED!



Peanut butter, pasta noodles, pasta sauce, canned tuna, canned chicken, boxed macaroni & cheese, "Helpers" (chicken or tuna), rice, boxed rice mixes, canned soup, canned vegetables, canned fruit, and cereal.

Bring your donations to the rear of the church on any Sunday or to the church office during the week. "THANK YOU!"

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

## *Sunday School News*

*Karen Di Pace, Sunday School Director*

We would like to thank everyone for their part in helping to say good-bye to Father John. I know it will be a tough transition as we await a new priest, but I am sure we will all be able to make the best of it. During our Parish Meeting on March 11<sup>th</sup> we will have a special group class for the kids=this way the adults can all attend the meeting. We hope everyone can make it!

On March 25, Palm Sunday, the children will take part in a Last Supper within their classroom. I am sure they won't want to miss it!

Easter is Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. There are no classes that day, but instead a fabulous breakfast and a fun Easter egg hunt for the kids!

This year, instead of collecting pennies, the children will be helping with the shoe drive. Please help by collecting used shoes. They can be dropped off in class anytime before Palm Sunday. Shoes will be shipped out on March 29<sup>th</sup>. We will also be helping out with the Lenten food drive. Look for the grocery bags with shopping lists to help others in our community!

I would like to remind all families that Church School at St. John's is every Sunday from 9-10 a.m. in the lower level of the Parish Hall. Children from PreK-12 are invited to attend. We offer many fun & spiritual activities for all ages. Our teachers are loving & dedicated volunteers who want to share their passion with the kids. Parents are welcome to stay and observe anytime they wish and are welcome to become involved in the program as well if they would like! With the completion of our renovation just around the corner, we hope that the classes are starting to settle into their classroom spaces again.

\*SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup> will be our Spaghetti Dinner, Auction & Talent Show! Everyone is invited and encouraged to take part in our talent show. Start practicing now!!

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions about our Church School program.

*Karen Di Pace*

### **FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO BECOME INVOLVED IN SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S:**

For **Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Servers, Crucifers, or Torch Bearers:** Contact the Church Office

For **Eucharistic Visitors:** Contact the Church Office

For **Altar Guild:** Contact Toni Ehrhart

For **Ushers:** Contact Mike Gbur

For **Greeters or Coffee Hour Hosts:** Contact Bruce & Mary Waskowicz

- Contact telephone numbers for these people can be found in the Parish Directory and copies are available in the Welcome Center at the rear of the church.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (CONTINUED)

### *Journey to Adulthood*

*Mary Ellen Kilp & Leslie Morgan, Youth Co-Directors*

February was a busy month for our youth, it started with the Rite 13 ceremony. We celebrated our Rite 13 class at a special service, and this is a service to bless our youth in their transition from childhood to adulthood. Here are the youth that were blessed and a little information about each of them.

Frances Brogan is the daughter of Meagan Howell-Brogan & Michael Brogan=she has a younger brother, Gabriel, and younger sister, Beatrice. She is in seventh grade at The New School of Lancaster. At school, Frances is involved in chorus and the drama club. Her hobbies include creative writing, reading, singing, acting, and playing the piano. At St. John's she is involved with her youth group, sings for the prelude and offertory and is an Acolyte.

Nicholas Di Pace is the son of Nick & Karen Di Pace=he has two sisters, Emma & Danielle. He is in eighth grade at Martin Meylin Middle School. At school he is active in cross country, track and board game club. His hobbies are Scouts, playing the piano, Lego's, drawing, and video games. At St. John's he is involved with his youth group, attending diocesan events and is an Acolyte.

Helena Sylvia Carroll is the daughter of Anne & Andy Carroll=she has a younger sister, Evelyn. Her pets are Sassafra's her dog and hamsters Cider and ZigZag. She is in sixth grade at Landis Run Intermediate School. At school she is involved in the Orchestra playing the cello, Envirothon=MTAG Swimming, MTSC U15 Soccer=and MTGV Volleyball. Her hobbies include reading, art, science, cake decorating, cooking, and Girl Scouts. At St. John's she is involved with her youth group, Soles for Souls, helping with the Angel Tree, and is an Acolyte.

Julia Hale is the daughter of Annie Lattanzio-Hale & Paul Hale=she has two younger sisters, Emelia & Sophia. She is in eighth grade at Manor Middle School. At school she is involved in chorus, orchestra, Student Council and is part of the play cast. Her hobbies include baking, reading, playing outside and being with friends. At St. John's she is involved with her youth group and helping with the Angel Tree.

Miriam Lester is the daughter Matt & Marla Lester and has an older brother, Max. Miriam is in seventh grade at Sacred Heart School. At St. John's Miriam is involved with her youth group and is an Acolyte.

Elijah Mendez is the son of Amy Mendez=his sister is Tierza and grandparents are Carmelo and Barbara Mendez. Elijah is in the eighth grade at Reynolds Middle School and enjoys Play Station as a hobby. The activities that Elijah has been involved in at St. John's have been Sunday school, Bible School, and MLK Day. Elijah attended the acolyte training at the National Cathedral and serves in this capacity at St. John's.

Claire Thompson is the daughter of Sue Dodge & Joe Thompson=she has an older brother, Ian, and a younger sister, Sophia. Claire is in seventh grade at The New School of Lancaster. At St. John's Claire is involved with her youth group and is an Acolyte.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (CONTINUED)

Greyson Padraic Way is the son of April and Joseph Way. He has a younger sister, Campbell. He is in sixth grade at Mountville Elementary School. At school he is active in Orchestra playing the violin, doing morning announcements and being a sixth grade buddy. His hobbies are Summer Swimming for the Mountville Swim Team, being a Boy Scout with Troop 349 at Tenderfoot Rank. He enjoys playing Legos, hiking, biking, camping, swimming, reading, inventing and Cryptozoology. At St. John's, Greyson is involved with his youth group, attending diocesan events, serving at the Community Breakfast and is an Acolyte.



Our youth hosted a "Soup Bowl" soup and salad luncheon on Soup Bowl of Caring Sunday. We served 5 different kinds of soup and provided a salad bar to raise money for our food pantry ministry. Thank you to everyone that supported this important ministry - we raised \$340! Thank you to all who donated food for this event.

We celebrated our Scouts on Scout Sunday they were all involved in the church service.



Thank you to everyone that supported our Shrove Tuesday Pancake dinner.



## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (CONTINUED)

On February 16 ó 18, a group of youth, young adults and adults from our diocese met at Camp Mount Luther for a weekend called Happening. The Happening "Experience" is a powerful instrument of Christian Renewal. During the three-day retreat, the participants listened to talks given by teenagers and adults. The presentation of the talks by youth using personal life experiences is intended to offer Christ's message to attending Happeners on a level they can understand and to answer many of the faith questions youth struggle with on a daily basis. Talks about church teachings and their importance in the lives of youth attending the weekend were presented. Each talk is a critical building block in the creation of the Happening message. The entire series of talks is given in a sequence that is intended to guide Happeners by opening an avenue of discussions to help them verbalize and internalize their faith questions in a safe environment, hopefully leading to a new or renewed relationship with Christ. Mother Barbara led services and guided our youth in prayer. Brooks Morgan was the Rector for the weekend and did an amazing job. Tierza Mendez was the Jr. Rector and was shadowing Brooks as she prepares to be the Rector next year. It was an amazing weekend!



### **Scrapbooking**

Do you have pictures just thrown into boxes and unorganized? Join us on March 9 & 10 for our annual Scrapbooking event. You can make an album, organize your pictures or just come and hang out with us. See the attached flyer for more details. It is a fun time-sharing stories and pictures. All proceeds will benefit the J2A pilgrimage.

### **Jr. High Retreat**

The Jr. High Retreat is being held on March 16 ó 18, 2018, for youth in grades 6 to 9. This retreat is being held at Camp Mount Luther. The retreat's theme is New Beginnings. What is New Beginnings? New Beginnings is a spiritual retreat weekend designed to serve the needs of middle schoolers. New Beginnings offers a chance for youth to reflect on the important relationships in their lives and consider what "New Beginnings" they can take on in their own lives. New Beginnings is a great outing for an entire junior high youth group. Often, New Beginnings is the first opportunity for a young person to pause and reflect on his or her situation and God.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (CONTINUED)

What to expect during the weekend? New Beginnings is led by high schoolers from St. John's. They are there to serve them. They lead the family groups (each youth is placed into a family group at the beginning of the weekend), they perform skits, they lead the music, and they give the talks. Talks are a very special part of New Beginnings. The youth write these talks, like sermons, before the weekend. Topics include peer pressure, friendships, siblings, parents, and passing on the New Beginnings message back home. It is a great chance to build confidence and just have fun.

### St. John's Annual Maundy Thursday Lock-In

When: March 29, 2018

7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Foot-Washing Service

9:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Youth-Lock In

What: Young people are invited to share in a service of foot washing beginning at 7:30 p.m. Or, arrive in time for the lock-in, which begins at 9:00 p.m. The night will include an agape feast featuring fresh fruit, cheese and homemade bread. Young people and adults will get to know each other by participating in a variety of fun icebreakers and games. Opportunities for spiritual reflection will be included. All young people will be invited to help plan and participate in the Youth Good Friday service later that morning. This service includes dramatic reading and acting. All young people are welcome and encouraged to attend.

### Spaghetti Dinner, Auction, Talent Show

Join our youth on April 7 for our annual Spaghetti Dinner, Auction and Talent Show. Do you have a talent? If so we would love for you to share it that evening at our Talent Show. Please see Karen Di Pace or Mary Ellen Kilp so we can add you to the program.



**HAVE YOU JOINED US YET?**

Stay up to date on the very latest at St. John's by "liking" our Facebook page. Don't miss a mid-week snow cancellation, event reminder, or inspirational message. And...if you haven't subscribed to our blog to receive email notifications on a variety of topics (Events, Worship, Mission Fields, Pastoral Messages, Reflections from the Pew), go to [www.stjohns-lancaster.org](http://www.stjohns-lancaster.org) and click on NEWS/BLOG in the upper right. There's a lot happening at St. John's and our social media presence is growing. Be a part of it!

# ST. JOHN'S YOUTH CALENDAR 2018

March 2 . 4	Transfiguration Weekend
March 9 . 10	Scrapbook Weekend
March 16 . 18	Diocesan Jr. High Retreat
March 25	Palm Sunday
March 29	Maundy Thursday (Convocation)
March 30	Good Friday
April 1	Easter
April 7	Dinner / Talent Show
April 29	Graduation / Youth Sunday
May 4	Confirmation
May 6	Teacher Appreciation Mini Golf (Convocation)
July 6	Berry Festival





# Attention! Scrapbookers!

The J2A is hosting a

## “Scrapbook-A-Thon!”

Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup> 6:00 PM - 11:00 AM

&

Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup> 7:30 AM - 10:00 PM

at

**Saint John’s Episcopal Church**  
**321 West Chestnut Street**  
**Lancaster, PA 17603**

Join us for hours of cropping, stamping, and scrapbooking. Are you new to scrapbooking? No problem, we’ll be happy to help you get started on preserving all your precious memories.

Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Friday evening and light refreshments will be available all evening. We usually order pizza for everyone to share. Crop until 11:00 p.m.! Leave all your items where they are and head home. We will open the doors again at 7:30 a.m. Saturday. Breakfast will be served from 7:30 until 9:30. Pretzel sandwiches will be available for sale during lunch and a light supper will be provided Saturday night. Crop until 10:00 p.m. Saturday.

The cost will be:

Friday only: \$25

Saturday only: \$35

Both days: \$45

Door prizes will be awarded throughout the event. Register early as seating is limited! Registration will close on March 5th! All proceeds will go towards the J2A pilgrimage fund. We look forward to seeing you there!

**DOOR PRIZES • WORK SPACE • SWAP TABLE • FOOD**

To reserve your table space or for more information, please contact Sue Dodge at:

**lalimule@verizon.net or 717-368-7206**

## J2A SCRAPBOOK-A-THON REGISTRATION

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

TABLE BUDDY: \_\_\_\_\_



### Mail registration and payment to:

St. John's Episcopal Church  
**ATTN: J2A Scrapathon**  
321 West Chestnut Street  
Lancaster, PA 17603

### Make checks payable to:

St. John's Episcopal Church  
with  
'J2A' in the memo line.





# JUBILEE MINISTRIES

## **COMMUNITY BREAKFAST** (Contact: Sue Martin) **SATURDAY, MARCH 17**

A breakfast of pancakes, sausage, eggs, juice, cereal, and pastries will be served to the downtown community at First Reformed United Church of Christ, 40 East Orange Street.



Volunteers: Please let Dave or Sue Martin know if you won't be helping so they can reach out to those on their substitute list, not be caught short of help. Thank you!

## **EAGLE'S NEST** (Contact: Jean Gordon)

Our unique after school program continues on Wednesday afternoons. Students and volunteers enjoy time for mentoring, enrichment activities (such as our recent EN Olympics), snacks, academic support (with a current emphasis on mastering times tables), preparing a nutritious dinner meal, and eating in community before leaving for home. Thank you for the support given this special ministry through the purchase of grocery cards.

## **FOOD PANTRY** (Contact: Debbie Carter or Linda Wallace)

Non-perishable food donations can be delivered to the church office or given to the Ushers on Sunday. Monetary contributions are also welcomed for buying food to fill gaps in food donations. Please write "FOOD PANTRY" in the Memo line on your check. Food boxes are organized for families and single people and are distributed from our church office on Tuesdays and Thursdays to those in need.

## **FULTON SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP** (Contact: Dave or Sue Martin)

Please continue to donate Box Tops for Education, Turkey Hill Moo Caps, and spent printer cartridges. There are collection containers on the Eagle's Nest table under the photo gallery in the Parish Hall. Thank you for your donations.

## **MARTHA'S MINISTRY** (Contact: Jeannie Zeller)

I almost feel as though it's time to wish everyone a happy new year because we are all entering a new phase at St. John's. As we wish Fr. John a happy and healthy retirement and, as members of the Martha's, say farewell to Cindy Morris, one of our knitters, we give them our thanks for the support freely given to our ministry.

Please take a look at the word picture that hangs on the wall in our Parish Hall and you'll see that the word "family" is front and center. We are like the pieces that make up a quilt, each of us playing our part in the beautiful quilt that is our church family.

Look for some new ideas from our group in the coming months. This is an exciting time for St. John's. Please be part of the excitement! As always, the Martha's are very thankful for your support.

## **GROCERY CARDS** (Contact: Sue Tobie)

Total grocery card sales for **January**: **\$7,780** with **\$389** to Jubilee Ministries.

Did you know that it's easier to use a grocery card at the store than to peel out cash or write a check...and the amount remaining on your card is recorded on your receipt? Whenever you use one of our cards, 5% of its value goes to our Jubilee ministries. It is truly a "WIN-WIN" situation! Grocery cards also make great gifts!

Remember that a \$100 card can be used as often as it takes to use it up. You don't have to spend it all at one time...AND YOU ARE NOT LOSING ANYTHING. YOU ARE GETTING FULL VALUE FOR YOUR CARD. THE STORE SELLS CARDS TO US AT A 5% DISCOUNT. Sunday sales in the Parish Hall for:

**Darrenkamp's, Giant, John Herr's, Oregon Dairy, SKH, & Weis**

## A.L.E.R.T.

### *A Time for Thanks*

St. John's has been a major factor in assisting the Issa refugee family for the past two years. Many of you have responded to the requests for help. It has been rewarding to observe the progress in time with the family and their quest for greater independence and how the St. John's congregation has responded.

Some of the ways in which St. John's has been involved as follows: 1. Driving Mariam (the mother), to and from work on Sundays, 2. Helping the family to navigate the health system by making appointments, clarifying the medications and diagnosis of health issues, transporting family members to and from appointments, and basically assuring the family is being served for the best health care which is offered to them. 3. Being an advisor to maintaining financial records and monitoring checking and saving accounts. 4. Staying in touch with each of the 5 children's teachers thru attending conferences with the mother, and being an advocate for each child to assure the educational needs for each are being addressed. 5. Being available to assist the children with in home homework and academic assistance on a weekly basis. 6. Responding to special requests made thru Messenger articles and bulletin announcements along with urgent requests made thru announcement opportunities at the beginning of our worship services.

The cultural adjustment to life in this country is not an easy transition for most refugees. The Issa family is no exception. Almost everything is new and different and many parts of our daily life we take for granted, as knowing what to do or not to do, need to be explained or reinforced. This continues to be major effort of all who have been involved with the family. St. John's congregation has been most involved in many ways and the family continues to grow in their confidence with the friendships that have been developed over time. Mariam has expressed many times, THANKS to those from St. John's who have taken time from their busy lives to help in a variety of ways.

Mary Ellen, Annie, Sue H., Rich, Sean, Kim, Sue M., Julie, Charles and Marion, Ron, Hilary, Fran, Barbara, Dave, Stephanie, Francois and Beth, Sue T., Rick and Elaine, and all those kind people who helped with gifting thru the Angel Tree.

To broaden the base for additional assistance in the above "help areas" is a continuing effort. Please consider becoming involved to help with this family's journey toward greater independence. Contact Dave Martin, who currently is serving as the liaison between the family and the ALERT Circle of Friends group.

### **ALERT WORK DAY AT LANCASTER COUNTY COUNCIL OF CHURCHES**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 2018**

**8:00AM - 2:00PM**

at

**Community Food and Resource Distribution Hub  
812 North Queen Street, Lancaster**

Come when you can and stay as long as you can!

Bring a brown bag lunch.

Beverages will be provided.

Bring, if you have them, paint brushes, caulking gun, roller frames, hand tools, gloves, and clothes you don't mind getting dirty to join with other Episcopalians from around Lancaster County as we work together to support the work of the Lancaster County Council of Churches.



## *Water Updates*

15 years ago, a campaigning politician promised the people of Alendu clean water. The people dug trenches and laid pipes with their own hands, but they never saw clean water. After several such experiences, it's no wonder that our clean water project was met with suspicion and resistance by our neighbors. But by following through on our word, hearts and minds are being opened to hope!

Our borehole struck clean water last fall, and now the trenches that will carry the water to five different locations around the community are finished, and pipes have been laid in them!

Our water flow through the pipes has been tested and that test-run water was made available to all community members for free, so they could experience it for themselves. Some of the biggest doubters of the project came running and couldn't believe their eyes. Clean water right next to their houses has been a pipe dream for them, something that could never happen. Now the same people who had been resistant are offering their help and are actively supporting the project! Praise God!

The next step is building the treatment house so that we can begin to actively pump water each day and make it clean. The treatment house is in the process of being built. We are hoping for it to be done by the end of February, but snags tend to come up. Keep our progress in your prayers!

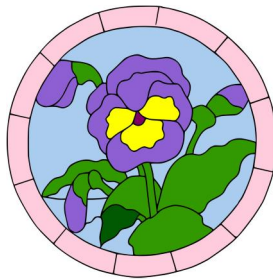
*Peace, Sallie McCann*



*Deadline Dates!*

**WEEKLY BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:  
WEDNESDAYS**

**MESSENGER ARTICLES:  
3rd MONDAY  
OF EACH MONTH**



## EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN

Hard to believe, but we are ready for our early Spring plant sale! Pansy bowls and primroses will be available for pick-up on Palm Sunday, March 25. Orders will be taken on the two Sundays prior: March 11 and 18. **All sales must be pre-ordered.** Pansy bowls are 12" round or 16" oval for \$12. Primroses of various colors are \$3. Think spring and be sure to get your orders in now! Thank you for your support.

## HELP US SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS!

### *No Experience Needed!*

We are happy to report that our new web streaming camera is up and running! We are looking for members who would be interested in helping with the web streaming of our church services for all to see. ***No experience required.*** The time commitment is small and is whatever you can offer. Joe Way, a church member and tech consultant, will provide training. We are a dedicated group that works to highlight all the good news and happenings at St. John's and we hope that you will join us. For additional information please contact a committee member:

*Debbie Carter, Jill Gross, Leslie Tahsler, or Joe Way*



## LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

Our Lenten Food Drive will benefit our Food Pantry Ministry. On Sunday, March 11, in the Atrium after both services, we will be handing out bag with grocery lists attached or you can pick up one in the Parish Hall at the Parish Meeting on this same day.

When you do your grocery shopping, please buy some extra items from the provided grocery list to contribute to our Food Pantry Ministry.

**The food donations will be collected in the Atrium on SUNDAY, MARCH 18.**

Thank you for your continued support of this St. John's Jubilee Ministry.



Submitted by,

*Debbie Carter*

## LANCASTER INTERCHURCH PEACE WITNESS



There will be **NO** LIPW film on Friday, March 30, since it is Good Friday.

Lancaster Interchurch Peace Witness will host their next film on Friday, April 27, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at St. John's.

We are open to suggestions of quality films concerning historical or religious figures, violence and non-violence, and environmental sustainability—preferably less than 2 hours long.

Suggestions, questions, or to obtain additional information, please contact Sue Heilman.



## PRAYER LIST

*We offer our continued prayers for:*

John Anders  
Camilla Anderson  
Bob Bailey  
Lyn Bailey  
Hilary Becker  
Michael Brogan  
Frank Burris  
Patricia & Ralph Clare  
Paul & Molly Clark  
Nancy Cook  
Danielle Di Pace  
Priscilla Farmer  
Linda Frederiksen  
Aidan Freeman  
Carol Greenfield  
Alina Grobicki  
Lynn Hayford  
Shannon Hickman  
Vonda Kirchner  
Terry Koogle  
Kelly Lynch  
Andy Mausolf  
Kevin & Mary Nourie  
Ricky Ross  
Stephanie Smith  
Christian Stigelman  
Martha Stroh  
Amy Swiernik  
Joana Torres & Kids  
Gary Weaver  
Joe Way  
Elaine Williams  
Hal Williams  
Melissa Williams  
Angelica Zander  
Paul  
Khyzeer  
Benny  
Mike



*...and for our  
homebound  
parishioners*

Margaret Crothers  
Bette Lou Forsyth  
Michael Frantz  
Dyls Glew  
Cricket Johnson  
Ellen Keller  
Fritz Lawrence  
Don Lovett  
Bob Lyon  
Barbara McKee  
Nancy Nemith  
Peter Plaxa  
Joan Rahe  
Gray Sellers  
Marjorie Seachrist  
Ricky Smith  
Joanna Sweeney  
Sandra Wengert

## SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Please remember those who are serving in our armed forces. If you would like to add or delete anyone from this list, please contact Patti Means in the church office.

*Laurel Hobbins, Matthew James,  
Alex Kelly, Kirby Kinderwater,  
Kyle Kinderwater, Kyle Kulka,  
John S. Waltz, and Joshua Watkins*

*If Your Personal  
Information Changes...*

**Please be sure to contact the church office  
with changes to your personal information:**

**change of address, telephone, or e-mail.**

***Thank you for your cooperation!"***

***Patti Means, Parish Secretary  
717-299-1188 or [patti@stjohns-lancaster.org](mailto:patti@stjohns-lancaster.org)***



**Copies of the *Messenger* are  
available in the Welcome Center  
at the rear of the church and in  
the Parish Hall.**

**Copies of the Vestry reports are  
posted on the bulletin board in  
the Parish Hall.**

## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Name	Date
Bailey, Bob	7
Bowser, Adeline	7
Brogan, Beatrice	1
Burch, Molly	9
Clark, Neil	29
Cliff, Joel	30
Cook, Webb	29
Dissinger, David	3
Dorgan, Paul	25
Glazier, Penn	24
Gromis, Keith	29
Gromis, Sharon	27
Gross, Emily	14
Hasircoglu, Betsy	23
Heider, Mike	25
Henry, Kimberly	26
Jarba, Moses	6
Johnson, Cricket	17
Latshaw, Karen	21
Lemonick, Leslie	16
Loose, Ted	13
Mone, Jennifer	12
Morgan, Brooks	6
Pennell, Dave	2
Rodriguez, Julie	12
Sellers, Ellen	8
Snyder, Jim	31
Stone, Janelle	17
Suliveras, Anthony	26
Texeira, Jax	6
Walsh, Ellie	27
Walsh, Marjie	12
Waskowicz, Bruce	31
Watts, Kristi	15
Wendler, Jeff	29
Wendler, Madalyn	17
Williams, Dawn	21



## MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

Couple	Date
Freeman, Dale & Seachrist, Sibyl	03/27/1992
Houston, John & Nancy	03/11/1990
Latshaw, Andy & Ally	03/20/2005
Mausolf, Andy & Katie	03/17/2007
McGee, Vince & Shirley	03/16/1957
Tahsler, Bruce & Leslie	03/31/1979
Waskowicz, Bruce & Mary	03/09/1991



## VOYAGERS

The **VOYAGERS** are very pleased and excited to invite everyone to their March 24 meeting.

Fellow parishioner Barbara Landis will present a program entitled "Vision Exam: What do I really see?" Barbara will share with us her experience with a group she belongs to called Stretching Art and Tradition and will display some of her quilt panels and the stories that go with them.

We will meet in the Parish Hall from 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. for the program, conversation, and light refreshments. Don't miss it! We'll be looking for you.

