

PARISH NEWS

Weekly News for the Family and Friends of St. John's Church

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MEMORIALS & PRAYER

ALL MEMORIALS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF ALMIGHTY GOD...

- † **THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** – During the season of Advent flowers are not on the altar.
- † **THE LADY CHAPEL FLOWERS** - During the season of Advent flowers are not on the altar.
- † **THE SANCTUARY CANDLE** – given in loving memory of Jack by Olga Fry.
- † **THE DE PROFUNDIS BELL** – will ring on Dec. 18th in memory of Dennis Williamson and on Dec. 22nd in memory of Cornelia Brown both offered by Trish Williamson.
- † **PRAYER LIST (3-wk cycle)** : Lou, Wanda, Glenna, Ann, Cindy, Vic, Courtney, Dale & Glenda, Carol, Alison & Ben, Jack, Billy, Pat, Steve, Renee, Norma, Brooke, Sara, Karin, Gail...Kaston & Kohan, Joni & Chelsea, Virginia, Jeff, Lauren, Chris, Ashley, Kavitha
- † **THE MINISTRY OF THE FORT WORTH PREGNANCY CENTER**
- † **THE CHILDREN AND STAFF AT COOK MEDICAL CENTER**
- † **MILITARY SERVICE:** Danushka Fernando; Austin
- † **FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:**
- † **FOR THOSE TRAVELING:**
- † **FOR PARENTS EXPECTING:** Thomas, Caily & their unborn baby
- † **BIRTHDAYS:** Steve Fruscella (17); Gibson Wells (20); Anne Martinsen (22)
- † **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:** Walter & Karen Wood (18)

Bulletins are printed on Thursdays. If you have content that you would like included, it must be submitted to the parish office *no later than 12 noon on Wednesday*. Thank you!

Visitors' Information

Visitor's Card

Help us get to know you! Please fill out a Visitor's Card, located at Pews and place it in the Offering Plate or hand it to one of the clergy.

Hospitality

"Coffee Hour" is after the 9:00 am mass.

Prayer Ministry

Prayer cards are in each pew for your prayer needs. You may also email: office@stjohnsfortworth.com or call 817-927-5341.

Counseling Office

Fr. Bob Bosworth, Ph.D. Pastoral Associate is on staff as a licensed Clinical Pastoral Counselor for individual, marriage, and family counseling. Hours are Tues and Fri 10am-7pm and Sat 10am-4pm. Appointment required. Call 859-475-4475 or visit: Dr-Bosworth.com

How to Join St. John's?

If you are Anglican or Episcopalian and wish to join St. John's, we will process a letter of transfer. If you are

from another denomination, we will let you know when the next Inquirers Class begins. If you are not yet baptized, please see Fr. Moseley.

Low-Gluten Hosts

St. John's offers low-gluten (less than 0.01%) communion wafers on request. If you are gluten intolerant, please speak with the clergy.

Our Commitment to Biblical Orthodoxy!

St. John's is a Parish of the Anglican Communion, the Anglican Church in North America (ACNA) and the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth. Our Bishop is the Right Reverend Ryan S. Reed, SSC, D.D. St. John's uses the 2019 Book of Common Prayer.

Office Hours

Tues. - Thurs.
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM
Closed for Lunch 12:00—1:30 PM
Fri. 9:30 AM -1:00PM

Worship Times

Sat Vigil: 6:00 pm
Lady Chapel. Sunday Morning: 8:00, 9:00, 11:15, Wed Morning: 7:30 am Lady Chapel.

Our Vestry

Sr. Warden - Tom Ward 2025
Jr. Warden - Jason Merritt 2024
Clerk - Rusty Wood 2023

Vestry Members:

2023: Jacob Belk, Patrick Wells; **2024**: Bob Hampton, Don Lange, Christina Pavlovsky, Clay Slaughter; **2025**: Kendall Smith, Trish Williamson; **2026**: Rebekah Craig

Treasurer

Bob Hampton

Delegates to Diocesan Convention

Bob Hampton
Jason Merritt
Tom Ward
Kristy Leaseburg (Alt.)

Next Vestry Meeting in Guild Parlor is Tuesday, **DEC. 26** at 7:00 PM.

GOOD NEWS DAILY

Good News Daily booklets are here! The **DECEMBER** edition is available. You may pick up a copy in the narthex, the chapel entrance, or the office.

Fr. Foster's Class

Fr. Foster's resumes today.

Current Announcements

CGS Atriums & Teen Study

Now open!

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

9:30 am in the Green Room

Choir and Bell Rehearsal:

Thursdays: Bells at 6:00 pm & Choir at 7:00 pm

Children's Choir Rehearsal:

Thursdays: 5:15—6:00 pm in the choir room

Wednesday Morning Bible Study



Wednesday morning
Bible Study meets weekly at 9:30 am.

This is a study of the scriptures used in the

upcoming Sunday morning Lectionary. Fr. Moseley leads the program.



During the season of Advent, Fr. Moseley will be saying Morning Prayer in the chapel and on the Live Stream each week-day morning. Most days, it will be live at 8am, but

Wednesdays at 6:45 - you can watch afterwards on our St. John's Facebook page or on the St. John's website.

You are welcome to join me if you like in the chapel or across the air-waves. We will be using the 2019 BCP Traditional Language Edition - the green book.

Advent/Christmas Schedule



Advent Lessons & Carols

TONIGHT, December 17
5:00 pm

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday Morning, December 24
10:00 am Holy Eucharist

Christmas Eve

Sunday Evening, December 24
4:00 pm Family Service
11:00 pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

Monday, December 25
8:00 am Holy Eucharist

The Feast of St. John the Apostle

Sunday, December 31
10:00 am Holy Eucharist

Daily Morning Prayer

M/T/Th/F at 8:00 am
Wednesdays at 6:45 am
on Facebook

**Parish Office will be closed
for Christmas:
December 25-29**

Christmas Flower Memorials



This is the last week to submit your Christmas Flower Memorials. If you want your message to be included in the Christmastide bulletins, please make sure to return the enclosed form to the Parish Office **no later than Wednesday, Dec 20th.** *Any submissions beyond this date will not be included.* Thank you for your support of this ministry, and Merry Christmas!

Meet Our New Rector!



I am pleased to announce that Fr. Sam Wilgus, Rector of St. Francis of Assisi Willow Park, has accepted our call to the Rector of St. John's Anglican Church. He will join us for service beginning **Sunday, February 11, 2024.**

Fr. Wilgus grew up in Dallas attending Park Cities Baptist Church. He graduated from Wheaton College in Wheaton, Illinois with a Bachelor of Arts majoring in Bible and Theology. It was during his college years that he began attending Anglican services. Perceiving a call to ministry, he entered Nashotah House Theological Seminary graduating with a Master of Divinity.

Fr. Sam is married, and he and his wife Katy have three children: Dottie age 6, Jack age 4, and Molly age 1. Katy has been very active at St. Francis and is a true asset to Fr. Wilgus' ministry. Currently, they reside in Weatherford, but will relocate to our parish neighborhood. You will find Fr. Wilgus to be a man of deep faith with a passion for pastoral care, energetic and delighted at the opportunity to be Rector of our parish.

-Tom Ward, Senior Warden