

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** – given in loving memory of their parents Austin and Atha Stitt and their aunt Pauline Stitt given by Mary Stitt and Melinda Woody.
- † **THE LADY CHAPEL FLOWERS** - given to the Glory of God.
- † **THE SANCTUARY CANDLE** – given in loving memory of Jack Fry given by Olga Fry.
- † **THE DE PROFUNDIS BELL** – will ring on June 19 in memory of Laura Loreda and June 20 in memory of Jack Fry both offered by Olga Fry; and on June 25 in memory of Austin W. Stitt, Jr. offered by Mary Stitt and Melinda Woody and Claudine Pickard offered by Trish Williamson.
- † **PRAYER LIST (3-wk cycle)** : Hugh, Lou, Wanda, Jim, Diane, Glenna, Ann, Cindy, Vic, Courtney, Katie, Marie, Terry, Ricky, Paul, Carolyn, Sherry, Joni & Chelsea, Diane, Danushka, Cole, Monica & Josephine, Kathy, Darnell, Mark, Bill & Jennifer, Sri Lanka, its people & country, Elspeth...John, Taylor, Jen, Robert, Srikanthi, Kate, Teel, Stephen.
- † **THE MINISTRY OF THE FORT WORTH PREGNANCY CENTER**
- † **THE CHILDREN AND STAFF AT COOK MEDICAL CENTER**
- † **MILITARY SERVICE:** Danushka Fernando
- † **FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:**
- † **FOR THOSE TRAVELING:** Ann
- † **FOR PARENTS EXPECTING:** Matthew and Neola Hillard; Robert and Maris Bosworth
- † **BIRTHDAYS:** Nevishan Warnesuriye (19); Henry Oliver (20); Leslie Lopez-Aguado (21); JoAnna Avakian (22); Pat Leito (23)
- † **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:** David and Carol Baulch (21)

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. To access the parish prayer chain, email the 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 a denomination, we will let you know when the next Inquirers Class begins. If you are not yet baptized, please see Fr. Klein.

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 and the 1928 Book of Common Prayer.

Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM
Closed for Lunch
12:00—1:30 PM

Worship Services and Rites

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 - Gerald Gregory 2023
Clerk - Rusty Wood 2023

Vestry Members:

Jacob Belk 2023, Bob Hampton 2024, Don Lange 2024, Jason Merritt 2024, Christina Pavlovsky 2024, Clay Slaughter 2025, Kendall Smith 2025, Patrick Wells 2023, Trish Williamson 2025.

Treasurer

Bob Hampton

Delegates to Diocesan Convention

Gerald Gregory
Jason Merritt
Tom Ward

Next Vestry Meeting in Guild Parlor is Tuesday, **JUN 28** at 7:00 PM.

Current Announcements

Receiving the Precious Blood of Christ.

You can receive the Precious Blood of Christ by either intinction or directly from the chalice.

If you want to receive by intinction please keep the sacred host in your open hand and the chalice-bearer will take the host and dip a small portion of it carefully in the Precious Blood and place the host on your tongue.

Of course, you are always invited to receive just the host alone.

When at the Altar rail, after receiving the host cross your arms and the chalice-bearer will move to the next person.

CGS Atriums are currently on a break for summer.

Teen Formation is currently on a break for summer.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study has concluded for the summer. We will return in September.

Choir and Bell Rehearsal: Choir rehearsals are suspended for the summer. Rehearsals start back up in August.

GOOD NEWS DAILY

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

ANOINTING IN CHAPEL



We offer the sacrament of healing during the 9:00 am and 11:15 am services. *This is done by one of the clergy in the Lady Chapel immediately after you have received Holy Communion.* If you desire prayer and anointing, please go into the Chapel.

THE GOSPEL OF ST. MARK

Father Foster will be teaching a course on the Gospel according to St. Mark in the Guild Parlor following the 9 AM Eucharist, **starting today and continuing over the next seven Sundays.**



We will discuss who wrote this Gospel, when, and why. Then will examine dozens of key passages in depth and explore their theological implications. Come discuss the Gospel that shows us Jesus as action hero, a Savior who casts out demons, heals the sick, raises the dead, and saves the world by His Holy Cross!

AUG 26 and 27.

The listening groups will be formed as part of the parish process in the calling of a new rector. The groups will meet on Friday, Aug. 26 and Sat. 27th.

More information will follow by letter. Just save the date and participate! Fr. Klein

SPECIAL JULY DATES.

✠ Sunday, JULY 3rd our services will be combined to 8:00 am and 10:00 am.

✠ Sunday, JULY 10th our services will be combined to 8:00 am and 10:00 am. **Fr. Richard and Margaret Moseley will be with us.** Fr. Richard will preach and celebrate the Holy Eucharist. We will have a Parish Wide Potluck

POTLUCK LUNCH JULY 10th.

Be sure to be with us on Sunday, **July 10th. Following the 10:00 service** we will have a parish wide potluck. Fr. Richard and



Potluck
Lunch

Margaret Moseley will be with us.

This is always a great way to be together!

REGISTER NOW FOR CAMP CRUCIS SUMMER CAMP 2022

Family Camp - July 6-9

Parent(s) or grandparent(s) come to camp with a young camper ages 4 through 3rd grade

Pee-Wee Camp

July 10-15

1st-3rd Grade

Junior Confetti

July 17-22

4th-6th Grade

Junior High

July 24-29

6th-9th Grade

Senior High

June 26-July 2

9th-12th Grade

Register online at:

<https://camprucis.org/summer-camps>

FR. RICHARD MOSELEY WILL SERVE AS OUR INTERIM PRIEST.

It has already been announced that Fr. Richard Moseley will serve St. John's as our interim during Fr. Klein's sabbatical (Oct-Dec) and after his retirement (Dec 31) until a new rector is called.



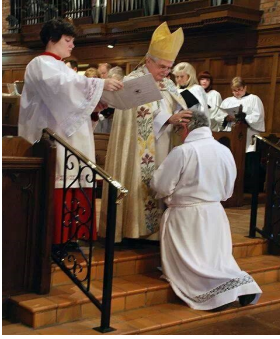
We thank Bishop Reed and our vestry for making Fr. Richard available. Fr. Richard will start on Sept. 18th.

For the last 8 years he has served St. Peter & St. Paul, Arlington, first as a Diocesan Curate, then as their interim during their rector search, and he stayed on as assistant until now.

We are so happy about his appointment. St. John's was Richard and Margaret's spiritual home for more than 20 years before we confirmed his call to priesthood, and sent him to seminary to begin his education and formation for ordained life.

The picture is when Richard was ordained to the Diaconate by Bishop Jack Iker, 15 Feb 2014.

While serving at St. John's he and Margaret will be living next door in the Curate's house.



PROPERTY UPDATE

Curates House: This is the house next door to St. John's. The house was built in 1928 and St. John's acquired the house in 1956. Since then diocesan curates and assistants have lived there. The house is receiving a full redo: floor repair and all floors sanded and stained, kitchen cabinets repaired and painted, walls and ceiling repaired and painted, new lights through-out the house, plumbing repair, ceiling fans and new blinds through-out the house, a new gas oven, bathroom tile, vanity and fixtures, tub resurfaced, new back door, HVAC serviced and re-vented.

Scout House: The "Scout House" has been torn down. This structure sat in the backyard of the Curates house. St. John's built it in 1932 for the growing Boy Scout troop in the area. It was originally located facing Page Avenue about where Gregory Hall is located. It was moved in 1956 when the Curates

house was acquired. For many years it served as a storage area.

Over the years repairs to the structure became several Eagle Scout projects, of which we are grateful. Termites and weather along with age required it to be torn down this past week.

Floors Scheduled to be Cleaned:

Beginning Mon. Jun 27th all the tile floors (except the church proper, Lady Chapel, Gregory Hall and the Children's Chapel) will be professionally cleaned and the tile sealed. This includes the kitchen, all the offices that have tile, the infant nursery, the atriums, and the second floor of the Bevan Educational building.

Bevan Memorial Bells:

Immediately above the crossing in the church is the Bell Tower. It houses 14 bells. They were given as a gift to St. John's by Lionel W. and Emma Beggs Bevan, Sr. on the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary and installed in 1965. They were cast in Holland and are made of brass and silver. There are pictures of the bells framed on the wall immediately behind the organ.

The bells went through major repair and service in 2003.

Today we are having new solenoids installed on each bell and a complete install of a digital time system. This much needed work and upgrade is from a major gift from **Leslie and Jorge Lopez-Aguado**. This gift will keep the

bells in proper order ringing out our faith in Jesus Christ and doing so on time for many years to come. All new solenoids have been received from the Foundry in England and work will begin very soon.

Holy Land Trip: January 9th-18th, 2023

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to walk in the footsteps of Jesus?

To see the world He saw, to be in the country that Christ was in while he was here among us?

Fr. Richard (and Margaret) will be leading a tour to the holy land in January and you are invited to be a part of this once in a lifetime experience. You will be amazed at what you will learn and how this trip can grow and change your relationship with Christ. For more information, call Fr. Moseley @ 817-988-1460 or email: anglican.moze@gmail.com The trip is filling up fast...

St. Ephrem of Edessa, Deacon, 373. June 10th.

Ephrem of Edessa was a teacher, poet, orator, and defender of the faith, a voice of Aramaic Christianity, speaking the language Jesus spoke.



Edessa, a Syrian city, was a center for the spread of Christianity in the East long before the conversion of the western Roman empire.

The Syrians called Ephrem “The Harp of the Holy Spirit,” and his hymns still enrich the liturgies of the Syrian Church. He wrote the text of hymn 443 in our 1982 Hymnal.

Ephrem writings and hymns were influential in the development of Church doctrine. **St. Jerome** writes: “I have read in Greek a volume of his on the Holy Spirit; though it was a translation, I recognized therein the sublime genius of the man.”

Ephrem was born at Nisibis in Mesopotamia. At eighteen, he was baptized by James, Bishop of Nisibis. Ephrem accompanied James to the famous Council of Nicaea in 325. He lived at Nisibis until 363, when the Persians captured the city and drove out the Christians.

Ephrem retired to a cave in the hills above the city of Edessa. There he wrote most of his spiritual works. He lived on barley bread and dried herbs, sometimes varied by greens. He drank only water. His clothing was a mass of patches. But he was not a recluse, and frequently went to Edessa to preach. Discovering that hymns could be of great value in support of the true faith, he opposed

Gnostic hymns with his own, sung by a choir of women.

During a famine in 372–373, he distributed food and money to the poor and organized a sort of ambulance service for the sick. He died of exhaustion, brought on by his long hours of relief work.

Of his writings, there remain 72 hymns, commentaries on the Old and New Testaments, and numerous homilies. In his commentary on the the Lord's Passion, he wrote: **“No one has seen or shall see the things which you have seen. The Lord himself has become the altar, priest, and bread, and the chalice of salvation. He alone suffices for all, yet none suffices for him. He is Altar and Lamb, victim and sacrifice, priest as well as food.”**

Collect

Pour out upon us, O Lord, that same Spirit by which thy deacon Ephrem rejoiced to proclaim in sacred song the mysteries of faith; and so gladden our hearts that we, like him, may be devoted to thee alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Outreach Opportunity

Fort Worth Pregnancy Center

The Fort Worth Pregnancy Center is currently in need of the following items:

- Diapers Size 1-6
- Wipes
- Baby Lotion
- Diaper Cream
- Gender Neutral bibs, burp cloths, socks infant mittens
- New Baby Clothes for Baby Gifts (Size Newborn 0-9 months)
- Gently used maternity and baby/toddler clothes & shoes size NB – 4T
(Size 2T-4T most needed)
- Pull Ups
- Nail Clippers
- Baby Shampoo/Wash
- Baby accessories (carriers, bouncers, swings, etc.)

You may deliver your donated items directly to the Fort Worth Pregnancy Center (3221 Cleburne Rd., Fort Worth, TX 76110) or you can bring them here to St. John's, and we will deliver them for you.

