

---

## PRAYER CONCERNS FOR ST. JOHN'S

**For the sick:** Betty Schmidt, Sue Burns, Lynn Hansen, Muriel DiGiorgio, Cheryl Hairr, Liz Scott, John Morowski, Regina Warnock, Louise Spellman, Don Nidrie, Phillip Wulfken, Jim Evans, Irene Evans, Arthur Goldbaum, Janet Campbell, Autumn Highsmith, Milton Dove, Howard, Caroline, Bill, Amy, Kate, Blanca Vite, Catherine Perry, Theresa, John, Artie, Benjamin Owusu, Mark Bellisemo, Roger Giacomini, Jean Giacomini

**Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Nancy Bee Matchett by her family.**

**Altar Flowers and Perpetual Light are given this week in loving memory of Alex Gardega by the McGinnis Family.**

**Altar Flowers and Perpetual Light are given this week in loving memory of Modesto Roman by Dave and Nelly Lasek.**

**We pray for those recently departed and their families in their time of loss, in particular Sophia Valsamos.**

**We pray for all our men and women serving in the armed services and all first responders. May God keep them safe and return them home to their loved ones.**

**Last Sunday's Attendance: 157**

---

## SUNDAY SERVICES

|                 | <b>October 29<sup>th</sup><br/>10:00 AM</b>   | <b>November 5<sup>th</sup><br/>10:00 AM</b>  |
|-----------------|---|--|
| <b>MC</b>       | Al Szigethy   | Earl Matchett  |
| <b>LEM</b>      | Noelle DeLorenzo  | Leslie Valentine   |
| <b>Acolytes</b> | Wade Holden<br>Chloe Findlay<br>Kayla Andrews<br>Stephanie Wickey<br>Thalia Tosetti<br>Jacob Goldbaum | Wade Holden<br>Ty Ellenbogen<br>Stephanie Wickey<br>Anna Wickey<br>Jennifer Low<br>James Conolly<br>Jacob Goldbaum |
| <b>Lectors</b>  | Sue Hartman<br>Thalia Tosetti   | Janice Burnett<br>Stephanie Wickey   |

## TODAY'S HYMNS

|                              |   |                                    |
|------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| <b>Processional Hymn 610</b> | Lord, whose love through humble service | <i>Blaenhafren</i>                 |
| <b>Sequence Hymn 602</b>     | Jesu, Jesu fill us with love            | <i>Cereponi</i>                    |
| <b>Communion 571</b>         | All who love and serve your city        | <i>Charlestown</i>                 |
| <b>Recessional LEVAS 226</b> | Mine eyes have seen the glory           | <i>Battle Hymn of the Republic</i> |

## THE CHALICE

The weekly Sunday Bulletin of St. John's Episcopal Church

October 29, 2017

---

**When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets" (Matthew 22:34-40).**

Last weekend was an incredible weekend at St. John's. On Saturday, our Harvest Fair went extremely well. The church was busy and the comradery among our parishioners was palpable. The weather was wonderful and the food was terrific. There was plenty of seating for everyone and we are close to breaking another record in total sales. I would like to thank our entire ECW team that worked so hard to make the event such a huge success. We will give in excess of \$16,000 to local charities. There are posters in the Great Hall with the names of charities that the ECW gave to last year. There will be an ECW meeting on November 12th at 11:30 to recap the Harvest Fair and to go over ideas for next year. A special thanks to Chris Boccia and Fran Gorman for their leadership in the ECW and at the Harvest Fair. There are too many people to thank individually, but please know that I appreciate the work and ministry of everyone that helped out again this year.

At St. John's, we want to bring people to newness of life through the teachings of Jesus Christ and in the Sacraments. We are a Christ centered church that values tradition, yet moves forward in the Holy Spirit. During our stewardship campaign, people will witness what makes St. John's so special to them. Last week Dave Lasek spoke about how the parishioners at St. John's are like family to him. He pointed out people like Mary Simon who quietly visits and calls people who are sick or in the hospital. Dave makes eggs on Sunday mornings, works in the Thrift Shop, helps with HHHI, and is part of the Spirituality Group (to name of few of the ministries that he does with Nelly). St. John's is a friendly congregation because we follow the two simple commandments that Jesus gave us. We are also one of the most diverse churches in Suffolk County.

Our parish is dedicated, "to know Christ and to make Him known." We are trying to live in the present reality as we move towards the kingdom of heaven. The political environment may make us a little anxious, but our faith is the rock that never moves. Please love God and one another as Jesus Christ loves us. We have something very special here at St. John's. Giving your time, talent, and treasure brings both you and this community to a place where we can minister to our children, the poor, the sick, and the thirsty. This year's stewardship campaign is "Journey to Generosity." Please place your pledge card in the offering plate today. There are pledge cards in all of the pews. The cards will then be blessed at the altar. Giving of ourselves for the sake of others literally ushers in the coming kingdom.

In Christ's love,

Fr. Duncan

---

## VISITORS AND NEWCOMERS WELCOME!

We welcome you to **St. John's Episcopal Church**. Established in 1745, this historic church opens its doors to all who seek to deepen their faith and provides warm hospitality to all. We are blessed by your presence and invite you to fill out a Visitor's Card on the back table of the church.

---

### MORNING PRAYER

Start your morning in prayer. **Please join us for Morning Prayer at 9:00 AM** every Monday and Tuesday in the church.

---

### BIBLE STUDY

**Please join us for Bible Study which meets Tuesdays at 11:00 AM.** We are beginning a new unit on the Gospel of Mark.

---

### CELTIC SERVICES

**Please join us today at 5:30 PM for our Celtic Service, a contemplative Holy Eucharist with beautiful music.** The next Celtic Service will be on Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM.

---

### TAIZÉ SERVICES

**Join us on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 PM for Taizé Prayer,** a quiet candlelit evening of prayer through music.

---

### SATURDAY SERVICES

**The next Saturday service will be on November 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM.** Please join us for Holy Eucharist and prayer.

---

### HARVEST FAIR

**Thank you to all who already returned your Harvest Fair LAWN SIGNS.** If you still have any signs, please return them to the Parish Office to be reused next year. There will be an **ECW/Harvest Fair recap meeting on Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>** immediately following the 10 AM service.

---

### STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship cards were mailed last week, and may also be found on the back of each pew. **Please consider pledging and joining in our "Journey to Generosity."**

---

### BOOK CLUB

**St. John's Book Club will meet on Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM** at the home of Ann Wenk. This month we are reading Thomas Merton's Seven Storey Mountain.

---

### ACOLYTE TRAINING

**Acolyte Training for new acolytes is TODAY, Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>** immediately following the 10:00 AM service.

---

---

## AJOYO

**St. John's Cultural Events Series presents AJOYO on Sunday, November 5th at 4:00 PM.** Blending African traditions, jazz and soul, AJOYO celebrates life, love and justice through music—featuring French-Tunisian saxophonist Yacine Boulares and rising star vocalist Sarah Elizabeth Charles.

**Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, \$10 for children. Sing Noel tickets are also available.** A contribution of \$100 gets you 5 tickets plus an acknowledgment in each concert program as a Patron of the St. John's Cultural Events Series. For Tickets contact the Parish Office at (631) 427-1752 or [music@stjohnshuntington.org](mailto:music@stjohnshuntington.org).

---

## ECW COLLECTING FOR THANKSGIVING BASKETS

**The ECW is making Thanksgiving Baskets** for families who have had to abandon their homes to seek safety from domestic violence. We will be making up baskets for 12 families. This will be done in conjunction with the Suffolk County Coalition for Domestic Violence. **Due to a very specific shopping list we are asking for monetary donations only, no food donations.** All monies collected will be put towards these Thanksgiving baskets. No amount is too little or too big. If giving cash, please mark your envelope Thanksgiving Basket Donation; if giving a check, please make your checks out to the ECW. We will be collecting for this project from October 29<sup>th</sup> to November 12<sup>th</sup> only, so please contribute now.

---

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

**Once again this year we will be packing shoeboxes for distribution worldwide in connection with Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child.** As many of you know, the boxes we pack travel around the world bringing the love of Christ to children in a very tangible way. This year due to new customs restrictions, please refrain from packing any toothpaste or food items of any kind. Even hard candy and lollipops, which were previously permitted, may not be included in this year's boxes. A supply of Operation Christmas Child boxes are available at the back of the church. Please take as many as you like, fill them to capacity, and **bring them to church by November 12.** Our goal this year is 100 boxes. This is a great project for children and families – encourage your friends to pack boxes too and bring them to church on November 12. Your check, made payable to Samaritan's Purse, in the amount of \$9 will cover the cost of getting your box to its destination. Please see the Operation Christmas Child website for information on how to track your box. If you have any questions, please see Deborah Findlay, or call her at (516) 541-0305.

---

## ST. JOHN' S EPISCOPAL HOSPITAL – CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE

**Fr. Duncan is collecting unwrapped toys for children ages 1 through 16** to bring to the Diocesan Convention on November 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. Please see him for more information or to **drop off a toy by November 5<sup>th</sup>.**

---

## ST. JOHN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP

**SJSG Advent retreat will be on Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9:00 AM** with breakfast and ending with a Celtic Service. Canon Charles "Charlie" McCarron will be presenting "Giving Birth to the Word: Spiritual Motherhood and the Advent Season." All are welcome.

---