
PRAYER CONCERNS FOR ST. JOHN'S

For the sick: 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, Howard, Caroline, Bill, Amy, Kate, Catherine Perry, Theresa, John, Artie, Benjamin Owusu, Mark Bellisemo, Roger Giacomini, Jean Giacomini, Tom, Joseph Canga, George Nelson, Ian, Jen, Lucy, Ana Rodrigues, Laura, Giovanna LaPaglia, Lorainne, Justin, Daniel, David, Sue, Don McInnis, Thomasina Burnett, Merida Rivera, Dana, Tom, Robert Osbourne, Pepe, Richard Walsh, Derick Bennett

The Perpetual Light is given this week in loving memory of Evelyn Wuttke by Jean Giacomini

We pray for the unemployed and the under employed.

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.

To add someone to the prayer list, please email the Parish Office (cfreas@stjohnshuntington.org).

Last Sunday's Attendance: 156

SUNDAY SERVICE

	February 4th		February 11th	
	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM
MC	Ken Quinn	Al Szigethy	Ken Quinn	Earl Matchett
LEM	Robert Boise	Rob Wheeler	Nancy Feustel	Noelle DeLorenzo
Acolytes	Nancy Feustel	Chloe Findlay Stephanie Wickey Anna Wickey Jacob Goldbaum Timmy Kusterbeck Walter Kusterbeck	Karen Quinn	Pete Minichello Thalia Tosetti James Conolly Timmy Kusterbeck Walter Kusterbeck
Lector I	Karen Quinn	MK Brennan	Crystal Roberts	Rob Wheeler
Lector II	Tony Chamorro	Chloe Findlay	Tony Marshall	Thalia Tosetti

TODAY'S HYMNS

Processional Hymn 423	Immortal, invisible, God only wise	<i>St. Denio</i>
Sequence Hymn 711	Seek ye first the kingdom of God	<i>Seek Ye First</i>
Communion Hymn LEVAS 115	Spirit of the Living God	<i>Daniel Iverson</i>
Recessional Hymn 567	Thine arm, O Lord	<i>St. Matthew</i>

THE CHALICE**The weekly Sunday Bulletin of St. John's Episcopal Church****February 4, 2018**

In the morning, while it was still very dark, Jesus got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed.” (Mark 1:35).

This week our service times on Sunday are 8:00 AM and 9:30 AM because we will have our annual meeting after the late service. Please join us for food, fellowship, and a brief annual meeting as we elect a warden, a clerk of the vestry, and three vestry members. In 2018, our priorities are Children and Youth, Outreach, Spirituality, Growth, Fellowship, and Pastoral Care. Our Diocese is focused on Racial Reconciliation and Prayer for 2018. St. John's is committed to involving our entire congregation in maintaining our priorities and these two important areas of focus.

I have asked each committee to invite new members to join their group. Please consider joining our Racial Reconciliation Committee, HiHi, Thrift Shop, ECW, Altar Guild, Lay Eucharistic Ministers, Youth Group, Christian Education, Readers, Breakfast Group, Spirituality Group, Nursery School, Ushers, Lay Eucharistic Visitors, Prayer Shawl Ministry, St. Hilda's Guild, or one of our other committees. I urge all new members to get involved in one of our small groups. Most groups require only a small time commitment.

Our Sunday school starts again next week at 9:40 AM in the chapel. 1st Communion classes are beginning with Sue McGinnis on Wednesday nights and 1st Communion will be April 8th at the 10:00 AM service. Confirmation classes have started on Sunday Evenings at 5:30 PM. Confirmation is April 21st at 11:00 AM at the Cathedral in Garden City. Our Youth Group meets at 6:30 PM on most Sunday nights with Ford Spilsbury and the rector. We will be focusing on our children's music program this year. Please contact Alex, if your child or young adult would like to sing this year. Alex is happy to start practicing with young people after the 10:00 AM service to prepare their songs. Our children and youth will be performing on Palm Sunday, Mother's Day, and June 17th. Please see Alex if you would like to sing or play an instrument.

Outreach is a focus again this year. Today is the Souper Bowl of Caring and our Youth Group is collecting donations to fight hunger in the Huntington Community. Our next HIHI group will meet at 4:30 PM in the kitchen on February 23rd. The Youth Group will be hosting people who are homeless on March 2nd through our HIHI program right here at St. John's. Please bring in food for the Food Pantry and donations for our Thrift Shop. If you are interested in volunteering for the Thrift shop on Tuesdays, Thursdays or Saturdays, please see Nancy.

Tuesday Night Lenten Suppers begin on February 20th. Please join us for Stations of the Cross at 5:30 PM, Music Meditations at 6:00 PM, Evening Prayer at 6:15 PM, dinner at 6:30 PM, and our program at 7:15 PM on February 20th and 27th and on March 6th, 13th and 20th. This month's book is Bread and Wine, Readings for Lent and Easter. Copies may be found by the piano. Join us on Monday through Friday at 9:00 AM for Morning Prayer in the church. Please prayer each day for the ministry of St. John's and for those on our parish prayer list.

Here I am, a servant of the Lord, may it be according to your Word,
Rev. Duncan Burns

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 each weekday, **Monday-Friday, at 9:00 AM**. Please join us!

BIBLE STUDY

Please join us for Bible Study on **Tuesdays at 11:00 AM**. We will be studying Paul's letter to the Romans.

ST. HILDA'S GUILD

St. Hilda's Guild meets in the Guild Room Tuesdays, at **12:30 PM**. Join us for craft making and fellowship.

TAIZÉ SERVICES

Taizé chants or 'short songs' have a meditative character as they are repeated again and again." "Silence makes us ready for a new meeting with God." Join us in prayer, short song and silence as we find our way to an inner unity with God.

Our next Taizé Service will be on Sunday, February 11th at 5:30 PM.

CELTIC SERVICES

Join us for a contemplative Holy Eucharist with beautiful music at our next Celtic Service on **Sunday, February 24th at 5:30 PM.**

PARISH DIRECTORY

The **2018 Parish Directory is now available**. Printed copies can be found at the back of the church. If you prefer an electronic copy in pdf format, please contact the Parish Office at cfras@stjohnshuntington.org. Also, please help to maintain your fellow parishioners privacy and do not share this information with outside parties.

NEW STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES

New Stewardship Envelopes are available for pick-up at the back of the church for those who requested them. If you do not see yours, or would like to request envelopes, please contact the Parish Office at (631) 427-1752 or cfras@stjohnshuntington.org.

ANNUAL MEETING

Our Annual Meeting will take place **TODAY, February 4th at 11:00 AM**. There will be two services today, **8:00 AM and 9:30 AM**.

During our Vestry Elections we will be voting on: one Warden position, three Vestry seats, and one Clerk of the Vestry. **If you would like to run for any of these open positions, please contact the nominating committee of either Fr. Duncan or Scott Cooley at 631-896-1064.**

BREAKFAST—BAGELS—BRAINS

No—not Bach, Beethoven, Brahms—nor even Basketball, Baseball, Bowling, Boxing, Badminton—just an opportunity to engage one's mind while having a bite between services for five Sundays in Lent.

The Plan: Commencing on February 11th, there will appear in *the Chalice* two or three short passages from Christian writers that will serve as a catalyst for one's Lenten pilgrimage. Begin your journey to the foot of the cross and the empty tomb by joining with us as we discuss the implications of the passages, attend to the call of Christ, and probe what it means to take up our crosses and follow Jesus, a response that Fr. John Scott suggested entails a lifetime of "constantly renewed dedication and obedient responsiveness to all that God requires of his people and equips them to do."

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Our next First Communion class will meet on Wednesday, February 7th at 5:00 PM in the Guild Room. If you are interested in having your child participate in First Holy Communion, please review the class schedule and return the completed registration form to the Parish Office. Forms can be found at the back of the church or on our website.

First Holy Communion will be held on Sunday, April 8th at the 10:00 AM Service.

CONFIRMATION

Our next Confirmation class will be on Sunday, February 11th at 5:30 PM in the Guild Room. Confirmands please finish reading the Magician's Nephew by the next meeting.

Also, each Confirmand is required to do two service projects. HIHI offers several opportunities in the coming weeks to complete this requirement: February 23rd, March 2nd and March 9th. Please meet at 4:30 PM in the kitchen.

Confirmation is April 21st at 11:00 AM at the Cathedral of the Incarnation in Garden City. Please see Fr. Duncan or contact the Parish Office with any questions.

HIHI VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

HIHI is the Huntington Interfaith Homeless Initiative. Local churches provide a meal and shelter for homeless in the area on a rotating basis. St. John's participates about twice a month in the winter.

Volunteers are needed for HiHi on the following dates:

Friday, March 2nd, Youth Service Day. Youth volunteers are needed beginning at 4:30 PM in the kitchen. Dinner will be served at 6:30 PM at St. John's.

Friday, February 23rd and March 9th. Volunteers are needed to help in the kitchen at 4:30 PM to cook. Dinner will be served at the United Methodist Church, 180 West Neck Rd, Huntington at 6:30 PM.

Please see Fr. Duncan to volunteer.
