
SJSG RETREAT

St. John's Spirituality Group will be welcoming back Tom Petriano on Saturday, May 19th. He will continue to share with us his understanding of Thomas Merton's life and work. We will begin with breakfast at 9:00 am. The program will be from 9:45 am to 12:45 pm. A donation of \$20 per person is requested. All are welcome. **Please contact Patti Aliperti for more information at silvermoon33@yahoo.com or Heather Kress at hkress@optonline.net.**

PRAYER CONCERNS FOR ST. JOHN'S

Bless those celebrating a birthday this week: Chloe Busterna, Nancy Schuman, Christine Kibirige, Eric Biagi, Chase Northrop

We pray for all those affected by the opioid epidemic.

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.

We pray for the sick: Lorraine, Justin, Shannon, Patti, Roger Giacomini, Jean Giacomini, David Lasek, Tom, Jim Evans, Irene Evans, Arthur Goldmeier, Bill, Amy, Kate, Dana, Howard, Sue, Debbie, Daniel, David, Bryan, Sue Bever, Don McInnes, Phillip Wulfken, Nancy, David Saalfield, Henry Nuetzel

The recently departed: The Rev. Canon Paul Wancura

We have started the prayer list anew in Easter. Please resubmit any names you would like prayers to continue for to the Parish Office. To add someone to the birthday or prayer list, please email cfreas@stjohnshuntington.org.

Last Sunday's Attendance: 133

SUNDAY SERVICE

	<u>April 22nd</u>		<u>April 29th</u>	
	8:00 am	10:00 am	8:00 am	10:00 am
MC	Ken Quinn	Al Szigethy	Ken Quinn	Al Szigethy
LEM	Tony Chamorro	Noelle DeLorenzo	Robert Boise	Rob Wheeler
Acolytes	Karen Quinn	Pete Minichello Wade Holden Akiko Masticiano Reiko Masticiano Jennifer Low	Karen Quinn	Pete Minichello Luke Cahill Colby Tracy Carleigh Tracy Emma Cahill Timmy Kusterbeck Walter Kusterbeck Stephanie Wickey
Lector I	Karen Quinn	MK Brennan	Ann Wenk	Leslie Valentine
Lector II	Tony Marshall	Thalia Tosetti	Karen Quinn	Colby Tracy

THE CHALICE

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“Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.” (Colossians 1:12-17)

“We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us.” (1 John 3:16) There comes a time in each person's life when you have to decide what the priorities in your life are going to be. For our confirmation class, this weekend is the time that they will profess their faith through the words of the Baptismal Covenant. Jesus is the Good Shepherd that laid down his life for our sins. Each of us decides if that matters or not. Please pray for all our children and youth that they will come to a deeper understanding of their faith. “For the believer there is hope beyond the grave, because Jesus Christ has opened the door to heaven for us by His death and resurrection.” -Billy Graham

As our faith grows, we understand the fabulous gift of grace and forgiveness that comes from Christ and we feel the love of God deeply. We are the very proof that Jesus has risen by the hospitality, outreach, and love we offer to everyone who enters our building and those in need in our community. The wardens and vestry of St. John's will discuss new ideas to open the eyes of faith in our community during our vestry retreat next Sunday. We will continue to focus on our children, growth, pastoral care, outreach, mission, and hospitality. We look to a future that will require us to reach out in love to all people.

We who are very different are called to one body. We are asked to let the love of Christ dwell in us so that we might go forth in his love. On May 4th the ECW will hold a wonderful event that the whole family can enjoy. Zingo night is a lot of fun and the proceeds go to the Family Service League to send needy children to Summer Camp. Please sign up for this fun filled event in the Parish Hall following the service today.

Next Sunday, April 29th is our confirmation Sunday. Eleven of our young people have received the sacramental rite in which the candidates "express a mature commitment to Christ, and receive strength from the Holy Spirit through prayer and the laying on of hands by a bishop" (BCP, p. 860). Rev. Canon Patricia S. Mitchell, Canon for Pastoral Care, from the Diocese of Long Island will be here to celebrate with us next Sunday.

In Christ's love,

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** in the Guild Room.

THRIFT SHOP

There will be a Thrift Shop meeting on **Thursday, April 26th at 7:00 pm**. Please contact Nancy Feustel for more information at n.feustel@verizon.net.

TAIZÉ PRAYER SERVICE

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 prayer services is **Sunday, May 6th at 5:30 PM**.

CELTIC SERVICE

Our next Celtic Service will be on **Sunday, April 29th at 5:30 pm**. Please join us for this contemplative mass with beautiful music.

ZINGO NIGHT

St. John's ECW & Youth Group presents Zingo Night on Friday, May 4th in the Great Hall. Pizza will be served at 6:30 pm. Games begin at 7:00 pm. Admission includes pizza, soda & dessert:

\$ 15.00 = Admission per person; \$5.00 = Child under 10

Tickets will be sold after Sunday services in the Great Hall (advance sale tickets include one extra regular Zingo card). Many great prizes for all ages! All proceeds go to Family Service League to send needy children to Summer Camp.

RACIAL RECONCILIATION MINISTRY

We have been invited to **Open Mosque Day on Saturday, May 12th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm** by **Masjid Noor mosque in Huntington**. This a community event with great ethnic food to promote peace and understanding.

Please contact **Heather Kress** at hkress@optonline.net to join the Racial Reconciliation Ministry or for more information on upcoming events.

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

On **Sunday, April 29th at the 10:00 am service**, we will be celebrating those who were confirmed yesterday at the **Cathedral of the Incarnation**. We will celebrate Holy Communion with bread the students baked, they will receive their confirmation certificates, and there will be cake the Great Hall following the service. The Rev. Canon Patricia S. Mitchell will be here as well to celebrate with us, so invite your family and friends to share in this special occasion.

ECW DINNER

The annual ECW Dinner is scheduled for **Wednesday, June 13th**. Please save the date. Evening Prayer will be at 6:00 pm with Dinner starting at 7:00 pm. There will be a guest speaker and door prizes. **The men of the parish will be cooking**. Please see Rev. Burns to volunteer.

Dinner is **\$25 per person**. Beginning May 6th, there will be a sign-up sheet in the Great Hall after each service. We always have so much fun. All parishioners are welcome. Bring your friends, too! Please contact **Fran Gorman** at gormport@aol.com with any questions.

BREAKFAST – BRAINS - BAGELS

Join **Fr. John** in the **Canterbury Corner** between services on **Sundays for Breakfast – Brains – Bagels beginning again next Sunday, April 29th**. We will examine the following statement next week:

"How can you cope with the end of a world and the beginning of another one? How can you put an earthquake into a test-tube, or the sea into a bottle? How can you live with the terrifying thought that the hurricane has become human, that fire has become flesh, that life itself came to life and walked in our midst? Christianity either means that, or it means nothing. It is either the most devastating disclosure of the deepest reality in the world, or it is a sham, a nonsense, a bit of deceitful play-acting. Most of us, unable to cope with saying either of these things, condemn ourselves to live in the shallow world in between. We may not be content there, but we don't know how to escape...the way through is by sheer unadulterated worship of the living and true God, and by following this God wherever he leads, whether or not it is the way our traditions would suggest. Worship is not an optional extra for the Christian, a self-indulgent religious activity. It is the basic Christian stance, and indeed (so Christians claim) the truly human stance."

—**The Rt. Rev. N. T. Wright, For All God's Worth, p. 1**

TODAY'S HYMNS

Processional Hymn 199	Come, ye faithful, raise the strain	<i>St. Kevin</i>
Psalm 23 Insert		
Sequence Hymn 178, v. 1-2	Alleluia, alleluia!	<i>Alleluia No. 1</i>
Gospel Acclamation Insert	Halle-halle-halle	
Offertory Anthem	Thank You for the Cross	<i>Hillsong</i>
Communion Hymn LEVAS 155	This Is My Body	<i>Edward V. Bonnemere</i>
Recessional Hymn 708	Savior, like a shepherd lead us	<i>Sicilian Mariners</i>
