

St. John's Announcements

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St. Mary's Choir Reunion 1923



We are fortunate that we are able to have a full choir throughout our program year. I thank Zoe and all of the choir members for their hard work and liturgical leadership. The last day of choir for this program year will be two weeks from today, so it gives us all a chance to express our appreciation. The picture on the left is a choir reunion at St. Mary's from the 1920's. We have a St. John's, Rockville picture from about the same time in the history book in the back of the nave. Far fewer people are willing to sing publicly these days, but it doesn't make the role in our worship any less significant. There are so many wonderful pieces of sacred music that have been written over the centuries. They are truly prayers, and they express a range of human emotion that stretches even beyond our ability to put into words. If you are willing to sing in our choir, your voice would be most welcome. I encourage you to talk with Zoe or a choir member. The choir will restart in the fall.

Blessings, *Marc*

UPCOMING EVENTS:

6/5 - Eucharist @
10:30am - Healing
Service

6/5 - Bible Study @
12:30pm

6/6 - Lunch Bunch @
12pm

6/13 - Book Group @
6:30pm

6/15 - Summer Concert
@ 7pm

Happy Birthday!

Laurence Small
Mary Ann Harting
Susan Hutton
Nancy Sampson
Donna Auden
Diane MacNeal

Happy Anniversary!

Keith & Susan Morehouse
John & Marcia Horan
Alicia DiLeo & Brett Palmer
Tom & Terri Sessions



Wednesday Eucharist - The Wednesday Eucharist has been growing throughout the year, and for the first time in my years as a priest, we are going to keep it going throughout the summer. That also means that we will continue to have our monthly healing service the first Wednesday of the month. Our Wednesday Eucharist is a simple "said mass" that is shorter than our Sunday worship, but it is a great way to supplement your prayer life and receive the sacrament in a more intimate setting. If you have never attended a Wednesday liturgy, I encourage you to do so especially if you are going away for the weekend.

Lunch Bunch - Please join us on June 6th at 12pm for the St. John's Lunch Bunch potluck luncheon. Bring your favorite casserole, side dish, or ready-made food to share with fellow parishioners. Drinks and dessert will be provided.

Newsletter Update - As of June 1st, we resumed our monthly newsletters, in addition to the weekly e-news. The monthly newsletter will come out at the beginning of each month and have resources and opportunities for parishioners that may not be directly related to St. John's. It will also include a calendar of upcoming events for that month at St. John's. If you did not receive the June monthly newsletter on June 1st and would like to receive it, please let me know so I can adjust the subscriber list accordingly! OR if you did receive it and DON'T want it, let me know that, too!!

Thanks. Deacon Scott (dcnscott@gmail.com)

Book Group - Book Group will be reading the following through the summer. We hope you will come discuss your thoughts with fellow parishioners. Here's what we are reading and meeting dates:

Meeting Date	Book Title	Author
June 13 th @ 6:30pm Upper Parish Hall	The Women	Kristin Hannah

Yoga Classes Update - June dates of 6/4 and 6/11 from 5:30-6:30 will be the last of the Tuesday evening yoga for a bit. There will be NO yoga on 6/20.

St. John's Summer Concert - Saturday June 15, 2024, 7 p.m. at St. John's. Benefit Concert for the Cornerstone Food Pantry, and IFAW.org rescuing animals in Brazil's most recent floods, featuring ZOE's MUSICAL FAIRY TALE, with 8 singers, flute, narrator, and two pianos. Tickets are a suggested donation of \$20. ZOE's MUSICAL FAIRY TALE (story, poetry, lyrics, and music by Zoe Vandermeer) Compared to Phantom of the Opera, Into the Woods, Secret Garden, Harry Potter, and Narnia, *Zoe's Musical Fairy Tale* has been reviewed as: "any fan of enchanting contemporary opera will fall pleasantly victim to the genius found here." - Melissa Harmon, Get Fancy Magazine. You are invited to hear this magical work that Zoe created featuring St. John's members: Mary Chesley, narrator, Lily LaCaprucia-Hull as The Good Witch and Goddess of the Deep, soprano, Kimmie Farrell, flute and, Zoe Vandermeer as The Mother, Goddess of the Deep, etc., soprano, piano, composer/author, Maestro Steven Crawford, piano (Metropolitan Opera, international opera conductor), with Zoe's students: TaeKeira Jackson as Serafina, soprano, Elizabeth Boucher as Le Rossignol, soprano Sabrina Brooks as The Ghost, soprano, George Quach as Sean/Zhong, tenor Shane Dwy as the Guard and the Cruel King, tenor, Gregory Hunt as the Cruel King, tenor. The concert features musical and poetical excerpts from the complete two act show. Refreshments to follow in St. Mary's Hall. Hope to see you there!