

St. John's Announcements

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Celebrating Sandy Braman at her retirement luncheon at the Mill on the River. Pictured left to right: Jo-Ann, Sandy, Beth, Joy



Next Sunday, August 4th at 9:00am, we will meet for half an hour in St. Mary's Hall to discuss the happenings of this summer's General Convention and to focus on the issues of the larger church. While I will be sharing some of what happened at General Convention with some words of introduction about The Right Reverend Sean Rowe, our Presiding Bishop Elect, this time will have a discussion element. I would love to hear your thoughts about the needs of the national church beyond St. John's. We will have some snacks and drinks available.

On August 11th, we will meet at 9:00am in St. Mary's Hall to discuss Funeral Planning. I know it is not the most fun of all subjects, but it is an important one. I encourage you to attend and make an appointment with me to share your thoughts about what kind of liturgy you would like when that time comes. It is a great help to family members to have some of these ideas recorded in the office. I look forward to seeing you next week.

Blessings,
Marc

UPCOMING EVENTS:

7/31- Eucharist @
10:30am

Happy Birthday!

Joyce Porter
Emily Chanthavisouk
Laurie Somma

Happy Anniversary!

Orin & Grace Bartle



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.

Holiday Weekend Services – There will be one service on Sunday September 1st at 9am.

Outdoor Services schedule –

- 8/4 – 8am inside & streamed/10am outside
- 8/11 - 8am inside & streamed/10am outside
- 8/18 - 8am inside /10am inside and streamed
- 8/25 - 8am inside & streamed/10am outside

***Outside services will be in the Memorial Garden weather permitting**

Women's Group – Women's Group will resume meeting on the last Sunday of every month. If you have any questions – please contact Kelli Peters.

General Convention and the wider Episcopal Church – **August 4th at 9:00am** in St. Mary's Hall. Father Marc will lead a discussion of the happenings of this summer's General Convention, discuss our new Presiding Bishop Elect, and hear feedback and questions about the wider church. I hope you can join us.

Funeral Planning – **August 11th at 9:00am** in St. Mary's Hall. Father Marc will lead a discussion on funeral planning. Few parishioners have any documentation in the office, and we all want a proper liturgical good-bye, even if we are planning on being late to ours. Father Marc has extra availability to meet with individuals and families over the following two weeks to make arrangements.

Feast of St. Mary – **August 18th at the 8:00am and 10:00am** Eucharists. We will also host a special 8:00 service coffee hour in St. Mary's Hall. Some historical items from St. Mary's in Manchester will be on display. We will also have a special festive coffee hour after the 10:00 service. We will be flowering the cross, so parishioners are encouraged to bring flowers from their gardens for that purpose.

Ice Cream Sunday – On **August 25th, after the 10:00am Eucharist**, we will have a special coffee hour that will include Father Marc's homemade ice cream. It is a special treat you will not regret.

Yoga at St. John's is moving to the evenings!!! Starting in September (date TBD), Yoga at St. John's will be in the evenings now. Whether you were coming in the morning or have yet to get back on your mat with fellow parishioners of all ages and experience, we'd love to practice together. Please complete [this Google survey](#) (link also below) so we can choose the best evening for all. Feel free to reach out via email with any questions. Melissa Fenner kandmfenner@comcast.net

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