

St. John's Announcements

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Manchester Legacy Fund grant to Gentle Love Connections



Next week, we will have a visit from one of the most important officials in the Episcopal Church in Connecticut. The Rev. Ranjit Mathews is the Canon to the Ordinary. I know that sounds strange to many people, especially non-Episcopalians. It sounds even more exotic when you factor in that our diocese has not had a Canon to the Ordinary in many years. This position is essentially the Bishop's right-hand-man and advisor. These canon's often handle situations that require some real knowledge and expertise. Many focus on items like clergy discipline and property issues. Many are involved in lawsuits should the diocese be involved in any. The canon also works to help develop and support congregations and the bishop's ministry how ever that might look based on the strengths of the bishop and canon. They form an important team to tackle some of the most challenging issues in the life of the church. Thankfully, we are not embroiled in chaos, or a lawsuit, so Canon Mathews is coming on a friendly visit to listen to what is going on in our community and to talk about the passions of the wider church. Canon Mathews will be preaching at the 10:00am service and will have a brief time of discussion in St. Mary's hall after the Eucharist. I hope you can join us.

Blessings,
Marc

UPCOMING EVENTS:

10/23- Eucharist @
10:30am

10/23 - Bible Study @
12:30pm

10/27 - Rev. Cn. Ranjit
Mathews visit

Happy Birthday!

Chrystal Smith
Glen Potter

Happy Anniversary!

Paul & Alison Finney
Robert & Janet Devanna



Fall Harvest Coffee Hour - Happy Fall! Please join us as we gather for some October fun and fellowship after the 10am service on **October 20th**. We will have pumpkin painting (bring your own pumpkin!) pumpkin bowling, harvest treats like cider and donuts, and bobbing for apples. Join us to celebrate each other and the beauty of autumn in New England! Any questions, see Betsy, Melissa, Jodie or Maureen after church.

Bible Study – Our Bible Study on the Acts of the Apostles continues this coming Wednesday at 12:30pm in St. Mary's Hall. Every Wednesday Bible study is hybrid. If you would like a zoom link, please contact Father Marc.

Tree of Light – Join us in making our Tree of Light shine bright this holiday season. Order forms will be in the back of the church. Due date for forms is **Sunday, November 17th**. Please contact Linda Borovicka with any questions.

Holiday Bazaar - This year's Bazaar will be held from **9 am to 2 pm on Saturday, November 23rd in St. Mary's Hall**. Are you interested in finding out how YOU can help make our 2024 St. John's Holiday Bazaar a success? I will hold an informational meeting at **9 am on Sunday, October 20th in St. Mary's Hall**. I am looking for volunteers to help with setup the week of Nov. 23rd, during the Bazaar on the 23rd, and take down on the 24th. Hope to see you there! Any questions, please contact Nancy Simon @860-978-0198 or nancycsimon@att.net.

Hawkwing Outreach - Sept.29th- Oct 27th

The outreach will consist of collecting NEW TOYS for ages 1 month - 18yrs old. for The Give Away Event in Dec. Money Collection for the 2 food banks on the reservation will be on Sun. Oct.20th at both services. Collection boxes will be for clean, gently used or new WINTER COATS for children, women and men. TOYS AND GAMES -. Some ideas are art supplies, board games, trucks and cars, preschool play sets, building blocks, basketballs, footballs and dolls. (no stuffed toys, battery, electric, violent or religious themes.) The Rez purchases food from the South Dakota Food Bank for 18 cents a lb. Your dollar goes a long way. Let's stock their food bank for the winter coming. You can make out a check for toys and or food bank to St. John's. Please fill in the memo line where you want the donation to go to. You can either mail in your checks to St. John's or put them in the collection plate. Any questions please call Terri @ 860.644.5892/ e-mail www.hawkwing.org
