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"GREETINGS MARY, FULL OF GRACE."



The Episcopal Church of Saint Mary in Falmouth, Maine

## From our Rector: *MIX A LITTLE AFFLICTION INTO EVERYTHING*



*"In short, mix a little affliction into every undertaking. Live with restriction and humility in eating, sleeping and working, always mindful of the way the saints lived, so that the last hour may come and find us in affliction and straitened circumstances here, in order that we might find peace and comfort there" (The Anonymous Sayings of the Desert Fathers N 592.2).*

I know what you are thinking. "He is crazy! This is exactly the kind of depressing religious thinking that I have been trying to escape!" But wait a minute, hear me out. Yes, this saying from the Desert Tradition presents an "old school" approach to faith. It sounds harsh, but actually it leads to incredible joy and freedom.

Life is all about choices we make. Just as Jesus ex-

plained that we cannot serve two masters, so it is true that we must always prioritize what is most important in life. Yes, we can choose ease and comfort, to satisfy all of our desires and cravings, to secure our own place in the world, OR we can choose life with God. We cannot choose both because our desires and cravings are a god of their own, an idol which demands our time and attention. And a life oriented toward God does not happen by chance. Without attention and dedication, our lives will slide back into the self-centered habits of ordinary human existence.

Mix a little affliction into everything. Things that are easy are not worth doing. Consider those who try to do difficult things. They must intentionally pursue some level of affliction. To run a marathon, you have to put in countless miles of struggle and discomfort. To prepare an excellent meal, you must put in hours of diligent planning and prep work. To reach 50 years of marriage, you have to work through many times of frustration and misunderstanding. To find a cure for cancer, you need to persevere through years of slowly progressing research which produces mixed results.

In short, nothing worthwhile gets accomplished by pursuing the easy path. Nothing! Do we expect it to be any different in the realm of spiritual formation? If we actually desire to live close to God and in accordance with God's will, then we must "live with

restriction and humility" in order to push ourselves out of the flow of ordinary life and into our Lord's Way of Love. This will never happen by accident, and God can never do this work without our cooperation.

Mix a little affliction into everything. Challenge yourself not to be comfortable; to give more than you take; to speak words that only build others up and never cut them down; to never judge another person but rather consider everyone better than yourself; to never complain but to thank God for the gift in every situation. In whatever setting you find yourself, find a way to mix a little affliction into it by challenging yourself to grow and become more.

We are mixing a little affliction into the life of Saint Mary's by adjusting our Sunday morning schedule and adding new times for spiritual growth. In reality, these are minor changes, but they will make many of us uncomfortable. Growth will happen as we accept these challenges and work together through them. I am really looking forward to what God will do in our midst as we cooperate with the Holy Spirit in attaining "the measure of the full stature of Christ" (Ephesians 4:13).

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*Nathan W. Jewell +*

# Exciting Autumn Offerings

## FORMATION



Beginning September 9, we will implement a slight shift in our Sunday morning schedule in order to accomplish our mission of “building authentic, vibrant, Christ-centered community” where we celebrate, honor and serve together.

**The overall Sunday schedule for the school year will look like this:**

**8 AM: Contemplative Eucharist (Rite 1 or Rite 2)**

**9:15 AM: Choir practices**

**9:30 AM: Christian Formation for all ages, RSCM**

**Being Christian, Being Disciples with Fr. Nathan – in the Guild Room**

**Walking The Way of Love with Deacon Christine – in the Kneeler Room**

**Be Still: Meditation and Prayer with Jennifer Gregg and Merle Marie Troeger – in the Chapel**

**10:15 AM: Choral Eucharist**

As always, coffee and snacks will be offered after each Eucharist and throughout the morning. This schedule shift will give the adults in our community a solid 30 minutes between 9:30 to 10 am for small groups to gather for Bible study, book study, storytelling, centering prayer, outreach conversations, and seasonal events. If you have a group that you would like to facilitate or to see offered, please send Fr. Nathan an email or reach out to your wardens.

*Here are some of the **Sunday Formation offerings** we have planned so far. More to come!! Maybe a MOTH group!? Could have a seasonal liturgical study! Endless possibilities!*

## Being Christian, Being Disciples . . .

**Sundays, 9:30 - 10am in the Guild Room**

This small group is an introduction to the Christian life as we practice it in the Anglican/Episcopal tradition. For half an hour each Sunday, we will discuss the basics of life within the Body of Christ and what these mean for our daily lives. We will use simple guidebooks written by Dr. Rowan Williams.

## BE STILL . . .

**Sundays, 9:30 – 10 in Fr James Chapel**

Have you ever wished for just half an hour to yourself, a time you claim for your own

To think big or small thoughts,

To be “in the moment,” as we sometimes say,

To encounter the Divine or the Divine in others?

Come to Father James Chapel on Sunday mornings from 9:30 – 10. We’ll spend a while engaging with a short reading-

Maybe one of the desert mothers or fathers,

Maybe a medieval mystic, or a poet,

Maybe a modern contemplative,

Maybe the text of a song or hymn.

We’ll react, share, allow some silence, take a deep breath, and then pick up the rest of our day. Come as often as you wish.

Each session will stand alone.



## Walking the Way of Love . . .

**Sundays, 9:30 - 10am in the Kneeler Room**  
***Practices for Jesus-Centered Life***

Gather to accept the Presiding Bishop Michael Curry’s invitation to Practice the Way of Love. Let’s discuss how to do this.



# Exciting Autumn Offerings

## COMMON GROUND



First one will be Fr. Nathan's sabbatical trip to Ecuador!!

**Thursday Common Ground** is taking shape for our program year. Beginning on Thursday, September 20<sup>th</sup> we will host *weekly* events which will combine food, fellowship and community engagement. Thank you to all who have helped or advised this new program. We encourage all committees and guilds to hold their meetings either before or after this core event which will create a greater synergy for connecting!

### **The basic structure is:**

**5 - 7PM** Potluck-style dinner. Take a break from cooking a whole meal. Bring a piece or just eat what we have. If you can't imagine eating early, come and enjoy fellowship and discussion. Open to everyone!! **OR**

**5:30PM** RSCM rehearsal & training

**5:45-6:45PM** We will host individual or panel discussions on topical issues facing our community. Watch the eNEWS and future AVEs for the specific presenters and topics!

**6:45PM** Compline Service and clean-up

Questions: Contact Janet Bowne ([janetbowne@maine.rr.com](mailto:janetbowne@maine.rr.com)) for more information.

## **Expanding the RSCM Program; Incorporating *Voice for Life* in Thursday "Common Ground"**

This will be a program for all children that will help them participate in the Sunday services more fully. The focus for the short classes will include not only singing some of the hymns and canticles for the Sunday services, but will include learning about the spoken responses and the teachings of the Bible. The Episcopal Church is known for its variety of beautiful prayer services. One of them is the service called Compline, which is usually sung just before bedtime.

As part of the Common Ground Program new format on Thursday evenings, boys and girls that have been singing in the RSCM Choir, and anyone that wishes to join them, will have the opportunity to earn their medals, which will indicate the levels that they have achieved in the RSCM Program. There are 4 levels: light blue, dark blue, red, and yellow ribbons to which the medals are affixed. Parents are invited to sit in on the classes; we welcome your presence and help with this new format. This truly is a *Voice for Life* program which aims to help children to grow in maturity as Christians and as ministers in the church. It takes a serious commitment and a vision of what it means to be a member of a Christ-centered parish.

It is hoped that you will consider this course, for it reaps many rewards as we continue to grow into a community of faith and spirit. Children of all ages are welcome. Note that the classes are not long in duration, in consideration for the time of day. If you would like to assist with this program in any way, we can surely find a small task for you. Please contact the following for more information: Bruce Fithian 831-7113, or Priscilla Rigg 781-3975.

- 5:30 p.m. Introduction and explanation of schedule  
Vocal warm-ups and singing of rounds: Sing and Rejoice, Allunde, Dona Nobis
- 5:45 p.m. What is a Hymn? What is a Canticle? Let's sing some hymns: 43, 711  
Introduction to Compline with hymns and canticles
- 6:00 p.m. Music as a language: RSCM Classes for Light Blue (ages 4 – 7)  
Dark Blue (age 8 – adults) Finish these classes, win a Medal!
- 6:15 p.m. Linking Music & Liturgy: Learning how to join in all the special parts of the Sunday service.
- 6:30 p.m. Prepare for Compline (sung Evening Prayers) in the Chapel. Enter and depart quietly.
- 6:45 p.m. Compline Everyone will join in with the Evening Prayers

# **Saint Mary's Kickoff Cookout & Carnival**

## **Sunday, September 9,**



- ♦ NEW! Formation for ALL between services at 9:30am
- ♦ The second worship service will begin at 10:15am
  - ♦ Guiding RAY begins a new and exciting year
- ♦ The Choir returns to the loft plus RSCM and new Bell Choir
  - ♦ Hibernating committees & guilds kick into gear
    - ♦ Sparkles revs up
  - ♦ So many reasons to celebrate!

**LOTS OF FUN FOR EVERYONE!**

**GAMES FOOD FUN**

**PRIZES FRIENDSHIP POPCORN**

**Sunday, Sept 9 after the 10:15AM service**



**ALL ARE WELCOME!!**

**Invite your neighbors & friends!**



# Vestry Highlights from the Wardens

by Janet Bowne

The Vestry gathered for its August meeting on August 22. We do not meet in July, so this was our first update, and we also welcomed back Father Nathan from his sabbatical. Bill Gowen, Treasurer, reported that we've managed to have a good cash flow through the summer months due to additional pledge activity and our parishioners continuing to pay their pledges even while on vacation. We are thankful for their continued support. Our pledge intention for 2018 is now at \$292,000. Our parish is blessed by wonderful support.

The Farm-to-Table Dinner and Auction was a wonderful event and the food was delicious. So many parishioners helped make this event successful. Betsy Stoddard came out of retirement to help with the auction—we couldn't have done it without her! Barbara Bell and Rick Hirschman led the dinner effort with a legion of volunteers. Melissa and Jim Kane jumped in to help with the auction and dinner. Our numbers are down a bit, but we roughly made a respectable \$7,500. Not only did we switch the concept from the Lobster Bake, but we switched the weekend. We hope to do some surveying to determine the direction we should take in 2019. Everyone is welcome to send their comments and thoughts to Janet Bowne or Beth Shaw.

We are gearing up for our program year with Kickoff being on 9/9 with our new Sunday schedule and the Kickoff carnival. The Thursday schedule, called Common Ground, will start on 9/20 with a simple dinner starting at 5 p.m. Parishioners are welcome to bring something to share. We will provide a casserole like lasagna and salad. The program will start at 5:45 and end at 6:45. At that time all will be welcome to go to the chapel for a Compline service with the evening wrapping up at 7 p.m. All guilds and committees are welcome to have their meetings prior to or after Common Ground. Parishioners who don't eat early are welcome to come for socializing and fellowship before the program starts.

Father Nathan shared the very good news that Deacon Christine is coming back on staff as Deacon. She was such a big help during sabbatical and now

knowing that she's with us again is a great help especially as we begin our program year.

We talked about the sabbatical. General consensus is that things ran very smoothly thanks in large measure to our staff and to our very capable network of committees and guilds who get their job done week in and week out! Next sabbatical will be later than September 1, 2023. We will need to increase the annual reserve for sabbatical. We also will need to create a cap on the amount we grant to the Rector for sabbatical expenses. Anyone with comments on the sabbatical process, should send them to Jim Kane, Janet Bowne and/or Father Nathan.

We have been looking for Middlers leaders over the summer. This program is important as we have a large population of middle school children. This program will be held twice a month on Sunday afternoons and will network with other churches in town when programming makes sense to do so. It's an important ministry, but it is not complex. Anyone interested in helping should speak with Father Nathan.

The Presiding Bishop launched a new program at the General Convention entitled "The Way of Love: 7 Practices for the Christian Life." Watch the E-news for more information.

On October 14th we will hold a special parish meeting between the two services to elect delegates for convention to elect the new Bishop. More information will be shared in the E-news and AVE.

Rick Hirschman, Julie Otte, John Fallon and Tim Record are this year's nominating committee. They are meeting soon to prepare a slate that will include Senior and Junior Wardens as well as Treasurer.

Jim and Janet

## From the Deacon's Corner

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Several months ago, Nathan+ asked me to come back to Saint Mary's during his sabbatical to serve as deacon. I happily agreed, and it has been a joy to be among you once again. Recently I met with our Bishop Steve, and he asked how it had been for me to be back at Saint Mary's and if I would be interested in making that a more permanent situation. I said yes, of course, and Nathan+ has graciously agreed. My particular role as deacon is to support and encourage the faith community of Saint Mary's to grow more deeply into Christ and to carry the healing, reconciling love of Christ into the world around us and to bridge the gap that exists between blessed communities like ours and those who suffer in body, mind, and spirit. I give thanks for you and for the opportunity we have to serve together.

Christine

Faithfully, Deacon



## Join Us for a Special Coffee Hour

On September 16, the Kneeler Guild will be hosting coffee hour after both services. We invite you to come to learn more about and to see the Kneelers that have never been gifted to honor or memorialize a loved one. The Kneelers presented will be in various stages of completion or completely finished.

The cost of gifting one kneeler is \$150. The money is used by the Guild to clean, care for, and maintain our beautiful and meaningful Kneelers. Each one has a story or represents something or someone special in Church or Bible history. Also available will be the opportunity to give a lesser amount to the Kneeler fund.

The Kneeler Project began in the late 1970s when our own Hannah Russell researched, designed and painted all the canvases. They have been stitched by many members over the years. The first Kneelers were gifted and dedicated in 1980.

Please plan to come to this colorful and informative coffee hour.



*You don't have to be a runner to come experience the thrill of togetherness and encouragement!*

# Godspeed Messy CHURCH

**Saturday, September 29**  
**4pm - 6pm - includes dinner!**

Everyone is invited—young & old alike, adults, children, teenagers, caregivers, grandparents, come as friends, families, or come on your own, all-comers welcome.

Messy Church may include crafts, games, exploration, and more!  
Plus special this September, Kotzsch in a Box! (see page 13 for more detail!)

**Just come!**  
**It is an evening of fun for all ages**  
**and it is FREE!**

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# Ephesians Autumn Sermon Series

From September 9 through November 25, the Sunday sermons will guide us through this very special Letter in the New Testament. Each Sunday will include a reading from Ephesians which includes many people's favorite Bible passages. The best way to engage in this teaching series is to prayerfully read ahead and to be prepared on Sundays. The readings will be as follows:

Sep. 9	Ephesians 1:1-14	Oct. 28	Ephesians 4:1-16
Sep. 16	Ephesians 1:15-23	Nov. 4	Ephesians 4:25- 5:2
Sep. 23	Ephesians 2:1-10	Nov. 11	Ephesians 5:3-20
Sep. 30	<i>Marathon Sunday</i>	Nov. 18	Ephesians 5:21- 6:9
Oct. 7	Ephesians 2:11-22	Nov. 25	Ephesians 6:10-20, 23-24
Oct. 14	Ephesians 3:1-13		
Oct. 21	Ephesians 3:14-21		

## Nominations Coming in September

During the month of September, the Vestry Nominating Committee will be seeking nominations for 2019 including:

- **Vestry** – four openings for 2019, 3-years terms
- **Senior Warden and Junior Warden** – both positions open for 2019, 2-year terms
- **Treasurer** – 2-year term
- **Delegates to the 2019 Diocesan Convention**

You can submit your own name or someone else's. We are seeking one-two Diocesan Convention delegate (along with the wardens and treasurer) and three alternates.

Nominations are open through September 30, at which time the Nominating Committee will review names and make recommendations to the parish for a slate to be voted on at the Annual Meeting in late January.

Nomination forms are available in the narthex, outside of the Guild Room or in the parish office.

For the Nominating Committee: Rick Hirschman, chair; John Fallon, Julie Otte & Tim Record

Rick's contact info: 8  
Inspiration Dr., Scarborough, ME 04074,  
(Home) 207.219.8444,  
(Cell) 207.310.3800



### NOMINATIONS For 2019 Vestry Members and Diocesan Convention Delegates

*Deadline: September 30, 2018*

The Nominating Committee requests you to submit nominations for various positions within parish governance (see below). The committee will screen names, propose a slate of candidates, and publish the slate well before the Annual Parish Meeting on January 27, 2019.

All nominees shall be baptized, regular participants in worship, and stated financial supporters of the Parish.

Please feel free to nominate yourself! We have an exciting year of growth and opportunity ahead as we begin 2019. Meetings are managed efficiently and are typically the third Wednesday of the month.

Please place completed form in the nomination box in the church narthex or the nomination box outside the Guild Room.

OR mail to Saint Mary's, 43 Foreside Road, Falmouth, ME 04105  
[smary@smary.org](mailto:smary@smary.org) OR email to Rick Hirschman [rhirschman@msn.com](mailto:rhirschman@msn.com)

Senior Warden: \_\_\_\_\_

Junior Warden: \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer: \_\_\_\_\_

Four Vestry members (three-year terms)

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Diocesan Convention Delegates for end of October 2019:

(assuming Wardens and Treasurer will be delegates)

One – Two Delegates:

Three Alternates:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

# Outreach Ministry ~ All Ages Serving Near and Far

## *The Outreach Committee Invites You To Experience God In Others*

There are so many needs in the world—each with its inherent opportunity to find God. As we kick off a new program year, you are warmly invited to join fellow parishioners in experiencing such opportunities in the community at large. If you have an area of specific social interest or concern, the Outreach Committee would love to work with you to craft a parish-wide response. If you are passionate about a personal mission activity, please consider sharing your stories, insights and suggestions for prayerful, parish-wide involvement.

Our ongoing mission work for the coming year includes:

### Learning with and Supporting New Mainers

Teach English and Mentor New Mainers through the non-profit **In Her Presence** on a rotational basis, Saturday mornings from 9-Noon at the Portland Public Library. FMI: Contact Becky Pride, [rebeccapride1@gmail.com](mailto:rebeccapride1@gmail.com)

Tutor English One-on-One through the non-profit **Learningworks**, twice a week for 1.5 hours on a mutually agreeable schedule. FMI: Contact Jennifer Gregg, [jenniferanngregg@gmail.com](mailto:jenniferanngregg@gmail.com)

Tutor for the Citizenship Exam and/or literacy through **Portland Adult Education**. Timing is flexible! FMI: Anne Lafond, [akblafond@gmail.com](mailto:akblafond@gmail.com)



Visit **St. Elizabeth's Jubilee Center** (at St. Luke's Cathedral) every six weeks on Thursdays from 9-noon. Distribute non-food essentials to the most needy and largely immigrant community in the Greater Portland community. FMI: Contact Betsy Elliman, [betsyelliman@msn.com](mailto:betsyelliman@msn.com)

### Tutoring and Mentoring Incarcerated Young People

Join several parishioners who serve as role models as they meet, talk, play games and/or enjoy a barbecue with young male youths at **Long Creek Development Center** on an afternoon every 6-8 weeks. FMI: Contact Marian McCue, [marian.l.mccue@gmail.com](mailto:marian.l.mccue@gmail.com)

### Responding to Hunger and Poverty

Join the S. Mary's **Souper Supper** mission, offering a free dinner of soup, salad and dessert free of charge to anyone in the Greater Portland area on the second and Fourth Fridays from 5-7pm in the auditorium. Join the rotational roster for one of several tasks that include food shopping, food prep, set-up, dishing-up, serving at table, clean-up or laundering table linens. Family Friendly! FMI:

Contact Jennifer Gregg, [jenniferanngregg@gmail.com](mailto:jenniferanngregg@gmail.com).

Volunteer at the **Falmouth Food Pantry** (adjacent to Falmouth Town Hall) for 2 hours on Monday or Tuesday mornings or Thursday afternoon to serve clients, meet large food deliveries and stock shelves. Also opportunities exist to deliver meals to some clients. FMI: Contact John Brooks, [brooksjk@maine.rr.com](mailto:brooksjk@maine.rr.com)

Finally, consider joining other parishioners on **S. Mary's Mission Mornings** that are currently scheduled for Sundays October 21 and February 10 from 9-noon, directly following the 8am service. Parishioners of all ages and abilities are offered a choice of 3-4 diverse small mission projects in the greater community. This is followed by a quick lunch and fellowship. In past years, projects have included such things as yardwork for Food Pantry clients and parishioners in need, visiting with seniors at The Cedars, Coastal Clean-up, winter scarf-making—and then distributing these scarves to those in need in Portland, and working with Milestone Foundation at their facilities in Portland and Old Orchard Beach. FMI: Contact Jennifer Gregg, [jenniferanngregg@gmail.com](mailto:jenniferanngregg@gmail.com)



The 2018-2019 Outreach Committee includes Deacon Christine, Betsy Elliman, Margaret Fast, Jennifer Gregg, Anne LaFond, Marian McCue, and Bonny Rodden, with support from Judith Brooks, John Brooks, Becky Pride, and Merle Marie Troeger. We always welcome additional committee members and drop-ins of all ages ~ (this is a great ministry for teens!). We meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 4:30pm, September-June, in the Parish House. FMI: Contact Jennifer Gregg, [jenniferanngregg@gmail.com](mailto:jenniferanngregg@gmail.com)



## Mission Morning Survey

*"Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Matthew 25:40*

Here at Saint Mary's, we strive to make reaching out to others a part of our shared life together. One of the many ways we serve our community and our world is through our Mission Mornings. Three Sundays a year, we put these words into action by gathering intentionally, as Christ-centered Saint Marians, to go out into the community to help, to comfort, to clean, to care, to plant, to share, to meet needs. Those activities have included picking up litter, making & distributing scarves for the homeless, helping specific parishioners with home projects, doing indoor and outdoor projects at Milestone (a local recovery center), and bringing plants and cheer to nursing home residents. Now is the time to reflect on that experience and share your thoughts about Mission Morning. Please help us to enhance the experience for all by completing the MISSION MORNING [SURVEY HERE](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QT8NBGZ). Or go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QT8NBGZ> Or fill out a hardcopy found at the back of the church or in the Parish house., and return to the office or in the offering plate.



## Autumn Mission Morning: Sunday, October 21, 9 AM-Noon

**SAVE the DATE: October 21**

*(Directly following 8am Eucharist) Nursery Care Provided*

**9 am:** Meet in Auditorium for Send-Off

**9:15am:** Disperse in groups for one of the following projects:

- ⇒ Falmouth Community Clean-up (ages 13 and up)
- ⇒ Morning at Milestone (adults only)
- ⇒ Visiting Seniors at The Cedars (All ages!)
- ⇒ Fall Clean-up for Neighbors in Need (ages 7 and up)
- ⇒ Winter Scarf-Making- at S. Mary's (ages 4 and up)

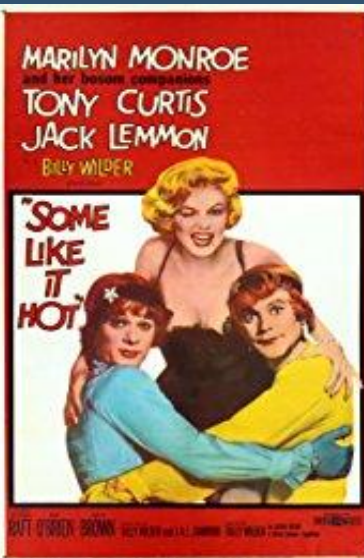
**11:30:** Quick Lunch and Fellowship at S. Mary's

## OUTREACH BOOK SALE: SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2019 !

To donate books,  
To help sort books,  
Lead a section, or  
If you have any  
questions.  
**PLEASE EMAIL**, retired  
chair,  
**Becky Pride at**  
[rebeccapride1@gmail.com](mailto:rebeccapride1@gmail.com)  
or call her at 781-4391.

## In Her Presence - Saturday Morning Classes Begin in September

If anyone is interested in serving as a teacher or assistant on certain Saturday mornings at the Portland Public Library for In Her Presence immigrants, please contact Becky Pride or Anne LaFond, [Rebeccapride1@gmail.com](mailto:Rebeccapride1@gmail.com), [akblafond@gmail.com](mailto:akblafond@gmail.com)



## Classic Cinema

Our monthly **FREE** in-house movie  
**Presents on September 14**

### Some Like It Hot (1959)

**Starring:** Jack Lemmon, Tony Curtis, Marilyn Monroe  
**Director:** Billy Wilder. When two male musicians witness a mob hit, they flee the state in an all-female band disguised as women, but further complications set in. Hilarious!

**Movie begins at 7PM (after Souper Supper)**  
in the Parish House, and it's free!



## Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord

The Jewish New Year, Rosh Hashanah, begins this year on September 9 (at sundown), so it is fitting that we also begin a new year on September 9 with our Kickoff Sunday. For this service, we are delighted that the Saint Mary Hand bell choir will offer beautiful music for the prelude, so please come a little early to hear this new ministry at Saint Mary's. Priscilla Rigg, Maggie Gardner, and William Salomon have spent many, many hours cleaning and refurbishing the whole set of bells, including gluing new felt tips so that the sound of these bells will be really enchanting.

The choir will also be back in full force, and we will enjoy new service music for the whole season until Advent 1.

We are looking forward to celebrating a weekly compline service in the chapel at 6:45, as part of the Common Ground on Thursdays, starting September 20. A few years ago, we participated in a Lenten workshop on the compline service, and it is wonderful that we can now enjoy a weekly ritual of meditation in the perfect setting - our enchanting chapel.



### Save the Dates for other traditional musical extravaganzas:

Choral Evensong - Sunday, October 21 at 4pm

Concert Spirituel - Sunday, November 11 at 4pm

Advent Lessons & Carols - Sunday, December 2 at 8 and 10:15am

St. Mary Schola Concerts at S. Mary's - Dec 7 and Dec 9

## Community Souper Supper September 14 and

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Enjoy this community-wide fellowship offering, dining in a relaxed, candle-lit atmosphere. You will be feted with a complimentary main course, salad, rolls, dessert and beverage. Wonderful for singles and families alike! Offered twice each month on the 2nd and 4th Fridays from 5-7 PM in the parish house. No reservations required. Just bring your family and friends and enjoy! It's a blast!

PLUS, on the



Support "Souper Supper" Buy Fair Trade  
"Coffee by Design" Coffee!

Casco Bay - a medium roast, Black & Tan - a medium-darker roast, OR Rebel Blend, a darker robust roast

"Coffee by Design" 12 oz. bags of ground fair-traded, organic, delicious coffees are on sale at Saint Mary's for \$10 a bag (Decaf is \$11). ...and support fair trade practices ...and a locally-owned business... and get GREAT organic coffee! Win! Win! Win!



## Have you checked out Phase One of the Garden Club Redesign project between the Chapel and the Rectory?

The first of three phases of the Garden Club Redesign Project is complete with the path leading into the garden area. The grass is coming in, and many plantings and trees are taking root. The Garden Club members have worked diligently to prepare for the plantings and watering to see that they survive. If you notice the carpet covering that area, they're eradicating the Bishopsweed that will be there until next year.





## Farm to Table Dinner and Auction

Saint Mary's is blessed in so many ways. Chief among them is the fellowship that we celebrate at our events. Our Parish Hall was filled with a fun and social vibe including all ages on 8/18/18 at our Farm-to-Table Dinner and Auction (F2TDA), formerly known as the Lobster Bake and Auction. We changed our concept last year and moved the event by a week so we'd be able to welcome back Father Nathan and family and

thank Pastor Sara D'Angio White and family. The F2TDA was the brain child of Barbara Bell who proposed the concept, curated the dinner menu as well as worked tirelessly for two days organizing and cooking. Along the way Barbara enlisted the help of many including Rick Hirschman who created the rustic tarts we enjoyed for dessert. Many others jumped in to help with growing vegetables, sourcing food, running errands, chopping, cooking, setting up (first outside and then resetting inside when the light rain started) washing dishes, cleaning up, and washing tablecloths. At the risk of missing someone, here's a list of the parishioners who helped with all sorts of tasks: Jim Kane, Nadine Timberlake, Katie Porter, Jana Burke Nece Caratelli, Matt Fulton, Kathy and Jim Galen, Jim Stoddard, Sophie and Sarah Couch Kelly, Dana Madison, Natalie Unfricht, Mikie and Grace Richards, and Garry Bowne.

On the auction side, Melissa Kane worked on acquisitions. Betsy Stoddard (you'll recall she retired from the auction last year) jumped in to help with all sorts of logistics and tracking of the auction items. Beth Shaw, our Parish Center Manager, held it all together. Thank you to Tom and Jane Stegemann for sharing the beautiful flowers from their garden with us and thanks to Valerie Kyros for arranging them so artfully. We thank all of the parishioners who donated the wonderful array items including restaurant gift certificates, experiences, art (including our artists who donated their works) and antiques!! And thank you to those who attended and helped with the clean up as well as all the bidders and buyers! Save the date 8/10/19 and stay tuned for more about what the event will be! If you have thoughts, suggestions or comments about the direction we should take next year, please send them to Father Nathan, Jim Kane, Janet Bowne and/or Beth Shaw!! Oh, and save the date August 10, 2019 for next summer's culinary and auction event!





# Christian Formation - RAY Beams - September 2018



We hope you are enjoying this beautiful summer, and we can't wait to see all of our students on September 9th when Guiding RAY classes resume. We have two special events to kick off our school year and one very important time change to remind you about.

- Blessing of Backpacks
- Kickoff Carnival
- **10:15 new worship time**

This September Guiding RAY will return to the *Workshop Rotation* model of teaching, and we are all extremely excited about this program of Christian Formation. With this model, we will be using a curricula that is scripturally-based and consistent with Episcopal theological principles and spiritual practices. The program is designed to immerse children in Bible stories in which they can experience God, discover and explore their innately spiritual nature, and wonder together about the marvelous things God is doing! **Please visit our website where you can learn more about our program, download a calendar, register your child/ren, and sign up to volunteer.**

## Register Now!

**Registration now Open!**

**Register for Guiding RAY programs at**

**[www.smary.org/guidingray-registration-20182019](http://www.smary.org/guidingray-registration-20182019).**

Kickoff Carnival is a special time for Saint Mary's - when all of our church comes together! It is a great time to meet new people, support the church, and feel the vibrancy of Christ's work in the community of Saint Mary's. Please join us on Sunday, September 9th for a great BBQ, games, fun for all ages, and a day filled with fellowship!

**Sunday  
September 9th  
Kick Off Carnival!**



## Blessing of the Backpacks

Join us for a Blessing of the Backpacks at our 10:15 am worship service. We are inviting students of all ages (yes, that means college students and adults heading back to school) and teachers to bring your backpacks or work bags to church. We want to honor and bless you with our prayers and celebrate the start of the 2018-2019 school year. And to help with "Project LOVE" for the Ronald McDonald house, let's all fill our backpacks with snacks to share!

## Field Trip

### Saint Mary's Vegetable Garden...Update

A garden is the place where God dwells, a place where God proclaims that everything is good, and a place where God in Christ calls us by name. Saint Mary's vegetable garden is such a place! Our two raised beds have done beautifully this summer and we were able to donate some produce to the Farm to Table dinner auction as well as the Yarmouth food pantry. **On Sunday, September 16th Guiding RAY is planning a field trip to the Falmouth Food Pantry to deliver the rest of our produce and learn more about how the pantry helps those in need.**

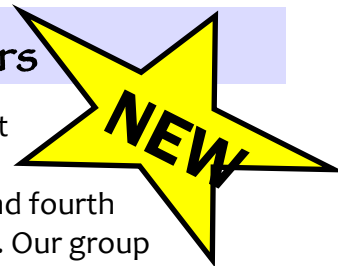
Special thanks to Master Gardener and parishioner, Bobbi MacCallum, for helping our garden to grow!



# Christian Formation ~ High Schoolers & Middlers



Beginning September 2018, Saint Mary's Middle School Youth Group will meet every second and fourth Sunday from 4:00pm to 6:00pm. Our group is engaging and Christ-centered, focused on imparting the love and knowledge of God. We use games and discussion-based teaching to serve our students. Our prayerful desire is for our students to then take the Good News of the Gospel and introduce it to their communities. We welcome all middle school youth, from those who are merely curious about God to those who



have a full-fledged desire to follow God. **Watch for special events coming up!**

## Community Service Hours

Volunteering at Saint Mary's is a great way to earn community service hours.

- ◆ Volunteer in the Nursery
- ◆ Assist in a Guiding RAY classroom
- ◆ Weeding, raking, yard work
- ◆ Join Outreach (first Tuesday of each month at 4:30pm)
- ◆ Acolyte

## Teen VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



## Join our Nursery Ministry

We are in need of volunteers each Sunday to help care for our littlest Saint Marian's. The nursery is open each Sunday from 9:30– 11:30am. Anyone who enjoys reading stories, having tea parties and building amazing structures is encouraged to volunteer (teens, grandmas, grandpas, etc.). Please contact Alison Hayward, [ajhmcmonagle@gmail.com](mailto:ajhmcmonagle@gmail.com), and sign up today.



## Young Life Club: Resume later in September

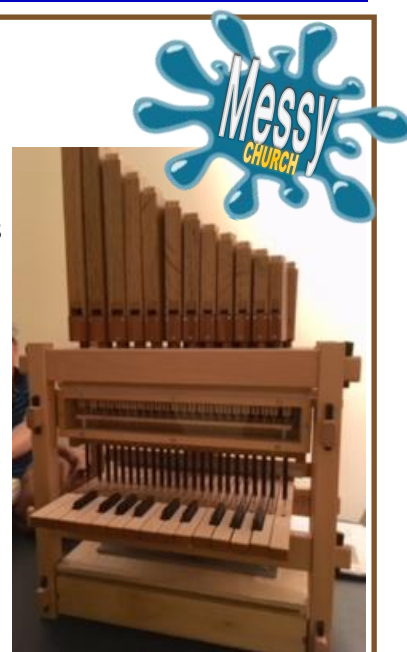
In the fall, we'll begin again serving the High School youth in the communities of Portland, Falmouth, Freeport and everything in between.

Visit [www.younglifecb.com](http://www.younglifecb.com) or call Jordan Droge at 805-453-1999

## Kotzsch-in-a Box!

Messy Church, Saturday,  
September 29, 4:00-6:00 pm

Children and adults will enjoy putting together a real pipe organ, completely from scratch. This beautiful instrument from the Netherlands on loan from Friends of the Kotzschmar Organ will enable all to understand mortise and tenon construction (thousands of years old), wind pressure for playing (the bellows) and the same mechanical action (trackers) that is used in our big Casavant organ in the church. The Casavant's panels will be removed so that all can see the similarity of construction. At the end, a young person will play a phrase on the Kotzsch-in-a-Box organ and Bruce will play the same phrase on the big organ.







# Sparkles Spirits

AN EVENING OF TASTING AND PLANNING YOUR HOLIDAY GATHERING



**SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, October 13, 2018**

**6 - 8 PM In SAINT MARY'S AUDITORIUM**

**Don't stress over your Thanksgiving or Christmas entertaining!**  
**Come, relax, sip, sample 12 hors d'oeuvres,**  
**and let us make your holiday gathering delicious and easy.**  
*Pay for your order that night, and pick up frozen before Thanksgiving.*

**\$12 - Accepting Cash or personal check**



## Think Sparkles!

Please stop by the **Sparkles Table** at the **Welcome Back Cookout** to pick up a 2018 Sparkles Newsletter and get answers to any questions that you have. This will be our 16<sup>th</sup> year of Sparkles, including the Memorial Tree Ceremony, then the Boutique and Fair on December 1, and ending with the Schola Concert and Reception.

On October 13, we will again have our appetizer tasting, **Sparkles Spirits**. We'll offer wine and tastings of appetizers that you'll be able to pre-order and pickup in time for Thanksgiving and Christmas events. The appetizers will be frozen and ready to thaw and cook whenever you need. Watch for more information on this fun evening! We had a wonderful time last year, and this year promises to be even better.

On the day of the Fair, December 1, we will also again open the **Children's Area** downstairs rooms for kids of all ages. There will be food and crafts, a room where kids shop for Christmas (No Adults Allowed), and a room where toys, children's books and sports equipment are sold.

Upstairs in the **Boutique**, we will have a variety of beautiful, gently-used items donated by parishioners. Sparkles Elves are also busy creating a wide assortment of knit, sewn, beaded and other handcrafted goods for all ages. If you're a knitter, sewer, or any other type of crafter, please consider donating some of your handmade items and/or stash to Sparkles. Of course, we will again have our St. Mary's Gems table offering new and vintage jewelry. For the past eight years, we have had beautiful themed gift baskets for sale, and we will have boxes at the Welcome Back Picnic for you to take home and fill. This gives you plenty of time to fill them and get them back to the office by November 4.

The **café** will have delicious Lobster Stew and Tomato Basil Soup to eat in or take out. The Bake Sale and Cookie Walk is always a big hit, and we need lots of cooks to bake cookies and other goodies. As always, there will be a wide offering of holiday decorations as well as freshly made boxwood trees and centerpieces.

We are arranging with Skillins again to have **wreaths and poinsettias** available for pre-orders, so be sure to place your order in November at the Sparkles Coffee Hour. To create our Saint Mary's Friendship Soup, we will need donations of dried beans. A basket will be available outside the Guild Room.

We've been collecting donations for the Boutique throughout the year but will still have formal drop-off dates this fall. The fall drop-off dates for donations will be **October 6, October 13, October 27, and November 3**.

If you are interested in helping with Sparkles this year, please join us for **our first meeting on Thursday, September 6 at 5:30 in the Guild Room**. It's a great way to make a difference at Saint Mary's, to meet other parishioners, and it's fun, too!

For more information, please contact Jana Burke (272-4535 call or text, or [jana.burke@gmail.com](mailto:jana.burke@gmail.com)) or Kathy Galen ([kathleendaisy@aol.com](mailto:kathleendaisy@aol.com)).



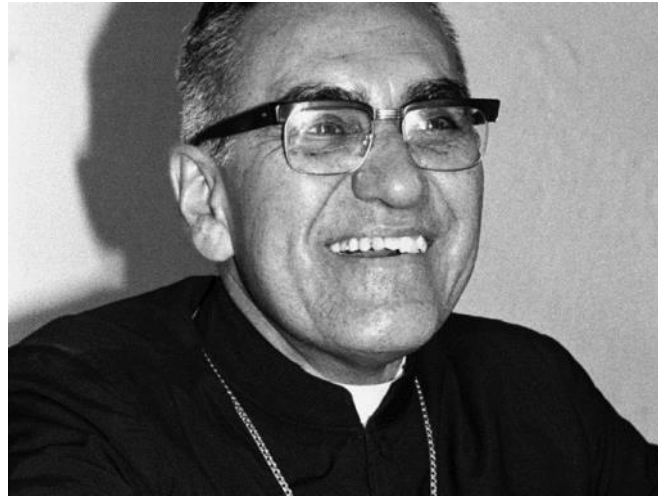


# Judged by Love

by Merle Marie Troeger

A long time ago, someone gave me a photograph of Bishop Oscar Romero, the Bishop of El Salvador who was murdered in 1980 by a government death squad as he celebrated Mass. It wasn't the picture shown here. In my picture Romero seems to be out in the countryside. He is sitting more or less comfortably on a rock. There is a steep valley behind him and mountains in the distance. If it weren't for the fact that he is wearing a cassock and a large cross, you would think he was on a serious hike.

I tucked the photo into the book I was reading at the time and came across it again recently. I looked at it carefully. There is Romero looking directly at the camera. His eyes sparkle and he has the biggest grin on his face just as in the photo here. What could make a man who was confronting the government's repressive regime so happy? I turned over the photo and read.



*The present form of the world passes away,  
and there remains only the joy of having used this world to establish God's rule here.  
All pomp, all triumph, all selfish capitalism,  
all the false successes of life will pass with the world's form.  
All of that passes away.  
What does not pass away is love.  
In the evening of life, you will be judged by love.*

What kind of bravery does it take to live like that - confronting all that is evil in our world from a place of immense joy? It is clear that Romero's faith in God's ultimate love made that possible. There's the part of me that loves this sentiment, and the rest of me that knows I will always have trouble living it. So, I need constant reminders. I need to hear the gospel read in church, and I need to have it preached to me on Sunday. I need to see the gospel preached by each of us to each of us every day. I need to feed on Christ in the Eucharist, and I need to be fed by you in your friendship and support. I need your prayers, and I often pray for you. I need to read the Bible with you. I need to hear your stories of faith, and I'll tell you mine if you ask. I need to see the love of God embodied every day, by my family and by my church family. In the end, I have no hope of ever becoming the brave and joyous Christian Romero inspires me to be without you. (If you have a response or a comment, please let me know at [merlemarietroeger@gmail.com](mailto:merlemarietroeger@gmail.com))



**Sunday,  
September 30**

## ***RUNNERS and VOLUNTEERS needed!***

**Saint Mary's will have 3 GODSPEED RELAY TEAMS on the course AND volunteers serving cold drinks to all of the runners and walkers. There is room for **EVERYONE** to participate on this very different kind of Sunday morning here at Saint Mary's. If you are ready to join the fun,**

**email Fr. Nathan ([nathanferrell@smary.org](mailto:nathanferrell@smary.org)) or Janet Bowne ([janetbowne@maine.rr.com](mailto:janetbowne@maine.rr.com)).**

## News, Notes, Kudos, Dates & Reminders

(Send your 1-3 line notes, announcements or thanks to Beth at [admin@smary.org](mailto:admin@smary.org) by the 20th of the previous month)

"Kudos to Peter Fitch! Peter built a fabulous wooden container that will be installed at the entrance to the Burial Garden near 88. It will house Churchyard pamphlets with a map of the overall Churchyard area and general information. Thank you!"

Thanks and congrats to Priscilla Rigg, Maggie Gardner, and Will Salomon for disassembling, cleaning, and restoring the bells that were graciously donated by Priscilla and the Eatons.

**Merci**

And thanks to Jim Stoddard, Hugh Smith and Lucy Ellis for digging and installing the post and the special attention to the Burial Garden!



To the B and G Committee for keeping the grounds looking lovely in all seasons!

**Yay!**

Thank you to all of our committees and guilds for doing their jobs well during sabbatical. We are a talented and committed group!

To the Sparkles team! Thank you for working all year to prepare for our annual Sparkles Fair!

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Thanks and praise to Barbara Bell and all the workers that created the splendid, 5-star, multi-course meal at the Farm-to-Table Dinner & Auction, and to all who worked before, during and after the auction. It was a wonderful evening!!



HUGE thanks to Rick & Portia Hirschman for their amazing care shown to our Katahdin climbers!!

**Save the Date!**

## Harvest Community Dinner to benefit The Falmouth Food Pantry

On **Thursday, October 18, 2018**, Falmouth's churches and the Jewish community will host the eleventh annual Harvest Community Supper, which has become popular as a community get-together and a way to support the Falmouth Food Pantry. The free roast turkey supper with all the fixings will be served from 4:30 to 7:00pm at the Falmouth Congregational Church on Falmouth Road. *Plan on helping; watch for sign-up posters near the kitchen.*

### "Project LOVE"

Portland's Ronald McDonald House needs snacks!!



Let's continue our celebration of being together  
by helping others through donations of snacks to RMHC.

Please bring packets of snacks like goldfish, pretzels, juice boxes, granola bars, peanut butter crackers, gummy bears to church on the next couple of Sundays for the Project LOVE box. See us at the Outreach table at the September 9 Cookout or make a cash donation. **Thank you!** ♥

### Please pray for our Bishop search process!

God of grace, we give you thanks for all of the blessings of our common life and ministries as the Episcopal Diocese of Maine, and for our leaders who are guiding us through this season of change. Grant to the Discernment and Transition Committees open hearts, minds, and spirits as they receive the Holy Spirit's gifts of faith, hope, and love to aid their work. We ask also that you send courage and vision to our next bishop of Maine as she or he discerns your call. In the name of Christ.

**Amen.**





## Here are some important dates in our Saint Mary's parish family

### Happy September Birthdays to:



1 Christine Bennett	11 Samantha Means	24 Chuck Horton
2 Grace Leschey	12 Matthew Grace	24 Alexis Madigan
3 Helena Corbett	12 Ben Velek	25 John Maher
4 Lynne Hanhिलамми	14 Jane Ferrante	26 Malia Pelletier
5 Anne Hyland	16 Jennifer Gregg	26 Anne Wood
8 Robert Bowen	18 Emily Follo	27 Cindy Horton
8 Mike Edwards	18 Lad Taylor	28 Celia Keefer
8 Robin Gauvreau	19 Nate Smithwick	28 Emily Otte
8 Debby Hammond	21 Myles Nuzzi	29 Julia Bisson
9 Sam Brown	22 Jana Burke	30 Bryan Dench
9 Geoff LaFond	22 Kim Diamond	30 Ibe Mokeme
10 Meredith Winter	24 Nate Buchanan	

*We'd love to include good wishes on your birthday and anniversary. If we don't yet have the dates, please send your and your family's special dates into the parish office and we'll be sure to include them on your special month. admin@smary.org or call 781-3366 or drop a note to the church. Thanks!*

### Happy September Anniversary wishes to:



3 Elise & Neil Kiely	19 Tricia Wheeler & Ryan Stinneford
9 Ana Cairns & Rich Bazarian	24 Talie & Joel Harris
10 Sheila & Tom Donaldson	24 John & Elizabeth Musacchio
13 Mike & Cara Pelletier	24 Grace & David Robinson
19 Margaret & David Fenderson	25 Judy & Gordon Oliver
	29 Jamie & Lisa Conway



### Thank you for keeping your pledges current!

**Saint Mary's Operating Finances**  
as of July 31, 2018 (- 2,242)



#### INCOME

General Plate & Pledge Support	200,046
Use of Parish House & Sanctuary	11,713
Fundraisers	745
Miscellaneous Gifts & Revenue	31,532
Dedicated Gifts	5,786
	<u>\$ 249,822</u>

#### EXPENSE

Diocesan Assessment	32,302
Personnel (includes taxes, benefits, & pensions)	128,792
Maintenance, Capital expenses	25,211
Operating (utilities, insurance, taxes, supplies)	46,602
Program	19,157
Countless volunteer donated hours	0
	<u>\$ 252,064</u>



# The Episcopal Church of Saint Mary

Worship Leader Schedule: September - October 2018

	8am Ushers	8am EM/Lectors	9:30am Ushers	9:30am Lector	9:30am Euch Minister	Altar Guild	Altar Flowers	Flower Delivery	Coffee Hour Host
2-Sep 15 Pent	Len T Jim P	Lad Taylor	Aaron S Chuck H	Dawn Y	Nadine Timberlake Andrea M-H	Mary L Kathy G	Onnie	The Stoddards	Jennifer G
Kickoff Sun	8am Ushers	8am EM/Lectors	10:15am Ushers	10:15am Lector	10:15am Euch Minister	10:15am Acolytes	Altar Flowers	Flower Delivery	Coffee Hour Host
9-Sep 16 Pent	Dave F Al A	Mary Ann M	Mark B Ron F	Linda Eaton	Stan Eaton Maggie G	Emily, Michael William G	Valerie	The Hortons	Cookout
Sept 16 9:30am - All-Parish meeting to vote on our Delegates for the February 9 Bishop's Electing Convention									
16-Sep 17 Pent	Baer C Charlie H	Al Ahlers	Ryan S Aaron S	David Robinson	Jim S Andrea M-H	Michael Kyle & Lauren	Jana B Mary S Maggie & Portia	Ruth Kimball	Kneeler Guild
23-Sep 18 Pent	Rayle A Ed A.	Becky P	Jack H Tom L	Nadine T	Nadine Maggie	Anabelle Cole & Maggie	Betsy E Barbara M	The Stoddards	OPEN
30-Sep 19 Pent	4-6pm Saturday evening Marathon Sunday - COME help at our Water Station	Messy Church					Jana B Kathy G	Marathon Sunday	
7-Oct Pent 20	Len T Jim K	Greg Unfricht	Jim P Tom L	Maggie	Maggie G David R	tbd tbd	Maura	The Hortons	OPEN
14-Oct Pent 21	Al A Dave F	Len Taylor	Aaron S Jack H	Ginny Stelk	Andrea M-H Stan Eaton	tbd tbd	Jana & Nece	Ruth Kimball	OPEN
21-Oct Pent 22	Charlie H Baer C	Lad Taylor	Mission Morning - no later service				Jan	The Stoddards	OPEN
28-Oct Pent 23	Jim K Len T	Al Ahlers	Ron F Mark B	Jennifer Gregg	Nadine T Jim Stoddard	tbd tbd	Jess	The Hortons	OPEN

If unable to fulfill your scheduled duty on the assigned day, please find your own replacement and inform Beth in the office of the change, 781-3366



# September 2018

The Episcopal Church of Saint Mary



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>2</b> 15th Sunday after Pentecost 8am Contemplative Eucharist 9:30am Choral Eucharist	<b>3</b> Labor Day Office closed 12 Play where you are	<b>4</b> 7am-9am BNI in Aud. 9:30 Art Group in Aud 12 Noonday Prayer 1pm Staff meeting 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 A/Anon (6:30 beginners)	<b>5</b> 9:30-2pm Mainely Weavers 9a-12h GC JC Workshop 12 Noonday Prayer 6pm-SinG rehearsal in Aud 6:15pm-OR in Guild Rm	<b>6</b> 12 Noonday Prayer 1pm - CARE 7pm Choir rehearsal	<b>7</b> Office Closed 12 Play where you are 5:30pm Alanon	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> 16th Sunday after Pentecost <b>Kickoff Sunday</b> 8am Contemplative Eucharist 9:30am FORMATION groups 10:15am Choral Eucharist 10:15am Guiding RAY classes begin 11:15am Kickoff Cookout & Carnival	<b>10</b> 10am - Garden Club in GR 12 Noonday Prayer 6-9p PCC rehearsal	<b>11</b> 7:30-9am BNI 9-11 S. Marys at St. E's 9:30-12:30 Art Group 10:30a Wisdom Seekers 12 Noonday Prayer 1pm Staff meeting 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 A/Anon (6:30 beginners)	<b>12</b> 12 Noonday Prayer 8a-5p Garden Club Landscape Design Class in Aud 6pm-SinG rehearsal in Aud	<b>13</b> 12 Chapel Eucharist 7pm Choir rehearsal	<b>14 Holy Cross Day</b> Office Closed 12 Play where you are 5-7pm Souper 5:30pm Alanon 7pm Classic Cinema	<b>15</b> <i>Nathan+ at Navy drill</i>
<b>16</b> 17th Sunday after Pentecost 8am Contemplative Eucharist 9:30am FORMATION groups 10:15am Choral Eucharist & Baptism 10:15am Guiding RAY classes begin 4-6pm Middle School Youth	<b>17</b> 12 Noonday Prayer 6-9p PCC rehearsal	<b>18</b> 7:30-9am BNI 9:30-12:30 Art Group 10:30a Wisdom Seekers 12 Noonday Prayer 1pm Staff meeting 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 A/Anon (6:30 beginners)	<b>19</b> 12 Noonday Prayer 6pm-SinG rehearsal in Aud 6pm Vestry meeting	<b>20</b> 12 Chapel Eucharist 5pm Potluck 5:45pm Slideshow 7pm Choir rehearsal	<b>21 St Matthew's Day</b> Office Closed 12 Play where you are 5:30pm Alanon 6-8 pm Colonial Village AM in auditorium	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b> 18th Sunday after Pentecost 8am Contemplative Eucharist 9:30am FORMATION groups 10:15am Choral Eucharist 10:15am Guiding RAY classes begin	<b>24</b> 12 Noonday Prayer 6-9p PCC rehearsal	<b>25</b> 7:30-9am BNI 9:30-12 Art Group 10:30a Wisdom Seekers 12 Noonday Prayer 1pm Staff meeting 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 A/Anon (6:30 beginners)	<b>26</b> 12 Noonday Prayer 6pm-SinG rehearsal in Aud	<b>27</b> 12 Chapel Euch. 5pm Potluck 5:45pm Program 6:15 Dowsets in GR 7pm Choir rehearsal	<b>28</b> Office Closed 12 Play where you are 5-7pm Souper 5:30pm Alanon	<b>29 St Michael &amp; All Angels</b> 9-11a Ted @ignous grasside 4-6pm Godspeed Dinner & Messy Church with Katsch-in-a-Box
<b>30</b> 19th Sunday after Pentecost <b>Maine Marathon</b> No morning church services due to closure of Route 88 7:45am - Volunteer at water station and cheer on the runners 4-6pm Middle School Youth	<b>10/1</b> 12 Noonday Prayer 6-9p PCC rehearsal	<b>10/2</b> 7am-9am BNI in Aud. 9:30 Art Group in Aud 10:30am - Wisdom Seekers 12 Noonday Prayer 1pm Staff meeting 7pm AA in Auditorium 7:30 A/Anon (6:30 beginners)	<b>10/3</b> 9:30-2pm Mainely Weavers 9a-12h GC JC Workshop 12 Noonday Prayer 6pm-SinG rehearsal in Aud	<b>10/4</b> 12 Chapel Euch 5pm Potluck 5:45pm Program 7pm Choir rehearsal	<b>10/5</b> 12 Play where you are 5pm Wedding rehearsal 5:30pm Alanon	<b>10/6</b> 9-12n Sparkles Drop-off #1 1pm Avis / Legere Wedding





## THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF SAINT MARY

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### Our Worship Schedule

#### Summer SUNDAY Hours

8 AM - Contemplative Eucharist  
9:30am - Choral Eucharist (Sept 2 only)

#### Beginning September 9:

8 AM - Contemplative Eucharist  
9:30 - 10:00AM Formation for All  
10:15AM - Choral Eucharist

#### MONDAY - WEDNESDAY

Noon Day Prayer in the Chapel  
and wherever you find yourself

#### THURSDAYS

12NOON - Chapel Eucharist  
+5-7pm - COMMON GROUND (begin Sept 20)  
Connecting with our community  
( 5:PM Potluck dinner, 5:45PM program)

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Copy deadline October 2018 August **20**

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