



## Whose Lives Matter?



As I write this, today (May 25) is the one-year anniversary of the death of George Floyd. Much has transpired in our nation since that tragic event on the streets of Minneapolis, and many of us have been asking difficult questions about the legacy and the future of our nation. Let me tell you about one way these things have impacted me.

Since the death of George Floyd, it has become a personal goal of mine to become less white: to not listen to music by white artists, to not read books by white authors, to not listen to news from white media personalities, to not speak with only white people, to not eat food that white people typically eat. This has become a new spiritual discipline for me, but not because I am ashamed of who God has made me to be, and not because I want to become something different than what I am. As the divine apostle said so well, "By the grace of God, I am what I am, and God's grace toward me has not been in vain" (1 Corinthians 15.10). I know who I am and am comfortable in my own skin. Therefore, I undertake this discipline with intention,

because God's grace has called me to step outside of my comfort zone and to learn about life from the perspective of others.

I will not suggest that any of you need to join me in this spiritual discipline of becoming less white, but I will suggest that all of you – regardless of who you are – need to intentionally find ways to step out of your own comfort zone and to learn about life from the vantage point of those different than you. If you only listen to those who think and speak and look like you, then you are on a certain path to spiritual stagnation and decay. That is the broad and easy way that leads to death and destruction, while Jesus calls us to take the narrow and difficult path which leads to life (Matthew 7.13-14).

Every life matters. That is an article of faith for us as Christians. No human is expendable or without value. As disciples of Jesus, we have also agreed to take up the Lord's burden of demonstrating God's love and compassion for those on the margins of society, for those ignored and brushed aside, for those without power and influence, for those whose voices are silenced by the majority. To do that, we must listen to these neighbors of ours and get to know them. Even if this means falling out of step with the majority opinion around you, or subjecting yourself to ridicule by interrupting racist jokes by members of your family, choose the narrow path that leads to abundant life. Push yourself to grow and to become more, by the grace of God. I promise you that you will not regret it.

*Nathan W. Ferrell +*

### **An Update from Nathan on my Mobilization to Bahrain**

November 14 will be my last Sunday at Saint Mary's before beginning this mobilization. By God's grace, I intend to be back to celebrate the Holy Eucharist with you on Kickoff Sunday 11 September 2022. The Vestry has begun planning for temporary clergy leadership by appointing a Hiring Committee who will locate candidates and define the Letter of Agreement to be used with my temporary replacement

Thank you again for your support of me as your parish priest and also as a Navy Chaplain, and for your ongoing support of my family.



# From Deacon Christine:

shared by Deacon Christine Bennett

Dear Ones,

There really is light at the end of the tunnel. More of us are being vaccinated, and the need for masks is decreasing. Spring has arrived in all its glory, and we can be outside to soak up the sun and warm air. It has been a difficult year and few months, and we will continue to feel the effects of the pandemic for some time to come. As we move toward a more normal way of living, we cannot forget the challenges we have faced, the isolation, the separation from loved ones and from the activities that bring us together socially. We have also lost loved ones, some to the pandemic and others from aging or other illnesses. As things change and people die, we experience loss and grief that can remain unhealed and can prevent us from enjoying life as God has created it for us.

I, along with my partner in *grief ministry*, Suzanne Williams-Lindgren, are preparing to offer a small group grief support program with group meetings once a week for seven weeks on Zoom. If you have lost a loved one either recently or long ago and feel the need for the opportunity to process that loss in a supportive, confidential, small group setting, please contact me at 653-2448. When we talk; we will decide together if attending would be an opportunity for healing. The group will be prayerful and open to all faith experiences.

Yours faithfully,  
Deacon Christine

*Living With Grief: Thursdays, 4 - 5:30 pm, June 17 - July 29, 2021 on Zoom*



## Photo Directory Time

It is time for us to print a new pictorial directory! This directory will be available only to parishioners and is to be used only for communication purposes within our parish and our Church. It is an important community building tool.

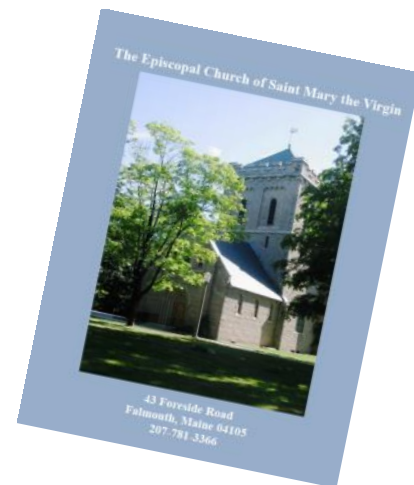
**But we need your photos!** Each person and family can upload their own photos into Realm (<https://onrealm.org/>) by signing into your own Realm account. Please make sure that your photos are recent and of good quality. Realm is Saint Mary's database program and is how we stay updated and informed.

Alternatively, would you like a new photo taken for our new parish directory? Our own Peter Guyton has graciously agreed to take photos of parishioners and family members at our Parish House for your convenience on the following days:

### Saturday and Sunday, June 5 & 6, 12 to 4 PM

Peter is a highly skilled photographer and shares his home in Falmouth with Penny and their boys, Chance and Boone. You can view some of his work on his website: <https://www.peterguyton.com/>.

Each subject and group will get to pick their favorite image before departing the Parish House. A high-resolution Don't miss this great opportunity for a quality photo. Please contact Peter directly to schedule your free appointment and to ask any questions: 207-370-4692 or [admin@peterguyton.com](mailto:admin@peterguyton.com).



## The Burying of old Bibles: June 13, 9:30 am

Do you have an old Bible or Prayer Book that is damaged, worn out, or no longer useable? Bring it to Saint Mary's, and we will bury it and return it to the earth with a respectable burial in an inconspicuous part of our grounds. All are welcome to join Nathan+ for this special event between the Sunday services on June 13 (9:30)



# Vestry Highlights from the Wardens

by Janet Bowne

Father Nathan opened with a teaching moment about feast days.

Jana Burke, chair of Sparkles, joined us to share an update on Sparkles. 2020 presented many challenges but the volunteers rallied with enthusiasm and creativity. She thanked the staff and vestry for allowing the flexibility. Sparkles is a different type of ministry as it brings together people from the community and our church with strong connections. The money it raises is definitely important, but it's fun, and during COVID, gave volunteers a focus and connection. Since the beginning of this year, Sparkles has raised over \$9,000. Jana also shared that she is stepping down after 2021. The vestry shared its thanks to Jana and all the volunteers for all their hard work.

Treasurer Ben Parks-Stamm shared the financial reports. We are grateful for the financial support. Giving is steady, expenses are increasing, which is expected as we reopen.

We discussed the Bishop's request to support the Lebanon to Lincoln (Academy) initiative. Each Parish is being asked to contribute \$3000 over the next three years.



Janet Bowne, Sr. Warden



Aaron Splint, Jr. Warden

We discussed Father Nathan's mobilization to Bahrain. The vestry voted to form a hiring committee to find coverage for his time away. This committee will be composed of vestry and parishioners. Father Nathan and Beth Shaw will serve as ex officio members. The committee will be formed quickly, and the Vestry will meet again on 5/26/2021 via zoom to approve the membership.

## SUMMER OUTDOOR EUCHARIST

Mark your calendar for these Sundays when we will gather at 9:30 AM in Saint Mary's Garden to worship God under the big blue ceiling of the Maine summer sky:

**June 27, July 25, and August 15**

These are all weather permitting, of course, and will be similar to what we did in 2020. Bring your own chairs or blankets to lay on the grass. Bring a hat if the sun is strong. One big difference will be Communion: you do not need to bring your own this year! We will distribute the Body of Christ to all who come forward and ask for it.



This will not affect the 8 AM Eucharist at all, except on August 15. Since this is our Patronal Feast of Saint Mary, we will gather for one combined Eucharist outside at 9:30 and follow this with a picnic celebration and games. Watch for more details next month.

## Outreach Ministry - All Ages Serving Near and Far



### Virtual SpringTime Walk - May 2021

***Closing in on the \$15,000 Goal!***

Halfway through the month-long challenge to walk and raise \$15,000 in May, the churches of Cumberland, Yarmouth and Falmouth were half way to reaching this goal—and as of May 24, had raised \$8655! It's not too late to walk and/or contribute! Undertake a self-guided walk at any time that is convenient; register and either self-sponsor or seek sponsors by joining the St. Mary's Striders team at <https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/st-marys-striders>!

All proceeds will help build decent, energy-efficient homes in Freeport this year!! We can do this!!

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

## Hope Gardens – Overcoming the Stigma Associated with Mental Health Challenges

Last fall, the Saint Mary's Outreach Committee and parishioners planted 500 tulip bulbs in support of “Smashing Stigma around Mental illness” in partnership with “The Yellow Tulip Project.” Over the winter, that partnership served to remind us all that “in dark times, it is important to reach out and get the help you need and to never forget how loved you are loved”—and that we need to talk about mental health, not be silenced by shame.



The Yellow Tulip Project was founded by Falmouth resident Julia Hansen to create a space for determined youth to “eradicate stigma, build community and inspire productive conversation about how to combat the rising rates of suicide.” Julia struggled with depression in middle school and high school: “The deafening silence and stigma that surrounds this topic kept her from reaching out for help.” The loss of her two best friends to suicide prompted her act. ( See HOPE HAPPENS BY JULIA HANSEN – TEDX [Watch On Youtube](#) )

We thank the many parishioners who planted these bulbs and hope that all who have visited St. Mary's campus this spring were lifted up by the beauty of these tulips. Let us not forget their message: “To help others realize that even in the darkest places, hope is always there and suicide should never be an option.” Saint Mary's is honored to join The Yellow Tulip Project in seeking to help people know that there are ways to get help, people there for them and that circumstances can and will change.”

<https://afsp.org/our-work/education/talk-saves-lives-introduction-suicide-prevention/>

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 1-800-273-8255 or text ANSWER to 839863

Crisis Text Line 741-741 text ‘TWLOHA’





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### Welcome from St. Elizabeth's Jubilee Center!! Saint Mary's Episcopal Church's Presence!!



Merle Marie Troeger (Right) with Anne Jacobs (Bd Chr) and Martha (vol. from St. Luke's)



One of the trunk loads of donations headed to St. Elizabeth's from St. Marians



Fred Webber with Sarah Borgeson, Exec Director

### Come Join Us!!

We are looking for 4-6 volunteers from Saint Mary's willing to work 2-4 hours per month to assist with this ministry. There are a variety of tasks, ranging from sorting, delivering materials to the Jubilee Center, assisting neighbors, and more. For more information, please contact Stan Eaton at [stan.eaton@gmail.com](mailto:stan.eaton@gmail.com).

(Pictures not available: Holly Bernstein - delivers donated material from Saint Mary's and Stan Eaton - Saint Mary's representative on the Board of Directors)

### Keep Calm, and Pedal On!

This year marks the 37th annual Trek

across Maine, a bike-riding, fundraising event supporting the American Lung Association on June 30. This will be the 4th consecutive year of S. Mary's Parishioners assembling "Team Godspeed" as event participants. As was the case last year, the 2021 event is being conducted as a "virtual event." The current 2021 Godspeed Team is comprised of Bruce Fithian, Charlie Hurdman & Greg Fergin; we invite and welcome any bike riders who may want to join us. For more info, click [here](#) to visit the Trek Across Maine website, or contact Bruce, Charlie or Greg.



## Outreach Ministry - All Ages Serving Near and Far

### Parish 2021 Victory Gardens! Start Planning Now!

The Outreach Committee is joining forces with the Food Pantry again to assist in providing fresh food for local families who are nutritionally vulnerable this summer. Flowers are also a welcome contribution. *We invite all parishioners who have a corner or more of available land, or even a container, to grow fresh produce and/or flowers and donate part of their harvest to the Falmouth Food Pantry this up-coming growing season. A share of your harvest will mean the world to those for whom fresh vegetables are a scarce and treasured commodity.* The Outreach Committee will organize regular pickup of your donated produce and flowers for delivery to the Food Pantry. Please let us know if you wish to participate in planting, donating and/or helping with transport to the Food Pantry by contacting Vanessa Record at [recordvanessa@gmail.com](mailto:recordvanessa@gmail.com). If anyone would like to manage one of the church's raised garden beds this summer, please contact Vanessa. The garden beds will be prepared and planted but will need some tending from mid-June through the growing season. This is a fun activity for an individual or family. Many thanks to Bobbi MacCallum and Genia Sklute and her students at High Touch High Tech for preparing and planting the garden beds. All produce will, of course, be donated to the Food Pantry.



## Souper Supper *To Go*: 2nd & 4th Fridays

Dining In remains temporarily suspended.

Soup, bread and a sweet treat will be *CURBSIDE TO GO* between **5 – 6 PM**. ALL are welcome!



**Support "Souper Supper" Buy "Coffee by Design" Coffee!**

*Medium to robust coffees: Casco Bay and Rebel Blend*

"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!

## Caring for God's Creation - Insight from the Outreach Committee

Spring Eco-Tip!

Healthy soil is the key to having a lush, green lawn. A soil test should be done at least every three years and before you decide to add any fertilizer or lime. You can get a free soil test kit from the UMaine Extension Office in Falmouth, or through the Cumberland County Soil and Water Conservation District.

Start the mowing season strong with a great cut from the start. Mow grass at 2" to start and increase to 3" for the rest of the season. Always leave grass clippings on the lawn for free, natural fertilizer!

For more information on healthy lawn care, visit: <https://www.falmouthme.org/living-lawns-0>





## Falmouth Food Pantry

The Falmouth Food Pantry continues to be unable to accept food donations from individuals, but rest assured the Pantry is busy serving our community using a doorstep delivery distribution system. Boxes of food are being packed at the Pantry and delivered by volunteers to area families. If you know a Falmouth family with an urgent need, please call Nancy Lightbody at the Pantry at 776-0081. At this time, the best way to support the Pantry is through monetary donations. Donations should be made payable to the Falmouth Food Pantry and mailed to: 271 Falmouth Road, Falmouth, ME 04105. Donations may also be made online via PayPal at: <https://www.paypal.com/fundraiser/charity/1807575>





If you have any questions about the ways in which Saint Mary's supports the Pantry, please feel free to reach out to Saint Mary's Outreach coordinator for the pantry, Vanessa Record, at [recordvanessa@gmail.com](mailto:recordvanessa@gmail.com).

**You can make a difference in the lives of foster children.**

Learn more today  
[AFamilyforMeMaine.org](http://AFamilyforMeMaine.org)

A Family for ME





**You can be the life-changing hero in a child's story.  
You can be a Foster Parent**



**Helping Hands at Home:**

### Help for Parishioners

Saint Mary's seeks to be of assistance to parishioners who need help staying in their homes. Can you assist with light yard work or housework? Please contact Jennifer Gregg, [jenniferanngregg@gmail.com](mailto:jenniferanngregg@gmail.com) or Beth Shaw, [admin@smary.org](mailto:admin@smary.org) with your needs or offers of help.

### **!! HIGH SCHOOLERS !!**

Looking for community service hours?? This would be a perfect, flexible means of checking that box this summer. Please contact Jennifer Gregg, [jenniferanngregg@gmail.com](mailto:jenniferanngregg@gmail.com) or Beth Shaw, [admin@smary.org](mailto:admin@smary.org)

## Did You Know?

### Josh Gibson, baseball player, 1911-1947

Although racism and fate kept him from the major leagues, Josh Gibson was one of the most dominant sluggers in baseball history. He was such a fearsome hitter, many fans called him the "Black Babe Ruth." Some who saw both play even called Ruth the "White Josh Gibson."

## In the Garden

shared by Merle Marie Troeger

Here in Maine, it's the time of year when many of us are spending more time in the garden. Perhaps we're growing vegetables or flowers, or perhaps we're just enjoying the friendly sights in a neighbor's garden. It brings to mind a gardening book my mother used to have called *How to Have a Green Thumb without an Aching Back*. It featured organic gardening tips and this thoughtful point of view:

Working in the garden . . . gives me a profound feeling of inner peace. Nothing here is in a hurry. There is no rush toward accomplishment, no blowing of trumpets. Here is the great mystery of life and growth. Everything is changing, growing, aiming at something, but silently, unboastfully, taking its time.

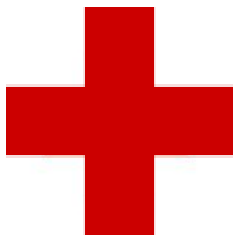
It strikes me that this is also a great description of the spiritual life. My outer life goes on with all its business and expectation. I go from one thing to the next. Some things get accomplished. Others don't. I attach great importance to some of those things. Meanwhile, within, something occasionally stirs. A new insight arrives. A new hope is born. A new struggle emerges.



Most days I go outside to look at the garden, whether I'm going to work in it that day or not. I go to see what's come up, what needs trimming, pruning, fertilizing, deadheading. I plan what I'll do the next time I work outside. I imagine what I will plant next, what I'll transplant, what I'll leave alone. Sometimes I just look with pleasure at what is. The parallels with prayer are inescapable to me.

Paul Tillich used an expression for God that didn't mean much to me until I began a garden. He referred to the Divine as "Ground of Being." If you've ever turned over soil, dug in it, planted a seed and watched it grow and bloom, produce fruit or flower, it makes sense. Everything the plant needs is there in the soil. Add sun and rain, also gifts of the Divine. Yet it helps to cultivate, pick the right plant for the right place, add compost, cultivate and fertilize, maybe mulch to keep down the weeds.

At this time of year I'm thinking of my spiritual life as tending a garden and watching what happens. The quiet, steady, slow mystery unfolds – and I have a part in it.



**American  
Red Cross**

*Together, we can save a life*

## Critical Need Blood Drives

**at the Saint Mary's auditorium, 43 Foreside Rd, Falmouth  
June 15 and 30**

**There is a critical need for blood! It's safe for all healthy people to give blood.** Sign-up today to be a blood donor and help give to those who need your blood to survive! Go to [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and use sponsor code "StMary" to make your donor appointment.



# Parish Financial Update

Ben Parks-Stamm, Treasurer

*Thank you to everyone who has paid their pledge early or has given an extra gift during this uncertain time. That, along with the PPP loan which we received and has been forgiven, has made it possible to come out of this pandemic financially sound and full of hope.*

*If you are able and moved to do so, please keep your contributions and gifts to the church ministry steady as we enter the summer months as the expenses of maintenance, personnel, utilities, and programming continue.*

## Saint Mary's Operating Finances - as of April 30, 2021

(+ 48,733)

### INCOME

|                                 |                    |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| General Plate & Pledge Support  | 147,017            |
| Use of Parish House & Sanctuary | 2,973              |
| Fundraisers                     | 8,814              |
| Miscellaneous Gifts & Revenue   | 2,201              |
| Invested Funds Revenue          | 17,126             |
| Dedicated Gifts                 | 5,343              |
|                                 | <u>\$ 184,8474</u> |

### EXPENSE

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Diocesan Assessment                               | 19,788            |
| Personnel (includes, taxes, benefits, & pensions) | 60,301            |
| Maintenance, Capital                              | 21,909            |
| Operating (utilities, insurance, taxes, supplies) | 27,627            |
| Program   | 6,116             |
| Countless volunteer donated hours of time         | 0                 |
|   | <u>\$ 135,741</u> |



## NOONDAY PRAYER - in our Chapel and Online

Mondays – Thursdays: everyone is welcome to gather once again in our Chapel for a few minutes of meditation and prayer at noon. These sessions are also streamed live on Facebook and recorded for future viewing. (Full disclosure: there may be some days over the summer when it will only be online, due to vacation schedules.)

Fridays: gather together at our Facebook page to meditate on scripture and to pray for a few minutes each Friday at noon.

## Adopt a Bed

Interested in “adopting” a bed on our beautiful campus? Pick any area and think of it as your own! Your commitment would simply be to keep an eye on it and weed it as needed. Note that this work does not include the formal beds behind the chapel that are beautifully maintained by members of St. Mary's Garden Club. Contact Lucy Ellis, Landscape Team (cell) 450-3650.



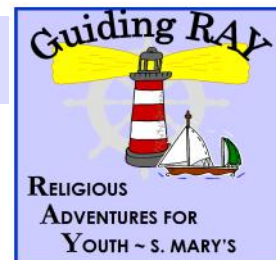
## Did You Know?

### Eunice Hunton Carter, prosecutor, 1899-1970

Carter was the first African American woman in New York state to serve as assistant district attorney. She was part of the legal team that brought down notorious mob boss Charles “Lucky” Luciano, and her painstaking investigative skills led to his conviction. Later in her life, Carter chaired a committee at the United Nations.

# Christian Formation

Guiding RAY is our ministry to all young people up to age 14. We offer our children an opportunity to learn Bible stories and to develop their relationship with God. Our hope is to guide them to the safe harbor of God's everlasting love where they can grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.



## June 6 and 13 are the last Sundays before the summer break

All families and young people are invited to gather in the Auditorium at 9:30 on Sundays for a brief, informal, and interactive Eucharistic celebration.

## PLANS FOR THE AUTUMN

Building on our ZOOM discussion on May 17, work is now underway to re-launch Guiding RAY in September using the same basic schedule as in 2019, but with some minor program adjustments. We are now searching for a part-time (10 hours/week) Guiding RAY Coordinator who will organize our efforts on Sunday mornings. We are also searching for a Nursery Caregiver to care for our littlest disciples on Sunday mornings. At this time, the GR Sunday schedule beginning in September will be as follows:

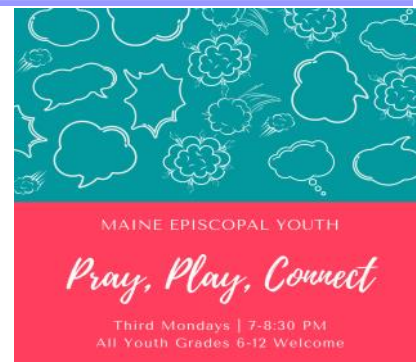
- ♦ 9:30 GR Gathering Time (fun games, projects, guest presentations) & Nursery opens
- ♦ 10:00 GR Classes (by age group)
- ♦ 11:00 Communion with families (the Eucharist begins at 10:15)
- ♦ 11:30 Youth Choir (until 12 noon)



The Diocese of Maine provides opportunities for all of our middle & high schoolers to deepen connections with God and each other.

**PRAY, PLAY, CONNECT:**  
Monday **June 21**, 7 - 8:30 PM on ZOOM

Click <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81625716888> to join. FMI, reach out to Pastor Sara D'Angio White, Canon for Youth Ministry, Episcopal Diocese of Maine, at [sdangiowhite@gmail.com](mailto:sdangiowhite@gmail.com) or call or text (585) 749-9125



## Help Your Graduate Celebrate Safely!

*Tip of the Month*

### Graduation can be an anxious and risky time...

Keep talking with your graduate- you are the most influential person in their life

Share your expectations and help your teen see the risks drugs and alcohol can have on their safety, health and future



**Remind your teen to make their own decisions to stay healthy and not give in to peer pressure.**







## SUMMER CAMP FOR EVERY CHILD

*Bishopswood is an Episcopal coed overnight camp that is affordable and open to all youths ages 6-16. It is nestled in an old forest with giant trees on the shores of Lake Megunticook in Hope, Maine.*

[Camp Information](#)

[Online Registration](#)

**Traditional Youth Camp** (Ages 8-16) One or more week program. Learn skills and meet friends that will last a lifetime.

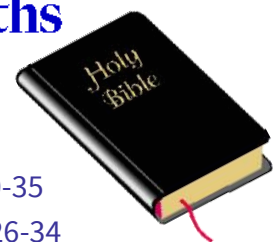
**Mini Camp** (Ages 6-8) 3 days at camp with a 4:1 staff ratio. Great for first extended stay away from home.

**Counselor in Training** (Ages 16 or grade 10) A five-week program to develop essential leadership skills and the many facets of being a camp counselor.



**Bishopswood is proud to be accredited by the American Camping Association. Financial aid is available to help youth go to camp. FMI, call Saint Mary's.**

## Our 2021 Lectionary for the summer months



**Trinity Sunday, May 30:** Romans 8:11-17 Rev; Canticle 13; John 3:1-17

**2nd Sunday after Pentecost, June 6:** Genesis 3:8-15; Psalm 130; Mark 3:20-35

**3rd Sunday after Pentecost, June 13:** Ezekiel 17:22-24; Psalm 20; Mark 4:26-34

**4th Sunday after Pentecost, June 20:** Job 38:1-11; Psalm 9:9-20; Mark 4:35-41

**5th Sunday after Pentecost, June 27:** Lamentations 3:19-33 Rev; Psalm 30; Mark 5:21-43

**6th Sunday after Pentecost, July 4:** Ezekiel 2:1 - 3.3 Rev; Psalm 145:10-22 Rev; Mark 6:1-13

**7th Sunday after Pentecost, July 11:** Amos 7:7-15; Psalm 85 Rev; Mark 6:14-29

**8th Sunday after Pentecost, July 18:** Jeremiah 23:1-8 Rev; Psalm 23; Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

**9th Sunday after Pentecost, July 25:** 2 Kings 4:38 - 44 Rev; Psalm 14; John 6:1-21

**10th Sunday after Pentecost, Aug 1:** Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15; Psalm 78:18-29 Rev; John 6:24-35

**11th Sunday after Pentecost, Aug 8:** 1 Kings 19:1-10 Rev; Psalm 34:1-8; John 6:35, 41-51

**12th Sunday after Pentecost, Aug 15:** Proverbs 31:10-31 Rev; Magnificat; Mark 3.31-35

**13th Sunday after Pentecost, Aug 22:** Joshua 24.19-28 Rev; Psalm 84; John 6:56-69

**14th Sunday after Pentecost, Aug 29:** Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9; Psalm 15; Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

**15th Sunday after Pentecost, Sep 5:** Proverbs 22:1-11, 22-23 Rev; Psalm 125; Mark 7:24-37

# Congratulations to all our 2021 Graduates

O Living God,

Thanks and praise we give to you for these young people who have worked and grown through the course of their education. May they continue to learn and grow, and continue to give their best efforts, as they prepare for the next chapter of their lives. Protect them, O God, wherever they may go. Keep them from forgetting that they are made in your image and are ever walking in your sight. Empower them to serve others and the common good just as you have served us in Christ. Surround them always in your love, O God, we pray. Amen.



**Ellie Bryant** will graduate from Falmouth High School and will attend the University of Miami in the fall to study Political Science/Pre-Law .

**Anna Dougan** will graduate from Greely High School with plans to attend the University of Rhode Island in the fall and will focus on Marine Studies in their Honors Program.

**Samantha Galbraith** will graduate from Greely High School and is preparing for the next chapter.

**Sarah Kelly** will graduate from Falmouth High School and plans on attending Curry College in the fall and is planning to work two jobs this summer to save up for school.

**Congratulations to all our college graduates who are heading off to new adventures.**

**Ayden Henson** graduated with a Mechanical Engineering degree from the University of Vermont and will be working with Insulet's Research & Development team.

**Bryce Henson** graduated from the University of Vermont with a degree in Mechanical Engineering and will start his career with the Montana Conservation Corp.

**Ally Hurdman** Graduated from Bucknell University this spring. She was a Mathematical Economics major with a Spanish minor. She is planning to spend the summer at home in Maine and move to New York City in the fall.

**Mary Hyland** graduated from Drexel University and is ready to begin working very soon.

**Ben Otte** graduated from SMCC in New Media and is getting a jumpstart to his career by preparing a feature length film this summer for film festival entrance. Ben is working with his brother in his spare time.

**Julia Stinneford** Graduated from summa cum laude University of New Hampshire with a BA in Journalism and will start her career as a journalist at the Monadnock Ledger in Peterborough, NH.

**Peter Stegemann** Graduated magna cum laude from Western New England University and is working virtually for Octane Marketing.

**AND...our congratulations and our prayers for strong and fruitful futures to others who have completed programs and starting new lives.**



## **Regional Confirmation & Reception: 5 June at 10 AM**

Bishop Brown will lay apostolic hands on all those who are presented to be confirmed and received into the Church. This will take place on the first Saturday morning in June at Trinity Church on Forest Avenue in Portland. Be in touch with Fr Nathan ASAP if the Holy Spirit is calling you to be confirmed or received at this time.



# News, Notes, Kudos, Dates & Reminders

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

Thank you to Reverend Portia Hirschman for leading noon prayer Monday- Wednesday for the two weeks that Fr. Nathan was away for Chaplain Reserve duty! And to Deacon Christine for picking up the extra Thursdays for those two weeks.

Thanks to Deacon Christine for her abiding support for our CARE team and leading noon prayer!

A huge thank you to the Buildings and Grounds Committee for getting us re-opened and for getting the tent erected for upcoming events.

*yay!*

Thanks to Joyce Verey for her help with so many things from behind the scenes!!

**Thank you to Lee Snow for filing and maintaining Saint Mary's Archives.**

**I know she'd love some help!? And thanks to Betsy Stoddard and Jan Mordarski for organizing the volunteer room. Fantastic!**

Our appreciation and awe to Jana and the entire Sparkles team for their leadership and dedication to Fund and Fun-Raising. Rest up!!

Thank you, Jim Stoddard, for working so diligently on the details of getting the steps done for the bell repair.

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**Thanks to Matt Fulton for graciously answering the call for assistance with everything cyber. Bless you!**

**Thank you, Jan & Betsy, for cleaning and organizing the Volunteer Room. Nice!**

Help needed with house cleaning, organizing or gardening? Nece Caratelli is self-employed, works with only 'clean' products and would love to talk to you. 615-6038

**CELEBRATE**



**HONOR**



**SERVE**

## GROW IN GOD EVERYDAY

**ONLINE WORSHIP** (worship videos are available a day later on the website)

**NOONDAY PRAYER: Monday – Friday 12noon** on [Facebook Live](#)

**SUNDAY HOLY EUCHARIST: Sundays at 10:30 AM** on [Facebook Live](#)

**BE STILL: CENTERING PRAYER: Mondays at 5 PM** [online via ZOOM](#)

### ONLINE SPIRITUAL FORMATION

**BE STILL: Sundays at 9:30 AM** [online via ZOOM](#)

A contemplative time of themed reflection on scriptural passages, poetry and prose. Contact Jennifer Gregg at [jenniferanngregg@gmail.com](mailto:jenniferanngregg@gmail.com)

**WISDOM SEEKERS: Tuesdays at 10:30 AM** [online via ZOOM](#). A group discussion of the Scriptures for the upcoming Sunday. A great way to learn and be prepared for worship. Contact Nadine Timberlake at [ntimberlake@aol.com](mailto:ntimberlake@aol.com)

**MERTON GROUP: Thursdays at 3 PM** [online via ZOOM](#). During the small, spiritually diverse, inquisitive, tolerant, open-minded, and supportive group of "seekers" that each week pray, read aloud from a chosen book, reflect, question, and grow. FMI, [jenniferanngregg@gmail.com](mailto:jenniferanngregg@gmail.com)



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

## Happy June Birthdays to:



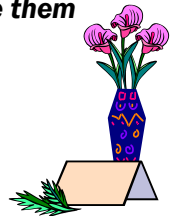
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|----|------------------|----|-----------------|----|--------------------|
| 2  | Anders Hesson    | 10 | Chance Guyton   | 19 | Robert Cheney      |
| 2  | Robby Hurdman    | 13 | Stuart Whittier | 19 | Oliver Perry       |
| 2  | Eliza Mellon     | 13 | Kim Wing        | 19 | Elsa Rodgers       |
| 3  | Emily Stinneford | 15 | Carla Birt      | 20 | John Isacke        |
| 4  | Joel Harris      | 15 | Darren Clark    | 20 | Julia Splint       |
| 4  | Alison Hayward   | 15 | Michael Ianno   | 21 | Kevin Browne       |
| 5  | Irwin Gratz      | 15 | Sarah Kelly     | 22 | Marge Devine       |
| 5  | Jennifer Kane    | 15 | Helga Ryder     | 22 | TJ Frongillo       |
| 5  | Julie Otte       | 16 | Annie Johnson   | 23 | Charlie Cott       |
| 8  | Tommy Bazarian   | 17 | Ellie Bryant    | 23 | Sheila Donaldson   |
| 8  | Beppie Cerf      | 17 | Andrew Edwards  | 23 | Fiona Ferrell      |
| 8  | Kitty Babson     | 17 | Celia Funk      | 24 | Mamie Whittier     |
| 9  | John Edwards     | 18 | Peter Kyros     | 25 | Christine Davik    |
| 10 | William Gale     | 19 | Jan Andrews     | 30 | Margaret Fenderson |

**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 June Anniversary wishes to:



|    |                              |    |                         |
|----|------------------------------|----|-------------------------|
| 1  | Katharine & Bernie Echavarri | 17 | Ginny & Lincoln Stelk   |
| 3  | Kayla & Jared Horihan        | 19 | Nadine & Bob Timberlake |
| 7  | Emily & Tim Kearins          | 20 | Rayle & Ed Ainsworth    |
| 8  | Carla & Arthur Birt          | 25 | Erin & Nathan Ferrell   |
| 8  | Lucy Ellis & George Bokinsky | 25 | Missy & Chris Smithwick |
| 12 | Kim & Michael Wing           | 27 | Linda & Stan Eaton      |
| 14 | Melissa & Jim Kane           | 29 | Al & Mary Ahlers        |



## Worship Server Schedule

Be sure to let Beth in the office know if you have switched dates with someone. 781-3366 or admin@smary.org

| Date    | 8am Usher | 8am Lector | 10:30 Usher | 10:30 Lector | Altar Flowers |  |
|---------|-----------|------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|--|
| May 30  | Al A      | Len T      | The Vereys  | Andrea MH    | Jan A         |  |
| June 6  | Jim K     | Lad T      | Tom L       | Erin MF      |               |  |
| June 13 | Len T     | Becky P    | Dawn Y      | Betsy S      | Jan A         |  |
| June 20 | Jim K     | Mary Ann M | The Vereys  | Linda E      | Helga R       |  |
| June 27 | Steve C   | Greg U     | Tom L       | Jim S        | Onnie H       |  |
| July 4  |           | Al A       |             | Maggie G     |               |  |
| July 11 |           | Len T      |             | Will S       | Onnie H       |  |





Like many things during COVID times, this calendar is subject to change

# JUNE

## 2021

The Episcopal Church of Saint Mary

| Sun  | Mon  | Tue   | Wed   | Thu   | Fri   | Sat   |
|--|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| <b>5/30 Trinity Sunday</b><br>8:00 Holy Eucharist<br>9:30 Family Eucharist<br>9:30 Be Still on ZOOM<br><b>10:30 Holy Eucharist</b><br>In-person and on Facebook<br>7 12-step meeting in Aud  | <b>5/31 Visitation of Blessed Virgin Mary</b><br><b>Memorial Day</b><br>Office Closed<br>12 Noonday Prayer<br>5 Be Still | <b>6/1</b><br>12 Noonday Prayer<br>2 Staff meeting (pics)<br>4:30 TOPS in GR<br>4:30 Executive Committee  | <b>6/2</b><br>12 Noonday Prayer<br>3 CARE & Prayer<br>6 ORI in Guild Rom<br>6 PBE rehearse in Aud | <b>6/3</b><br>12 Noonday Prayer<br>2 Betsy Wiley burial<br>3 Merton Group<br>4:30 Outreach              | <b>6/4</b> Office closed<br>Plant Sale set-up<br>12 Noonday Prayer                      | <b>6/5</b> 9-12noon<br><b>SM GC Plant Sale</b><br>10 Regional Confirmation<br>12-4 Photos with Peter Guyton |
| <b>6 2nd Sunday after Pentecost</b><br>8:00 Holy Eucharist<br>9:30 Family Eucharist<br>9:30 Be Still on ZOOM<br><b>10:30 Holy Eucharist</b><br>In-person and on Facebook<br>12-4 SM Photos with Peter Guyton<br>7 12-step meeting in Aud | <b>7</b><br>12 Noonday Prayer<br>5 Be Still  | <b>8</b><br>12 Noonday Prayer<br>4:30 TOPS in GR<br>6-9 PBE rehearse in Aud   | <b>9</b><br>9-5 PBE rehearse in Aud<br>12 Noonday Prayer  | <b>10</b><br>9-5 PBE rehearse in Aud<br>12 Noonday Prayer<br>3 Merton Group                             | <b>11 St. Barnabas</b><br>Office closed<br>12 Noonday Prayer<br>5-6 Souper Supper TO GO | <b>12</b><br>              |
| <b>13 3rd Sunday after Pentecost</b><br>8:00 Holy Eucharist<br>9:30 Family BIBLE BURY<br>9:30 Be Still on ZOOM<br><b>10:30 Holy Eucharist</b><br>In-person and on Facebook<br>7 12-step meeting in Aud                                   | <b>14</b><br>12 Noonday Prayer<br>5 Be Still   | <b>15</b><br><b>8:30-11 St. Elizabeth's</b><br><b>9-2 Blood Drive</b><br>12 Noonday Prayer<br>2 Staff meeting<br>4:30 TOPS in GR<br>6-9 PBE rehearse in Aud | <b>16</b><br>9-5 PBE rehearse in Aud<br>12 Noonday Prayer<br>6 Vestry meeting                     | <b>17</b><br>12 Noonday Prayer<br>3 Merton Group<br>4 Living With Grief                                 | <b>18</b> Office closed<br>12 Noonday Prayer  | <b>19</b><br>1 Steve Dunwoody Memorial Service  |
| <b>20 4th Sunday after Pentecost</b><br><b>Happy Father's Day</b><br>8:00 Holy Eucharist<br>9:30 Be Still on ZOOM<br><b>9:30 Holy Eucharist</b><br>In-person and on Facebook<br>7 12-step meeting in Aud                                 | <b>21</b><br>10:30 Elon Marquand Memorial Service<br>12 Noonday Prayer<br>5 Be Still<br>6 PCC meeting (inorout)          | <b>22</b><br>12 Noonday Prayer<br>4:30 TOPS in GR<br>6 Recording in Chapel<br>7 AA in Auditorium  | <b>23</b><br>12 Noonday Prayer  | <b>24 Nativity of St John the Baptist</b><br>12 Noonday Prayer<br>3 Merton Group<br>4 Living With Grief | <b>25</b> Office closed<br>12 Noonday Prayer<br>5-6 Souper Supper TO GO                 | <b>26</b><br>            |
| <b>27 5th Sunday after Pentecost</b><br>8:00 Holy Eucharist<br>9:30 Be Still on ZOOM<br><b>9:30 Outdoor Eucharist</b><br>In-person and on Facebook<br>7 12-step meeting in Aud   | <b>28</b><br>9-5 Lifeline Screening in Aud<br>12 Noonday Prayer<br>5 Be Still  | <b>29 St. Peter &amp; St. Paul</b><br>12 Noonday Prayer<br>2 Staff meeting<br>4:30 TOPS in GR<br>6 AA in Auditorium   | <b>30</b><br><b>9-2 Blood Drive</b><br>12 Noonday Prayer  | <b>7/1</b><br>12 Noonday Prayer<br>3 Merton Group<br>4 Living With Grief                                | <b>7/2</b> Office closed<br>12 Noonday Prayer   | <b>7/3</b>  |



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### Our Worship Schedule

#### Sunday Worship June 6, 13

8 and 10:30 - Holy Eucharist - In person  
and 10:30 on Facebook Live  
9:30 - Family Holy Eucharist in auditorium

#### Sunday Worship June 20, 27

8 and 9:30 - Holy Eucharist - In person and  
9:30 on Facebook Live

#### MONDAY - FRIDAY

12 Noonday Prayer on Facebook Live  
(In-person in Chapel: most Mon - Thurs)

**BE STILL** Live on Zoom  
Sundays 9:30 AM  
Mondays 5 PM

Hello  
**JUNE**



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Copy deadline for July AVE: June 20

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