



# All Saints Parish Notes

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, 13 September 2020

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## ONLINE

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### WEEKLY ONLINE PRAYERS

[Use this link to pray with us online during the week.](#)

#### Said Morning Prayer

Monday, Wednesday, Saturday, 7:00 am

#### Said Compline

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 8:00 pm

#### Centering Prayer

Thursday, 6:30 pm

### SUNDAY LIVESTREAM

[Use this link to access Sunday's livestream service.](#)

### FAMILY CHECK-IN

Sunday, 9:30 am, [via Zoom](#)

[All Saints Facebook Support and Encouragement Group](#) is a private group for All Saints parishioners to share support and encouragement during the COVID-19 emergency. It is not a public group. Request access and one of the All Saints Facebook Administrators will admit parishioners.

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## THANK YOU

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We are grateful for our volunteers, especially Nancy Snudden, who maintain our gardens.

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## THIS WEEK

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### MEN'S BOOK GROUP

Saturday, 12 September, 8:00 am via Zoom

The Men's Book Group meets on 12 September at 8:00 am to continue their discussion of [The Screwtape Letters by C.S. Lewis](#). In this satirical self-help book, an aspiring young devil, Wormwood, writes to his uncle, Screwtape, for advice on how to tempt "The Patient." The novel is as hilarious, and as relevant, as when Lewis wrote it in 1942.

Contact: [Alan McLellan](#)

### UPCOMING COMMUNION SERVICES

We continue to experiment with in-person services on the lawn at All Saints. Following Commonwealth and diocesan guidelines, each service is limited to 25 people. Attendance is first-come, first-served, and you must sign up at [this link](#). These services have spoken prayer, scripture, and Communion. The services are short enough that most people typically stand through them, but you are welcome to bring chairs or blankets. In case of rain, we will move into the Sanctuary. This week's opportunities for in-person worship with communion are:

- Sunday, 13 September, 8:30 am
- Monday, 14 September, 6:00 pm, Feast of the Holy Cross

We will contact those who pre-register, with procedures for the [required health and wellness screening](#).

Contact: [Richard](#)

### COURAGEOUS CONVERSATIONS

Sunday, 13 September, via Zoom

Please [RSVP](#)

This summer, the Courageous Conversations Committee's planning meetings have become learning experiences in and of themselves. We are going to share with you some of what we have learned and experienced, both from the conferences and workshops we have attended and from the conversations we have had together. We hope this glimpse into our journeys will encourage you to join us each month and to take the bold step of building your own antiracist practice. [Please RSVP](#).

Contact: [Jonas Barciauskas](#)

## CONNECT

### WELCOME BACK SUNDAY

*Sunday, 20 September, 4:00 pm*

While we are unable to have our traditional parish picnic we are planning a lively welcome back worship service on the lawn. Rain location in the Sanctuary. Join us for the blessing of backpacks and devices and for our inaugural “Boomwhacker worship” service. (We may not be as accomplished as the group on [this video](#) but we are enthusiastic. Children and young people can also collect the care packages we are creating for use in church school classes throughout the fall.

Space is limited to 25 people. [Pre-registration](#) is required. If we reach the 25 limit by Monday, 14 September, we will add additional services.

Contact: [Tammy](#)

### FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS

*Sunday, 4 October, 12:00, Hammond Woods*

Please bring your four-footed friends and join us for a hike in Hammond Woods, including a brief worship service and Blessing of the Animals. [Pre-registration is required.](#)

Contact: [Tammy](#)

## LEARN

### FAMILY PRAYER AND CHECK-IN

*Sunday, 13 September, 9:30 am*

We will continue to host our weekly [Zoom Family Check-in](#) at 9:30, and we hope to see many of you then. Next Sunday, join us for Welcome Back Sunday at 4:00 pm. Our Fall family program begins on Sunday 27 September.

Contact: [Tammy](#)

### BIBLE STUDY: MARK'S GOSPEL

*Tuesday, 15 September, 7:00 pm, via Zoom*

Mark's Gospel will be the source of most of the Gospel readings during the 2020-2021 liturgical year. Our first meeting will focus on Mark 1:1-3:6. For scholarly commentary, please see the materials on the [Yale Bible Study](#) website. The site's section on Mark includes an [introduction](#) to the Gospel, as well as a two-page [study guide](#) and [short video](#) of two biblical scholars discussing the passage. We will also have an opportunity to delve more deeply with a [lectio divina](#), or spiritual reading, of a short passage within Mark 1:1-3:6. Please contact [Jonas](#) for the Zoom link and any questions you may have.

Contact: [Jonas Barciauskas](#)

### CHURCH SCHOOL 2020-21

We are excited to announce the 2020-21 Church School program! Church School details and plans for in-person family activities are available on our website on the updated and refreshed Children and Youth information pages. We are excited about the plans for this fall, and we look forward to seeing you and your children soon. Please register your children [here](#).

Contact: [Tammy](#)

## GIVE

### PLEASE DONATE FOOD AND MONEY

One in five children in Massachusetts now live in food-insecure households, an increase of 81 percent over pre-COVID-19 food-insecurity levels, according to the non-profit Feeding America. We urge all of our members to support one of the many feeding and food donation programs in the area. Below, we offer two nearby programs so that you can help today.

All Saints continues to work with Church of the Redeemer in Chestnut Hill on the FUEL Program, which provides bags of groceries to needy Boston/Newton students and their families. This food partially replaces school food programs such as school breakfast and lunch. Shop for a full [bag](#) of groceries, or buy as many of the items as you can. Redeemer's website provides a list of needed groceries. Deliver your contributions to the side door of Church of the Redeemer, 379 Hammond Street, Chestnut Hill, 02467, at any time.

Contact: [Wendy Wheeler](#)

The Brookline Food Pantry reports that, during the last two weeks of August, the number of clients requesting emergency food assistance doubled. The Pantry is particularly in need of baby formula, baby food, and baby wipes. Other needed products are toothpaste and toilet paper. Safe physical distancing times to drop off food at 15 St. Paul Street are Wednesday from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm and Friday from 9:30 am to 12 noon.

The Pantry is particularly grateful for monetary donations. With sufficient cash, the Pantry can purchase food in bulk at greatly reduced prices through the Greater Boston Food Bank. Donate online at the Food Pantry website or by mail (15 St. Paul Street, Brookline 02446).

Contact: [Tom Nutt-Powell](#)

## PLEDGES AND DONATIONS

Mail pledges and donations to:

All Saints Parish

1773 Beacon Street

Brookline, Massachusetts 02445

Or [donate online](#) at [allsaintsbrookline.org](http://allsaintsbrookline.org)

## SERVE

### ZOOM SOCIAL HOUR HOSTS NEEDED

Serve as the Zoom host for our social hour each week. We would love to create a rota of several people who can serve as hosts for our weekly Zoom social hour. If you are interested, please contact Richard or Monica. Training is provided.

Contact: [Monica Burden](#)

### MANNA CASSEROLE DROP-OFF

*Sunday, 27 September*

The unhoused MANNA community still faces difficult challenges. As we remain committed to serving this group, we are continuing our safe practices with monthly household MANNA meal preparation. One slot is available to make a casserole, and one driver with an SUV or station wagon is needed to drive the casseroles from All Saints to the Cathedral in Boston on Sunday, 26 September.

You can sign up to help [here](#).

Pick up of casserole supplies will be on Saturday, 19 September, at 10:00 am at All Saints.

Contact: [Ginny Adams](#)

## OUR CHRISTIAN OBLIGATION TO VOTE

Our Presiding Bishop, Michael Curry, implores us: "It is a Christian obligation to vote, and more than that, it is the church's responsibility to help get souls to the polls."

Here are a few helpful resources ahead of the US General Election on 3 November.

- Learn more about applying to vote by mail [here](#).
- Find and track the status of your mail-in ballot [here](#).
- View your ballot and polling location (for voting in person) [here](#).
- Sign up to be a poll worker [here](#).