



All Saints Parish Notes

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Sunday, 22 January 2023

Welcome to All Saints Parish

As a community of faith, we . . .

- Welcome all seeking refuge, inspiration, and nourishing relationships with one another and with God.
- Provide a place devoted to creating beauty and experiencing God's grace.
- Empower people to act in service to others and to care for God's creation.

THANK YOU

Thank you to the Nominating Committee: Phillip Haberkern, *chair*; Rebecca Mathews; Lynne Montross; Emily Smith-Sturr; and Jessica Stokes for all their work in discerning officers, vestry, deanery, and diocesan leaders to be voted on at Annual Meeting next week. Thanks, also to all who said, "yes" to the call to serve!

SOCIAL HOUR HOSTS

This Sunday, Jessica and Colin Stokes are hosting Social Hour in the Guild Room. Thank you, Jessica and Colin!

There are upcoming openings to host social hour. [Sign up here.](#)

TODAY'S CHURCH SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

This Sunday's Breakfast Club team is Bruce Keary, Mary Urban Keary, and Michael Thompson. Grey Hannibal will volunteer in the nursery.

THIS WEEK

MANNA CASSEROLE DROPOFF

This Sunday, 22 January, after church by noon

If you have prepared a casserole or other food items for the MANNA Community, drop them off after church, by noon this Sunday.

Coordinators: [Ginny Adams](#), gjadams1@gmail.com and [Nancy Snudden](#), nsnudden.ma@yahoo.com

YOUTH CONFIRMATION

Sunday, 22 January, 11:30 am, Dining Room

Confirmation class will meet after worship on Sunday, 22 January. If you are interested in joining this spring's confirmation preparation program and were unable to attend the information session in December, please contact Tammy. (The next confirmation prep program is scheduled for Spring 2025.)

Contact: [Tammy](#)

ADULT CONFIRMATION/RECEPTION

Sunday, 22 January

If you are an adult who would like to explore confirmation or reception into the Episcopal Church, please be in touch with Richard or Tammy by this Sunday. We would welcome the conversation. You may learn more about confirmation in the Episcopal Church [HERE](#).

Contact: [Richard](#) or [Tammy](#)

EPISCOPAL CITY MISSION

Wednesday, 25 January, 6:00 pm, via Zoom

Sign up [here](#).

The Rev. Edwin Johnson, director of organizing for the Episcopal City Mission (ECM), will be preaching at All Saints on 12 February. To learn more about ECM before then, consider joining an online information session via Zoom on Wednesday, 25 January, from 6:00 to 7:00 pm. Learn about ECM's statewide campaign to shrink the racial wealth gap in Massachusetts through three areas: reparations; solidarity economy and investing; and state-level policy change. Sign up [here](#).

Contact: [Wendy Wheeler](#), wendybwheel@gmail.com

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

HOLY EUCHARIST AND ANNUAL MEETING

29 January, 10:30 am

The 128th Annual Meeting of All Saints Parish will take place next Sunday during the 10:30 am service. Elements of the meeting—the election, thanks to the outgoing officers and vestry members, presentation of the Yule Candle, and so on, will all be woven into the structure of the Sunday service. Light refreshments will be served. The nursery will be staffed from 10:00 am until 12:30 pm. We plan to be finished no later than 12:30. The service will be livestreamed, but you must be present to vote. A LIMITED number of copies of the [Annual Report](#) will be printed out. We will gladly reserve a printed copy for you, just let the office know you would like one.

PARISH FINANCIAL PRESENTATION

Wednesday, 25 January, 7:00 pm, via Zoom

All Saints Parish's treasurer, Rob Hillman, reviews 2022 financials as well as the 2023 budget approved by the vestry at their meeting on 18 January. He will also answer questions. The Zoom link and 2022 Financial Report will be sent out prior to the meeting, and a recording of this session will also be available.

THE REV. ANOMA ABEYARATNE UPDATE

Anoma's shoulder surgery needed to be rescheduled. It will now take place on 15 February. Please continue to pray as she prepares.

FEBRUARY MANNA MEAL

For I was hungry, and you gave me food.

For more information, visit our [website](#).

- **Casserole Kit Pickup**

*Sunday, 19 February, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
or following weekdays during office hours*

- **Casserole Dropoff**

Sunday, 26 February, after church by noon
Coordinators: [Ginny Adams](#), and [Nancy Snudden](#)

OPEN POSITION: SECURITY RECEPTIONIST

We are looking for someone from outside the parish to work eight to twelve hours per week, providing security coverage for our evening and weekend facility users. Candidates must be able to work Tuesday evenings and Saturday mornings. [See the job description here](#).

Contact: [Richard](#)

BAKE SALE FOR WINTER WALK

Sunday, 5 February, after church

On Sunday, 5 February, All Saints youth will host a bake sale to support the All Saints Winter Walk team. Please sign up to bake items [HERE](#). Please also support the team by buying baked goods at the bake sale—11:30 am on Sunday, 5 February.

Contact: [Danielle Dong](#), danielledong@gmail.com or [Mary Urban Keary](#), mukeary@gmail.com

WINTER WALK TO END HOMELESSNESS

Sunday, 12 February, 8:30 am, Copley Plaza

On Sunday, 12 February, a team of All Saints parishioners and friends join the Winter Walk to End Homelessness. If you would like to participate in the walk, or if you cannot participate in the walk but would like to contribute toward the team's fundraising goal, you can register or donate [HERE](#).

Contact: [Danielle Dong](#) or [Mary Urban Keary](#)

ADDRESSING FOOD INSECURITY

All Saints is a member of Project Bread's coalition of 100 organizations in Massachusetts advocating for legislation providing permanent universal school meals in the Commonwealth, removing the stigma and barriers that limit access to good nutrition for the increasing numbers of children living in food-insecure households. To get involved in the coalition, reach out to [Wendy Wheeler](#) or [Maggie Hogan](#).

Related to this issue, there will be a forum in Boston, sponsored by State House News Service/MASsterList that will feature leaders, advocates, and experts discussing of how to advance food security across the Commonwealth. The forum will be held on Wednesday, 25 January, from 8:15 to 9:45 am at 10 Winter Place in Boston. Tickets are \$15 and all proceeds benefit the Greater Boston Food Bank. Learn more and buy tickets [here](#).

Contact: [Wendy](#)

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE— IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO PLEDGE

Do you consider All Saints to be your spiritual home? If so, do you make an annual pledge? We invite all who attend worship services at All Saints Parish to reflect on the grace that God has so generously bestowed in our lives. Worship is the heart of everything we do. Our youth and adult education programs deepen our faith journeys and create life-changing relationships with God in Christ. And, we partner with local unhoused and food insecure communities to help meet their needs through food, clothing, and other donations. Your financial response to God's grace in your life will help nurture these programs at All Saints Parish. We invite you to join us as we build a community of love and strengthen our awareness of God's presence in our lives. You can make a financial donation during the offertory. You can give online or make a pledge at allsaintsbrookline.org/giving/. You can also mail your check to All Saints Parish, 1773 Beacon Street, Brookline, MA 02445.

UPDATING YOUR ADDRESS

Please contact the parish office if you have moved in the last year or if you would like to change any other personal information.

Contact: [Office](mailto:office@allsaintsbrookline.org), office@allsaintsbrookline.org

LIFELONG FAITH JOURNEY - CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES

MY GROWN-UP AND ME

21 January, 9:30 am, Langdon Chapel

My Grown-up and Me Eucharist, a monthly worship experience geared toward infant through early elementary students and their parents and guardians, will take place on 21 January at 9:30 am. Older siblings are encouraged to join.

Contact: Tammy

NURSERY CARE AVAILABLE THIS SUNDAY

22 January, 10:00 am to noon

Nursery care is available this week. The nursery is located in the Corner Co-op space in the undercroft.

Contact: Tammy

BREAKFAST CLUB MEETS THIS SUNDAY

22 January, 10:00 am

Breakfast Club will meet this Sunday.

Contact: [Michael](mailto:Michael,mthompson5510@gmail.com), mthompson5510@gmail.com

LIFELONG FAITH JOURNEY - ADULTS

RELIGION AND CULTURE BOOK GROUP

Saturday, 21 January, 8:00 am, via Zoom

For this month's theme of immigrants and refugees, we are reading [Homeland Elegies](#) by Ayad Akhtar. We will meet via Zoom on Saturday, 21 January, at 8:00 am. Contact [Wendy Wheeler](#) for the Zoom link.

Contacts: [Laura Daniels](#), catalyze93@gmail.com, or [Wendy](#), wendybwheel@gmail.com

EPIPHANY BIBLE STUDY: READING THE BIBLE THROUGH DIFFERENT LENSES

Mondays, 7:00 pm, via Zoom

[Register HERE](#).

We all read the bible through our lens—our own set of conceptions. During Epiphany, Richard is leading a series in which we will learn to see the bible through multiple lenses increasing our awareness of our own hidden biases and deepening our understanding of the true breadth of God's grace. [Resources for the sessions are available on the All Saints website](#), so you can work at your own pace. You must [register](#) in order to get the Zoom link, but you will use the same link for every session you attend.

- This week's lens (23 January): Native American Biblical Interpretation
- Upcoming lenses: Eco-theology, Disability, Queer, Intersex

Contact: [Richard](#), rector@allsaintsbrookline.org

MEN'S BOOK GROUP

Saturday, 28 January, 8:00 am, via Zoom

The Men's Book Group will gather on Zoom on 28 January, at 8:00 am, to continue discussing [How the Word is Passed](#) by Clint Smith. Beginning in his hometown of New Orleans, Smith leads the reader on an unforgettable tour of monuments and landmarks—some that are honest about the past and some that are not—to offer an intergenerational story of how slavery has shaped our nation's collective history and ourselves.

For more information and the Zoom link, contact [Alan McLellan](#).

Contact: [Alan](#), mclellan.alan@gmail.com

NEW FORWARD DAY BY DAY

Copies of the February-March-April issue of the daily devotional, [Forward Day by Day](#), have arrived at the church. You may pick one up in person or arrange to have one mailed to you. These daily devotions are also available [online](#). We still have a few copies of the November-December-January issue at the church.

Contact: [Office](#)

IN THE COMMUNITY

CLOTHED FIGURE DRAWING CLASS

[Dean Road Drawing](#) is a congenial group of ten to fifteen teens and adults who enjoy drawing from a clothed model, with stage lighting, run by parishioner [Karen Skillins](#). The first session is free. The next Saturday drawing session will be on 21 January at 10:00 am.

If you would like to model for DRD, we offer \$10 for thirty minutes of your time. Everyone is invited to model. Artists like to draw a variety of individuals. You just sit and not move for a minimum of ten minutes and a maximum of half an hour. We always need more models—clothed, of course!

Contact: DeanRoadDrawing@gmail.com

MANNA BLACK SEED WRITERS GROUP

Wednesday, 25 January, 7:00 pm

The Brookline Booksmith is hosting our unhoused friends from the Black Seed Writers Group (part of MANNA) and their editor, Atlantic columnist James Parker, to present selections of poetry, remembrance, celebration, and defiance from their magazine *The Pilgrim*. All Saints has a special relationship with MANNA, from its founding by Tina Rathbone who discerned her call to ministry here, through years of preparing and serving meals, as well as volunteering with the writers group. For more information, visit [Bookline Booksmith](#).

Contact: Harold Petersen, harold.petersen@bc.edu

AN INTRODUCTION TO JUDAISM FOR CHRISTIANS

Starting 27 February, 7:00 pm, Temple Beth Zion

As we enter into our seasons of redemption, you are invited to join Rabbinic Intern, Josh Greenberg, in a series of four classes exploring classical Jewish texts concerned with suffering, sacrifice, redemption, and freedom, and how sentiments expressed in them may (or may not!) intersect with Christian texts of similar themes. We will consider what our traditions say on these matters to perhaps deepen our own religious identities and/or expand our spiritual practices as we make our way to the other side of a parted sea or to the mouth of an empty tomb—and beyond.

A suggested donation is \$36 for all four sessions. Sign up [HERE!](#)

LINKS

The most frequently used links in one place.

