



All Saints Parish Notes

Trinity Sunday — Proper 4

26 May—7 June 2024

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 everyone who contributed their linguistic gifts to make our annual Pentecost reading truly remarkable.

CHURCH SCHOOL

Thank you to Phil, Mary, Bruce, Jason, Allison, Jessica, and everyone who volunteered their time and shared their presence with the young people of All Saints.

- No Breakfast Club 26 May
- Last Breakfast Club 2 June

SOCIAL HOUR HOSTS

Jo Shields will host social hour in the Guild Room on 26 May. Thanks to Jo for hosting. If you would like to host an upcoming social hour, please contact [Barbara MacDonald](#).



UPCOMING

WHERE THE BIBLE SHOWS UP — WATCH PARTY

26 May, after church

For our last Where the Bible Shows Up of the season, we will be gathering after church to watch and discuss the 2014 Ridley Scott epic, [Exodus: Gods and Kings](#).

[Where the Bible Shows Up](#) is a once-a-month curriculum for middle and high school students in which we explore references to the Bible in art, literature, music, pop culture and politics. We focus on the Bible’s key stories, then search for references to those stories in other places – ranging from stained glass windows to Shakespeare to the Simpsons.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

2 June, after church

Please join us for our annual Strawberry Festival in the All Saints garden. Thank you to Paige and Charlie Evett and everyone who is making possible this end-of-the-year event. We are looking for volunteers to help set up and clean up. Please sign up [HERE](#).

CHORAL COMPLINE

2 June, 7 pm

Our final choral Compline of the season takes place on 2 June. The choir takes the summer off, but [recordings are available at our YouTube channel](#). Traditionally sung by monks before sleep, Compline offers a half-hour of reflection and meditation—a sanctuary where you can immerse yourself in the tranquility of chanted prayers and anthems, finding solace amid the cacophony of modern life. Surrounded by the soft glow of candles and the gentle scent of incense, Compline marks a moment of closure for the day, allowing for personal introspection, seeking forgiveness, and finding comfort in God’s presence before restful sleep.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

MAY MANNA SCHEDULE

For I was hungry, and you gave me food.

- **Casserole Dropoff**

Sunday, 26 May, after church by noon

- **Serving at the Cathedral**

Monday, 27 May, 11 am to 1 pm

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

Contact: [Mary Urban Keary](mailto:MaryUrbanKeary@mukeary@gmail.com), mukeary@gmail.com

B-SAFE GROCERY DELIVERY

Groceries due by Wednesday, 12 June, 3 pm

We have committed to 50 bags of groceries and ten containers of laundry detergent per month, so we would appreciate your contributions.

Please sign up [HERE](#). You can leave them inside the Guild Room. To mark your calendars, future delivery dates are 12 June, 10 July, and 7 August.

Contact: [Carol Pineiro](#), [Beth Bourgault](#)

SUMMER RESPITE TIMES

At All Saints, we strive to nurture a culture that knows rest is a vital piece of enacting God's mission. One way we do so is by maintaining a scaled-down approach to church activities in the summer, including fewer meetings, reduced publications, no choir, no church school, and the staff typically takes time off.

This summer we will continue to publish bulletins weekly through 30 June. Then in July and August we will again encourage the use of the Book of Common Prayer in the service. We will also print a reusable summer bulletin. We will print a separate sheet with the weekly readings and hymns. We will publish the Parish Notes, (both printed and electronic versions) every other week beginning next week (26 May) and will continue biweekly through 30 June. We will print the Parish Notes monthly in both July and August. We will resume our regular schedule of weekly publications after 1 September.

Stephan will be away on two Sundays, 23 June and 4 August, and thus we will have a spoken Eucharistic service on those days. Richard will be away for part of July. Anoma will be away for several weeks at the beginning of August. David Bliss, our Parish Administrator, will also have time off, days to be determined.

We encourage everyone to engage in activities that are restorative, and we hope that everyone at All Saints will find times of rest and renewal this summer.

MOTHER'S DAY WALK FOR PEACE

Thank you to all who participated, by walking or supporting financially, to the Mother's Day Walk for Peace! It was a heartfelt and moving morning of speeches and walking with several thousand persons, many from faith groups like our own, to celebrate the lives of persons lost to murder. The Louis D. Brown Peace Institute does SO much to help the survivors of such unspeakable loss; please know that you can still donate through Father's Day [HERE](#).

PLANNING STUDY SUMMARY

We are grateful to everyone who participated in the recent Planning Study conducted by Cornerstone Fundraising. The purpose of the study was to seek parishioner input on plans to address major needed capital improvement projects at All Saints. These include replacement of the sanctuary roof system, replacement of the 1961 Casavant organ, and long-range planning to improve the accessibility and overall functioning of the sanctuary and Parish House. The total financing need is approximately \$4,000,000.

The results of the Planning Study indicate that All Saints is in a good position to conduct a capital campaign to address these proposed capital improvements. The overall reaction was positive. Most people who participated would like to see both the roof and organ addressed, even if the roof needs to be phased.

The majority participating in the Planning Study demonstrated a willingness to support the campaign financially at some level and indicated an initial \$1,525,000 in potential pledges. Many were not yet prepared to estimate a financial commitment but said they would participate when a campaign was launched. This initial number is a good indicator for setting the campaign goal, and Cornerstone believes All Saints can anticipate raising between \$2,000,000 and \$2,250,000. That is exciting news and speaks to parishioners' faithful commitment to All Saints!

The Vestry voted to approve moving forward with the capital campaign, and authorized Kate Thibault and Wendy Wheeler to lead a committee to plan and undertake the campaign, including developing a final project outline and funding plan. While they ramp up with that work, we will continue to pursue grant possibilities and other funding sources to bridge the gap between the fundraising potential and the actual financial needs of the parish.

LIFELONG FAITH JOURNEY - CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES

LAST BREAKFAST CLUB NEXT SUNDAY

2 June

The final Breakfast Club of the year is on June 2: no set lesson but final reflections on memorable stories of the year with Mary, Bruce, Phil, and Allison. Plus a birthday celebration for Mary and the Strawberry Festival!

Contact: [Jason](#)

LIFELONG FAITH JOURNEY - ADULTS

MEN'S BOOK GROUP

1 June, 8 am, via Zoom

The Men's Book Group meets every other Saturday at 8 am. We are reading [The Crucible](#) by Arthur Miller. Join us! Email [Bruce Keary](#) for more information and the Zoom link.

Contact: [Bruce Keary](#), bruce.keary@gmail.com

RELIGION AND CULTURE READING GROUP

22 June, 8:00 am, via Zoom

Join us for a monthly discussion as we explore books about religious and spiritual topics that intersect with our multicultural world. For Pride Month, we will discuss *Oranges Are Not the Only Fruit* by English author Jeannette Winterson, written in 1985. It is a coming-of-age story about a lesbian who grows up in an English Pentecostal community. Key themes of the book include transition from youth to adulthood, complex family relationships, same-sex relationships, organized religion and the concept of faith. New members are always welcome. (Note, the book group takes a break for July and August and will re-convene in September.) E-mail Wendy Wheeler for the Zoom link.

Contact: *Laura Daniels*, catalyze93@gmail.com, or *Wendy*, wendybwheel@gmail.com

EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY

St. Paul's Brookline hosts an Education for Ministry (EfM) group for lay people who are looking to deepen their understanding of our faith. In our weekly meetings, we read and consider the Old and New Testaments, church history and theology and bring them into conversation with our own experiences. While the programming spans four years, the commitment is one year at a time. EfM is an international program. Learn more at [this website](#).

If you are interested in learning more about your faith, and how you may be called to love and serve, come join us. We start in September and meet Thursday evenings during the school year. Our group includes All Saints' parishioner [Justine Hudock](#) and our Parish Administrator [David Bliss](#), who are happy to answer any questions you may have about the program.

Contact: [David](#)

IN THE COMMUNITY

CORNER CO-OP SUMMER PROGRAM

Corner Co-op Nursery School is pleased to be offering our Summer Program again in August 2024. Children ages 2 years 9 months and above are welcome to join us on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9am - 1pm from August 6 - 29. Families can sign up for the entire session or just the individual days that work best for them. Tuition is \$60/day. You can learn more and register here: [Corner Co-op Summer Registration Form](#).

IN THE WIDER CHURCH

TRACES OF THE TRADE

Sunday, 9 June, 1 pm, St. John's, Newtonville

St. John's Episcopal Church, 297 Lowell Avenue, Newtonville invites you to join us to view and discuss [Traces of the Trade: A Story from the Deep North](#) (2009), at St. John's on **Sunday, 9 June, from 1 to 4 pm**. Katrina Browne is from a long line of Episcopal ministers and is the director of this movie. This film is about the discovery of her ancestors' large role in the slave trade and her family's reckoning with the past. To sign up please use this link [Traces of the Trade Sign-Up](#) so we can plan.

Contact: [Becky Snow](mailto:bsnowua@gmail.com), bsnowua@gmail.com

SUMMER CAMP AT BARBARA C. HARRIS

Family Camp is coming up and registration is open for summer camp at the Barbara C. Harris Camp and Conference Center. Families of all configurations can enjoy an extra-long weekend of activities, worship and family-oriented fellowship during the June 29-July 2 Family Camp session. The summer schedule also includes four week-long youth Overnight Camp sessions, running from 7 July through 2 August, for those completing 3rd through 12th grades. Part of the mission at the Barbara C. Harris Camp and Conference Center is that no child or family be unable to participate in camp due to financial need; camperships are available for those who need them. For details and registration, visit bchcenter.org/bchcamp.

JULIA E. WHITWORTH ELECTED BISHOP

Statement from the bishop-elect on 18 May 2024

Beloved of God in the Diocese of Massachusetts—

It is a tremendous honor to have been elected your 17th bishop. I am profoundly grateful and humbled that your clergy and lay representatives have placed such trust in me, to lead you and your amazing diocese.

The Diocese of Massachusetts has a long, proud history: centuries of nurturing spiritual vitality, leadership and prophetic witness for the whole Episcopal Church. Together we will build on that legacy by walking joyfully into your next chapter—proclaiming the Gospel, making disciples, strengthening our worshiping communities with imagination and courage, and working together for a more just and loving world.

I have adored my years as a priest in the dioceses of Connecticut, New York and Indianapolis. To now have the opportunity to serve as bishop in God's church in Massachusetts is a sacred responsibility that I will strive to uphold with compassion, humility and faithfulness. And so much gratitude! For you, for your ongoing witness to the resurrecting power of Jesus Christ and for the future ahead of us.

God bless you, DioMass! I can't wait to be with you, very soon.