



# ST. JOHN'S

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## E P I S C O P A L C H U R C H

January - February 2022

# THE GOOD NEWS

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY

**9 a.m.** — Adult Christian Education  
(In-person and Zoom)

**9 a.m.** — Youth Christian Education  
Parish Hall (In-person only)

**10:00 a.m.** — Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
(In-person and Livestream)

Visit [StJohnsMLB.org](http://StJohnsMLB.org) for links

### TUESDAY

**6:30 p.m.** — Cub Scouts

### WEDNESDAY

**7:00 p.m.** — Choir Practice in Sanctuary

**7:00 p.m.** — Bible Study led by Father Eric  
(online) – email [office@stjohnsmlb.org](mailto:office@stjohnsmlb.org) for  
details

### FRIDAY

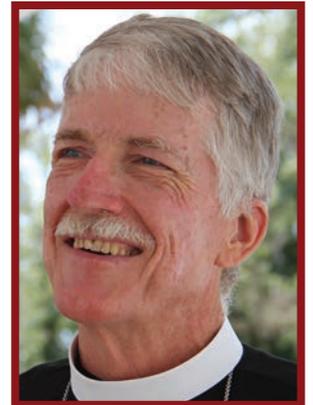
**8:00 a.m.** — TGIF (Men's Breakfast and Bible  
study), La Loma Coney Island, 1180 Aurora  
Road, Melbourne. Email [office@stjohnsmlb.org](mailto:office@stjohnsmlb.org)  
for more information.

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## A WORD FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Friends,

It seems that there's hardly a day goes by that I don't get something in my cyber inbox about how the pandemic has changed the church, will it ever be the same, etc. The moaning and worrying are in full force, but what holds these things in common is that no one seems to know what this new "church" is going to look like.



This morning, another one came across the Diocesan clergy list. Having seen many such articles, here is what I wrote in response:

"For me, I find it scary in the short term, exhausting in the mid-term and hopeful in the long term. I think that in the next 5-10 years there will be a big wave of church closures. That is certainly scary.

"This will require that we re-think how to function as a church beyond the brick-and-mortar institutions we are familiar with and that have been the bread and butter for us professional clergy for centuries. That prospect is exhausting and, frankly, I'm glad I'm much closer to retirement than ordination.

"But in the long haul, I am hopeful that this will force us to focus back on growing disciples rather than buildings and institutions and expensive structures. I pray that the pandemic will prove to have forced us into a true revival of life-changing discipleship and a ditching of the superstructure that has too often been a drag on mission."

With that in mind, and with a New Year and all that promises, I thought this a good time to return to our basics here at St. John's. So, as a refresher, here is our church Mission, Values and Vision, along with some comments. While

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the vestry reviews this every year, the current version was adopted December 15, 2016. The official statements are in italics and my comments are in plain type.

### **St. John's Mission**

*St. John's is a worshiping community,  
obedient to scripture,  
growing as servants of Christ  
and sharing His love in word and deed.*

First, we are a community. We recognize that as the body of Christ, we are bound to one another. When one rejoices, all rejoice. When one suffers all suffer. The church is not a club of individual people, but a living community bound together in Christ. The primary act of the community that binds and identifies us is worship. "Worship" means to grant worth to something other than ourselves. We offer our worship to God as understood in the Christian tradition, in the Creeds and in our Book of Common Prayer.

We are obedient to Scripture. This does not mean that we have all the answers, but we believe God has given us, in the Scriptures, all we need to know to live a life pleasing to Him and edifying to one another. Therefore, we "read, mark, learn and inwardly digest," the Scriptures and seek to pattern our lives, both individually and corporately, in accord with what we learn there.

Ultimately, the only growth that truly matters is that we grow as servants of Christ. We do not seek big budgets or notoriety in the community but to serve Christ wherever and however He may send us. That call may be easy and near, or difficult and far, but that is the growth we seek.

We have nothing to offer the world but the love of Christ. We do not have our own wisdom or cleverness. We do not have easy answers to difficult questions. What we have dependably and what we share freely is the love that Jesus has poured out on us. And we share that love in both word and deed. To speak of the love of Christ without action is empty and cheapens His love. To act in love without speaking of Jesus robs others of the opportunity to know Him themselves and become part of that serving community.

### **St. John's Core Values.**

*We are Biblical Christians, acting in all matters with integrity, serving others before ourselves,  
and striving for excellence in all we do.*

This emphasizes the theme that we are obedient to Scripture but says a bit more about how we seek to live out that obedience. We strive to do so with integrity, meaning that we integrate all aspects of our lives into our Christian life and service. Faith is not just for when we are at church, but for all areas of our lives. Serving others takes priority over our own ease and comforts. We strive for excellence in our service to God as we serve one another. Excellence demonstrates the value we place on one another and on the God whom we serve.

*We are members of the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion.*

The Anglican Communion is a global fellowship of Christians having its roots in the Christian Church in England. Today, there are 38 'Provinces' of the Anglican Communion around the world and St. John's is part of the Province known as The Episcopal Church, comprising churches in the United States, plus Colombia, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Haiti, Honduras, Puerto Rico, Taiwan, Venezuela, the Virgin Islands and some English language churches throughout western Europe known as the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe.

*We worship within the Anglican tradition.*

Worship within the Anglican tradition means primarily that we have a liturgical style of worship in which the congregation is invited and encouraged to participate in the act of worship. Worship is not something done by the priest at the altar, but by the gathered community. We have forms and patterns by which we do that so that even a newcomer can be a participant should they wish.

## St. John's Vision

*With God's help,*

*We reach out to our community to meet human need and invite others to St. John's.*

This emphasizes again our commitment to sharing the love of Christ in both word and deed. We work to meet the needs that we find in our community and beyond and as we do so, we invite others into this community.

*We endeavor to be disciples of Jesus Christ, providing our members opportunities for spiritual growth, learning and service.*

To be a disciple is to give oneself over to the training and mentoring of another with the goal of becoming like that "master." We identify our "master" as Jesus and we work to provide a variety of ways to grow in that discipleship.

*We enrich our worship to provide a more uplifting experience for all and to attract new members.*

Recognizing the central role of worship, and in line with our commitment to excellence, we work to make our worship as uplifting and engaging as we can. We conduct our worship in such a way to both engage and edify our regular members and also to be attractive and engaging for new members and first-time visitors.

So, what should we continue in this "new world" and what might we do differently to meet the needs of people today?

**In Christ,  
Fr. Eric Turner  
Rector**



## "Good News" March - April 2022 Schedule & Deadline

The deadline for the next issue of "The Good News" (March - April, 2022) will be Tuesday, February 15. Please email (preferred) your submissions to [office@stjohnsmlb.org](mailto:office@stjohnsmlb.org) or get them to the church office by February 15, 2022.

## Loaning of Church Items

If you would like to borrow tables, chairs, cribs, linens etc. please speak with Fr. Eric or Kathy Oas, Jr. Warden, first as there might be an event on the schedule where these items are needed. And, of course, we need to keep track of the church's property. Please contact Kathy at [kmoas40@gmail.com](mailto:kmoas40@gmail.com), Fr. Eric at [eric@stjohnsmlb.org](mailto:eric@stjohnsmlb.org), or call the church office at 321-254-3365.

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# KEEPING UP WITH ST. JOHNS ONLINE



## YOUTUBE CHANNEL

St. John's now has a YouTube Channel which is where we post worship live streams and sermons. Visit YouTube.com and search for St. John's Episcopal Church, Melbourne Florida, then follow us! You can also find links to all past and upcoming worship services by visiting [stjohnsmlb.org](http://stjohnsmlb.org) and clicking on Worship Live Stream.

## FR. TERRY'S MEDITATIONS

Brief, encouraging weekly meditations that are sent to your email inbox every Tuesday. Email [office@stjohnsmlb.org](mailto:office@stjohnsmlb.org) if you'd like to enjoy this!

## ST. JOHNS WEB

### StJohnsMLB.org

You will find a variety of information there including schedules, the church calendar, archives of the "Good News", Sunday Ministry schedules, the latest eNews and much more. Poke around!

## FACEBOOK

If you are on Facebook, you can also search "St. John's Episcopal Church" and like the page. Then you will get updates in your newsfeed, which you can respond to, or share with your friends.

## ST. JOHNS CHAT

is an email "list" that allows you to keep up with the latest news at St. John's, prayer list updates, etc. You can also share things with others at St. John's. To subscribe, please just send your email address to Fr. Eric at [eric@stjohnsmlb.org](mailto:eric@stjohnsmlb.org).

## WEEKLY ENEWS

is a weekly email newsletter giving information on upcoming activities, what will be happening on Sunday, and other things. It generally includes a reflection from Fr. Eric on the lessons for the coming Sunday along with links and other information. This comes out every Thursday afternoon at 4 p.m. To subscribe, please send your email address to Fr. Eric at [eric@stjohnsmlb.org](mailto:eric@stjohnsmlb.org).



## SHARING JESUS' LOVE

# Daily Bread Duty Days

We are re-evaluating our work with Daily Bread and planning to consolidate to one day per month. Please let the office know if you would like to be a part of the ongoing team! Email [office@stjohnsmlb.org](mailto:office@stjohnsmlb.org)





## FAMILY DINNER NIGHT IS BACK!

Join us FRIDAY, January 21, 6 p.m. at Beef 'O' Brady's, corner of Wickham and Lake Washington. Come on out and enjoy good food and fellowship! Everyone just pays their own way. Invite a friend, it is a great way to introduce others to your friends at St. John's.

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## Christian Education

Adult Christian Education gathers in person, in the Chapel (to the right, just before entering the Parish Hall), and the class will also be available via Zoom video conferencing. If you would like to join by Zoom, the link is available on the church website. Visit [stjohnsmlb.org](http://stjohnsmlb.org) and click on Worship Live Stream. You may also email the church office at [office@stjohnsmlb.org](mailto:office@stjohnsmlb.org) and we will send you the link.

Youth Christian Education (middle and high school), under the leadership of Katie Wilson, is gathering in the Parish Hall, at this time in-person only.

No Christian Education January 2, or 9, returning January 16.

## Seaside Stitchers

The Seaside Stitchers are ready to start a new year of sewing for the community and beyond. The stitchers would love to have you as a member. Inexperienced or an excellent seamstress, they would love to welcome you to their group. The schedule varies, so please contact Shirley Muzzy (321-254-2206 or [shirleymuzzy@aol.com](mailto:shirleymuzzy@aol.com)).

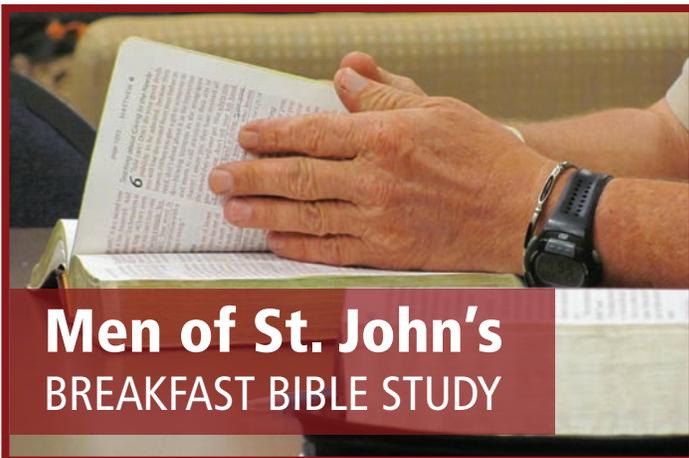
## New Database System

St. John's is migrating to a new and significantly updated database system. We have been using ACS (Automated Church Systems) for many years and we will be moving to a new system called Realm, which is the next generation from ACS. It includes a variety of features that will be very helpful including the ability to access it from the web (not just when sitting in the office) and a smartphone app! We will also be making a concerted effort, led by Katie Wilson, to update all member information. Watch for more information and please help Katie when asked!

## Thank You

On behalf of the staff, "Thank you" to the members of St. John's for the Parson's Purse. This annual tradition is quite an encouragement and we thank you for the love!

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## Men of St. John's BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY

TGIF, our men's breakfast and Bible study gathers every Friday, 8 a.m. at La Loma Coney Island, 1180 Aurora Rd, Melbourne. No TGIF January 7. Breakfast will return January 14.

## GROWING SERVANTS OF CHRIST: Leadership Training at St. John's

Leadership training is designed to bring new people into various leadership roles in the life of St. John's provide some basic training and framework for Christian leadership in a church family and provide ongoing support for those in leadership roles.

It is intended for vestry members, leaders of various ministries, Bible studies, etc. and anyone who would like to explore a leadership role.

We normally gather the first Thursday of the month, at 7:00 p.m. in the chapel and on Zoom. Please email the church office at [office@stjohnsmlb.org](mailto:office@stjohnsmlb.org) for the zoom link or visit [stjohnsmlb.org](http://stjohnsmlb.org) > Calendar. No leadership training on January 6th, due to the rector's vacation and will return on February 3rd.

## SHARING HIS LOVE

# Outreach Focus

### JANUARY

The Outreach offering for January has been designated to go to the Clergy Discretionary Fund. These funds are not adequately supported through the regular parish budget and are used to provide various kinds of assistance to people in need, for which we get calls and requests almost daily. Please support this worthy Outreach fund.

### FEBRUARY

In February we introduce a new organization to our Outreach Ministry, Vietnam and All Veterans of Brevard County. They are located on Fee Avenue, Melbourne, and provide assistance to veterans in their readjustment to life in the civilian community. At least 30% of the homeless population in this country are veterans. VAVB has taken specific action to assist in helping these homeless vets with The Veterans Transitional Facility, a temporary shelter for homeless veterans. The purpose of the Facility is to provide for their immediate needs permitting them to search for work, and once employed, to save enough money to acquire living quarters and transportation. The facility consists of ten apartments housed in two buildings which can accommodate up to nineteen residents. The current cost for maintaining the facility is approximately \$90,000.00 per year. VAVB is a not-for-profit organization incorporated under the laws of the state of Florida. In partnership with the state, county, city government, and Veterans organizations and other supporters they continue to operate this worthwhile program to assist veterans and their family members who are less fortunate. More information on the organization may be found at their website, [vietnamdallveteransofbrevard.com](http://vietnamdallveteransofbrevard.com).



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Fr. Terry Highland offers a very brief, weekly meditation online. It will be available both as a video (2-3 minutes) and in written form. This is an opt-in, meaning that we will send it to those who request it. The meditations come out on Tuesdays. Please email [office@stjohnsmlb.org](mailto:office@stjohnsmlb.org) if you would like to opt-in!

## GROWING SERVANTS OF CHRIST: Vestry Nominees

Nominated for three year terms are: Jamie Hamilton, Mike Milner and Lee Steininger. Elections will be held at the Parish Meeting, Sunday, Jan. 30, 8:30 a.m. Additional nominations should be referred to Linda Fletcher, Sr. Warden. Rotating off the vestry after three years of faithful service are: Teresa Chernault, Hope Johnson and Joe McLaughlin.



## The Annual Parish Meeting

St. John's Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 30, beginning at 8:30 a.m. Note that we are starting a little earlier as there will be no 7:45 service. We will elect three new vestry members (Teresa Chernault, Hope Johnson, and Joe McLaughlin are rotating off). Vestry members will present reports on 2021, and 2022, and give details of the newly established St. John's Endowment Fund. Time shall also be given for us to think together about coming out of the pandemic and the changes it has brought to St. John's and the broader church generally.



## Rector's Vacation

Fr. Eric Turner will be on vacation January 3-9. Fr. Terry Highland will lead worship on January 9, and be available for pastoral emergencies. For other matters of church business, if you are not sure who to call, please contact Linda Fletcher, Sr. Warden.

## GROWING SERVANTS OF CHRIST

### Daughters of the King

The St. John's Chapter of the Daughters of the King has had a busy and fun fall. Our two trainers, Sarah Kendall and Mary Highland, have been leading the training sessions for Jackie Bond, Gail Dunbar, and Julie Miller, our three candidates, throughout the fall. We had some "Spirit-ed" (no pun intended!) discussions as we learned about prayer, service, and evangelism. We also learned about Spiritual Gifts. After each of the Daughters in our entire chapter completed a Spiritual Gifts Assessment, Fr. Terry led a teaching about Spiritual Gifts during our December meeting and fun Christmas party, encouraging us to pray about how to best use our gifts to God's glory.



The DOK training will be completed in mid-January 2022. Our three candidates will be officially admitted into our Chapter during the service on Jan. 23, 2022 allowing the entire congregation to participate.

Our on-going service project is donating non-food items to New Life Mission. We have a table in the Parish Hall for any donations.

We have a Prayer Box for prayer requests in the sanctuary next to the candles. All requests remain strictly confidential and will be prayed for daily. Updates on our prayers are always welcome!

We invite women interested in finding out more about the Daughters to attend our Jan 9, 2022 meeting after the 10:00 a.m. service.

We pray for God's blessings on St. John's, Fr. Eric, and each of you.

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### Hispanic Outreach

Following some schedule problems and some key people moving out of the area, we had to set this aside until after the holidays. We will be meeting with Canon Luis de la Cruz in January to consider the best course of action to get this moving. Please continue to pray for this work.

## A WORSHIPING COMMUNITY

# Worship Volunteers

Worship Volunteers are needed for a variety of rolls, including LEMs (reading the lessons and/or leading prayers), ushers, audio/visual, chalice bearers (when we begin using wine again), and more. We will train you! All that is needed is a willing heart! Please contact the church office at [office@stjohnsmib.org](mailto:office@stjohnsmib.org) for more information.

## SHARING HIS LOVE

# Outreach Team

The Outreach committee meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the chapel and on Zoom. If you are interested in joining the St. John's outreach team, please contact Linda Fletcher at [lcalvert1956@yahoo.com](mailto:lcalvert1956@yahoo.com) or Fr. Eric at [eric@stjohnsmib.org](mailto:eric@stjohnsmib.org), or call the church office at 321-254-3365. No meeting in January, returning February 1.

## A WORSHIPING COMMUNITY

# Diocesan Convention

The Annual Convention of the Diocese of Central Florida will be January 28-29, in Daytona Beach. There will be elections to various Diocesan positions, reports, budgets, great worship and preaching, and a great visual of the larger church. Please pray for this gathering!

## A WORSHIPING COMMUNITY

# Christian Education

Sunday morning Adult Christian Education continues January 16, 9 a.m., Chapel and Zoom. We will study the Gospel of Mark, the shortest and earliest of the accounts of Jesus, raw and fast moving. Join in any time!

# Messages from the Treasurer

## Retirement Funds

The IRS requires anyone over 72 (or if you turned 70 ½ in 2019) to make a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from their tax-deferred retirement account each year. You can satisfy your RMD requirement and contribute to St. John's from your IRA, and that amount will not count towards your taxable income for the year! St. John's benefits by receiving your contribution tax free and you won't have to report that contribution as income and therefore subject to paying taxes. Contact your financial institution for details or St. John's treasurer, Steve Bradley, for assistance.

## Understanding Your Pledge Fulfillment

Over the years the vestry has stated the importance of pledging. Your pledge is a building block that enables St. John's to build an Operating Budget for the year. There are several things to consider on how your pledge can be fulfilled.

St. John's has two bank accounts; one for the Operating account and the other for the Restricted account. All of your contributions to the Restricted account such as Memorials, Memorial Gardens, Capital improvements, Outreach, SLA, Flowers, Organ fund, Altar Guild, and Clergy discretionary do not count toward your Pledge for the Operating account. That is why we request you prepare a separate check for those items and indicate on the check memo line your specific category you are contributing too.

All of your offerings within your pledge envelope support the church Operating account and are applied to fulfilling your pledge. However, it should be noted that within your envelope pledge box there are envelopes for special days (Pentecost, Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas). These are considered additional giving to the church and are not applied against your Pledge.

To help our bookkeeper and counters remember not to write one check that covers Operating contributions and a Restricted category. Your check can only be deposited into one bank account. The counters have been instructed to deposit any multiple offerings into the Operating Account. Thanks for your continued support of St. John's!

Steve Bradley, Treasurer

## SHARING HIS LOVE

# Family Promise of Brevard



St. John's has received a definite confirmation that hosting will commence in February. As of printing specific dates have not been received but will be posted in the weekly bulletin.

If you are on a team that will interact with the families, please complete parts 1 and 2 of the Family Promise online training. Please review the email I sent on December 9 for instructions to access the link. Alternatively, you can contact Mark Sexton, Director of Programs, at (O) 321.735.4980 (C) 321.863.4909. Mark's email address is mark@familypromiseorbrevard.org.

Please consider donating to the Annual Appeal, and do volunteer for our FP shelter program. There is something for everyone. You may contact me or Ben Kendall.

God Bless, Lee Steininger, Family Promise Coordinator. 321 773-7242 leestein645@aol.com.

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# Stewardship

### STEWARDSHIP FOLLOW-UP

As our Stewardship Campaign wraps up, the Stewardship Committee thanks St. John's members for their generous participation. Your pledges help our Treasurer, Steve Bradley, prepare our church's 2022 general operating budget for Vestry approval with realistic expectations.

While November is our designated stewardship month every year, we will graciously accept your "tardy" pledge cards. Pledge packets are available in the back of the church or can be obtained from the church office. You can also fill out and submit a pledge card online by going to the church's website <https://stjohnsmlb.org> and clicking on Stewardship 2022.

Some of you prefer to use our pledge envelopes to satisfy your pledge promise throughout the year, while others do not use them. Pledge envelopes are available in the parish hall.

Thanks for caring for and preserving the life of St. John's.

As of this writing, we have received 41 pledges for a total of \$160,461.

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## Personnel Changes

Jen Lester, Music Minister, is stepping down at the end of 2021. Thanks to Jen and her family for years of service to the music at St. John's, far above and beyond the call of duty! Dr. Jerry Davidson has agreed to take up the duties beginning July 1. Having had a long and distinguished career in church music and teaching organ at the university level, Dr. Jerry has been serving at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Ft. Pierce where he is committed through June. Roberta Stocksdale has kindly agreed to serve as Interim Music Minister from Jan. 9 thru June. You may recall Roberta from her filling in a couple of Sundays back in October when she was here with her husband, a retired priest.

We will say "Farewell" to Jen and her family on January 2, following the 10 a.m. service of Lessons and Carols.

# Vestry Notes

The Vestry met on Thursday, November 18. Steve Bradley, Treasurer reported that October ended with a surplus of \$7,156 reducing the year to date deficit to \$544. Vestry approved moving \$11,651.20 out of the Reserve Account to the Operating Fund Reserve Deficit, thus eliminating the long-standing Restricted Fund deficit; \$9,900 out of the Reserve Account into the Endowment Fund and launch the account with the Episcopal Church Foundation; moving \$15,000 out of the Reserve Account into the Capital Account for the Nick House Roof Repair.

Replacement of the Nursery floor project is complete.

Kathy Oas, Jr. Warden, reported the following: No date established for the Nick House roofing project. Hold up is related to availability of materials. The two oak trees east of the church (west of Nick House) were removed. Two ailing pine trees were removed from the park, paid by private parishioner donations. A plan to replace trees in the park will be undertaken – what types of trees, where to place them, range of prices.

An ad hoc committee of Steve Bradley, Jack Kenworth, Susan Badgio, and Eric Turner completed their review of the fund policies and guidelines. Fr. Eric presented the Fund highlights. A committee, elected by the Vestry will serve rolling three (3) year terms with each member given the option to serve two (2) consecutive terms. Planning for when and how to roll out the Endowment Fund is underway.

Discussion about the 7:45a.m. Rite I service resulted in the recommendation that it be suspended after December and re-evaluated for fall of 2022.

Revised 2022 Budget was discussed and approved. It is available by contacted Steve Bradley, treasurer, or the church office.

	October Budget	October Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Actual
<b>Income</b>	\$18,670	\$29,700	\$186,869	\$187,116
<b>Expenses</b>	17,121	22,544	185,109	187,670
<b>Net</b>	-1,549	7,156	1,760	-554
<b>Outreach</b>	<b>For October: \$335 for New Life Mission (formerly Brevard Rescue Mission)</b>			

The Vestry met on Thursday, December 16, 2021. Financials for November were reviewed and accepted. The Treasurer presented a slightly modified 2022 budget based on the latest pledge figures. Expense lines were unchanged. The Vestry approved funds for the following: (1) re-vised roof repair of Nick House; (2) replacement of the doors to the organ air pump and motor room; (3) repair of the damaged sidewalk east of the church to the Nick House doors. The En-dowment Fund committee members were elected: Shannon Hamilton, Jack Kenworthy and Julie Miller. Frequency and number of financial asks to the congregation were discussed and it was agreed that the Outreach team should review planned asks to be sure that they are spaced out appropriately and the congregation is not overwhelmed.

	November Budget	November Actual	2021 YTD Budget	2021 YTD Actual
<b>Income</b>	\$18,550	\$16,852	\$204,579	\$203,967
<b>Expenses</b>	25,172	16,735	209,562	204,405
<b>Net</b>	-6,622	117	-4,983	-438
<b>Outreach</b>	<b>For November: \$530 for Wholeness to Freedom Food Pantry</b>			

# Meet Our Furry Friends



## Stroughman

Meet Richard and Ellen Huffman's baby, "Stroughman," named after a Pennsylvania bakery. If you want to know the rest of the story it is posted on the bulletin board in the parish hall.



## Beauty

The newest member of the Eric and Charlene Turner's household is "Beauty." She is a rescue, mixed breed (some Golden Retriever, and some other stuff, too), 10-11 years old. She's a sweet girl and a quiet old soul.



## Lula

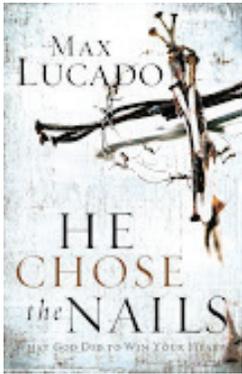
Say Hello to Susan and Jim Badgio's new rescue puppy Lula; short for Cholula hot sauce, as she is definitely spicy. Her nick-name is Devil Dog for a good reason.

If you would like to introduce your furry (or feathered) friend to St. John's in one of the upcoming newsletters email a photo along with the little one's name to [office@stjohnsmlb.com](mailto:office@stjohnsmlb.com).

# Looking Ahead to Lent



Ash Wednesday Worship, Wednesday, March 2, 11:00 a.m. and 7 p.m., with Imposition of Ashes.



For 2022, we will return to Lenten Soup Suppers! Beginning March 9, we will gather in the parish hall for a light soup supper and fellowship then our program will be "He Chose the Nails" featuring widely known and published author Max Lucado

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## The Space Coast Symphony Orchestra

The Space Coast Symphony Orchestra is putting on a concert that many St. John's folks will enjoy. Wintley Phipps will sing a program of traditional hymns and worship music. He caused quite a stir recently singing a stunning rendition of "How Great Thou Art" at the funeral of Colin Powell. (You can still find it on YouTube.) Additionally, our own Susan Badgio will be one of the backup singers!

The concert will be Saturday, January 8, 2022 at 7 p.m. at the Scott Center, Holy Trinity Academy on the Pineda Causeway. For tickets and more information visit [spacecoastsymphony.org](http://spacecoastsymphony.org). Tickets are \$30 each.



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## Worship Schedule

Sadly, attendance at the 7:45 a.m., Rite I service in this post-pandemic world has not been adequate to support the service going forward. It is hoped that as we continue to bounce back, we may be able to re-start it again, but for now the decision has been made to let it go. December 19, was our last 7:45 service and we will evaluate this again for the fall of 2022.

# BIRTHDAYS



## January

Jean Hutton – 01/02  
Austin Louks – 01/02  
Cade Oas – 01/02  
Lory Bittner – 01/03  
Dorinda Campbell – 01/04  
Marie Johnson – 01/09  
Jackie Bond – 01/11  
Jan Louks – 01/11  
Sally Martin – 01/12  
Rosie Scheunemann – 01/13

Hasty Miller – 01/15  
Kyle Louks – 01/16  
Ricky Saylor – 01/16  
Dick Jarvela – 01/17  
Woody Turner – 01/21  
Douglas Ludwig – 01/22  
Kathy Oas – 01/24  
Nicole Tuten – 01/24

## February

Tyler Heusinkveld – 2/2  
Anne Scruggs – 2/3  
Bill Chernault – 2/8  
Pam Jarvela – 2/8  
Mark Schexnayder – 2/8  
Randy Evans – 2/13  
Chuck Strissel – 2/14  
Hope Johnson – 2/18  
Angie Brown – 2/19

John Campbell – 2/19  
Elizabeth Turner – 2/22  
Katie Codlin-Wilson – 2/24  
Gloria Kenworthy – 2/26  
Dick Martin – 2/26  
Ben Kendall – 2/27  
Bob Scruggs – 2/27



# ANNIVERSARIES

## January

None known

## February

Lacey & David Brotherton – 02/12  
Carl & Barbara Holliday – 02/14  
Joe & Judy McLaughlin – 02/21

# BIBLE

## Studies



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## Guided by Scripture

**We hope that you are able to find one that meets with your regular schedule!**

**Wednesday evening at 7 p.m.** at Fr. Eric's home (4581 Bellaluna Dr., West Melbourne), Contact Fr. Eric at 321-615-0205 for more information. **NOW ONLINE ONLY.** Email [eric@stjohnsmblb.org](mailto:eric@stjohnsmblb.org) for log in information. No study on Jan 5. Returns Jan 12.

**Friday morning: TGIF – Men's breakfast and Bible study, Fridays, 8 a.m.**

We are meeting in person at La Loma Coney Island, 1180 Aurora Rd. No TGIF Jan 7. Returns Jan 14.

**Adult Christian Education** - Sunday morning Adult Christian Education continues January 16, 9 a.m., Chapel and Zoom. We will study the Gospel of Mark, the shortest and earliest of the accounts of Jesus, raw and fast moving. Join in any time!

# Sunday Ministries

Date	Jan 2	Jan 9	Jan 16	Jan 23	Jan 30
<b>10:00 am Rite II</b>					
<b>Greeters</b>	D. Miller Caldwell A. Weeks	A. Weeks	A. Weeks	J. Davidson	A. Weeks
<b>Ushers</b>	L. Fletcher J. Miller	J. & S. Hamilton	B. Chernault J. Miller	J. & S. Hamilton	S. & G. Bradley
<b>LEM</b>	R. Huffman	K. Oas	D. Miller-Caldwell	J. Bond	J. Hamilton
<b>Altar Guild</b>	D. Miller Caldwell	L. Bennett	K. Oas	D. Miller Caldwell	L. Bennett
<b>Counter</b>	K. Wilson	K. Wilson	K. Wilson	K. Wilson	G. Bradley
<b>Audio/Visual</b>	B. Kendall	B. Kendall	B. Kendall	B. Kendall	B. Kendall

Date	Feb 6	Feb 13	Feb 20	Feb 27	Mar 2
<b>10:00 am Rite II</b>					
<b>Greeters</b>	D. Miller Caldwell A. Weeks	A. Weeks	A. Weeks J. Miller	A. Weeks	A. Weeks
<b>Ushers</b>	L. Fletcher J. Miller	J. & S. Hamilton	B. Chernault L. Fletcher	S. & G. Bradley	TBD
<b>LEM</b>	R. Huffman	K. Oas	D. Miller-Caldwell	J. Bond	R. Huffman
<b>Altar Guild</b>	K. Oas	L. Bennett	K. Oas	D. Miller-Caldwell	L. Bennett
<b>Counter</b>	K. Wilson	K. Wilson	K. Wilson	G. Bradley	K. Wilson
<b>Audio/Visual</b>	B. Kendall	B. Kendall	B. Kendall	B. Kendall	B. Kendall

**Dec 31** .....Office Closed  
**Jan 1** ..... Happy New Year!  
**Jan 2** ..... Festival of Lessons and Carols, 10 a.m.  
**Jan 9** ..... Daughters of the King, 12:00 p.m.  
**Jan 12**..... Wed. Night Study returns  
**Jan 14**..... TGIF returns  
**Jan 16**..... Christian Ed returns  
**Jan 20**..... Vestry Meeting, Chapel & Zoom, 7 p.m.  
**Jan 21**..... Family Dinner Night at Beef 'O' Brady's. 6 p.m.  
**Jan 23**..... Service of Admission, Daughters of the King  
**Jan 28-29**..... Diocesan Convention  
**Jan 30**..... Annual Parish Meeting, 8:30 a.m.  
  
**Feb 1** ..... Outreach Meeting, Zoom, 7 p.m.  
**Feb 3** ..... Leadership Training, Chapel and Zoom 7 p.m.  
**Feb 6** ..... Daughters of the King 12:00 p.m.  
**Feb 17** ..... Vestry Meeting, Chapel & Zoom, 7 p.m.  
  
**Mar 2**..... Ash Wednesday, 11 a.m. & 7 p.m.

**ZOOM and Livestream Links: All Zoom meeting and Livestream event links are available by visiting [stjohnsmlb.org](http://stjohnsmlb.org) > Parish Life > Calendar or by sending an email to [office@stjohnsmlb.org](mailto:office@stjohnsmlb.org).**



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