



Fifth Sunday in Lent
Holy Eucharist: Rite II

March 26, 2023
10 a.m.

Welcome to St. John's!

Welcome today if your heart is singing, and welcome if your heart is breaking.

Welcome if you're anxious about tomorrow,
and welcome if you don't have a care in the world.

Welcome if your conscience is troubling you,
and welcome if you're barely able to contain your experience of forgiveness.

Welcome if you leapt out of bed this morning,
and welcome if you had to drag yourself out.

Welcome to you if this is your first visit,
and welcome to you if you have barely missed a single Sunday
since you first became a part of this community.

Whether you are here as a wanderer or a pilgrim, a seeker or a skeptic,
a saint or a sinner, a regular or a visitor, a friend or a stranger; you are welcome!
And we invite you to belong here even before you believe.

(Adapted from Liverpool Cathedral)

Preparation for Worship

The organ's chimes are a signal that it is time to take your seat in a pew, refrain from talking, and be in prayer and meditation as preparation for our worship together. The organ voluntary is an opportunity when, if we are properly prepared, we may hear the voice of the Holy Spirit in the confines of our mind.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

*The Congregation joins in the portions printed in **bold italics**.*

There are no organ voluntaries (prelude and postlude) during Lent

HYMN 666, "Out of the depths I call"

Tune: ST. BRIDE

1 Out of the depths I call, to God I send my cry; Lord,
 2 My soul with pa-tience waits for thee, the liv-ing Lord, my
 3 My long-ing eyes look out for thy en-liv-en-ing ray, more
 4 Let Is-rael trust in God; no bounds his mer-cy knows; the

hear my sup-pli-cat-ing voice and gra-cious-ly re-ply.
 hopes are on thy prom-ise built, thy nev-er-fail-ing word.
 du-ly than the morn-ing watch to spy the dawn-ing day.
 plen-teous source and spring from whence re-demp-tion ev-er flows.

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 355

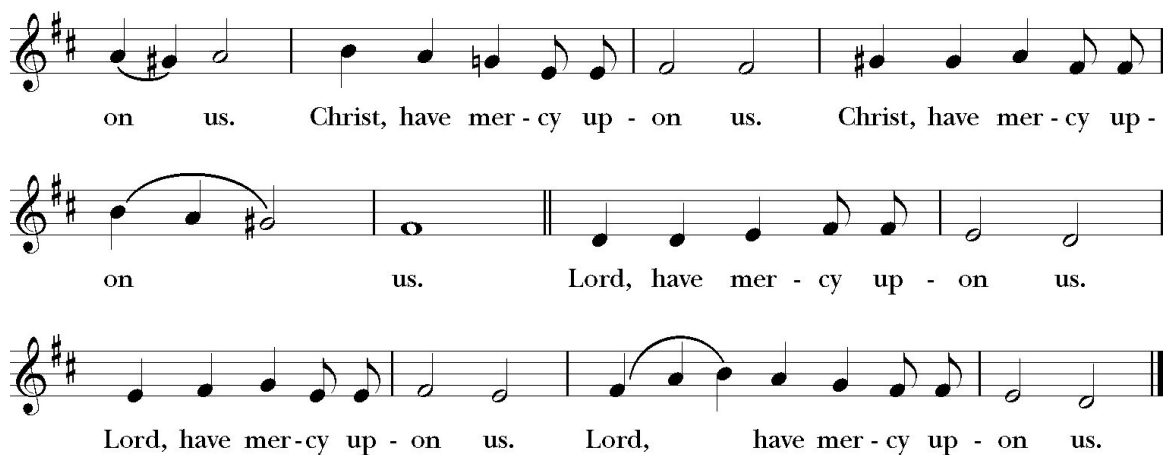
His mercy endures forever. Amen.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

KYRIE ELEISON

Setting: Healey Willan

Lord, have mer-cy up-on us. Lord, have mer-cy up-on us.
 on us. Lord, have mer-cy up-on us. Christ, have mer-cy up-



COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you,
And also with you.
 Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE LESSONS

All sit

Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, “Mortal, can these bones live?” I answered, “O Lord God, you know.” Then he said to me, “Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will

cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.”

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, “Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O

breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.” I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’ Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your

graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act,” says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 130

Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;
Lord, hear my voice; *

let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, *
O Lord, who could stand?

For there is forgiveness with you; *
therefore you shall be feared.

Recited responsively by half verse

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; *
in his word is my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord, more than watchmen
for the morning, *
more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the Lord, *
for with the Lord there is mercy;

With him there is plenteous redemption, *
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

Romans 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God’s law – indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not

belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Often have they fought against me * from my youth.

Let Israel now say: Often have they fought against me * from my youth.

Yet, they have not prevailed against me: *
my back has become an anvil for the hammering of sinners.

They have long oppressed me with their iniquities.*
But the Lord of justice will break the neck of sinners.

John 11:1-45

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will

be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe

this?” She said to him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.”

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.” And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Nicene Creed

All stand, as able

All sit

BCP, p. 358

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the

dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, Form III *All kneel, as able*

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Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly
and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
*That they may be faithful ministers of your
Word and Sacraments.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in
the nations of the world;
*That there may be justice and peace on the
earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we
undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any
grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered
into joy;
*May we also come to share in your heavenly
kingdom.*

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St.
Peter the Fisherman Church, New Smyrna Beach
and Grace Church, Ocala.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the
bishops and clergy of The Anglican Church of
South America.

Heavenly Father, watch over and protect our
nation's military members and their families,
especially *David, Luke, Jeremy, Craig, Dobson,
Murray, Joel, Mack, Sergio, Ryan, Jimmy, Carl
Jr., Matthew, Julian, Andrew, Jim, Brandon,
Kyle, Nate, Stephen, Evan, Patrick, Clay, Ian,
and Ricky.*

We pray for our brothers and sisters who cannot
be here with us today especially *Barbara, Jan,
Bryan, Lilian, Brenda.* And for those on our
weekly prayer list. *Silence*

God of peace and justice, we pray for all those
who live under armed conflict in Ukraine, Sudan,
Iran and other places around the world. We pray
for those with power over war or peace and those
commanded to fight, for wisdom, compassion
and restraint to guide their decisions. We pray
for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them. In the
name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. *Amen.*

The priest adds a concluding Collect.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our
sins.

*Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in
your compassion forgive us our sins, known*

*and unknown, things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Holy Spirit that we
may live and serve you in newness of life, to the
honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.*

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you
all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power
of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.
Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All sit

Birthday and Anniversary Prayer

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *(Eucharistic Prayer B)*

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AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM *Martha, Mary, waiting, weeping*

1. Martha, Mary, waiting, weeping,
Bowed beneath the weight of gloom,
Kept their watch where Lazarus sleeping,
Lay within a rock sealed tomb.

Jesus late in coming, met them,
Shed with them compassion's tear.
Martha, sore with sorrow, charged him,
“He’d have lived had you been here!”

2. Jesus spoke to Martha's grieving,
“Resurrection, Life, am I!
All who hear my word, believing,
Live with me, although they die.”

Then to Lazarus’s tomb he led them,
called their brother forth by name.
Living, loving, hope exceeding,
freed from death, to Christ he came.

3. Jesus, resurrected, giving
Life to all you name your own:
Help us know in hours of grieving
We have not been left alone.
Come, when doubt and fear assail us;
Join our journey toward the grave,
There your mercy will not fail us,
There you speak with power to save.

1 Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life a - new,
 2 Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,
 3 Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am whol - ly thine,
 4 Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I nev - er die;

that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.
 un - til with thee I will one will, to do or to en - dure.
 till all this earth - ly part of me glows with thy fire di - vine.
 but live with thee the per - fect life of thine e - ter - ni - ty.

All things come of Thee, O Lord.

And of Thine own have we given Thee.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always
 and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father

Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth through
 Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every
 way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we
 are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no
 longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died
 for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with
 Angels and Archangels and with all the company
 of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to
 proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of

Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -

- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Please kneel as able

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him,

being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on

earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast.

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The usher will indicate when it is time for your row to come forward to the altar rail to receive Communion. If you wish to receive Communion in your pew, please let the usher know and it will be brought to you. When you go forward, an usher will indicate where to kneel at the rail, then hold your hands in front of you, one on top of the other, to receive the bread. Wine is by “intinction” only, no one sips from the common cup. If you wish to receive the wine: after the clergy places the bread in your hand, just hold it out for the chalice bearer, who will dip it in the wine and place it on your tongue. If you do not wish to receive the wine, simply consume the bread and cross your arms over your chest until the chalice bearer passes by, then return to your seat.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Improvisation

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *All kneel, as able*


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Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

HYMN 150 , “Forty days and forty nights”

Tune AUS DER TIEFE RUFE ICH



1 For - ty days and for - ty nights thou wast fast - ing in the wild;
 2 Should not we thy sor - row share and from world - ly joys ab - stain,
 3 Then if Sa - tan on us press, Je - sus, Sa - vior, hear our call!
 4 So shall we have peace di - vine: ho - lier glad - ness ours shall be;
 5 Keep, O keep us, Sa - vior dear, ev - er con - stant by thy side;

1 for - ty days and for - ty nights tempt - ed, and yet un - de - filed.
 2 fast - ing with un - ceas - ing prayer, strong with thee to suf - fer pain?
 3 Vic - tor in the wil - der - ness, grant we may not faint nor fall!
 4 round us, too, shall an - gels shine, such as min - is - tered to thee.
 5 that with thee we may ap - pear at the e - ter - nal Eas - ter - tide.

DISMISSAL

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Let us go forth in the name of Christ!

Thanks be to God!



THIS MORNING'S MUSIC

Edwin Hatch (1835-1889) wrote “Breathe on me, breath of God”. Since in both Hebrew and Greek the word for “spirit” is “wind” or “air,” the author calls the “Spirit of God” the “Breath of God.” Therefore the heart of the hymn is in the life of the Spirit, ending with “the perfect life of eternity,” untouched by death. Hatch was a great scholar, yet a humble man whose hymn reflects a personal relationship with the Holy Spirit rather than an historical or theological one.

Music for use in the Liturgy may be grouped into one of four large types: (1) hymns for congregational use, (2) instrumental music (usually used before and after the liturgy), (3) anthems and motets, and (4) liturgical texts which are traditionally set to music.

These liturgical texts may be further divided into the Ordinary and Propers. The Ordinary texts are those which do not change, i.e. the *Kyrie Eleison* or *Trisagion* (which we now use only in penitential seasons), the *Gloria in excelsis*, the Creed (which nowadays is rarely sung because of its length), the *Sanctus and Benedictus* (which are usually treated as a unit), and the *Agnus Dei* (Lamb of God, nowadays there are several more approved texts for use at this place in the Liturgy as what is now called a Fraction Anthem). We sing some or all of these texts every Sunday and rotate the musical setting with the seasons.

The Propers are also divided into the Major Propers and the Minor Propers. The Major Propers are used every Sunday; they are the readings from the Old and New Testaments together with the Gospel reading. There are sets of these texts specifically for each Sunday.

When a parish celebrates a Solemn High Mass incense is used and the Minor Propers (*Introit, Gradual, Alleluia or Tract, Sequence, Offertorio, and Communio*) are chanted or sung. Again, there are specific sets of these texts for every Sunday and every feast day. The Gradual and Alleluia (or Tract) are generally used as a unit, with Tracts replacing the Alleluia in Lent when Alleluia is not used. We have been making a gesture toward this ancient liturgical practice this year by including a sung Tract separating the Epistle and Gospel readings.



VISITORS AND GUESTS: Welcome to St. John's! We hope you will stay after the service for an opportunity to chat. Nibbles, coffee and bottled water will be provided in our Parish Hall. If you have questions about baptisms, weddings, membership, or any other need we can respond to, please call the Church Office at: 321-254-3365. And if you wish to know more about this church or to be included on our weekly and newsletter mailing lists, please call the office or email us at office@stjohnsmlb.org.

SIGN OUR VIRTUAL GUEST BOOK! Scan the QR code at right or visit stjohnsmlb.org and click on Virtual Guest Book to let us know you were here and pass on any comments you would like to make!

THE ALTAR FLOWERS AND SANCTUARY CANDLE may be given in memory of a loved one, or to commemorate some occasion. Contact the church office at office@stjohnsmlb.org or 321-254-3365.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Pam Putnam.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: None known.

LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS. As in past years, we will ask certain groups around church to make a special effort to provide soup on certain Wednesdays. For the last soup supper:

March 29 - Daughters of the King

We will make this available via Zoom for those who cannot attend, but in-person participation is strongly encouraged!

PASSION GOSPEL READERS: Please sign up in the Parish Hall.

PALM SUNDAY BRUNCH is coming! Sunday, April 2, following the 10 a.m. service. Main dish provided, please bring a side or dessert to share. Sign up sheet is in the Parish Hall.

SUNDAY MINISTRY TRAINING: There will be a training session after the 10 a.m. service TODAY, for LEMS, Ushers and Daughters of the King. The training session will take approximately 20 minutes.

TAPPING THE BIG QUESTIONS gathers again on Tuesday, April 4, 7 - 8:30 p.m. at Intracoastal Brewing, 652 W. Eau Gallie Blvd. Think and pray about who might have questions for a non-threatening setting like this!

SUNDAY MINISTRIES

	March 26	April 2 Palm Sunday	April 6 Maundy Thursday
Greeters	A. Weeks	A. Weeks	A. Weeks
Ushers	B. Chernault J. Miller	L. Fletcher J. Bond	S. & G. Bradley
LEM	R. Huffman	D. Miller- Caldwell	J. Bond
Altar Guild	K. Oas	L. Bennett	TBD
Daughter	L. Fletcher	T. Chernault	
Counter	K. Wilson	K. Wilson	
A/V	B. Kendall V. Mitz G. Bradbury	B. Kendall V. Mitz G. Bradbury	B. Kendall V. Mitz G. Bradbury

LENT AND EASTER AT ST. JOHN’S

Lenten Soup Suppers
Wednesdays, thru March 29
5:30 - Soup is on; 6-7 - Program

Palm Sunday Worship
Sunday, April 2, 10 a.m.
Starting in the Park, weather permitting
With Blessing of the Palms

Palm Sunday Brunch
immediately following the service.

Maundy Thursday
Thursday, April 6, 7 p.m.
With Footwashing and Stripping of the Altar

Good Friday
Friday, April 7, 7 p.m.

Easter Celebration
Sunday, April 9
Sunrise in the Park, 7 a.m.
Easter Festival Worship, 10 a.m.

ADULT & YOUTH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Sunday, 9 a.m. in the Parish Hall. Studying the *Book of Common Prayer*, in-person and online.

DAILY BREAD: Additional servers would be most welcome for the first Thursday of each month, 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. The next duty day is April 6. If you can help please contact Jackie Bond.

MUSIC AT ST. JOHN’S: Let Dr. D know that you’d like to be a part of the music in the parish. Singers and instrumentalists are welcome. There are no auditions; all that is necessary is an ability to read music and a willingness to be faithful.

FAMILY PROMISE: Our next hosting is May 14 -21. If you are able to assist as a volunteer please speak to Linda Fletcher or Ben Kendall for details.

TGIF: Men’s Bible study, Fridays, 8 a.m., at La Loma Coney Island, 1180 Aurora Rd, Melbourne, 32935. 321-254-8559.

ST. JOHN’S CHAT is a great way to keep up with St. John’s news and information! If you are not subscribed to this list, please email office@stjohnsmlb.org. Note that this is separate from the weekly “**St. John’s eNews**” which comes out every Thursday at 4 p.m. You may request a subscription to that list as well!

PRAYER IS AVAILABLE at the altar rail immediately following the service.

A PRAYER REQUEST BOX is now available from the St. John’s Order of the Daughters of the King in the Sanctuary beside the votive candles. We have taken a vow to pray for others and we take this vow seriously. In lieu of access to the prayer box, please give prayer requests directly to any Daughter listed on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall.

LOANING OF CHURCH ITEMS: If you would like to borrow tables, chairs, cribs, linens, etc. please speak with Fr. Eric or Deborah Miller-Caldwell, Jr. Warden. Please contact Deborah at farxpert@gmail.com, Fr. Eric at eric@stjohnsmlb.org, or call the church office at

321-254-3365.

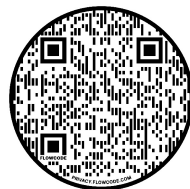
ST. JOHN'S OUTREACH FOCUS for March is Pregnancy Resources. This ministry seeks to assist women and men in situations of an unwanted or crisis pregnancy with options and loving support. For more information, visit their website at pregnancyresourcesmelbourne.com.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY information is available in the church newsletters, *The Good News*. Visit

stjohnsmblb.org > About > Church Newsletters. More detailed reports are available from the church office.

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Readings for next Sunday: Liturgy of the Palms: Matthew 21:1-11;

Isaiah 50:4-9a, Philippians 2:5-11, Matthew 26:14 – 27:66, Psalm 31:9-16



You are personally invited to join a community of women who believe in the power of prayer, service to others, and the sharing of the gospel to expand the Kingdom of God. You can find out more about the DOK St John's Chapter by contacting Mary Highland at 321-831-2796 or mhighland7@gmail.com.

**CONCERTS IN THE PARK
Spring 2023**

April 23 (Sunday)

Andy and Bonnie Harrington
(contemporary covers and originals)
5 p.m. supper, 5:30 concert

May 21 (Sunday)

Harbor City Harmonizers
(Barbershop style, *a capella*
men's chorus)
5 p.m. supper, 5:30 concert

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

- Sun (3/26) Christian Education, 9 a.m., Adults and Youth combined: Parish Hall and Zoom.
Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 10 a.m., also Live Streamed.
Training for LEMs, Ushers, Daughters of the King following the service.
- Mon (3/27) AA, 7 p.m. Parish Hall.
- Tues (3/28) Boy Scouts, 5:30 p.m.
- Wed (3/29) Lenten Soup Supper and Program, 5:30 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal, 7 p.m., in the Choir loft.
- Thur (3/30) Staff Meeting, 9 a.m. Rector's office.
- Fri (3/31) TGIF, Men's Bible Study, 8 a.m., La Loma Coney Island Restaurant, 1180 Aurora Rd.
- Sun (4/2) NO Christian Education today.
Palm Sunday – Festival Procession of Palms and Holy Eucharist, with
Passion Reading Rite II 10 a.m.
Palm Sunday Lunch after the service.

All Zoom and Livestream links are available by visiting stjohnsmlb.org > Parish Life > Calendar, then clicking on the event. Or you may email office@stjohnsmlb.org and we will send you the link.

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