



The Feast of All Saints observed  
Holy Eucharist and Baptism: Rite II

November 5, 2023

## **Welcome to St. John's!**

Please remember to leave your anxieties in the rack provided. Light a candle.

Listen to the organ even if it isn't playing

Make room for something unexpected to speak.

Find a seat and sit for a while. The people who came before are here beside you.

If you are very quiet you might even hear angels playing their instruments up there on the ceiling.

Let your eyes walk through a glass garden. All of these colors are born from one light.

Taste the silence. Many varieties are available – take a sip of each one.

Take it with you when you go.

*(Andrew Rudd, Manchester cathedral poet in residence, June 2018.)*

## **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**.*

**Voluntary**

*Invocation for the Feast of all Saints*

David Sonnerie

# Hymn 287, "For all the saints"

Tune: SINE NOMINE



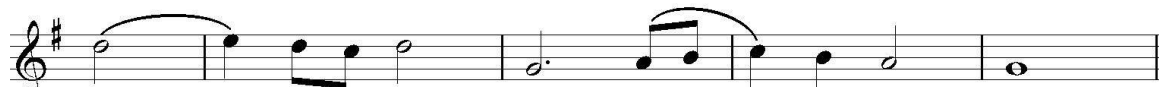
1 For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who  
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might:\_\_\_\_  
 3 O may thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,\_\_\_\_  
 4 O blest com - mun - ion, fel - low - ship di - vine!\_\_\_\_



thee\_\_\_\_ by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy  
 thou, Lord, their Cap - tain in the well - fought fight;\_\_\_\_  
 fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old, and  
 We feeble - ly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet



Name, O\_\_\_\_ Je - sus, be for ev - er blessed.  
 thou, in the dark - ness drear, the one true Light.  
 win, with\_\_\_\_ them, the vic - tor's crown of gold.  
 all are\_\_\_\_ one in thee, for all are thine.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 299*

***And blessed be his kingdom, now, and for ever. Amen.***

There is one Body and one Spirit;

***There is one hope in God's call to us;***

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

***One God and Father of all.***

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

***And also with you.***

Let us pray.

***Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; 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*

### Joshua 3:7-17

**T**he Lord said to Joshua, “This day I will begin to exalt you in the sight of all Israel, so that they may know that I will be with you as I was with Moses. You are the one who shall command the priests who bear the ark of the covenant, ‘When you come to the edge of the waters of the Jordan, you shall stand still in the Jordan.’” Joshua then said to the Israelites, “Draw near and hear the words of the Lord your God.” Joshua said, “By this you shall know that among you is the living God who without fail will drive out from before you the Canaanites, Hittites, Hivites, Perizzites, Girgashites, Amorites, and Jebusites: the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth is going to pass before you into the Jordan. So now select twelve men from the tribes of Israel, one from each tribe. When the soles of the feet of the priests who bear the ark of the Lord, the Lord of all the earth, rest in the waters of the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan flowing from above shall be cut off; they

shall stand in a single heap.”

When the people set out from their tents to cross over the Jordan, the priests bearing the ark of the covenant were in front of the people. Now the Jordan overflows all its banks throughout the time of harvest. So when those who bore the ark had come to the Jordan, and the feet of the priests bearing the ark were dipped in the edge of the water, the waters flowing from above stood still, rising up in a single heap far off at Adam, the city that is beside Zarethan, while those flowing toward the sea of the Arabah, the Dead Sea, were wholly cut off. Then the people crossed over opposite Jericho. While all Israel were crossing over on dry ground, the priests who bore the ark of the covenant of the Lord stood on dry ground in the middle of the Jordan, until the entire nation finished crossing over the Jordan.

The Word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

### Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37

*Recited responsively by half verse*

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, \*  
***and his mercy endures for ever.***

Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed  
proclaim \*  
***that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.***

He gathered them out of the lands; \*  
***from the east and from the west, from the north***

***and from the south.***

Some wandered in desert wastes; \*  
***they found no way to a city where they might dwell.***

They were hungry and thirsty; \*  
***their spirits languished within them.***

Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, \*  
*and he delivered them from their distress.*

He put their feet on a straight path \*  
*to go to a city where they might dwell*

The Lord changed rivers into deserts, \*  
*and water-springs into thirsty ground,*

A fruitful land into salt flats, \*  
*because of the wickedness of those who dwell there.*

He changed deserts into pools of water \*  
*and dry land into water-springs.*

He settled the hungry there, \*  
*and they founded a city to dwell in.*

They sowed fields, and planted vineyards, \*  
*and brought in a fruitful harvest.*

### 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13

**Y**ou remember our labor and toil, brothers and sisters; we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you while we proclaimed to you the gospel of God. You are witnesses, and God also, how pure, upright, and blameless our conduct was toward you believers. As you know, we dealt with each one of you like a father with his children, urging and encouraging you and pleading that you lead a life worthy of God, who calls you into his own

kingdom and glory.

We also constantly give thanks to God for this, that when you received the word of God that you heard from us, you accepted it not as a human word but as what it really is, God's word, which is also at work in you believers.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

### GRADUAL AND ALLELUIA

*All stand, as able*

*Alleluia.* Blessed is the people whose God is the Lord: and blessed are the folk that he hath chosen to him to be his inheritance. By the Word of the Lord were the heavens made; and all the hosts of them by the breath of his mouth. *Alleluia.* ( Ps. 33:12, 6)

### Matthew 23:1-12

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

*Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

**J**esus said to the crowds and to his disciples, "The scribes and the Pharisees sit on Moses' seat; therefore, do whatever they teach you and follow it; but do not do as they do, for they do not practice what they teach. They tie up heavy

burdens, hard to bear, and lay them on the shoulders of others; but they themselves are unwilling to lift a finger to move them. They do all their deeds to be seen by others; for they make their phylacteries broad and their fringes long.

They love to have the place of honor at banquets and the best seats in the synagogues, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have people call them rabbi. But you are not to be called rabbi, for you have one teacher, and you are all students. And call no one your father on earth, for you have one Father – the one in heaven. Nor are you to be called instructors, for

you have one instructor, the Messiah. The greatest among you will be your servant. All who exalt themselves will be humbled, and all who humble themselves will be exalted.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

## THE SERMON

### Presentation and Examination of the Candidates for Holy Baptism

The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

*Sponsor*            I present Jason Grace to receive the Sacrament of Baptism

*Priest*              Do you desire to be baptized?

*Candidate*        I do.

*Parents and Godparents say*

I present Eleni Hambel to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

*In the following questions, the priest asks the parents and godparents of Eleni*

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

*Answer*            I will, with God’s help.

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

*Answer*            I will, with God’s help.

*The priest asks the following questions of the candidate, and of the parents and godparents*

Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

*Answer*            I renounce them.

Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

*Answer*            I renounce them.

Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

*Answer*            I renounce them.

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

*Answer*            I do.

Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

*Answer* I do.

Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

*Answer* I do.

*The priest addresses the congregation, saying*

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

***We will.***

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

## **The Baptismal Covenant**

Do you believe in God the Father?

***I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.***

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

***I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.***

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

***I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.***

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

***I will, with God's help.***

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

***I will, with God's help.***

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

***I will, with God's help.***

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

***I will, with God's help.***

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

***I will, with God's help.***

## **Prayers for the Candidates**

Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

Open their heart to your grace and truth.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

Send them into the world in witness to your love.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who live and reigns now and forever. *Amen.*

## **Thanksgiving over the Water**

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them

in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To them, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. ***Amen.***

## **The Baptisms**

Jason Grace, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. ***Amen.***

Jason, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. ***Amen.***

Eleni Hambel, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. ***Amen.***

Eleni, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. ***Amen.***

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. ***Amen.***

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

***We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.***

## **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 C)*

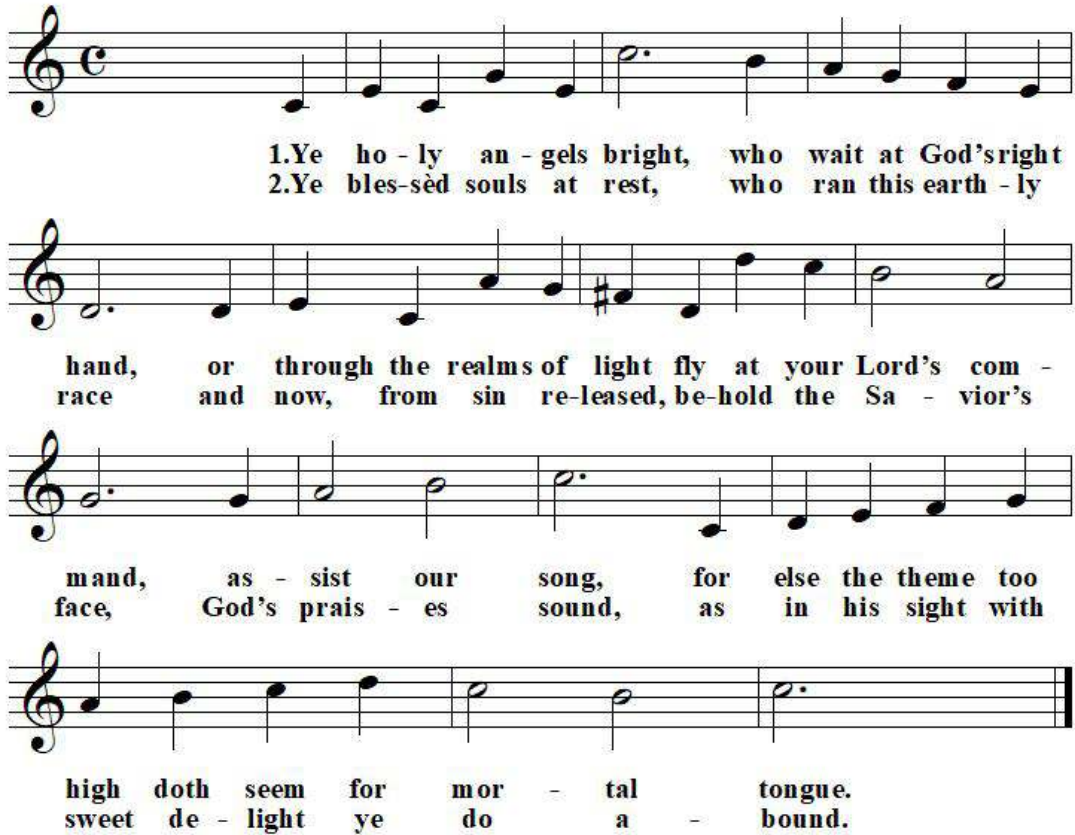
BCP, p. 369

## **At the Offertory, Anthem**

*These are they that follow the Lamb*

John Goss

...whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the first fruits unto God and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile for they are without fault before the throne of God. Revelation 14:4-5



1.Ye ho - ly an - gels bright, who wait at God's right  
 2.Ye bles-sed souls at rest, who ran this earth - ly

hand, or through the realms of light fly at your Lord's com -  
 race and now, from sin re-leased, be-hold the Sa - vior's

mand, as - sist our song, for else the theme too  
 face, God's prais - es sound, as in his sight with

high doth seem for mor - tal tongue.  
 sweet de - light ye do a - bound.

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.*

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are  
 worthy of glory and praise.  
*Glory to you for ever and ever.*

At your command all things came to be: the vast  
 expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the  
 planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our  
 island home.

*By your will they were created and have their  
 being.*

From the primal elements you brought forth the  
 human race, and blessed us with memory, reason,  
 and skill. You made us the rulers of creation.  
 But we turned against you, and betrayed your  
 trust; and we turned against one another.

*Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your  
 sight.*

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

*By his blood, he reconciled us.*

*By his wounds, we are healed.*

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

## Sanctus and Benedictus, S-129

Setting: Robert Powell

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. \_\_\_\_

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

*Please kneel, as able*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,  
***We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.***

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.


*Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.*

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

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

## The Lord's Prayer

Setting: Claire Toy



Our Fa-ther, who art in hea-ven,

Hal-lo-wed be thy name! Thy king-dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in

hea-ven. Give us this day our dai-ly bread, and for-give us our tres-pas-ses, as we for-

give those who tres-pass a-gainst us; and lead us not in-to temp - ta - tion, but de-

li-ver us from e - vil. For thine is the king-dom, and the po-wer and the

glo - ry, for - ev - er and ev - er! A - - - men!

## The Breaking of the Bread

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

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. Due to COVID restrictions, 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 when the chalice bearer comes by, then return to your seat.*

**At the Distribution, Hymn, “For the bread which you have broken”**

Tune: OMNI DIE

For the bread which you have broken,  
For the wine which you have poured,  
For the words which you have spoken,  
Now we give you thanks, O Lord.

By this pledge, Lord, that you love us,  
By your gift of peace restored,  
By your call to heaven above us,  
Hallow all our lives, O Lord.

As our blessed ones adore you,  
Seated at our father’s board,  
May the church still waiting for you  
Keep love’s tie unbroken, Lord.

In your service, Lord, defend us,  
In our hearts keep watch and ward,  
As the world to which you send us  
Let your Kingdom come, O Lord.

— Louis Benson (1855-1936)

## The Postcommunion Prayer

*All kneel, as able*

*BCP, p. 366*

*Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

## The Blessing

# Hymn 293, "I sing a song of the saints of God"

Tune: GRAND ISLE



1 I sing a song of the saints of God,  
 2 They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and  
 3 They lived not on - ly in a - ges past, there are



pa - tient and brave and true, who toiled and fought and  
 his love made them strong; and they fol - lowed the right, for  
 hund-reds of thou-sands still, the world is bright with the



lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew. And  
 Je - sus' sake, the whole of their good lives long. And  
 joy - ous saints who love to do Je - sus' will. You can



one was a doc - tor, and one was a queen, and one was a shep -  
 one was a sold - ier, and one was a priest, and one was slain  
 meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains,



herd - ess on the green: they were all of them saints of  
 by a fierce wild beast; and there's not an - y rea - son -  
 or in shops, or at tea, for the saints of God are just



God - and I mean, God help - ing, to be one too.  
 no, not the least, why I should-n't be one too.  
 folk like me, and I mean to be one too.

## Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ!

*Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

## Voluntary

*Toccata in F*

Dietrich Buxtehude



## THIS MORNING'S MUSIC

Today we celebrate the Feast of All Saints, celebrated in honor of all the saints of the church, whether they are known or unknown. From the 4<sup>th</sup> century, feasts commemorating all Christian martyrs were held in various places on various dates near Easter and Pentecost. In the 9<sup>th</sup> century, some churches in the British Isles began holding the commemoration of all saints on 1 November, and in the 9<sup>th</sup> century this was extended to the whole Catholic Church by Pope Gregory IV. In Western Christianity, it is still celebrated on 1 November by a majority of Christian Churches, and now we usually “translate” the Feast to the Sunday following November 1.

Based on the picture of a “cloud of witnesses” (Hebrews 12:1), William W. How’s (1823-1897) “For all the saints” gives thanks for the saints of old, makes a prayer that we may be found faithful, and acknowledges the unity of the whole Church in heaven and on earth in the mystical body of Christ, a picture of the church in holy warfare, and a vision of the victorious Church. Vaughan Williams’ magnificent marching tune makes this a contemporary version of “When the saints go marching in.”

“I sing a song of the saints of God” was penned by Lesbia Scott (1898-1986) for her *Everyday Hymns for Children* (1929). Are there any saints living today? The author’s three children often asked such questions, and this hymn was written for All Saints’ Day to suggest that there are plenty of saints alive today in all sorts of jobs – and that anyone can be a saint if we really work at it. The tune *Grand Isle* has just the light-hearted, joyful feeling to fit the disarmingly simple and picturesque text. To really enjoy it, become as a child! (from *Hymn Notes* by Austin Lovelace)

The Rev. Regina Christiansen, now serving a congregation in Vermont after years as an Episcopal nun, has added a new, very tongue-in-cheek verse which speaks rather eloquently to our modern condition, “and one was a loser, and one was a geek; and one was a long-haired, hippy freak; but they all went to church at least once a week! And I want to be one, too!”

Sir John Goss (1800-1880) was an English organist, composer and teacher. Born to a musical family, Goss was a boy chorister of the Chapel Royal, London, and later a pupil of Thomas Attwood, organist of St Paul’s Cathedral. After a brief period as a chorus member in an opera company he was appointed organist of a chapel in south London, later moving to more prestigious organ posts at St Luke’s Church, Chelsea and finally St Paul’s Cathedral, where he struggled to improve musical standards.



**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](mailto:office@stjohnsmlb.org).

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**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](mailto:office@stjohnsmlb.org) or 321-254-3365.

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** Sarah Kendall, Roberta Ardinger-Smith, Lee Steininger, Jimbo Windt.

**ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:** David & Lesa Kaleel.

**THANKSGIVING BASKETS:** St. John's will again prepare Thanksgiving baskets for a few families in the area this season. A list of items needed is on the table in the parish hall. The last day to bring items to church is November 19.

**ADULT AND YOUTH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION** is back! **The Adults** will continue our study of the epistles of Peter in the Parish Hall.

**The Youth** will meet in the chapel.

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

**COFFEE HOUR.** If you would like to bring snacks for Sunday morning coffee hour a sign-up sheet is in the Parish Hall.

**GIFTS FROM THE HEART CHRISTMAS GIFT DRIVE.** We will be sponsoring a "Giving Tree" with ornaments suggesting a particular gift. Almost 3,000 new toys are needed for the over 900 children served by the ten partnering organizations. We will do our part, in conjunction with other churches and organizations, to give these families a "hand up, instead of a hand out." The "Giving Tree" ornaments will be available at coffee hour after the 10:00 a.m. service the first **three Sundays in November**. The last day to drop off gifts at St. John's is **November 26**. For those who are not attending church in person, please consider donating toys via their online gift registries. Visit [stjohnsmlb.org](http://stjohnsmlb.org), point to Parish Life and click on Gifts from the Heart and you will find links to gift registries at Walmart, Target and Amazon. If you wish to donate cash or a check, please make the check payable to "Family Promise of Brevard" and write "GFTH" in the memo line. Thank you for your support and generosity!

**ST. JOHN'S CONCERT SERIES** continues NEXT Sunday, Nov. 12 with the **Penny Creek Band!** This was a highlight of last year's series and you don't want to miss it so line up some friends to invite and don't miss it!

#### SUNDAY MINISTRIES

	November 5	November 12
<b>Greeters</b>	A. Weeks A. Lacy	A. Weeks K. Oas
<b>Ushers</b>	L. Fletcher J. Miller	J. Bond L. Miller
<b>LEM</b>	R. Huffman	D. Miller-Caldwell
<b>Altar Guild</b>	K. Oas	L. Bennett
<b>Daughter</b>	L. Miller	C. Turner
<b>Counter</b>	K. Wilson	K. Wilson
<b>A/V</b>	B. Kendall V. Mitz	B. Kendall V. Mitz

**ST. JOHN'S POLO SHIRTS** are now available! Cotton polo style shirt with the St. John's logo

embroidered. \$30 each. To order, sign-up sheets are in the Parish Hall. See Fr. Terry for more information.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH FALL CLEAN-UP DAY:** Thank you to all the volunteers who came out yesterday to help clean-up the church and surrounding area yesterday.

**FAMILY PROMISE:** If you are able to assist as a volunteer at our next hosting, please speak to Linda Fletcher or Ben Kendall for details.

**DAILY BREAD:** If you can help serve please contact the office or Jackie Bond. The next service day is Dec 7.

**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.

**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](mailto: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.

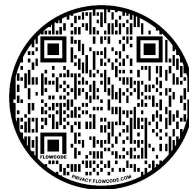
**LOANING OF CHURCH ITEMS:** If you would like to borrow tables, chairs, cribs, linens, etc. please speak with Fr. Eric or Deborah Miller-Caldwell, Jr. Warden. Please contact Deborah at [farxper@gmail.com](mailto:farxper@gmail.com), Fr. Eric at [eric@stjohnsmlb.org](mailto:eric@stjohnsmlb.org), or call the church office at 321-254-3365.

**ST. JOHN'S OUTREACH FOCUS** for November is Daily Bread. Daily Bread is a ministry well known to the people of St. John's as we already provide a team to serve lunch the first Thursday of each month. Daily Bread provides their clients with showers and clean clothes, assists with restoring identities, job searches, healthcare and so much more. Visit [dailybreadinc.org](http://dailybreadinc.org) to learn more.

**FINANCIAL SUMMARY** information is available in the church newsletter, *The Good News*. Visit [stjohnsmlb.org](http://stjohnsmlb.org) > About > Church Newsletters and full financial reports are available at [stjohnsmlb.org](http://stjohnsmlb.org) .About > Vestry Documents.

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**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:** Joshua 24:1-3, 14-25, Psalm 78:1-7, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, Matthew 25:1-13



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](mailto:mhighland7@gmail.com).

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## Excerpts from “The Mission of St. John’s”

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### ST. JOHN’S, THE PARISH

St. John’s of the early 1960s was virtually unchanged from the original building. It was still a small, white wooden structure in the Gothic style, sitting close to Young Street, and seating approximately 85 persons.

Walk up the three steps to the covered stoop, enter the double doors which were never locked, walk down the center aisle flanked by heavy, dark, wooden pews equipped with narrow, creaky kneelers. The stained-glass windows would be ajar if the weather was fair, providing quiet breezes and the sound of birdsong and lawn mowers.

Downtown Eau Gallie in the early 1960s presented a different face to the newcomer. A new city Hall had recently been built, housing the city offices and police department. In the Civic Center next door, there were several small rooms given over to use as the Public Library. Across from City Hall on Highland Avenue was Curry-Dunlap Department Store, south on that block was Karrick’s Grocery and the Eau Gallie Florist (long owned and operated by St. John’s members, Mary Louise and Tyler Jackson).

On Highland Avenue, in the block south of City Hall, was a small but fairly complete shopping area: two modern drug stores, both with lunch counters where most of the town gossip and news was regularly passed along over morning coffee; a bank building; Mathers Bakery, a Woolworth’s 5 and 10, Eau Gallie 5 and 10 and Jr. Dept. Store. Harden Holt Dress Shop, a dry-cleaners, a gift shop, and a cobblers. Ken’s stationery and Eau Gallie Hardware were side by side on the south side of Ninth Street (now Eau Gallie Boulevard.) The northeast corner of Ninth and Highland was known as Gleason’s corner, and had a small, rustic log building, complete with totem pole, known as the Scout Hut. The corner was regularly and generously lent to St. John’s, as well as other organizations, for rummage and bake sales.

Ed. note: A few printed copies of this book are available from the church office, but are available for loan only. The complete text is available on the church website: [stjohnsmib.org](http://stjohnsmib.org), point to About, then click on “A not so brief history of St. John’s”.

**PARISHIONER MEMORIES** -Picnics in St. John's Park. The Park across the street was finished after the turn of the century, adding a gazebo and garden benches; and traditionally St. John's picnics were held there after the service, usually on the Sunday of Pentecost, and one more in the fall. The picnics in the park were usually spearheaded By Deacon Elizabeth and her husband Doug, Cindy and Jim Marshall, Charlene, Elizabeth and Woody Turner, Trish Seymore, Kathy and Bob Oas, along with many others too numerous to mention. Hot dogs and hamburgers were the order of the day. Usually, we added a bounce house set up for the children. The rest of us would bring a covered dish and our Lounge Chairs, and sit around enjoying the ambiance that our new park provided, with the many shade trees, cool breezes from the river, and the always present wild parrots. - P. Burleson



## THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

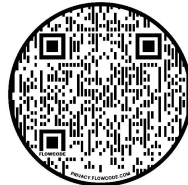
- Sun (11/5) Family Promise Hosting ends today.  
Adult Christian Education, 9 a.m., Parish Hall  
Youth Christian Education, 9 a.m., Chapel.  
Holy Eucharist & Holy Baptism, Rite II, 10 a.m., also Live Streamed.  
Daughters of the King, 11:30, Nursery
- Mon (11/6) Seaside Stitchers, 9 a.m., Parish Hall.  
AA, 7 p.m. Parish Hall.
- Tues (11/7) Boy Scouts 5:30, Parish Hall  
Tapping the Big Questions, 7 p.m., Intracoastal Brewery, 652 W. Eau Gallie Blvd.
- Wed (11/8) Choir Rehearsal, 7 p.m. in the Choir Loft.
- Thurs (11/9) Staff Meeting, 9 a.m., Rector's office.
- Fri (11/10) TGIF, Men's Bible Study, 8 a.m. La Loma Coney Island Restaurant, 1180 Aurora.
- Sun (11/12) Adult Christian Education, 9 a.m., Parish Hall  
Youth Christian Education, 9 a.m., Chapel.  
Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 10 a.m., also Live Streamed.  
Penny Creek Band, 5 p.m. Dinner; 5:30 p.m. concert begins.

**All Zoom and Livestream links** are available by visiting [stjohnsmlb.org](http://stjohnsmlb.org) > Parish Life > Calendar, then clicking on the event. Or you may email [office@stjohnsmlb.org](mailto:office@stjohnsmlb.org) and we will send you the link.

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