



# The Shamrock

*Newsletter of St. Patrick's Anglican Church*



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## Father Michael's Musings

January 2024



The calendar changes from 2023 to 2024, and the New Year rings in with great hope for good health, prosperity, peace, and love. Though the Christian new year actually begins in December, with beginning of Advent, we join with the world in our prayers for a Happy New Year. In fact, one of the traditions that Christianity continued and adapted from our Jewish heritage is establishing January 1 as the Feast of the Circumcision, commemorating the bestowing of our Godly, name, character and destiny.

To modern minds, circumcision is a quaint and seemingly unnecessary cosmetic surgery. To the Jews, it was the outward and visible sign of the unique relationship that they shared as the people of God, through whom His Name and blessing would flow into the world. That is why babies were named at the time of their Circumcision. They were formally introduced as a child of God, and also introduced to the responsibilities to God and to their neighbors that accompanied their new identity.

Christians don't mandate circumcision as the outward and visible sign as their inheritance under the New Covenant as the successor to Jews. We do, however, have Baptism as our sacramental heir to circumcision. At our Baptism, we are dedicated to our new name, character and destiny. Traditionally, we also impose a baptismal name to mark the reception of our new identity.

It is very fitting that we celebrate the Feast of the Circumcision, when Jesus officially received His name, on January 1. We enter the New Year under the protection and blessings of His name and "baptize" the New Year to the purpose of praising God, thanking Him, and most especially becoming obedient to his great commandments. I hope we will all dedicate our 2024 to loving God with all our heart and mind and strength and loving our neighbors as ourselves. I wish you a blessed New Year and hope you will join us for services in the coming year.

God Bless you.

Father Michael. +

# PARISH.LIFE.

Parish Life is open to all members of St. Patrick's Anglican Church. Parish Life plans and executes all parish events.

## Parish Life Events

### Ladies Lunch Out & (Gentleman too)



Sunday January 21st

Meet after the 10:00 AM Service to go to Cracker Barrel on Hwy 50 just the other side of I-95. Please let Carolyn know if you plan to attend.

### Veterans, Veteran Spouses, and First Responder Breakfast—Saturday January 27th. 9:00 PM (last Saturday of the month).

Flyers are available to distribute in Dorman Hall. A sign up sheet for Breakfast items is in the Hall as well.

Please see Fr. Chet or Andrea for items needed.



### Crafty Ladies meets the 3rd Monday of the Month.

Next meeting is Monday January 15th at 6:00 PM.

Bring a craft or project or come to learn a craft. Light snacks provided. Please see Mandy for more information.



### Upcoming Events for Parish Life:

- **Shrove Tuesday—February 13th**
- **St. Patrick's Traditional Corned Beef Dinner—March 16th**
- **5th Sunday Potluck—March 31st**
- **Cinco de Mayo—May 4th**

## Food Pantry Items



We are collecting Food Pantry Items and there is a blue container in Dorman Hall where you can place them. Items should be non-perishable and not expired. We will be using these

items for people we know in the community or our congregation. Examples of needed items are cans with lids that pop off (like soup, chili, etc.) Peanut butter & Jelly, crackers, cereal, canned meat, etc. Items that can be opened without a can opener or can be eaten without a stove.

## Items Needed for Church



Needed Items

We are in need of the following items for St. Patrick's if you have the ability to provide them that would be greatly appreciated:

Coffee cups (non Styrofoam without the lids), paper bowls, case of water, & toilet plunger. If someone would like to take monthly inventory and relay it to me, that would be terrific. I have an inventory list. Please see Linda Simmen for more information.



## Parish Work Day

On the 3rd Saturday of every month we have a Parish Work Day. The facilities inside and out are maintained by the hardworking people of St. Patrick's with the exception of Lawn Cutting. We are now in a cooler season and I am hoping on Saturday January 20th from 9am-12pm, we can not only do our normal inside cleaning and maintenance but tackle a few outside projects, such as the Memorial Garden. If you can come on Saturday for an hour or the entire 3 hours it will make a huge difference. Lunch provided. If you can't make Saturday but want to donate some time, please call me. Linda Simmen 321-480-0927



Our Parish offers prayers daily for people on the Prayer List. To add a name to the Prayer List please contact one of the clergy of the church or call 321-802-1311 or add on our website: [www.stpatrickspsj.org](http://www.stpatrickspsj.org)

**JANUARY 2024**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>December 31</b> Christmas 1 <b>New Years Eve</b> 8:00 AM Eucharist (Live) <b>Adult Bible Study</b> 10:00 AM Eucharist (Live & Streamed) <b>NO Child/Teen SS.</b>	January 1 <b>New Year's Day</b> <b>Circumcision of</b> <b>our Christ</b> Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	2 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	3 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) Holy Eucharist 6:00 PM (Live & Streamed)	4 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	5 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) Evening Prayer 6:00 PM (Live & Streamed)	6 <b>Epiphany of our Lord</b>
7 Epiphany 8:00 AM Eucharist (Live) <b>No Adult Bible Study</b> 10:00 AM Eucharist (Live & Streamed) Child/Teen SS.	8 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	9 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	10 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) Holy Eucharist 6:00 PM (Live & Streamed)	11 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	12 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) Evening Prayer 6:00 PM (Live & Streamed)	13
14 Epiphany 2 8:00 AM Eucharist (Live) <b>No Adult Bible Study</b> 10:00 AM Eucharist (Live & Streamed) Child/Teen SS. <b>Vestry Meeting</b>	15 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) <b>Crafty Ladies</b> <b>6:00 PM</b>	16 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	17 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) Holy Eucharist 6:00 PM (Live & Streamed)	18 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	19 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) Evening Prayer 6:00 PM (Live & Streamed)	20 <b>Church</b> <b>Workday</b> <b>9:00am-12:00 pm</b> <b>Lunch</b> <b>Provided</b> 
21 Epiphany 3 8:00 AM Eucharist (Live) <b>No Adult Bible Study</b> 10:00 AM Eucharist (Live & Streamed) Child/Teen SS. <b>Ladies Lunch Out</b>	22 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	23 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	24 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) Holy Eucharist 6:00 PM (Live & Streamed)	25 <b>Conversion of St. Paul</b> Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	26 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) Evening Prayer 6:00 PM (Live & Streamed)	27 <b>Veteran's Breakfast</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> 
28 Epiphany 4 8:00 AM Eucharist (Live) <b>No Adult Bible Study</b> 10:00 AM Eucharist (Live & Streamed) Child/Teen SS.	29 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) 10:00 AM Eucharist	30 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed)	31 Morning Prayer 9:00 AM (Streamed) Holy Eucharist 6:00 PM (Live & Streamed)	<b>Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary</b> Jeannette Brewer Linda Gould Cary Kerouac Missy Simmen Allen York Martin & Maria Martinez Tamara Faulk Elizabeth Huether Martin Martinez Lelu Taylor Fr. Tim & Heidi Gouge Michael & Eileen Leroy Kathy Fredrickson Carolyn Kerouac Maria Martinez Leon Taylor		

**St. Patrick's Anglican Church is a caring loving community. Please join us for one of the Sunday or Weekday Services.**

The Diocese of the Eastern United States is a vibrant and growing family of parishes serving our Christian family from Pennsylvania to Florida. As members of the worldwide Traditional Anglican Communion, The Anglican Church in America, we are part of Christ's One, Holy, catholic, and Apostolic Church. Our teaching and practice are based soundly on the Holy Bible and the traditional Book of Common Prayer.

**Service Times**

**Sunday Communion Service**

8:00 AM Service – Live  
10:00 AM Service –Live & Streamed  
*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Healing Service and Fellowship –Next March 31st.*

**Wednesday Communion Service**

6:00 PM Service—Live & Streamed

**Morning Prayer Services**

Mon.-Tues.-Wed.-Thurs.– Fri.

9:00 AM—Streamed

**Evening Prayer Service**

Friday

9:00 AM—Live & Streamed

**Archbishop Juan Garcia**

**Bishop William Bower, SSC**

**Rev. Fr. Michael Kerouac, Rector**

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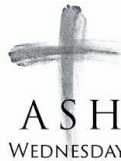
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**SHROVE TUESDAY**

February 13th  
Shrove Tuesday  
6:00 PM



**February 14th  
Ash Wednesday Service  
7:00 AM & 6:00 PM**

**Wednesdays February 21st, 28th, March 6th, 13th, 20th. Stations of the Cross, Eucharist Service, and Lenten Soup/Study**



**Saturday March 16th  
St. Patrick's Traditional Dinner  
6:00 PM  
Tickets go on sale February 1st.**

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