

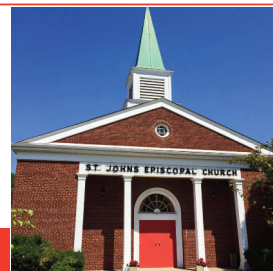


ST. JOHN'S
EPISCOPAL
CHURCH

The Red Door

WHERE ALL ARE WELCOME

*Monthly newsletter of the people and ministries of
St. John's Episcopal Church*



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Everyone is Welcome to Witness Bishop-Elect Bonnie be Ordained And Consecrated on February 8

*"We thank you, O God, for this day, and for your
many blessings which we enjoy."*

A major change is taking place in our diocese: our bishop-elect has begun to live and minister among us. She is getting to know the parishes, people, and priorities of southeast Michigan, and she will be ordained and consecrated on Saturday, Feb. 8 at the Ford Theatre. Every member of every Episcopal church is invited, welcomed, and encouraged to participate. If you have not witnessed a consecration, I urge you to do so, as they truly are Episcopal worship at its best.

Our new bishop comes to us from Chicago, a diocese with a long history of forming priests in the roles and responsibilities of the episcopacy. Bishop-Elect Bonnie will be the third priest from Chicago with whom I will have the pleasure of serving. The Right Rev'd. Jennifer Baskerville-Burrow of Indianapolis is an excellent bishop, as was The Right Rev'd. Clark Grew of Ohio.

Bonnie+ is passionate about church growth, having earned a doctorate in congregational development from Seabury Western Theological Seminary. She has a contagious passion for communicating the gospel of Jesus Christ in words and ways that people can hear and incorporate into their lives.

I hope that she will visit with us here at St. John's before the end of this year, and that you will come and begin to know your chief pastor. We will have the opportunity to share with her our dreams for this corner of our Lord's pasture.

"Ashes on the Go"

We have three more weeks of Epiphany, the season in which we remember the manifestation of Jesus as the savior of the whole world, and then Lent begins on Feb. 26. We will celebrate Holy Eucharist at 12:15 on that day and receive the imposition of ashes as a reminder of our oneness with the earth beneath our feet. I will also offer "Ashes on the Go," from 5-7 pm in the Narthex for those who wish to stop in for a brief prayer and ashes.

Peace and all blessings,
Henny+

Worship Opportunities

All are Welcome

Sunday Services



- Feb. 2 Holy Eucharist 9:30 am
Celebrant Rev. Henny
- Feb. 9 Holy Eucharist 9:30 am
Celebrant Rev. Henny
John Buehner preaching
- Feb. 16 Holy Eucharist 9:30.
Celebrant Rev. Henny
- Feb. 23 Morning Prayer 9:30 am

Wednesday Bible Study & Eucharist

Feb. 5, 12, & 19

Bible Study 10:00 am
Holy Eucharist 11:30 am

Ash Wednesday

- Feb. 26 Bible Study 10:00 am
Holy Eucharist 12:15 pm
Ashes on the Go 5 pm - 7 pm

Monday Evening Bible Study

Cancelled for Winter months!



Sponsored by the Men's Club

One of the favorite traditions that many Episcopal congregations embrace is the annual pancake supper on the Tuesday evening preceding Ash Wednesday. We will observe this custom on Tuesday, February 25th from 5:00 – 7:30 pm. Please join us for great food and excellent company as we celebrate this fun day!

Ash
Wednesday
at St. John's

**Our season of Lent begins on
Wednesday, Feb. 26th.**

On this day we come together to pray and have ashes smudged on our foreheads to remind us of our mortality and our need for forgiveness. We acknowledge our regret and sadness for those things we have done or left undone that have hurt others and ourselves. We understand that sin is a reality in our individual lives and in our corporate humanity because we are all part of a fallen creation that does not always practice love the way that God intends.

Ash Wednesday services will be at 12:15 pm with the imposition of ashes and communion. There will also be bible study at 10:30 am. We hope you are able to join us for a bible study and one of these liturgies!

....St. John's News Briefs....

VESTRY RETREAT & GOALS

Our vestry will have an opportunity to learn from Bishop Bonnie at our annual vestry retreat at our cathedral on Saturday, February 22 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Our vestry will also have time that day for some conversation among ourselves, especially regarding possible goals for St. John's for the next 3 – 5 years. One possible goal is to embark on a major "spring cleaning" of all of St. John's nooks, crannies, closets, and cupboards. Another is to explore new sources of music for congregational singing, and yet another is to re-instate greeters.

ST. JOHN'S TO BE A POLLING SITE

For those who missed our Annual Meeting on January 19, know that St. John's has agreed to serve as a polling site for the city of Westland starting with the November 2020 election. Marshall School is slated to be torn down, and our city clerk approached St. John's to see if we would be interested. Unfortunately, we are NOT able to have a bake sale here on election days.

VESTRY REDUCED TO SEVEN

In other business, our Annual Meeting also amended our by-laws to set the size of our vestry at seven, elected Jim and Sande Godbout and Geoffrey Smereck as delegates to our diocesan convention. Re-elected to St. John's non-profit Board of Directors Erin Downey Tarnowski (Pres./Treasurer) along with Jeannie Coyne and Don Streeter

USE OF ENDOWMENT IF NEEDED

Our Annual Meeting also voted to give permission for our Treasurer to withdraw from our investment account up to \$13,000 to meet operating expenses, but only in the event that such funds are needed. In the next few months our vestry consider leasing more of our building during the week to local community groups and organizations to generate revenue.

NEW OFFICERS

At its organizational meeting on January 19 our vestry elected Sande Godbout as Clerk, Erin Downey-Tarnowski as Treasurer, Don Street as Junior Warden and John Buehner as Senior Warden.

FALL FESTIVAL DATE

We have selected September 26 as the date of our 2020 Fall Festival. Please try to keep your calendars clear for that day!

You're Invited!
Consecration Weekend Events
Bishop-elect Bonnie Perry and the
Transitions Team invite you to
attend all of the consecration
weekend celebrations and events.
All are welcome!



GREET THE BISHOP-ELECT
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7 | 6:30 – 10pm
 The Henry Hotel, Dearborn
 Open House Reception
 with hors d'oeuvres and music.
 Short program beginning at 7pm.

THE CONSECRATION OF THE 11TH
BISHOP OF MICHIGAN
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8
 The Ford Community &
 Performing Arts Center, Dearborn
 9:00am – Theatre opens for seating
 10:30am – First procession begins
 11 am – Ordination & consecration,
 followed by reception

THE WELCOMING & SEATING OF
THE 11TH BISHOP OF MICHIGAN
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9 | 11am
 The Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Detroit
 Welcoming & Seating of the
 11th Bishop of Michigan

We are still seeking volunteers for the
 consecration service!

Learn more at edomi.org/consecration

Congratulations to Jory & Desi
King on the baptism of their
son Oaklin!



2020 Directory
Updates
Needed!

It is that time again when our church
 directory needs to be updated for
 2020. If there are any changes in your
 groups or if anything has changed in
 your 2019 listing or you need to be
 listed, please send Charmaine your
 updated information as soon as pos-
 sible so she can make the necessary
 changes.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH *invites you to our 2020*

CANCELLED!
Bazaar

Featuring
 Arts Crafts
 Baked Goods

Lunch Available

Saturday, May 2, 2020
Noon - 5 pm



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What We Believe

We Episcopalians believe in a loving, liberating, and life-giving God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. As constituent members of the Anglican Communion in the United States, we are descendants of and partners with the Church of England and the Scottish Episcopal Church, and are part of the third largest group of Christians in the world.

We believe in following the teachings of Jesus Christ, whose life, death, and resurrection saved the world.

We have a legacy of inclusion, aspiring to tell and exemplify God's love for every human being; women and men serve as bishops, priests, and deacons in our church. Laypeople and clergy cooperate as leaders at all levels of our church. Leadership is a gift from God, and can be expressed by all people in our church, regardless of sexual identity or orientation.

We believe that God loves you – no exceptions.

February Birthdays

2 Alice Kolarov
14 Dana Hull
15 Vincent Attard

22 Elizabeth Daupan
27 Kim Goeman



February 21
John & Mary Omaweng

Note: from the office: If anyone's name has been left off the list please let us know!

FOOD PANTRY OPEN

Thursday, February 13,
Hours: Noon-2 pm

*Donation always welcome!
(no expired foods please)*



FEBRUARY EVENTS & MEETINGS

SUNDAYS:

Sunday, Feb. 2 **Breakfast, 8:30 am**

Sunday, Feb. 9 **Daughters of the King, 11 am**

 Food Pantry Sunday
 bring your donations!

Sunday, Feb. 16 **Breakfast, 8:30 am**
Sunday, Feb. 16 **Vestry meeting, 11 am**

TUESDAY:

Tues, Feb. 25 **Pancake Supper, 5 pm -7 pm**

WEDNESDAYS:

Feb. 5, 12, 19 & 26 **Senior Exercise Class, 9 am**
 (free will donation)

SATURDAY:

Feb. 22 **Vestry Retreat in Detroit,**
 St. Paul's Cathedral
 9:00 am-4:00 pm

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Sande Godbout, *Clerk*

Erin Downey-Tarnowski, *Treasurer*

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Rod Aston, Jory King, Sharon Scott & Mary Vellardita