



# The Shamrock

## Newsletter of St. Patrick's Anglican Church

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#### Father Michael's Musings

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As we come into February, I have been pulled to my more emotional side. We have a handful of big birthdays, an ache for friends who have passed, with whom I would have shared my love of ministry, family, and sports, and I consider the fragility of health for family and dear members of the parish who are ill or hurt. The dash of wintry weather also contributes to the experience of the seasonality of life and the absence of many whom we have loved.



We are all blessed to have special friends and family who really understand who we are and what we feel and believe. Those are the friends with whom you can have truly deep discussions about the most important things in our life. Even more importantly, we know and love these friends because we sit with them in silence and trust that they are empathizing and caring for us, even when there is nothing to say. In a word, these are our "soul mates", the people who know us best and who love us unconditionally.

Throughout our lives, we cherish those friends, and our deepest feelings and memories are centered around the time we spend with them. They lift us up when we are down, they encourage us when we are afraid, they remind us we are not alone and that we are loved, despite our fears and flaws. None of us has enough of those people or those moments in our lives, and we would do almost anything to have the experience of that kind of love and understanding more often.

It sometimes escapes our attention that the best place to find and develop relationships with that kind of soulmate is to be with them in a place where our deepest thoughts, inspirations, and silent meditations of our souls are served. In other words, we will have more of the love we crave and more of the special moments with the people that we love when we share our faith, worship, and community with them. Even better, the friends with whom we share our faith will never be separated from us by the boundaries of this world. They can, and will, be with us through the end of these lives and forever in our perfected lives that follow.

Let's do everything we possibly can to develop those friendships and multiply those special times with our soul mates. Let's especially invite them to share our faith, our inspiration and community within our parish lives. I hope I will be with you and with your soul mates as we worship at St. Patrick's in the coming weeks and months.

God bless you,

Father Michael

#### **Prayer List & Pastoral Needs:**

***"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God." — Philippians 4:6***

At St. Patrick's, we are committed to lifting up one another in prayer and offering support through all of life's seasons. If you or someone you know is in need of prayer or pastoral care, we encourage you to share those needs with us.

\* Call the Church Office: 321-802-1311 Submit Online: [stpatrickspsj.org/prayer-concerns](http://stpatrickspsj.org/prayer-concerns)



## **Grandparents raising Grandchildren Support Group**

**Tuesday, February 3rd • 9:30 AM–11:30 AM • Church Parish Hall**

Join fellow grandparents for conversation, resources, and encouragement. Whether you're new to caregiving or have been at it for years, you're welcome. Light refreshments provided. Invite a friend! Contact the church for more information at 321-802-1311 or stpatrickspsj@gmail.com \* **First Tuesday of the month.**

### **Beginning Bridge**

Curious about bridge or ready to brush up the basics? Join our friendly beginner group **every Thursday from 1:00–3:00 PM in the Parish Hall**. We'll cover foundational bidding, simple play strategies, and plenty of supervised hands. No partner or experience needed; cards and score sheets provided.



### **First Friday Family Fun Night In February**

Get ready for **our next** evening of fun, food, and fellowship at our **First Friday Family Fun Event!** On **Friday February 6th from 6:00 PM-8:00 PM**.



This **intergenerational gathering** is perfect for all ages—whether you're young, young-at-heart, or somewhere in between. **In February we are doing a fun outside movie (The Princess Bride) with all the fixings: Popcorn, Hot Dogs, Chips, and Cookies.** Bring the whole family (and a friend or two!) for a night of fun, fellowship, and laughter. See you there!



### **Ladies Lunch Out (and Gentlemen Too!)**

Join us for great food and even better fellowship at our monthly Ladies Lunch Out—open to gentlemen as well! Let's gather after the **10:00 AM service** and enjoy a meal together at a local favorite.

**February 15th— Troy's in Port St. John on Fay Blvd.**

**Please let Carolyn know if you plan to attend so we can reserve enough seats- 203-500-9098.** We look forward to seeing you there for good conversation, community, and comfort food!

### **LADIES FELLOWSHIP & CRAFT GROUP**

All ladies are invited to join us for fellowship, creativity, and fun at our next gathering! **Monday, February 16th | 6:00–8:00 PM** Light snacks and drinks will be provided. Bring your current project or just come to enjoy the company. It's a wonderful time to connect, share ideas, and encourage one another.



**Please see Mandy Valko if you have questions, 317-601-3216.**

### **Parish Work Day**

Join us for our next Parish Work Day! **January 21st from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM.**

There will be plenty of projects both inside and outside, so there's a way for everyone to help. If you aren't able to work due to limitations, please still come and enjoy the fellowship.



Afterwards, stay for **Fr. Chet's famous Gourmet Hot Dogs with all the fixings** – the perfect reward for a morning of service together.



### **Veterans, Veteran Spouses, and First Responder Breakfast**

Join us for a hot breakfast and warm fellowship on **Saturday February 28th at 9:00 AM** as we honor those who have served and those who serve today—along with the spouses who carry the load beside them. We'll share a brief prayer of thanksgiving and encouragement, and take time to check in with one another. \**There is a sign up sheet for the Veterans Breakfast for items in the parish hall.*

## FEBRUARY 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> <b>St. Brigid</b> <b>Septuagesima</b> <b>Blessing Sunday</b> <b>8:00 AM Eucharist</b> <b>(Live)</b> <b>Adult Sunday School</b> <b>10:00 AM Eucharist</b>	<b>2</b> <b>Presentation of Christ</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b>	<b>3</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b> <b>Grandparents</b> <b>raising</b> <b>Grandchildren</b> <b>9:30 AM-11:30 AM</b>	<b>4</b> <b>Secret Angels</b> <b>Workday 8:00 AM</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b> <b>Eucharist 6:00 PM</b> <b>(Live &amp; Streamed)</b>	<b>5</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b> <b>Bridge 1pm-3pm</b>	<b>6</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b> <b>First Friday Family Fun Night</b> <b>6:00 PM-8:00 PM</b>	
<b>8</b> <b>Sexagesima</b> <b>8:00 AM Eucharist</b> <b>(Live)</b> <b>Adult Sunday School</b> <b>10:00 AM Eucharist</b> <b>(Live &amp; Streamed)</b> <b>Student Sunday School Vestry Meeting</b>	<b>9</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b>	<b>10</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b>	<b>11</b> <b>Secret Angels</b> <b>Workday 8:00 AM</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b> <b>Eucharist 6:00 PM</b> <b>(Live &amp; Streamed)</b>	<b>12</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b> <b>Bridge 1pm-3pm</b>	<b>13</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b>	<b>14</b> <b>St. Valentine</b> <b>Valentines Day</b> 
<b>15</b> <b>Quinquagesima</b> <b>8:00 AM Eucharist</b> <b>(Live)</b> <b>Adult Sunday School</b> <b>10:00 AM Eucharist</b> <b>(Live &amp; Streamed)</b> <b>Student Sunday School</b> <b>Ladies Lunch Out</b> <b>VA Hospital 2:30 PM</b>	<b>16</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b> <b>Ladies Fellowship and Craft Group</b> <b>6:00 PM-8:00 PM</b> 	<b>17</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b> <b>Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner</b> <b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>18</b> <b>Ash Wednesday Service</b> <b>7:00 AM</b> <b>Secret Angels</b> <b>Workday 8:00 AM</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b> <b>Service 6:00 PM</b>	<b>19</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b> <b>Bridge 1pm-3pm</b>	<b>20</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b>	<b>21</b> <b>Church Workday</b> <b>9:00am-12:00 pm</b> <b>Lunch Provided</b>  <b>Come and Join Us!</b>
<b>22</b> <b>Lent 1</b> <b>8:00 AM Eucharist</b> <b>(Live)</b> <b>Adult Sunday School</b> <b>10:00 AM Eucharist</b> <b>(Live &amp; Streamed)</b> <b>Student Sunday School</b>	<b>23</b> <b>St. Polycarp</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b>	<b>24</b> <b>St. Matthias the Apostle</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b>	<b>25</b> <b>Secret Angels</b> <b>Workday 8:00 AM</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b> <b>Eucharist 6:00 PM</b> <b>(Live &amp; Streamed)</b>	<b>26</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b> <b>Bridge 1pm-3pm</b>	<b>27</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>(Streamed)</b>	<b>28</b> <b>Veteran's &amp; First Responder Breakfast</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> 
<b>March 1st</b> <b>Lent 2</b> <b>Blessing Sunday</b> <b>8:00 AM Eucharist</b> <b>(Live)</b> <b>Adult Sunday School</b> <b>10:00 AM Eucharist</b> <b>(Live &amp; Streamed)</b> <b>Student Sunday School</b>	<b>BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES</b>					
	<b>Faith Crouse</b> <b>Alyssa Kerouac</b>	<b>Tristyn Frazier</b> <b>Allen Mustafa</b>	<b>Allan Halaby</b> <b>Abby Valko</b>	<b>Chaley Johnson</b> <b>Bishop John</b>	<b>Karen Johnson</b> <b>Allen &amp; Andrea Mustafa</b>	<b>Lillian Justice</b>

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**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 Anglican Catholic Church, 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.

**Archbishop Juan Garcia**

**Bishop William Bower, SSC**

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

**Rev. Fr. Tim Gouge, Vicar**

**Rev. Fr. Chester O'Brien, Curate**



#### **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 – March 29th, 2026*

##### **Wednesday Communion Service**

6:00 PM Service – Live & Streamed

##### **Morning Prayer Services**

Mon.-Tues.-Wed.-Thurs.- Fri.  
at 8:00 AM



**Vestry:** Senior Warden: Andrea Mustafa; Junior Warden : Treasurer: Jeff Simmen; Secretary: Linda Gould Vestry at Large: Lionel Felix, Lea Taylor-Malarae, John McFall & Mike Brady

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#### **SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER**

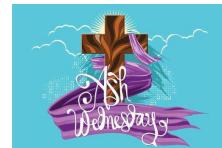
**TUESDAY FEBRUARY 17TH 6:00 pm**



#### **ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES**

**WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 18TH**

**7:00 AM & 6:00 pm**



On Sunday February 15th Fr. Tim will be celebrating Mass at the Alwyn C. Cash State Veterans Nursing Home at 2:30 PM where Lionel is recuperating. Address: 5225 Raymond St., Orlando, FL 32814. All are welcome and this would boost Lionel's spirit for his church family to show up. About a 47 min drive from Port St. John.