

# The Shamrock

Newsletter of St. Patrick's Anglican Church



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## **Father Michael's Musing**

With December comes Christmas and the celebration of our Lord's Incarnation. Often, those Christmas services bring a boost in attendance. Christians who have not been attending regularly will come to Christmas services out of a combination of good will that derives from the season, and a sense of duty that they have neglected to come weekly to give thanks and honor God. That can sometimes trigger resentment from the dedicated weekly worshippers, who mumble about being crowded, or the noisy disruption of their regular worship habits. The Christmas crowd then feels unwelcome, and stays away until Easter. The weekly regulars settle in, and complain that the Church doesn't seem to be growing. The vicious and sad cycle continues year to year.



Jesus addresses this dynamic in his parable about the Prodigal Son, especially the portion when the Father goes out to the older son who had been faithful in his duties and now resents his brother's return. The truth is that both the estranged and the regularly faithful need to be embraced and loved, and that the family isn't whole until both sides are reconciled and reunited.

Honestly, no one comes to church only twice a year because they want to be estranged and unsupported. People stay away because they have been hurt by their church, or disappointed in the support they received, or because the members didn't live the message they proclaimed. If you have been estranged from the Church, or disappointed in the past, I encourage you to join us this Christmas. We certainly aren't perfect, but we do strive to be kind and truly Christian. I am confident you will find love, support and welcoming arms at St. Patrick's. Please join us at our Family service at 6PM on Christmas Eve, our Lessons and Carols followed by Midnight Mass at 11:30 Christmas Eve, or our Christmas Day service at 10:00 on Christmas day.

God bless you all and may your Christmas season be one of joy and reconciliation.

Yours in Christ,

Father Michael +

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**([www.stpatrickspsj.org](http://www.stpatrickspsj.org)) or**

**Facebook page**  
**[www.facebook.com/StPatspsj](http://www.facebook.com/StPatspsj)**

## **Vestry Members**

*Gina Otero – Senior Warden,  
Linda Simmen—Junior Warden  
Lea Taylor-Malarae – Treasure,  
Von Yantsios, Georgia Weston,*

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



## Ladies Lunch Out

We had an amazing time at our last Ladies lunch out at Kelsey's (see photo below). Next scheduled lunch is Sunday December 4th following 10am service at Pint & Pistol Restaurant just off Grissom Road. 2911 Oxbow Cir., Cocoa. Menu: <https://www.pintpistol.com/restaurant/>



## 3rd Annual Cookie Walk

Our annual **Cookie Walk** is coming soon, Dec 10 from 9am-12pm to be exact. Each person in the parish is asked to bring 5# of cookies to sell. We setup on the sidewalk in front of the church, selling cookies by the pound until all are gone (hopefully). This is an ALL HANDS ON DECK event, reaching out to the community with goodies and crafts for sale.

This year we will have a children's table, selling gently used toys, a craft table selling cute sleds and trinkets, jewelry, tea cozy's and our ever famous **CHOCOLATE COVERED BACON** by our own Fr. Tim.





**Santa** will be on hand for kids young and old, pictures with Santa are always a huge hit.

Please join in the festivities! Looking to raise money to repair and resurface our parking lot!



**Next Veteran's and First Responder Breakfast—**  
**Saturday January 28th, 2023.** No Breakfast in December. Please see Fr. Chet and Fr. Robert about food and volunteers.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>During Advent we will be doing a study on “What is an Anglican”. Wednesday nights following the 6pm service. 6:30 pm—8:00 pm. Light Supper will be served.</b></p>						
<b>4</b> Advent 2 8:00 AM Eucharist Adult SS 10:00 AM Eucharist & “Facebook Live Children’s SS <b>Ladies Lunch Out</b>	<b>5</b> Morning Prayer 9:00 AM	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Morning Prayer 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist 6:00 PM Advent Study 6:30P	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Morning Prayer 9:00 AM Evening Prayer 6:00 PM	<b>10</b> <u>Cookie Walk Setup</u> 8:00 AM <u>Cookie Walk:</u> 9:00 AM-12:00 PM 
<b>11</b> Advent 3 8:00 AM Eucharist Adult SS 10:00 AM Eucharist & “Facebook Live Children’s SS <b>Vestry</b>	<b>12</b> Morning Prayer 9:00 AM	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Morning Prayer 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist 6:00 PM Advent Study 6:30P	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Morning Prayer 9:00 AM Evening Prayer 6:00 PM	<b>17</b> Church Workday 9:00am—12:00 pm 
<b>18</b> Advent 4 8:00 AM Eucharist 10:00 AM Eucharist & “Facebook Live Children’s SS <b>Communication Meeting</b>	<b>19</b> Morning Prayer 9:00 AM	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> St. Thomas Morning Prayer 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist 6:00 PM Advent Study 6:30P	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Morning Prayer 9:00 AM Evening Prayer 6:00 PM	Christmas Eve 6:00 PM Family 11:00 PM Carols & Midnight Service 
<b>25</b> Christmas Day 10:00 AM Eucharist & “Facebook Live No Sunday School	<b>26</b> St. Stephen Morning Prayer 9:00 AM	<b>27</b> St. John the Evangelist	<b>28</b> The Holy Innocents Morning Prayer 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist 6:00 PM	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> New Year’s Eve 



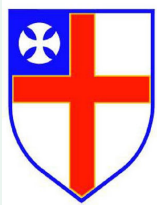
Sunday	Old Testament	Psalms	Epistle	Gospel
Advent 2	Isaiah 55	119: 1-16 (489)	Romans 15:4-13	Luke 21:25-33
Advent 3	Isaiah 35	85 (446)	1 Corinthians 4: 1-5	Luke 21:25-33
Advent 4	Isaiah 40: 1-11	77: 1-14 (433)	Philippians 4:4-7	John 1:19-28
Christmas	Isaiah 9:2-7	89: 1-30 (450)	Hebrews 1:1-12	John 1:1-14

# December 2022

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.

**Bishop William Bower, SSC**  
**Rev. Fr. Michael Kerouac, Dean**  
**Rev. Fr. Tim Gouge, Vicar**  
**Rev. Fr. Robert Frederickson, Assoc. Pastor**  
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### **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

#### **Wednesday Communion**

**Service**

6:00 PM Service

#### **Morning Prayer Services**

Monday—Wednesday—Friday

9:00 AM

#### **Evening Prayer Service**

Friday

9:00 AM

## **Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Service Schedule**

**December 24th 6:00 PM Family Service**

**11:00 PM Carols and Midnight Service**

**December 25th 10:00 AM Eucharist**



### **PARISH PRAYER LIST**



*Our Parish offers prayers daily for people on the Prayer List. To add a name to the Prayer List please contact one of the ministers of the church or call 321-802-1311 or email us at [stpatrickspsj@gmail.com](mailto:stpatrickspsj@gmail.com) or visit our website at [www.stpatrickspsj.org](http://www.stpatrickspsj.org) and complete the prayer list form.*

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