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FATHER MIKE'S MUSING

In the coverage of the Presidential transition, I have been interested in the way the press handles President Biden's faith. Either the press condemns Mr. Biden for supporting legislation that is counter to the tenets of the catholic faith, or they use the same positions to attack the Roman Church. Regardless of which way your politics are inclined, this is a vivid reminder that the world closely watches those of us who proclaim the Christian faith. It may be that the motivation is antagonism to our Christian principles, but I also believe an important element of this scrutiny is honest curiosity, but motivated by the effort to rationalize their skepticism and to reinforce the rejection of the hypocrisy that non-believers have encountered. I believe there is a true and clear motivation for people who are inclined to believe the teachings of Christ but repulsed by the examples of the lives we lead as Christians to measure us, and to test the strength of our faith.



Honestly, this is how it should be. We should be tested and observed and measured by the world. The growth of the Christian faith was promulgated by the Apostles, who were willing to give up their careers and ultimately their lives for their beliefs. Even though their faith led to suffering and punishment, their witness resulted in the conversion of the world. The power of reflecting the grace and blessings we receive back to the world as Christian charity and understanding sustains that conversion. Throughout history, the willingness of Christians to act against their self-interest, to be kind in the face of insult, to persevere with grace through persecution, have been the most powerful antidotes to the skepticism of the world. Many souls have been won because good Christian men and women were caught being good Christians.

I hope we will remember that we are all under constant observation. If the expression of our victories results in generosity and kindness, the Gospel will be well preached. If we can sustain grace and civility in our defeats, the Gospel will have been equally well preached. We are the keepers of the peace that passes all understanding. How we express that peace not only determines how we fare test the world presents, but also will draw the world closer to the desire to experience Christ and to share our communion. Now is the very best time in our lives to proclaim the Gospel by our actions and our words. May we be judged as good and faithful Christians by those who are watching.

God Bless you all.

Fr Michael

Upcoming Events

Wednesday's January 13th-February 10th. Following 6pm (6:45 PM) Eucharist: What it means to be an Anglican? Teaching by Fr. Mike with Light Supper. *This is being recorded and can be viewed on website and Facebook.*

Sunday February 14th—Vestry Meeting—11:00 AM

Tuesday February 16th—Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner—6:00 PM

Wednesday February 17th—Ash Wednesday—6:00 PM

Saturday February 20th— Parish Work Day—10:00 am—12:00 pm
*followed by lunch by Fr. Chet

Saturday March 13th—St. Patrick's Corned Beef Dinner. Check website and bulleting for St. Patrick's Dinner Information.



*Gina Otero – Senior Warden,
Michael Malarae – Junior Warden, Linda Gould – Treasure, Vonn Yantsios; Peggy Ryan, Lea Taylor-Malarae, Georgia Weston*

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Webpage
(www.stpatrickspsj.org)
or Facebook page
[www.facebook.com/
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For the most current
event information.

Church Pantry is in need of your help.

Pantry backup is low on paper towels, salad plates, bottled water, zip lock bags (all sizes) napkins, coffee, Clorox gallon jugs for cleaning bathrooms.



**St. Patrick's Day
Corned Beef Dinner
Saturday March 13th.
Tickets are now on
sale and we are look-
ing for people to sign
up to help. See any-
one on Parish Life
Committee.**



Church Workday—Gourmet Hot Dogs courtesy of Fr. Chet

**Don't Forget FUMC PSJ
Food Pantry Items—
Peanut Butter, Jelly,
Spaghetti, Spaghetti
Sauce**

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Christian Education Series

January 13th, 2021 to February 11th —Fr. Mike will be doing a repeat of "What it means to be an Anglican". Wednesday Nights following the 6:00 pm Service (6:45 pm). Soup Dinner will follow. Carolyn is ordering books (\$15.00 each) for the series, please see her for order information. *This will be recorded and available on website and Facebook.*



SPOTLIGHT— LINDA GOULD

I'm a wife, mother and grandmother. I go back a long way with St. Patrick's aka All Saints. I first attended St. Gabriel's in Titusville. That was where I met Bishop Dorman, then Father Dorman. He officiated at my wedding, and baptized my first born. Later, we again met up in Cocoa Village at All Saints. We had moved to Cocoa and were looking for a new church. We thought we would check out this little church on the corner. Who would be standing in the door way, but Father Dorman. We pulled into the parking lot and All Saints became our church. My son served on the altar and my daughters helped on altar guild. While in Cocoa Village our little church received many generous gifts from Father's employer and it was decided that Port Saint John would be a good place to grow. At this point, I was treasurer and tended to the bills that paid for the construction of St. Patrick's. We opened our door on Christmas Eve 1989. I passed the job on to another shortly after that and it is again my pleasure to be treasurer at St. Patrick's.



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 stpatrick-spsj@gmail.com or visit our website at www.stpatrickspsj.org and complete the prayer list form.



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSERIES



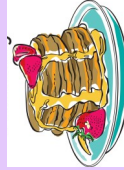




Birthday's

Tristyn Briar
Allan Hallaby
Allen Mustafa
Bishop John Vaughan



Anniversaries

Andrea & Allen Mustafa

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
January 31 Septuagesima 8:00 AM Eucharist 10:00 AM Eucharist Children's Sunday School "Facebook Live"	1	2 Presentation of Christ 	3 6:00 PM Eucharist followed by Teaching by Fr. Mike "What it means to be an Anglican" Light Supper Provided	4 Ladies Luncheon Meet at Church at 12pm at Hell N' Blaz- es—Melbourne. 	5	6
7 Sexagesima 8:00 AM Eucharist 10:00 AM Eucharist Children's Sunday School "Facebook Live"	8	9	10 6:00 PM Eucharist followed by Teaching by Fr. Mike "What it means to be an Anglican" Light Supper Provided	11	12	13
14 Quinquagesima 8:00 AM Eucharist 10:00 AM Eucharist Children's Sunday School "Facebook Live" Vestry Meeting	15	16 Shrove Tuesday Pan- cake Supper 6:00 PM 	17 Ash Wednesday 6:00 PM Eucharist 	18 Beginning of Lent 	19	20 10:00 AM-12:00 PM Parish Work Day 
21 1st Sunday in Lent 8:00 AM Eucharist 10:00 AM Eucharist Children's Sunday School "Facebook Live"	22	23	24 St. Matthias the Apostle (Ember Day) 6:00 PM Eucharist * Followed by Stations of the Cross	25	26 Ember Day	27 Ember Day
28 2nd Sunday in Lent 8:00 AM Eucharist 10:00 AM Eucharist Children's Sunday School "Facebook Live"	<div style="text-align: center;">  <h1 style="font-size: 4em; margin: 0;">Lent</h1> </div> <p> Joel 2: 12-14 "Even now," declares the Lord, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning." Rend your heart and not your garments. Re-turn to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity. Who knows? He may turn and relent and leave behind a blessing—grain offerings and drink offerings for the Lord your God." </p>					

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.

The Rt. Rev. John Vaughan, Bishop Ordinary

Rev. Fr. Michael Kerouac, Dean

Rev. Fr. Tim Gouge, Vicar

Rev. Fr. Chester O'Brien, Curate

Lunching Ladies Ministry Group

Parish Life is also sponsoring a Lunching Ladies ministry group, once a month, alternating weekday and weekend dates. February 4th lunch will meet 12pm in Melbourne at Hell N' Blazes (1002 East New Haven, Melbourne). You can check out menu and restaurant at <https://www.hellnblazesbrewing.com>.

Please leave a message for Andrea on the church voicemail to reserve your seat! Or confirm with her in person after a service .

Mark these dates:

Feb, 4, Mar 6, April 8, May 8, June 3, July none, Aug 7, Sept 2, Oct 9, Nov 4, Dec 4



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Service Times

Sunday Services

8:00 AM Service – Live

10:00 AM Service – Live & Streamed

5th Sunday Healing Service and Fellowship

Wednesday Services

6:00 PM Service



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PLACE
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