

ST. JOHN'S PARISH WEEKLY

Sunday, October 5th, 2008

The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Today	Oct 5	10:00 am – Choir Practice 10:30 am – Holy Eucharist, with Sunday School & Nursery Care during the service and Coffee Hour afterwards 2:00 pm – Annual Blessing of the Animals (See announcement)
Monday	Oct 6	6:30 pm – Yoga (in Parish Hall) 8:00 pm – AA Women's Step Group (in Guild Room)
Tuesday	Oct 7	10:30 am – Support Group for Mothers with Newborns (“J.P. Moms”)
Wednesday	Oct 8	7:30 pm – Vestry Meeting
Thursday	Oct 9	7:30 pm – Choir Practice
Friday	Oct 10	11:00 am – Support Group for Lesbian & Gay Parents with Small Kids
Sunday	Oct 12	10:30 am – Holy Eucharist, with Sunday School & Nursery Care during the service and Coffee Hour afterwards

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Annual Blessing of the Animals is today at 2 p.m. Members of the parish, friends, neighbors, and pets of all kinds will gather on the lawn in front of the church. Please join us!
- Sunday School & Nursery Care: All children ages 4 to 12 are invited to attend classes taught downstairs by our dedicated teaching staff. There is also child care for infants and children up to 3 years of age. But just as Jesus welcomed the little ones, children of any age are welcome to sit with their parents in the sanctuary throughout worship services.
- Memorial for Perry Williams: In loving memory of The Very Rev'd Perry Williams, we at St John's are establishing a fund to purchase *Lift Every Voice and Sing*, an African American Hymnal, which will expand our musical offerings. We believe that Perry would be pleased and enthusiastic about such a tribute. Hymnals are \$18.00 apiece. Please make checks payable to St John's, with "Perry Williams memorial" in the memo line, and send them to Andrew Schieffelin, 24 Alveston St. Jamaica Plain, 02130.
- The Installation of Matthew Cadwell will be on Thursday, October 9th at 7:00 p.m. “The Wardens, Vestry & People of Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Wakefield, Massachusetts request your prayers and presence at the Celebration of New Ministry & Installation of their Rector, the Rev'd Matthew Peter Cadwell, Thursday, 9 October 2008, 7:00 p.m., the Right Rev'd Roy F. Cederholm, Officiant.” The church is located at 5 Bryant St. For more information, e-mail eecw@verizon.net or call 781-245-1375.
- It's time for the Annual Progressive Dinner on Saturday, October 18th. Join us for fun, food and fellowship. The Progressive Dinner will begin with appetizers at the home of one parishioner at 6:00 p.m. Then at 7:00 p.m. we will move on to a second home for salads. Desserts will be served at 8:00 p.m. at the Rectory. We hope you can be part of

the occasion.. Please contact Lori Deane to help with arrangements, provide food or ask questions (lbdeane@comcast.net).

- St. John's welcomes Night Chant! In a joint ministry with the Sisters of the Society of St. Margaret, St. John will host a new Sunday evening service starting soon. Based on the office of Compline in the Book of Common Prayer, it will be a fusion of ancient and modern music. Auditions for vocalists were conducted earlier in the summer, and rehearsals have started. Stay tuned for more news about Night Chant.
- Coffee Hour Survey: Dick Laton-Taylor is tabulating the results of the recent survey on parishiner's opinions about how St. John's will do coffee hour in the future. In the mean time folks who have signed up for the next several coffee hours should plan on hosting on their chosen date. Stay tuned for the results and directions!
- 2008 Altar Flowers: A sign-up sheet is posted at the back of the church. Donations of \$30 for altar flowers in honor or memory of friends or loved ones will be acknowledged in the bulletin. Give a check marked "flowers" to Georgia Buck before the date of your sponsorship.
- Volunteer Opportunity: St. John's Communications committee is looking for individuals to assist with all or any of the following: Press releases, editing, and/or promotions. Anyone interested should contact Vira DeFilippo at vira67@aol.com.
- 2008 Membership Directories are available at the back of the church.
- An ounce of prevention: Don't leave anything valuable where it can be seen in your parked car outside the church.

NOTES OF THANKS

- Thank you to Linda McMahon, Gabriel and Lewis who provided refreshments for this morning's coffee hour.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Please offer prayers for Ann Davis Goodrum and David Goodrum as David begins a new course of treatment for lung cancer.
- Please offer prayers for Matteo Torres Singer, who is suffering from a rare brain affliction. Matteo is the son of our former associate priest The Rev'd. Michele Torres and her partner Emily. Matteo.
- Continued prayers are requested for Lloyd Dixon who is being treated for cancer.
- Please pray for Dana Tesorero, his wife, and their young daughters. Dana, brother of Dawn Tesorero, is in Iraq for his second tour of duty as an Air Reservist and serves as an Air Base firefighter.
- Please pray for Ed Winkowski and his family. Ed is serving with the Massachusetts National Guard in Afghanistan as part of Combined Joint Task Force Phoenix VII.