

ST. JOHN'S PARISH WEEKLY

Sunday, September 6th, 2009

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Today	September 6	9:30 am – Holy Eucharist, with special Coffee Hour afterwards to thank Anne Minton for her ministry with us this summer and wish her Godspeed
Monday	September 7	6:30 pm – Yoga (in the Parish Hall) 8:00 pm – AA Women's Step Group (in the Guild Room)
Tuesday	September 8	10:30 am – Support Group for Young Mothers with Newborns, a.k.a. "J.P. Moms" (in the Guild Room)
Sunday	September 13	9:30 am – Choir Practice 10:30 am – Holy Eucharist, with special Coffee Hour afterwards to welcome back Anne Fowler from her sabbatical and vacation

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We Welcome Visitors! If you are new to the community or just visiting the neighborhood, please join us after the service for refreshments and conversation. If you would like to get more information about St. John's or to be in touch with a priest, please fill out a visitor's card. Cards can be located in the seatbacks of most pews. For more information about the St. John's community and planned events, you can visit our website: www.stjohns-jp.org.
- Today is the Last Service with the Rev'd. Anne Minton as Our Sabbatical Priest. Although Anne M will be back for a return engagement one Sunday in October, her current engagement at St. John's is ending. We are profoundly grateful for her quiet leadership, reassuring presence and thoughtful sermons. Please find an opportunity to let Anne M know how much you have enjoyed having her as part of the St. John's community for the past four months!
- We return to services at 10:30 a.m. NEXT SUNDAY. Time is flying! Tomorrow is Labor Day and the unofficial end of summer. We will return to the 10:30 a.m. service time a week from today. This will be a special "Homecoming Sunday", when our Rector, the Rev'd. Anne Fowler, will be back from her sabbatical and vacation to celebrate communion with us.
- Choir Practices Resume Next Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Members of the Mighty St. John's Choir will gather once more to prepare to make a joyful noise unto the Lord!
- Sunday School Teachers Needed to Help with Classes Starting Soon. Our kids will be going back to school this week and Church School will also be starting up again. If you might be interested in joining the team of parents and parishioners who lead the children's groups downstairs, please contact Rebecca Young at rebeccayoung04@gmail.com.
- The St. John's Annual Yard Sale is Less Than a Month Away. This is one of our most important annual fund-raisers and will be held this year on Saturday, September 26th. Please start gathering any items that you can donate and keep an eye out for information on ways that you might be able to help make this year's event a big success. A sign up sheet is up in the back of the church. Please look at it and think about what you can do. Contact Jim Ellis (978-806-1906 or jellisboston@yahoo.com) if you have questions or want to volunteer.

- If You Haven't Been Around the Revere Street Side of the Church, Take a Look at Our New Fence! We have enclosed the grassy area on the back side of the Parish Hall so that our own toddlers and children attending Pine Village Pre-School have a safe place to play. Thanks go to Rebecca Young who worked with the Boston Landmarks Commission to ensure that the fence fits with the historic character of our beloved building.
- Angel Food Ministries is Now Taking Orders for September 26th Distribution. Boxes this month include a range of options, including the "Signature Box" (with a mix of food items), the "Senior/Convenience Box" (all easy to prepare), the "Allergen-Free Food Box", the "7-Pound Assorted Meat Grill Box", the "Eleven-Pound Split Chicken Breast Box", the "Premium Fresh Fruit & Veggie Box", and the "Thanksgiving Holiday Box" (a item for pre-order with delivery in November). You can check out the AFM menu for September on-line at www.angelfoodministries.org or visit the information table in the Parish Hall after the service. Orders must be placed no later than Friday, September 9th by 5:00 p.m.
- **You Can Help with the Collection & Distribution of AFM Food Boxes!**
 - ✓ We have had some interest in donating food for those in need. From time to time there are inquires from those unable to pay. Please consider making a donation.
 - ✓ We are looking for additional volunteers to take special orders once a month on a Wednesday evening at the church. We have these hours for taking orders in person for people who are not able to place orders online or who are using food stamps.
 - ✓ We now want to spread the word about Angel Food to the greater community. Let us know if you have ideas about how to get the word out or contacts for media coverage. To follow up, see Rob or send an email to AFM@stjohns-jp.org. Thanks!

NOTES OF THANKS

- Thanks to Natasha Callender & Jenna Wilsey and Claire & Dick Laton-Taylor who provided the Coffee Hour refreshments today.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray for the repose of the soul of Audrey Pierce. Audrey was an old friend of Tom Ward, who died last Monday.
- Please pray for Jeanne Howland, Erin Cote-Hartford's aunt and godmother, who is recovering from breast cancer surgery and is beginning chemotherapy and radiation soon.
- Please pray for James Howard, uncle of Rebecca Young, who is being treated for cancer.
- Continued prayers for Jeremy Jackson.
- Prayers are requested for Erskine Callender, father of Natasha Callender, who has been diagnosed with prostate cancer.
- Please pray for Margaret and Ed Stedman. Margaret has been diagnosed with Hodgkin's lymphoma and is currently undergoing treatment.
- Prayers are requested for Jae Saul, friend of Dawn Tesorero and Pat Race, who is suffering from a rare blood disease.
- Please pray for Franklyn Salimbene.
- Please sustain your prayers for Ann Davis Goodrum and David Goodrum as David continues a renewed course of treatment for the colon cancer found in his lungs.