

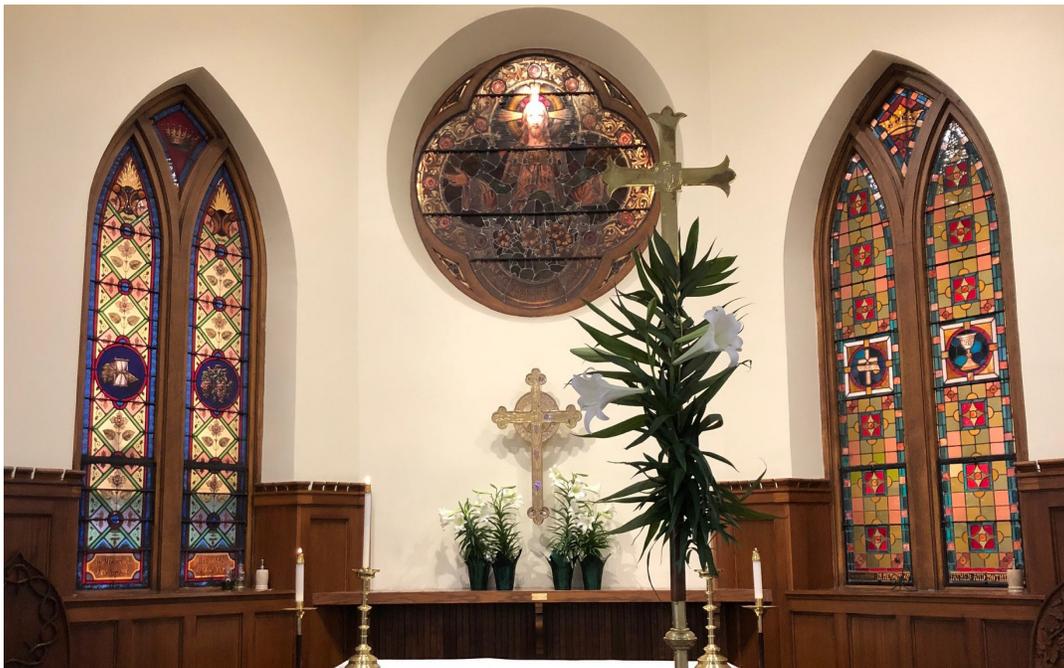


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From the Rector: Preparing for Pentecost Sunday



Last year, I was pretty sure we would be back in church by Pentecost Sunday, and that we would have a great party to celebrate. We may not be able to have a big party, but we should be able to regather for in-person worship by then (see “Regathering Update” on page 2), and that means we can celebrate Pentecost together. As we have done for several years now, we will hear the Gospel proclaimed in multiple languages. If you can read in a language other than English, please contact me and let me know. I can provide you with a translation.

In addition, for Zoom, we will also celebrate with a special reading of the Acts passage. Last year, we invited former members of St. John's (along with Bishop Jennifer) to read parts of the story and put them together (You can see the video here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U_tbILDt-d8&t=202s.) It was lovely to hear from so many people in the “St. John's diaspora” spread all over the country. This year, I would like to invite some

of our youngest readers and some of our ... ahem ... more vintage members to read the story together. This is in keeping with the words from the prophet Joel that Peter quotes:

“God declares ... I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young shall see visions,
and your old shall dream dreams.”

If you or your children would like to participate, please contact me.

Together, we can share the visions of the young and the dreams of the old. Together, we can witness to the Spirit of God that is promised to all people on the day of Pentecost. Together, we can proclaim the Gospel, the good news, of God's love for us and for the world. — *Bradley Pace, bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org*

Regathering Update

We are pleased to announce that we will begin having in-person services on Sundays beginning May 2. There are still several details to work out, but registration, social distancing, masks, etc. will still be required. More information will be made available as soon as possible.

You are also invited to attend in-person services Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon. Please wear a mask (masks continue to be required at St. John's) and enter through the Memorial Garden.

Please check www.stjohns-laf.org and the weekly emails for schedule updates, or contact the church office for more information. — *Bradley Pace, bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org*

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Pat Annis
March 18, 2021

'Round the Fountain Art Fair Strawberry Shortcake Booth Saturday, May 29

For decades, St. John's has sold homemade strawberry shortcakes at the annual 'Round the Fountain Art Fair on Memorial Day weekend.

The fair is scheduled for Saturday, May 29.

St. John's plans to participate, albeit with a revised schedule and menu so that necessary safety protocols can be followed. We will need volunteers to bake cakes, cut strawberries, and serve at the event. We feel that we can safely participate given the fair's safety protocols in place with the hopes of raising funds for our music program and our children attending Waycross.

Further details will be shared in the weekly parish communications in early May. More information about the fair itself is available at www.roundthefountain.org — *Michael Bennett, michael@stjohns-laf.org*

A Note About Email

Scammers are constantly looking for new ways to trick those of us who use email or social media. A few years ago, during our Capital Campaign, St. John's Treasurer Bill McInerney received an email from me asking me to send him info about depositing church funds. The email looked completely legit on the surface, but then he remembered that Teresa (our diligent Parish administrator), would never have trusted me with that kind of information! Fortunately, he reached out to me and confirmed that the email was not from me. This stuff is easy to fake now, so do be wary. Many of you have received emails or texts claiming to be from me. I get these kinds of emails all the time, too.

If you are ever unsure about an email coming from someone at St. John's, please call the church office and confirm. Also, please know that while I love using electronic communication (email, Facebook, and the like), I am often inundated with email. If it is a particularly busy time at church, I may get so far behind that your important message could go unanswered for several days. If you email me and need a response right away, please put "URGENT" or something similar in the subject line. You might also contact me directly by calling the office or my cell phone, 312-208-8791. I am always happy to receive an email from you, but if you need a response right away, calling my cell phone may be the most effective way to reach me. — *Bradley Pace, bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org*

Pastoral Care at St. John's

I regularly write to ask your assistance in reminding me about parishioners who may have disappeared or "fallen through the cracks." Again, I want to reiterate that request. I am often reminded of how important the St. John's community is in the lives of so many people. That has been particularly true over the past year. I am eternally grateful to those who have made calls to members and friends of the church over the past year.

If you think of someone you haven't seen/heard from/or heard about for a while or know of anyone who might like a call or visit, please let one of the clergy know. We may be able to reconnect with them, or we may find out that someone needs prayer, care or other support. Offering the sacraments, sharing God's gracious love and helping people strengthen their relationship with Jesus Christ through our prayer and support — these are all part of our calling as a Christian community, they are a crucially important part of who we are and what we do. I know that the St. John's community has been there for many of you during the good times and the bad times. Together, we can make sure that St. John's is there for others as well.

You can help Mother Andrea and me by first reaching out to those folks directly. Call them, visit them, drop them a card. Secondly, you can let us know. Likewise, please let a member of the clergy know if you or a family member become seriously ill, are admitted to the hospital, or if some other crisis or need occurs. You can contact the church office. — *Bradley Pace, bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org*



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Deadline for the Summer Eagle is
Monday, May 10. Submit items to
 eagle@stjohns-laf.org.

St. John's Financial Summary March 2021

	Mar-21	Total 2021	Annual Budget	% of Budget
INCOME				
Pledge Income	\$38,324	\$104,615	\$391,080	26.8%
Operating Income	\$302	\$2,798	\$91,101	3.1%
Non-Operating Income	\$3,101	\$9,302	\$51,270	18.1%
Transfer Income	\$0	\$0	\$0	
TOTAL INCOME	\$41,727	\$116,715	\$533,451	21.9%
EXPENSES				
Outreach	\$11,787	\$22,931	\$91,998	24.9%
Program	\$334	\$977	\$13,650	7.2%
Administration	\$0	\$868	\$4,400	19.7%
Personnel	\$25,062	\$72,821	\$312,519	23.3%
Office	\$882	\$3,180	\$23,950	13.3%
Property	\$11,247	\$20,976	\$86,935	24.1%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$49,312	\$121,753	\$533,451	22.8%
Net Income (Loss)	-\$7,585	-\$5,038	\$0	

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