

St. John's Good News



September 2019

Fall Worship

September - December
8am ~ Rite I
10am ~ Rite II

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From Rev. Rebecca...

Dear People of St John's,

It has been a delight to be with you during July and August. I have witnessed the great care and love you have for your church. I have eaten produce from your vegetable garden and have taken a peek at your memorial garden. I have enjoyed reading the Book of Genesis with the Tuesday morning Bible Study group (It is always good to have company when reading the Bible.). I have baptized two children whose great grandparents attended St. John's and have been part of the send off for Kieron as he joined other youth from our diocese for a mission trip to our southern border.

I look forward to hearing more from Keiron and others who went on the mission trip at the potluck supper we are having at the end of September. And to Founder's Day! And to the start of Sunday School!

Every Sunday, I have met more of you, as different groups of you have been present and not present during the summer months. It feels like a picture slowly coming into focus or a jigsaw puzzle nearing completion.

To quote Dag Hammarskjold, 'For all that has been, Thanks. For all that shall be, Yes.'

In Christ,

Rebecca Blair
Your Bridge Priest

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From the Senior Warden...

I hope everyone has been enjoying summer with family and friends.

It has been a busy summer at St. John’s – we said farewell to Rev. Sarah, and we have welcomed Rev. Rebecca Blair as our Bridge Priest in July. Rev. Blair will be with us until we hire our next Priest-in-Charge; bible study and office hours at Dunkin’s have been continuing; we have seen our vegetable garden produce its first batch of tomatoes and squash for the food pantry, and work proceeds on updating our first floor bathroom.

September is when activities really pick back up at St. John’s - we return to two Sunday services and our Sunday school starts. It is also when many of our outreach programs at St. John’s get going again – Founder’s Day, Healthy Students-Healthy Saugus, lobster roll sale, fall fair, roast beef dinner, stewardship campaign.

Founder’s Day is on September 7th, and will see members of St. John’s manning a booth on Central Street to meet the community and hand out information on our church. As in previous years, we will provide free ice cream in Ashworth Hall, while supplies last, and have an art exhibit in the sanctuary from Belmonte Middle School students. All of these activities require volunteers. If you can contribute an hour or so on Founder’s Day, please sign up in Ashworth Hall, or speak with myself, Diana or Jeanne. If you can’t help out, we hope you can stop by, bring a friend and say “hello”.

Last year saw the kick off of our involvement in the “Healthy Students-Healthy Saugus” program between the Saugus faith community and the Saugus school system. St. John’s will continue to be involved with the program in the coming school year, and volunteers would be appreciated. I understand there have been some tweaks to the program this year, and we will distribute the updated information, as we learn about them, at services.

As we move further in to fall, we will have our annual fair in October, followed by our roast beef dinner. All of these activities are ways in which God is working through us in connecting St. John’s to our community of Saugus. We want to be able to serve our community, and if there are any ideas you may have about how St. John’s could be serving others in our town, feel free to reach out to myself, or any vestry member with your thoughts.

See you soon!
T.J. Martin, Senior Warden

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**Pot Luck Supper**

Please join us at **5pm on Sunday, September 29th**, for a pot luck supper to celebrate Kieron’s Las Fronteras Missions trip to the Arizona/Mexico border. Along with adult mentors and other youth from the Diocese, Kieron was able to observe and learn about the mission work of the Diocese of Arizona. If you plan to attend, please let us know what type of dish you intend to bring by filling out the sign-up sheet in Ashworth Hall. We look forward to seeing you and hearing more about the Las Fronteras trip!

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Lobster Roll Sale

Friday, September 27th ~ 7am-Noon

\$12.00 per roll ~ Each order includes one lobster roll, bag of chips, condiments and a homemade brownie. Contact the parish office by email StJohnsSaugus@gmail.com or call 781-233-1242 **by noon on Tuesday, Sept. 24th**. Free local delivery on orders of 5 or more. All orders must be picked up by 12pm on the 27th - **thank you!**

Every Child Deserves to Smile

My thanks to Julia Aston, Kristina Palazzo, and Linda Casey who joined me in the kitchen to prepare and deliver a meal to 24 motel guests. Many hands make the work light! Thank you! The next quarterly meeting will be held **Friday, September 6th, 9:30am** in the Hurl Room. All are welcome.

We continue to collect every day needs of non-perishable food items; pasta, sauce, canned meats, etc. Large microwaveable bowls or containers, serving utensils, can openers and colanders are also needed; along with paper plates, napkins, plastic utensils, baggies, and toiletries.

Donations may be left in the *Every Child Deserves to Smile* collection container in the vestibule. If you have any questions, please contact Jeanne Seaboyer at 781-662-4342 or jmseaboyer@gmail.com.

Knit, Crochet & More: Meets **Thursdays at 1pm**. Bring a knit, crochet or craft project in the works, learn something new, or come sit and chat. Contact Jeanne Seaboyer with any questions: 781-662-4342 or jmseaboyer@gmail.com.

Founder's Day, September 7th: Enjoy a complimentary sundae, enjoy the artwork exhibit of Belmonte Middle School students, learn more about ALS the benefactor of our donation jar, or engage with the public at our roadside booth. Volunteers are needed to make St. John's THE place to be! A sign-up sheet can be found in in Ashworth Hall or speak to Diana White, T.J. Martin or Jeanne Seaboyer.

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**St. John's Annual Fair will be on Friday night & Saturday. Oct. 25th & 26th**

This is our largest fundraiser. We hope everyone will step up to help in some way. On Friday night as we open the fair to the public, we will start with our traditional pie social. On Saturday we will have an outdoor cookout (downstairs for chowder & sandwiches), inside yard sale, hand-made gifts and cards, bake table, jewelry table, knit table, and a wonderful new hand-made craft table.

All tables appreciate donations. The Silent Auction is looking for used, new or antique items in good condition. We need donations for our raffle baskets: boys, girls, breakfast, Italian and chef. Bring your clever gift ideas now to help us assemble great baskets!

Candy table: volunteers are needed to make fudge; peanut butter, maple walnut, penuche, chocolate, or perhaps you have a favorite candy recipe of your own. Please be in touch with Donna Manoogian to volunteer even an hour or two. H: 781.233.5640 C: 617.240.9003 Thank you!

~ Donna

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Healthy Student, Healthy Saugus

As mentioned, *Healthy Students, Healthy Saugus* nutrition program is leading a food drive at Saugus Stop & Shop on **Saturday, September 21st, from 9am-1pm**. Shoppers will be asked to kindly donate the following items:

Mac & Cheese 7.5 oz. ~ Canned Vegetables 15 oz. ~ Cereal Bars/Granola Bars ~ Peanut Butter 15 oz. ~ Jelly Squeeze Bottles ~ Cans of Tuna 5 oz. ~ Cans of Chicken 10 oz. ~ Other non-perishable items

If you would like to lend a hand and volunteer for this event, please contact our parish office. We greatly appreciate your help and contributions!

WORD SEARCH

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