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# 125 TH. ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION HOLY EUCHARIST WITH BISHOP EATON

Bishop Peter Eaton joined us on December 3, 2023 to help celebrate the Quasquicentennial (125th) Anniversary on the First Sunday of Advent Here, he is flanked by Assisting Priest, Rev. Tara Shepley and Rector, Father Tony Holder. A reception in Houg Hall followed the 9am service.



Photo: Brien Falloon

**WELCOME!** Speak with a Greeter or an Usher any Sunday for information about All Saints' or contact Marilyn Mawhinney, our Welcome/Hospitality Host, at 772-334-4176. If you're visiting us for the first time, the Ushers will provide you with a welcome gift.

**BAPTISMS** and pre-baptism classes are offered throughout the year. A person of any age may receive the sacrament of Holy Baptism.

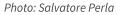
**THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE** is a rite to be cherished in our historic church. We require a minimum of 120 days notice to our office, as well as premarital counseling. An initial meeting with Father Tony should be scheduled by the couple to review the process and any special circumstances before a date is scheduled. Please contact Jenny McDonald at the office, 772–334 -0610, or via email, Jennifer@allsaintsjensenbeach.org

**FUNERAL OR MEMORIAL SERVICES** in our church may be arranged jointly with the Cemetery and Church Offices, and my include the celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

To **TRANSFER YOUR CHURCH MEMBERSHIP** to All Saints', please contact Joan Whitting, Membership Secretary, joanwhitting@gmail.com

#### Cover Photo:

The Congregational photo taken after the Service marking the 125th Anniversary of our Church, on Sunday, December 3, 2023, being the First Sunday of Advent.





### A MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR

## New Year's Day 2024 The Feast of the Holy Name



Photo: Duncan Hurd

Father Tony hustling along the path between the Sacristy and the Narthex (Entrance area) before the start of the Christmas Eve Mas and Children's Pageant. My Dear Friends:

Let me first wish you, your families, and loved ones, a happy and blessed New Year. As we begin 2024, I hope and pray that God will grant you, a year that is filled with love, joy, peace, and hope.

We are about to celebrate three (3) significant

events in January and February this year as we continue to celebrate our Church's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. I would like to share a bit more information on these occasions with you, although the Anniversary Team is still finalizing details.

#### The Anniversary Gala

On Saturday, January 20, we will gather together as a Church, with family and friends, to celebrate the many years of ministry in this community on the occasion of our 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala. The event, which begins at 6 p.m., will be held at the Frances Langford Dockside Pavilion, on Indian River Drive, Jensen Beach, right on the Indian River lagoon. The dress attire is semi-formal, and the suggestion is that men wear coat and tie.

The Gala will be an opportunity for great fellowship, delicious food, beautiful music, and dancing. Tickets are on sale at \$75 (cash or check) or \$77 (credit card payment) and will include a buffet dinner, wine and beer. There will be a cocktail hour prior to dinner. We are also hoping to have the commemorative book available for the occasion.

This event is a time for us to celebrate the people who had the vision and faith to start this church over 125 years ago. It is a time to celebrate the people who have served faithfully throughout the ages in varying ways, and to celebrate our loving and caring Church



The Frances Langford Dockside Pavilion

Family today who continue to minister to God's people whom He has placed on our journey. We also mark the flourishing and challenging times during the past 125 years. We have a lot for which to be thankful. I look forward to a wonderful evening of love and sharing together. I will disseminate more information as we finalize the details.

# Anniversary of the Dedication of our Church Building

The Service marking the dedication of our beautiful 125-year-old Church building will be held on Sunday, February 18, the day before the actual anniversary date. On Sunday, February 19, 1899, Bishop William Crane Gray blessed the building, along with the altar, baptismal font, pulpit, lectern, and other artefacts. Over the years, our wooden



A watercolor painting of the interior and exterior of the Church Building of All Saints'., Painted by Donald

building has moved from one site on the church campus to another, it was expanded, and it survived natural elements including hurricanes. The building continues to stand on the hill, reminding us of God's presence and the hope for years to come.

#### The 5K Run, Walk, and Roll

This event is scheduled for Saturday, February 24, beginning at 8:30 a.m., and is being organized by race director, Michael C. Melton of MCM Timing and Results LLC. It is an opportunity to include a variety of people who are at different levels of physical



Photo: Father Tony

From left to right: Krystal Armusik, Debbie Shearer, Jeff Armusik, Glenn and Diana Scheiner, Kim Kelly, James Laverty Alex Hurd, and Kim Kelly, and Father Tony, at the Scheiner's home for the main course of the Progressive Dinner.

exercise so that they can all participate in the event in whatever way they deem best, whether it is running, walking, or even rolling. The event, which begins and ends at All Saints', will raise funds for our scholarship program. The cost for participants is \$35, which will include a T-shirt, awards, race giveaways, and refreshments. We hope you will participate in the race and invite family members, friends, neighbors, colleagues, and others to do the same. Registration will be opened shortly.

Further details on these services and events will be finalized and shared with you soon.

We have a lot to be excited this year. Our Church Family is a lovely group of people and we thank God for such a wonderful faith community. Let us continue to be a beloved community at All Saints' who live like Jesus by loving God and all people.

Again, a happy, blessed, and spirit-filled new year to all!

With love and blessings!

Father Tony



Photo: Salvatore Perla

Bishop Peter Eaton with the Clergy of All Saints' immediately following the 125th Anniversary Service. From left to right: Rev. Tara Shepley, Father Tony Holder, and Deacon Alan Gellert.

## Deacon's Report

I visited my family in the Philadelphia area again this Christmas. I am always sorry to miss the Christmas services at All Saints', but all of you are in my prayers.

It has been a very busy time at All Saints'.

Men's Fellowship took poinsettia plants to all of our homebound members; twelve plants were delivered and the feedback from these members has been so positive. Thank you, George Masza for organizing this.

I have been active with several diaconal ministries including Lay Eucharistic Visits to ensure that all persons who are homebound and desire Communion are able to receive it. Jack Miller, Nancy Stone, and Elyta Watkins, are faithful Lay Eucharistic Visitors. If you wish to have communion delivered, please reach out to the Church Office to make arrangements.

Also, I have been seeing several persons in need of financial assistance. Many referrals have been received from the Salvation Army and House of Hope (See related TRUE article from George Mazsa on page 14). This has helped to increase our TRUE outreach. In addition to the TRUE Fund, we sometimes are able to supplement this for people in need of food and other necessities of living, especially for parents to help feed their children. We give these persons Publix gift cards, which is funded by the Deacon's Discretionary Fund.

This week, I met with a woman and her husband



who are homeless.
They are currently
staying in a local hotel
and after paying for
their room had no
money for food and

diapers for their children. I was able to give them two gift cards for Publix, each for \$25. She texted me expressing her appreciation. She said "I wanna say thank you so much. I got some food for my babies, some milk, diapers and wipes. It came to \$49.72. Thank so much. God bless you. You have no idea how much you have helped me out."

This is not a rare expression, but very common for those we help. At times it may seem like a relatively minor gift, but it does make a considerable difference for those in need.

If you'd like to donate to the Deacon's Discretionary Fund you can simply indicate this in the memo of your check or on the outside of the envelope you use.

To donate a Publix card for future use, feel free to pick one up next

time you are shopping and drop it in the offering plate.

In God's love, Deacon Alan



Photo: Unknown

The Black Watch Plaid Gals at the Rajki Residence for the Progressive Dinner:. From left to right: Rebecca Hatch, Elyta Watkins, and Nancy Stone.



## January Anniversaries of Birth

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- 22 Galye Schneider
- 24 Marel Kenny
- 26 Father Tony Holder
- 27 Joan Yulduzian
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- 29 Gregory Yulduzian
- 29 Tom Sinagra
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## Trumpet Editor needed!

We are searching for the next Editor of **The Trumpet** newsletter. This fun and sometimes challenging ministry gets you "in the know" about all things All Saints'. The best candidate is someone who enjoys working with words and pictures and has a flair for graphic design or layout.



We use Microsoft Publisher;

familiarity with Microsoft Word is sufficient to get you started. Minor picture editing (lightening and brightening, sharpening and blurring, and straightening and cropping) and is sometimes needed but the technology team will help if that is not a skill that you have.

Each ministry provides their own input and pictures and your job is to put it all together, sometimes adding pictures or clip art from the web. Birthdays and Anniversaries are provided by the Membership Secretary. On or about the 20th of each month articles are solicited. The articles come in over the course of the following week or so. The Editor selects an appropriate word puzzle for the season and lays out the pictures and articles in a pleasing fashion. We have had a "newspaper" approach and a "magazine" approach in the past and you would put your own style stamp on *The Trumpet*. It takes about a day each month to put the Trumpet together.

Final editing is approved by Father Tony, and then the Trumpet is off to be published through email and printed for those who prefer a hard copy.

Interested? Please speak to Pam or Duncan Hurd or Father Tony.

We'd love to have YOU on the communication team!



# **Endowment**



Hello All and Happy New Year!

This is certainly an important time in the life of our church. We are celebrating 125 years of service to God and our community. We can all be proud of our contributions. After such a busy and rewarding Christmas season, our announcement may come as a good news/bad news situation. Due to all of the activities planned for our anniversary year, we have decided to postpone the annual reception hosted by the Endowment Board. It was scheduled for January 12th.

Traditionally, this reception was held in March and featured an opportunity for fellowship with food and drink along with a guest speaker who provided interesting and useful information, usually of a financial nature. This year, we were to introduce our new website to give you a jump start on maneuvering a much improved way to find out what's happening at All Saints'. As with most projects of this magnitude, the website is not ready for viewing at this time. Instead of providing incomplete information, the Board made the decision to wait until such time as the website is complete and all information available. So the good news is you have more time to attend all of the anniversary events planned for this winter! Stay tuned for upcoming notices on the new date for the reception which is open to all members of the church.

We are still on for the Heritage Society
Appreciation Banquet March 16th of this
year. All members of the Heritage Society are
invited to our dinner with entertainment
following. In prior years, we have been
entertained with music, the history of our
church and surrounding communities, a tour of
the Elliott Museum, a salute to our local
veterans and I think, everyone's favorite, an
evening of laughter when Father Christian
Anderson and Rabbi Matthew Durbin brought
their radio show routine to All Saints.

This banquet is open to all members of the Heritage Society. Membership is obtained by contributing to the church endowment via monetary gift or bequest. The principle of the endowment is never touched but the interest and profits are used for such projects as funding the new website, the All Saints' exhibit at the Elliott Museum and contributing to the anniversary 5K Run, Walk, and Roll. It is an everlasting gift you can give to our beloved church community.

Have a wonderful, healthy and blessed year and we hope to see you at All Saints' and all of the exciting events planned for the upcoming months.

Elyta Watkins Chair, Endowment Board

**Direct Gifts:** Give a gift in your name or in the name of a loved one. It can be "anonymous" or in a person's name ... either way a leaf is added to the tree.



**Bequests:** Whether by will or by trust, you may plan future gifts now, designating a specific amount, a percentage of your estate, or a specific asset to All Saints' Endowment Fund.

**Retirement Funds:** You can make a direct gift from your retirement fund or make All Saints' Endowment a beneficiary (or partial beneficiary) of the fund. According to The

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We continue to collect food every Sunday in Houg Hall for the House of Hope food bank in Jensen Beach. Hunger does not take the holidays off.

Always needed items include

- Peanut butter
- Pasta and sauce
- Rice
- Cereal
- Canned goods (pop tops preferred).
- Personal hygiene items as well including soaps and detergent are also needed.

The homeless prefer:

- Cereal bars
- Snacks
- Single serving items that do not require refrigeration

Thanks for your continuing generosity,

"Whatsoever you do for the least of these, you did for me" Matthew 25:40

George Mazsa Food Bank Coordinator



## All Saints' Cemetery



One of the best things of 2024 in the cemetery is the things we've uncovered in our restoration efforts...

We have dug the edges of the family plots of Willes, Olds, and Sewalls which have concrete walls. In doing this, we found at the entrance of each family plot the marker with the family name which were all underground. The surrounding walls have been raised to ground level, and these family plots have been returned to pristine condition.

Just a few years ago, we were getting complaints weekly about maintenance of the lawns. For the past two years, we have employed GAF Landscaping whose work has brought us compliments. This has allowed us to spend time verifying interments without markers.

Our work continues on the implementation of our cemetery management software.

Joyce A Fletcher Menard Cemetery Board President



Daughters of the King

"Nothing can separate us from the love of God, that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

**Romans 8:39** 

We all face different kinds of challenges as we go through life. The main function of the Daughters of the King is to pray for anyone who is going through trying times... whether it is a health issue, or something else.

Let a member of our chapter know if we can pray for you or someone you know who needs prayers. Daughters wear the cross pictured above.

Since New Year's Day falls on the first Monday of the month this year, our next DOK meeting for the members of our chapter will be on Monday, January 8, 2024. We will meet in the church building, starting at 5 PM.

"So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation. Everything has become new."

2 Corinthians 5:17

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Miller President, Daughters of the King



## **Sunday School**

Have you driven by the cemetery lately and looked at the flagpole on Dixie Highway?

November began with a salute to our Veteran's.



Photo: Karen Neff

Graham and Andrew Johnson and Elise Neff refurbishing the Veteran's Memorial on our Church campus.

Three of our Sunday schoolers, Andrew and Graham Johnson and Elise Neff, spent about three hours on a late Friday afternoon, as part of a community outreach project,

refurbishing the Veteran's Memorial by the flagpole at the bottom of the cemetery hill. They dug up the half dead bushes, weeded, planted new bushes, mulched, painted the rusted base of the flagpole and painted the memorial bench which sits in front of the memorial. Lots of hard work done with smiles on their faces! Thank you so much for your community outreach!! The next time you come to All Saints', drive by the flagpole and take a look!

We had a nice surprise last week when Bryce and Caroline Foreman surprised us with a visit! They had flown down from New Jersey to attend a birthday party for their great-grandma and told Grandpa Bart that they must go to Sunday School! It was wonderful having the two of them back! We just might see them again at Easter!

Another nice surprise was a visit from sisters, Lillian and Ozlynn Harris, grand nieces of Susan Conrad. Hope to see them again! We had fun brainstorming all the many things we are thankful for.

Check out our Sunday School bulletin board in the Houg Hall hallway for updates on our activities!

On Harvest Sunday the children processed to



Photo: Karen Neff

Owen, Andrew and Graham Johnson with Isabella Burch decorating the Chrismon Tree.



Photo: Karen Neff

Owen Johnson gets a boost from his brother and an assist from Isabella Burch to place the star on the Chrismon Tree in Houg Hall. the altar with their food donations. Then, on Tuesday, those that could make it, came to the church to box it all up and take it to The House of Hope.

Thanks go out to Andrew, Graham and Owen Johnson and Elise Neff for their help. House of Hope was so very thankful.

Finally, on Christmas Eve, the event that the

children have been waiting for all year: The Christmas Pageant!

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Enjoy pictures of the kids getting ready for the pageant and making it happen.

Our nursery is open during the 10 a.m. service and provides developmentally appropriate "toy" fun, music and story time, for children under the age of five. We are currently rotating our nursery care-givers every 5<sup>th</sup> week. So far, we have only one (1) little fellow, Owen Johnson, who attends the nursery. We are hoping to hire

a permanent caregiver for our nursery but until then, we could use more volunteers!

If anyone is interested in this worthy ministry, please see Karen Neff.

Spread the word to your family and friends about our wonderful Sunday School Program!

Karen Neff Children's Christian Education Director



Photo: Karen Neff

Photo: Duncan Hurd

The Stars of the Christmas Pageant and their helper: front row, left to right: Dane Hufnagel, Piper Black, Cooper Black, Finley Hufnagel, Graham Johnson, Maddy Burch, and Elise Neff. Back row, left to right: Dara Hart, Isabella Burch, Owen Johnson and Andrew Johnson, Jr.



Photo: Duncan Hurd Joseph (Graham Johnson) comes along and helps Mary (Finley Hufnagel) walk the rest of the way to Bethlehem.



Owen, Andrew and Graham Johnson, Finley Hufnagel and her friend Ainsley, Dane Hufnagel, Isabella and Maddie Burch in Houg Hall after decorating the Chrismon

Photo: Duncan Hurd Andrew Johnson as the Gladiator



Photo: Duncan Hurd

Shepherd Owen Johnson found his way with the help of one of the kings.



Photo: Duncan Hurd

The Christmas Pageant during the 4 p.m. Christmas Eve Service. From left to right: Piper Black, Cooper Black, Andrew Johnson, Jr.. The Rev. Tara Shepley, Finley Hufnagel (kneeling), Elise Neff, Isabella Burch, Maddy Burch, and

Graham Johnson.



reading the decree from Caesar.

Photo: Duncan Hurd Mary (Finley Hufnagel) and Joseph (Graham Johnson) adoring the Baby Jesus the in





## **Houg Hall**

December was and, at the writing of this report, still is a very busy month in Houg Hall! December began with Bishop Peter's December 3<sup>rd</sup> visit to commemorate our 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of All Saints' Episcopal Church. After the 9 a.m. service, at which Bishop

Peter gave the homily, Women's Fellowship prepared and served Brunch to everyone.



again, next year.

Friday for the 9 a.m. Saturday event. And as many of those who helped already know, at the 2 p.m. closing time, all the unsold treasures get moved back inside Houg Hall for storage. On Saturday afternoon and

Sunday morning, Houg Hall is where all the silent auction and raffle items are paid for and distributed to the winners. It then takes about a week to finalize the organization and storage of all the remaining goodies in Houg Hall until needed

And how did you like the new curtains in Houg Hall (see them in the picture, below)?

From September through December, Houg Hall was the staging ground for all things "Holly Fair." After the Bishop's visit, only a week remained to set up Houg Hall for the Silent Auction and position all the Holly Fair goodies that had to be moved outside on



Photo: Louise Andrews

Photos: Louise Andrews

Some of the Holly Fair items, in their staging area in Houg Hall.

The week of December 18<sup>th</sup> found all the Altar Guild Members in Houg Hall, unpacking and preparing the Christmas decorations which went into the sanctuary on Christmas Eve after the 9 a.m. service. The Sunday School Members were also present to decorate their Chrismon tree for Sunday. They unpacked their costumes and practiced their parts to get ready for the Christmas Eve Children's Pageant at 4 p.m. on Sunday.

Yes, Houg Hall is always a busy, busy place, especially at this happy and glorious time of the year.

These are the upcoming January and early February events relative to Houg Hall:

- + Jan. 9 (Tues) 6 p.m. Men's Fellowship Meeting
- + Jan. 13 (Sat) 9:30 a.m. Women's Fellowship Meeting.
- + Jan. 14 (Sun) Post-Annual Meeting, Brunch
- + Feb. 5 (Mon) 6 p.m. Men's Fellowship Meeting

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## **Peering Into** the Past



Photo: Pam Hurd

Have you noticed the two flags hanging from the ceiling in the church? Have you noticed the same two flags are in Houg Hall? Well, they are indeed. Of course, one of them is the U.S. flag and the other is the flag of the Episcopal Church.

There is a symbolism in the Episcopal flag you may not be familiar with

- so let me tell you that story that I found in the Summer Edition of the National Altar Guild Association's "Epistle."



"Officially adopted by the



The St. George Flag

Convention of the Episcopal Church in 1940, the red cross of St. George, patron saint of England, symbolizes our connection with the Church of

England and is one of the oldest symbols of Christianity.

The St. Andrew's cross in outline on the azure [blue] field recognized our debt to the Scottish Church for consecrating our first bishop, Samuel Seabury of Connecticut, at Aberdeen in 1784.



The St. Andrew's Flag

The nine small crosses represent the nine original dioceses comprising the 1789 Convention in Philadelphia when the Constitution of the Episcopal Church was adopted and when the first American Book of Common Prayer approved."

Now you are in the know.

Joyce A Fletcher Menard Historian

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- Feb. 5 9 (Mon-Fri) Preparation/Set Up for High Tea Party
- Feb. 10 (Sat) 8 a.m. Preparation/Set Up High Tea Party
- Feb. 10 (Sat) 1 p.m. HIGH TEA PARTY
- Feb. 12 (Mon) 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Pre/Set Up for Pancake Supper
- Feb. 13 (Tues) 4 p.m. PANCAKE **SUPPER**

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Andrews

Houg Hall Manager



#### **TRUE Fund**



The TRUE Fund is partnering with House of Hope and Salvation Army to reach more people in need of financial assistance. Many thanks go to Jenny McDonald and Dara Hart for fielding calls and forwarding messages to Deacon Alan. Special thanks to Deacon Alan for administering the Fund.

As you may know, the TRUE Fund is not a part of the church's general operating budget. It is supported by direct donations from us, All Saints' parishioners. If you feel moved to support this effort, please consider making a donation to the TRUE Fund <u>in addition</u> to your regular support of the church.

Donations can be put in the Sunday plate offering. Please put your donation into an envelope with TRUE on the front. If donating by check, please make the check payable to the church with TRUE on the memo line.

If you know of someone, perhaps a friend or neighbor, who is struggling financially; please refer them to TRUE.

Thank You,

George Mazsa



## Women's Fellowship

Women's Fellowship will meet Jan. 13, 2024; beginning with fellowship time at 9:30 a.m. We hope to have a special program for you, but as yet the details are not finalized.

Thank you, to all who participated by creating and donating things, procuring gift cards,



Photo: Louise Andrews Joan Whitting at the table for registration at the Silent Auction.

The funds we gather as a result of this hard work are used for outreach. I know George and I made some Christmas gift purchases; I hope you were also able to complete your gift list! A huge Treasure Coast Wildlife at the Holly Fair. "Thank you" goes to Louise



purchases.

Andrews; who worked so very hard on the event.



Photo: Louise Andrews Natalie Walters oversees the Popcorn Stand.

Items are purchased to create the trees and wreaths every year at "before and after Christmas sales" events. I

know Louise has a start on 2024 Holly Fair already, with that type of purchases—and that is a good thing! We plan to return to a November

date for 2024.

Mark your calendars for NOVEMBER 16<sup>th</sup> 2024 Holly Fair and November 15<sup>th</sup> for set up!!

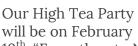




Photo: Louise Andrews

10<sup>th</sup>. "From then to Now," High Tea Party at All Saints' - Tickets will go on



Photo: Louisa Beckett

Respectfully submitted,

sale soon; watch for them.

Marilyn Mazsa President, Women's Fellowship



Wanda Beymer managing the Christmas Tree



Photo: Louisa Beckett Holly Fair Silent Auction



Photo: Louisa Andrews Jack Miller preparing for the Holly Fair.

# 125th Anniversary Service



Photos: Salvatore Perla

















## Men's Fellowship

The men of All Saints' continue to meet the first Monday of most months at 6 p.m. in Houg hall. All men from All Saints' are welcome. Our January meeting has been moved to Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup> due to the holidays and Vestry meeting.

At our November meeting elections were held for the three leadership positions.

- + Harry Kapple was re-elected Treasurer;
- + Norman Townsend was re-elected Secretary;
- + George Mazsa was elected as President.

Many thanks go to our outgoing president, Bill Winsemann for his leadership.

I have some new ideas for our monthly meetings and community presence, but you will have to come to the meeting to find out what they are. We share a meal to start our meetings, then discuss a bible passage chosen by a member and finally conduct a business meeting.

Paul Neff this picking the Bible passage for this month.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

- Tuesday Feb 13<sup>th</sup>, Shrove Tuesday,
   PANCAKE SUPPER
- + Saturday April 13<sup>th</sup>, **BBQ & CAR SHOW**

In your and His service,

George Mazsa President, Men's Fellowship (Continued from page 7)

Living Church Foundation, retirement funds are often the most heavily taxed asset of an estate.

**Treasury Bonds or Bills:** Do you have treasury bonds languishing in your safe deposit box? Put them to use and donate them to the Endowment Fund! Mike Lee, our investment advisor, can handle the transaction for you and the church.

**Life Insurance:** You may make the All Saints' Endowment Fund the beneficiary or the contingent beneficiary of a policy that is no longer needed or may not be needed.

Life Income gifts: Charitable gift annuities, charitable remainder trusts, and pooled income funds provide you or a designated beneficiary with income for life, after which the All Saints' Endowment Fund receives the gift. We partner with Episcopal Church Foundation for this program, their minimum gift requirement is \$5,000.



A direct gift (cash or check), from you, your Retirement Funds or gift of Treasury Bonds in the amount of \$1,000 or more makes one a member of the Heritage Society of our Church. The amount can be spread over three years. For Bequests, Retirement Fund beneficiary changes, and Life Insurance beneficiary changes, please notify the Endowment Chairman of the changes to join the Society. Life Income gifts require coordination between All Saints' and the Episcopal Church Foundation.

## **Holly Fair**





Photos: Louisa Beckett Volunteers preparing to pray before the start of the Holly Fair on Saturday Morning of December 9.

of selling so many items we are now low on "stock." We need more STUFF to sell. As you downsize and/or purchase new Christmas decorations, please consider donating your unwanted items to Women's Fellowship for our November 16, 2024

Holly Fair. We will

Hello All Saints' Parishioners,

First, I want to thank all the volunteers who baked, made many donations, collected gift cards and gifts from businesses, advertised the fair, distributed flyers, helped prep booth materials and worked to put together the Silent Auction and Raffle items.

PLUS there were more than 60 volunteers who helped set up for the Holly Fair on Friday, Dec.8<sup>th</sup>, came in early on Saturday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> to complete the set up, work the Holly Fair and then dismantle everything at 2 p.m. A very special thank you goes to Men's Fellowship who partnered with Women's Fellowship for the



Photos: Louisa Beckett

Katherine Kapple, Lorraine Devereaux, and Barbara Vitale preparing the Jewelry booth for the Holly Fair.

As a result of all the donations for the 2023 Holly Fair, Women's Fellowship netted \$10,225.75, most of which will be

event.

designated for Outreach recipients. As a result



need "saleable items", such as holiday lights,

Photo: Louise Andrews

Sandy Miller and Karen Neff planning the Silent Auction part of the Holly Fair

artificial trees (naked or with lights that work), ornaments, wreaths, greenery for wreaths or arrangements and jewelry.

Contributions for the silent auction, raffle, or hostess gifts do NOT need to have a "holiday

themed."
Sandy Miller
and Karen
Neff will
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Natalie Walters (left) and Dara Hart (right) at the Garden booth.



# Garden Happenings!

"This is one of my favorite times." said Greta.

"Why is that?" Asked our friend Groggy.

"I like the color blue, the greens and reds are for Christmas," replied Greta; then continuing she added to her statement. "But the shade of blue in the vestments and paraments this church uses during Advent, well, it just make me happy!"

"So you like your Red polka dot skirt? But you'd rather have blue?" Asked Groggy.

"I think it would be nice for a change... Hey, speaking of change, did you see all of those people out on the area by the big, really big cross? I know it was early in December."

Groggy nodded his head. Bea said she sensed a

mentioned is a Miter; I think it symbolizes his authority. But bishops usually take it off when they approach the altar. They do that so their head is bare when they approach the Blessed Sacrament on the altar. Greta, the



Photo: Salvatore Perla Bishop Peter in BLUE

pastoral staff you mentioned is a Crosier. It is a symbol of both humility and pastoral leadership. Many crosiers are handmade in Maine. But I rather liked the drone the photographer had – that was cool!"

# Live like Jesus, Love God and all People.

story and Greta kept right on talking, "Well, I remember it! Father Tony and Rev. Tara were in those beautiful blue chasubles. Deacon Alan's



was different. I think they call that a dalmatic. There was someone else there too, but his robes were different and he had a pointed hat and a staff in his hand. That wasn't Moses was it?" Greta asked; but

Groggy did not answer, he was napping.

"No silly; that was The Right Rev. Peter Eaton, the Bishop of Southeast Florida." Bea buzzed about and felt very important because she knew who was in the pointed hat.

Draco piped up: "That pointed hat you

"Draco," Greta said, "you always surprise me with the things you know."

"Well I went into church that day", said Little One, "and I learned a lot from him: Live like Jesus, Love God and all People."

Did you know that was the vision statement of this church? And then he, oh um, Bishop Eaton said to live like Jesus we need to go to church regularly even in the summer. He said that going to mass or services is an expression of our love for God. Then he said we should learn more about



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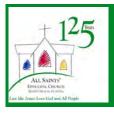
God to experience closeness with God. Right, Draco? That is what he meant, right?"

"Ahh, Little One you did learn something that day. Do you remember how Bishop Eaton closed his homily?"

Seeing Little One shaking his head Draco continued. "Give room to God; just as Mary gave room for Jesus in her life. As we keep this 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary year, give God room to be in us and God will give us room to be closer to him. Live like Jesus, Love God and all people, making more room for God in our lives."

Powerful words and something for each of us to work on!

The Garden Whisperer



#### **OUTREACH**

On December 12, 2023, Father Tony was presented with a Proclamation on behalf of All Saints' **Episcopal Church from** Chairman Harold Jenkins and the Martin County Board of County Commissioners at its Administrative Center in Stuart, Florida. The proclamation designates November 1, 2023 to November 1, 2024, as a year of celebration marking our Church's 125th Anniversary. The ceremony was held during a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners. You can see the Proclamation on page 21;



Photo: Martin County
Father Tony and Chairman Harold Jenkins
holding the proclamation.

which is currently being framed and will be hung in Coffey Hall.

In attendance to witness the presentation were seven (7) members of All Saints', pictured below - Harry Kapple and Jack Miller, the current Senior and Junior Wardens respectively; Elyta Watkins, a current member of the Vestry; Melissa Jones, the

current Vestry Clerk; Joyce Fletcher-Menard and Paul Neff, former Senior Wardens; and Beth Beltran, a member of All Saints'.



Photo: Martin County

Father Tony and Chairman Harold Jenkins holding the proclamation flanked by members of All Saints'.

From left to right, Paul Neff, Jack Miller, Melissa Jones, Joyce Fletcher-Menard, Father Tony, Chairman Jenkins, Elyta Watkins, Beth Beltran, and Harry Kapple.

## **Progressive Dinner**

If you missed the Progressive Dinner in December, be sure to sign up next year. A fantastic time was had by all and we were fortunate that the rain held off.

We started the evening at Jan and Arpi Rajki's residence, for a lovely time with appetizers and libations, either with or without alcohol. Then we all split to the homes of Sandy and Pam and Duncan Hurd, Katherine and Harry Kapple, Barry Lee, Marilyn and George Mazsa, Diana and Glenn Scheiner, Lee Smith, Elyta Watkins, for the dinner course, which was a choice of chicken or fish.

Desert had us back together at Pam and Duncan Hurd's home, for Duncan's special Coquito and deserts from several parishioners. We all had a lot of fun!

Many have asked for Duncan's Coquito recipe, which is included below.



Barry Lee, Denise Townsend, Beverly Stevenson, Therese Power, Norman Townsend, and Sandy Lee enjoying the main course of the Progressive



Photo: Elyta Watkins

Iris Langran, Marilyn Mawhinney, Mike Sahlen, Nancy Stone, and Lorraine Devereaux, enjoying the main course of the Progressive Dinner, behind the camera is hostess Elyta Watkins.



Photo: Father Tony Dinner plates at the Scheiner's.

#### Coquito: "Puerto Rican Eggnog" (Makes 1 gallon)

- 2 x 14 oz. cans of condensed milk
- 2 x 14 oz. cans of evaporated
- 1 x 14 oz. can of coconut milk
- 4 oz. pure vanilla extract
- 1 tsp ground cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp. grated nutmeg
- 14 oz. Cruzan Rum (light)
- 2 oz. Brandy

Combine all ingredients in a blender, in batches if necessary, and pulse until mixed. Refrigerate overnight. Serve cold with a sprinkle of ground cinnamon on top.

Note: leave the Rum and Brandy out for a nonalcoholic version of this yummy goodness.



From left to right: Alex Hurd, Kim and Tina Kelly, Glenn and Diana Scheiner, Debbie Shearer, James Laverty, and Chefs Jeff and Krystal Armusik, enjoying the main course of the Progressive

## **FUNd Raising Team**

The Fundraising team at All Saints is in need of new members and new ideas. George Mazsa will be the interim coordinator until new leadership can be found. This is one of the more fun committees here. Our current members are George & Marilyn Mazsa, Diane Denes, and Harry Kapple. Please see one of us if you have interest in joining.

Save the following dates:

**December 31, 2023,** and **January 7, 14, 21, 2024,** are all start dates for our inaugural All Saints BIGGEST LOSER contest. Initial weigh ins on any of the four dates with a duration of ten weeks. Lose those holiday pounds in a fun and competitive experience. It will cost \$20 to join and run for ten weeks. The winner will have lost the most weight {by %} and win 50% of the monies collected, the other 50% will go to the church.

**February 14, 2024,** the start of our inaugural LENTEN BIBLE CHALLENGE. This will start on Ash Wednesday and run until Easter Sunday. Cost is \$20 to

join and we will individually start reading our Bibles at Genesis 1:1. Whoever gets the furthest into their bible will win 50% of the money collected. The other 50% will go to the Church.

April 26 2024, Spring MUSIC BINGO.

October 25 2024, Fall MUSIC BINGO.

Let's put the FUN in fundraising.

George Mazsa Fundraising Committee



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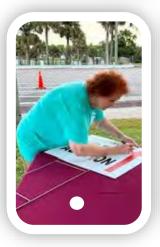
As you put away your Christmas décor, please box up your no longer wanted items and bring them to Houg Hall. Place them on the table in the hallway just outside the kitchen area. Leave us a note so we know who to thank.

With regard to our 2023 Holly Fair, thank you all for your time, talent and treasures.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Andrews 2023 Holly Fair Chair







Photos: Louisa Beckett

Top: Diana and Glenn Scheiner at the Rag Garland table, Bottom Left: Chairwoman Louise Andrews putting a finishing touch on the signage Bottom Right: Dorothy Ulmer getting the bake sale table ready.



#### Before the Board of County Commissioners Martin County, Florida

#### A Proclamation

Declaring a Year of Celebration on the occasion of the  $125^{\rm th}$  anniversary of All Saints' Episcopal Church and All Saints' Cemetery in Martin County, Florida

Whereas,
a group of settlers on the Indian River joined together to establish an Episcopal
congregation in the late 19th century to meet the spiritual needs of the people within
the community, and then Charles and Mary Racey donated four acres of land for an
Episcopal church and cemetery; and

Whereas.

the All Saints Episcopal Church building was dedicated on Sunday, February 19, 1899 by the Right Reverend William C. Gray, Bishop as a place of worship and a symbol of God's presence in this community. The mission of All Saints' is to be empowered by "... the Holy Spirit to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ through worship of God, service to His people and stewardship of His gifts: and its vision is to "Live like Jesus by loving God and all people" and

Whereas,

on this celebration of its 125th Anniversary, All Saints' Episcopal Church gives thanks, praise and honor to God for His blessings toward us and for the deep commitment of all the clergy, wardens, vestries and people of All Saints' Episcopal Church, who, in faith, gave generously of their time, talent and treasure during these many years to see the work of the church continue to thrive and to grow: and

Whereas,

All Saints' church continues to meet the spiritual, physical and financial needs of its members and the wider community. The cemetery has welcomed people of all faiths and nationalities since 1898 and is a garden of remembrance for many of the pioneers of Martin and St. Lucie counties who laid the foundation and initiated the building of

Now, therefore, be it proclaimed by the Martin County Board of County Commissioners that November 1, 2023 until November 1, 2024 is designated All Saints' Episcopal Church's year of celebration to mark its 125th Anniversary.

Presented this Twelfth Day of December 2023

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

#### ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

JENSEN BEACH, FLORIDA



Anniversary SERVICE









AT 125 YEARS OLD,

By Father Tony Holder

By Father Tony Holder

A til Saints' Episcopal Church, in Jensen Beach, the longest continuously operating church in Marin County, is relebrating its 125th anniversary.

While the Congregation beginn meeting in 1894, in 1897, Charles and Mary Racey, gave five acres to build a church and cemetery in Waseland, now part of Jensen Beach. On December 5, 1898, the conversione was Jail, and the Khapft Reverend William Crane Gray, Missionary Bishop of South Florids, consecrated the new thurch building on February 19, 1899.

Over the years, a fellowship hall was built, the church building was moved in 1963, and the church expanded in 1979 and 1994, to meet the needs of a growing congregation. The faith community and have survived with God's help. Today, All Saints's is flourishing under the spiritual relabethip of the Very Rev. Dr. Anhony, B. Holder.

"The little Church on the Hill with a BiG Heart' offers Christian formation programs for children and adults, free summer Vascation Bible School for children in the community, and scholarships for college bound local youth, making it the only faith-based group in the area to do so. Each year, and Barbecue, a Plancake Suppera, Tea Party, and Musical Billing.

All Saints engages in additional outerath ministry to the community, including sewing programs for that make dothect for children of migrant workers, quilts for abused and neglected children, pads of the community and the church in cases of emergencies through its TRUE Fund. The thrift shop also carves as a place for the community and the church in cases of emergencies through its TRUE Fund. The thrift shop also carves as a place for the community and the church in cases of emergencies through its TRUE Fund. The thrift shop also carves as a place for the community and the church in cases of emergencies through its TRUE Fund. The Putch is in the process of building a rew church again.

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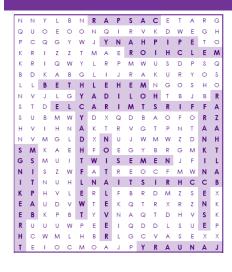


- + Tuesday, Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> **Ministry Annual Reports** due
- + Monday, Jan 8<sup>th</sup> **Daughters of the King** meeting at 5 p.m. in the Church building
- + Monday, Jan 8<sup>th</sup> **Vestry** Meeting at 6 p.m. in Coffey Hall
- + Tuesday, Jan 9<sup>th</sup> **Men's Fellowship** meeting at 6 p.m. in Houg Hall
- + Saturday, Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> **Women's Fellowship Meeting** at 9:30 a.m. in Houg Hall
- Sunday, Jan. 14th One Church Service at 9 a.m., followed by the Annual Meeting in the church, followed by Brunch in Houg Hall
- + Saturday, Jan 20th—**125th Anniversary Celebration Gala** at 6 p.m. at the Frances Langford Dockside Pavilion—Cocktails, Dinner, and Dancing
- + Saturday, Jan 20th–Launch of the Commemorative Book



- + Feb. 5 (Mon) **Men's Fellowship** Meeting at 6 p.m. in Houg Hall
- Sunday Feb 18th-Service marking the 125th Anniversary of Dedication of Church Building
- + Saturday, Feb 10th **High Tea**
- + Tuesday, Feb. 13th- **Pancake Supper**
- + Saturday, Feb 24th–5K Run, Walk, & Roll
- + Saturday, March 16th Heritage Society Banquet

### **Bible Word Search Answers**



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# Happy New Year!





**Our Vision** 

Live like Jesus, love God and all People

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