



# The Trumpet

ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
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*The little church on the hill with a BIG heart!*



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## WHAT ARE YOU GIVING UP?

A picture of our sign with humor for Lent from All Saints.

Photo: Karen Neff



**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](mailto:Jennifer@allsaintsjensenbeach.org)

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

To **TRANSFER YOUR CHURCH MEMBERSHIP** to All Saints', please contact Joan Whitting, Membership Secretary, [joanwhitting@gmail.com](mailto:joanwhitting@gmail.com)

### Cover Photo:

From left to right:  
Karen Neff, Marilyn Mawhinney, Joan Whitting and Iris Langran, preparing to enjoy the "**125th Anniversary High Tea Party: From Then to Now,**" sponsored by Women's Fellowship with able assistance from the Men's Fellowship.



Photos: Diane Dougiello

# A MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR

My Dear Friends:

*I originally wrote this reflection for the Wednesday Eucharist and Healing Service on February 28, 2024. It was only after completing it the night before that I realized I was not scheduled to preach but Deacon Alan was. Having checked if I could use it later in the year, and realizing there wasn't a possibility, I decided to share it as my message for the March edition of "The Trumpet" newsletter. Here is that reflection.*

The Old Testament reading from Jeremiah [18:1-11] resonates with me because of my time in art school. Pottery was one of the courses I had to take and I quickly realize that shaping a piece of clay into an object is not as easy as one may think. Pottery was one of my most difficult art courses as I tried to spin the potter's wheel with a lump of clay on top to get it into an object like a vase or a bowl. Oftentimes, I failed to get it into a shape that was recognizable, but I tried until I did or else I would fail the course. So, I can easily identify with verse 4 of the reading: "The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him." There can be a lot of spoiling when doing pottery.

Nevertheless, God uses this art, this craft, as a practical lesson for Jeremiah to understand God's relationship with the Hebrew people and the way he interacts with them. God invites Jeremiah to visit a potter's house and to observe how he creates something out of clay. God took Jeremiah away from his familiar environment with the hope that he would hear and discern God's words more clearly, to learn about God more deeply, and to see a new way of how God operates with his people, particularly when it comes to calling them to repentance and conversion.

All this God planned to demonstrate to Jeremiah through watching an artist at work. The God of the Bible is a personal being, and he reveals himself in personal ways. God shows himself by



depicting as someone with whom the Israelites of the day could identify and were familiar. God describes himself as a father, a shepherd, a king, a ruler and judge, a farmer, a teacher and builder, and now as an artist or artisan, in this case, a potter. The idea of God as a potter was not foreign for in Genesis 2:7: "... the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being." God formed humanity from "... the dust of the ground..." shaping and sculpting and molding humankind from the earth.

But there is an important element that is associated with pottery and clay that God does not do with us when creating us. For when we mold a piece of clay into a vessel, in order for it to be of use, it needs to be fired in a kiln. Clay that has only been molded and not fired is like the raw dough of a loaf of bread... you may pinch away at the raw dough but it doesn't taste as good until it is baked and becomes a loaf of bread. In the same way, even though you may shape or mold a lump of clay into an object, and you could leave it just like that, you do not really enjoy it because it is not functional until it is fired. So, in this

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passage, Jeremiah is telling us that we are people who are like clay that has not been fired. That's how God's people are... which leads us to what this passage teaches us?



First, God describes himself as a potter who is able to mold and remold us, his people, who are like clay in his hand: "Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel." God is able to shape us in various ways because we are malleable. When we allow the world to shape us, we are still impressionable and flexible to be change, to be transformed, to be reshaped by God. He is able to take us with all our weaknesses, limitations and flaws, and rebuild us into the people he calls us to be. Even though, God has created us and we think of God as creating perfectly, yet God has given us freewill, leaving us with room to build our character while at the same time leaving room for him to transform us if or when he needs to do so. In other words, God has made us in such a way that we have the flexibility to change our personalities, our character, our behavior, our attitudes. If, after molding us, God had placed us in a kiln to be fired, we would not be able to change, but we can.

Second, just as the potter has the clay in his hand, and the clay is doing its own thing, not shaping into what he desires it to be, God also has us in his hand even though we are doing our own thing and not shaping into the people God desires us to be. Eventually, as the potter was able to get the clay to be made into

something desirable, "... something that seem good to him..." God can make us into someone desirable that is good to him.

Third, this story shows us that God is willing to forgive and to change his mind when he plans to bring judgment for wrongdoing, provided we are willing to repent: "At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it" (verses 7 and 8). It also works the other way: "And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it" (verses 9 and 10). Even those we may consider as the most wicked people on the earth, God is willing to forgive if they are truly penitent and ask for forgiveness. He forgave and refused to bring destruction on the people of Nineveh to whom he sent Jonah to warn them of what was imminent. When Nineveh decided to repent, he spared their lives. God does not wish to destroy us even when we are rebellious and disobedient, as the Hebrew people were. He is willing, when we are truly sorry, to forgive and redeem us, remaking us into a beautiful piece of pottery.

That is what God wishes to do with all of us... remake us into beautiful pieces of pottery for his kingdom.  
**Amen.**

With love and blessings!

Father Tony



# Deacon's Report

Much is happening as we continue to celebrate our 125th Anniversary. We have so much we can do to help those in need, sometimes just a small amount can be very helpful. I am proud of what we do with pastoral care; it is not boastful pride, but a caring pride.

I continue to have requests for people's needs. These are people who have virtually nothing and little hope for the future. We are getting referrals from both House of Hope and Salvation Army, people for whom they don't currently have funds to help. They have developed a



## TRUE Fund

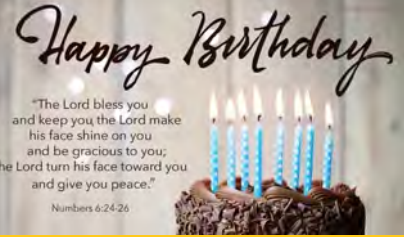
form to refer folks to us which gives them very specific information about where we are and how to contact us. We use the TRUE fund and money from my discretionary funds as well as \$25 gift cards from Publix. Please consider donating to either TRUE or the Deacon's discretionary fund or slipping a Publix gift card into the offering plate; it is very much appreciated and a way for us to love our neighbors.

I continue to go to the prison for my Bible Study group on Thursday afternoons. Several of those I see come every week and seem to derive much spiritual help from the group. I use the Evening Prayer service with four Bible readings and give them consecrated Communion wafers. We always end the group with the Prayer of St Francis which was one of Father Steve Fregeau's favorite prayers. We all will miss him very much.

As we are aware of the needs of members who are confined to home due to acute or chronic conditions, we make Eucharistic visits. Please advise me of those who would appreciate a home visit. These visits are very much appreciated.

I continue to do what I can as a deacon to meet the needs of our Church and community.

In God's love,  
Deacon Alan



From Bible Study Tools

## March Anniversaries of Birth

- 2 Dorothy Bree
- 4 Diane Cochran
- 8 Chuck Baumgartner
- 8 Alan Gellert
- 8 Len Mausteller
- 9 Steve Ankner
- 12 Mary Painter
- 13 Susan Conrad
- 14 John Darlson
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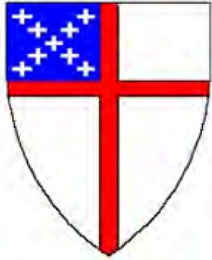
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## Anniversaries of Marriage

- 29 Katherine and Harry Kapple



# Women's Fellowship



Women's Fellowship had a wonderful time on February 10 celebrating our church 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary with High Tea: **"Then till Now"**.

A huge "thank you" to Diane Dougiello for decorations that were over the top! Thank you also to all who made and donated gift baskets and to Diane for all your help with the gift card trees and gift baskets.



Another huge "thank you" goes to Louise Andrews and the tea room and kitchen crews – those warriors that began making tea sandwiches at 7:00 a.m. – with some even staying through the tea (still working) and then celebrated with us at the after-party and to Tom Sinagra for overseeing the hot water detail.



Photo: Sandy Miller

Michael Sahlen on the piano bench being encouraged by Jack Miller

The third huge "thank you" goes to the twelve servers and three raffle ticket sellers and our tea ticket sales and seating manager Joan Whitting.

The fourth huge thank



Photo: Wanda Beymer

Steve Ankner showing off his table before the festivities.

you goes to Father Tony for his graphic art work on the flyers, tickets and menus.

And my fifth huge "thank you" goes to Michael Sahlen for his piano entertainment during our High Tea.

The Sixth huge "thank you" goes to



Photo: Wanda Beymer

The Trifle Walk in progress



Photo: Wanda Beymer

The Trifle Walkers: Father Tony, Harry Kapple, (Ms. Mannequin), Steve Ankner, Paul Neff, Jorge Palacio, and Jack Miller

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From left to right: Arpi Rajki, George Mazsa, Paul Neff and Diane Dougiello (both partly hidden).

all the sandwich filling makers and scone makers, those that purchased items and to our mock clotted cream maker, Iris Langran.

Big “thanks” also to the trifle makers and the men in the trifle walk.

“Thank you” also to my husband, George, for all his help. (Weeks of it!)

Who was the finest dressed at our High Tea? Hmm, well... there were Victorian ladies, several Flappers from the 20’s, a few in dresses from 1940s, 50’s and 60’s, and at least one with a nod toward the Rock n’ Roll age. Spring dresses and

magnificent hats, fascinators and quite a few ladies channeling “flower power” with flowers in their hair.



Mannequins were dressed in very old lace, 1940’s and 50’s dresses, a suit from the 70’s and several from the 1990’s; the wedding dress Lee Smith wore when she married her beloved husband, Doug, and even a shiny metallic look dress.



Photo: Sandy Miller

Father Tony and Diane Dougiello in their 1800’s finery



But the dapper man in the top hat might have stolen the show! Thank you, Father Tony and Diane for

Photo: Diane Dougiello  
Lee Smith (left) and Marilyn Mazsa (right).

making this a spectacular event;

and thank you to all who attended!

Photo: Diane Dougiello

Dorothy Bree (l) and Senior Warden Elyta Watkins (r) from the 1920-40s.



Photo: Diane Dougiello

Iris Langran (l) and Adrienne ‘Snowy’ Sacco, looking mid-century modern.

**Saturday March 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**9:30 a.m. Women’s Fellowship time together**  
**and 10:00 a.m. meeting with guest speaker.**

Marilyn Mazsa  
Women’s Fellowship President



# All Saints' Endowment & Heritage Society

Boy, have we got exciting news for you!

March is the busiest of times for the Endowment and the Heritage Society. The postponed Endowment Reception has been rescheduled (hopefully, for the last time!) to Friday, March 8th at 5:30 p.m. It is free and open to all and will be held in Houg Hall.



Photo: Martin County Fire Rescue Facebook page

Martin County Fire Rescue team showing their moves to the "Git Up Challenge"

We have veered from our normal speaker presenting a financial format and have come up with a subject that can be appreciated by all. Josh Jenkins from Martin County Fire and Rescue will speak to us about what we can do to save our property and our own lives in case of an emergency in our home.

- ⇒ Do you have a safe entry to your home?
- ⇒ Does Fire Rescue know you have pets?
- ⇒ Do the EMTs know what medications you are on?

He will give us the answers to all of these questions and more. Mr. Jenkins is a Fire Prevention Risk Specialist and a Safety Inspector. I have been told that St. Lucie County has similar programs so don't let the location of your home stop you from coming! As good Episcopalians, there will, of course, be food and drinks; heavy hors d'oeuvres, beer, wine and soft drinks with the ever popular Tom Sinagra tending the bar. So join us for an evening beneficial to us all.

The Heritage Society will have its annual Appreciation Banquet, hosted by the Endowment Board on Saturday, March 16. Invitations will be mailed out this week to members of the Society as a thank you for their generous contributions to the Endowment. Not a member yet? You can obtain membership by giving \$1,000 to the Endowment of the church. This can be given in a lump sum or over three payments. Another way to become a member is to put a bequest in your will.

The Endowment is managed so that only the interest/market growth is used to fund projects that enhance All Saints' outreach. This gives you the knowledge that your gift will last forever as the principal is never touched.

Now back to the banquet! This year, we thought we would revisit one of our most popular programs—but with a twist! Father Christian Anderson of

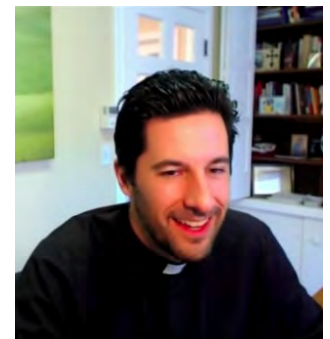


Photo: Alihikmat Islamic Network from YouTube

Father Christian talking with Shaikh Shafayat on a YouTube Video

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# Daughters of the King

**Enter His gates with thanksgiving  
and His courts with praise;  
Give thanks to Him  
and praise His name.**

**Psalm 100:4**

On our Lenten journey, we will have the opportunity to pray, praise, meditate and reflect on God's word and teachings during the All Saints' Daughters of the King sponsored Quiet Day on March 9<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9 AM and concluding with a light lunch. This year we are so happy to have The Rev. Tara Shepley lead our Quiet Day. If you haven't already signed-up, please do so on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> when you come to church, or call Jenny in the church office (334-0610) so we will know how many to expect and to plan the light lunch. There is no cost and all are welcome!

Towards the end of the month, on Thursday, March 28, our DOK chapter will once again host an Agape' Meal after the Maundy Thursday service. Later in the month we will ask that those who wish to participate in this time of fellowship and enjoy a light meal of bread, olives, cheese, grapes, dried fruits, nuts, wine and water to sign-up so the Daughters can plan accordingly. There is no cost and all are welcome!

**Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction,  
faithful in prayer.**

**Romans 12:12**

**FHS**

Respectfully submitted

Sandy Miller

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St. Mary's will appear with Shaikh Shafayat, an Islamic scholar, and recreate their very popular podcast.

Our prior program had Father Christian conversing with Rabbi Durbin so our twist is instead of "A Priest and a Rabbi go into a....", it will be "A Priest and an Imam go into a...."!



*Photo: Alihikmat Islamic Network from YouTube*  
Shaikh Shafayat speaking with Father Christian on a YouTube Video

It's not too late to join this festive evening by becoming a member of the Heritage Society and getting your own leaf on the Tree of Life that decorates the wall in Houg Hall. Just talk to one of the Endowment Board members:

- + Elyta Watkins
- + Bill Winsemann
- + Wanda Beymer
- + Deacon Alan Gellert
- + Pam Hurd
- + Wally Wallace
- + Jan Rajki
- + Frank Sundquist
- + Ralph Painter
- + Father Tony.

Better still, come to the Reception on March 8 and meet us all!

Elyta Watkins  
*Chair of the Endowment Board*



## Men's Fellowship

We continue to meet the first Monday of the month at 6 p.m. in Houg Hall. Next meeting is on Monday March 4<sup>th</sup>. All men are welcome to join us for a meal, fellowship, and we close the meeting with a hymn. We are channeling Mitch Miller with a chorus of men's voices singing praise to our Lord.



Photo: Wanda Beymer

Lining up for the Pancake Supper on Shrove Tuesday.

We had a very successful Pancake Supper with about 175 meals served and an estimated \$1,400 profit that we can use for our charitable works.



Photo: Duncan Hurd

Many thanks for all the men, and women, who helped out to make it a success.

Next event is the Barbeque and Antique Car Show on Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>.

George Mazsa  
President

## Trumpet Editor position open

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 20<sup>th</sup> 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 Hurd or Father Tony.

**We'd love to have YOU on the  
Communication Team!**

## All Saints' Cemetery

The Cemetery Board is short of a Vice President and a Secretary.

*I can't continue to do these roles in addition to the Presidency.*

The Secretary needs to be able to use Microsoft Word and to make e-mail attachments for distribution of minutes.

The Vice President, in addition to chairing the meeting in my absence needs to be able to research one of our big needs – a new mausoleum and/or replacement fencing.

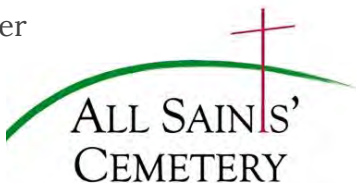
Elyta Watkins is our new Treasurer in addition to being the Senior Warden and chairing the Endowment Board. Many of our Board members, including me, already wear many hats within the life of the parish.

Consider taking one of these positions in a most unique ministry entrusted to us for 125 years. We didn't know what we were doing when we said yes... neither did the disciples.

For more information call/text me at 906.201.1328 or email me at [19florida77@gmail.com](mailto:19florida77@gmail.com)

Joyce A Fletcher Menard  
*Historian & Board President*

P.S. – Our staff uncovered six grave markers that have been covered over for decades. Our Manager, Rebecca, “Dee” our maintenance manager and I all love finding the “lost”.



## FUNd Raising Team

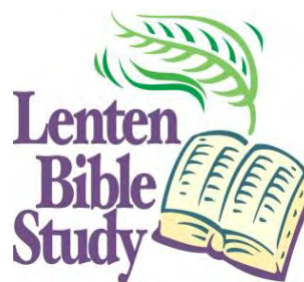
The Fundraising Team is still in need of more members. We try to put the FUN in Fundraising.

There are two activities in progress; they are both new this year and thanks to all who are participating.

- The Biggest Loser contest is in full swing with eight participants. Final weigh-ins are scheduled for Sundays in March depending on your start date.



© Logo of TV series The Biggest Loser from NBC and USA Network



- The Lenten Bible Challenge is also in progress with four participants. We started reading our Bibles on Ash Wednesday at the beginning, Genesis 1-1. Whoever gets furthest by Easter will win.

Also coming up:

- Music Bingo is scheduled for Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup> from 4 - 6p.m.



George Mazsa

# Brief History of Church Building

“I see Dead People:” The people who have left us this wonderful worship space.

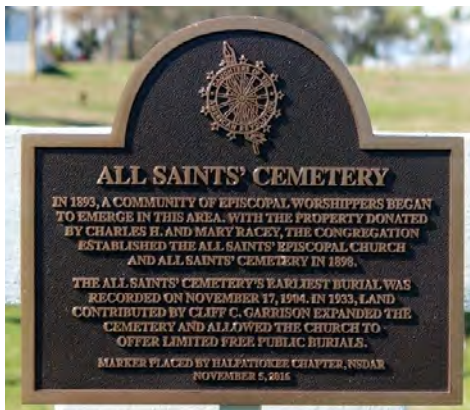
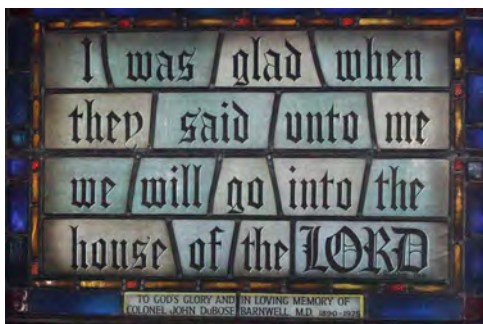


Photo: Tom Fillmon  
Source: hmdb.org

**Charles and Mary Racey** who donated the property upon which the church was originally built and where our cemetery had its beginning. Charles who as treasurer was able to raise funds to totally pay for the construction of the building.

All Saints' is one of many carpenter gothic style churches built throughout Florida, built with the virgin pine wood locally available. The interior is covered in orange shellac and held together with handmade nails. By 1926, all the original stained glass windows with screens were in. Screens were high technology of the day and keeping mosquitos out was important.



This church was a social hub in the earliest days and welcomed seasonal clergy from many different states, as well as seasonal residents.

I see **Frederick Willes** who served as a vestryman and senior warden who cared for the church and cemetery for some 35 years. **Ben Fulton, Sr.**, saved the building from a brush fire.



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We were spared from hurricanes down through the decades, losing little more than shingles.

I remember **John D. Barnwell** and the vestry of the late 1950s, who realized that the area would boom after World War II, that veterans would return as tourists or as retirees for the beautiful, fish filled waters and lovely temperate climate. These were the men who had the fellowship hall built in 1961.

**Carl Houg** had the church moved in 1963 to where we are today for only \$800.



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Thanks to the bequest of funds by **Isabel Kline** and the wise decision making of our 2<sup>nd</sup> Rector, the **Rev. Norman B. Feaster**, we sit today in air-conditioned comfort. This the building was available for all who came seeking comfort when President Kennedy was assassinated.



All Saints' second Rector, Fr. Norman B. Feaster



remind many of their church “up north.” It is warm, welcoming, and covered with a patina of prayer.



Five contemporary windows were installed, and the addition of a choir loft became a reality in 1979, with the **Rev.**



All Saints' fifth Rector, Fr. Jon Coffey Sr.

**Jonathan Coffey, Sr.** as Rector.

We are surrounded with the beauty of the work of many craftsmen and women – those who milled the wood, constructed the church and furnishings, created the windows, and stitched the needlepoint kneelers.



Photo: Howard A Sutherland

I see **Carl Pauly**, a World War II Seabee, who meticulously matched the wood to have

this new addition match the original construction.



We aren't called to maintain a museum, but a house of worship for today and for the generations coming after us. Thanks be to God!

The final expansion of the church building was under the supervision of our 6<sup>th</sup> Rector, the **Rev. Thomas Ryan, Jr.**, connecting the west side of the building with the east side of Houg Hall and expanding the choir loft, in 1994.



All Saints' sixth Rector, Fr. Thomas Ryan, Jr.

This house of worship has been a place of comfort from the days when our English immigrant founders had this building constructed until today. This architecture and dark wood

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Fletcher Menard  
*Historian*

# Sunday School



[This Photo](#) by

Lent is a season of renewal and a special opportunity to do a “Spring Cleaning” of our hearts and souls. Lent gives us a way to remember the sacrifices Jesus made for us and to renew our commitment to God. Observing Lent as a family can help us

experience the full meaning of the season. Lent is a good time to pray together, study the Bible together, attend services together and get more involved in your church and community.



*Photo: Karen Neff*

Graham Johnson reminds everyone who loves them the most on Valentine's Day.

**Week 1:** We discussed the importance of Prayer and through our M & M game, we discovered the many different kinds of prayers we can say.

**Week 2:** Centered around “Self-Control” focusing on keeping our own wants and needs in check. Maddy Burch decorated a Gift Giving box for herself and her sister. During Lent they will be collecting their own money in their box which on Easter morning will be placed at the foot of the Easter

flowered cross as a donation towards a church/ community outreach project. We made extra “Gift-Giving” boxes for our friends who couldn't come to church that day.



*Photo: Karen Neff*  
Graham and Owen Johnson helped clear tables at the Pancake Supper.

**Week 3** will be “Service to God” focusing on honoring God by being an instrument of His love.

**Week 4:** “Forgiveness”, will help the children focus on how forgiveness brings peace to your life and helps you grow closer to God.

**Week 5** will focus on how faith is the foundation of a Christian life.

**Week 6: “Palm Sunday”** we will commemorate the daily events leading up to Easter.

**Week 7: “EASTER”** will be a celebration of the Resurrection of Christ with stories, crafts, food and movement. Parents, please remember to have children at the church at 9:30 a.m. so they can participate in the flowering of the Easter Cross. PLUS, be sure to have each child bring their Easter basket for the Easter Egg Hunt after the 10:00 a.m. service!

Thanks so much for your continued support!

Karen Neff  
Christian Education Director

# Garden Happenings!

“Greta, Greta, wake up! I see the ladies gathering for the High Tea Party. Hurry and wake up, we don’t want to miss this.”

“Ohhhh, I’m so cold. I need some warm sunshine to help me move. But I’m tired too, so maybe I should nap some more.” Greta was talking very quietly.

“Since I am much smaller than you are, I come out of hibernation easier than you, so I warm up much faster; and if that big cloud overhead will move,



Photo: Diane Dougiello

Gale Forchelli and Wanda Beymer from the 1920s.

you will feel better real soon.” Little One was trying to keep Greta awake long enough for her to get excited. “But Greta, use your eyes, what do you see?”

“Well, I see you, and Bea, and



Groggy’s back, and – Oh, look! There is Ms. Wanda in a fancy black dress and a feather in her hair. Mr. Steve has a suit on – wait, are those spats?

And look here is Ms. Sandy walking down the sidewalk. Wow, she has a crinoline under her blue polka-dot dress. That looks like she is going to a tea. Oh Little One, you woke me up just in time for the High Tea. Thank you!

“I know you like the High Tea, and I have fun watching the

ladies decide which basket to put their raffle tickets into. You missed Ms. Diane; but maybe she will come out on the breezeway again. She was getting a thing out of that big box and it looked like half a person.” Little One seemed a bit confused about that as he related the happenings to Greta.



Photo: Diane Dougiello

Sandy and Jack Miller at the High Tea

“Don’t be silly, there is ... oh my, you are right – that looks like half a person – a very stiff person. Shh-sh listen to what she is saying.” Greta said as she turned to watch Ms. Diane.

“Don’t you give me any more problems Tiffany! I got your bottom half set –now, let’s try your top half. You are always such a problem!” Ms. Diane was attempting to get the mannequin she calls Tiffany, out of her box and set up. Ms. Eva was carrying an arm and holding the door as they both started laughing and then disappeared into Houg Hall.

“What do you make of that?” asked Greta.

“I remember that face!” Exclaimed Little One and then he continued: “That was the statue Jackson was talking to when we visited the Thrift Store. Hey, that reminds me, it has been a long-long time and Freddy has not come back to our garden. I wonder what he is doing over there.”

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Greta sighed, Groggy groaned and Bea chuckled and then said: “Greta I’m very surprised—you have not noticed you have a new dress.”

“You match the lady with the

puffy skirt!” Little One exclaimed. (After a quick look down at her new dress, Greta said: “Well, you are both right, but shh, here come a few more ladies.”

The air was clear the sun was out and the ladies—almost parade like just kept coming toward Houg Hall; buying raffle tickets, laughing and talking and then disappearing into the hall for the High Tea. Our friends in the garden sat and watched in awe.

The next day our friends were awake early and ready to listen to the worship service. The congregation and Father Tony did not disappoint them.

The Mount of Transfiguration “Mountains in the Bible were often places where God said and did something special...”

“Jesus was transfigured before their eyes, his appearance changed. But the change was different; it was much different. The appearance of his face changed, his robes became dazzling white.... He was human but was also divine. He was the glory of God in flesh; the light was coming from within Him.... Jesus went from being a normal looking human being into a bright and awesome looking God.”.... Just as God revealed Jesus’ divineness to the disciples; we too need to recognize when Christ calls us to have our own mountain top experience.

God calls us to prayer, scripture reading, meditation or reflections... to be able to truly seek his presence we need to be open and ready for the experience.“ \*

Out in the garden all was quiet for some time, but finally broken by Little One asking: “Hey Draco, it’s a good thing we started reading the Bible together isn’t it?”

“Good morning Little One. Of course, it is a good thing to do for ourselves. But I also find I think more often of all of you, and of the church. The building is always here, but the people change. Some stick around for what might seem forever, and others pass through in a matter of a few short years. I don’t know why that happens.” And again there was quiet in the garden.

Jackson, who has been very quiet for a long time finally spoke up. “Uh, perhaps that is what God wants. God is in control of all that happens to you, to me, to the church and all of her people. It is our job to love him and all we meet. I think that is agape love. I just wish I could get a new shirt.”

Laughter rang out all through the garden. All of our friends thought that was funny – even Jackson.

Greta, when she could stop her laughter responded: “For that you should ask the Garden Whisperer. I think she is a Fairy-Godmother type, and I’m sure she can make that happen! I received a new dress a couple of weeks ago, when I asked. But thank both the Whisperer and God. I know I did.”

Have a good Lent everyone!

The Garden Whisperer

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\*Paraphrased from Father Tony’s 10:00 a.m. sermon Feb. 11, 2024





# Peering into the Past

When the people of All Saints' were celebrating our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, their gala dinner was held on the campus of Florida Institute of Technology's (FIT) Jensen Beach campus.

The guest speaker at their celebration dinner was Errol Willes, an attorney in Fort Pierce and a very active member of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. He was one of the children raised in All Saints' in the days when the clergy came by boat or train. He was a student at Florida Law School the summer a kitchen fire got away from him while his parents, Frederick and Elizabeth Willes, and Mrs. Abbie Sewall were in Georgia to get away from the summer heat.



# Anniversary of the Laying of the Cornerstone

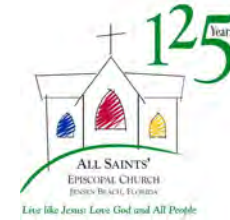


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Father Tony delivering his homily.



That campus of FIT was where the Indian Riverside Park is today. The building in which that dinner was held is no longer in existence and the FIT campus is long gone. All Saints' still continues to serve 50 years later, and a lovely facility for our 125<sup>th</sup> Gala Dinner was available for our dinner on the very same land.

Joyce A Fletcher Menard  
Historian

Pictures from our 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Dedication of the Church Building. All of the LEMs took part in the service which combined the 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. congregations. The Vestry was also inducted during the service.



Photo: Wanda Beymer

The 2024 Wardens and Vestry.

# LENTEN DISCIPLESHIP

## ON THE ROAD TO EASTER WORD SEARCH



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| Wednesday  | Holy Thursday | Forty Days   |
| Sacrifice  | Good Friday   | Jesus        |
| Almsgiving | Holy Saturday | Passover     |
| Prayer     | Easter        | Foot Washing |
| Fasting    | Palm Sunday   | Resurrection |
| Lent       | Purple        | Love         |



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## MINISTRY LEADERS & VOLUNTEERS

- + Monday, March 4 - **Daughters of the King** meeting at 5 p.m. in the Church building
- + Monday, March 4 – **Men’s Fellowship Meeting** at 6 p.m.
- + Wednesday, March 6, 13, 20 – **Healing Service with Holy Eucharist**, 10 a.m.
- + Friday, March 8 – **Endowment Reception “Preparing your home for emergencies”** Free to all, 5:30 p.m. – hors d’oeuvres and Beer, Wine, and Soft Drinks will be available.
- + Saturday, March 9–DOK Quiet Day, 9 a.m. – noon inc Lunch
- + Monday, March 15 – **Vestry Meeting**
- + Saturday, March – **Women’s Fellowship meeting** 9:30 a.m. Meet and Greet and 10 a.m. meeting with Speaker
- + Saturday, March 16–**Annual Heritage Society Appreciation Banquet** with show– “The Priest and the Imam.” Join the Heritage Society to get a free invite.
- + Sunday, March 21 – **Palm Sunday**, 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Sunday School
- + Thursday, March 28 – **Maundy Thursday**, 6:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist with Foot Washing, followed by an Agape Meal, sponsored by the DOK. **The Watch** also follows the service in the Church, at 1/2 hour intervals.
- + **Friday, March 29, Good Friday**, 10 a.m. Stations of the Cross, Outdoors in the Garden. 12 noon, Good Friday Liturgy
- + **Sunday, March 31–EASTER!** 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service with Holy Eucharist, 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist, 9:30 a.m. Children’s Flowering of the Cross, 10 a.m. Festive Holy Eucharist with Music, followed by the Easter Egg Hunt

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