



St. Paul's Episcopal Church McHenry, IL



Weekly e Pistle ~ June 3, 2020

Words from Wardens

Thank you to everyone who joined us on our first Zoom Parish Meeting conference call. While this method of communication is not the same as meeting in person, it is an effective way to be "together" and it was so nice to see so many smiling faces!

The ballots to vote on proceeding with the sale of our property have been mailed to all eligible voters. You should be receiving them soon, and I encourage you to vote and return your ballots promptly before the 6/10/20 deadline. Once the ballots have been received, Lisa Strandberg as the Clerk of our parish will tabulate the votes, and the results will be published. Continuing our promise of transparency, we will inform everyone about all future plans as we take these next steps together.

In closing, I would like to take a moment to pause and pray for our nation, our state, our community, and our little corner of the world at St. Paul's as we face the challenges ahead of us today.

Beth Lukas (Senior Warden)





Bishop Curry's Sermon for Pentecost

May 31, 2020 Pentecost in a Pandemic

Click to view **here**



Cleaning Supplies Needed!

In anticipation of re-opening St. Paul's, we are in need of cleaning supplies! If you're out shopping and see some of these items, please consider picking up one or two so we'll be well-supplied when we get ready to open our doors! We already have a good amount of masks and gloves, so cleaning supplies (Fantastik, 409, Clorox, wipes, paper towels, etc.) and large hand sanitizer refills are what's needed. Please steer clear of off-brand products, as they tend to be less effective. Thank you!



Holy Mowers June Schedule

Week 1 - Jeff Zabor Week 2 - Ashley Pecoraro Week 3 - Jeff Lynaugh Week 4 - Bill Lang

St. Paul's Prayer List Week of June 7 -13

Please keep those on our prayer list in your thoughts during this time. If you wish to add to the list, please contact the church office.

Ongoing prayers: Yasmin, Kay, Edna, Ann, Amy, Tim, Bren, Brady, Jim, Marty, Barb, Marianne, Jim, Lucy, Vic, and Cindy

Current prayers: Michelle, Jenn, Bonnie, Stacy, Jeff, Keith, Shane, Erik, Jenny, Debbie, Shawn, Michael, Bobbi, Rory, Bonnie, Brittany, Danielle, Kathy, Doc, and Farmer John



Readings for Trinity Sunday Year A

Collect: Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word
The First Lesson: Genesis 1:1-2:4a
The Gradual: Psalm 8 or Canticle 2 or 13
The Epistle: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13
The Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

In union, dear Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered to the Father, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I entreat you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Prayer for St. Paul's

Merciful and loving God, we hold before you this parish, our beloved St. Paul's, and ask you to bless us with the courage to preach and live the Good News of your love, your healing, and your forgiveness. Guide us to be seeking you in all that we do; to be serving others in your name; and to be growing in your image. Give us, we pray, open hearts, open minds, and open doors to receive and welcome all who come here, that we may be as Christ to them as we are Christ to one another. All this we ask in the holy name of Jesus.

Even though we can't be together on Sunday mornings, there are a number of ways to **worship online:**

The **National Cathedral** Holy Eucharist is on Sunday at 10:15 am. You may view it **here**.

St. Ann's Woodstock is also hosting worship online. Here's how to view:

Tune into Facebook Live on St. Ann's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/StAnnsEpiscopal.Woodstock (or click **here**) at 10 a.m. Sunday, to view a live stream of worship; *you do not need a Facebook account to view this* (simply click "**not now**" if you are prompted to open a Facebook account).

Helpful Websites

Below are links from Bishop Curry, Bishop Lee, and others that you may find helpful:

Episcopal News Service. Bishop Curry's news is posted here along with Episcopal news from around the country. Subscribe: https://www.episcopalnewsservice.org/

Chicago Diocese website. Bishop Lee posts his videos and letters here along with other diocese news. Very good general resource. https://episcopalchicago.org/

Leadership News from Chicago Diocese: From the diocese home page there is a link to subscribe to the newsletter. Updates come regularly and are informative.

Episcopal Relief and Development. Link to supportive resources: https://www.episcopalrelief.org/what-we-do/us-disaster-program/remoteministry/

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: https://www.cdc.gov/

World Health Organization: https://www.who.int/

Ouestions or concerns?

Please contact our Wardens - Beth Lukas (Senior Warden) or Jeffrey Zabor (Junior Warden).

In need of pastoral care?

Please contact Deborah Lang, our Deacon.



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