



Birthdays This Week

Sept. 23 - Dirk Moffatt	Sept. 26 - Miriam Stahley
Sept. 23 - Janet Hawi	Sept. 27 - Fr. Marc Dunaway
Sept. 23 - Fr. John Rogers	Sept. 28 - Lynn Guio
Sept. 24 - Ben Labrecque	Sept. 28 - Kim Medders
Sept. 24 - Ann Patras	Sept. 28 - Jana Jenkins
Sept. 25 - JD Curry	Sept. 28 - Isaiah John Temple
Sept. 25 - Megan Dougherty	Sept. 29 - Evelyn Stierh

M A N Y Y E A R S !

St. John's Reading Group

Wednesday Readers: 10am to 11:30am in Reading Room.



4th Sunday (9/23) - 'S' through 'Z'

Hosting - Sam & Jenny Stogsdill & Mary Ruth Zink

5th Sunday (9/30) - 'A' through 'Z'

Hosting - All Church



Clare House Meal Fourth Saturday of Each Month

For the Month of October our scheduled meal is October 27 – Sign up on the Downstairs Bulletin Board.

St. John's Sunday Bulletin

September 23, 2018 * Conception of St. John the Baptist

Galatians 4:22-27 * Luke 5:1-11 * Tone 8

Reader: Steve Templeton

Homily by: Fr. Thomas Frizelle

Choir to Join the Congregation Today

Today our choir members will stand among the people and our Chanters will lead the singing. We are doing this again to draw attention to the fact that it is the laity as a whole who is called to sing the main responses and hymns in the services of the church. **So sing – and make sure you pick up a hymn sheet.**

Walk to the Chapel - Wednesday, September 26 - 12:15pm

Saint Sergius (September 25) and

Saint John (September 26) Feast Days

The two Saints who are the Patrons of our Cathedral and the Chapel on the 50 acres have Feast Days next to each other. We will have a special prayer service at St. Sergius Chapel on Wednesday, Sep 26. (We will meet at the Cathedral steps at 12:15pm). All of St. John's students and teachers will participate in the Chapel service. Everyone is invited to join us.

Fall / Winter Schedule for Classes and Weekday Liturgies

September 26 - Wednesday Family nights will begin.

We will keep the same schedule as in past years with one exception. Dinner in the Church Basement will at 6pm. Atrium classes and Youth Groups will gather at 6:30pm. Adult classes will begin at 6:50pm. **The change will be that there will be no Vespers at 8:15pm.** Instead the Adult Class will end with Evening Prayers said together.

September 27 - Thursday Morning Liturgies will begin.

This service begins at 8:15am and is attended by the upper grades of St. John's School. It is a beautiful and prayerful boost mid-week. Everyone is invited to join when they can. This Liturgy lasts only one hour.

Wednesday Night Adult Class This Coming Week

And Ideas for Future Classes

For our first adult class at the Saint James House this week we will read Fr. Alexander Schmemmann's essay, "The Mission of Orthodoxy." This should leave us plenty of time for discussion. Part of this discussion will be to ask what kinds of topics those who come would like us to cover this winter. There are many ideas, but this week your input would be appreciated.

Parish Council Meeting - Tuesday, September 25 - 7:30pm

New (Yellow) Phone List Available in Narthex

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Assistant Priests: Fr. John Downing / Fr. Robert Polson

Fr. Thomas Frizelle / Fr. John Rogers

Schedule of Regular Services: Saturdays: Great Vespers-7:15pm

Sundays: Matins-9am/Divine Liturgy-10am

Wednesdays: Vespers 7:15pm / Thursdays: Divine Liturgy 8:15am (On School Days)

Wednesdays and Fridays 6th Hour Prayers – 12:30pm (On School Days)

Confession Times: Fr. Marc, Fr. Robert & Fr. Thomas after Great Vespers on Saturdays

Thomas Merton Tour - Friday September 28

St. John's is hosting a Thomas Merton tour Group visiting where he stayed at the St. James House.

Annual Choir Potluck - September 30, 3 - 5pm

Bring a dish to share. All choir members and their families are invited to the Terrell's home. For any questions call Debbie Stallman at 696-1441. Anyone interested in joining the Choir - this would be a good time to come.

Fr. Marc and Kh. Betsy on Vacation - September 30-Oct. 15

Fr. Marc and Kh. Betsy will be traveling with some of their children to Europe, mainly Belgium and Italy. Fr. Marc was in Europe 31 years ago as the Evangelical Orthodox leadership travelled to Istanbul. Betsy has never been as an adult, so they are looking forward to this trip. Please pray for their safe travel.

Sisters of Mary & Martha Society

Mark Your Calendars! - Sunday, October 7 at 2pm

Our next general meeting will be on Sunday, 10/7 at 2pm. Snacks will be provided, and one lucky lady will win a door prize! Come and enjoy learning, visiting and laughing with each other, and working on a few tasks together. Hoping to see many of our sisters there! If you have any questions, contact Jen Medders at 744-5792 or by email at medders5@hotmail.com.

Atrium Registration / Orientation Information

Registration for Atrium Classes Start Today.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atrium classes and Family Nights will begin Sept 26th. Please register your children for atrium class based on the following ages:

Level 1: 3-6 years old, or preschool and K

Level 2: 6-9 years old, or 1st - 3rd grade

Level 3: 9-12 years old or 4th through 6th grade. (Note: 6th graders are not in Jr. High Youth Group.)

Registration forms and information will be available downstairs during coffee hour Sunday, Sept. 23.

Level 1 Child Orientation

All new and returning Level 1 children must have an Individual Child Orientation to Atrium before beginning the Atrium program on Sept 26th. Orientations will occur at intervals following Divine Liturgy on Sunday Sept 23rd. There is a sign up chart on the bulletin board downstairs. During Orientations, one of St John's catechists will be available to orient new parents as well, to answer questions and introduce Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. If you are new to this Montessori Method of Christian Education, you will find the parent orientation very interesting and helpful.

"Liturgy Babysitting" CANCELLED

Liturgy Babysitting is cancelled effective today. This is not to say that toddlers don't need a break, but this will now be up to parents to arrange as they see fit, perhaps in cooperation with other parents. It is just too difficult to consistently oversee this service as teens and toddlers grow through these stages. - Fr. Marc

St. John's School News

St. John's School News: Things are just humming along here at St. John's! We've had a great start to our school year. If you would like to read our School Eagle Newsletter, please visit our website at www.sjocs.org or pick up a complimentary printed copy from the Narthex table. Below is an excerpt and some pictures from Mrs. Ray's 3rd and 4th Grade class that appeared in this week's Newsletter.

Classroom Showcase: What's happening in Mrs. Ray's 3rd/4th Grade Class: The third and fourth-graders have been engaged in lots of learning activities both inside and outside the classroom. We start our day hard at work, building our language, reading, writing,



and math skills, but we also make a little time each morning to enjoy a short run around the church and school property. It has been wonderful to get outdoors and take advantage of this beautiful September weather while helping to give ourselves a little midmorning mental reboot. In the afternoons, we have been studying geography, maps, and ecosystems. Our young geographers and scientists deftly climbed the Palmer Butte to take soil samples and identify landforms, and they used their maps skills to find buried treasure. In further science study, we have explored the role of the FBI (Fungi, Bacteria and Insects) and their role in the ecosystem. Along this vein, we have adopted about

150 worms as our new class pets!

Local Community News and Personal Notes



You Are Invited!

**Please join us for Coffee, Food and
Jonas Daniel Gillquist Baby Shower**

Time and Date: Saturday, September 29 at 12:30pm

Location: St. John's Church Basement

RSVP: Text or Call Jen Gillquist (907) 632-1064

Registered: Target and REI

Al Zink has a Studio Apartment Available

Studio Apartment available October 3 through the end of April - (On Monastery Dr.) If interested call Al at 632-0394.