

Saint Mark's
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
CANTON, OH



The Lion's Pause

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**PLEASE WEAR
A MASK**

In view of COVID transmission rates in Stark Co. and CDC guidelines, we are requesting that all persons attending services at St. Mark's continue to wear a mask inside the building.

Rector's Ramblings with Fr. RJ

In my sermon last Sunday, I mentioned that we, as Episcopalians, believe that in some way Christ is truly present in the bread and wine at the Eucharist. This prompted a couple of questions about what the traditional Anglican teaching is regarding the presence of Christ in the Eucharistic elements.

Historically, the western church has attempted to define the way in which Christ is present in the bread and wine. The Roman Catholic doctrine of transubstantiation is based on Aristotelian philosophy. A very brief summary of that doctrine is that the substance of the bread and wine is changed into the body and blood of Jesus, while the accidents or appearance remains bread and wine.

Martin Luther rejected the doctrine of transubstantiation

because he said that it destroyed the matter of the bread and wine. Instead, he said that the bread and wine remained bread and wine, while Christ infused his presence in, under, and around the bread and wine. This doctrine is called consubstantiation.

John Calvin took Luther's rejection of transubstantiation a step further, and said that Christ is spiritually present in the bread and the wine. Calvin argued that his difference with Luther was not about the fact of Christ's presence, but the mode of Christ's presence. He said that Christ is truly "spiritually present" to the faithful in the bread and wine.

Huldrych Zwingli taught that the bread and the wine symbolized the body and blood of Christ. Although the bread and wine are symbols, he said that the bread and wine contain nothing of Christ's presence and the heart of the one who receives the bread and wine are what really matter.

Traditionally Anglicans have rejected all of the Western formulations for the presence of Christ in the Eucharist. Following the Eastern Church, the Anglican tradition has taught that Christ makes himself present in the bread and wine in a way that we cannot define. The important thing is that when we consume the bread and the wine at the Eucharist, we are taking the life of Christ into ourselves. That was what Christ promised at the last supper. That is what St. Paul meant when he said that the bread and wine are a participation in the body and blood of Christ (1 Corinthians 10"16).

This willingness to live with mystery is one of the things that drew me to the Episcopal Church. We do not have to define every doctrine. We simply take Christ as his word and trust his promises to us. It is a recognition that God is beyond our comprehension. It is also a recognition that we can trust God to do what He said He would do.

Fr. RJ

Outreach: Blessing Box at Hope Outreach Ministry

Volunteers have built a unit to provide for the homeless when the shelter is not open. "The Blessing Box" will be filled with

personal items and some food and emergency items.

Items we can help with: toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, toilet paper, tissues, hand sanitizer, paper towels, deodorants, band-aids, and other personal care products, cans of fruit, applesauce, tuna fish, crackers, and any ready-to-eat items. Remember that anything in a can should have a pull top since can openers are not necessarily available. Please place them in or near the Hope Chest, located across from the coatroom.

Please remember to bring in personal care items for Blessing Box at Hope Outreach. The need is great. Special thanks to Marilyn and Barrie Thorp who sent in a bag of 300+ hotel items gathered up by their family.

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Sunday, August 22

Holy Eucharist at 9 a.m.
In-Person and Live Stream

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Tuesday, August 24

Lunch Bunch, 1:00 p.m.
at Bueler's

Contact Sue Little for details.

Wednesday, August 25

Evening Prayer, 4:00 p.m.
Details coming soon

Bob's Music Notes

1997 was a busy year. Kathleen and I were getting acquainted with the good folks of St. Mark's and learning to appreciate the exquisite language of the Book of Common Prayer.

But we had concerns about selling our 19th Street home (which we had occupied since 1964) and getting rid of property I had unwisely bought in Venice FL, with a two-year build or sell deadline and a \$50 daily fine. To make matters worse, the Florida developer had reduced the price of unsold lots which meant that we'd never recover the price we had paid for our lot.

We hired Peggy, a perfect realtor. She called us every day with progress regarding the sale of our 19th Street house, and, I'm thinking, it must have been Providential. The very day that we sold the Canton house, the Venice property sold. What a relief!

Now we were faced with more decisions. If we were going to live in the Glenmoor community, we had three choices in the Cloisters. The whole large allotment had formerly housed the Brothers of the Most Precious Blood who had moved. The property was re-defined as a housing development with the former Seminary building as the new Clubhouse.

Two of the Cloister properties we were shown did not appeal to me, but the third was a pie-shaped parcel that overlooked the Timken farm. The price was higher since there was more land involved. I was sold on the idea. But Kathleen said, "No."

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

4 Jack Gordon
11 Tory Willoughby
13 Pamela Clark

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

1 Drew and Mandy Pelger
4 Bruce and Jane Schutrum
13 Bob and Kathy Kennedy
26 John and Tory Willoughby

Prayer Concerns

Jim Weaver, Jane Schutrum, Ron Hill, Amelia Rowland, Ron Brookes, Jack and Pauline Briggs

Family and Friends: Hugh Clark (friend of the Hixons & Kieslings); Eddie Hornsby (friend of Father RJ); Ray Slinger (friend of Bob Morrison), Janet Sheatzley Morgan (Barb Siegfried's sister); Chuck Schuerer and Beth Conley (friends of Cricket Boyd); Diana, Carol, & Lynnda Hoefler (friends of Sue Little); Carol Jones (daughter of Buck & BJ Jones); Steve O'Krepki and Corinna (family of Beth Crowl); Dr. Angela Peters & family (friend of the Kennedys); Judy Evans & Bobby Guerin (friends of Pam McCarthy); Addelyn (friend of Judy Hixon); Eddie Hornsby (friend of Father RJ); Sandy Snyder (friend of the Rands); Jerry Burris (friend of the Thorleys); Noah, Linda Kendrick, Gail (friends of the Kieslings); Lesley, Rob & Holly (friends of Paulette Frech); Jim Bellamy (friend of Marcia Tirpak); Marc Hostetler (brother of Susan Hostetler); Baby David (friend of the Schaub's); Bob Patterson (friends of Diana Cornell); Camila Guzman family and Pastor Marilyn Roman (friends of the Mulls); Johnny Willoughby; Jim Mesko (friend of Jim Weaver). For all those serving in the Armed Forces. For all those who have died.

PRAYER CHAIN:

St. Mark's has a group of prayer warriors who pray for the specific needs of those on the prayer chain. If you would like to place yourself or a loved one on the prayer chain, please contact Bobbi Gordon at ggordon24@sbcglobal.net

Prayer requests may be placed on the private Prayer Chain or on the Prayer Concerns list appearing in The Lion's Pause and Sunday bulletin or in both places. Please let Bobbi know your preference. Unless otherwise instructed, names will be listed as we receive them. Please update Bobbi or Katie on the status of your friends or family members as to when they may be removed from the prayer lists.



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