

Saint Mark's  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
CANTON, OH



## The Lion's Pause

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### MANY THANKS TO ALL

As I explained in my message sent to you on Monday, I am reluctantly observing a mandated quarantine until next Monday, October 5. Fortunately, we had already scheduled Morning Prayer for October 4, the first Sunday of the month. Bruce Hixon will officiate and provide the homily. I thank him, as I often do. I am grateful also to the Rev. Barbara Bond, your celebrant during my vacation.

### JEROME

Yesterday (in the church calendar) we remembered one of the most influential biblical scholars in our Church, Jerome. This Fourth Century monk is best remembered for having accepted a frightening responsibility, translating the Bible into the colloquial Latin then spoken by the people. That is why his version is known as the "Vulgate," a word indicating "the people's language."

Jerome's translation served the Church well for many centuries, but the Latin of the Vulgate eventually became inaccessible to most of the faithful. Hence courageous translators in England and throughout Europe took on the task Jerome had performed, that of creating translations of the Bible that people could read. Today, we can choose from many translations and paraphrases, some more accurate than others, some more readable than others. That would be a good



subject for our discussion group!

Here's the Collect for Jerome's day:

*O God, who gave us the holy Scriptures for a light to shine upon our path: Grant us, after the example of your servant Jerome, so to learn of you according to your holy Word, that we may find the Light that shines more and more to the perfect day; even Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and ever. Amen.*

Fr. Paul

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### **Sunday Service**

**Hang Tight-**We are awaiting the latest guidance from Dewing and the Stark County Health Department before resuming in-person services on Sunday. We hope to let you know by **tomorrow** if we will resume, or stream only.

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### **Sunday School**

Sunday School meets virtually on ZOOM each week for the time being. Current students will be receiving an invite via e-mail with login information for the zoom meeting. If your child or grandchild (age 3-12) is new to St. Mark's Sunday School and would like to join us, please e-mail Sunday School leader Emily Gordon at [ecgordon16@gmail.com](mailto:ecgordon16@gmail.com).

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To facilitate stewardship during this difficult time, the Diocese has launched an online giving resource. Simply set up your one-time or recurring gift and select your parish from the pull-down menu (Canton, St. Mark's). The Diocese will transfer your gift to St. Mark's. We thank you for your continued support and prayers.

**Designate a Gift to St. Mark's**

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## **Thanksgiving Baskets & Community Christmas**

In the past, St. Mark's parishioners have generously supported both these programs with food donations, shopping for families, wrapping gifts, and financial contributions. Due to COVID -19, both of these programs have had to adjust. This year only cash donations are being requested.

The plan is to accumulate all donations by the end of October, and split the funds between the two organizations in early November to meet their time lines. The October loose plate offering and some budgeted mission funds will be included in St. Mark's support.

Limiting the number of personal volunteers will surely raise the cost for these two valuable programs during the 2020 holidays. Please consider making a contribution if you are able. Your checks can be sent to the church office or put in the Sunday offering. Please note on your check Thanksgiving Baskets, Community Christmas or Holiday Mission.



Can you help with Sunday setup? We need ongoing volunteers for setup, attendance, and streaming. Sign up [HERE](#).



**Informal Discussion Signup**





Following informal discussions on Thursdays, we will have office hours from 6-7:30 p.m. by appointment only. You may make an appointment with

Fr. Paul, Katie, or simply spend time in the sanctuary. We will allow no more than two visitors at a time, and utilize the Family Room for meetings so we may keep a 6-ft. distance. To make an appointment, please contact Katie in the office at [office@stmarks-canton.org](mailto:office@stmarks-canton.org)

If these hours are not convenient, please contact the church office. "Virtual" office hours can be made available using FaceTime or a telephone call.

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### **Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost:**

[Read This Week's Lessons](#)

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### **Music Notes with Bob Morrison**

Departing for a moment from the McCurdy narrative, I found myself in a new world at Westminster Choir College. For the first time in ten years, I wasn't playing organ in a church. I was singing in the choir at Second Presbyterian, Princeton, with my voice teacher Herbert V. Pate, director and my theory teacher David Stanley York at the organ. That first Christmas Dr. Williamson gathered the entire student body for a carol sing, which proved to be overwhelmingly beautiful and memorable. I went home to Baltimore for the holidays walking on air. Later in the year, I was invited to be organist at First Reformed Episcopal Church of New York City, located in the heart of Manhattan at 317 E. 50th Street - the same street of Radio City Music Hall but three long blocks east. A new adventure was ahead!



Happy Birthday to Bob Morrison! Send him a happy birthday email [here](#).

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# Prayer Concerns

Harry Kit, Ron Brookes, Charlie Becker, Paul Welch,  
Ron and Peg Hill, Jack and Pauline Briggs

**Family and Friends:** Addelyn (friend of Hixons'), Jim Bellamy (friend of Marcia Kiesling), Bonnie Manos (friend of Judy Gibbs), Rick Hursh (friend of John and Tory Willoughby), Jim Locke (friend of Ken Jaeb), Earl Hoot (father of Joe Hoot), Nancy Stewart Matin (friend of Norm and Rhonda Warren), Sarah (daughter of Bill and Beck Rand), Anne (friend of Sue Little), Karen Belden (friend of Cricket Boyd), Judy Provo (friend of Cricket Boyd), Marc Hostetler (brother of Susan Hostetler), Gabrielle Karam (friend of Diana Cornell), Dave Jarvis (family of Ron and Peg Hill), Cody Hixon (cousin to Bruce and Judy Hixon), Don, Suzy Clark (friend of Hixons'), Stacy Biglin (acquaintance of Derek Gordon), Autumn (granddaughter of Kerry and Zev), Bob Patterson (friend of Diana Cornell), Adriana (Pam McCarthy's daughter's friend), Jacobo-Quijada Family (Mandy Pelger's Student), Lynn McBride (father of Beth Crowl), Monica McGrath (cousin of Katie Cerroni-Arnold), Baby David (friend of the Schaub's), Marianne L. (friend of Kieslings'), Amara (granddaughter of Ken Jaeb), Conrad Family (friends of the Rands), Nancy Sauer and Helen Carnahan (friends to Diana Cornell), John Streb (friend of the Mulls), Pastor Marilyn Roman (friend of St. Mark's), Lynnda Hoefler (friend of Sue Little), Katie Campbell (friend of Boyds'), Johnny Willoughby, Bobby Guerin (friend of Pam McCarthy), Jim Mesko (friend of Jim Weaver), Michelle Gibson-Garber (friends of the Gordons) Donald Pentz (friend of the Rands)

**For all those serving in the armed forces.**

**For all those who have died.**

**Please share updates with Bobbi Gordon.**

## **PRAYER CHAIN:**

St. Mark's has a group of prayer warriors who pray for 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](mailto:ggordon24@sbcglobal.net)

Please note, prayer requests may be placed on the Prayer Chain,

in the Prayer Concerns list appearing here and in the Sunday bulletin, or in both places. Please let Bobbi know your preference.

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