

St. John's Episcopal Church

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The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

February 9, 2025

10:30 a.m.

Welcome!

It is our custom to be silent before the service, so as you take some time to pray, please turn off all electronic devices. All you need to participate in the service is found in this bulletin and in the blue hymnals in each pew.

If you are new to St. John's, or have been attending a while but the parish office doesn't yet have your information, please fill out our online newcomer form by scanning the QR code or going to sjparish.net/newcomer

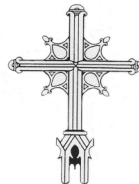


Scan to fill out online newcomer form.

Our ushers are here to create a welcoming and safe space for worship; please let them know if you have questions, need assistance, or become aware of a health or safety concern. They have hearing assist devices available for those who need them. We're glad you're here!

Children are always welcome to be in church with their families. We encourage you to sit up front, as children will be more engaged if they can see and hear what's going on. Children are welcome here just as they are; please don't feel you must leave every time your little one makes a sound! We have children's bulletins, books, and other quiet activities available in the narthex (the entrance with the red doors) for children's use during the service. Our professionally staffed nursery located in the Education Wing is open on Sunday mornings from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Parents/caregivers are welcome to drop off children in the nursery for part or all of the service. The Education Wing and nursery also have changing tables and seating that parents/caregivers may use as needed.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY Adoration

Florence Price (1887–1953)

THE HYMN IN PROCESSION 362 Holy, holy, holy!

NICAEA

All stand and sing.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Title: *Canticle 20, Glory to God: Gloria in excelsis*

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

*Isaiah 6:1–8**All sit.*

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

Psalm 138

*The people are invited to chant the verses in **bold**.*



Jerome Webster Meachen (1930–2015)

- 1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; *
before the gods I will sing your praise.
- 2 I will bow down toward your holy temple
and praise your Name; *
because of your love and faithfulness;
- 3 **For you have glorified your Name** *
and your word above all things.
- 4 **When I called, you answered me;** *
you increased my strength within me.
- 5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord; *
when they have heard the words of your mouth.
- 6 They will sing of the ways of the Lord; *
that great is the glory of the Lord.
- 7 **Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly;** *
he perceives the haughty from afar.

8 **Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
your right hand shall save me.**

9 **The Lord will make good his purpose for me; *
O Lord, your love endures for ever;
do not abandon the works of your hands.**

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:1–11

Iwould remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 661 They cast their nets

GEORGETOWN

All stand and sing.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 5:1–11

Minister The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

All **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.” Simon answered, “Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.” When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!” For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.” When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

Minister The Gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

Rebecca Bourret

All sit.

THE NICENE CREED

All stand.

We believe in one God,
 the Father, the Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
 the only Son of God,
 eternally begotten of the Father,
 God from God, Light from Light,
 true God from true God,
 begotten, not made,
 of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
 he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
 he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
 and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
 he suffered death and was buried.
 On the third day he rose again
 in accordance with the Scriptures;
 he ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
 and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
 With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
 He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The people say the words in bold.

Let us worship the Savior with joy and make our prayers to God.

The magi came from the east to worship your Son: Grant to Christians everywhere the spirit of worship and a readiness to seek and follow you always. Lord of glory, **hear our prayer.**

The infant Christ received gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh: Accept the offering of our hearts and minds as we strive to faithfully follow Jesus in the year ahead. Lord of glory, **hear our prayer.**

The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ: Inspire our leaders to work for an abundance of peace, justice, and compassion, and strengthen all peacemakers, especially in the Holy Land, Ukraine, Sudan, and all places of turmoil and conflict. Lord of glory, **hear our prayer.**

The Holy Family lived in exile and in the shadow of death: Look in mercy on all who are poor and powerless, and comfort and be present to all who suffer, especially those on our parish prayer list. Lord of glory, **hear our prayer.**

Your Son shared the life of his home and family in Nazareth: Protect in your love our neighbors, especially those affected by the California wildfires, immigrants and refugees, and those without a safe place to call home; our families; and this community. Lord of glory, **hear our prayer.**

Jesus reigns with you in eternal life: Welcome those who have died into your realm of everlasting love and peace. Lord of glory, **hear our prayer.**

Celebrant God, we rejoice in our fellowship with the shepherds, the angels, the magi, Mary and Joseph, and all the faithful departed. In your unfailing love for us and for all people, hear and answer our prayers through your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All remain standing or kneel.

All **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

THE WELCOME

All sit.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM I will worship

George Dyson (1883–1964)

Text: Psalm 138

I will worship toward thy holy temple
 And praise thy name
 For thy loving kindness and truth.
 All the kings of the earth shall praise thee,
 They shall sing in the ways of the Lord,
 That great is the glory of the Lord.
 For though the Lord is high
 Yet hath he respect unto the lowly;
 Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
 Yet thou shalt refresh me
 And thy right hand shall hold me.

THE PRESENTATION HYMN

OLD 100TH

All stand and sing.

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise him, all creatures here below;
 Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
 Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

All stand.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. _____

Setting: Robert Powell (1932–2025)

All remain standing or kneel.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death.

We proclaim his resurrection.

We await his coming in glory.

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
All **Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy Name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread.
 And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom,
 and the power,
 and the glory
 for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
 take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.
 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Setting: Robert Powell (1932–2025)

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,
 and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Everyone is invited to receive Holy Communion at St. John's. To receive, please kneel or stand at the altar rail. You may choose to receive bread only, intinct (dip) your wafer in the wine, or drink from the cup.

If you would like a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.

If you have mobility limitations and would like a priest to bring Communion to you in your seat, please let an usher know.

If you would like to pray with our healing prayer volunteer, go to the baptismal font at the back of the church after receiving Communion.

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM Teach me, O Lord

David Hurd (b. 1950)
Text: Psalm 119:33–38, 40

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes; and I shall keep it to the end.
Give me understanding and I shall keep your law; I shall keep it with all my heart.
Make me go in the path of your commandments, for that is my desire.
Incline my heart to your decry, and not to unjust gain.
Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; give me life in your ways.
Fulfill your promise to your servant which you make to all who fear you.
Behold, I long for your commandments; in your righteousness preserve my life.

African-American composer David Hurd is director of music at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin in New York City. He played St. John's 25th anniversary organ recital in 2021. This anthem features a repeating accompaniment from the organ, over which the choir sings simple melodies that grow to the end. Together, they create an atmosphere of timeless repetition, illustrating the line in the anthem's refrain "I shall keep it to the end."

THE COMMUNION HYMN The Summons

KELVINGROVE

All remain seated and sing.



1 Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?
2 Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call your name?
3 Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name?
4 Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?
5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.



Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same?
Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same?
Will you set the pris - oners free and nev - er be the same?
Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same?
Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at - tract or scare?
Will you kiss the lep - er clean and do such as this un - seen,
Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the world a - round,
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot - steps show.



will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?
Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?
and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

Text and music: John L. Bell (b. 1949)

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

All stand or kneel.

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

The Celebrant gives the blessing and the people respond, Amen.

THE HYMN IN PROCESSION 655 O Jesus, I have promised

FRANCONIA

All stand and sing.

THE DISMISSAL

The Minister dismisses the people, and the people respond. Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE VOLUNTARY Te Deum: The Acknowledgment

David Hurd

THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

Celebrant: The Reverend Todd FitzGerald

Preacher: The Reverend Rebecca Bourret

Assisting Clergy: The Reverend Margie Baker

Seminarian: Robin Brown

Layreader: Matteo Donnelly

The St. John's Adult Choir & Choir School

Organist & Choirmaster: Nick Capozzoli

Acolytes: Caleb Worrell, Brielle Worrell, Atticus Finkell

Ushers: Mary Honyotski, Enid Oberholtzer, John Roche, Laura Roche, Don Polk

Livestream Operator: Rosa Guzzo

Altar Guild: Jo-Ann Sadosky, Brenda Zanta

Healing Prayer Minister: Sarah Kieffer

Nursery Staff: Nichole Segar, Caroline Thaxton, Olivia Thaxton

Sunday School Teachers: Audrey Baker, Robert Eikel, Akilah Williams, Jeff Verney,

Leah Lorenzo, Matt Ciscel, Angela Allen-Peck, Buffy Ineson

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Join us for coffee hour in Hubbard Hall after the service!

This Sunday, food is provided by those with last names starting G through L.
Next Sunday, food will be provided by those with last names starting M through R.

In your prayers this week, please pray for:

Peace in our world, those serving our country in the armed services, and all victims of war and violence.

Residents of the Caleb Hitchcock Center at Duncaster, and the George Beach Apartments, Allen Place, Hartford.

All those whose hurts, burdens, and fears are unspoken or unknown.

Those in need of healing, help, and comfort:

Kim Green	Susan	Ellie Brown	Wendy
Brad Babbitt	Sue	Anita Winters	Bob Norton
Virginia Skeele	Whitney Lynch	Joyce Flynn	Joseph
Grant Loevenbruck	Tessa Trussell Wolf	Rachel Boccio	Sarah Carroll
John & Barbara Spannaus	The Yelland family	Joan Ackley	Greg Highland
Jennifer Blean	Harry Barber	Guy Russo	Rachel
Hale Walkoff	Doug Larson	Jon Nelson	Lucas
Rod Farrell	Jeff Lewis	G.F.	Amy Bittinger
Hillary Lord	Miranda	Ned	William Bittinger
Helen Rosen	Allison and Family	Roger	Mike
Nick Willke	Linda	Rich Lammlin	Rick
Wayne Gollenburg	Jacob Latranica	Daniel Zoltan	Richard Myers
Uncle Rich Alpin	Tom Tata	Jim & Kathlyn Schofield	Carol
Tracie O'Brien	Timothy Foga	John Scott	Paul Thaxton
Naya	Miriam Myers	Mindy	Frank Higginbotham
Dennisse Salazar	Shoemaker Family	Eric Zoltan	Todd
Amy	Ken & Ellie	Elizabeth Myers	Peter Stanton & family
Cora	Elsa	David J. Beisler	Stephanie
John & Anne Walsh	Heidi	Carole Buttner	Lisa
Stephan	Charles & Susan Oakley	Branden	Ann
Todd FitzGerald	Rob Roy		

Those serving in the military:

Alex Thaxton

Those celebrating birthdays this week:

Alice Murchie	Maisie Smith
Cate Emerick	Caroline Smith
Danielle Layfield	Susan Harrison
Amy Steckler	Beth Kauczka

Those celebrating anniversaries this week:

Florencia Longo & Jordan Kinsky

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for St. John's, Essex; St. Paul's, Fairfield; St. James', Farmington; and for Haitian ministries in the ECCT.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Anglican Church of Australia.

Midweek contemplative Eucharist, every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in the chancel.

Year-end giving statements for 2024 have gone out. We sent year-end giving statements to the following people on January 16 (most were sent via email unless we don't have a valid email on file for you):

- **Those who contributed \$250 or more to St. John's in 2024.**
- **Those who contributed to the Music at the Red Door annual fund drive in 2024.** Statements include donations to the 2024 fund drive only and do not include donations made for a particular concert/event.

St. John's and Music at the Red Door statements were sent out in separate emails. Please check your email inbox as well as your spam/junk folders. If we do not have a valid email on file, your statements were mailed. **If you have any questions about your statement(s) or your 2024 contributions, please contact our financial administrator, Peggy O'Toole, at peggy@sjparish.net or 860-523-5201 ext. 311. Peggy is in the office on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.**

Spring Fling planning meeting, next Sunday, February 16 after the 10:30 service. The Spring Fling (on May 30 this year) is a favorite annual tradition for adults (church members and friends!) to gather for conversation, food, music, and to bid on many wonderful items in both a silent and live auction. We welcome both experienced and novice volunteers to help plan this year's event. Join us after church next Sunday to begin the conversation. If you cannot attend the meeting but would like to help, please contact Liana Douillet Guzman (liana.douillet@gmail.com) and Lauren Mascola (laurenmascola@gmail.com).

Bishop Mello to be at St. John's on February 23. The Right Reverend Jeffrey Mello, bishop diocesan of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut, will be at St. John's for the triennial bishop visitation on Sunday, February 23. Besides preaching and presiding at both Sunday services, he will baptize and/or confirm several of our parish youth. The bishop's visit is also an opportunity for newer St. John's members to be received into the Episcopal Church. While not required, being received by a bishop is a way for members who were previously part of a different (or no) denomination to formally choose membership in the Episcopal Church. Contact Todd or Margie if you're interested in being received on February 23.

Help furnish an apartment!

St. John's is again partnering with Journey Home—a community organization working to end homelessness in Connecticut—to furnish an apartment in Hartford for their client Barbara and three of her children (ages 7, 11, and 19).

How you can help:

- Go to sjparish.net/journeyhome to review our online sign-up, which lists needed items. If you can provide one or more items, please sign up on the online form.
- You may bring your item to church and leave it in the open coat closet area just outside the Education Wing OR hang onto the item and bring it in for one of our two drop-off days (see 4th bullet point below).
- Please only donate items AFTER checking the online sign-up and signing up to bring a specific item that is needed.
- Join us on Saturday, February 15 and/or Saturday, February 22 to transport items to Barbara's apartment. Meet in the church parking lot at 8:30 a.m.
- Donate funds so we can purchase items that aren't donated. Checks should be payable to St. John's with "Journey Home Adopt-a-Family" in the memo. Donations must be check or cash (we cannot accept credit card donations for this purpose).
- **The donation deadline for items and funds is February 21.**

Questions? Contact one of the following St. John's volunteers who are managing this project:

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Mary Honyotski (maryhonyotski@gmail.com)



BISHOP VISITATION SUNDAY

WITH
THE RIGHT REVEREND JEFFREY MELLO
BISHOP DIOCESAN
EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN CONNECTICUT

THE BISHOP WILL PREACH AND PRESIDE AT BOTH SUNDAY
SERVICES, AND WILL BAPTIZE, CONFIRM, AND RECEIVE INTO
THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH A NUMBER OF ST. JOHN'S
MEMBERS.

SUNDAY,
FEBRUARY 23 8 & 10:30 A.M.

Spring Fling & Auction

Annual gathering and fundraiser for the St. John's community.
All adults (parish members and friends) are welcome!

**First planning meeting - open to all
Sunday, February 16 after the 10:30 service**

**Friday, May 30
6:30 p.m.**



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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sundays at 8 a.m.: Spoken Holy Eucharist

Sundays at 10:30 a.m.: Choral Holy Eucharist

Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m.: Spoken Holy Eucharist

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