

ST. PETER'S WAVE JULY & AUGUST 2024

St. Peter's is a community called to Love, Worship, Proclaim, and Serve.

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

During the summer months of July and August our liturgical worship life celebrates "the long green season" – the weeks following Pentecost and Trinity Sundays. Green is the color used for the many Sundays named "After Pentecost."

We experience green in the nature that surrounds us, especially in trees and grass. Green symbolizes growth. Pentecost Sundays in the months ahead focus upon the growth of faith, both individually and corporately.

Readings from Mark's gospel will help us see how Jesus' mission grows. We'll hear about the growth of faith in the disciples and others. Epistle readings from Paul's letters show us how the 1st century church grew in Corinth and Ephesus.

We can reflect upon how our individual faith is growing during these summer months. And, we all need to continue to help St. Peter's to grow.

Introduce yourself to someone at church who you don't know. Our parishioners help St. Peter's to truly be a "Welcoming Church." Invite someone you know who doesn't have a parish home to join you on a Sunday. Be faithful and generous in your financial support of our parish.

The summer always passes very quickly. Enjoy each day. Give thanks for the beauty of nature. Celebrate gatherings and trips with family and friends. Work to grow in faith. Help St. Peter's to flourish during "the long green season."

Grace, Peace, Love, Bob







The Breaking of the Bread

During the Holy Eucharist, immediately after we say The Lord's Prayer, the Priest breaks the consecrated bread. It is a dramatic moment, highlighted by the host being held in plain sight of all. Often you can actually hear a cracking sound. A moment of silence follows.

For centuries in Episcopal / Anglican practice, a small wafer was broken during the words of institution. In the 1928 Book of Common Prayer and earlier editions, a rubric instructed the Priest to break the bread after "Do this in remembrance of me." And in many churches the altar was against the wall with the congregation only seeing the Celebrant's back.

The 1979 BCP restored the "Fraction" to its historic place and appointed "Christ our Passover" and "O Lamb of God" (Agnus Dei) or "some other suitable anthem" to be used. Our Hymnal offers several Fraction Anthems and musical selections (see S-151 to S-172).

In our liturgy there are 4 main Eucharistic actions - Offering, Blessing, Breaking, Sharing. Each one has a prominent place in our liturgy. These are the same 4 actions Jesus instituted at the Last Supper. Each one reminds us of his words, "Do this in remembrance of me."



Finances still are looking good.

The vestry discussed a letter that Aaron Wiley needed to get his food truck going – there were concerns about St. Peter's liability.

Landscapers will be here the first week in July to clean up Sallie Garden.

Mark Taylor will be repairing the parking lot for now – as it looks like we may need to do a big job in the near future.

John McGuinness' food stand will be open towards the end of June.

There will be a Family Fun Day on August 3^{rd} from 10 - 3:00. Volunteers are welcome.

The book bin is filling up quickly – we will ask Kim to have it emptied.

The Bourne Substance Free Coalition will be hosting a game night on August 7th. All proceeds will go to St. Peter's.

The Vestry will not meet in July – the next scheduled meeting is August 20th at 6:30. We can meet before then if there is a need.



Things are really heating up here in the Christmas Fair corner. Maybe because it's summertime! Weather aside, many parishioners have begun to bring in gently used items for our Santa's Seconds table and we have a great collection so far. Do you celebrate "Christmas in July"? July is a great time to sort through stuff when you're tired of the hot, humid weather and the beach. Get those air conditioners cranking and go through your holiday items and bring them into St. Peter's!

Margery Buckingham is looking for some ornament-making angels to join her on **Tuesday**, **July 9th from 1:00 - 3:00**. If you feel like you're not crafty, don't worry as she will teach you what you need to know and is always ready to listen to creative ideas you might have. She will meet **every Tuesday through July and August**. This isn't a weekly commitment, and you can drop in any time to enjoy the AC, fellowship, and creativity as well!

Don't forget our **Goods and Services Silent Auction**! Linda Masson is collecting items or gift certificates to be auctioned. These can be anything from a gift certificate to a restaurant, ice cream, mini golf, house cleaning or items like a new tv, a quilt, theme baskets of items. For more information contact Linda Masson at 508-423-1550 masson4@verizon.net or Dianne Cartmill at 774-269-4348 diane.cartmill@gmail.com.

SEARCH TEAM UPDATE

We are pleased to welcome Donna Beers as a new member to our Search Committee! Donna attends the 8:00 service so it will be wonderful to have input and to represent the early morning parishioners! Welcome Donna!

To date we have not received any candidates, so our search and prayers continue. Our Diocesan Consultant Kelly O'Connell continues her sabbatical until September. Hopefully we will be assigned a new search consultant sometime in the Fall. Yours In Christ,

Donna Beers, Matthew Bruce, Larry Higgins, Nancy Kennedy, and Patti Metcalf

PRAYER FOR A NEW RECTOR/SEARCH PROCESS

O God, you know us better than we know ourselves. Guide us in our search for a new clerical leader. empower each one of us to use our unique ministries, to share openly and honestly our thoughts, to respect the opinions of others, and to encourage humility, patience, and joy. Instill in us a vision of the Church's family; that guided by your Holy Spirit, we will be united in love and joyfully accomplish this mission of discovering the one you have called to serve with us as our rector. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



Wednesday, **July 10** @ **6pm** – We will gather together at Seaside Scoops at Buzzards Bay Park and take a gentle walk along the canal and return to Scoops for ice cream. YUM

Wednesday, **July 17** @ **6:30pm** – Join us at the bandshell in Onset for the weekly concert! Amy will be near the top of the hill on the left facing the stage. Not to be missed!

If you have a suggestion for a social get-together or have questions, please see Amy Farris or email her at amyreads42@gmail.com Thanks for organizing us Amy!



The St. Peter's Family has been very generous in helping our cause. One very large donation from our last jug collection has put us in a position to change the recipient from our upcoming Game night, with proceeds going to the parish for local mission and outreach.

Thank you to Kathy Letzeisen for her service on our committee - she will be missed and we wish her well.

Games and Dessert Is Back!!!!

Wednesday August 7th doors open at 5:30. Please sign up by Sunday August 4th. Prizes will be awarded and we will break for Ice Cream Brownie Sundaes!!!!!

The next meeting of our group will be Monday July 8th at 2:22pm. All are welcome!!! Larry Higgins, Celeste & Jim Hankey, Bob & Nancy Sherwood, Jane & Jim Lema, Donna Beers, Diane Bergeron and Connie Morison.

Below are some information sources that are available in our area:

Massachusetts Substance Abuse Hotline 1-800-327-5050

Learn to Cope www.learn2cope.org

AA Zoom 425-436-6360 Access Number n422932



PRESIDING BISHOP ELECTED

On Wednesday, June 26 at the General Convention of the Episcopal Church, the Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe was elected as 28th Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church. Bishop Rowe is currently the Bishop of Northwestern Pennsylvania and Western New York. In his address to delegates, Bishop Rowe stated "We cannot continue to be the Episcopal Church in the same way." "We need to support and embrace innovative works." "Reorienting our structures, our budgets, and our relationships will only matter if we do it for the sake of the gospel, for the sake of Jesus Christ." Bishop Rowe will be consecrated on Nov. 1 at National Cathedral in Washington, D.C.



Have you noticed how some things "just happen"? Well, there is always someone behind the scenes doing the work....so we would like to take a minute to thank Mark Taylor for keeping our grounds looking so good, and Amy Farris & John McGuinness for planting the lovely flower garden under the St. Peter's sign. If you see Mark, John or Amy, please thank them!

RECURRING EVENTS

Sundays: 8am - Holy Eucharist Rite I

10am - Holy Eucharist Rite II w/music

(unless otherwise noted)

Tuesdays: 11am - Bible Study*

1pm - Christmas Crafters July & Aug.

Thursdays: 8:30am - TOPS

1st Saturday, 8:30am - Men's Breakfast*

2nd Monday, 2:22pm - Substance Abuse Team

3rd Tuesday, 6:30pm – Vestry (no July meeting)

*On hiatus for summer

JULY/AUGUST EVENTS

Wed., July 10: 6pm – Canal Walk Wed., July 17: 6:30pm - Onset

concert

Sat., Aug. 3: Family Fun Day Wed., Aug. 7: 5:30p – Game night

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