Dear All Saints' Family,

I guess in simple terms, Lent is the season when we refocus ourselves on the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. A time to reflect on many things. It also is a time of hope that good will prevail over evil. We are living in dangerous and scary times with much stress. Lent, this year, ends a long cold and depressing winter. It begins to speak of new hopes hopefully not far off. It is a time for preparing new beginnings, as surely as Spring will soon emerge with its greening energy around us. Spring that will turn to summer in all its wonder.
The picture above is by Emily Selinger one of the very early women members of the Providence Art Club. I pass by it each morning on my way to the kitchen. One of our favorites. At this time of the season, it gives me pleasure to know that it will soon be time to begin the garden and watch the birth of so many wonders.
I hope I continue to learn, deepen, and discover from it each day. May our collective hearts no longer groan, but become renewed the message of becoming more soulful, compassionate, and loving toward ourselves and others. Through reflection on our life, Lent will help make us ready for the next days of Spring, to Summer and living more fully in an increasing light.

Dan Mechnig

All Saints' Mask Policy:
Masks are not required for those who are fully vaccinated. We want to encourage anyone who wishes to wear a mask to do so. You may prefer to continue wearing a mask in the church and Rose Hall for many reasons.

All are invited and warmly welcomed to our Service of Holy Eucharist Sunday, March 20th at 9:30 am

Zoom link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85484006164?pwd=ZzAvZVFUM2pKekorMGVzMFFEclFiUT09
Meeting ID: 854 8400 6164
Password: 674674

**Service Program Link:**

Our Services are also live streamed through our Facebook page.

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Sunday's open offering will be for Ukrainian relief. Please make any checks out to All Saints’ Memorial Church and put Ukrainian relief in the memo.

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*From the Office: 2022 Easter Altar Flowers*

The church will be decorated for the Easter season with lilies and other spring flowers. To give these flowers as memorials for loved ones who
have died, or in thanksgiving for special persons or events in your life, you may fill out the form in Rose Hall or call/send an email to Linda.

You may also drop the form in the offering plate by Sunday, April 3rd. Suggested donation for the flowers is $25-$35. Please make checks payable to “All Saints' Memorial Church.”
Notes from the Music Program

Sunday's prelude will present two organ chorales on Lord’s Prayer. The first composed by Marcel Dupre’ and the second by Johan Sebastian Bach. The text of the hymn tune Vater Unser im Himmelreich (Our Father in Heaven) was written by Martin Luther and is based on the Lord’s Prayer. In the first verse he writes, “grant that we do not pray just with our mouths; help our prayer to come from the bottom of our hearts”.

Both Johan Sebastian Bach and Marcel Dupré wrote settings of the hymn tune, included in their collections of chorale preludes for organ students. Dupré’s, composed in in the summer of 1930 while at the beach in southwest France, were meant to prepare students for the greater difficulty of Bach’s. Sunday’s Bach, the least complex of his four based on this hymn tune, features alternating musical and mirror figures that are thought to represent prayer and the answering of prayer.
The next Outreach meeting is Sunday, March 20th in the church following the 9:30 am Service. You may join in-person or Zoom. If you wish to participate via Zoom, simply remain on Zoom after the Service.

March 23rd: Wednesday Noonday Prayer and Faith
All are welcome to join us for Noonday Prayer and our first book discussion this Lent. We are reading *The Hope of Glory* by Jon Meacham. A few copies are available at the church entrance. For this first discussion, we will talk about the Prologue and the First and Second Word (Chapters 1&2).

You may join us on Zoom: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84955593827?pwd=akNZeTlSmCtTb1BoUU9hcWQrZk5xZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84955593827?pwd=akNZeTlSmCtTb1BoUU9hcWQrZk5xZz09) or in-person in Rose Hall (12:00pm-1:00pm).
Christ with me,
Christ before me,
Christ behind me,
Christ in me,
Christ beneath me,
Christ above me,
Christ on my right,
Christ on my left,
Christ in breadth,
Christ in length,
Christ in height,
Christ in the heart of
every man who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of
every man who speaks of me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.

- Breastplate of St. Patrick

Happy St. Patrick's Day

All Saints' Snow Policy
If the city of Providence declares a parking ban or the State of RI declares a weather emergency urging people to stay off the roads, our 9:30 a.m. Sunday service will be canceled. We will post a cancellation notification on our website and our Facebook page.

Food Collection
Each week All Saints’ collects food to be distributed monthly to food pantries in our area. We welcome donations of any pre-packaged, non-expired food. Thank you for your generosity!

- March: Tuna
- April: Canned Fruit
Center for Reconciliation Event

Join us on March 24 at 7 pm to learn about the newly announced Framework for Reconciliation for the City of Providence.

This exciting model for promoting Truth Telling and Reconciliation was developed by Roger Williams University, the Providence Cultural Equity Initiative, and the African American Ambassador Group.

On Zoom. Register at Eventbrite: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/a-framework-for-reconciliation-tickets-296856875907

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On March 24 at 7pm, we will be hosting a discussion with representatives of the creative team behind the Framework: Dr. Brian Hendrickson of Roger Williams
University, Raymond Two Hawks Watson of the Providence Cultural Equity Initiative, and members of the Providence African American Ambassador Group. Learn about the how this effort is meant to continue the work of truth telling about the City's past and to enable us to move into the future. - On Zoom.

Upcoming Events

**March 20:** Sunday school for Lent in Rose Hall with Ms. Jill

**March 20:** Outreach meeting after the Service

**March 23:** Choir rehearsal, choir room

**April 10:** Palm Sunday

**April 12:** Diocesan Chrism Mass

**April 14:** Maundy Thursday

**April 15:** Good Friday

**April 17:** Easter Sunday

More information regarding Holy Week and Easter services coming soon

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PRAYERS
We pray for our fellow parishioners Derek, Gus, Marie, Trish, Victor, Rose, Marisa, Susan, Pam, Gloria, Musa, Erin, David, and Rev Julie. We also pray for Dorothea Evans Gordon, Mary Tryforos, Margaret Barney, Michael Blake, Clarence Scott, Germaine, Naida Thomas, Merynn Flynn, Karen L., Stephen, Barbara K., Rena, Lusaynie Sirleaf, and Jaime Bernardo.
We pray for all who work for peace and members of our armed forces.
We pray for those who celebrate birthdays this week especially Gabriella Hney and Chiamanda Amaechina.

*Share All Saints’ With Friends*

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

*March 20, 2022*
First Reading: Exodus 3:1-15 Marybeth Hanavan
Response: Psalm 63:1-8 Marybeth Hanavan
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 Wilmar Jennings
Prayers: Anne Tait

March 27, 2022
First Reading: Joshua 5:9-12 Chip Smith
Response: Psalm 32 Chip Smith
Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 Dan Mechnig
Prayers: Trish Blake

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