

All Saints'
Memorial Church
674 Westminister St., Providence RI

March 25, 2021 Parish messenger

Come and worship
Rejoice in fellowship
Love and serve the Lord!

A Lenten Meditation By Agnes

As I have read Job, I have thought of some of the thunderstorms that I have watched from the safety of my house—the anger of the wind and rain, and the beauty occasionally following the storm.



I have also had special times when I have felt touched—the times when the color and the soft breeze make me feel a closeness to the gifts I have been given. So, just like Mary and Martha received the gift of their brother Lazarus from Jesus, so I give you my own gift of a thought for today:

Living for Today

“No matter what looms ahead, if you can eat today, enjoy the sunlight today, mix cheer and friends today, enjoy it – bless God for it.”

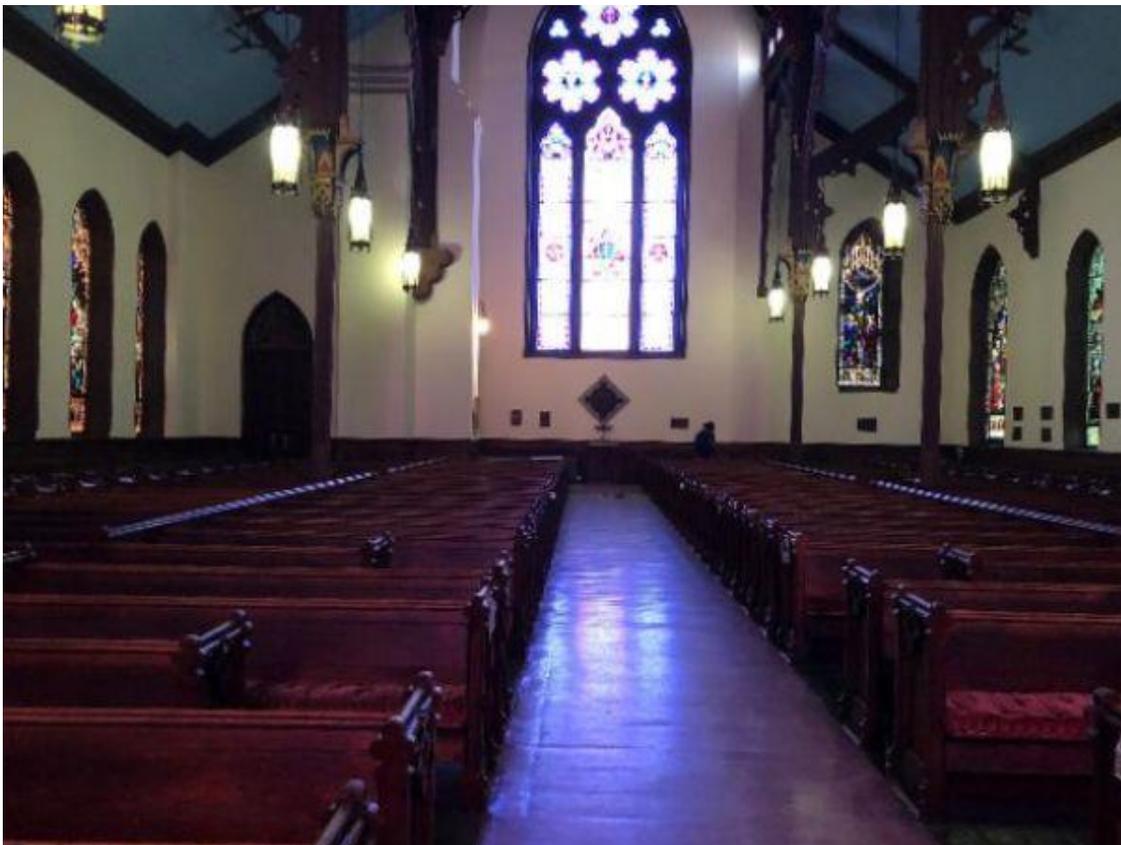
Do not look back on happiness or dream of it in the future.

You are only sure of today; do not let yourself be cheated out of it.”

—Henry Ward Beecher

—Agnes Fox

*Preparing for Holy Week and Easter—
Cleaning God’s House*



Scott Gunn, editor of *Forward Day by Day*, wrote about Lent as spring cleaning for the soul. He observes that often when we clean we do the tasks we like to do, sometimes leaving the things we don't like to do. He encouraged readers this Lent to, "look in those dusty corners and open up the metaphorical junk drawers." This past week, we literally cleaned the dusty corners and pews of the church. We owe a big thanks to Felicia and Bill McBorrough, Gloria Perry, Sandy Buote-Pease, Trish Blake, and Pattie Marshall who dedicated several hours of free time to spring cleaning inside the church. As Sandy observed, "We clean our homes. This is God's home and it needs cleaning too." It sure did! What a difference you made!

I like the above photo because it gives a sense of the size and beauty of our church. The person in the back of the church is Felicia McBorrough helping dust and vacuum the pews.

Tending the church is an ongoing meditative, peaceful, and essential ministry; it can be done at a time that works for you. If you have a few hours to give, please let Rev. Julie know.



Prayer Against Gun Violence

Prayer: Let the Shooting End

God, our hearts are broken with pain at the senseless deaths caused by gun violence. Families mourn, children live in fear, and some in our nation respond by arming themselves with more guns with greater capacity to end life. Our disconnection and alienation has caused some to turn to guns for protection and safety. We ask that you touch our hearts with your love, heal our brokenness, and turn us away from violence toward peace. Help us to transform our own hearts and to seek peaceful ways of resolving our differences. Let our hands reach out and connect with those who feel alone, those who live in fear, and those suffering from mental illness. Let our voices be raised asking our legislators to enact gun laws to protect all in our society, especially those most vulnerable. Let our pens write messages demanding change while also scripting words of hope and transformation. We ask this in the name of the God who desires that we live together in peace. *Amen.*

—Sisters of Mercy
(sistersofmercy.org)

All are welcome to join our Palm Sunday Service at 9:30 a.m.

Here is the Zoom link for this Sunday's Service:

Sunday 9:30 a.m. Service

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85484006164?pwd=ZzAvZVFUM2pKekorMGVzMFFEclFiUTo9>

Meeting ID: 854 8400 6164

Passcode: 674674

Here is the program link:

**[http://www.allsaintsmemorial.org/uploads/1/1/7/4/117437355/
service_bulletin_palm_sunday_march_28_2021.pdf](http://www.allsaintsmemorial.org/uploads/1/1/7/4/117437355/service_bulletin_palm_sunday_march_28_2021.pdf)**

Lenten blessings,

Julie

*God Be in My Head: The Sarum Prayer—Book
Conversation*

I invite you to stay on Zoom after our 9:30 a.m. service for Lenten fellowship. Have that second cup of coffee and enjoy a discussion of Ken Wilson's book of meditations on *the Sarum Prayer*. Was there a particular meditation that you found helpful this Lent? Were you challenged by any of the reflections?

A Warm Thanks

We have much to be grateful for this week at All Saints'. A warm thank you goes to Drs. Nnenna Okpara and Mariam Fayak for sharing their medical wisdom with us, and explaining how colon cancer screening saves lives. The Zoom presentation will be available on our Facebook page if you would like to revisit it or share with others.

More thanks to those who participated in the Lenten Quiet Morning on Saturday. A note of appreciation goes out to musicians April Donahower (violin) and Becky Silliman (flute and organ). Links will soon be available for the beautiful recordings of the hymns *God be in My Head* and three different settings of the hymn *If thou but trust in God to guide thee*.

*LECUSA Lenten Reflection Series,
Thursday March 25th, 8:00 p.m.*

LENTEN REFLECTIONS SERIES

Tonight, Bishop Knisely will give the Lenten Reflection at the Liberian Episcopal Community weekly Prayer Hour. All are welcome!

Here is the Zoom link:

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6219744763>

Holy Week Schedule

- **Mar 28:** Palm Sunday Service, 9:30 a.m.
- **Mar 28:** Discussion of *God be in my head, the Sarum Prayer* via Zoom, immediately after the 9:30 a.m. Service
- **Mar 31:** Wednesday Noonday Prayer and Bible Study
- **Apr 1:** Soup and Bread Fellowship, via Zoom, 6:00 p.m.
- **Apr 1:** Maundy Thursday Service, 7:00 p.m.
- **Apr 2:** Good Friday Service and Stations of the Cross, 12:15 p.m.
- **Apr 4:** Easter Sunday Service, 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday Noonday Prayer and Bible Study

Next Wednesday we will study the Book of Job, Chapters 40 and 42. We welcome new participants. Our discussion is from 12:15—1:00 p.m. each Wednesday.

Here is the link for Noonday Prayer and Bible Study:

Wednesday Noonday Prayer (12 p.m.) and Bible Study (12:15 p.m.)

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84955593827?pwd=akNZeTlmSCTb1BoUU9hcWQrZk5xZz09>

Meeting ID: 854 5559 3827

Passcode: 674674

Here is the link to the service program: **scroll down on allsaintsmemorial.org.**



Prayer List

The prayer list will be updated after April 11. If you wish to keep a person on the prayer list, please call the office at (401-751-1747) or email (asmcri@verizon.net) ReeRee.

Current in-office hours are Tues: 10-2, Wed: 10-1, and Fri: 10-2.



Easter Flowers 2021

Easter is April 4...it's not too early to think about Easter Flowers! If you would like to dedicate Easter Flowers this year, please fill out **our new online flower request form**, or you can request a paper form by calling (401-751-1747) or emailing (asmcri@verizon.net) ReeRee at the

church office.

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Are You a Citizens Bank Customer?

If you are, there is a quick, free, and secure electronic way to pay your pledge or make other donations to All Saints'. If you are interested in this option, please call (401-946-3562) or email me (rsillima@bu.edu) and I will walk you through the set-up, which should take five minutes or less.

Thank you,
Becky

Free Rapid COVID-19 testing

Bethel AME Church, **located at 30 Rochambeau Ave. in Providence**, offers free rapid COVID-19 tests from 2-6 every Monday.

This testing site is part of Rhode Island's community testing efforts. More community testing sites scheduled throughout the week, and across the state can be found on this Google spreadsheet:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1vCAktxDVk7GB2QASTf2zMOIRG8AOenx4iZeFqiMdHrE/edit#gid=0>.

More information about RI's COVID-19 testing program and vaccination rollout can be found at: <https://covid.ri.gov/testing>.

Vaccination Sites in Providence

Bethel AME Church, **located at 30 Rochambeau Ave. in Providence**, is a Vaccine Site and will offer vaccinations on Thursdays from 2 p.m.—6 p.m.

You may schedule an appointment by calling 401-444-8139, with an expected return call within two business days. The registration link is here:

<https://my.lifespan.org/mychartprd/SignupAndSchedule/EmbeddedSchedule?vt=4341&dept=101100010301000&view=plain&public=1>. Staying within the guidelines of Rhode Island, this service will be for those 65 year of age and older.

This vaccination site is part of **Rhode Island's local vaccination sites**. More Providence-based vaccination information and sites may be found at <https://www.providenceri.gov/vaccinate/>.

Upcoming Events

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 - **Apr 7:** Yom HaShoah, Wednesday Noonday Prayer, 12 p.m.
 - **Apr 17:** Vestry Retreat, 9:30 a.m.—12 p.m.
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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.

- March: tuna fish
- April: canned fruit
- May: cold cereal

Thank you for your generosity!

PRAYERS

Those for whom prayers have been asked:

We pray for our fellow parishioners Derek, Alice, Gus, Marie, Trish, and Victor. We also pray for Dorothea Evans Gordon, Mary Tryforos, Joan, Maribeth Sneddon, Margaret Barney, Carolyn, Michael Blake, Clarence Scott, Germaine, Naida Thomas, Merynn Flynn, Teresa Clinton, Arline O., Janice, Keith Malloy, Karen L., Kimberly D., Stephen, Barbara K, and Patty Dunning.

Celebrating a birthday this week: Amaya Ventura-Carreiro and Julio Andino.

We pray for all who work for peace and members of our armed forces.

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

March 28, 2021

Palm Sunday

Lesson: John 12:12-16, Eric Hirsch

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a, Monika Kramer

Response: Psalm 31:9-16

Second Reading: Philippians 2:5-11, Wilmar Jennings

Passion According to Mark: Mark 15:1-39

Prayers of the People: Dan Mechnig

April 1, 2021

Maundy Thursday

First Reading: Exodus 12:1-14, Becky Silliman

Response: 116:1,10-17, Chip Smith

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26, Anne Tait

Prayers: Lyndsey Wells

Gospel: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Reading: Psalm 22

April 2, 2021

Good Friday

First Reading: Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Response: Psalm 22

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:16-25

The Passion: John 18:1-19:42

The Solemn Collects

April 4, 2021

Easter Sunday

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9, April Donahower

Response: Psalm 118:1-2,14-24, Rosetta Evans

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11, Musa Goll

Prayers: Marybeth Hanavan

Gospel: Mark 16:1-8

Publishing information:

The next regular edition of the e-messenger will be emailed on Wednesday, Mar 31. The deadline to submit information and articles for this edition is Tuesday, Mar 30. Please submit any articles or info you may have to ReeRee at asmcri@verizon.net.



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