

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

March 4, 2021 Parish messenger

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

Simple Beauty in the City

Snowdrops are the physical manifestation of joy for me. These little white beauties blossom in mid-February, just about the time when we are all ready to leave behind a winter that has dragged on long enough. They are my hardy, brave harbingers of spring and I look for them eagerly every year as soon as the snow gets patchy. There are other signals that winter will not last much longer, especially evident to those who live in a more rural setting. My grandson in Maine helped tap the sugar maples on the family farm last week to catch the sap that's just started to rise in the trees. They will boil this liquid that looks and tastes like plain water into golden syrup, a process that takes hours of faithful attention. Many look

for the first robin, the swamp cabbage greening, or the almost magical appearance of silky pussy willow buds. I watch for those sturdy snowdrops to poke up through soil that is still close to frozen. They are weeks earlier than even the first crocus, and they aren't daunted by heavy snow or days of temperatures below freezing.



I love snowdrops so much I always take a picture of the first ones to share with others suffering winter doldrums. I also encourage everyone to find a spot they'll pass as they attend to their errands and plant a few bulbs there. You might even forget you planted them but there they will be next year, ready to cheer you as you go in and out.



On February 17th this year, when most of my garden was still choked with snow, there, in the one place where the sun had warmed the earth next to my little stone wall and the drifts had receded, was the dependable, precious white blossom just unfolding, surrounded by its green robe of

tender leaves, a lovely, tiny reminder that spring IS on its way and with it, the promise of a positive change.

—Charlotte Burgess

*Lord of every mountain top,
may we glimpse your glory and vision
not just in special holy places
but in the midst of everyday living.*

—Iona Prayer Book

All are welcome to join our Sunday Service of Holy Eucharist 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

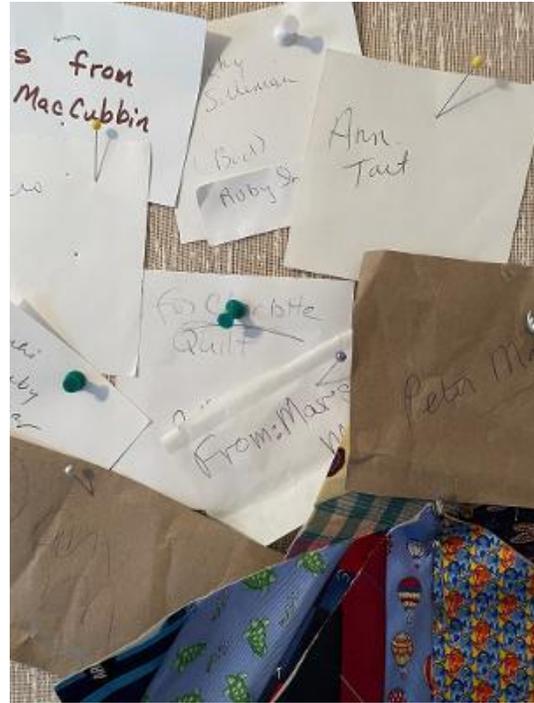
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Here is the program link:

http://www.allsaintsmemorial.org/uploads/1/1/7/4/117437355/service_bulletin_lent_3_march_7_2021.pdf

Lenten blessings,
Julie

Our Next Arts Program—Charlotte's Tie Quilt Project, March 14th after our Sunday service



You are invited to enter into Charlotte's workshop via Zoom, where she will demonstrate the mysterious steps your donated ties are undergoing to become a useful and beautiful piece of art. She will show you how the ties are disassembled, cut into strips, sewn onto a backing, trimmed, assembled and then finished, ready to raffle for the benefit of All Saints'.

Charlotte turns her quilts into a narrative using fabric, and these former neckties are telling their own unique tale. Please join us for this peek into her artistry.

Dr. Amaechina's COVID-19 Vaccine Talk

If you weren't able to catch Dr. Nnamdi Amaechina's COVID-19 Vaccine Talk last Sunday, it is available on our YouTube channel here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bH_vTnk7aVU.

Thank you Nnamdi for an informative and engaging talk!

Wednesday Noonday Prayer and Bible Study

Next Wednesday we will study the Book of Job, Chapters 9, 10, and 11:2-6. 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=akNZeTlmSCtTb1BoUU9hcWQrZk5xZz09>

Meeting ID: 854 5559 3827

Passcode: 674674

Here is the link to the service program: [scroll down on
allsaintsmemorial.org](https://allsaintsmemorial.org).



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.

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

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>.

Upcoming Events

- **Mar 10:** Wednesday Noonday Prayer and Bible Study
- **Mar 10:** Vestry meeting, 6 p.m., via Zoom
- **Mar 14:** Quilt Talk with Charlotte Burgess via Zoom, immediately after the 9:30 a.m. Service
- **Mar 17:** Wednesday Noonday Prayer and Bible Study
- **Mar 20:** Lenten Quiet Morning via Zoom, 9 a.m.—12 p.m.
- **Mar 21:** Health Talk with Dr. Nnenna Okpara and Dr. Mariam Fayek via Zoom, immediately after the 9:30 a.m. Service

- **Mar 28:** Discussion of *God be in my head, the Sarum Prayer* via Zoom, immediately after the 9:30 a.m. Service



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, Ernie, Ruby, Marie, Trish, Victor, Barry, and Ferd. We also pray for Dorothea Evans Gordon, Eric and Irene T., Mary Tryforos, Joan, Maribeth Sneddon, Margaret Barney, Carolyn, Michael Blake, Clarence Scott, Germaine, Naida Thomas, Merynn Flynn, Teresa Clinton, Arline O., Janice, and Keith Malloy.

Celebrating a birthday this week: Glenna Wilson and Barbara Badio.

Altar flowers this week are given in thanksgiving for the birthdays of Marie O'Brien, Isabel O'Brien, Barbara Badio, and Glenna Wilson, by Julie Hanavan.

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

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

March 7, 2021

Third Sunday in Lent

First Reading: Exodus 20:1-17, Becky Silliman

Response: Psalm 19, Chip Smith

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25, Anne Tait

Prayers: Lyndsey Wells

Gospel: John 2:13-22

March 14, 2021

Fourth Sunday in Lent

First Reading: Numbers 21:4-9, Bob Wells

Response: Psalm 107:1-3,17-22, Nnenna Amaechina

Second Reading: Ephesians 2:1-10, Barbara Badio

Prayers: Ed Boyer

Gospel: John 3:14-21

Publishing information:

The next regular edition of the e-messenger will be emailed on Thursday, Mar 11.

The deadline to submit information and articles for this edition is Tuesday, Mar 9.

Please submit any articles or info you may have to ReeRee at

asmcri@verizon.net.



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