

All Saints' Memorial Church
674 Westminster Street
Providence, RI 02903

November 16, 2018
e-Parish Messenger

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

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HARVEST BLESSINGS

Thanksgiving day approaches quickly. Before falling into that whirlwind of cooking and entertaining activities that often accompany and sometimes distract from this celebration, the prophet Joel strikes a lovely theme for us. Rejoice and be glad all of creation - soil, animals, and the people of Israel. "You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you." This lesson from Joel appointed for Thanksgiving day takes us away from time constraints and lists of things that we must do, reorienting us towards the experience of abundance in God's creation. God's creation is a Kingdom of Plenty, abounding in grace, love, and hope that feeds us all.



Joel's message is a promise of peace and restoration after drought and locusts have destroyed the harvest and the people have endured great hardship. God is amidst his people. President Abraham Lincoln established this national holiday of

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"thanksgiving and praise" in the midst of national hardship. He wrote in October of 1863, "The year that is drawing towards its close, has been filled with the blessings of fruitful fields and healthful skies. To these bounties, which are so constantly enjoyed that we are prone to forget the source from which they come, others have been added, which are of so extraordinary a nature, that they cannot fail to penetrate and soften even the heart which is habitually insensible to the ever watchful providence of Almighty God."

Let us give thanks for our many graces and blessings as we continue to pray for God's healing peace and loving comfort to those who grieve family and friends lost or injured in violence and natural disasters this year. If you are looking for a moment of rest and reflection on Wednesday, come to our Open Church anytime between 11:30-1:30. Join us for noon Eucharist.

Blessings and Peace,
Julie

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UPCOMING ALL SAINTS' MEETINGS/EVENTS

November 17: Preparations for filling Thanksgiving baskets starting at 10:00 a.m. in Rose Hall.

November 18: Vestry Meeting, 11:00 a.m.

November 18: Filling Thanksgiving baskets after church service

November 19: Distributing Thanksgiving baskets, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

November 25: Outreach Committee meeting, 11:00 a.m.

November 27: Knitting/crocheting, 6:00 p.m.

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JULIE AWAY NOVEMBER 10-16

Julie will be away from Saturday November 10 through Friday November 16. The Rev. Becky Anderson will be here for the service on Sunday November 11 and the Rev. Michael Pearson is on call for emergencies from Monday November 12 through Friday November 16. If you need to contact Rev. Pearson, his phone number is 610-513-2548.

THANKSGIVING BASKET SCHEDULE

The setting up of tables, boxes and food items to be distributed will take place in Rose Hall on Saturday November 17 starting at 10:00 a.m.

The distribution of food to individual baskets (supported by a Thrivent action team) will take place after the church service on Sunday November 18.



Boxes with food will be available for pick-up between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. and between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Monday, November 19.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Because of the Thanksgiving holiday, the parish office will be closed on Friday November 23. Enjoy the holiday!

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CITY MEAL SITE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Seven Stars Bakery, located at 342 Broadway, Providence, donates bread and other baked goods to the City Meal Site for the dinner they hold at All Saints' every Tuesday. Volunteers are needed to pick up the bread at Seven Stars Monday evenings at 6:00 p.m. Please see Harrington Evans if you are interested in joining other parishioners currently assisting with the bread pick-up.

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PRAYERS

Those for whom prayers have been asked:

We pray for Derek Badio, Yabome Bash-Taqi, Marie Baylis, Trish Blake, Harriet Choi, Madhia Cooper, Paul Cummings, Florence Depatie, Rick Edwards, Anthony Eke, Margaret Flynn, Dorothea Evans Gordon, Jim Greene, Claire Hanavan, Effuah Harris, Carolyn Hirsch, Barbara K., Jeffry Knapton, Katie Lawton, Margaret Mirin, Elizabeth Pacek, Eric T., Mary Tryforos, Teddy Zeekeh, April Beth, Renée, Leith, Maryjane and Kristen.

A message from Linda Vieira:

"Thank you all for your prayers for my Sister Robin Poche as she underwent treatment for breast cancer. I would like to let you all know that she has completed treatment and has received a clean report. Thank you all!"

Linda

Altar flowers on Sunday November 18 are given in memory of Leo and Nick Carter by Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Carter.

Remember those who work for peace and members of our armed forces, especially Raymond Tanguay and Matthew Degree.

KNITTING, CROCHETING



The knitting and crocheting group meets every other Tuesday at 6 p.m. This group is open to anyone in the parish. You are welcome to come as often as you can and you are welcome to bring a friend. And remember that this group is not just for ladies and is open to all.

Next meeting is Tuesday, November 27

FOOD COLLECTION

Each week All Saints' collects food to be distributed monthly to food pantries in our area. You are asked, as you are able, to bring one item on the monthly list each Sunday:



November: boxed mac and cheese
December, canned vegetables
January, canned pasta.

As always, thank you for your generosity.

PARKING LOT AVAILABLE ON SUNDAYS

The parking lot adjacent to the church lot is once again available for additional parking, during Sunday services only. If you are the last car leaving the lot, please lock the gate after you leave. Thank you.

SCRIPTURE READINGS AND MINISTRY SCHEDULES

November 18, 2018

First Reading: 1 Samuel 1;4-20; Barbara Badio

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-25; Anne Tait

Prayers: Lyndsey Wells

Gospel: Mark 13:1-8

Chalice: Harrington Evans

Greeters/ Ushers: Marsha Mott and Rita Madave

Altar Duty: Cecilia Bernardo and Paul Connors

Coffee Hour Team: Gloria Perry and Dirk Hennessey

November 25, 2018

First Reading: 2 Samuel 23:1-7; April Donahower

Second Reading: Revelation 1:4b-8; Patricia Blake

Prayers: Charles Smith

Gospel: John 18:33-37

Chalice: Dan Mechnig

Greeters/ Ushers: Marsha Mott and Maryann Darbeh

Altar Duty: Gloria Perry and Patricia Fahnbulleh

Coffee Hour Team: April Donahower and Alex Perdue

NEXT E-PARISH MESSENGER

The next edition of the e-messenger will be emailed on November 29. The deadline to submit information and articles for this edition is Tuesday, November 27. Please submit any articles/info you may have to Kathy at asmcri@verizon.net.

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