WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S

ST. MARY'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, FAITHFULLY ANGLICAN SINCE 2012

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,

and every tongue shall confess to God."

Romans 14:11

MAY 1, 2023

Sharing the Good News

Sunday, May 7 – **Easter V Food Pantry Sunday**

Anointing Sunday

Sunday, May 14 - Easter VI

Thursday, May 18 - Ascension Day 6 pm

Sunday, May 21 - Sunday after the Ascension

Sunday, May 28 – **Pentecost Sunday** (wear red!)

Here is the Lector and coffee hour schedule for the coming month:

5/7 - Diane

5/14 - Elisabeth

5/18 – Kemps (no coffee hour)

5/21 - Kathy

5/28 – Sylvia

May 5 – Happy anniversary to Kathy and Dan Hahn! May 10 – Happy birthday to Sylvia!

Board Meeting: Our next meeting will be held at 10 am on Wed., May 10, in the Parish Center.

Father Tom will be out of town from May 22 through May 25. He will be attending the annual Diocese of Quincy Clergy Retreat at Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. Our theme this year is "Leading God's People." We'll spend time listening to the experiences and perspectives of several of our own clergy - their joys, their challenges, their hopes, and their successes. By sharing our human stories, we know our bonds together will be strengthened and our spirits encouraged.

FR. TOM'S SCHEDULE

Sunday 10:30 AM - Mass

Wednesday - Office hours 9 to 12 PM

2nd Wednesday - 10

AM. Church council mtg.

I pm, Bingo @ Holly

Brook

2 pm Bible Study @

Holly Brook

Thursday

Reflections: Prayer

service @10 am; Bingo

follows

South Park; Prayer

service 1:30; Bingo @2

pm

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Thoughts from the Vicar:

We discussed Bible Study at coffee hour after church on April 23. I have come up with three suggestions for our new Bible study beginning May 7. They are the following:

- I.) A video series on Paul's letters. The videos that I looked at were less than 10 minutes long which would leave us time for discussion afterward.
- 2.) A Bible study from TEC over the lectionary for that Sunday. There are no videos, the Bible studies are not long and they would easily fill up our discussion time.
- 3.) A DVD entitled "Walking the Bible" (a journey by land through the five books of Moses). The DVD has a running time of 168 minutes, but could easily be divided into five sessions of 30-35 minutes each.

I'd like your feedback on these three choices so I can prepare to begin our next session on May 7.

We will continue to read the names from this prayer list. If you wish to add a name, please let Fr. Tom or the lector know before the service begins. You may still add names from the congregation after the list is read.

Parish Prayer List

For Foley our Archbishop, for Alberto, our Bishop, for Tom, our Priest, and for Deacon Tom

For those fighting cancer: Debbie, Cindy, Karen, Carol, Lisa, Malia B., Richard, Bill G., Barb For those in need of uplifting prayer: Diane, Kathy, Dan, Susan, Sherry, Frank, Jon S., Luke, Jerry, Donna, Jonas, Kathy, Debbie, Carolyn, Gary, Fr. Jason, Stuart, Madeleine, Brenda, Teri, Deacon Phil

For those in long term care: Gabriel, Grace, Danielle, the residents at Holly Brook, Reflections and South Park

For the Church's ministry in Nepal: Purna, Mahendra, Dipendra, Reshma, Tirtha, their families and Churches; the Transformation Spiritual Church

For all the victims of the COVID pandemic worldwide For the persecuted Christians throughout the world For the growth of St. Mary's Anglican Mission