



ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN SOMERVILLE, NEW JERSEY

The Newsletter

158 West High Street, Somerville, NJ 08876 • 908.722.1250 • stjohnsomerville.org

J U N E 2 0 2 5

From the Rector

REMEMBER A BEAUTIFUL WHITE BIRCH TREE in my parents' back yard in Cinnaminson, New Jersey. At the time we planted it I think I was just as tall as the tree was. The years passed, our family life went ahead and I didn't give it much thought. Day and night, year-in, year-out, the tree grew while we worked and played, and laughed and cried. My brother and sister and I grew up and had our pictures taken in the backyard on special occasions: birthdays, confirmations, graduations, and so forth. And in the summer when we played baseball the tree was located in the perfect position to be "second base." As we had done for years, kids from the neighborhood would come by to play baseball, and drink lemonade by our favorite birch tree.



In many of His parables, Jesus points to natural growth—seeds, plants, crops, shrubs and trees—to illustrate the growth of the reign of God. In the parable of the seed growing secretly (Mark 4:26-29), our Lord teaches that a farmer "knows not how" seeds sprout and grow. "The earth produces of itself," while the farmer works and sleeps, day and night. "But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come." The growth of the kingdom of God is just as certain as that!

In baptism we are called to work and pray and give for the kingdom of God. But the kingdom is coming, because God is faithful. Martin Luther, who taught and preached and led the Reformation with his relentless energy, could also sit and rest, confident in God's faithfulness. "While I sit and drink my little glass of Wittenberg beer," he once said, "the Gospel makes its way through the world."

So, take time to watch the trees grow this summer, confident that God is working to bring the harvest of the kingdom of God for all God's people. Come to St. John's Church. Invite a family member, neighbor or friend.

*God bless,
Father Ron*

Father Ron's Summer Reading List

World Travel: An Irreverent Guide by Anthony Bourdain.

A Greening of Imaginations: Walking the Songliness of Holy Scripture
by Herbert O'Driscoll.

The Scandal of Redemption by Oscar Romero.

The False White Gospel: Rejecting Christian Nationalism, Reclaiming True Faith, and Refounding Democracy by Jim Wallis.

Rome by Rick Steves

Becoming Fine by Tim Vivian

Love and the Postmodern Predicament by D. C. Schindler

ST. BARNABAS

The Church traditionally celebrates one of its founding Apostles, Barnabas, on June 11. Barnabas was a prodigious Apostle, the one who went to retrieve Saul (later Paul) who had been struck down by blindness on the Damascus Road, who nurtured Paul in the faith, who introduced him to a wary community of early believers among whom Paul had no standing. It was Barnabas who called Paul to be his assistant in Antioch, the place where the term Christian was first used for the followers of this new "Way" (Acts 11:26). Later, taking his nephew Mark, Barnabas would sail to Cyprus and there found the Church. The faith of Barnabas in Mark was a strong factor in the development of the second Evangelist and the monumental work which bears his name. Luke writes that Barnabas was a "good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith" (Acts 11:24). He undertook his ministry because it was something he loved doing, a way of giving tangible expression to the pleasure he derived from his relationship to God.

On Wednesday, June 11, St Barnabas' Feast Day, I will celebrate my thirty-first anniversary of ordination to the Diaconate. I give God thanks for the opportunity to serve Christ's Church here at St. John's, Somerville, in The Diocese of New Jersey.

Fr. Ron +

Pastoral Notes and Vital Records of the Parish ***From the Rector***

Newborn

Congratulations to Kathryn & Matt Daughtery who had a baby boy: Luke Thomas Daughtery born May 21, 2025. Big brother Ben is excited for his baby brother.

Holy Baptism

Congratulations to Claire Beatrice Miller who was baptized on Sunday, May 4, 2025.

Parents are: Edward Miller and Anna Francis Palaski.

Congratulations to Mia Rose DeMartinis who was baptized on Sunday, May 18, 2025.

Parents are: Michael DeMartinis and Lauren Greenberg.

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to Alexis (Lexi) Rose Siliwono who received her First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 4, 2025. Parents are: Joseph Siliwono and Keri Siliwono.

Those who Died: In the hope of the Resurrection let us pray for them and may their souls rest in peace their souls rest in peace.

James Richart who died on Sunday, May 11, 2025.

Jamie was a life-long parishioner with deep-rooted history here at St. John's who served as a Warden, on the Vestry, Finance Committee and other committees.

Elizabeth W. Mogensen who died in May, 2025.

Betty was a long-time member of St. John's and was Altar Guild Directress from 1985-1989.

SOME UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

Sun, June 1: 175th Gala meeting at 9:15am
Special Coffee Hour celebrating Flo Mindo's 100th Birthday after 10:15am service

Mon, June 2: Episcopal Church Women, Pot-luck Supper in Parish Hall at 6pm

Sun, June 8: Pentecost Sunday with Baptism. A light breakfast between services at 9am. Recognition Sunday awards after 10:15 service

Wed, June 11: 7pm Vestry Meeting

Sun, June 15: Special Coffee Hour after both 8am and 10:15am Mass celebrating Deacon Keith's 40th Anniversary to the Diaconate.

Sat, June 21: Deacon Keith & Chef Kir's Garden Party from 2:00-6pm. Tickets \$30 per person from the ECW

Thurs, June 26: 3pm Community Eucharist for all residents and friends at Laurel Circle led by Fr. Ron. All are welcome.

Wed, July 9: 6:35pm. Somerset Patriot's Baseball Game, Patriot Stadium, Bridgewater.

Sun, July 13: The Rev Joseph Leigh, Guest Celebrant & Preacher

Sun, July 20: The Rev Joseph Leigh, Guest Celebrant & Preacher

Sun, July 27: The Rev. Joyce Scheyer, Guest Celebrant & Preacher

Sun, Aug 3: The Rev Dave Snyder, Guest Celebrant & Preacher

Wed, Aug 13: 7pm Vestry Meeting

Sun, Sept 7: Welcoming Sunday: Church School registration

Sat, Oct 4: 3pm Annual Blessing of the Animals

Mon-Wed, Oct 6-8: Clergy Conference, Fr Ron away

Wed, Oct 8: 7pm Vestry Meeting

Sat. Oct 11: Casino Night in Parish Hall

Sun, Oct 19: Paul Robeson Event in Church followed by art & music reception in Parish Hall

Sun, Nov 2: 5pm All Souls Evensong service of remembrance

Sat, Nov 8: St John's 175 Anniversary Gala Dinner

Sun, Nov 16: 4pm, Special Concert in the Church sponsored by The Wallace House followed by a reception in the Parish Hall

Sat, Nov 22: Diocesan Convention, Diocese of New Jersey

A Prayer for Pride Month

GRACIOUS AND LOVING GOD,

We praise you for making humankind in your image and for loving us all—regardless of gender identity, sexual orientation, religion, ideology, and beliefs.

We thank you for the love that you have instilled in us, that we may use our love for each other to make this world a more accepting and loving place.

We trust in your strength and guidance to lead us through turmoil that is anti-LGBTQ+.

Lord, we ask your loving protection for all your children, and that, you strengthen and protect your children in the LGBTQ+ community.

For those who are still in the closet, grant that they may be received with love and support by their family (both given and chosen).

For those who are out and proud, grant that they may be shielded from hatred and fear from those who seek to persecute us.

For those still navigating and determining their identity, grant them peace and kindness, as well as the wisdom that no matter who they are, they are loved wholly and purely for who they are.

For those unsure why Pride is a time of reflection and celebration, grant them the strength to learn and reflect upon the history of Queer revolution in this nation and abroad; guide them through the shame and fear instilled upon those in the LGBTQ+ community (especially queer people of color), both through the former legislation and current cultural practices that seek to erase us; grant that they may know the love, joy and support that we share among each other as we continue to fight for the freedom to be ourselves without physical or social punishment.

For those who seek to live in a world without Pride Month, Lord we ask that you may show forth that all of God's children are made in your image just as they are. Thank you for the revolutionaries that you have sent and those who are to come.

May our hearts be ever outpouring in love for all on this earth, now and forever. In Your Holy and Loving Name, we pray. Amen.

—adapted from A Prayer for Pride by Bethany Straus



ST. JOHN'S STEWARDSHIP, 2025

God brought the Church into being, equipping us with gifts, empowering us with the Spirit, inviting us to be Christ's witnesses to the end of the earth, to make disciples and baptize and teach, to bring Good News to the poor, to join God's transforming mission and work in the world.

By participating in the life and ministry of the Church, by sharing our financial resources to fund this work, we join God's work and mission in the world. In the process, we discover our life's highest meaning and purpose and discover how we may join God's mission in the world today!

If you have made a financial pledge to the church for 2025, we extend a sincere thank you. If you have not made a pledge for 2025, would you prayerfully consider making a pledge?

Our 2025 budget is \$235,000. As of today, there are 79 pledges totaling \$185,628. To fill out a pledge online visit <https://stjohnsomerville.org/pledge-card-form>. By the grace of God, we will bridge our gap.

Contact any member of the Vestry, a Warden, Treasurer, Parish Office or myself if you have any questions. "Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first fruits. Then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine" (Proverbs 3:9-10).

May God continue to bless St. John's Church.

LOOKING AHEAD

EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN UPDATE

Our June meeting is on Monday June 2. We will have a Pot Luck supper. We will meet at 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall and followed with a brief meeting at 7:00 PM. If you would like to sign up to bring a food item, a sheet is available on the ECW Bulletin Board. Or, you can just join us. ECW will provide the beverages and desserts. This will be our last meeting until September.

Our May Spring plant sale was a huge success this year! Thank you to everyone who stopped by or for providing a helping hand.

The Deacon Keith and Chef Kir Garden Party sign up sheet is posted on our ECW Bulletin Board. Please sign up if you wish to attend. The cost is \$30.00 per person. We only have availability for 40 People. It's on Saturday June 21st from 2:00 to 6:00pm (weather permitting). The address will be provided prior to the event.

Wishing everyone a wonderful Summer!

The Women of ECW

Please contact Linda Willard, nolaandboogie@aol.com or Jennifer Kosensky jrkosensky@gmail.com.

100TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION!!

Flo Mindos will be 100 years old on June 10. What a Milestone that is, to say the least! Just a reminder that on **Sunday, June 1** after the 10:15 Coffee Hour ECW will be sponsoring a little celebration for Flo, which she will be attending with her daughter, Diane.

If anyone would like to bring a goodie to help celebrate Flo, it would be much appreciated. Please consider sending Flo a Birthday card or bring it on June 1st, that would be great!

RECOGNITION SUNDAY, JUNE 8

Recognition Sunday will be on June 8. Awards will be given to all Church School Students, Teachers and Acolytes following the 10:15am Eucharist in the Parish Hall during Coffee Hour. Come and celebrate our young people and all who support them!

Thanks to our Church School Staff

For another year of growth and dedication, our Church School Teachers deserve our deep thanks. They have nourished our children with good things: Tracey Jameson, Michelle Hernandez, and Taffy Scherr.



ACOLYTES

On Sunday mornings we are humbled for the special ministry of those who serve as acolyte, crucifer or banner bearer. It is the well-ordered public worship that makes sure our liturgy is

dignified and spiritually uplifting as disciples of Christ and as a community of faith. We are so proud of our acolytes. Thank you to our core acolytes and for their supportive parents.

There was a little boy who one Sunday didn't want to go to church. "Church is okay, I guess," he said. "The priest says that all baptized Christians are invited to receive communion, which I think is really cool. But no one ever asks me to do anything." We, my brothers and sisters in Christ, have more to say than that. We have Church School students, acolytes, crucifers and banner bearers right in our very midst who we are called to join us in all kinds of ministries in this community of faith. Let that be our mission: that our faith always be followed by action, our corporate lives will compose a painting that reflects God, and that the students and acolytes we meet on Sunday will see more clearly that they too, are beloved, and welcomed, and asked to join in Christ's "call to action."

Come and join us on June 8 for Recognition/Awards Sunday following the 10:15 am Eucharist in the Parish Hall. There will be a light luncheon for students, their parents and teachers to celebrate their achievements and ministry.

DEACON KEITH MCCOY CELEBRATES 40TH ANNIVERSARY TO THE DIACONATE

Hearty congratulations to Deacon Keith McCoy who celebrated his 40 Anniversary to the Diaconate on April 13, 2025. This milestone is significant for many reasons but chief among them is that Deacon Keith was in the original ordination class here in The Diocese of New Jersey. There are others who were in that class who still live in NJ and some beyond the Garden State.

Earlier this year churches received a message to save June 14 for a celebration. However, be aware that it has been postponed until Saturday, September 6. The event will take place at Trinity Cathedral in Trenton. Bishop Sally, along with the Archdeacons of the Diocese of NJ have announced that Saturday, September 6 will be set aside as a time when all will be called together to celebrate this wonderful milestone. Mark your calendars now. Details are forthcoming. In the meanwhile, be sure to keep Deacon Keith in your prayers of thanksgiving.

God bless,

Fr. Ron

GARDEN PARTY AT DEACON KEITH & CHEF KIR'S

Deacon Keith and Chef Kir are hosting a Garden Party on Saturday June 21, from 2:00pm to 6:00pm (weather permitting). The cost per person is \$30.00 and ticket availability is limited to 40 people. Ticket holders may come at any time. If interested, the sign-up sheet is on the main bulletin board. This is sponsored by the ECW. You can pay by cash or check. Please reach out to Linda Willard at: nolaandboogie@aol.com or 347-276-6491 after Coffee Hour on Sunday with any questions or concerns.

ST. JOHN'S NIGHT AT THE SOMERSET PATRIOTS BASEBALL GAME

*** WEDNESDAY, JULY 9 AT 6:35PM**

St. John's is one of forty non-profit organizations and houses of worship who won 30 tickets from the annual Somerset County Board of Commissioners TD Bank Ballpark Drawing. Those who attend the game will have access to exclusive reserved seating, and the use of the Board of Commissioner's private, comfortable, climate-controlled, indoor suite. Those who attend will enjoy watching the Somerset Patriots compete against one of the best teams in minor league

baseball. And those who attend can also watch postgame fireworks, eat ballpark delicacies, play baseball bingo, watch a fun parade, and much more.

SIGN UP SOON TO RESERVE YOUR TICKET

Sign up sheet on main bulletin board near Parish Hall.

Questions? Contact Fr. Ron frronpollock1@verizon.net 908-722-1250

THE WORK OF MINISTRY

Clothes Closet

The Clothes Closet features reasonably priced seasonal clothing and accessories for all ages – men and women, boys and girls, infants, and toddlers. Masks suggested and social distancing is required. Cash only; small bills appreciated.

We are currently accepting donations of summer items

Our June Clothes Closet sale days are Saturday June 7 and Saturday June 21 from 9:00am until noon. Please stop by!

Father's Day celebrations all around. Check out our casual and athletic shorts, polo shirts, slacks and so much more to show your love and appreciation for dad and granddad on their special day! Special sale prices of only \$2.00 for all men's items.

Our \$1.00 Women's tees and tops are going quick. Our fun in the sun rack is back! Beautiful brand new, never worn bathing suits, coverups, floppy hats and summer sandals, perfect for a day at the beach or just relaxing by the pool. The mixed medley rack is back with so many new items! Stop by and check it out.

We have a Great selection of shorts, tees, tanks and so much more! Check out our new summer sandal and handbag rack! Our new arrivals racks are full of so many beautiful selections. There is a large variety of capris, jeans, light spring tops and sweaters for those nice cool spring days and evenings.

We do have a lovely selection of elegant gowns, shoes and handbags for your upcoming prom, graduation or a special occasion. If you don't see them displayed, please ask someone to assist you.

Check out our new woman's rack. Brand new items at great prices! Our Chico's rack is back with lovely items at reduced prices. We have DRASTICALLY reduced some of our brand new, never worn, BOUTIQUE items to only five and ten dollars. Lovely and fashionable spring and summer dresses, pants, jackets, short sets, tops, and so much more. Please stop by! You cannot beat our prices!

Don't forget to check out our jewelry table to add just the right touch to your spring or summer outfit! We have some new items that just arrived! Are you celebrating your birthday this month? Stop by for a special gift!

Please contact Linda Willard with any questions or if you would like to make a donation. Cell: 347-276-6491 or email Linda at Nolaandboogie@aol.com

See you soon!

Laundry Love News

Third Thursday of the month—Somerset Laundry, Division Street in Somerville. We can always use more quarter rolls and/or monetary support for the quarter rolls. Quarter rolls can be left in the alms basin on weekends, along with any cash/check donations—please just indicate Laundry Love donation in the memo line. Quarter rolls can also be dropped off at the Parish Office (call prior to let us know you are coming, 908-722-1250).

If you have any questions about the ministry, would like to donate or to get involved in some way, just ask Ed Edwards or Paul Grzella in church, call 908.507.8020, or pgrzella@verizon.net.

Loose Change Sunday

Loose Change Sunday is observed every first Sunday of the month, and our next scheduled date is *Sunday, June 1*. Feel free to bring a jar (or a Ziplock) filled with loose change to church and put it in the designated baskets in the Narthex (front door area of church) or on the little table by the side door that leads to the Parish Hall. Or, simply put whatever loose change you may have in the alms basins. This money is placed into the Discretionary Fund and used to help the many who reach out to St. John's for assistance.

Meals to Go

Meals to Go is offered the first and third Saturdays of the month, 9-10 am. If you know someone (including yourself) who would enjoy a meal, stop by the St. John's Parish Hall, use the ramp entrance and bring a bag. Thank you to Janet Hahn and Linda Willard for shopping and packaging meals. For more information or to be added to the volunteer list, please contact Christine Bean or Father Ron. We are grateful for your financial donations to support the ministry. Any amount is very much appreciated—a few dollars, combined with that of others, will go a long way to serving our hungry neighbors. If you wish to donate online, go to Meals-to-Go on the dropdown menu. For more information about volunteering, donations or publicity, call the Parish Office, or contact Christine Bean, cbean727@gmail.com, Father Ron, Frronpollock1@verizon.net.

Mid-week Services Summer Hiatus

Our mid-week services will be suspended for the summer—please make a note in your calendar. Tuesdays at 7 pm: ends on June 24 and resumes on September 2.

Thursdays at 10 am: ends on June 26 and resumes on September 4.

Coffee Hour

Coffee Hour is about inviting visitors and parishioners to stay a little bit longer, to get to know each other better, and make Church more than just a "thing you do on Sunday mornings." The focus is to bring people together in order to strengthen the bonds of the parish community. To engage in fellowship after a Sunday morning service is always a good and holy thing! It is at Coffee Hour, among other places, where the people of St. John's are strengthened, not just with coffee but with warmth, laughter and conversation.

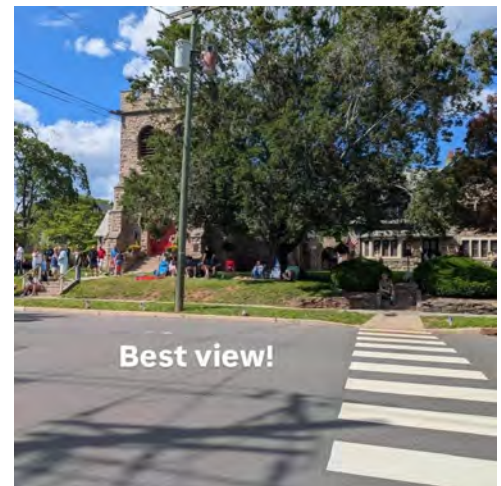
WOULD YOU LIKE TO HOST COFFEE HOUR?

Would you please consider hosting coffee hour? Since this is one component of our time together on Sundays, it would be wonderful if everyone took a turn. Maybe you would like to host coffee hour with a partner or along with several friends or members of a particular ministry

group you are involved in at St John's. Maybe you have never hosted a coffee hour before. Have no fear!—there are folks who would be happy to help share some tips on how to make coffee hour a simple and wonderful time. We do not want this to be a financial burden to anyone. You will not be asked to spend any of your own money. Supplies are usually available in the big kitchen pantry with coffee, filters, cups, stirrers, napkins, and the like. Half-and-half or milk is in the big refrigerator. No need to buy goodies, such as donuts, but if you want to you may do so. For those interested, we do welcome donations that go toward purchasing supplies needed.

Please consider hosting a coffee hour one Sunday! There is a sign-up sheet near the big kitchen for both 8 am and 10:15 am. If you have questions, I would be happy to answer as best I can; contact me at Frronpollock1@verizon.net or call the Parish Office at 908-722-1250 *Faithfully, Father Ron.*

St John's on Memorial Day



WE CELEBRATE, WE REMEMBER: JUNE 2025

BIRTHDAYS

1. Delaney Billy
2. Kayla Abbatiello, Charles Halsted, Sr.

3. Tracey Jameson
4. Pamela Becker, Caitlin Chetwynd

5. Steven Fraser, Linda Willard
6. Patrick James Collins, Jean Jachim
8. Ian McMullen, Rich Neff, Ibiyo Lawrence
9. Natasha Marchick, Kimberly Fleming,
10. Barbara Meier, Florence Mindos
11. Drew Cardinale, Alison Kiernan
12. Christine Massey
13. Carl Spolarich, Dana Halsted, Connie Osinski,
Liam Licht, Antonio De LosSantos, Rebecca Scott, Joe Siliwono
14. Ita Hines
15. Adam Jacob
16. Nicole Trotter, Brendan Keker, Joshua & Camryn Hussey
17. Molly Dupuis, Nancy Haring
18. Cherie Scott, Kimberly Nawrath, Adrienne Kurzawa
19. Steven Marchick
21. Lorraine Bernhardt
24. Michael Scott
25. Joe Bakes
26. Carly Smith
28. Jonathan Kutlow, Ava Tipton
29. Devron Robinson, Liliana Benitez
30. David Mathews, Susan Kiern, Michael Christel

JULY 2025

BIRTHDAYS

1. Roseann Brown
2. Carol Boyer, Justin Matyas
3. Connie Van Arsdale
4. Brian Hewett
5. Emerson McTernan
7. Clinton Bowers, Kelly Mehring, Rebecca Wiley
8. Mason Kowalik
9. Nicholas Venet, Gabriel Ruiz
10. Cheyenne Britt, Joseph Gaitan
12. Kyle Ferris
13. Robin Fehring
14. Mark Hernandez, Dani Conceicao
15. Megan Roth
16. Paula Windus, James Barna
17. Elizabeth Eisinger
18. Aiden Hernandez
20. Lia Belle Buchanan, Steven Roll
22. Jonathan Marshall

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

1. Joe & Keri Siliwono
6. Tom & Dana Keefer
7. Charlie & Paula Windus
8. Gary & Diane Schuman
11. Brad & Lisa Moor
13. Carl & Dorothy Spolarich
16. John & Kimberly Nawrath
20. Arthur & Catherine Wetstein
22. David & Susan Connors
23. Kathy & Joe Bakes
24. John & Marielena Cardinale
27. William & Cheri Fox, Karl & Colleen Spolarich
28. George & Candi Mullen, Daniel & Kathleen Conceicao
29. Peter & Christine Miller
30. Ralph & Mary McMullen

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

2. Louise Reeve Wyman
3. Florence Newton
6. Howard Sloan
10. Clara Logan
11. Brad Taylor
14. Raymond F. Frazer Jr.
15. Harry M. Biggin, Lyman H. Demaray
17. William Marshall Sr., Richard L. Boyer, Harriet Osinski
19. Myrtle H. Haring
24. Kayte Bowers
26. Sydney Ellis
29. Charlotte Frey Dennis
30. Hazel Jane Schaub, Jeffrey J. Yingst

23. Jessica Jacob
25. Rohan Tonk
26. Kristian Fried
27. Karl Spolarich, Caryle Steggall
28. Lynne Neff, Charlotte Metrokotsas
29. Michael Normant
31. Cherie Fox, Alice Marshall, Patrick Brienza

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

2. Bob & Buffy Disko, Kelly & Brian Hamer
8. Daniel Lewis & Eruca Daughtery
10. Sue & Russell Tepper
13. Cherie & Tony Pieroni
16. James & Alison Voss
17. Matt & Kimberly Fleming
18. William & Nihoko Hoffman
19. Edward & Alison Manko
23. Andrew & Kelly Mehring, Steven & Carly Smith,
31. Michael & Sinead Normant

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

1. Alexis Smith
4. Joseph H. Chapman, Beth Ann Manfredi
7. George Preston Fleet
8. Joseph P. Gaughan
9. Grace Vadala, Margaret Wachter, Shirley Rostron
10. Thomas L. Berry Jr.
11. Theresa Allgair
12. Dan Eldon, Salvatore Salzano, Karen Hartwick
13. Jean Chittenden
19. Walter Miggins Sr., William Marshall Jr., Ben Neal
22. Lucy Matthews, Vincentina Frazer
25. Theodore F. Richart, Margaret Rogers
26. Jessamine & Richard Henderson
28. Florence Ellis
29. Lavona Oasler, Arthur Van Tassel, Linda Perrone
31. Regina L. Spolarich, Ruth Kletz

June 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 <i>EASTER 7</i> 8am, Eucharist 10:15, Eucharist Loose Change Sunday	2 12:30-1:30 All Recovery Meeting 7pm, ECW	3 7pm, Holy Eucharist (chapel) 7:30pm Kitchen Mission meeting	4	5 10am, Eucharist Mary-Martha Guild	6 Fr. Ron's Day off	7 9am, Meals to Go 9am, Clothes Closet
8 Day of Pentecost Whitsunday 8am, Eucharist 10:15, Eucharist Baptism Recognition Sunday	9 12:30-1:30, All Recovery Meeting 8pm, AA Meeting	10 7pm, Holy Eucharist (chapel)	11 St. Barnabas, Apostle 7pm, Vestry	12 10am, Eucharist Mary-Martha Guild	13 Fr. Ron's Day off	14
15 Trinity Sunday Father's Day 8am, Eucharist 10:15, Eucharist; Special Coffee hour for Deacon Keith's 40 th Anniversary	16 12:30-1:30, All Recovery Meeting 8 pm, AA Meeting	17 7pm, Holy Eucharist (chapel)	18	19 10am, Eucharist Mary-Martha Guild 5pm, Laundry Love Juneteenth Celebration	20 Fr. Ron's Day off	21 9am, Meals to Go 9am Clothes Closet 2-6pm Garden Party at Deacon Keith & Chef Kir's
22 Pentecost 2 Proper 7C 8am, Eucharist 10:15, Eucharist	23 12:30-1:30, All Recovery Meeting 8pm, AA Meeting	24 7pm, Holy Eucharist (chapel)	25	26 10am, Eucharist Mary-Martha Guild 3pm Laurel Circle Communion Service	27 Fr. Ron's Day off	28
29 Pentecost 3 Proper 8C 8am, Eucharist 10:15, Eucharist	30 St. Peter & St Paul, Apostles 12:30-1:30, All Recovery Mtg 8pm, AA Meeting					

July 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1		1	2	3	4 <i>Fr. Ron's Day off</i> INDEPENDENCE DAY Office Closed	5 9 am, Meals to Go 9 am, Clothes Closet
6 <i>Pentecost 4</i> <i>Proper 9C</i> 8 am, Eucharist 10:15, Eucharist <i>Loose Change</i> <i>Sunday</i>	7 12:30-1:30, All Recovery Meeting 8 pm, AA Meeting	8	9 6:35pm Somerset Patriot's Game (see sign-up)	10	11 <i>Fr. Ron's Day off</i>	12 
13 <i>Pentecost 5</i> <i>Proper 10C</i> 8 am, Eucharist 10:15, Eucharist;	14 12:30-1:30, All Recovery Meeting 8 pm, AA Meeting	15	16	17 5 pm, Laundry Love	18	19 9 am, Meals to Go 9 am Clothes Closet
 Father Ron away 						
20 <i>Pentecost 6</i> <i>Proper 11C</i> 8 am, Eucharist 10:15, Eucharist	21 12:30-1:30, All Recovery Meeting 8 pm, AA Meeting	22 <i>St. Mary</i> <i>Magdelene</i>	23	24	25 <i>St. James,</i> <i>Apostle</i>	26 <i>Parents of the</i> <i>Blessed Virgin</i> <i>Mary</i>
 Father Ron away 						
27 <i>Pentecost 7</i> <i>Proper 12c</i> 8 am, Eucharist 10:15, Eucharist	28 12:30-1:30, All Recovery Mtg 8 pm, AA Meeting	29	30	31		
 Father Ron away 						

St. John's in Somerville, Leadership

PARISH STAFF

The Rev. Canon Ronald N. Pollock, *Rector*, frronpollock1@verizon.net

The Rev. W. Keith McCoy, *Deacon Associate*, kmccoy1@optonline.net

Karen Abbatiello, *Administrative Assistant*, admin@stjohnsomerville.org

Ministers: The People of St. John's

Altar Guild

Diane Sireci, *Directress*, dianesireci61@icloud.com

Tom Keefer, *Treasurer*, thomasekeefe@yahoo.com

Dana Keefer, *Flowers, Weddings, & Funerals*, dzkeefe@yahoo.com

Bread & Wine and Altar Candles, admin@stjohnsomerville.org



Music Program

Open

Canon Chancellor John W. Goldsack Church Library

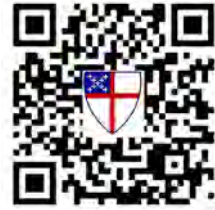
Deacon Keith, kmccoy1@optonline.net

Church School

Michelle Hernandez, chellehernandez1@gmail.com

Tracey Jameson, tkayj@aol.com

Taffy Scherr, tafrika@aol.com



Episcopal Church Women (ECW)

Jennifer Kosensky, *Co-President*, jrkosensky@gmail.com

Linda Willard, *Co-President*, nolaandboogie@aol.com

Mary & Martha Guild

Fr. Ron, convener

Episcopal Youth Community (EYC) Adviser

Fr. Ron

Clothes Closet Council, clothescloset@stjohnsomerville.org

Valerie Gibson, Taffy Scherr, Linda Willard, Paula Windus, Barbara Christel

Laundry Love

Paul Grzella, pgrzella@verizon.net

Meals to Go

Christine Bean, cbean727@gmail.com, Niki Hoffman, nikihoffman@hotmail.com

Red Door Ministries

Baby Blankets for newborns and those baptized: Pauline Boyer, 908.722.1832

Loose-Change for Discretionary Fund: position open

Happy Mealers: Fr. Ron

Finance Committee

Stewardship

Fr. Ron, *Adviser*; Terry McShane, *Chair*

Treasurer

Sam Galpin, *Parish Treasurer*, sam.galpin@outlook.com

Anne Tom, *Parish Co-Treasurer* annetom@comcast.net

Vestry

Terry McShane, Sr. Warden	Christine Anobile, Vestry
Steve Sireci, Jr. Warden	Sheila Fuhrman, Vestry
Thomas Albee, Vestry	Barbara Christel, Vestry
Donna Lazartic, Vestry	Janice Williams, Vestry
Ken Miller, Vestry	Kyle Ferris, Vestry
	Carolyn Groff, Vestry

[St. John's Episcopal Church • 158 West High Street, Somerville, NJ 08876 • 908.722.1250](#)