Please Join Us St. John's Annual Pet Blessing

# Sunday, Oct. 1 12:30 PM

"If you have men who will exclude any of God's creatures from the shelter of compassion and pity, you will have men who will deal likewise with their fellow men."

. Francis of Assist

We welcome all pets to visit us on the front lawn for a blessing from Fr. Patrick in the name of Saint Francis, patron saints of animals.

Please bring your friendly pets on a leash or in carry containers. If your beloved pet is not friendly, or if they are very nervous, please bring a picture to receive their blessing.



**BULLETINS:** Worshipping remote? You can follow along our Sunday services by downloading our Bulletins from our website, stjohnsouthampton.org The Bulletins are uploaded every Saturday afternoon for your convenience.

**WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER:** In order to keep our church family abreast of our latest updates and church reminders, we send out a weekly e-newsletter. If you would like to be included on our email list, contact secretary@stjohnsouthampton.org.

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Detail from the Christ the King panel of the Ghent Altarpiece by Jan van Eyck

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Sunday Services	Weekday Services
8:00 A.M Holy Eucharist, Rite I	Monday – Friday
9:00 A.M Holy Eucharist, Rite II	7:30 A.M. – Morning Prayer, Rite I
11:00 A.M Morning Prayer	6:00 P.M. – Evening Prayer, Rite I
Holy Eucharist, Rite I first Sundays	Wednesday
of the month	10:00 A.M. – Holy Eucharist, Rite I

# Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost October 1, 2023 • 9:00 AM



### The Dismissal

Celebrant	Let us bless the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

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"Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus..."

Philippians 2:5

Quote of the Week ??



"If God spare my life, ere many years I will cause a boy who drives a plough to know more of the scriptures than you do."

William Tyndale

English biblical scholar and linguist who became a leading figure in the Protestant Reformation. Well-known as a translator of the Bible into English, he was strangled and his body burned. martyred 6 October 1536





#### **Opening Acclamation**

Celebrant	Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People	And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

## **Collect of Purity**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 





# The Collect

OfficiantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.OfficiantLet us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of



#### **Postcommunion Prayer**

Officiant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# The Invitation to Communion (BCP 364)

The Priest invites the people to Communion

### Priest

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

# Postcommunion Hymn 315 Thou, who at thy first Eucharist didst pray



your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

# The Liturgy of the Word

## **First Reading**

Exodus 17:1-7

### A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

The word of the Lord. *People* Thanks be to God.

Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16

Attendite, popule

1 Hear my teaching, O my people; \* incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

2 I will open my mouth in a parable; \* I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.

3 That which we have heard and known, and what our forefathers have told us, \* we will not hide from their children.

4 We will recount to generations to come the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord, \* and the wonderful works he has done. 12 He worked marvels in the sight of their forefathers, \* in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan.

13 He split open the sea and let them pass through; \* he made the waters stand up like walls.

14 He led them with a cloud by day, \* and all the night through with a glow of fire.

15 He split the hard rocks in the wilderness \* and gave them drink as from the great deep.

16 He brought streams out of the cliff, \* and the waters gushed out like rivers.

## Second Reading

Philippians 2:1-13

A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians.

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,

but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death-even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, People and Celebrant
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

# The Breaking of the Bread



#### Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

#### The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

The Word of the Lord
People Thanks be to God

Gospel Hymn 450

All hail the power of Jesus' Name





#### The Great Thanksgiving

Officiant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Officiant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Officiant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People



The People may add their own petitions.

## **Confession of Sin**

The Deacon or Celebrant says Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

### Silence may be kept.

Minister and People Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

## The Absolution

Celebrant

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.** 

# The Peace

OfficiantThe Peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

# The Liturgy of the Table

# Offertory

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.



Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

# The Gospel

Matthew 20:1-16

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew. *People:* Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things. "What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

OfficiantThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, O Christ.

### The Sermon

The Rev'd W. Patrick Edwards

#### Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### The Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; **That we all may be one.** 

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons, especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; and Lawrence our diocesan bishop; **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.** 

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world, especially Joseph, our President; Kathy, our Governor; and Bill, our Mayor; **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.** 

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest; Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence