

# The St. Francis Bulletin

## UPCOMING WEEKDAY SERVICES

<b>Day/Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Observing</b>
Thursday, April 25	7:00 pm	St. Mark the Evangelist - Holy Communion with snacks afterwards
Wednesday, May 1	7:00 pm	St. Philip and St. James Apostles - Holy Communion with snacks afterwards.
Thursday, May 9	7:00 pm	The Ascension Day - Holy Communion

## MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Memorial Service for Kenneth Christian Robertson will be at St. Francis on Friday, April 19th at 5:00pm. Reception to follow.

## YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL AT ST. FRANCIS

Missy Bernard has been in charge of the younger Sunday school class since 2014 - finishing up 10 years! While she enjoys working with the younger children, she is looking to step down from being the primary teacher. Along those lines, we are looking to find several people to step up to work with the youngest children this coming school year. The idea would be to rotate teaching, so that one person is not teaching every Sunday. We will take time this summer to look at curriculums that are available for a class of children from ages 5 to 10. Classes are held at 9:30 am from September through May. Whether you are male or female, prayerfully consider if you would like to work with the younger children. Let Fr. Cappucci know if you are interested.

Doug Cooper will continue to work with the older group with the occasional substitute. Thanks, Doug!

## SUNDAY SCHOOL SUMMER BREAK

The adult and youth Sunday School classes will continue through (and including) May 19. We will take the summer break from May 26 through Sept 1. Classes will begin for the next school year on September 8.

## CHOIR

If you enjoy singing at the 10:30 service, consider joining the choir! We rehearse at about 12:15 after the later service to sing to the Glory of God. Generally, the choir sings every few weeks during the service. Let Amy Crandell know if you would like to join us! We will rehearse through June 9 and finish up for the season on June 16 when the Bishop visits St. Francis for his annual Episcopal visit and confirmation. We will start up again in the fall.

## **HIGHER GROUNDS**

Thanks to Jane and James Cox and Susuan Ramin for coordinating Higher Grounds. Thanks to everyone who has signed up to help out. We are having abundant tasty food. Check out the sign-up sheet in the Narthex to see how you can help in the upcoming weeks. Ways to volunteer include:

- Make the coffee first thing in the morning
- Bring something to eat
- Help clean-up

## **USHERS NEEDED FOR BOTH SERVICES**

We are looking to add to the team of ushers for both services.

Duties include:

- Greeting people as they enter the nave and giving them a bulletin
- Counting the people in the congregation for attendance and Communion
- Passing the offering plate
- Guiding people to the Communion rail
- Counting the offering given during each service and other recording duties.

Contact David Kristo-Reinking ([dreinking@aol.com](mailto:dreinking@aol.com)) or Fr. Cappucci if you are interested.

## **DIOCESAN NEWS**

Our diocese is transitioning to digital news articles, rather than the printed newsletter that was sent in the past. If you would like to subscribe to **The Pillar** or **New Throughout the Diocese**, go to:

**The Pillar:** <https://fwepiscopal.org/newsletter/> (And click on **Read our Newsletter** to see past issues). The goal is to send this monthly.

**News Throughout the Diocese:** <https://fwanglican.org/subscribe-to-news/>. The goal is to send this more often than monthly.

## **UPCOMING DIOCESAN EVENTS**

**Camp Crucis Work Day:** Camp Crucis is hosting a spring work day on April 20 from 9-3. Lunch will be provided. There will be a variety of projects at all ability levels. They are excited to have the help and support of the diocese in preparing for the upcoming summer camp season. 2875 Camp Crucis Ct, Granbury, TX 76048-4717

**Ministry to the Least of These Training Day** from the Absalom Jones Leadership Institute. Saturday, May 11, 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. Guest speaker is the Reverend Captain Herb Bailey II. Breakfast and lunch provided. Learn how to minister to the homeless. St. John's Anglican Church, 2401 College Ave., Fort Worth, 76110

**Apologetics and Science** sponsored by the Anglican Way Institute Conference. May 29-31. Translating the language of Faith to a culture of scientism with keynote speaker Dr. Alister McGath. Location at Church of the Holy Communion Cathedral, 17405 Muirfield Drive, Dallas, TX 75287. (A church in the Reformed Episcopal Church) In person \$230. By Zoom \$150. Email [donna@holychurchdallas.org](mailto:donna@holychurchdallas.org) or call (972) 248-6505.

## **FOOD DRIVE RESULTS**

Thanks to everyone who contributed to the food drive held this past Lent. The Crandells filled the truck of their car two times with all the cans, boxes and bags of rice and beans. Based on the pressure on the struts on the back wheels of the car, this was quite a bit of weight. (Someday they will weigh what was donated, but this was more than in the past couple of years.)

Bea Arellano-DelaRosa, the director of Social Ministries at St. Louis church and Angela Oxford, the Social Ministries Assistant were quite grateful for our contributions to their pantry. St. Louis Food Pantry is a partner agency of the Central Texas Food Bank. They provide groceries, dry goods and fresh seasonal vegetables from the St. Louis Farm, and distribute the food to those within our community. Our contribution helps them serve anyone in the central Austin area.

## **DONATION CENTER**

Now that the Lenten food drive is completed, the donation table in the Narthex has switched back to donations for Mobile Loaves and Fishes and The Trotter House.

### **Trotter House:**

- Diapers, bottles, teethers
- New or gently used clothing and toys
- Monetary donations can be made at: <https://www.betterunite.com/TrotterHouse-alwayson>
- For more information go to: <https://www.trotterhouse.org/>

### **Mobile Loaves and Fishes:**

- Toiletries (soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, almost any hygiene item)
- New or gently used clothing for adults and children - socks are quite popular!
- Small wash rags
- Monetary donations can be made at: <https://give.mlf.org/give/138838/#!/donation/checkout>
- For more information, go to <https://mlf.org/>.

## **READERS OF FIRST THINGS**

Austin Chapter of Readers of First Things meets at St. Francis on April 15. The group meets monthly to discuss an article selected from First Things, a journal of religion and public life. Anyone interested is welcome to attend. For more information or to be put on the group's email list, email Karl Stephan (kdstephan@txstate.edu). The article under discussion is Mary Harrington's "[Normophobia](#)". Copies will be on the table in the Narthex. The meeting is via Zoom and in person on the third Monday of the month from 7 - 8:30 pm.

## **APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

6	Uchenna Nnoka	15	Mary Collins
8	Robert Bernard		Katie Carrillo
	Jessica Brummett	17	Marlene Meredith
10	John Goodrich	21	Jim Crandell
11	Keira Kristo-Reinking	24	Donna Hunt
13	Don Brown	28	Elizabeth Hoyt

## **APRIL ANNIVERSARIES**

5 Roy and Nancy Jones  
17 Mack and Margery Lindsey  
Doug and Cesiah Cooper  
22 Susan and Michael Jones

## **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

### **Sundays**

8:30 a.m. Said Holy Communion. Healing prayers at the altar rail follow the service  
9:15 a.m. Nursery is provided.  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School (Adults & Youth)  
10:30 a.m. Choral Holy Communion. Healing prayers after the service.  
12:00 p.m. Choir Practice (after the 10:30 Communion Service)

### **Tuesdays**

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Bible Study online via Zoom. New members are welcome.

### **Thursdays**

7:00 p.m. Evening Prayer in person in the church and via Zoom. All are welcome.

## **APRIL CALENDAR**

**Apr 6 - 10:00 a.m.** Prayers for the Nation

**Apr 8 - 2nd Monday - 6:00 p.m.** Vestry Meeting via Zoom

**Apr 10 - 7:00 p.m.** Home group at the Crandell's house.

**Apr 12 - 2nd Friday - 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.** Home group at the McCown's house. New members are welcome.

**Apr 15 - 3rd Monday - 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.** Readers of First Things group online meeting. Contact Karl Stephan at [kdstephan@txstate.edu](mailto:kdstephan@txstate.edu) to join the online meeting via Zoom or come in person to the fellowship hall.

**Apr 24 - 7:00 p.m.** Home group at the Crandell's house.

**Apr 25 - 7:00 p.m.** St. Mark the Evangelist Service.

**Apr 26 - 4th Friday**

4:30 p.m. Mobile Loaves & Fishes Make Ready Team

5:30 p.m. Mobile Loaves & Fishes Truck Run

7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Home group at the McCown's house

### **Note on the calendar:**

- To join any of the meetings or services held via Zoom, email [info@stfrancisaustin.org](mailto:info@stfrancisaustin.org)

## **READINGS FOR APRIL**

### **4/7 1st Sunday after Easter**

**(Link to Readings)**

1 St. John 5: 4-12  
St. John 20:19-23

### **4/14 2nd Sunday after Easter**

**(Link to Readings)**

1 St. Peter 2:19-25  
St. John 20:11-16

### **4/21 3rd Sunday after Easter**

**(Link to Readings)**

1 St. Peter 2:11-17  
St. John 16:16-22

### **4/28 4th Sunday after Easter**

**(Link to Readings)**

Psalm 116  
St. James 1:17-21  
St. John 16:5-15

Notes on the Readings:

- St. Francis follows the lectionary from the 1928 Book of Common Prayer.
- The text read is from the Revised Standard Version of the Bible.
- On the fourth Sunday of the month, we will use the Psalm appointed for that day in the Morning Prayer portion of the service.
- Each of the listed Sunday readings is linked to the corresponding page on <http://commonprayer>.

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ST. FRANCIS' MISSION STATEMENT

- We are a community of believers in the Gospel of Jesus Christ whose mission it is to spread that Gospel in what we preach and in the way we live.
- We are called to know the Word of God, to act on it in our lives and to share it with our brothers and sisters in the world.
- We are determined to uphold the ancient faith of our ancestors in the Anglican tradition, to offer traditional Christian values based on the Holy Word of God and to be faithful witnesses to the person of Jesus in the Austin Community.
- St. Francis parish is dedicated to the presence of Christ in the lives of the poor, the needy, the sick, to each other and to all those to whom Jesus comes to minister in his life on earth.
- As a community of believers, we intend to entrust our growth in love, in faith and in resources to the generosity of God.