

# Saints' Alive

February 2023



## A CHANGE OF SEASONS

The month of February is interesting on several levels. First, at 28 days, it is the shortest month of the year. Second, it is the month where we begin to feel the end of winter's grip is at hand and that warmth of spring is just around the corner. Finally, for those of us who are Christians, the Season of Epiphany guides us to make way for the Season of Lent.

There is something comforting about the predictable seasonal cycles in life that we experience. Winter will give way to spring. Spring will give way to summer. Summer will give way to the fall. And finally, fall will usher in winter to complete the cycle. The same is true with our faith. Advent leads to Christmas. The 12 Days of Christmas lead to Epiphany. Epiphany brings us to Lent. Lent begins with Ash Wednesday and thus we engage with the traditional Lenten practices of prayer, fasting, and giving alms.

In South Louisiana, the time after January 6th through Ash Wednesday (this year it is February 22nd) is marked by King Cakes, colorful beads, parades in the streets, and pure unbridled revelry. It culminates with Mardi Gras, which means Fat Tuesday, the day before Ash Wednesday and the somber start of 40 days (not counting Sundays) of Lent.

Lent is a time of penitence. It is meant to be a time of deep reflection. It is an opportunity to get our lives back on track once again and press forward. Lent is also a season to remove the bad habits that have crepted into our lives this past year. It's like hitting the spiritual reset button so to speak.

People are prone to take on all types of traditional Lenten disciplines in hopes of ending a few bad habits and creating some new good habits. Some will give up alcohol, sweets, or red meat. Some will take on reading the Bible. Others begin modest exercise regimens to develop better health. I personally believe that small incremental changes verses large dramatic changes have the best chance for bringing about lasting change.

Here is what I'm going to suggest for Lent, 2023. The worst of the pandemic is now behind us. Come back to church. Get out of bed on Sunday morning for the six Sundays in Lent and go to church. For a faith community to thrive we need to be intentional about being present with each other. It's time to come back to church.

Two years of dealing with the COVID virus caused new habits to replace familiar habits. Let's use the Season of Lent to create something new together. It's not possible to go back in time and relive the past. It is possible to take the lessons in life that we've learned and strive for something better. This year, make a commitment of creating a new habit of being present on Sunday mornings here at All Saints'. For just six Sundays, come back to church.

As my time as Senior Warden comes to a close, I would like to thank Father Mark, Lynne Ann, Colleen Andrews, all Vestry members and all former senior wardens for giving me guidance during my tenure.

2022 was the year we reopened the church after Covid. Most of our activities have started up again, while a few activities are still waiting. And monthly breakfasts -with bacon- are back!! Attendance at mass is picking up while a great many people are still viewing mass on line.

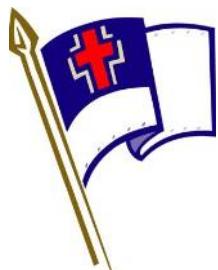
We had two very successful BQQs in 2022. Thanks to all the many parishioners who made this happen. And many thanks to Mark Joyce and his helpers for a very tasty lasagna dinner.

Food on Foot and Bingo have started up again. Bingo has had fewer guests but has been a great time for all participants. Food on Foot collected robes for Christmas and thanks to Ginger Goolsby for seeing this through.

And last, but not least, Skeet Jernigan's hard work for stewardship has paid off. Our stewardship campaign for 2023 has brought in more dollars than any other year.

It has been an honor and pleasure serving on the Vestry the past three years. We have a very qualified Vestry coming on in 2023.

Howard Mauney



Joining the Vestry in 2022 was definitely new territory for me. Going into it I didn't know what to expect or really what I was doing. Thankfully, members of the Vestry took me under their wing and helped me understand how things worked. As I am still getting the hang of things I am looking forward to 2023 and the many adventures it will bring! In 2022 we were able to get new All Saints' shirts ordered which turned out to be a huge hit! Just recently we had game night, so much fun was had that's it's in the works to possibly have game night every quarter! Hopefully, this summer we can have a movie night possibly outside on a blow up screen. Spirits are high and so many opportunities are ahead for All Saints'! Forward we go!

Rebecca Boatman  
Christian Formation



### The Junior Warden's 2022 Report

2022 was quite a year as we started to bring our facility up to “full-speed-ahead” as Covid restrictions eased. After a trial run at a one-day BBQ in the Spring (where we sold, well—everything but the kitchen sink-), we pulled out an unbelievably successful two-night cook in October. All told, based on our year-end-financials, we sold around \$60,000 of BBQ and fixings’ in 2022. Wow!!! Special thanks to the people who lead and make our BBQs happen. You are amazing and a testament to the power of “individual doing” to serve the greater need of being “one in community.”

Sherri Chiappetta, our Sexton, made sure that our Church shone bright as we reintroduced unrestricted services. The “every other pew” signs disappeared as we welcomed both our returning parishioners and many new Parish Members. Thank you, Sherri! Welcome to those of you who found you way to our All Saints’ home.

Several long-deferred projects took on new life this last year. The “child-size” bathrooms in the Administrative Hall were updated to better serve our “all-grown-up-now” peoples. We continued to improve lighting with LED upgrades throughout the facility – this year we focused on the back stairwell, upstairs bathrooms, and the Parish Hall, in addition to improving and repairing lighting in the Sanctuary.

There's now a “BBQ Cave” on the ground floor where we have centralized the supplies and equipment for our bi-annual pork extravaganza.

We also spent time on the grounds of our campus. We engaged our lawn services to provide more help with routine cleanup and “seasonal refreshing”. We also began some selective tree removal and began to plan for longer-term tree maintenance, removal, and replacement.

Christmas week capped off the year with a burst pipe in one of the under-croft bathrooms. We were blessed with swift notification by one of our support groups, rapid response by MUS to shut off water, a good mop, quick repairs, and blessedly – no damage or disruption to services.

I would be remiss if I did not mention the contribution Lynne Ann Anderson, our Administrator, has made to ensure the smooth operations of our church. There are a multiple ‘small’ things (the dishwasher doesn’t work, the stove is out, I need to be let in, my key doesn’t work, how do I get in the directory, what the heck is going on???), that really, when you get down to it, affect everything that happens in our church. Lynne Ann, for many years, has taken care of these so-called “small (but let’s be honest vital and world changing)” things and made it all happen.

Lynne Ann, there aren’t enough thanks for everything you have done for All Saints’. Wishing you all happiness and grace in your next chapter!

And thanks to all of you who, throughout the year, take on those large and small tasks that make our All Saints’ House a Home.

Peace,

Colleen Andrews, Junior Warden

## ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL SCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT

### Annual Fund Growth

Like every other independent school in the country, All Saints' Episcopal School funds basic operations with tuition dollars. But it's never enough. And like every other private school, we depend on the generosity of others via our annual Saints' Fund to help fill the gap that allows us to enroll mission appropriate students whose family finances would not otherwise support an ASES education.

Last year, parent participation in the Saints' Fund climbed to 27%, a modern high. With renewed emphasis this year on education and promotion, so far (our fiscal year runs July to June) we're at 50% participation. Faculty/staff and Board of Trustees are at 100%. Like our student enrollment numbers, it keeps getting better and better!

### Mid-year Adjustments

While it is certainly fair to describe All Saints' Episcopal School as having dearly held traditions and patterns, it would be a mistake to suggest we are not open to positive change, especially when it comes to educating children. (Think continuous improvement!) Two recent adjustments we've made that are bearing sweet fruit are about math and writing.

After the dust settled from our standardized testing in October, we dissected the data and made some adjustments in our instructional practices PreK to 8th. More amendments to our Middle School program began with our return to classes in early January.

In Math, we had learned that while our students problem solve and think well mathematically, their automaticity in basic math functions is weak. Not knowing your math facts (multiplication tables, negative versus positive numbers, place values, fractions converted to decimals, etc.) without "thinking" about them greatly impedes finding a solution to word problems, the most common form of math challenges. Consequently, Mrs. Misty Cameron, our Academic Dean, has begun meeting with 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders once a week to press the importance of these fundamentals.

In Language Arts we had learned that our writing mechanics (capitalization, punctuation, run-on sentences, etc.) are not what they should be. To help with this, I'm leading a writing workshop with our 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders. My hope is that with a concentrated effort at formal writing our students will quickly learn that texting and essay/paragraph writing are distant cousins.

The second adjustment we've made is to hire another math teacher, Mrs. Angela Minnick, to teach regular 6<sup>th</sup> grade math. The class had been sharing Mrs. Kim Torres with other levels of math in a "one room schoolhouse," meaning their teacher contact time was limited. Not anymore. Already in the couple of weeks we've segregated 6<sup>th</sup> grade for a daily full period of instruction, they have responded quite well. We've even been able to subdivide them into ability groups to accelerate their learning.

### Science catalyst

Another curricular enhancement we've instituted since Christmas Break is the introduction of a Science Catalyst in our K-4 grades. Each week these students engage in 25 minutes of science experiments and hands on science learning under the guidance of Mrs. Elyse Wolfe, an environmental science teacher relocated to Morristown from California. The excitement of students as they enter and exit our gym's "science area" is not just visible; it's electrifying!

### Admission/Reenrollment

Last August we opened with 139 students. This month we enrolled our 148<sup>th</sup>. We're still not to waiting lists, though space is very limited in four of our programs. This sort of enrollment growth is what happens when you have a top-notch faculty delivering a top-draw educational program! If you know of a student who is not enjoying a breakout year in school, please do send them my way.

Reenrollment for the 2023-24 academic year begins this month. Current families will have a few weeks to reclaim their student's seat (and loyalty discount) as they matriculate along their educational continuum. New admits begin after that. Again, if you know a student who would benefit from a change of setting or who wants to experience a best in class education, please send them our way. ASES is truly a better place to grow!

Ash Wednesday invitation

Near the end of this month ASES will join with millions of Christians around the world to celebrate Ash Wednesday and begin the season of Lent. Worship with the imposition of ashes will start at 8:00 that morning. Please know you are cordially invited to join our PreK to 8<sup>th</sup> grade students, faculty, our chaplain Will Root and Fr. Mark for the prayers, the Eucharist, and the smudging. No reservations necessary; we have plenty of ashes.

2023 Auction

Please save the date! This year's ASES Auction and Gala is scheduled for March 4 in the Dean Coffman Activity Center beginning at 5:45 pm. Food and beverages, silent and live auctions, fun and fellowship will, again, be the fare for the night. This year's theme is Blue and Gold (though I'll be in my usual tan and black.)

I hope you'll join us for this important fundraising event. Like the Saints' Fund, proceeds provide resources to enable us to have a diverse student body, the best faculty in the area, and continue to serve the Lakeway Region as its premier educational institution. Never mind the party won't be as much fun without you!

HoS Search

As of this writing, a contract offer has been made by the Board of Trustees to the candidate unanimously recommended by the Search Committee with the full support of the school community to serve as our next Head of School. Presently, he is saying his prayers, checking with his family about a potential move to Tennessee, and considering his career choices. He is an Episcopalian and a veteran independent school administrator. I believe he is a good fit.

Several of you have asked about my plans going forward. (I'm flattered by the interest.) First, we need to see what decision the candidate makes. Second, my hope is to try to once more to be retired. (Please don't tell the traffic police that I have a red Harley!) Third, we'll all have to see what the Lord has in mind as no one makes these decisions all by themselves.

A decision by him to say "Yes" to the call would certainly make things less complicated.

Blessings,

Smokey +



We will fill food bags for Food on Foot in February and then again for March. However, we will only go the warehouse and hand them out the first Saturday of March which is the 4<sup>th</sup>. We are on an every-other-month schedule as the need for food has continued to grow and more churches have stepped up to fill bags and also want to help hand them out.

The last time we handed out food bags on the first Saturday in January, we gave out almost 300 food bags. The need for school food bags has also continued to grow with more children being at risk for hunger on the weekends when they are not in school. Thank you for your continuing support of Food on Foot.

We will have an outreach committee meeting on Feb 5th, 2023 after church. At that time, we will discuss where the love offerings will go for the rest of the year. Please plan to attend if you would like to be a part of outreach.

Outreach  
Nickie Smith



Our beautiful choir has one primary job to do. What is it? It's leading the congregational singing! We've all been at a service somewhere when an unfamiliar hymn is sung. We've thought, "WAIT A MINUTE! I'VE BEEN AN EPISCOPALIAN MY WHOLE LIFE AND I'VE NEVER HEARD THIS ONE!" And that's when the choir helps us learn a new tune. Whether it's hymns or service music, secondarily the choir also provides visual assistance for new folk who are learning when we stand or sit! Most Sundays the choir also does a piece without the congregation, usually during the offertory. This music must not be seen as a performance. This is the choir's offering to God. Their vocal gifts are God-given, and "of Thine own have we given Thee." It's been said many times before but I'm going to say it again: c'mon and join the choir. We'd love to have you!

-Henry Selby  
Organist and Choirmaster



### **The Men are Cookin'**

**Sunday, February 5**

**8:45am**

**Bacon, bacon, bacon, oink**

**Connellee Team**



**Grief Support will meet Thursday,**

**February 23 at 6pm**

**at Living Promise Church on highway 160**

**- across from Wayne Hansard park.**

**Call Janis at 423-748-1516 for details.**

SISTERHOOD  
THURSDAY – FEBRUARY 16<sup>TH</sup>  
AT 5:30 PM AT HOLSTON'S

PLEASE NOTE THE DAY & DATES ARE  
DIFFERENT THAN OUR USUAL  
2<sup>ND</sup> TUESDAY –  
RE BOOKINGS FOR VALENTINE

OUR MENU'S ARE AS FOLLOWS:

STRAWBERRY CHICKEN SALAD - GRILLED CHICKEN BREAST – SLICED STRAWBERRIES – RED BELL PEPPERS – CANDIED PECANS – DRIED CRANBERRIES – GOLDEN RAISINS SHREDDED CARRITS – FRIED CINNAMON TORTILLA – RASPBERRY VINAIGRETTE - WATER \$14.00

DEEP FRIED CHICKEN TENDERS - BEER BATTER4ED – JULIENNE FRIIES - HONEY MUSTARD – WATER \$12.00

CORNED BEEF REUBEN – THINLY SLICED CORNED BEEF – SAUERKRAUT – SWISS CHEESE – RUSSIAN DRESSING ON GRILLED MARBLE RYE – WITH JULIENNE FRIES – WATER \$14.00

ADULT BEVERAGES AVAILABLE – CAN RECEIVE QUICKER SERVICE BY GOING TO BAR UPON ARRIVAL.

(THIS GIVES A CHOICE OF SALAD – POULTRY - BEEF) FOR THE VEGANS THE CHICKEN CAN BE LEFT OFF THE SALAD.....

HOPE TO SEE LOTS OF YOUR THERE – I HAVE INFO TO SHARE RE OUR FUTURE VENUE OPTION – SO PLEASE RSVP TO ME ASAP WITH FOOD CHOICE.

LOVE TO ALL

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**For healing and comfort:** Sheila Carton; Jim Gose; Louise Dyer; David Burnette; Edna Colley, mother of Jack Yates; Heather Kirby; Linda Coyle; Chad Huskey; Martha Startup; Margaret Blazer; Sharon Lacue; Joe Lacue; Richard Chandler; Rose Adams; Larry Harcrowe; Mary Hepler; Linda Pickett; Eleanor Farabaugh; Bill Young; Ian Bond; Mary Beth Rice; Kathie Pieper; Rus Safarov; Ward Williams; Paul Elkins; Davin Auton; Kristin Roberts Ball; Kendall Shinlever; Patsy Gosnell; Jerry Thompson

**Diocesan Prayer Cycle:** Our sister missions in South Dakota: St. Elizabeth's, Wakpala; St. James', Mobridge; St. John's, Bullhead; St. Paul's, Little Eagle

**Those in the Armed Forces & First Responders:**  
Gryfin Broyles; Jeffrey Torres; Tim Herzog; Hayden & Hunter Dome; Azlynn Megan Ross; Daniel Thomas; Luke Adams; Hunter Case; Kristie Kirby; Kevin Smith; Luke & Austin Whitelaw; Amber Berry Gilliam



Wednesday

February 8

Noon



February 22

**8:00AM Chapel At ASES with  
Imposition of Ashes**

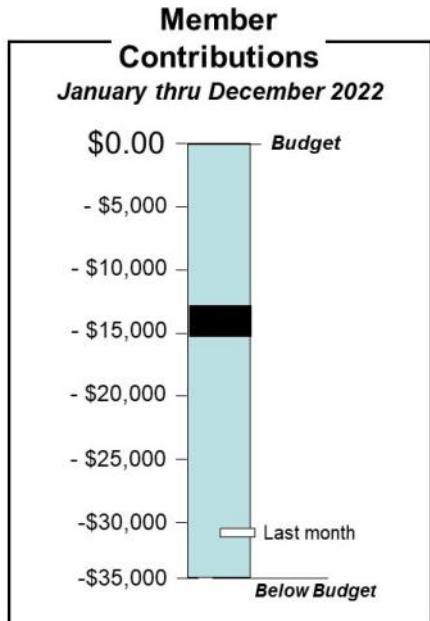
Most desired products:

Gift Cards  
Paper Towels  
Toilet Paper  
Postage Stamps  
Laundry Detergent

Please donate!

**Noon At Church - HE with  
Imposition of Ashes**

**6:00PM At Church – HE with  
Imposition of Ashes**



Shrove Tuesday



Mardi Gras

Pancakes, Bacon, King  
Cake, Red Beans & Rice  
YUM! Ya'll come!  
**February 21 - 6:00PM**

**Your Vestry thanks you for your support!**  
A reminder in these difficult times to keep your pledge current  
- catching up can be hard -

- On-line giving is now available -

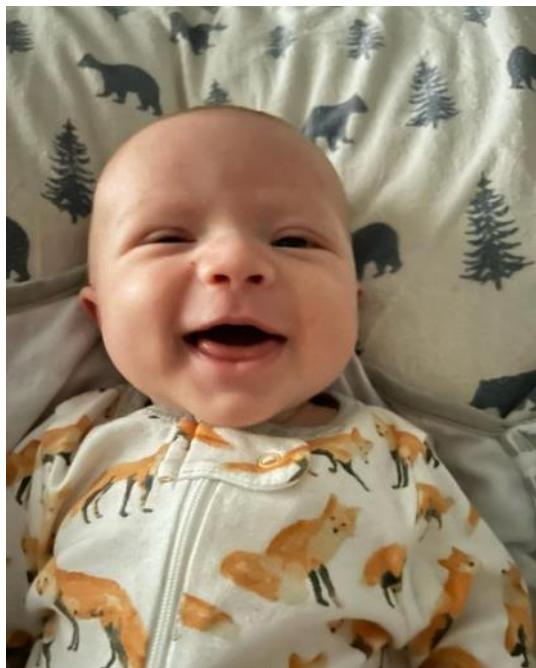
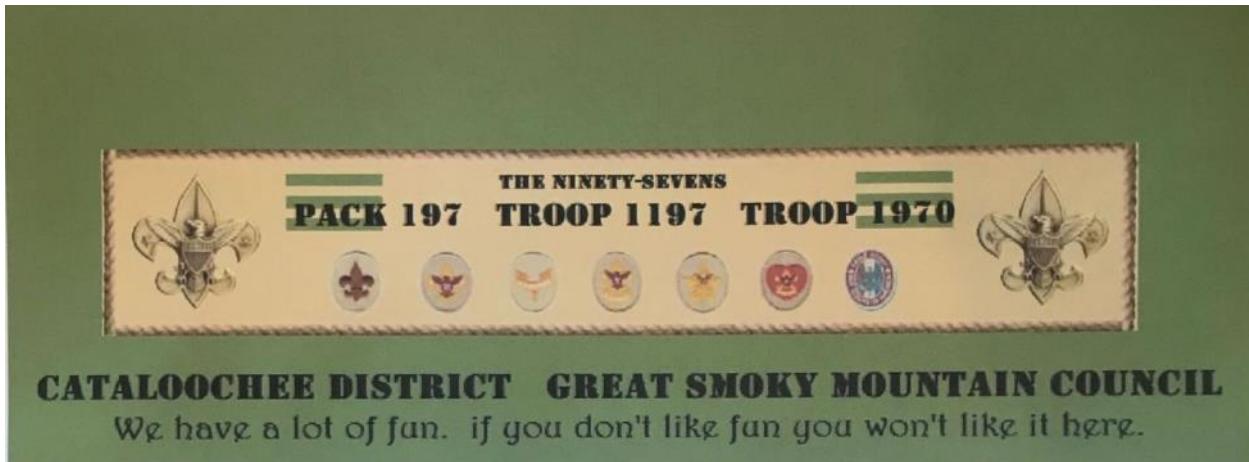


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## News from Scouts

We have finally finished the arduous rechartering for our Troop (girls, troop 1197) and our Cub Scout family Pack (197). Yahoo! The chartering fees came to nearly \$3,000. This covers the dues, the charter itself, and the fees that our leaders all have to pay in order to be volunteers. Yes, this is irritating but necessary. We are still in the process of attempting to found the new boy troop 1970. Stay tuned!

In the meantime, please note that February 12 is the date of “Scout Sunday” in the United States. Our scouts will be at the 10:30 service that day and will sing the offertory anthem. Which one? Well, we’re bringing back one from several years ago that the congregation absolutely loved: “The Butterfly Song”! That’s the one where music meets body movement including crocodiles, kangaroos, and holding baby Jesus! Hope to see you all there! Henry



*Welcome to the world  
Mason Joseph Kinsler  
Born December 6, 2022  
Proud parents, Alyssa & Korey Kinsler;  
3rd grandson for Sheri & Mike Chiappetta*

*And importantly  
First Great Grandchild  
For Virginia Carey*

*Heavenly Father, you sent your own Son into this world. We thank you for the life of this child, Mason, entrusted to our care. Help us to remember that we are all your children, and so to love and nurture him, that he may attain to that full stature intended for him in your eternal kingdom; for the sake of your dear Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*BCP, page 841*



Team 1: Amy Sharp, Chantal Combs

Team 2: Carolyn Dean, Janis Dixon, Mary West, Rebecca Fowler

Team 3: Susie Carter, Sheri Chiappetta, Isaac Bolling

Team 4: Judy Anglin, Martha Hall, Sandra Hoyle

Sacristan: Taryn Herzog

Feb. 5	Team 2	Green
Feb. 12	Team 3	Green
Feb. 19	Team 4	Green
Feb. 26	Team 1	Purple



*Memorials*

In memory of Sylvia Hinsley

David & Terri Tilson

Sharon Blake

In memory of Judy Bartholomew

Sharon Blake

Susie Carter



#### BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 02 Charlie Neill
- 04 Von Barron Fisk
- 05 Cole Thrasher
- 09 Susie Justice
- 10 Ann Nichols
- 11 Zoey Hall
- 12 LA Orio
- 13 Nickie Smith
- 14 Rebecca Fowler
- 15 Judith Anglin, Anna Lewis
- 17 Dave Auton, Paige & Rus Mattocks\*
- 18 Susan McGowan, Amy Sharp
- 19 Steve Julson
- 21 Carol-Jean Webster
- 22 Owen Mattocks
- 23 Buck Eanes, Danielle Darter, Albert & Chantal Combs\*
- 24 Brooke Dosil, Henry Selby, Melissa Carson
- 26 Maudie & David Briggs\*
- 27 Hayden Sharp
- 28 Nathan Kirkley, Cathy Varner

\*Anniversary

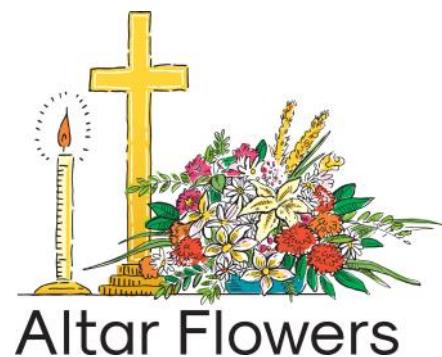
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VPR	Colleen Andrews	Dan Leonard	Rebecca Boatman	Nickie Smith
8:00 AM	02/05/2023	02/12/2023	02/19/2023	02/26/2023
CRUCIFER	Dave Auton	Earl Hall	Dave Auton	Dillon Wines
CHALICE/INTERCESSOR	Isaac Bolling	Cindy Husk	Isaac Bolling	Kim Torres
2nd CHALICE	Kim Torres	Cindy Husk	Bill Mitrik	Linda Leonard
LECTOR OT/P/NT	Marylou Mauney	Martha Simerl	Bill Mitrik	Marylou Mauney
GREETERS/USHERS	Howard Mauney	Gary Miller	Martha Hall	Howard Mauney
	Mary Lou Mauney	Robin Miller	Earl Hall	Mary Lou Mauney
8:00 AM	02/05/2023	02/12/2023	02/19/2023	02/26/2023
ACOLYTES	Ginger Goolsby	Jake Neill	Dillon Wines	Hayden Sharp
	Rebecca Boatman	Susie Carter	Liz Holland	Marley Sharp
CHALICE/INTERCESSOR	Carolyn Dean	Liz Holland	Dan Dickens	Isaac Bolling
2nd CHALICE	Mark Joyce	Lauren Cordle	Mark Joyce	Bill Mitrik
OT LECTOR	Judy Yates	Lynn Cross	Paige Mattocks	Mark Doherty
NT LECTOR	Mark Doherty	Marty Anderson	Ginger Goolsby	Alex Cunningham
PRESENTERS	Mark Doherty	Janis Dixon	Judy Yates	Lena Giles
	Rhonda Doherty	Brooke White	Jack Yates	George Giles
SOUND/VIDEO	Larry McGowan/Mark Doherty	Larry McGowan/Wayne Stambaugh	Mark Doherty/Wayne Stambaugh	Larry McGowan/Wayne Stambaugh
GREETERS/USHERS	Jack Yates	Sam Neill	George Giles	Louise Joyce
	Judy Yates	Amy Neill	Lena Giles	Brooke White
	Holley Dickens	Janis Dixon	Rhonda Doherty	Janis Dixon
	Valen Auker	Louise Joyce	Brooke White	Ginger Goolsby

If unable to serve as scheduled, please find your own replacement.  
 Thanks, Howard Mauney



New Photos Needed  
Instant Church Directory



There are so many out-of-date family photos in our online directory! Won't you consider sending in new ones? Just email to me or Mary Ann Mills or you can submit directly to the directory online.

2023 Flower Chart now available.  
Sign up or call Lynne Ann to select your special Sunday,  
586-6201

Thanks in advance, la

**All Saints' Foundation Trust announces the receipt of two new Foundation gifts.**

The family of Harold and Ann Nichols and the family of Jim and Sarah Gose have each established Trust accounts in their names to provide a lasting legacy for our church. The Trustees, speaking on behalf of the parish, wish to thank these two families for their support for our parish.

A gift to the Foundation establishes a perpetual gift where the principal amount of the gift is invested in interest bearing accounts and only the interest is used to fund church programs. The principle is protected and is never withdrawn from the Foundation.

If your family would like to join the Nichols, Gose and our other families in establishing a Trust account for the future of our parish, please contact the Rector or one of the Foundation's Trustees.

