This Week at



OCTOBER 23 2025

THE PARISH AT A GLANCE

Worship

SUNDAY, October 26

Holy Eucharist, Rite II - The 20th Sunday After Pentecost

WEDNESDAY, October 29

5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer

Upcoming Events

TODAY: Truck & Treat 5 - 8 p.m. at the Ag Center

OCT 26: Directory photos after Sunday service

OCT 29: Confirmation Class Week 2 5:30 pm

NOV 2: All Saints' Sunday

Stewardship Kickoff Brunch!

NOV 5: Book Club meets after Evening Prayer

Through DEC 31 - Keep Columbus Beautiful Shoe Drive

Connect and Serve: BackSnacks

BackSnacks needs food! Easy-to-prepare entrees such as canned ravioli or spaghetti and meatballs, mac-and-cheese, or ramen noodles are especially appropriate.

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IN OUR PARISH

Truck & Treat! October 23

St. Nicholas will once again participate in Harris County's Halloween celebration at the Ag Center from 5 – 8 p.m. Please consider joining us to hand out candy and goodies to Harris County kids.

Directory Update - Photos October 26

We are working our way toward a new printed edition of the Church Directory for the convenience of those who don't use the online version. The time to update your information is <u>before</u> it's printed! If you need a new photo, see Lynn Hall after the service on <u>October 26</u>.

All Saints' Sunday November 2

In observance of All Saints' Sunday on November 2, we will read the names of our loved ones who have passed away. Send the names of people whose memories you would like to honor to Erin in the church office by Wednesday, October 30 to be included.

First Sunday Brunch November 2

Sign up on the table in the narthex. We have some great hosts lined up, so make plans to join us!

Do you feel called to serve your church at a deeper, more spiritual level? Licensed Lay Eucharistic Ministry may be what you're looking for. <u>Eucharistic Ministers</u> minister to their fellow congregants by assisting the priest with Eucharist on Sunday morning. <u>Eucharistic Visitors</u> bring communion to homebound members of our church family. See Father Bob if you would like to explore this ministry.

It's Fall – Time to Recycle Those Shoes!

October 1 – December 31, St. Nicholas will again participate in Keep Columbus Beautiful's Shoe Recycling drive. Bring any kind of shoes you're ready to get rid of. Rubberbanding them together is helpful, but condition does not matter. Those that can be worn will be sent to those who can use them; those that can't will be recycled – either way, they stay out of the landfill! Bin in the narthex.

BackSnacks invites YOU!

BackSnacks is extending particular invitations to the St. Nicholas congregation to help get to know each other and strengthen the bond between the church and this vital outreach program.

NOV 12: Cookies, ice cream, and conversation.

DECEMBER: The BackSnacks kids hope to join us for carol-singing.

St. Nicholas Book Club News

The November read is *Before the Coffee Gets Cold* by Toshikazu Kawaguchi. "In a small back alley in Tokyo, there is a café which has been serving carefully brewed coffee for more than one hundred years. But this coffee shop offers its customers a unique experience: the chance to travel back in time. This beautiful, moving story explores the age-old question: what would you change if you could travel back in time? More importantly, who would you want to meet, maybe for one last time?" [from GoodReads]. The Book Club next meets after Evening Prayer on November 5.

Episcopal Confirmation Course 2025

See Erin or Father Bob if you are interested in joining one of these classes.

Week 2 – Worship and the Sacraments

WED, OCT 29 5:30 (Zoom/in-person)

Theme: Encountering God in liturgy and sacrament - The centrality of the Eucharist; the Book of Common Prayer; the Sacraments of the Church; how Episcopal liturgy shapes our faith

Week 3 - Scripture, Creeds, and Prayer

SUN, NOV 2

Theme: How we believe and live our faith - The Bible in Anglican tradition; the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds; the role of prayer and personal devotion; spiritual practices for daily life

Week 4 – Mission, Ministry, and Confirmation SUN, NOV 9

Theme: Living out our faith in the world - Confirmation as the strengthening of the Spirit for ministry; gifts of the Spirit and discernment of call; the Church's mission of reconciliation, justice, service; the Confirmation liturgy

Coming Soon...



More information coming soon on how to commit to your congregation in 2026!

IN OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Prayer Requests

Your prayers are asked for Patricia Collins, Ryder Hughes, and Katherine Johnson. Continued prayers and loving thoughts for our homebound congregants: Liz Dixon, Mike Sawyer, and Jewell Wells.



IN OUR WIDER CHURCH

- News from the Diocese: Click here to catch up on what's happening in our own Diocese of Atlanta, including an Events calendar for the few months.
- News from The Episcopal Church: Click here to read The Episcopal Church Weekly.
- News from the Episcopal Community Foundation: Click here to read the latest news.

