



The Second Sunday after Pentecost

Collect of the Day

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your lovingkindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

The church celebrates the Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist each year on June 24. John was Jesus' cousin and a prophet with a large following when Jesus began his ministry. Although many of John's followers believed him to be the Messiah, John recognized Jesus as the true Messiah, called for the world to "prepare the way of the Lord" (Mark 1:3), and baptized Jesus.

The Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist is one of the oldest Christian festivals, dating back to 506, and was first included in the Book of Common Prayer in 1549. It was decided to observe this feast six months before Christmas because Elizabeth was in her sixth month of pregnancy with John at the time of Jesus' conception. This date in June also coincides with the summer solstice, a pre-Christian festival, which is now dedicated to the Nativity of St. John the Baptist in much of Europe and the Mediterranean and widely celebrated.

The Gospel of Luke describes John's miraculous birth to an elderly, childless couple, Zechariah and Elizabeth, who was a cousin of the Virgin Mary. When the angel Gabriel told Zechariah that Elizabeth would bear a son who would be named John, Zechariah did not believe it was possible, so he was made mute. Zechariah's speech was restored to him on the eighth day after John's birth, when the baby was circumcised and named. With his newly regained voice, Zechariah then proclaimed the canticle known as the Benedictus Dominus Deus:

*"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,
for he has looked favorably on his people and
redeemed them.
He has raised up a mighty savior for us
in the house of his servant David,
as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from
of old,
that we would be saved from our enemies and from
the hand of
all who hate us.
Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors,
and has remembered his holy covenant,
the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham,
to grant us that we, being rescued from the hands of
our enemies,
might serve him without fear, in holiness and
righteousness
before him all our days.
And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High;
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,
to give knowledge of salvation to his people
by the forgiveness of their sins.
By the tender mercy of our God,
the dawn from on high will break upon us,
to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the
shadow of
death,
to guide our feet into the way of peace" (Luke 1:67-79).*

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Summer Pledge

Good friends, please make every attempt to stay "up to date" on your 2019 pledge over the summer. The number of the faithful diminishes but the financial challenges stay the same. Thanks for your prayerful attention to this.

Join us for our first "Pub Theology"

Date: Thursday, June 27th

Time: 6:30 pm

Place: Yard House, 1681 Lennox Avenue
Miami Beach, FL 33139

RSVP: Requested (but not required)
at pubtheologymb@gmail.com



Jesus promised that whoever believes in him will do the same and even greater works than him and we see this happen in the early church. On the day of Pentecost, people had gathered in Jerusalem from many nations. They heard a loud sound and came together to see what was happening. The apostles came out speaking but everyone could hear and understand them as if they were speaking in their native tongues. We don't often talk about miracles quite as obviously 'miraculous' as this, but surely **Jesus was right. Miracles still happen. Join us for drinks and a lively discussion about the birth of the church and the role of miracles in our lives today.**



Stewardship Opportunities

During this exciting time, as we begin a new chapter in our church's history, we have **numerous stewardship opportunities** to donate your talents and time to our Church Community: **We are searching for a volunteer(s) to assist in the Parish office, one day during the week, for a few hours. Please talk to Fr. Tim for details.**

Boiled Eggs for the Homeless

Thank you for your continuing participation in this very important ministry. **In last week's newsletter, we mistakenly informed you that June 23rd was the next "Egg Sunday." We apologize for this error. July 21st is our next monthly opportunity to reach out to the homeless and hungry with a gift of hard-boiled eggs.** Please bring as many hardboiled eggs as you can manage for the Feed My Sheep feeding program in down-town Miami and leave them in the crate at the back of church.

We Hold in Prayer †

God our healer, whose mercy is like a refining fire: by the lovingkindness of Jesus, heal us and those for whom we pray; that being renewed by you, we may witness your wholeness to our broken world; through Jesus Christ, in the power of the Spirit. Amen.†

For Healing: We pray for Baby Ailia, Bob, Bronwen, Carlos, Carmela, Dana, Daphne, Darryl, Dennis, Gary, Glen, Greg, Fr. Errol, Baby Hunter, Jim, Karen, Deacon Katon, Ken, Rev. Kleban, Lily, Malu, Nellie, Obie, Paul, Rev. Dorenda, Gracy, Rafael, Ray, Richard, Rick, Rito, Rose, Santos, Sheila, Bishop Sturdie, Tania and Tony.

Those living with HIV/AIDS and their families.

Those living with addiction & those in recovery.

For the dying and those who watch and care for them and mourn for their loss.

For the Faithful Departed

For all our Loved ones, our Friends & our Neighbors.

For those celebrating Birthdays or Anniversaries.

For Peace throughout the world.

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Season of Pentecost

All celebrations and/or events are held
at All Souls' Episcopal Church
unless otherwise noted

June 30th

The Third Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist

8:00 am

Sung Eucharist

10:30 am

July 3rd

Holy Eucharist

12:05 pm

NEW!

July 7th

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist

8:00 am

Sung Eucharist

10:30 am

July 10th

Holy Eucharist

12:05 pm

July 14th

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist

8:00 am

Sung Eucharist

10:30 am

Prayer List

If you would like to add the name of a loved one, a place, an organization, an event, or a situation to the Prayer List, please email: parishoffice@allsouls.org

Hospitality



Next Sunday is a "Fifth Sunday." Vestry members are reminded that they are asked to kindly provide for our hospitality next week. Those members preferring to donate cash are encouraged to continue to do so and give their cash gifts to Ms. Joyce the week before their scheduled week, to allow her time to purchase any needed items. **Thank you for your continuing support and participation.**

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