



# The Tower

June 2024

Beloved in Christ,

As I am writing this I am two weeks away from beginning my sabbatical time. As was shared in last months Tower in our Diocese clergy are eligible to take three months of sabbatical after five years of service. In the fourteen years I have been serving as a priest in our diocese this will be my first time on sabbatical. Three months seems a bit much all at once to me so I have opted to split the time over this summer and next.

This years time will begin on Monday, June 9th and run until Sunday, August 4th . During this month and a half I will be working on a nonprofit finance class offered by RIC as part of their Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit Management program; I will travel to Kentucky on behalf of our diocese as the chair of our diocesan deputation to General Convention; I will spend a lot of time with my family hopefully most of which will be at the beach but also including a trip to Maine to with my siblings and parents to celebrate my Dad's birthday, and a trip to Ohio for a cousin's wedding; and I will attempt to undertake what I'm calling a parish pilgrimage where I will try to prayerfully walk as many, if not all, the streets in Barrington.

I chose to split this time and take it over the summer to hopefully minimize the disruption to our Parish life. There will of course be some disruptions but hopefully they'll be small. Things that rely upon me during the week will not be taking place. Our Monday Bible Study will finish up reading the Acts of the Apostles on Monday, June 3rd and will resume in the fall for a nine or ten week survey of topics in theology. Our weekday morning services, daily Morning Prayer and the Wednesday Eucharist, will be on hold following Thursday, June 6th until Monday August 5th .

I'm working out how we can continue Compline on Wednesday in the Memorial Garden so that will hopefully continue in person, although it will not be streamed this summer. Our weekly Tuesday morning Coffee Hour and Thursday Happy Hour on Zoom will continue as long as people show up. Finally, with the exception of the times that I am out of town, when I am in Kentucky for General Convention and Maine with my family, I will be available for any pastoral emergencies. The weeks I am away Jennifer Zogg, the rector of Epiphany, Rumford, will be on call for us. In the event of any emergency please reach out to the office and Dale will get you in touch with either Jennifer or myself.

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# STEP DOWN TO ENCORE

## Hours

*Tuesday & Thursday*  
10:00am—4:00pm

*Saturday*  
1st & 3rd Saturday  
of the month



## Encore

Encore is open on the following Tuesday's and  
Thursday's in June:

June 4th, 6th, 11th,, 13th, 18th & 20th.

Encore will open on Saturday, June 2nd, 15th and 22nd  
from 10:00am -1:00pm

The 1/2 price sale starts on the 15th and Encore will close  
for the summer on June 22nd.

Have a wonderful summer and we hope to see you in  
September!



## ST. JOHN'S TOWER

Please consider writing for The Tower.  
Personal reflections, articles, poetry,  
essays and commentary are always welcome!

**Next Tower Deadline: June 14th.**  
**The July/August Tower will be mailed on**  
**June 27th**

Please send articles, announcements and  
"Letters to the Tower" to [dale@stjohnsbarrington.org](mailto:dale@stjohnsbarrington.org)

# COMMISSION ON CHILDREN'S FORMATION

## Children Ministries News

Church school will meet on Sunday mornings throughout June, but our meeting time will change after the 9th. Our schedule is as follows:

June 2nd - 10am

June 9th - 10am

June 16th - 9am

June 23rd - 9am

June 30th - 9am



Please join us on Sunday, June 9th at 11am for a parish cookout to kick off summer. It will take place outside (weather dependent) We will have hot dogs, hamburgers and drinks and will have a signup sheet in Field Hall for any sides or desserts you wish to share. There will also be plenty of lawn games set up for those who want to partake.

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## May Breakfast

Thank you to all the cooks for the Mother's Day Breakfast. The kids loved the food!



Thank you to all who donated wipes and diapers for our May diaper drive. They are much appreciated.

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN ~ ECW

ECW was bursting with blooms at the May meeting! Following a wine and cheese welcome reception and brief meeting, all enjoyed a fabulous flower arrangement program. Special thanks to Flower Guild members, Pattie Mitchell, Debbie Jerome and Emily Reade, for organizing the very informative uplifting demonstration. To add to the fun-filled evening, several delighted ladies had the pleasure of taking home four exquisite floral designs. ECW welcomes all St. John's women, so be on the lookout for future details regarding the upcoming powerful ECW September program organized by Judy Taveres.



## COMMISSION ON ADMINISTRATION

### **Summer Hours**

The Parish office will be open Monday – Thursday from 8:00am until 2:00pm and will be closed on Friday.

### **Silver Spoons**

Silver Spoons is a monthly gathering with lunch for any of our parishioners over the age of sixty. Each month lunch will be prepared and served by Fr. Patrick. This month's lunch will take place on Thursday, June 6th and we'll be cooking hamburgers and hotdogs. If you would like to attend we ask you to RSVP to [patrick@stjohnsbarrington.org](mailto:patrick@stjohnsbarrington.org) by Tuesday, June 4th.

### **Lobster Roll Friday's**

Our ever popular Lobster Roll Fridays have returned! Starting on Friday June 21st and then every Friday evening this summer, from 5:00 p.m. until we sell out, St. John's will be selling Lobster Roll dinners that will include: a large lobster roll, chips, and a bottle of water. All for just \$22! Please reserve your lobster rolls by calling 245-4065 or email [dale@stjohnsbarrington.org](mailto:dale@stjohnsbarrington.org) before noon on Wednesday's. This is a St. John's project to raise money for all of our ministries...so we need volunteers to do their part. We are coordinating an effort to have 2 or 3 people to 'work the sale' each Friday. There will be a sign up sheet in Field Hall. Please get the word out that the Lobster Rolls are back and call to volunteer your help!

### **Weekday Morning Services**

While Fr. Patrick is on sabbatical our morning weekday services, Morning Prayer Monday-Thursday and the Wednesday Eucharist, will not take place. These services will resume Monday August 5th.

### **Compline and S'mores**

Beginning on Wednesday, June 5th, our weekly Compline service will move back outside to the Memorial Garden for the summer. We will gather around the fire pit to pray at 8pm. Following this brief service we will have supplies to make S'mores. This summer the service will not be livestreamed. If you are unable to join in person there are recordings of old compline services on our Facebook page and you can say compline on your own at home as well.

### **You Tube**

Our Worship services can be found on our YouTube Channel. Make sure to subscribe to receive notifications when we are streaming. Our YouTube channel can be found here: [###https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCoC6LP37QI\\_ovQTMm9Qw9wQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCoC6LP37QI_ovQTMm9Qw9wQ)

### **Open Hands Garden**

If you're looking for a wonderful family project for the summer, or just an easy way to grow some food for yourself and others we want you in the Open Hands Garden. We are offering you the opportunity to 'adopt' one of our raised gardening beds behind the church for just \$20!! You provide your own plants and gardening tools, and we will provide the water. Call Dale at the church office at 245-4065 if you are interested.

## COMMISSION ON OUTREACH

### Loaves & Fishes RI

Once again we will be taking the Loaves & Fishes truck and helping out those in need in Providence. On Sunday, June 30th we will loading the truck with bagged lunches, socks, toiletries and other personal items. The shiny white-and-silver Loaves & Fishes RI truck is a gathering place for poor and homeless individuals throughout Rhode Island.

Those in need are drawn to the truck for fresh sandwiches, fruit, hard-boiled eggs, cookies, and more. "With kindness and compassion, we serve food and provide clothing to our neighbors in need, while honoring their dignity." This is the mission of LFRI.

During the month of June we will be looking for donations to help fill the truck. The church school kids are doing there part with a t-shirt drive! If anyone is interested in going on the truck or helping with the bagged lunches please give me a call 401-245-4065 X11 or email me at dale@stjohnsbarrington.org. I hope to see you on the 30th!!

## COMMISSION ON MUSIC

### COBSJ CONCERT: SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2024, 3:00 PM

"An Afternoon of Chamber Music with Members of the COBSJ" The Chamber Orchestra of Barrington at St. Johns will present a program of seven chamber ensembles featuring members of the COBSJ playing a wide range of music on Sunday, June 2 at 3p.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church, 191 County Road, Barrington, RI. Duets, trios, and quartets will feature woodwinds, voice, strings, brass and percussion. Composers include Beethoven, Telemann, Copland, Schubert, Claude Bolling, Trevor Barrorero and our Principal cellist, Kari Juusela. This concert will be a cornucopia of wonderful music for everyone to enjoy! Please consider bringing a canned food item for St. John's Outreach Program. FREE ADMISSION, DONATIONS WELCOME

### Transitions

#### *June Anniversaries ~ Congratulations!*

Davis & Robin Dewey ~ June 2, 1979 ~ 45 years  
Bob & Deb Bostian ~ June 6, 1970 ~ 54 years  
Scott & Kristyn Whitney ~ June 9, 2000 ~ 24 years  
David & Linda Bainer ~ June 10, 1967 ~ 57 years  
Jim & Beth Holmes ~ June 11, 1988 ~ 36 years  
Ben & Becky Chwalk ~ June 12, 2004 ~ 20 years  
Ned & Debby Barton ~ June 13, 1970 ~ 54 years  
John & Julie Vanier ~ June 13, 1992 ~ 32 years  
Gary & Peggy MacDonald ~ June 14, 2002 ~ 22 years  
Bob & Carol Boyden ~ June 20, 1959 ~ 65 years  
John & Elinor Rosevear ~ June 20, 1964 ~ 60 years  
Tom & Felice Billups ~ June 21, 1980 ~ 44 years  
Jackson & Melissa Marvel ~ June 24, 2006 ~ 18 years  
Frank & Jayne Nightingale ~ June 26, 1965 ~ 59 years

# June 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Church - Red Living Room - Blue Choir Room - Purple</b>  <b>Church School Wing - Green Field Hall - Brown Encore - Pink</b>  <b>Off Site - Orange Outside - Turquoise On Line - Aqua</b></p>						<p style="text-align: center;"><b>1</b>  10:00am Encore Open  1:30pm COBSJ Rehearsal</p>
<p><b>2</b>  8:00am, 10:00am &amp; 5:30pm  Holy Eucharist  3:00pm COBSJ Concert</p>	<p><b>3</b>  8:45am Morning Prayer  12:00pm Zoom Book/Bible Study</p>	<p><b>4</b>  Staff Planning Day  Parish Office Closed  8:45am Morning Prayer  9:00am Zoom Coffee Hour  10:00am Encore Open</p>	<p><b>5</b>  8:45am Morning Prayer  9:30am Holy Eucharist  8:00pm Complime Outside</p>	<p><b>6</b>  8:45am Morning Prayer  10:00am Encore Open  12:00pm Silver Spoons  1:00pm Knitting Group  5:00pm Zoom Happy Hour</p>		<p><b>8</b>  8:30am John's Meals</p>
<p><b>9</b>  8:00am, 10:00am &amp; 5:30pm  11:00am Cookout</p>	<p><b>10</b>  Patrick Off  6:00pm Finance Meeting</p>	<p><b>11</b>  Patrick Off  9:00am Zoom Coffee Hour  10:00am Encore Open  10:30am Staff Meeting</p>	<p><b>12</b>  Patrick Off  8:00pm Complime Outside</p>	<p><b>13</b>  Patrick Off  10:00am Encore Open  1:00pm Knitting Group  5:00pm Zoom Happy Hour</p>	<p><b>14</b></p>	<p><b>15</b>  8:30am John's Meals  10:00am Encore Open ~ 1/2 price sale starts</p>
<p><b>16</b>  Fathers Day Patrick Off  9:00am &amp; 5:30pm  Holy Eucharist</p>	<p><b>17</b>  Patrick Off  6:00pm Softball Game  7:00pm Vestry Meeting</p>	<p><b>18</b>  Patrick Off  9:00am Zoom Coffee Hour  10:00am Encore Open  10:30am Staff Meeting  6:00pm Softball Game</p>	<p><b>19</b>  Patrick Off  8:00pm Complime Outside</p>	<p><b>20</b>  Patrick Off  10:00am Encore Open  1:00pm Knitting Group  5:00pm Zoom Happy Hour  6:00pm Softball Game</p>	<p><b>21</b>  5:00pm Lobster Roll Sale</p>	<p><b>22</b>  8:30am John's Meals  10:00am Encore Open</p>
<p><b>23</b>  Patrick Off  9:00am &amp; 5:30pm  Holy Eucharist</p>	<p><b>24</b>  Patrick Off  6:00pm Property Meeting  6:00pm Softball Game</p>	<p><b>25</b>  Patrick Off  9:00am Zoom Coffee Hour  10:30am Staff Meeting  6:00pm Softball Game</p>	<p><b>26</b>  Patrick Off  8:00pm Complime Outside</p>	<p><b>27</b>  Patrick Off  1:00pm Knitting Group  5:00pm Zoom Happy Hour  6:00pm Softball Game</p>	<p><b>28</b>  5:00pm Lobster Roll Sale</p>	<p><b>29</b>  8:30am John's Meals</p>
<p><b>30</b>  Patrick Off  9:00am &amp; 5:30pm  Holy Eucharist  10:30am LFRI</p>				<p style="text-align: center;">MAIL TOWER</p>		

While I am looking forward to this time to reflect and replenish I already know I am going to miss being here day in and day out. Do not be surprised if you occasionally see the Greene's at a Sunday service, Wednesday night compline, our softball games, or even picking up lobster rolls on a Friday night. As I have been thinking about this time and how part of its purpose is meant to replenish my spirit and energy I have been thinking about how St. John's has been the place to do that for me for the past thirty years or so. So while I won't be around nearly as much as I am now, you will see me every so often.

Even though it hasn't started yet I am already looking forward to returning in August refreshed and renewed to continue serving our Lord in this place together. If you have any questions about my time away I'll be around up until Sunday, June 9th, please don't hesitate to ask them. And please join us on Sunday, June 9th for a cookout following the 10am service to both kick off summer and my time away.

Yours in Christ,



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*The mission of  
St. John's Church  
is to be a community of  
Christians committed to  
the care, nourishment and  
spiritual growth of all.*

**June 2024**

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Parish Summer Office Hours  
Monday – Thursday 8:00am - 2:00pm  
Friday - Closed

Summer Worship Services Starting June 16th  
Sunday ~ 9:00am Holy Eucharist  
5:30pm Holy Eucharist