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# LOVING OUR PARISH WELL

*Alice Sanderson, Care Ministries Coordinator*

If you volunteer, or would like to volunteer, in the life of our parish, in any capacity, it is required that you take the Diocesan Sexual Misconduct Awareness Training (SMAT) once every two years. It is a one-hour long training that covers what sexual abuse is, what healthy interaction looks like and how to report sexual abuse if you see it. Just like we all must renew our driver's license and other credentials, this too is something we must 'renew' at specific intervals. Standards change and best practices are improved; it's vital that we, as a cathedral church, understand as much as possible regarding this difficult reality. Recall that each week we take time to reaffirm our faith through the words of the Nicene and/or Apostles' Creeds, and with this in mind, we ought to encourage one another to renew our commitment to being vigilant in preventing abuse of any kind.

According to Jack Campbell, our state attorney and member of our parish, "Child sexual abuse is a hidden pandemic that spans every community. There is no school or church that does not hold both victims and perpetrators of this crime. One in every six women and girls experience sexual abuse or attempted sexual abuse in their lifetime and one in every 33 men and boys do as well. While many think that both victims and offenders can be identified on sight, the truth is they look just like me and you. They are of every race, gender, educational, professional, and economic background. Education is our best tool in both responding to the victims and in preventing grooming and other behaviors that facilitate this horror. Every person at St. Peter's lives within 5 miles of a child who lived in sexual slavery for years. She is not alone and I ask that you help us save the next suffering child."

Jesus said in John 13:34-35, "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." As Christ's body, the church is called to love and minister to one another, and that means we may come in contact with a vulnerable parishioner (of any age) who has been or is being exploited on some level. It is important to know what to be aware of and how to respond. The next training sessions will be:

- TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023 AT NOON (BRING YOUR LUNCH)
- THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2023 AT 5:30 P.M.
- SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 2023 AT 12:30 (LUNCH PROVIDED)

Please contact Jane Flynn ([jflynn@stpetersfl.com](mailto:jflynn@stpetersfl.com)) or Alice Sanderson ([asanderson@stpetersfl.com](mailto:asanderson@stpetersfl.com)) to sign up for one of these training sessions. All parishioners are encouraged to attend even if you are not currently volunteering in the cathedral. Of note: any volunteer working with minors is also required to take the MinistrySafe course every few years. MinistrySafe specifically addresses the protection of children and those who serve them.

# MISSIONS & EVANGELISM

EACH OF OUR EIGHT CORES HAS A SPECIFIC MONTH OF THE YEAR IN WHICH IT WILL BE HIGHLIGHTED.  
JANUARY IS LIFE MONTH.

## LIFE: JANUARY IS LIFE MONTH

Below are some opportunities to serve with our Missions & Evangelism LIFE Core during the month of January, which is observed by Christians all over as an important month to stand up for life, from conception to death.

- Sanctity of Life Sunday, a day set aside by our province, the Anglican Church in North America, is 22 *January*. Anglicans for Life is holding the LIFE Summit 2023 at the Falls Church Anglican in Falls Church, Virginia 20-22 *January*. This important event includes the annual Washington D.C. March for Life. If you're interested in attending this event, you can do so both in-person or virtually! To learn more, visit [AnglicansForLife.org](http://AnglicansForLife.org)
- Please join us between services on the lawn on *Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>* to honor Sanctity of Life Sunday and to meet and learn more about St. Peter's Life ministry partners and volunteers including A WOMEN'S PREGNANCY CENTER (AWPC), PREGNANCY HELP & INFORMATION (PHI) CENTER, MAKING MIRACLES GROUP HOME, BIG BEND HOSPICE, 40 DAYS FOR LIFE, AND ANGLICANS FOR LIFE. Find out how you can join in the Kingdom work happening in each of these ministries!
- Attend the HOPE PRAYER SERVICE on *Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am* at St. Peter's. This will be a sacred time to pray and grieve the loss of life, including miscarriage and abortion. God has taught us so much over the past two years...that men also suffer deeply, and that Satan wants nothing more than to bind us in shame and isolation. Please join us in this precious service, and invite folks from other churches or, perhaps most importantly, those who have no church home.

**WHAT IS SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE SUNDAY?** After abortion was legalized in 1973, many Christians began to observe the inherent value of life endowed to us by God during their religious services one Sunday a year. Sanctity of Life Sunday is usually the Sunday closest to January 22, the day the Supreme Court handed down the Roe v. Wade decision that made abortion legal all nine months of pregnancy. However, a Sanctity of Life Sunday service can be held at any time in the liturgical calendar.

**WHY SHOULD I OBSERVE SANCTITY OF LIFE SUNDAY?** With the growing acceptance of the destruction of human life at every stage of development through abortion, euthanasia, assisted suicide, and embryonic stem cell research, it is imperative for God's people to uphold and teach what the Bible says about life. "God, and not man, is the creator of human life from conception to natural death." Therefore, the Church must protect and respect life by educating its members about the sanctity of every human life. Christians of all traditions can join in remembering the unborn and celebrating human life at all stages in life's journey.

## DISCIPLED EVANGELISM: S.A.L.T. GRANTS

If you are a current high school student and are looking to get involved in local mission work, the S.A.L.T. program is here to help you bring that vision to life. With a S.A.L.T. grant (of up to \$500.00) and mentors to guide you through your project, the committee members of the S.A.L.T. program at St. Peter's will assist you and walk with you as you share God's love by serving our community. This is also a great way to demonstrate your love for the Lord to prospective colleges. For more information, please contact Discipled Evangelism Core Captain, Susan Newhouse-Burton, at [newhouse590@gmail.com](mailto:newhouse590@gmail.com).

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serving as the Lord's treasure

# DISCIPLESHIP & PARISH LIFE

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## CARE MINISTRIES: MEAL MINISTRY

If you or a parishioner you know is in need of a meal, please contact Jane Flynn or Alice Sanderson. We have casseroles and soups and would love to share.

## ART GALLERY WALL | ART BY SHERRY WHITNEY

Stop by the St. Peter's Artisans Art Gallery Wall and check out the beautiful artwork by Sherry Whitney! While you're at it, find and follow her on Instagram by searching for @sherry.whitney.94

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT ANGLICANISM?

If you're interested in knowing more about Anglicanism, attend one of these Spring classes:

The Foundations for Discipleship:

- *Common Faith* | The Anglican Catechism | 1.29-3.19
- *Common Worship* | Prayer Book 101 | 1.30-3.13
- *Common Service* | Spiritual Gifts Discovery: Learning your identity in Christ | 1.14

Visit [StPetersFL.com/Classes](http://StPetersFL.com/Classes) for more information.

**SPRING SEMESTER DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES** | Sunday School begins today and is from 10:30-11am! The Grand Sweep of Scripture continues with Fr. Michael in the Nave. Children's Sunday School for ages PreK-6<sup>th</sup> Grade meets in the Undercroft.

**REGISTER FOR CLASSES & WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS AND SEE FULL DESCRIPTIONS OF EACH AT [STPETERSFL.COM/CLASSES](http://StPetersFL.com/Classes)**

**WEDNESDAYS, 1.11-3.29 | 6:15-7:20PM | UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED**

1. RESCUED FROM THE LION'S MOUTH | *Archbishop Bob Duncan*
2. THE SACRAMENTS: OUR PERSONAL ENCOUNTER WITH CHRIST | *Fr. Michael Petty* | 1.11-2.15
3. INTERGENERATIONAL WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: KNOWING GOD | *Catherine Miller & Susan Chase*
4. THE MEANING OF MARRIAGE | *Dr. Pam Valentine & Dr. Tom Smith*
5. FORGIVENESS: MAKING PEACE WITH THE PAST | *Ken Mayo & Connie Wooding*
6. AN EXPLORATION OF GRATITUDE: GIVING THANKS FOR LIFE'S UPS AND DOWNS | *Steve Gordon*
7. DISTORTED IMAGES OF GOD | *Michael Thompson*
8. PRAY & PLAY FOR K-5<sup>th</sup> GRADERS
9. YOUTH BIBLE STUDY | *Jennifer Nicholson*
10. LENT STUDY: JESUS' FINAL WEEK | *Fr. Michael Petty* | 3.1-3.29
11. MOM TO MOM | *Alice Sanderson* | *Thursdays*, 1.12-4.21

## MEN'S BREAKFAST | \$7 CASH OR CHECK

*Thursday, 12 January | 6:45am* | Start the new year in fellowship with other Christian men and hear a personal testimony of faith from our very own Dr. Rohan Joseph! RSVP to reserve your breakfast at [StPetersFL.com/mensbreakfast](http://StPetersFL.com/mensbreakfast)

## MARY & MARTHA | JANUARY GATHERING

*Monday 9 January | 9:45am* | The Mary & Martha Guild will meet at St Peter's Anglican Cathedral for Chris Garven's Organ Ministry presentation. Our social time starts at *9:45am* and Chris' presentation starts at *10:30am*. All women are invited to attend.

## LADIES! SAVE THE DATE FOR THE WOMEN'S

**MINI-RETREAT** | *Friday-Saturday, 24-25 February*  
Our speaker is Allison Lawrence, wife of Bishop Mark Lawrence, retired bishop of South Carolina. She is a mother of five and a grandmother of twelve. Her daughter, Chelsea Hamshaw will be joining her (and us!) to lead worship! Registration will open this week!

# WORSHIP

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## VISITING THE CATHEDRAL?

*Welcome—we're so glad you're worshipping with us today!* Our nursery is available during Sunday morning services for children newborn through Kindergarten. We hope you'll join us on the lawn for coffee & other refreshments between morning services! Whether today is your first time or you've been coming for awhile, we are so glad you're here!

## CATHEDRAL PRAYER LIST & CARE MINISTRIES



If you have any pastoral needs or know of someone who needs pastoral care and prayer, please contact Care Ministries Coordinator, Alice Sanderson at [ASanderson@StPetersFL.com](mailto:ASanderson@StPetersFL.com)

Please call the Cathedral Office at 850.701.0664 or email [ASanderson@StPetersFL.com](mailto:ASanderson@StPetersFL.com) to be added to the Cathedral Prayer List. **YOU CAN ALSO SUBMIT A PRAYER REQUEST OR CARE MINISTRY NEED AT [STPETERSFL.COM/PRAYER](https://StPetersFL.com/PRAYER)**

***Military:*** Lucas Bell, Jose Betancourt, Lt. Col. David Chichetti, SSG Corey Daws, Lt. Col. Daniel Dean, Capt. James Dilworth, Capt. John Easterbrook Jr, Airman Drew Edwards, Sgt. Michael Gaskins, SSgt Corey Owen, Capt. Griffin Jax, Capt. Savannah B. Jax, 1st Lt. Parker Jax, Capt. Chandler B. Jax, 1st Lt. Carson Jax, 1st Lt. Rebecca Jax, Gabriel Melendez, Col. Burt Newman, Major Gen. John Richardson, Capt. Oliver Rushing, Spc. Andrew Sanderson, Lt. Cmdr. Chris Smith, SFC Dewey Spence, Lt. Patrick Swain, Capt. Parry Thomas, Lt. Cmdr. Blake Van Brunt Jr, Tommy VanLandingham MM3, Seaman Benjamin Waddill PFC John P. Warren

***Parishioners, Relatives, and Friends:*** Mark Lewis, Ivy Mitchell, James Geathers, Bert Fletcher, Yolanda McKee, Dave & Mary Alma Lang, Brady Jax

## CHORISTER EVENSONG

Join us *Sunday, 22 January at 5pm* for Evensong led by our Choristers. You will be blessed by this wonderful gift of worship!



### FINANCIAL MINUTE

*Total Operating Budget: \$TBA | % Collected YTD: TBA% | Debt Retired in December: \$12,212.12*

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