

A Thank You from Fr. Bill Krizner

The Rev'd Canon Bill Krizner | Canon for Missions & Evangelism

A dear brother in Christ has often said these five words to me: "God has been so kind." I write to you today with thankfulness in my heart and tears in my eyes to announce that I have resigned from my role as Canon for Missions & Evangelism here at our beloved Cathedral. After many months of prayerful wrestling with the Lord, I felt Him calling me to release back to him the position that I have so enjoyed over the past three years.

God's kindness during this past season has been evident in many ways. We have been part of His great plan to multiply and grow the Kingdom. We have witnessed parishioner volunteer engagement rise from under five percent to more than sixty percent, seen a doubling of the Missions & Evangelism budget, supported the launch of four separate new 501(c)(3) ministries, and, most importantly, experienced the overwhelming joy of new believers surrendering their lives to Jesus Christ and knowing the profound power of salvation.

I am simply grateful, brothers and sisters, and want to take this opportunity to thank Fr. Marcus and each of you for allowing me the great privilege of serving as the first Canon for Missions & Evangelism here at the Cathedral. Thank you for giving so much of yourselves—your time, talents, treasure...and hearts. They are hearts that have been both broken for the lost and hearts that have propelled you to love others who do not yet know the Lord in deep and meaningful ways. They are also hearts that have loved me from the first day I stepped into this beautiful place, and I will be forever grateful to you for the depth of that love.

As the Bible clearly reveals, all great ministries must be grounded in continually raising up sustainable leadership for the future. God has been so incredibly kind within Missions & Evangelism in doing just that, as we have an incredible servant in our Missions Coordinator Patty Lang, a team of clergy committed to evangelism, and twelve separate Core Captains who are resolved to continue leading the charge within their areas of focus as we move forward. Our future in proclaiming the Gospel throughout the city of Tallahassee and to the ends of the earth is incredibly bright.

While I will be now entering into a position to support all of the parishes within the Gulf Atlantic Diocese, my family and I will remain part of the life of the Cathedral. In fact, we look forward to worshipping with you in the pews each Sunday and serving alongside you in the many great adventures that the Lord has ahead for us all. St. Peter's is a truly special place where we experience the fullness of God's grace together.

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In His Love,

Fr. Bill

MISSIONS & EVANGELISM

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

A NOTE FROM LIFE CORE CAPTAINS-BETH MEDLEY & CAROLYN PARLATO

GOD IS THE GOD OF LIFE

Most months of the year here at St. Peter's have a "spotlight" core from Missions & Evangelism. January, the beginning of every year, is when we spotlight our Life Core, which honors God's will in protecting the beginning of every life, not only at its beginning but His will in protecting life at all stages. Birth, youth, adulthood, later years, and the very last breath we take are all cherished moments to our Lord and our God, the author of all life.

Despite the great success of such protection and cherishing of life ministries that was the overturning of *Roe v. Wade*, the world continues to fight viciously for the "right" to disregard God's great gift, demanding to end life early through abortion or euthanasia. But as Psalm 2 reminds us, however much the nations may rage and plot for their own way of death, God's will for life—and life abundantly—always prevails.

We see God's will and spirit in action through the incredible work of our committed, pro-life mission partners: The PHI Center, A Women's Pregnancy Center, Big Bend Hospice Care, Making Miracles Group Home, 40 Days for Life, the annual March for Life, and so many others. God has also moved in awe-inspiring ways by leading many of you, our beloved St. Peter's parishioners, to join in their work. Know that you are seen, appreciated, and most importantly, deeply loved by the God who has called you to such service.

In addition to the whole month being focused on Life, the weekend of *January 20th & 21st* is Sanctity of Life Weekend for the ACNA. We will be celebrating the occasion on *Sunday, January 21st*, by welcoming Debra Harris to St. Peter's. She will be giving a presentation discussing the inspiring work of Making Miracles Group Home between our 9AM & 11:15AM SERVICES. All are invited (and encouraged) to attend!

DISCIPLED EVANGELISM: UPCOMING PRAYER

WALKS | There are two upcoming prayer walks that we invite you to join in and share the love of Christ with our neighbors! Mark your calendars for *Saturday*, *February 10th* and *Saturday*, *April 13th*. We'll meet here at St. Peter's at 8:45AM, then head over to the location. More details to be announced. Contact Discipled Evangelism Core Captain Chuck Lang at CHUCKLANG45@GMAIL.COM or 850.264.3377 with any questions.

LIFE: BELLY BOUTIQUE IN NEED!

The Belly Boutique desperately needs

- BOYS' ONESIES (MED & LARGE)
- BOYS CLOTHES
- SIZE 2,3,4, & 5 DIAPERS
- SLEEP SACKS

Please consider how you can support this ministry with your donations of new and very gently used items. (*Diapers must be new...*)

DISCIPLESHIP

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 Worship | Prayer Book 101 22 January–26 February | 6:15-7:45PM
- Common Faith | Anglican Catechism 10 January–20 March | 6:15-7:15PM
- Common Service | Spiritual Gifts Discovery: Learning your identity in Christ
 27 January | 10am

Visit <u>StPetersFL.com/LearnMore</u> or contact Katie Munroe at <u>KMunroe@StPetersFL.com</u> for more information.

SPRING CLASSES | IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN! Our Spring class semester began *January 10th* for Wednesday Nights and Sunday School begins TODAY! Visit <u>STPETERSFL.COM/REGISTER</u>

ADVENT WREATH RECYCLING | If by some miracle you haven't put your Advent & Christmas decorations away and you made an Advent wreath here at the cathedral, you can return the non-perishables to the Children's Ministry table in the Narthex. We can reuse the candle holders again next year!

MOVIE ON THE LAWN! | SAVE THE DATE!

Friday 2 February | 6PM | Join us for a movie under the stars! on the lawn in two weeks! Bring your blankets and snacks—we will provide the move outside on the big screen! Got an idea for a movie?! Let Amy Stewart know at ASTEWART@STPETERSFL.COM

SECOND SUNDAY MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL PARTY! *TODAY, January* 14th | 6:30–8PM | Calling all middle and high schoolers–let's celebrate the new year together. Mrs. Hope Carrasquilla will be our guest speaker, and she will be talking about the recent St. Peter's trip to Nicaragua. Dinner provided. It's sure to be a great time!



VISITING THE CATHEDRAL?

Welcome—we're so glad you're worshiping with us today! Our nursery is available during Sunday morning services for children newborn through Kindergarten. We hope you'll join us for coffee & other refreshments between morning services! Whether today is your first time or you've been with us for awhile, we're 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 <u>ASANDERSON@STPETERSFL.COM</u>

To be added the the Cathedral Prayer List, email <u>ASanderson@StPetersFL.com</u> or submit a prayer request or Care Ministry Need at <u>StPetersFL.com/Prayer</u>

Military: Lucas Bell, Jose Betancourt, Lt. Col. David Chichetti, SSG Corey Daws, LCpl Sam Henri, SSgt Corey Owen, Lt. Col. Daniel Dean, Capt. James Dilworth, Capt. John Easterbrook Jr, Airman Drew Edwards, Sgt. Michael Gaskins, Capt. Griffin Jax, Capt. Savannah B. Jax, Capt. 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, Lt. Patrick Swain, Capt. Parry Thomas, Lt. Cmdr. Blake Van Brunt Jr, PFC Noah C. Bielling, MM3 Tommy VanLandingham, SN Benjamin Waddill, PFC John P. Warren, 2nd Lt Jack Ubben

Parishioners, Relatives, and Friends: David Schuessler, Marilyn Scott, Carol Long, Kathleen Smith, Jackie Kemp, Will, Fay Ann Hannon, Patty Applegate, Marsha Hall, Rob Wheeler, Beth Lawrence, Janet Clemons, Bonnie, Eva, Fred, Vicki *as of 1.11.24*

HOLY RECYCLING | PALM CROSSES

Due Sunday, 11 February | Ash Wednesday is on February 14th and marks the beginning of the penitential season of Lent.

Did you save your palm crosses from last Palm Sunday? Please leave them in one of the baskets marked "Palm Crosses" at the back of the church or at the Parish Life desk in the Narthex, no later than *February 11th*. After the crosses are collected, they will be reverently burned and used for the Imposition of Ashes during the Ash Wednesday services. Thank you!

DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN SUBMIT A FLOWER DEDICATION FOR A SPECIFIC SUNDAY DURING THE YEAR? Our 2024 Altar Flower Chart is now up—located on the Parish Life Desk in the Narthex. Our talented Flower Guild will create beautiful arrangements to glorify God! Honor a special day or loved one by signing up on the chart and filling out the purple form next to it. Dedications are \$150.

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE FLOWER GUILD? WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS—NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY! CONTACT KELLEY DISALVO AT <u>DRDISALVO@COMCAST.NET</u> FOR MORE INFORMATION.