# For All The Saints



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# A Warm Welcome To The Jacobs!



Ninni & Fr. James

## RESURRECTION AND THE AFTER LIFE

The Rev. Dr. James N. Jacob

Resurrection: The resurrection of Christ is pivotal for Christian belief. All the four gospel accounts talk about the empty tomb. Paul in 1 Corinthians 15 gives the earliest account of resurrection testimonies. According to John Polkinghorne (Scientist, Theologian-Anglican Priest), the story of the empty tomb was to be taken with greatest significance, with its implication that the glorified body of the risen Christ is the transmuted form of his dead body. Many of us have the question, what happens to our loved ones who are passed on? In every Christian funeral or memorial service, we hear the comforting and assuring words that death is not an end, and the hope that those who have gone are with Jesus and enjoying the company of their loved ones. Is that just wishful thinking or a reality? What does the Bible say about life after death?

Paul is certain that 'flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.' (1 Cor. 15: 42-44). There is a natural body (Soma psychikon) and a spiritual body (Soma pneumatikon), one is made of earth having an earthly body and the second one is a heavenly body which is not destroyed. Eschatology is a study that deals with end times and last things, such as death, after life, Second Coming etc. It is rooted in the faithfulness of God and his steadfast love. "Therefore, we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of his resurrection" (Romans 6:4,5).

A New Outlook on Life: The current concept of death is different from what the medical field thought about death a few years ago. Death is a process not a point in time according to current thinking by many doctors. The closest we could approach to life after death is from the many detailed stories of people with near death experiences (NDE). The out-of-body experience has taken these people from their bodies and they could see what was going on around them including what was being done to their bodies on the operating tables or in places of accident. Once they come back to their earthly bodies, they are no longer afraid of death. They have a new perspective on life and a new purpose and a mission for their lives. The evidence of these out-of-body near death experiences are real and remain a mystery. Resurrection of Jesus is the experience that the disciples could not explain but it convinced them to overcome their fear of death and risk their life.

When we realize this mystery, we will not fight over small things or material possessions. We do not need to quarrel over denominational differences or race differences. We will not compete for positions or power or wealth. Life is too short to spend worrying or chasing after trivial things. We create our own hell by the way we treat our fellow beings. Instead we need to live as Easter people in this fallen world.

(This is a modified version of an article that I published in 'New Vision' Magazine.)



Dear parishioners,

April hath put a spirit of youth in everything."

William Shakespeare

I think All Saints parishioners possess that same spirit of youth. No matter the age, our members remain young at heart.

That youthfulness seems to be one of the many benefits of worshiping together. We will continue to do so as we move through this Easter season.

Happy Easter to all.

Fred

Once again, I am pleased to report that things are going along fine with no problems anticipated. We came through the winter in great shape and look forward to warmer weather and a break from high heating expenses. There is some exterior painting needed and this is in the works for the coming months.

gr. Warden

Dear People at All Saints Church,

The gift you gave in naming the chapel was truly overwhelming, but even more was the gift of your friendship for the four good years we shared as a community. I am grateful beyond words for both. My heart is warmed as I pray each day for you. May God continue to bless you and the parish of All Saints.

Fr. Al



The original founder of the Women's Group was Anna Caruolo, the wife of our then priest, Fr. Al. She took the group on many interesting and thought -provoking discussions. With the retirement of Fr. Al, she asked me (Arlene Orcutt) to take over the group.

The focus is now more Bible centered and we have chosen for our discussions The Women of the Bible. There are only two chapters in the Bible devoted to women—Esther (our first meeting) and Ruth who will be the topic of our second discussion. We are all learning together so come and join us in this new adventure. We meet the first Sunday of the month after worship.

Additionally, the outreach continues to be House of Hope where we support their mission of helping the homeless. I am always amazed at the generosity of this small community in supporting those less fortunate than ourselves.

Our phone tree continues as we keep in touch with each other, always ready to reach out and help.

All are welcome so do not hesitate join us!

Arlene Orcutt

A Prayer for Ukrain

"God of strength and peace, send your blessings on the people of Ukraine. Sustain them in their struggles, hold them in their fear, protect them from all danger, and be for them the hope they desire. For Jesus Christs' sake, Amen." Written by the Dean of Southwark Cathedral and commended to all of us by Bishop Robert Innes, the Bishop of the Anglican Churches in Europe.



Dearly beloved, we are gathered together in the sight of God to recognize the call received by those who stand before you for special services in the Church, and to commission them. We are called this day to support them by the fellowship of our prayers so that they may be enabled to discharge the duties entrusted to them with reverence and faithfulness, to the glory of God.



Pictured are: Fr. Jacob, Priest, Sr. Warden-Fred Liddle, Jr. Warden-Floyd (Hoot) Smith, (Vestry Members, Elaine Townsend, and Clerk and Delegate to Convention- Arlene Orcutt are hidden in the picture), Alternate Delegate to Convention-Barbara Bruner, Vestry Member, Candace Gauvin, Vestry Member, Johanna MacNeil and (Treasurer, Richard Young, and Vestry Members, Deb MarcAurele and Donna Pacheco are not in the picture.)

...In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ and of his Church, we joyfully commission you to the different responsibilities in the Vestry of this fellowship and other ministries in the congregation. We give you the right hand of fellowship in recognition of your place and office.

...May God who has given you the will to commit yourselves for these ministries give you the grace and power to perform them.

# What's been going ON!

A team of workers, Fred calls them the Restoration Crew, has been restoring the Chapel to its original purpose, rearranging the furniture and cleaning in the Lounge, and creating a space for the Sunday School on the second floor that they can now call their very own! They have been meeting in the Chapel. (See picture on Page 16 to see lots of workers!)

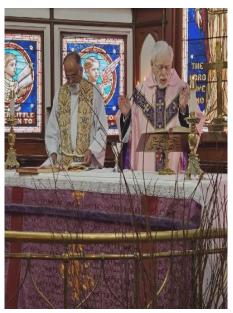








Us In! We've Moved Upstairs!









March 27; 2022 Dedication of Zodig Chapel All Saints Church in Pontiac, Warwick, 919) 8



Holy Week & Easter











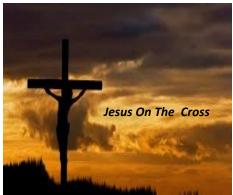


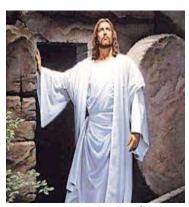




Do this in remembrance of me.







He is Risen!



Jesus said to her (Martha), "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the son of God, the one coming into the world."

John 11:25-27 NRSV



By Hoot Smith



Cliff 1934—January 11, 2011 Marion 1936—February 1, 2011

Cliff and Marion Fish were regular attendees and very active members of All Saints for many years, as were their two sons, Jeffrey and Steve. They were eager volunteers whenever a work party was organized to do outside yard work or pitching in to help with the Strawberry Festivals or Chowder and Clamcake suppers which the church sponsored over the years.

Cliff was a Shriners Clown and he took great delight in entertaining everyone by crinkling his nose and making funny faces. He was also known for inflating balloons and twisting them into vari-

ous animals. Cliff and Marion were longtime members of the 3M Club (Ms Miss & Mr) at the church. Cliff was also a choir member for many years.

Both Cliff and Marion served as Vestry members during their stay at All Saints



As part of our Lenten observation, on Sunday, April 3rd, after our worship, we hosted Rabbi Jeffrey Goldwasser from Temple Sinai in Cranston to talk about the Passover Seder. The seder is a ritual feast that marks the beginning of the Jewish holiday of Passover. It is conducted throughout the world on the eve of the 15th day of Nisan in the Hebrew calendar. The significance is to keep telling the story of the Exodus from Egypt.

# Getting Eo Know One Another

### Stan Synzyk, Jr.

Stan is a life long resident of Warwick and is the youngest of three children, his two older sisters both reside in Florida. He has a career in sales with a major financial institution and in his spare time enjoys fishing and hiking. Stan was raised Catholic and has been active in the church his whole

life. He comes to us by way of Saint Francis of Assisi which closed in June of 2021. He stopped in and joined us for mass the week after his parish closed, found our church warm and welcoming—so he stayed. He has been very active serving on the altar guild, as head acolyte, assistant counter as well as our resident florist. Stan comes to us with many valuable skills which we are taking full advantage of.

# Jusic Performance





A group from our church (+2) joined our neighbors at the Pontiac library for an evening of Irish traditional music. The musician, Keegan Loesel of Keegan-Irish-Music, plays uilleann pipes and whistles. He wears bellows around his waist and uses his elbow to inflate the bellows to create the air for the sound of music, and this allows him to sing as he plays. The room was filled with loud, lively, toe tapping, beautiful music.



This article is a continuation of an article in All Saints Autumn 2021 newsletter on page 10.

Inside the Church proper two hundred people can be seated. The basement contains rooms for social meetings, the first floor, Sunday general parish purposes. The Bishop Thomas Clark presided at the ceremony, declaring the edifice devoted to the service of All Mighty God. The completed building was consecrated October 9, 1888.

In 1921 the mills and mill properties were sold, including All Saints Church. We gratefully thank the Bishop James DeWolf Perry for his quickness in purchasing the church for the sum \$100. He then sold it to the R . I. Episcopal Convention for the same amount. In 1953 the Convention sold the Church back to All Saint's for \$1.00.

As we enter our 100th year, we are thankful to all who had a part in the formation of All Saint's Parish and Church. We look forward to many years of fellowship with the present parishioners and hope to add many new names in the coming years.

(\*Information for this column was compiled from various newspaper and parish clippings from the home files of MaryAnn Cummings.)



Gracie & Gian Mattiace are two of our new names at All Saints. Here they are taking a tour of the balcony where family members of the Knight family used to sit. Richard is their guide and protector. What are they doing? Waving? Wave back!

Gracie and Gian are coming to Sunday School and have become friends with the other students of in the class—Brooke, Hailey and Zachary Silva.



#### **Belated Wishes**

April 8, Kerri Pacheco April 19, Fred Liddle April 23, Russell Kent April 27, Adrianna Pacheco

#### **On Time Wishes**

May 5, Amanda Mattiace May 14, April O'Connor June 8, Joseph MarcAurele June 29, Michael Croke July 1, Dan Spano July 4, Paul MarcAurele
July 4, Zachary Pacheco
July 6, Norman Ellinwood
July 7, Karen Thompson
July 13, MaryAnn Cummings
July 29, Hailey Silva
August 6, Kristen Miga
August 8, Bruce MacNeil
August 11, Zachary Silva
August 13, Sharon Bouchard



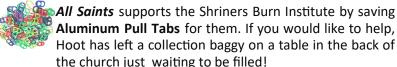


**To** all the helpers who diligently worked from Christmas through Easter cleaning and decorating to make the sanctuary a warm and welcoming place to worship.

Also, the Chapel has been restored back to its original purpose, the lounge has been rearranged and cleaned and a new space has been created for the Sunday School room upstairs. A lot of time, thought, and effort was given to these projects.!

**To** Lynn Tzizouris and the choir for the beautiful hymns and music they bring to us.

Oops! Michael's last name is Lavallee! There was a typo in last issue! : (



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for Saint Rose of Lima has been "reformatted" and everything became virtual through peoples' receipts, so we **stopped** asking for Box Tops this year. Thank you for your support in the past!

Jenni Liddle, Teacher



**Be A Visionary** All Saints is **no longer** collecting eye glasses for the Lions Club. The eye glasses we collected have been taken to a drop off box for the Lions Club. Thank for your support!

Karen Thompson



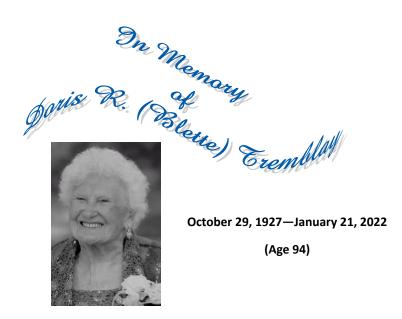
Prayer Shawl Ministry One of the ways we bring comfort to our shut-ins is to provide them with a prayer shawl to let them know we continue to think of them and remember them in our prayers. The shawls are blessed by our priest. Pauline Nunes is our coordinator. If you would like to give a shawl to someone you know, she can be reached at (401-339-3278).

House of Hope CDC was founded in 1989 as a non-profit, community development corporation serving residents of Rhode Island—their goal is to prevent and end homelessness.

In 2020 the **Women's Group** of All Saints wanted to have an outreach project. It was decided to support House of Hope in a **Socks and Undies** project and invited the entire parish to join them. One thousand articles were given for the project! **When asked what the needs were for "now," the response was—Gift Cards.** House of Hope indicated that there are families who were food insufficient requesting baskets for an Easter meal. This would allow families to purchase foods they enjoy. The word was sent out through our Master Mailing List and the response was overwhelming! **Everyday items needed are:** "Travel Snacks" such as Granola Bars/Fruit Bars, microwavable soups, cereal, peanut butter and jelly, crackers and spring clothing. We support House of Hope year 'round. Items can be left on a table in the back of the church.

Thank you for your support!

The Women's Group



Doris R. Tremblay, 94, of Dogwood Dr., West Warwick, passed away Friday, Jan. 21, 2022 at the Alpine Nursing Home. She was the wife of the late Gerard E. Tremblay.

Born in Pawtucket, she was the daughter of the late Aristotle and Yvonne (Hamel) Blettle.

She was the mother of Gerard J, Tremblay and his wife Rochelle, Joseph Tremblay, Suzanne Lavallee and her husband Steven and the late Arlene Almeida. She is also survived by 13 grandchildren 22 great-grandchildren, 1 great-grandson and several nieces and nephews.

Relatives and friends attended a Mass of Christian Burial, Monday, Jan. 31, at 9:30 am in St. Josephs's Church, West Warwick. Burial was in RI Veterans Cemetery, Exeter. Calling hours were Sunday, 4 pm until 7 pm in the Woodlawn Funeral Home, 600 Pontiac Ave., Cranston.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to St. Joseph's Church 854 Providence St. West Warwick, RI 02893

(Obituary and picture were copied from Woodlawn Funeral Home.)

Michael Lavallee is one of the grandchildren mentioned in the obituary.

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