

St. Alban's Episcopal Church

Oakland & Franklin Lakes

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 24, 2021

WEEKEND UPDATE



Dear saints of St. Alban's,

It is with deep sadness and sure and certain hope that I write to share with you that Joan Mulroony, decades long faithful member of this family of faith, entered into god's immediate presence on the afternoon of Sunday, January 17th with her family at her side. I had the honor of being with Joan and her daughter on Thursday for prayers at the time of death and quietly singing her to the gates of heaven. Joan and her beloved Bob, who predeceased her, lived just around the corner from the church on Manito Ave before moving to Cedar Crest in the summer of 2009. She and Bob continued as faithful members of the 8 o'clock congregation for a number of years following their move. Joan was a regular attendee at the monthly service I offer at Cedar Crest and indeed it was the Mulroony's and Gilliard's move to Cedar Crest that prompted me to begin to offer the monthly services.

There will be a public service of Celebration of Life at a later date when gatherings are safe.

Notes of condolence may be sent to
Diane Rojek
59 Townsend Road
Wanaque, NJ 07465

*For to your faithful people, O Lord, life is changed not ended
And when our mortal body lies in death there is a place
Prepared for us eternal in the heavens.*

*May Joan's soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in
peace. Amen.*

In the confidence of Christ,

Kathryn+

Education and Gathering Opportunities with the Larger Diocese



<https://dioceseofnewark.org/event/bishops-study-group-2021-3>

Bishop's Study Group:

Pursuing Racial Reconciliation through Scripture, Film, Word, and Prayer

Six Tuesday evenings, Jan. 5 - Feb. 9, 2021

Registration for this study group is now full.

This six-week study group will focus on building a spiritual and theological response to racial injustice. Bishop Hughes believes it will take a deep and persevering faith to maintain the sustained pressure needed to end systemic racism and white supremacy.

We will study Philippians each week. Paul's words to the discouraged church in Philippi will inform our study of various books, articles, film, poetry, sermons, and music. Our objective will be to develop the tools needed to become the Beloved Community. Because each session will build on the work of the previous session, plan on attending four out of the six sessions to participate in the study group.

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Preparation for this session

- Read [Philippians 2](#)
- Read [John Newton's biography entry](#). Open attachments at bottom of the webpage to read his account of slavery and original lyrics of *Amazing Grace*.
- Read [Frederick Douglass' Fourth of July Address](#)
- Read William Lord Garrison's 1854 speech, [No Compromise with the Evil of Slavery](#)
- Read Angelina Grimke's [Address to the Massachusetts Legislature](#), 1938
- Read Angelina Grimke Weld's [speech at Pennsylvania Hall](#)
- Read Sojourner Truth's 1851 speech, [Ain't I a Woman?](#)
- Partake in one spiritual practice daily
- Partake in one activity of racial justice or racial healing daily

Please bring a Bible and Book of Common Prayer to every session. The full BCP is also online at bcponline.org.



Prayer Requests

If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please email the parish office.



Just a reminder to please continue to send in your pledges either by mailing them into the church office or through our online giving on our website at <http://www.stalbansflow.org/> Your support is greatly appreciated!

Your pledge contributions and monetary donations for these special outreach efforts can be made electronically through our website at <http://stalbansflow.org/index.php> or by mailing a check to the parish office. Please note in the memo that your donation is for outreach. Thank you!



NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Due to the worldwide pandemic, and at the recommendation of the Diocese, St. Alban's will postpone our Annual Parish Meeting until June 2021, exact date to be determined by the Vestry, announced, and published at least one month in advance.