

St. Alban's Episcopal Church

Oakland & Franklin Lakes

First Sunday of Lent
Burying of the Alleluías
Great Litany
February 21, 2021

WEEKEND UPDATE



We hope you had a chance to look through the Lenten Offerings Booklet sent out to you earlier this week and will take advantage of the many wonderful offerings throughout this Lenten Season. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

[Lent\Lent 2021 Offering Booklet final.pdf](#)



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IN PREPARATION FOR TOMORROW'S WORSHIP -



As we begin the service tomorrow, we will begin with the symbolic **burying of ALLELUIAS**. This is not just for children! I encourage and invite each of you to write ALLELUIA on a slip of paper, and go ahead and decorate it! Then, have an envelope into which you can put the Alleluia and hang it on your fridge or bathroom mirror or maybe on the side of your computer ... somewhere that you will see it daily to allow it to remind you of the Lenten season. If you want to take it a step further then maybe you have a small wooden or porcelain box on a coffee table or your dresser. You could tuck it in there as well. Most important is that you will know it is in there and seeing that container will remind you of what is inside of the box and also what is inside your own heart ... the Alleluia and joy of God.

FOR THE KIDS - Along with the bulletin for the service is a butterfly and an Alleluia page that can be printed for the kids to color during the service and 'bury' in their own room to await the dawn of Easter day.



Faithful Families Intergenerational Programs

11:45 AM Following morning services



1st Lent: Longing for the Waters of New Birth

Creating a 'font' at home and fill with sand and rocks for the desert. In font in church, I fill with sand and rocks and talk about our longing for the waters of Baptism at Easter. This gives a nice focal point with tea light in it - can be worship / altar focal point. Please gather a bowl, rocks, two sticks, piece of twine, and tea light prior to our gathering.



LAND SALE UPDATE

GREAT NEWS! We are completing Attorney Review with the cash sale contract for the 6 acre subdivision! The process is actually complete but the final signing was delayed by the snow and office closures last week. We expect to sign the final contract early in the week and it will then go on to the Bishop and Standing Committee for final review and approval. They have seen the preliminary contract and all seems in order.

Keep the prayers ascending.....we could be nearing the home stretch!



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!

CHURCH LEADER ZOOMIVERSITY

*Workshops relevant to this extraordinary time
for **ALL congregational leaders!***



**Stay at home and
join us** online via
computer, tablet or
smart phone.

**Saturday, March 6
8:30 AM to 12:30 PM**

8:30 AM - Check In
9:00 AM - Message from the Bishop
9:45 AM - Session A
10:45 AM - Break
11:30 AM - Session B
12:30 PM - Adjourn



*There is no cost for this event but
we do need you to register.*

Workshop topics will include:

- Episcopal Polity
- Church Safety
- Mental Health
- Church Finances
- Communications
- Spiritual Life
- Spiritual Gifts
- Music Ministry
- Lay Leadership
- Stewardship
- Episcopal Evangelism
- Insurance

**Register
NOW!**

To register by the **March 3, 5 PM** deadline, go to
dioceseofnewark.org/clu-spring-2021

Growing Together

A Virtual Pop In With Pop Up
Event

Join us on
February 21, 2021
@ 3pm

Catered to Middle and High
School Youth

E:

popupym@dioceseofnewark.org

fb: Pop up Youth Ministry

insta: @popupym

Pop Up Youth Ministry

To Register :

<https://form.jotform.com/PopUpYM/feb2021>



*Prayer
Requests*

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