

St. Alban's Episcopal Church

Oakland & Franklin Lakes

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 26, 2021

WEEKEND UPDATE



This Sunday we will be holding In-Person Worship at 10 AM.

**PLENTY OF ROOM FOR DISTANCING, WEAR MASK FOR SINGING,
PLEASE JOIN US!!!**

**No preregistration is necessary but there will be a sign-in book
upon entrance.**

**The Zoom Information and Sunday Bulletin for the service will be
forwarded in a separate email.**



Guest Preacher

This Sunday, September 26th

I am pleased to announce that we will welcome to the pulpit the Reverend Hausman on Sunday, September 26th. St. Alban's has had a long history of support and participation in prison ministry through the vocation of our former deacon, the Reverend Barbara Harriman. Reverend Hausman is actively engaged in prison ministry and will be with us to share her ministry experience through the lens of the Gospel. You can read her biographical information below.

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The Rev. Sharon Sheridan Hausman is a priest in the diocese of Newark and part-time Protestant chaplain at New Jersey State Prison in Trenton. She was the 2019 Mountainview Youth Correctional Facility Volunteer of the Year for teaching a Spiritual Storytelling creative-writing class to male prisoners in their 20s. She also has volunteered at Northern State Prison in Newark, where she assisted with the Protestant men's choir, worship services and Bible studies; at the Essex County and Morris County jails; and at Edna Mahan Women's Correctional Facility in Clinton. Within the diocese, she is an active member of the prison ministry committee, where she has coordinated programs for children with incarcerated parents. Before ordination, she spent many years working as a journalist for church and secular publications. She lives in Flanders with her husband and an elderly cat. Their son is a senior at Oberlin College.

Did You Get the New Mailing? We hope that you received the new mailing that is hot off the press! This was a monumental undertaking and we are thrilled with the resulting brochure that is packed with testimonials, photos, and glimpses of our family of faith life together. Working with our realtor, Eileen Bassi, we used the listing of all homes purchased in Oakland by people moving into the area during the pandemic. Each of these households received the mailing, hand addressed, and by first class mail. We also sent them to parish members, people who have visited St. Alban's, and we sent them home in all the preschool backpacks.

We hope that you will enjoy your copy, make note of the dates of upcoming events, and then pass it on to someone that you know who doesn't have a church home. It has been a long 18 months of restrictions and now that some things are continuing to open up we have intentionally reached out to those who are new to town and have not been able to make connections. Statically, most people visit or join a church community because someone invited them. So, between you sharing your copy of the flyer and us doing some direct mailing we hope to continue to get the word out about this welcoming community of faith.

If you did not receive the mailing and would like a copy, please contact the parish office at stalbansofl@optimum.net and we will be happy to send you one.





Our pets are a blessing to us...



...join us in blessing them!

Bring your pet (or a photo of your pet) to
A Blessing of the Animals



- October 3rd -

Two opportunities to bring your beloved pets for their annual blessing!

St. Francis Day Observance

We Love All God's Critters We welcome all pets to join us for worship, blessings, treats, and family pictures as we remember St. Francis and proclaim our Creator's intention for the unity in Creation. It's a favorite annual celebration for members and visitors! Come with or without a pet! GREAT FUN! **Sunday, October 3rd at 10 AM.**



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!



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



ALTAR CANDLE WEEKLY DEDICATIONS AVAILABLE

St. Alban's will be again offering an opportunity to remember your loved ones with a weekly dedication of the lit sanctuary candle. For a \$10 donation, your loved ones will be remembered in memory or thanksgiving during our weekly prayers and bulletin as well as dedicating the lit sanctuary candle to them for the week beginning on the Sunday Service of your choosing.

If you are interested in making a donation, you can either mail in your check with the names of your dedication or make a donation directly on our website <http://stalbanflow.org/> All dedications must be made by Thursday of the week prior to the date of your choosing.

If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at 201-337-4909.



Don't forget to choose St. Alban's as your designated charity at smile.amazon.com/ch/04-3802711 to generate donations for Rector Wardens Vestrymen of St Albans Episcopal Church in Ofl and check out our [AmazonSmile Charity Lists](#) to donate items we need most.

