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## PARISH KALENDAR THIS WEEK

**Monday and Tuesday - No Services**

**Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>**

**FEAST OF THE CIRCUMCISION**

10:30 A.M. – *Holy Communion*

(in the Church)

*Leave behind old sins for new righteousness, as you dedicate this new year of grace to Christ's glory.*

No other Services. Office Closed.

**Thursday and Friday**

*Daily services resume.*

8:15 a.m. *Morning Prayer*

5:30 p.m. *Evening Prayer*

## CHRISTMAS FLOWERS, WREATHS AND GARLANDS

*The beauty of St. John's was enhanced by the poinsettias, wreaths, and garlands given to the glory of God and in loving memory of, in honour of, in celebration of, or in thanksgiving for, the following:*

### POINSETTIAS

#### GIVEN IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Margaret L. Armstrong, by the Culver family.

Sarah Alexander Patterson Summers, by the Culver family.

Frances Meyer, Julie Smith and Anne Crawford, by Robbie and Eddie Culver.

Barbara K. Compton, by the Culver family.

Sarah Alexander Patterson Summers, by Mr. and Mrs. W. Lee Belford.

Loved Ones, by James Earl Wrenn.

My parents and my sister, Mr. and Mrs. David M.B. Morgan III and Mrs. Courtenay Morgan Griffin, by Mrs. Edward J. Derst, Jr.

My husband, , Edward J. Derst, Jr., by Mrs. Edward J. Derst Jr.,

Robert Currier Springfield, Ira David Futrell. and Emma Driggers Futrell, by Mr. and Mrs. I. David Futrell, Jr.

Miss Sarah Alexander Patterson Summers, by Julia and Wesley Krulic.

The Rev. William H. Ralston, Jr., by Julia and Wesley Krulic.

Loved ones, by Mr. and Mrs. William E. Johnston.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Miller, by Mr. and Mrs. John M. Sayler.

Joe Murphy, by Kathryn Tanner.

G. Philip Morgan, Jr., by his family.

Katherine Keller Perry, by Dorothy Mather Thompson.

Loved ones, by Mr. and Mrs. Sean F. Finnegan.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Hodges, by Judge and Mrs. William T. Moore, Jr.

Capt. and Mrs. Carl H. Oelschig, Jr., by Mr. and Mrs. Carl H. Oelschig III.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Parker Howard, by Mr. and Mrs. Carl H. Oelschig III.

Of my mother, by Katie and Steven Leonard, Jack and Lucy.

Di and Sam McCormick, with love, by their family.

Elizabeth Richardson, by Mrs. Sanford G. Simmons.

Jeanne Dixon Papy, by Betty Dixon Gilbert and Wayne and Rhett Willis.

Hickman Patrick, father-in-law of Barry Crawford, grandfather of Cathy Baxter, by Dr. and Mrs. J. Robert Logan.

Alexander Archer, by Dr. and Mrs. Roland S. Summers.

Elizabeth Cain Baker and her sister, Edith Cain Inglesby Walker, by Mr. and Mrs. Ryan J. Mello and family.

Claudine Tapley Farr, by her children, James Jr., Martha, Frances, William, and Barbara.

Ralph and Betsy Bowden, by Paul and Jane Pressly.

Loved ones, by Gary and Elizabeth Schubert.

Dear and beautiful moments remembering our grandson Ricky McAllaster, by the Backus family

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STANDING NOTICES

The occasional Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony, Penance, Communion and Unction of the Sick, and the Office of Burial of the Dead are always available by appointment, at announced times, or as necessary.

HOSPITAL VISITATIONS

Please call the Church Office to inform the clergy if you or a loved one is in the hospital.

ST. JOHN'S WEB SITE

Parish Paper essays may be read on our web site: www.stjohnssav.org

VESTRY OFFERING CHAIRMEN

8:00 Mr. Arthur D. Weed
10:30 Mrs. Richard C. E. Jennings

USHER CHAIRMAN

Mr. Scott Howard and
Mr. James Ivy

The flowers at the altar are retained this Sunday from Christmas.

CHANCEL SOCIETY

Mrs. Martin R. Sullivan, Mrs. Rhett N. Willis
Mrs. Carter C. Hubbard, Ms. Anne H. Minglehoff
Mrs. T. Herbert Guery III, Mrs. Edward J. Derst III
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Mrs. Marshall F. Campbell, Jr., Mrs. John R. Reiter
Miss Katherine Reiter, Mrs. Adolphus J. Carter III
Mrs. W. Lee Belford, Mrs. John M. Hewson III

ACOLYTES

8:00 Lindsay Pindar
10:30 Chris Dixon
Hunt Wasden,
Jamie McClellan, Turner Stevens
Finn Repella,
5:30 Evensong
Mikel Kelly

COFFEE HOUR CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Samuel L. Forkner III

WEEKDAY STUDY & DISCUSSION GROUPS

There are no meetings this week.

Regular meetings will resume Monday
January 6th.

END OF YEAR DONATIONS

Gifts received after 12:00 (noon) on
Tuesday, Dec. 31st, will be deposited in
January 2014. They will NOT appear on
your 2013 statement of contributions.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

The offering envelopes for 2014 will be
mailed on December 27th to those who
requested them.

WOMEN OF SAINT JOHN'S

The ECW Board will meet in the Parish
House Monday, January 6th at 10:00 a.m.
The Women of St. John's will meet on
Wednesday, January 8th following the
10:00 a.m. Holy Communion.

ANNUAL OYSTER ROAST AND BBQ

Mark your calendars for
January 25, 2014
Advance tickets will be on sale at Coffee
Hour beginning January 12th.

Save the Date: Seniors Luncheon January 15th

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH IN YOUR WILL

Our Precious daughter, Julia Backus Smith, by her family.

Husband and father, George Backus, by his family.

Nita Morgan Williams, by her godson, Clarkson C. Logan.

Sarah Alexander Summers, Helen Gignilliat Connerat, and J. Robert Logan, Jr., by Dr. and Mrs. J. Robert Logan.

Charles Alden McCullough Wagner, by Dr. and Mrs. J. Robert Logan and boys.

**Poinsettia in thanksgiving for, in honor of,**

For God's healing grace in our lives and in honour of our son-in-law Franklin Reed Dulany III, by Dr. and Mrs. Sidney Bolch III.

For our many blessings, by Mr. and Mrs. John C. Wylly, Jr.

For Fr. Dunbar, Fr. O'Brien, and Deacon Bergstrom, by Mrs. Marshall F. Campbell, Jr.

Martha L Sullivan, by Martin Sullivan, Jr.

For our many blessings, by Judy and Wiley Wasden.

The Rev. Gavin G. Dunbar, by Mr. and Mrs. Carl H. Oelschig III.

The Rev. Craig E. O'Brien, by Mr. and Mrs. Carl H. Oelschig III.

The Rev. Dr. Bergstrom and his family, by Mr. and Mrs. Carl H. Oelschig III.

The Rt. Rev Michael J. Hawkins, Bishop of Saskatchewan, by Mr. and Mrs. Carl H. Oelschig III.

Our three grandsons, Lawton McIver Logan, Jr., Alston Stone Logan, and Grant Stenersen Logan, by Dr. and Mrs. J. Robert Logan.

For extending the days of our special grandson, Matthew Reardon, by his family.

...for our children Virginia and Wallace, by Ashley and Miller Glover

**WREATHS OR GARLAND**

**In Loving memory of**

Mr. and Mrs. Earle M. Culver and Mr. and Mrs. Howard J. Hoffman by their family.

Nita Morgan Williams, by her family.

L. Allan Reynolds, by his family.

Oscar Tharp, by friends of Carolyn Ezelle.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles B Compton, by their family.

Our parents, by Elizabeth and Ted Muller.

Loved ones, by Mr. and Mrs. Floyd G. Whittington, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Miller, Sr. and loved ones, by Mr. and Mrs. T. Herbert Guerry III.

Loved ones, by Elizabeth C. Peebles.

Dr. Thomas Arthur Amburgey, Emily Whittemore Harris Amburgey, and Clarence Eugene Donahue, by Dr. and Mrs. Michael Donahue.

W. Claggett Gilbert, Jr., by his family.

Of Ashley Dearing, by his loving wife, Angela.

His grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfrid Roy Dunbar and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gunning, and his uncle, Cuthbert Gunning, by The Rev. Gavin G. Dunbar.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis E. Williams, Jr., by Mr. and Mrs. Roland B. Williams.

Sanford G. Simmons, John Pindar Bradshaw Simmons, by Mrs. Sanford G. Simmons.

Sarah Alexander Patterson Summers, by Dr. and Mrs. Roland S. Summers.

George Oelschig, Sr. by his loving family.

Joyce Parrish Howard, by Dr. Albert R. Howard and her family.

Nelle Hogan, by Dr. and Mrs. Christopher L. Osteen.

Joyanne S. Merritt, by her husband, Robert J. Merritt, and her son, Lee Smith.

Dr. Robert A. Burnett, by Mary, Decie, and Wendy.

Cooper Myers Schley, Sr., Marjorie Christian Schley, and Richard Larcombe Schley, by Helen T. Schley.

Sarah Alexander Patterson Summers and Jennifer Liscombe Ross, by Dr. and Mrs. Morgan W. Murray.

George Anderson Mercer III and George Anderson Mercer IV and Col and Ms. William A. Willis, by Rhett and Wayne Willis, Rhett and George.

...Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wesley Dixon IV, with love from David, Sandy, and Chris Dixon

**WREATHS OR GARLAND**

**IN HONOUR OF OR IN THANKSGIVING FOR**

For the birth of Henry Bancel Summers, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Towle Summers, by his cousins, Ralston, Cullen, McLain and Bennett Welch, Kennon and Merrill Summers and Fritz Moorman, by Dr. and Mrs. Roland S. Summers.

...for many blessings, by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Ross

with grateful hearts for our clergy, by Mr. and Mrs. William S. Burdell Jr.

**8:00 A.M. – HOLY COMMUNION**

Collect, Epistle, and Gospel ..... Prayer Book, p. 104, 97  
*A continental breakfast is available in Cranmer Hall following the service. Small donation requested.*

**9:30 A.M.-10:15 A.M. ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

*Reading Room, Cranmer Hall – Fr Dunbar’s class on St. Mark’s Gospel*

**10:00 a.m. — 12 Noon NURSERY (Cranmer Hall)**

**10:30 A.M.—SUNG EUCHARIST & SERMON**

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ORGAN: *Vom Himmel Hoch*..... Friedrich Zachay

*Everyone is invited to Coffee Hour in the Green Meldrim House following the 10:30 service. If you are visiting, please make yourself known.*

**12 NOON – HOLY COMMUNION (Church)** Collect, Epistle, and Gospel p. 104, 97