



October 31, 2024

**St. Simon's on the Sound Episcopal Church
Fort Walton Beach, FL**

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**Service Times
SUNDAY**

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist, in the Nave

Wednesday

5:30 Holy Eucharist – 6:00 WOW Dinner



NECROLOGY

Andrew Walker
January 27, 2024

Haydon Grubbs
May 19, 2024

Phyllis Cheney
May 29, 2024

Susan Kidwell
June 16, 2024

Claudia "Betty" Patterson
July 01, 224

Walter Givhan
July 10, 2024

Arlene Murphy
July 14, 2024

Barbara Smith
July 16, 2024

Joe Harrison
August 08, 2024

Patricia Unga Westphal
October 12, 2024

Evelyn Fuller
October 13, 2024





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<https://www.stsimons-fwb.org/celebration-sunday/>



The investiture of our new Presiding Bishop - the Right Reverend Sean Rowe

Bishop Rowe will be invested as our new Presiding Bishop on November 2nd. The link below has all the information and is where the live stream will be shown (it will also be on the Episcopal Church's Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/episcopalian>).

The "roll call" of the dioceses, including our own, begins at 8:30 Central Time, followed by special music at 9:00. The service begins at 10:00am Central Time.

This link has more information and another way to watch the event:
https://www.episcopalchurch.org/investiture/?mc_cid=aaf806ba2b&mc_eid=c649b52e92

Watch parties in our area:

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
307 Harbor Blvd
Destin, FL 32540
Time: 8:30 a.m. CT

St. Jude's Episcopal Church
200 North Partin Dr
Niceville, FL 32578
Time: 8:30 a.m. CT

Resources for a spiritual approach to Election Day

The Kendrick Chapel will be open from 9am to 3pm on election day for anyone who wants to come by and pray, meditate, or just escape from the noise for a while.

Election Night Virtual Prayers

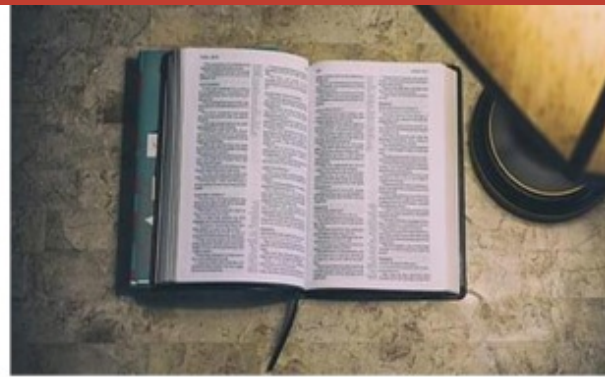
Hosted by The Episcopal Church Office of Government Relations

Everyone is invited to join Election Night Virtual Prayers hosted by [The Episcopal Church Office of Government Relations](#) from 8 to 10 p.m. Nov. 5 ET. [Bishop Sean Rowe](#), who will become presiding bishop on Nov. 1, will offer an opening reflection and prayer. Episcopalians from around the church will hold silence and lead participants in prayers together for peace, the nation, and all people and countries.

Join the event via Zoom by registering here, or watch a livestream on The Episcopal Public Policy Network's [Facebook page](#). (Note: If you would like simultaneous Spanish interpretation, please register for Zoom.)

https://www.episcopalchurch.org/ministries/office-government-relations/?mc_cid=e7b6f27e52&mc_eid=7d57ab8fa1

FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK



I hope you have joined in as much as possible with our very busy and spiritually uplifting October! As I said on Sunday, it's been a lot, and it is because of our dedicated team of lay ministers, staff and other volunteers we have been able to accomplish so much.

One parishioner wrote the following, and I hope you echo these words as I do:

I am taking the opportunity to say 'Thank you' to all the folks, particularly Vestry members, who have worked so hard to support the stewardship effort and, well, the many events, projects and celebrations offered during the last weeks (and months).

It is evident that many parishioners and staff have been working exceptionally hard both on the frontline and behind the scenes to plan and deliver the programs, liturgies, activities and gatherings we've enjoyed in recent weeks. Since I can't possibly know each individual or the extent of what they've done, I speak to all, offering these simple and hopefully encompassing thoughts about what, together, the people of this parish have accomplished.

To all those who planned and carried out actual tasks and to all those who enriched the collective experiences by simply being present at gatherings, I'd like to say, 'Thank You'. Your presence and your efforts have made a difference at St. Simon's. Your presence and your efforts have supported both our growing in faith and our growing together as a church family.

FR. David+

NEW Worship on Wednesdays

WoW - Children Now Eat Free

Many thanks to an anonymous donor who has offered to cover the cost of Wednesday night dinner for any children (up to 15 years old)!

We still need to know who is coming so please sign up for supper on the previous Wednesday or Sunday before the next Wednesday, or by calling the office.

NEW Worship on Wednesdays

*Kid Friendly Eucharist
Followed by a hot dinner*

November 6:

Beef Lasagna, Salad, Garlic Bread

November 13:

**Roast Pork, Baked Sweet Potato, Vegetables,
Rolls and Butter**

November 20:

**Meatloaf, Mashed Potato, Vegetable,
Rolls and Butter**



Cost: Adults \$10 Children Eat Free
Pre purchase tickets through the
office or Sunday after the
10AM service

Eucharist - 5:30pm



Dinner - 6:00pm

Tickets on sale Wednesday night, Sunday morning,
Wednesday and Thursday at church office,
and via Realm

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Ways to Buy Your Ticket online

You can buy a ticket by scanning this QR Code by aiming your camera on the code. This will open your web browser and take you straight to the online form.
OR

The direct link to the WOW online form is:

<https://onrealm.org/StSimons/give/wow>

OR

You can TEXT your payment by sending a text to:73256. In the text message type: stsimonsfwb WOW and send the text



Children's Choir is Back!

Calling all children Kindergarten and up. We will begin rehearsing a Children's Choir on Sunday, November 10th after the 10am service. Practice will be 20 minutes or less.

There will be a special children's table for post worship snacks so they can grab something right after church and join our Choir Director, Kelly Koontz, in the choir room.



ARE YOU A CAREGIVER?

This is a tough role and you are not alone. Meet other caregivers as we share experiences, tips, information, resources and stories. Join us as we make new friends and share our thoughts and ideas.

Caregivers Support Group



Location: St. Simon's on the Sound
Episcopal Church
28 Miracle Strip Pkwy SW, FWB

DATE: Third Tuesday of the month
12:00-1:00
Scheel Parlor
Bring your own brown bag lunch!

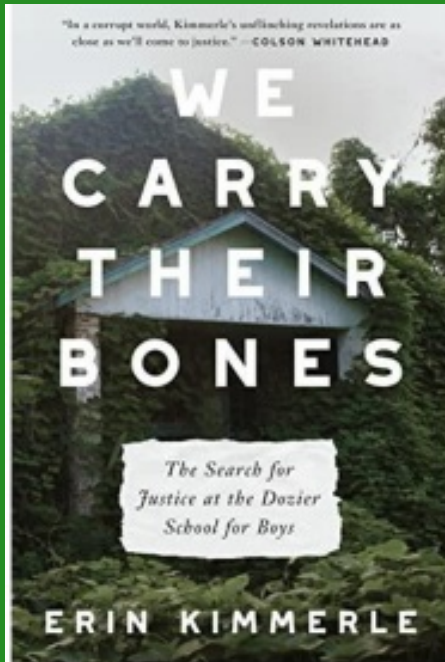
ALL ARE WELCOME!

If you are a caregiver or know someone who is this is a great opportunity to share your best tips and stories and learn about community resources

For more information call
St. Simon's at
850-244-8621

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Michelle Anchors, Bob Blake, Linda Carr, Claude Connell, Cloyce Darnell, Sharilyn Darnell, Mary Hauge, Fisher, Kelly, Mary Macella, Kinsey Massey, Chi Medina, Trace Mills, Lois Mitchell, Matt Scheel, Seth Sharpe, Anthony Sheppard, Ellen Sheppard, Kate Smith, Sara Tegli, James Turner



ST. SIMON'S BOOK GROUP

Will meet on Tuesday, December 3, 2024
at noon in the Parish Hall.

Please note this is a change, because of the late
Thanksgiving date this year.

We will be discussing
"We Carry Their Bones: The Search for Justice
at the Dozier School for Boys"
By Erin Kimmerle

Single Friends will meet for a Dutch Treat Lunch

At Noon

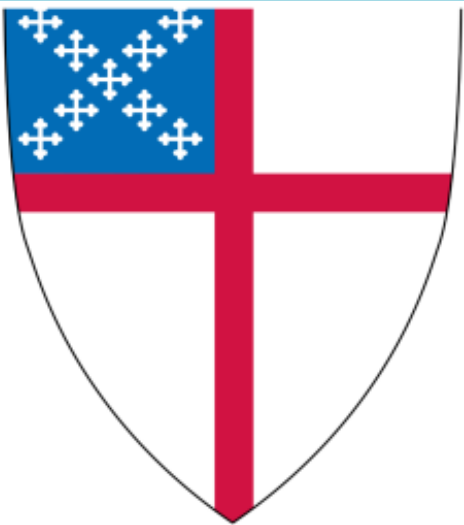
On Saturday, November 16th

At Boshamps Seafood & Oyster House

Located at 414 Harbor Boulevard

Destin

Contact Barbara Bethea (850-582-7011 or babethea7@icloud.com) if you have questions. RSVP because I need to know how many are coming! Also, they will not seat us until everyone arrives so at Noon we will go with those that are there. If you are late, you may be sitting at a separate table.



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throughout our

Diocese

go to

<https://www.diocg.org/news-and-stories>

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Read the latest blog posts from our Clergy:

Father David's Blog



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