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The Episcopal Church
of St. John the Baptist

THE EPIPHANY

January 6, 2018

Holy Eucharist Rite I 8:00 am

Holy Eucharist Rite II 10:00am with Baptism

The Rev. Janet Lombardo, Celebrant & Oversight Clergy



LECTIONARY READINGS

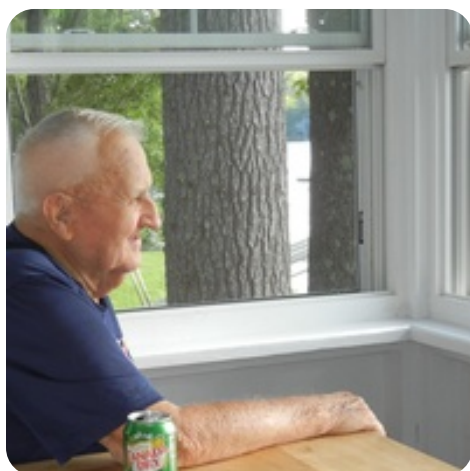
[Isaiah 60:1-6](#)

[Ephesians 3:1-12](#)

[Matthew 2:1-12](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join our parish community this Sunday at 10am to celebrate the baptism of our newest parishioner, Victoria Hawthorne, born November 27, 2018. Victoria is the daughter of Natasha Hawthorne, grand-daughter of Cheryl Randall (both pictured) and great-grand-daughter of Alberta Randall.



Celebration of Life

Family and friends, led by Pastor Janet, will celebrate the life of Walter Hill, father of parishioner Penny Manzueta, this Sunday, January 6 at 2pm. The service, as well as calling hours 12pm to 2pm prior to the service, will be at the **Peaslee Funeral Home**, 2079 Wakefield Rd, Sanbornville.

May light perpetual shine upon him, O Lord.

Save the Date...

St. John the Baptist Annual Meeting
January 20, 2019

immediately following the 10 am service (~11 am) in the Rectory. All parishioners are encouraged to come to this important meeting, especially this year with all our project plans and changes.

PARISH UPDATE

Closing out a very eventful 2018 at StJB, our Dec 30th combined 10 am service was special as it featured a lovely Christmas Lessons and Carols, thanks to six special readings and the talents of our beloved organist, Judy Gray. Parishioner Mary Hansen graciously delivered a wonderful Christmas poem she wrote, which enhanced the spirit of this joyous season. Pastor Janet also led us in thanks and the final blessing, send off and outside walk-about for our bittersweet farewell to the StJB Parish Hall, which will be torn down Jan 2nd and 3rd. Last, there were some major announcements including:

- Next StJB Vestry meeting - Jan. 6th in the Rectory, following the 10 am service
- STJB's Annual Meeting will be on Sun. Jan 20, 2019 in the Rectory (upstairs), following the 10 am service (~ 11am).
- StJB Building Committee is quickly ramping up to high gear with two meetings this week (12/30 and 1/3 10 am to noon).
- Sandy Thomas reported her recent Pampered Chef fundraiser for the StJB building fund raised \$407. Thank YOU Sandy!

Aligned with our annual meeting, Pastor Janet announced that her last regular Sunday with St John will be on January 20, 2019, as she has been called to serve St. James in Laconia, NH. However, she stressed that while she will not be preaching each week at StJB, she will remain with us in a "clergy oversight" role, to support and guide us throughout our campus reconfiguration project (through summer 2019). As such, she will still lead in all StJB worship planning, will attend St John's monthly vestry meetings, continue to guide the StJB Building Committee and process, and remain our key point person for pastoral care direction. She also intends to be here a few Sundays throughout this process to touch base with the entire congregation. Moving forward, StJB will be served primarily by two supply priests — Reverend Dave DeSalvo, who attended our December 30th service and recently moved to Dover NH with his wife, Mary and well-known Reverend Randy Dales. Once she returns from her winter ventures in Mexico, Pastor Annie Ryder will also likely be in StJB's supply priest mix.

Pastor Janet closed by acknowledging the vast changes St John the Baptist has gone through this year and commended the parish on its strength and commitment to each other. "You are a strong parish and I

know you can do this,” Pastor Janet closed, “While I won’t be preaching here every Sunday, I’ll still be available and with you throughout this transformation.”

Dave Moberg immediately and eloquently responded to Janet for the parish...”When you came here in June we feared that you were Janet the Destroyer. We now know you that you are Janet our Savior, as you gave us the guts and courage to do what we’ve needed to do for years. We thank you and God Bless you, Janet Lombardo!"

Note: Background for this update can be found in StJB in Focus: Campus Project Overview & First Update

If you have not read this important and very informative report (published in full in the December 16 eBB), please [CLICK HERE](#) to read it on our website

Please Stay Safe...

With winter weather upon us, Pastor Janet reminded us all: please use common sense in attempting to get to Sunday services in inclement weather. When in doubt, please stay safe.





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