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October 11, 2022

Dear Friends,

I was a bit uncomfortable this morning describing the ministry of St. Francis of Assisi in today's Morning Prayer service, which generally honors a saint whose feast day falls during the week. While St. Francis may be best known for his connections with God's creatures, many of which are brought to church and blessed this time of year, that is only a small part of his ministry. Francis was born into a wealthy family and during his military service began to take note of the poverty around him. He founded an order, now known as the Franciscans, in which the brothers embraced a life of poverty as they reached out and proclaimed the Gospel to the poor far and wide. Francis' rule was based on following the teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ and walking in his footsteps.

I was a bit uncomfortable because, not having embraced a life of poverty, Brian and I bought a new refrigerator two days ago to replace one that works perfectly well, but is too small to accommodate the food of two married couples. (Does anyone need a refrigerator?) It's the first step of a kitchen renovation in our new house that will take place in January. The kitchen cupboards are in good shape, but none of them fits pots and pans or larger cereal boxes except the lazy susan. If the dishwasher is open you can't get to the sink. If the refrigerator door is open you can't squeeze between it and the octagon table to get into the kitchen. The uncomfortable part of me says, "So what! You have it so much better than most. This is a First World problem. Suck it up and give the money to the hurricane victims who lost their homes." The part of me that chooses comfort for my family over discomfort about the use of income will win this particular fight, but it does give one pause.



Ask yourself these questions with me:

- 1) How intentionally am I living out my Christian faith?
- 2) How does God want me to use my income beyond the tithe?
- 3) What does it mean to be generous before God?

May God bless and guide us in all things. Mother Julie+



InterFaith Works Summer Food Drive Report

Both St. Alban's and Emmanuel contributed a good quantity of food. St. Alban's delivered a load of food once mid-summer and once at the end of the drive. Grace Joseph delivered the first offering and Bobbi Lombardo helped her with the second. Emmanuel's offering was picked up by Garang Ajak at the end of the drive. Each parish had contributions of about \$100 and the offering at the East Side Episcopalian service netted \$500! Our small and smaller parishes will feed many people these next months. Thanks for your generosity.

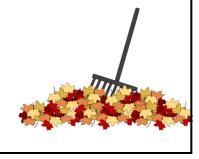


Tuesday, October 18 St. Alban's 6:30 p.m. on Zoom

Tuesday, October 25 Emmanuel 6:00 p.m. at the Church St. Alban's Work Day

Saturday, October 15 10:00 a.m.

Bring rakes & yard tools Brings rags to wash windows





Dinner and Healing Service at St. Alban's: Everyone is Welcome! Every Second Thursday

<u>October 13</u> 6:00 p.m. Baked Ziti and Meatballs (\$5 donation suggested) 7:00 p.m. Healing and Holy Eucharist (service also on Zoom)

Thursday Evening Schedule in October: All are Welcome!

2nd Thursday: St. Alban's: Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Healing and Holy Eucharist (service also on Zoom) at 7:00 p.m.
3rd Thursday: Eat & Chat on Zoom at 6:00 p.m., Book Study on Zoom at 6:30 p.m.
4th Thursday: Eat & Chat on Zoom at 6:00 p.m., Overview of a Rule of Life at 6:30 p.m.

In Person Schedule: Both Parishes & Friends are welcome!

Thursday	St. Alban's	Dinner: Baked Ziti & Meatballs, 6:00 p.m. *Healing and Holy Eucharist: 7:00 p.m.			
Saturday	St. Alban's	Parish Work Day: 10:00 a.m.			
	Emmanuel	Coffee Hour: 4:15 p.m. *Worship: 5:00 p.m.			
Sunday	St. Alban's	*Bible Study: 8:30 a.m. *Worship: 9:30 a.m. Coffee Hour: 10:30 a.m.	* also on Zoom		

Zoom Schedule & Codes

<u>Thursday</u> 7:00 p.m.	St. Alban's Healing	and Holy Eucharist: 861 786	67 0656 & 597178				
<u>Saturday</u> 5:00 p.m.	Emmanuel's Holy Eucharist: 812 9701 3112 & 381729						
<u>Sunday</u> 8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	Bible Study: 835 9000 0245 & 562087 St. Alban's Holy Eucharist: 826 9515 6305 & 446765						
	ephone for Zoom	Sunday at 9:30 a.m.	Other Events				
Dial 1-646-558-8656							
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Mother Julie's Schedule October 13-19

<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Monday & Friday</u>
St. Alban's	Emmanuel	St. Albans'	St. Alban's		Days off
12-8 p.m.			10 am - 8 pm	9am - 4 pm	



