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Dear Friends,

I have joyous news! Tonight the Vestry approved the singing of hymns. Bishop DeDe Duncan-Probe told the clergy and wardens last week that vestries can now make their own COVID rules, as long as they are in agreement with NYS guidelines. There is a lengthy document from NYS outlining procedures for religious services and funerals. That document was recently changed to allow fully vaccinated people to sing. It states, "However, any singing activity must provide for a distance between individuals of at least twelve feet, subject to additional protective measures, unless the congregants/attendees and singers within twelve feet of one another are fully vaccinated." Also, masks and social distancing are no longer required.

Unvaccinated or partially vaccinated people still need to wear masks and maintain social distance. They can sing softly while masked and socially distanced. Since some of our fully vaccinated folk may choose to wear a mask I ask that you maintain social distance from anyone wearing a mask, vaccinated or not.

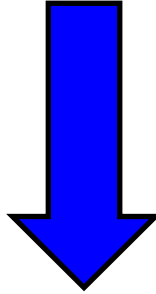
Everyone still needs to sign in and use hand sanitizer upon entering the building. Please continue to enter through the ramp door. Indoor coffee hour is discouraged by NYS guidelines, so we will continue to have it outdoors. We will continue to remain in our pews to greet one another at the Peace and to receive communion from the table in front of the pews. We will begin using every other pew instead of every third pew. There are 5.5 feet between every other pew. The positivity rate in Onondaga County is down to 0.35%.

There has been much conversation about the continuing need for Zoom. I will continue to use Zoom at the Sunday service for the foreseeable future. Several of our elderly parishioners phone in to Zoom to listen to the service, or Zoom on a computer with younger family members. Three out of the four people/couples who are at camp for the summer have the internet service needed to Zoom with us on Sunday from camp. Herb and Wendy Wickenden join us every week from North Tonawanda. I know it's hard for those who are here in person; we miss seeing everyone who came to the building before the pandemic. It also means that I must miss either the outdoor coffee hour or the fellowship time on Zoom after the service. I have chosen to be with the two groups every other week. Last week I stayed and visited on Zoom, so this week I will attend the outdoor coffee hour.

Whether you worship in person, on Zoom, with the YouTube service on the website, or by reading the bulletin mailed to you on Sunday at 9:30 a.m., may God the Father bless the time you set aside to honor and worship Him, God the Son fill you with joy and hope, and God the Holy Spirit grant you peace.

Mother Julie+

(new sign in ramp entrance)
Please Stop and Read



Sunday Morning Service

If you are fully vaccinated

* Masks and social distancing are optional

If you are partially vaccinated
or unvaccinated

* Masks and social distancing are required.
* Per New York State law, singing is not permitted without
masks and social distancing.

Some fully vaccinated people still want to wear masks and maintain social distance.
Please social distance from anyone wearing a mask.

All Other Times

If you are fully vaccinated

* Masks and social distancing are optional

If you are partially vaccinated
or unvaccinated

* Masks and social distancing are required.

Mother Julie and Valerie are fully vaccinated and invite those who are fully vaccinated
to remove their masks.



Martha's Kitchen

Cooking on 1st Saturdays and a Tuesday mid-month

Saturday, June 26 (replaces July 3) at 10:00 a.m. - Make Pasta Sauce and 36 Sandwiches
 Tuesday, July 27 (after Rector's vacation) at 1:00 p.m. - Make 4 pans Quiche and 36 Sand.
 Saturday, August 7 at 10:00 a.m. - Make Pasta Sauce and 36 Sandwiches
 Tuesday, August 24 at 1:00 p.m. - Make 4 pans Quiche and 36 Sandwiches

Funding is through donations to St. Alban's Mission Fund.

Donations Needed: Prego spaghetti sauce & plastic food containers (new or used)

Sign up to
bring finger
food, iced tea
or lemonade.



Sunday School

**Pool Party & BBQ
at Mother Julie's**

**Saturday, June 26
4:00 p.m.**



In Person Weekend Worship

Saturday at 11:30 a.m.

**Sunday at 9:30 a.m.
with organ and hymns,
also on Zoom**

Send a card to Jim Kowalczyk

Jim is recovering from surgery for a fractured femur and is doing rehab.

James Kowalczyk
 Iroquois Nursing Home
 4600 Southwood Heights Drive
 Room 223
 Jamesville, NY 13078

Use your telephone for Zoom on Sunday at 9:30 am

Dial 1-646-558-8656

When prompted Enter **826 9515 6305#**

When prompted Enter **#**

When prompted Enter **446765#**

That will put you in Zoom's waiting room and you will be let in.

Zoom Calendar

Sunday 8:30 a.m. Bible Study 835 9000 0245 & 562087
 9:30 a.m. Worship 826 9515 6305 & 446765

Tuesday 10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer: 868 3084 1089 & 114552

Thursday 6:30 p.m. Book Study: 898 5381 0239 & 432942

Sunday, June 20 we celebrate the Feast of St. Alban,
a Roman soldier who became a martyr to save the life of a priest.

