

Opening wide our doors and hearts in the name of Jesus Christ Our Lord and Savior

A Service of Creation Care and the Blessing of the Animals

October 5, 2025 5:00 pm

No Sunday Morning Service

Sunday October 5th is the running of the annual Maine Marathon. Because of the route, access to our church is prevented that day, so there will not be an in person worship service that morning.

5 pm Creation Care & Blessing of the Animals

While we cannot gather in the morning on October 5, we will meet at 5 pm for a worship service as we conclude our Season of Creation Care. If the weather cooperates we will meet outdoors on the church lawn. Since the day before is the Feast of St. Francis, our Sunday afternoon service will include the Blessing of the Animals. Feel free to bring pets of any kind (leashed of course) or even photographs of animals you may wish to have blessed.

We will not be live streaming this service, and the worship leaflet will be available at the service.

From our Rector

Dear Friends,

For many years, we have been blessed by the presence of our resident soloist, Mary Sullivan. With us for major feasts such as Christmas and Easter, as well as on other occasions, she has led us in the praise of God with her beautiful soprano voice and loving presence. In recent years, she has also brought us delightful concerts in the Christmas season.

Mary is now oncluding her ministry with St. Peter's, as she has become more deeply involved in the music ministry at St. Paul's, Brunswick and with performing groups in the Brunswick area. She has written of how grateful she is to have shared in ministry with us.

We want to express our gratitude to her, and have arranged for her to be with us one more time, on Sunday, November 16. Please plan to be with us that day, so that in worship and at coffee hour afterwards, we can say with united hearts and voices, "Thank you!"

Faithfully,

Fr. Tom

Aging With Grace Meets for Lunch on Thursday October 9th at Noon

Our Aging With Grace group resumes its monthly gatherings with lunch on Thursday the 9th at noon in the undercroft. Join us for lively conversation about the blessings and challenges of growing older.

Youth Service Corps Resumes This Month

YOUTH SERVICE CORPS EVENT

SUNDAY OCT 19 12:00 - 2:00 PM



12:00 MEET AT MARDEN'S TO BUY HATS,
GLOVES, SOCKS AND BOOTS
1:00 MEET AT ST. ELIZABETH'S PANTRY
TO EAT PIZZA & ORGANIZE DONATIONS

PLEASE RSVP BY <u>WED OCT 15</u> TO AMBER BURKS, THE YOUTH SERVICE CORPS COORDINATOR, AT AMBER@STALBANSMAINE.ORG



Creation Care Thoughts From Our Parish Earth Keepers for This Week

"The universe is composed of subjects to be communed with, not objects to be exploited. Everything has its own voice. Thunder and lightning and stars and planets, flowers, birds, animals, trees - all have voices and they constitute a community of existence that is profoundly relative."

Fr. Thomas Berry CP, eco-theologian

Harvest Home Weekend is October 18-19

A beloved tradition at St. Peter's, Harvest Home will be celebrated on Saturday and Sunday, October 18th and 19th. We will have a potluck supper in the undercroft on Saturday evening, and a celebratory mass on Sunday morning at our usual time. Circle the dates on your calendar now!

St. Elizabeth's Annual Winter Coat Drive Has Begun

New and quality used winter coats, as well as mittens, caps, and boots are welcome and needed contributions to St. Elizabeth's Essentials Pantry as winter approaches. Please bring your donations to the undercroft and place in the basket by the St. Elizabeth's sign. Thank you!

Also for St. Elizabeth's...Calling All Knitters

Help knit hats, scarves, mittens and baby blankets for St. Elizabeth's Essentials Pantry. Free patterns and yarn are available for those willing to share their knitting skills with us! For supplies contact Elizabeth Burger at elizabethhkb@gmail.com. Donations can be given to Anita Chandler!

Bishop Brown and Bishop Hirschfeld Visit on December 7

There is still time to prepare for baptism, confirmation, or reception into the Episcopal Church. Please let Fr. Tom know if you are interested.

Compline Link for October 8th

Compline will meet on Zoom on Wednesday, the 8th at its usual time at 7:00 PM. Connect with our special gathering by clicking the Zoom link <u>here.</u>

New Note: Zoom will require you to use a passcode. The passcode is: **10678.**

This Week at St. Peter's

Compline, Wednesday, October 8th, at 7 pm, Zoom Aging with Grace, Thursday, October 9th, at 12 noon, Undercroft

Coming Up at St. Peter's

St. Elizabeth's Essentials Pantry, Tues. Oct. 14th from 8:30-11, St. Luke's Merry Hearts, Wednesday, October 15th at 12 noon, Undercroft Harvest Home Dinner, October 18th at 6 pm, Undercroft Harvest Home Liturgy, October 19th, at 9 am, Church

Dates to Keep in Mind

Diocesan Convention in Bangor, October 25 Holiday Fair, November 8 Myrna Koonce Ordination, November 15 Farewell for Mary Sulllivan, November 16 Bishops Thomas Brown and Rob Hirschfeld, December 7

Sunday Minister Rota for October

October 12, 2025

Ms. Lenita Richard & Mr. Steve Booth, *Eucharistic Ministers*Mr. Galen Weibley, *Crucifer*

, Lector

Mr. Bob Simmons, *Usher*

Mr. Wayne Franklin, Videographer

Ms. Anne Whitman, Altar Guild

Ms. Lenita Richard & Ms. Meredith Tipton, *Counters*, *Coffee Hour Hosts*

October 19, 2025

Ms. Emily Keniston & Ms. Janene Gorham, Eucharistic

Ministers

Mr. Jake Mahon, Crucifer

, Lector

Mr. Will Esterly, Usher

Ms. Lenita Richard, Videographer

Ms. Janene Gorham, Altar Guild

Ms. Anita Chandler & Mr. Jonathan McCormick, Counters

, Coffee Hour Hosts

October 26, 2025

Mr. Galen Weibley & Mr. Jake Mahon, Eucharistic Ministers

Mr. Steve Koskinen, Crucifer

, Lector

Ms. Anita Chandler, Usher

Mr. Bob Simmons, Videographer

Ms. Lenita Richard, Altar Guild

Mr. Wayne Franklin & Mr. Rich Price, Counters

, Coffee Hour Hosts

Weekly Prayer List

Prayers For Parishioners, Families, and Friends

Ann Marie Cady

Allison Schroth

Francisco Andreu

Diane Dalton

Dino Rice

Robert Stillings

Pat Fowler

Mary Ann Hoy

Barbara Vessey

Fred Madore

Alan Biagiotti

Jane Noone

Marc Lombe and family

Linda Foster

Garrett Keniston

David Savage

Kevin Curty Ann Bav

Paul Loven

Peter Haskell, friend of Allison Schroth Martha Gagliardi, friend of Fr. Tom **Tommy Valente**, friend of Don and Ann Marie Cady **Jane Reiha,** friend of Judy Howes **Stephen and Rebecca Seraniche,** friends of Dino Rice **Marge Devine,** family member of Allison Schroth **Jimmy Devine**, family member of Allison Schroth **Fuji Sprott,** friend of Dino Rice David Turner, cousin of Craig Mousin **Tammy,** friend of Craig Mousin Beth, friend of Lee Walters **Pam**, friend of Anita Chandler The Kutasi Family, friends of Allison Schroth **Glenn**, spouse of Caroline Loupe **Janet Blessing,** neighbor of Jane Noone Kelly Marie Bell, friend of Allison Schroth **Earle**, friend of Cindy Sherwood **Grace**, family member of Jessie Vega **Kay Gross**, friend of Jane Noone **Lisa Gorham**, daughter of John & Janene Gorham Gerald and Anita Talbot, friends of Anita Chandler **Peter Munro**, brother of Emily Hickey **Todd Cheney**, father of Matt Cheney **Jay Sprout,** friend of Tom Mousin Sandy Woolley, friend of Judy Howes Amanda and Chris Conant, friends of Jane Noone **Pam**, friend of Cindy Sherwood Michael King, friend of Anita Chandler Amy Carter, friend of Fred and Priscila Madore **Norma and Joe Kennedy**, friends of Jane Noone **Mary Jo Floyd**, relative of Fr. Tom Mousin Frank Beal and Lela Michie, friends of Lenita and Rodney Richard

If you wish to add or return persons to the prayer list, please contact our Prayer Ministry Coordinators:

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Emma Bond: 207-619-3662, emma.e.bond@gmail.com

A Prayer for Those We Love

Almighty God, we entrust all who are dear to us to your neverfailing care and love, for this life and the life to come, knowing that you are doing for them better things than we can desire or pray for, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

From The Book of Common Prayer

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