We are ready for you at St. John's!

Sunday: The Feast of the Transfiguration
8:00 a.m.: Mass on the Grass (Low Mass)
10:00 a.m.: Live-Streamed Sung Mass (High Mass)
(followed by Zoom Coffee Hour at 11:30 a.m.)

To attend in person, please register at both of the following locations:

1. tinyurl.com/SJEreservations
2. tinyurl.com/SJEcheck-in

Watch on Facebook (you don't need an account):
https://www.facebook.com/SaintJohnsNewport/
or on our website at saintjohns-newport.org

Download the service booklet here.

Join us for (virtual) Coffee Hour after the service!
We miss you, too, and look forward to seeing you!

On Zoom:
Sunday, August 9, at 11:30 a.m.
There's nothing to download and you don't have to sign in or sign up for anything!

Join by clicking this link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84223052255?
pwd=bGJXMVFJZ05OM3FDd1MydWZzb3ZJUT09

Or enter this redirect link in your browser window: tinyurl.com/SJEzoomcoffeehour

Meeting ID: 842 2305 2255
Password (required): Quire

How to reach Father Humphrey:
By phone: 401-500-0042
By email: rector@saintjohns-newport.org
By phone appointment: rector.youcanbook.me

A Thought from Father Humphrey
# Dear People, Neighbors & Friends of St. John's,

Peter Quire  
St. John's Zoom Coffee Hour  

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**Send Message**

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One of the strangest things about these live-streamed services is that they're like being on television: You can see me, but I can't see you. I can't even tell you've watched the livestream afterwards unless you're already a Facebook Friend of mine and chose that platform to view it, and/or made a comment or "liked" it.

In other words, I only know who has shown up if they are physically present in the church on that Sunday or have made an effort to check in one way or another.

So except for those few who do gift us by risking their physical presence or who leave an explicit digital imprint, I face a faceless congregation every week. And that's just ... weird.

And so I'm asking you to do me a big favor: Don't be faceless. Come to Zoom Coffee Hour, even if it's only for a few minutes and even if it's only once or twice a month. You don't even have to have attended that day's service! I'm always happy to see and/or hear from you. Read more here.

Yours in Christ's service,
N.J.A. Humphrey+
XIV Rector

P.S. I would love to hear from you. You can be in touch by email at rector@saintjohns-newport.org, or, to make an appointment, please visit rector.youcanbook.me.

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Zoom Coffee Hour @ St. John's
Join us after service at 11:30 a.m. for a Virtual Coffee Hour via Zoom. We provide the connection, but you will have to provide your own food and drink, for what we hope are obvious reasons.

Meeting ID: 842 2305 2255
Password (if prompted to provide one): Quire

There are several ways to join. From your web browser on any device, join by clicking here:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84223052255?pwd=bGJXMVFJZ05OM3FDd1MydWZzb3ZJUT09

Or enter tinyurl.com/SJEzoomcoffeehour directly into your web browser, which automatically redirects to the long URL above!

Have a telephone but not a computer? No problem!
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Or via iPhone one-tap, dial +13126266799,84223052255#.

Hope to see and/or hear from you soon!

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Please Check In

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As we return to public worship, we will be asking those who attend services or enter the building for any reason whatsoever to provide their contact information, either with the assistance of the ushers, or directly via our website so that we may be in touch with you about any COVID-related concerns, and so that you can be in touch with us, should you or someone close to you fall ill or test positive for the coronavirus.

And in case you missed it, the state of Rhode Island also released an app, CRUSH COVID RI, that aims to make contact tracing easier.

Heavenly Haul
Thursday was a blue-ribbon day for scrap metal, as one of the Grafton House's furnaces was carted up and out. At the same time, another contractor was removing the church's seven defunct radiators, above, which haven't been operative for Heaven knows how long. The resulting open space in the church is noteworthy, and allows for greater flexibility.

The chief gain is that the altar so generously refurbished and returned to us by Rick Best and Susan Taylor now has an architecturally pleasing home,
centered under the window to the right of the Creche in the north transept. Prior to this, a dead radiator, cleverly disguised as a shrine to Our Lady of Walsingham, below, intruded on part of the wall beneath that window.

It's not much in the grand scheme of things, but it's something. You've got to take your simple pleasures where you can find them!

**The Feast of the Transfiguration**
This Sunday at 10:00 a.m., we will live-stream Sung Mass for the Feast of the Transfiguration, at facebook.com/SaintJohnsNewport/ and on our website at http://saintjohns-newport.org/.

We will also hold "Mass on the Grass," a Low Mass on the lawn, at 8:00 a.m.

In order to attend either Mass, please register at tinyurl.com/SJEreservations and provide your contact information at tinyurl.com/SJEcheck-in. Each one takes just a minute to complete.

You can download the booklet for the services here.

And please join us after the service for Zoom Coffee Hour at 11:30 a.m. Details above!
Welcome to Mass on the Grass! In case you missed it, you can read all about it in The Newport Daily News, [here](http://example.com).

This Sunday, August 9, at 8:00 a.m., we will hold Low Mass celebrating
the Feast of the Transfiguration. (At 10:00 a.m., we will live-stream Sung Mass in the church.)

In order to attend either Mass, please register at tinyurl.com/SJEreservations and provide your contact information at tinyurl.com/SJEcheck-in. Each one takes just a minute to complete.

All you need is a chair or blanket (we'll take care of the spacing), hat or umbrella if desired, good cheer and a smile, even if it's covered at all times by a face mask as required by the Diocese at all services, both indoors and out.

Participants will gather on the lawn around the steps in front of the front entrance of the church at 61 Washington St.

Being able to gather again this way is certainly a breath of fresh air, and we can't wait! Thank you for following state and diocesan guidelines to protect all of our loved ones during the global pandemic.

See you Sunday!

If you would like to volunteer to help with setup or breakdown, please let Kristin MacMannis know at engagement@saintjohns-newport.org.

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Quarter Till on the World Stage

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A new international "live virtual concert hall" platform called Dreamstage (https://dreamstage.live) has been co-developed during Coronatide to meet the needs of performing musicians, by start-up CEO Thomas Hesse and the superstar cellist Jan Vogler. Because Jan happens to be a close friend of one of our Choir School Advisory Council members, and because St. John's has invested heavily in live broadcast technology over the summer, it so happens that for the international launch of Dreamstage in the coming weeks, our very own pipe organ is going to be featured in a special 80-minute edition of Bach & Friends at Quarter Till! St. John's goes live to the world on August 30 at 4:45, but you'll only be able to watch this special recital if you buy a ticket from Dreamstage.

Tickets are on sale now for $25 exclusively at https://tinyurl.com/QuarterTill30August. One ticket is good for all your friends and family watching around one computer.

Best of all, $20 of that ticket price goes directly toward the restoration of St. John's historic 1894 Hook & Hastings organ. Currently, all donations are being matched, so your $25 ticket is worth $40 for the organ! So please spread the word, especially by sharing this post and tagging the producers: @dreamstage.live.

In its direct financial support of artists, in serving as a turnkey box office that takes care of permissions for streaming and the royalties to publishers and composers, and in providing a spectacularly stable high-
resolution digital stage, Dreamstage is going to revolutionize live music-making well past the pandemic. It has already been featured on Fox Business News and in Germany's largest newspaper. Make history with Peter Berton as he makes music; someday you'll tell your friends, "And to think, I knew him when..."

For more information, check out this video:
https://player.vimeo.com/video/445445553

P.S. Past editions of Bach & Friends may be found on our website's Quarter Till archive, and more will be added soon! Visit the archive at http://saintjohns-newport.org/quarter-till-organ-recitals/.

P.P.S. For parishioners, if the ticket price is outside your entertainment budget, please contact Fr. Humphrey. A number of subsidized tickets are available, and we wouldn't want anyone to miss this exciting event due to cost considerations.

Quarter Till Concerts

Bach and Friends at Quarter Till July 5, 2020

Quarter Till Organ Recitals have returned at 4:45 p.m. Sundays and will continue through Sunday, Sept. 6! The recitals will be performed on Facebook Live at www.facebook.com/SaintJohnsNewport/.
And, we have a very special performance on the world stage on Aug. 30 -- check out our announcement above!

Our July 5 performance is above, and in case you missed it, check out our July 19 performance celebrating Peter Quire Day, featuring:

J. S. Bach: Prelude and Fugue in C Major BWV 545  
Billy Strayhorn, arr. Alec Wyton: Lotus  
Henri Mulet: Tu es petra

at [https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=573153460239626](https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=573153460239626)

(And our Quarter Till Organ Recitals Archive is here: [http://saintjohns-newport.org/quarter-till-organ-recitals/](http://saintjohns-newport.org/quarter-till-organ-recitals/))

Admission is still just a "quarter" (or more), with proceeds benefiting restoration of our historic 1894 Hook & Hastings pipe organ. This year, in conjunction with the virtual recitals, St. John's is thrilled to announce a GENEROUS MATCH CHALLENGE of up to $275,000 towards the restoration of the organ! To donate: [https://tinyurl.com/OrganChallenge](https://tinyurl.com/OrganChallenge).

Our Quarter Till organ recitals were named Newport Life Magazine's "2020 Best of Newport County" award winner as "Best Kept Secret: Entertainment"! You can read all about it and all the winners in the latest issue of Newport Life Magazine, or online here:

[https://tinyurl.com/NewportCounty2020Best](https://tinyurl.com/NewportCounty2020Best)

Quarter Till organ recitals are 15-20 minutes and feature Bach and other composers, with live video feed projected onto a screen showing the organist and a close-up view of the organ's inner workings during the music. This year's concerts also feature our brand-new and newly installed organ console.
TO GIVE:
tinyurl.com/OrganChallenge

$275,000!

$220,000

$165,000

$115,000

$110,000

$55,000

ST. JOHN’S ORGAN FUND MATCH

A generous donor has offered a match challenge of up to $275,000 for donations toward the restoration of our historic 1894 Hook & Hastings Pipe Organ.

THANK YOU!

Low Mass
The next weekday Low Mass at St. John's is scheduled for 5:45 p.m. on Tuesday, August 25, for the Feast of St. Bartholomew (transferred from Monday due to the rector's day off). Evening Prayer will precede it at 5:30. All services by then, unless otherwise advertised, will be **both** by live-stream and in-person. Stay tuned for further instructions on guidelines for weekday services.

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**Candle Dedications**
The Sanctuary Lamp Candle above the High Altar is given to the greater glory of God and in prayer for Diana.

To arrange to dedicate a candle on a particular date, please be in touch with the Parish Office at parishoffice@saintjohns-newport.org.

Choir School News

England Revisited
Two years ago at this time, we were departing for our two week training trip to England. This year, we naturally will be observing the same liturgical events which occurred during the first half of August and, with our improved broadcast technology, we have the ability not only to include some of the beautiful recordings from our trip (as we have done already in the past months) but also to show videos within worship.

In last week's live-streamed services and in the next two, we will include just the audio from a special anthem we sang across the pond, so as not to detract visually from our local service and to ease the switchery for those running the equipment while Peter is on vacation.

For Transfiguration this Sunday, check out O nata lux (Thomas Tallis):
And for next Sunday (Assumption), Ave Maria (Franz Biebl) ... will be published here on August 14.

This week in addition to the video of *O nata lux* from our 2018 England Tour above, we present a compelling entry in our summer TikTok Challenge by the amazing Conwell family. The challenge has not been completed, but we expect this entry will inspire the raising of the bar for others, as well as delighting any of you receiving this who needs a little hope in your life! Enjoy!
Choir School of Newport County TikTok Challenge Entry
Have you seen the 2019-2020 Second Edition of the Program Book?

To check out our concert listings and to support our donors and advertisers, you can pick up a copy at St. John's or download a copy here.

Thank you for all your help in gathering and showing community support for our programs!

Please note: Dates and times subject to change. Please check our event listings in the Evangelist, on our website or Facebook page, or contact the parish office at parishoffice@saintjohns-newport.org or (401) 848-2561 to double-check dates and times.

Fifth Sunday Food Drive
Now more than ever, members of our community could use a helping hand.

August is a Fifth Sunday Food Drive month!

Because of the COVID crisis, we are asking that instead of food donations, gift cards to Aldi's, Stop & Shop, Shaw's, CVS, Walgreens, or the Dollar Tree, be put in the pledge plate, sent in with your pledge envelopes, or slipped through the Poplar St. mail slot.

Volunteers will deliver your gift cards to the MLK Center at the end of the month. Thank you for your generosity!

Or, donate on Facebook:
https://www.facebook.com/donate/423632965221106/
You Can Sleep On It

A parishioner has a queen-sized mattress that is only three months old, but being replaced by a King sized mattress, and is happy to donate it to the church to pass on if there's anyone who would like it. Delivery included. If interested, please email Fr. Humphrey at rector@saintjohns-newport.org.

Service Details

Live-Streamed Services on Facebook
In accordance with state reopening guidelines and in consultation
with Bishop Knisely, we welcome the return of parishioners to in-
person worship at St. John's! Attendance is limited, however, and we
will continue to live-stream our services. If you wish to be added to a
small group, please see Father Humphrey's guidelines on
returning to church, here.

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Register for both services here:
1. https://reopen.church/r/2oOSjeMo
2. https://forms.gle/qrjPdMyDsTCG6KFg7

Download the Service Booklet here.

Join us for Coffee Hour at 11:30 a.m. after Mass!

Join Zoom Meeting:
Meeting ID: 842 2305 2255
Password (required): Quire

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This week's intercessions

Intercessions, Memorials, Thanksgivings, and Anniversaries This Week

In thanksgiving for all the blessings of this life, especially for the birthday of William Shoemaker (8/9); the anniversary of Lee & Melina Abney (8/14); and all those for whom we offer our thanksgivings now.

In our prayers: Anthony, Elizabeth, Laurie, Michael, Stephanie, John Alexander, William Bachus, Joann Barczynski, Mary Berlinghof, Karl Berroth, Lily Berton, Bruno Bich, Susan Bolick, William Boyer, Nc’anci Brewer, John Brooks, Barby Brown, Kathleen Sullivan Buck, Elliot Carter, Roseanne Curry, Liz Davis, Caroline Davis, Pamela Dolan, Shawn Donnelly, Joan Farmer, Patrick Feighan, Joan Garrison, Joe Goldkamp, David Humphrey, Ruth Kiker, Daniel King, Doris Little, Christine Luciano, Trish Miller, Sherry Moe, Mary Naylor, Heather O'Connor, Barbara Odegaard, Bill Passera, Mary Pyle, Marlene Quarry, Rita Rogers, Rita Scott, John Silvia, John Sawicki, and Donald Smith; for the Sisters of the Holy Nativity: Abigail, Claris & Ellie; for all those affected worldwide by the coronavirus pandemic; for the people of Beirut and for Lebanon; and all those we pray for now.

For the repose of the souls of the recently departed, and for those whose year’s mind falls this week, especially Leola R. Carnes (8/11), Sarah Jane Zabriskie, in 1892 (8/13), in whose memory $100,000 for the Zabriskie Memorial Church was given by her daughter, Sarah Titus Zabriskie, and Barbara Spotts & James E. Parkin (8/15); for the departed members of the Guild of All Souls; for the departed Sisters & Associates of Holy Nativity; for all those who have died in the coronavirus pandemic; and for all those we remember now.

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The Sanctuary Lamp candle above the High Altar is given to the greater glory of God and in prayer for Diana.
Did you know, you can donate to St. John's through every eligible purchase you make on Amazon Smile?

When you shop at Amazon Smile and choose "St. John the Evangelist" as your charitable organization, Amazon Smile will donate 0.5% of eligible purchases to St. John's. Yes, it's that easy! And, Amazon Smile has the same products and prices as Amazon.

You can shop Amazon Smile via the Amazon Shopping app on your mobile phone by either downloading the app if you don't already have it, via [Android here](https://www.amazon.co.uk/gp/aws/smile-download/android.html), or [iOS here](https://www.amazon.co.uk/gp/aws/smile-download/ios.html), or, if you already have the app, by going to the Settings menu on the upper left via the three bars (≡), scrolling down, and choosing "Amazon Smile":
If you don't have or don't want to shop via the app, you can shop through your browser on your mobile or your desktop by logging in to Amazon Smile (at SmileAmazon.com) with your regular Amazon account information here: tinyurl.com/SmileAmazonSignin, and choosing St. John the Evangelist when prompted.

You can learn more about how to use Amazon Smile here. To learn more about the Amazon Smile program, click here.

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**Stewardship at St. John's**

Stewardship is a year-round commitment, and we thank you for your investment in our present and in our future, but above all, thank you for simply showing up (when you're allowed to!) and being who you are.
In this time in particular, **the Diocese is encouraging parishes to highlight to our supporters and parishioners how easy it is to set up an automatic payment directly from your bank account to the church. If you don't already give online, please consider contacting your financial institution to arrange for automated repeating gifts. Doing so will give everyone some measure of peace of mind in these troubling times.**

Thank you for supporting us in prayer when you are unable to be with us, and for the love that you give in so many ways, of which St. John's is merely one recipient and conduit among many.

If you would like to support St. John's with a donation, please click [here](#).

To give by text message:

Text **SERIOUSFUN**

to **73256**
to donate in any amount to
St. John’s Church

**And always, thank you for your generous support!**

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The Zabriskie Memorial Church of Saint John the Evangelist

The Choir School of Newport County