

# THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 4, 2024 10:00 a.m.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

Please welcome the Rev. Frank Alanga, today's guest celebrant.

# Welcome to St. Mary's

Thank you for joining us today! From the very beginning in 1887, our founders saw St. Mary's-in-Tuxedo as the community church, being present and receptive to all those who came in faith, need, gratitude, curiosity -- or for whatever reason. Please know that you are always welcome here.

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#### **Ministers Serving Today**

Celebrant: The Rev. Frank Alanga Usher:

Choir Master & Organist: Sheldon Eldridge Video: Calvin De Mond

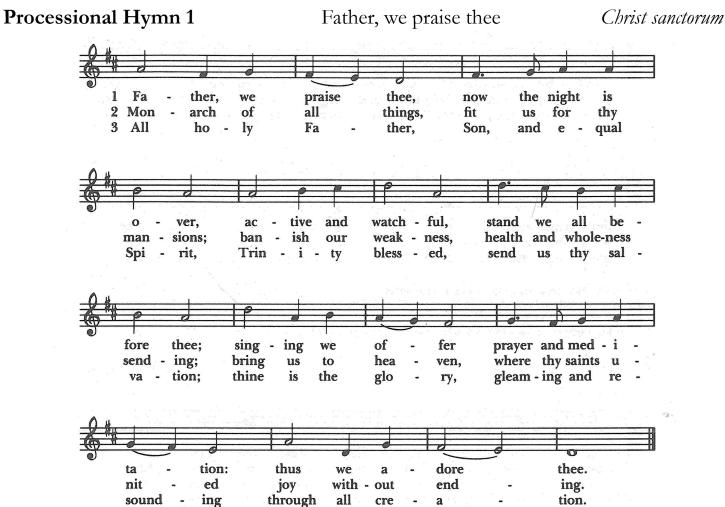
Lector: Sue Heywood Cantors: Aileen Sager, Johanna Maria Rose,

Acolyte: Matt Hlavka Anthony Cinelli, William Dickinson

Eucharistic Minister: Elizabeth Ochieng Altar Guild: Serene Swirbul

Introit Sung by the choir

Please stand



The Word of God

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

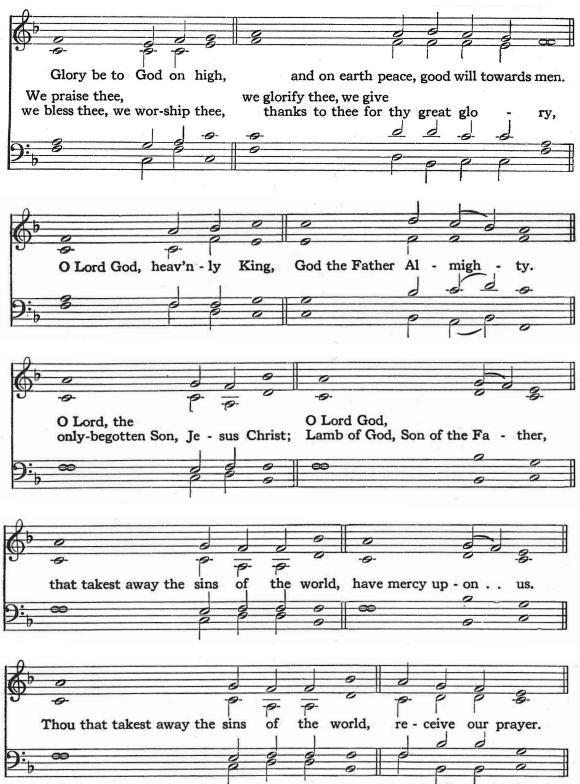
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

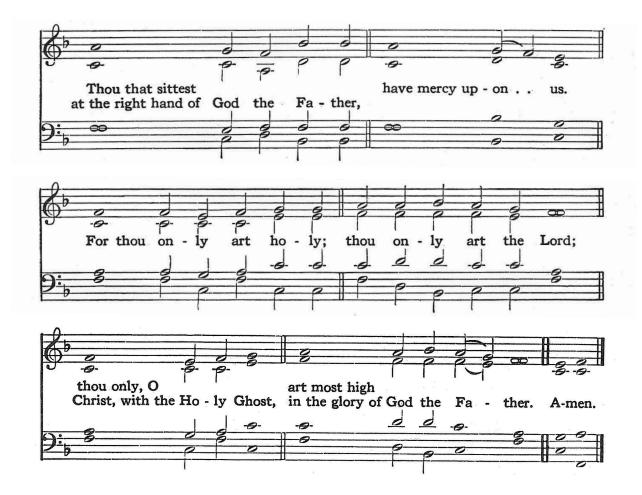
# The Collect for Purity

#### Celebrant

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

The Gloria Old Scottish Chant





## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

#### Let us pray.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins and give us, we beseech thee, the liberty of that abundant life which thou hast manifested to us in thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

## The First Reading Isaiah 40:21-31

Reader: A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Have you not known? Have you not heard?

Has it not been told you from the beginning?

Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

To whom then will you compare me,or who is my equal? says the Holy One.Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these?He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power,not one is missing.

Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless.

Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PRAISE the LORD, for it is a good thing to sing praises unto our God; \* yea, a joyful and pleasant thing it is to be thankful.

- 2 The LORD doth build up Jerusalem, \* and gather together the outcasts of Israel.
- 3 He healeth those that are broken in heart, \* and giveth medicine to heal their sickness.
- 4 He telleth the number of the stars, \* and calleth them all by their names.
- 5 Great is our Lord, and great is his power; \* yea, and his wisdom is infinite.
- 6 The LORD setteth up the meek, \* and bringeth the ungodly down to the ground.
- 7 O sing unto the LORD with thanksgiving; \* sing praises upon the harp unto our God:
- 8 Who covereth the heaven with clouds, and prepareth rain for the earth; \* and maketh the grass to grow upon the mountains, and herb for the use of men;
- 9 Who giveth fodder unto the cattle, \*
- and feedeth the young ravens that call upon him.
- 10 He hath no pleasure in the strength of an horse; \* neither delighteth he in any man's legs.
- 11 But the LORD'S delight is in them that fear him, \* and put their trust in his mercy.
- 12 Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem; \* praise thy God, O Sion.
- 13 For he hath made fast the bars of thy gates, \* and hath blessed thy children within thee.
- 20 He hath not dealt so with any nation; \* neither have the heathen knowledge of his laws. *Gloria Patri*.

#### The Epistle

1 Corinthians 2:1-12

Reader: A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

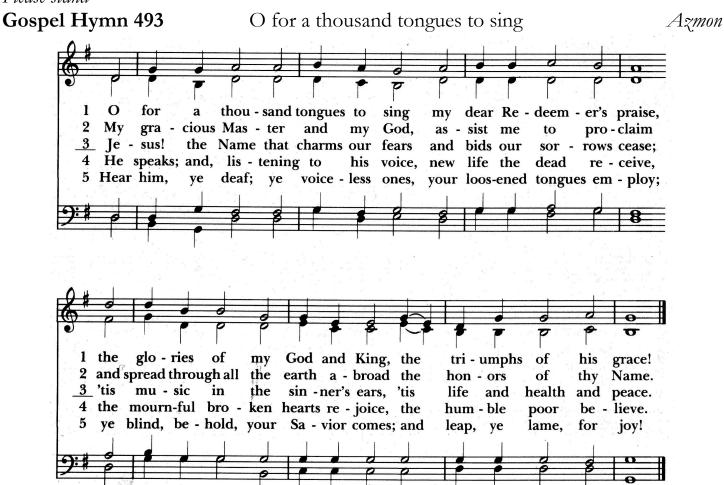
For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one

outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.





6 Glory to God and praise and love be now and ever given by saints below and saints above, the Church in earth and heaven. The Gospel Mark 1:29-39

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After Jesus and his disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated

The Sermon Fr. Alanga

Please stand

#### The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## The Prayers of the People

Form I

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.** 

For our Andy, Allen, Mary, and Matthew our Bishops, for Richard our Rector and Edwin our Rector Emetitus, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord **Lord, have mercy.** 

For Joseph our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For this town and village, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For Father Ed Cromey, William Clarke, Barbara Beauregard, Bill Steinmann, Webb Turner, John Burkhalter, Timothy Francis Duffy, Genevieve Jones, John Kordel, Jolene Matthews, Theresa McDevitt, Rob McQuilkin, Barbara Miranda, Carmen Murphy, Joy Ochieng, Linette Opiyo, Brendan Pascarella, Patrick Pascarella, Ulie and Maryvan Pendl, Audrey Perry, Father Stephen Rozzelle, Nicholas Triantafillou, and Peter Van Zandt let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

### Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of St. Mary and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

#### To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence.

Celebrant

Almighty and everliving God, we humbly beseech thee that, as thy only-begotten Son was at this time presented in the temple, so we may be presented unto thee with pure and clean hearts by the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please be seated

#### Welcome & Announcements

The Offertory O for a Closer Walk with God Charles Villiers Stanford O for a closer walk with God, a calm and heav'nly frame, a light to shine upon the road that leads me to the Lamb! Return, O holy Dove, return, sweet messenger of rest; I hate the sins that made thee mourn, and drove thee from my breast. So shall my walk be close with God, calm and serene my frame; so purer light shall mark the road that leads me to the Lamb.

William Cowper (1731-1800)

Please stand

#### The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

# The Holy Communion

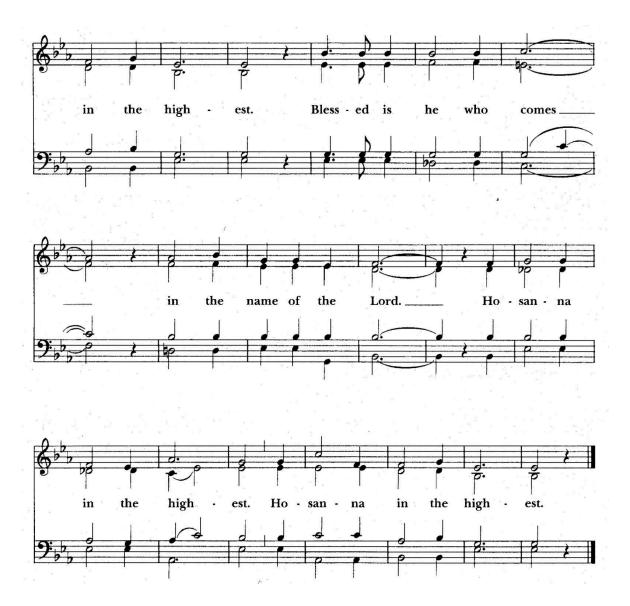
Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:





Please kneel; then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Celebrant and People

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

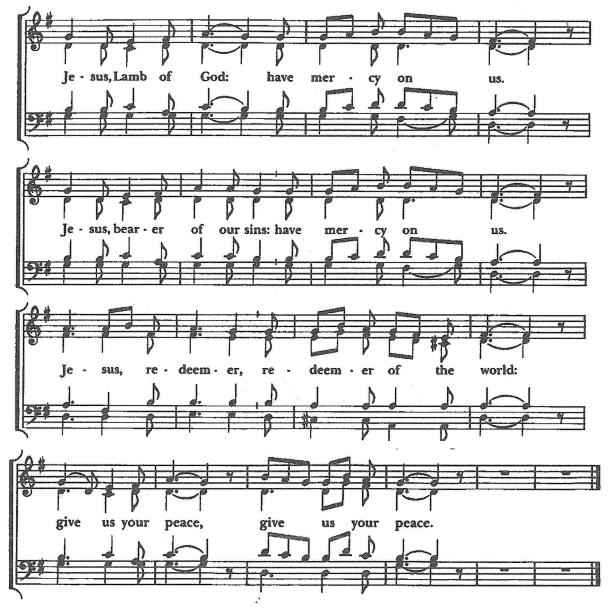
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

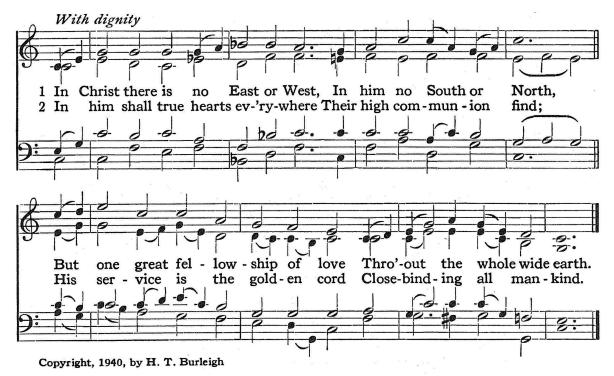
Therefore let us keep the feast, alleluia.

Agnus Dei Franz Schubert



#### Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.



- Join hands, then, brothers of the faith, Whate'er your race may be!
   Who serves my Father as a son Is surely kin to me.
- 4 In Christ now meet both East and West, In him meet South and North, All Christly souls are one in him, Throughout the whole wide earth.

#### **Communion Motet**

God be in My Head

John Rutter (b.1945)

God be in my head, and in my understanding; God be in mine eyes, and in my looking; God be in my mouth, and in my speaking; God be in my heart, and in my thinking; God be at mine end, and at my departing.

Sarum Primer, 1558

## The Post Communion Prayer

Please kneel

Celebrant Let us pray.

#### Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

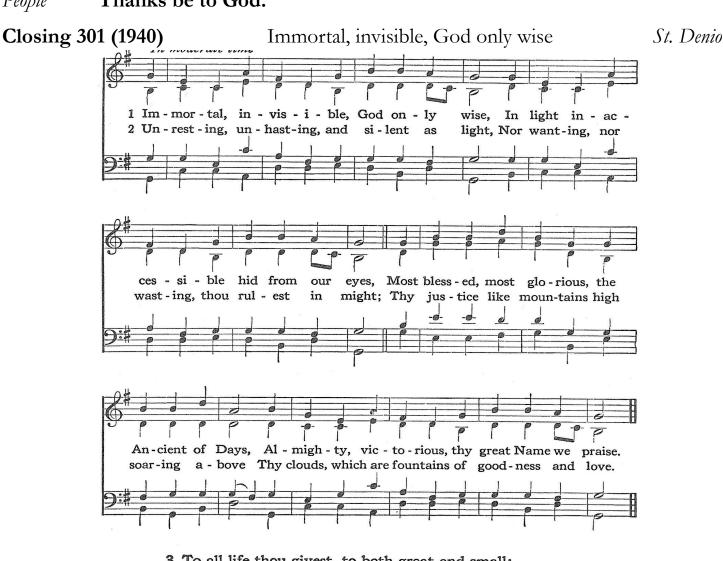
#### Blessing & Dismissal

#### Celebrant

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



- 3 To all life thou givest, to both great and small; In all life thou livest, the true life of all; We blossom and flourish, like leaves on the tree, Then wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.
- 4 Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; All laud we would render: O help us to see 'Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee. Amen.



# **Prayers of the Community**

#### Parishioners we are praying for:

Fr. Ed Cromey, Rector Emeritus William Clarke Barbara Beauregard Bill Steinmann Webb Turner

#### Friends and family members we are praying for:

John Burkhalter, friend of Sheldon Eldridge Timothy Francis Duffy, friend of Brad Boles Genevieve Jones, former parishioner and resident of Tuxedo Park John Kordel, friend of Fr. Rick & Pete Datos-Robÿn Jolene Matthews, daughter of Gillian Ballard Theresa McDevitt, longtime Tuxedo resident Rob McQuilkin, longtime Tuxedo Park resident Barbara Miranda, cousin of the Bush family Carmen Murphy, close friend of Ann Ho-Powers Joy Ochieng, daughter of Elizabeth Ochieng Linette Opiyo, friend of Elizabeth Ochieng Brendan and Patrick Pascarella, relatives of Gillian Ballard Ulie and Maryvan Pendl, longtime Tuxedo Park residents Audrey Perry, friend of St. Mary's Father Stephen Rozzelle, Rector of Christ Church, Pompton Lakes, NJ Nicholas Triantafillou, grandson of Bill Steinmann Peter Van Zandt, friend of St. Mary's

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