

# The MOCKINGBIRD All-Parish Newsletter | September 2021



"Behold, I make all things new."



September 12 | Breakfast and Discussion at 9am in Hutton Hall

Worship Times Return to 7:45am and 10:15am

Living in God's ever-evolving world, we adapt and change, continuing to stay focused on our mission to make disciples. This is who we are. Over and over again, we return to our call to live in love as Christ has loved us. The beginning of a new program year gives us the opportunity to ask ourselves, how do I use my gifts to do the work God has called us to do? On Welcome Sunday, we will gather together for a breakfast of homemade cinnamon rolls, and engage in learning new ways to continue our mission to make disciples, build relationships and ensure that all are welcome. Please note that our main worship service will return to 10:15am beginning Welcome Sunday. Join us! Learn More: saintbarnabas.org/welcome-sunday

## Sunday School Begins at 9am | Learning Center

Kids of all ages are invited to join us in faith formation, also known as Sunday School. Classes will be divided by age group and engage in developmentally designed lessons about life and faith in the context of Christian stories and tradition. Classes for this year include:

Infant – 3 years • PreK (age 4) – 2nd grade • 3 – 6 grade • 7 – 12 grade

Please register all kids under age 18 online to ensure we have up-to-date information at saintbarnabas.org/registration Questions? Contact our Director of Children's Ministries, Sarah Petersen at sarahp@saintbarnabas.org or 480-355-9730.

### Adult Choir

Wednesday, September 1, 6pm | Music Center
The Parish Choir heartily welcomes new members! Our season will kick off with a gathering meal and rehearsal at 6pm in the Music Center. All are welcome! Contact Robert Heyde at music@saintbarnabas.org.

## Wednesday Night Music

Wednesday, September 15, 5:30pm

There are musical activities for all ages and an inexpensive dinner is provided for everyone. To learn more go to: saintbarnabas.org/wednesday-night-music-resumes or contact Sarah Petersen at sarahp@saintbarnabas.org.

#### Book Club

Begins Thursday, September 16, 9:30am | The Other Cup Love to read? Our Book Club meets on the third Thursday of each month at 10am in The Other Cup, September through May. You can come at 9:30am for fellowship and our discussion begins at 10am. Find our 2021/2022 reading list at saintbarnabas.org/book-club.

#### JAM (Jesus & Me)

Sunday September 19, 11:30am | The Other Cup Grades 4 - 7 are invited to join the fun of playing games, eating delicious food and more! Invite your friends too. All are welcome.

#### Newcomer Lunch

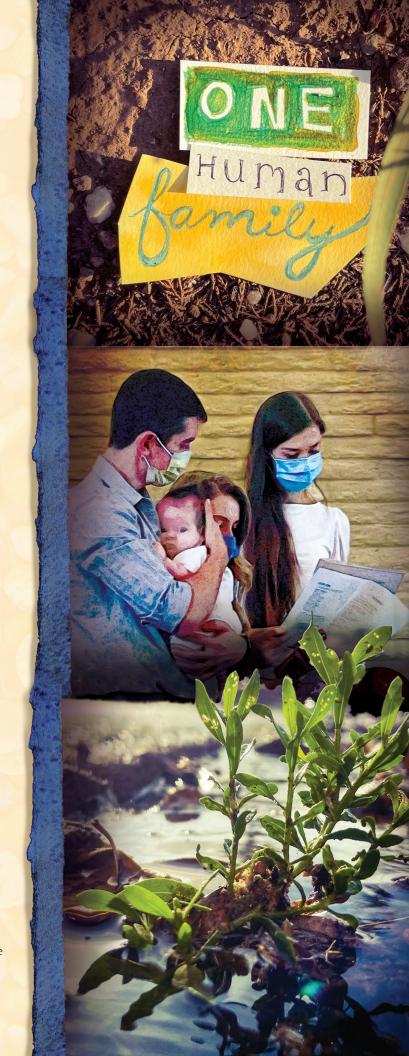
Sunday September 19, 11:30am | Meets In Hutton Hall Are you new to Saint Barnabas? If you've visited Saint Barnabas once or for several weeks or months, you're invited to meet Rev. Robert for lunch. This is a relaxed chance to get to know fellow Saint Barnabans and other newcomers. After the 10:30 service, join us for a catered lunch in Hutton Hall. You can sign up on our website or email Kate Fimbres at kate@saintbarnabas.org.

## Food Drive

Saturday, September 25, 8-10am | In Front Parking Lot Drive up to our monthly food drive thru! This is an easy opportunity to serve our five local foodbank partners. To find our current list of needs to go to: saintbarnabas.org/food-drive

## Campus Tour

Sunday, September 26, 11:30am Meets In | Chapel Join Judee Morrison, member of the Fine Arts and Memorial Acceptance Committee (MAFA), for an up-close look at our unique worship spaces and grounds, and learn about how the art of Saint Barnabas inspires us to elevate worship.



Saint Paul saw a vision of a new humanity in Christ. A humanity of neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female. Jesus prayed "That they all may be one."

We've all heard these words ... after 2,000 years, have we lost sight, lost hope, lost the will to engage in what the vision asks of us?

In the divisive contentiousness of our times, does the church offer a different way?

In Discovering Common Ground, Listening 'till the Listening Starts, we will learn a different way.

We will learn not just what we might do but how we can do it. And we can. The skill is imminently learnable. We will practice, practice, practice. And we will learn to laugh at ourselves!

The skill of not just listening but profound listening. The gift of not just being listened to but of feeling heard. The joy that spontaneously arises in real relationship. The mysterious power that overtakes us as we move from superficial unity to profound harmony.

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inspire us ...

and ...

they ask something of us.

JISCOVETIME Common Ground

But, be not confused, the dream asks something of us ... "I urge you, therefore, to walk worthily of the calling with which you have been called, with all humility and modesty and gentleness and meekness, with tranquil endurance bearing with one another in love, endeavoring, being zealous, with eagerness making every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" (Eph. 4:1-3 paraphrased).

"I don't know how to change the world ... unless it is one relationship at a time. Starting with my self." (Rev. Jim)

With The Rev. Jim Clark Workshop Begins Sunday, September 19 9am | In Hutton Hall and on Zoom saintbarnabas.org/listening

# LIVE IN THE SPIRIT

# QUIET DAY

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 9:30AM - 1:30PM | SANCTUARY & ZOOM

The Rev. Jim Clark leads the day, which includes teaching, quiet solitary time, and sessions of silent prayer together. Come to Quiet Day for an introduction to what the Contemplative Life at Saint Barnabas might offer you, or to sustain you in that life. This Quiet Day will be presented both in-person and via Zoom. Registration is not required for in-person attendance. Please bring your Bible. All are welcome. To join online, go to Zoom.us and use: Meeting ID: 825 3083 3892 passcode: 504615

## INTRODUCTION TO CENTERING PRAYER

#### OCTOBER 2, 9:30AM - 1PM | CHAPEL

The Centering Prayer method is taught at Saint Barnabas in programs consisting of an all-day Saturday workshop conducted by Jim Clark and parishioner Liza Bell, followed by five evening sessions that provide continued training. These programs are ecumenical: anyone who is interested in learning more about this practice is welcome to register to attend. The all-day workshop is followed by five evening sessions that provide continued training, and an invitation to participate in one of our weekly Centering Prayer groups. Those sessions begin Tusday, October 5, 6:30-8pm in the Chapel. To register contact Liza Bell (602) 527-6161 or lizabell@cox.net.

## EXPLORING POETRY AS A SPIRITUAL PRACTICE

#### BEGINS SEPTEMBER 16, 10-11:30AM | SEAN'S PLACE

Exploring Poetry as a Spiritual Practice, a poetry reading group, meets monthly on the third Thursday This fall, our meeting dates will be September 16, October 21, November 18, and December 16. We use a lectio divina format to read and contemplate poems together and to share about their significance in our individual lives. Contact Mary Stone for more information at maryspeckerstone@gmail.com or 480-993-4507.

### SPIRITUALITY OF WORLD RELIGIONS

#### Thursdays 7-8pm via Zoom

September 21 — Judaism | September 28 — Christianity | October 5 — Islam

Together we will study the Abrahamic faiths of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. These evenings will be tailored for our Saint Barnabas community and will include time for questions as well as discussion and reflection. For more information go to: *saintbarnabas.org/world-religions-judaism*.

# Walk Lavished In Unmerited Favor

—this changes everything.

Life is a process of increasing intimacy with God.

# THE EPISCOPAL WAY

BEGINS THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 AT 7:15PM | LIBRARY Join Rev. Jim Clark for an adventurous journey into the Episcopal way...of following Jesus. This class meets every Thursday through October 28. For more information and to register go to saintbarnabas.org/episcopal-way. For questions, please contact Rev. Robert at robert@saintbarnabas.org.

# FALL SILENT RETREAT

With Liza Bell Deepen your relationship with God **NOVEMBER 4-7** 

Registration opens September 15\*
\*Previous silent retreat attendance is a prerequisite for our fall retreats.
To register or inquire contact: Debbie Moore at (508) 942-8953 or deb.j.moore@gmail.com

We walk in forgiveness, forgiving.

We walk being loved, loving.

We walk being invited,

inviting.
We walk being seen,
and seeing.

-The Rev. Jim Clark



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