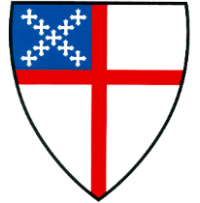


Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Kickoff Sunday
Family Sunday
Blessing of the Backpacks
September 15, 2019



KICKOFF
SUNDAY



Dearest Saints of St. Alban's,

Nicholas and I are back from our trip and are officially members of the Circumnavigator's Club! We had a wonderful adventurous summer and are now really looking forward to seeing all of you, reconnecting, and hearing what you have all been up to this summer. I followed many of you and know that you also followed our travels. On Sunday, September 29th we will share tastes and experiences with everyone that we brought back share. This Sunday we are excited to

be here for Kick-Off Sunday to worship, break bread, and share the joy of being together as the wonderful family of faith that is St. Alban's.

It's a big Sunday and time to get back into our 'regular' routines including gathering for worship and fellowship on Sundays.

+ It is Family Sunday and many of our older elementary and middle school youth will be leading various parts of the service.

+ Our Minister of Music, Lisa, and our dedicated choir will be back in full voice - join us at 9 for rehearsal and sing along!

- + We will be offering intentional prayers with all students, teachers, and administrators as we bless backpacks and prayer for the new school year. SO, BRING YOUR BACKPACKS!!!
- + The children will all be invited to gather around the altar.
- + We will share our sacred meal and sacred story together.
- + We will all gather for a festive luncheon with great food and activities.

Be sure to be with us. If you have a friend who doesn't have a church home, then offer to pick them up and introduce them to your parish home.

The sabbatical was an incredible, once in a lifetime adventure for Nicholas and me to experience together. I am so thankful for the gift of precious time. And at the same time, I have missed being with all of you in this community that we share.

See you Sunday when we will Kick-Off a new program year AND SHARE AN EXCITING ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT THE PROPERTY SALE!!

In Christ,
Kathryn+



**BEGINNING THIS SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 15th, 2019
we will return to two services:**

**8 AM Holy Eucharist: Rite I
10 AM Holy Eucharist: Rite II**

THANK YOU ALSO TO OUR SERVICE PARTICIPANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

CelebrantRev. Kathryn L. King
 Eucharistic Minister Nicholas King
 Organist Lisa Leigh Dempsey
 Ushers & GreetersDon La Cass & Paula Hoffman
 Acolyte Stella Hancock, Sierra Mohamed, Sean Mohamed & Shane Mohamed
 Lector..... Danny Phillips, Matthew Phillips, Stella Hancock, Sierra Mohamed & Sean Mohamed
 Counter & Closer.....Don La Cass

**KICKOFF
SUNDAY**

THIS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15th

PLEASE JOIN US for our KICKOFF as we **WELCOME BACK Rev. Kathryn.** We will also return to our **8 and 10 AM services** of Holy Eucharist followed by our annual **KICK-OFF-SUNDAY BRUNCH!**

If you have any questions, please contact Don La Cass or the parish office.

BLESSING OF BACKPACKS, PRAYERS FOR ALL STUDENTS and THOSE WHO WORK IN SCHOOLS SEPTEMBER



All students and all school workers are invited and encouraged to bring yourselves and your backpacks / messenger bags to church on **Kick-off Sunday, September 15th at 10:00 AM** where we will have a special prayer and gifts for all those who attend school or work in our school systems. We have selected age appropriate school items for all!

Mark
Your
Calendar!

Pop Up YM

POP UP YOUTH MINISTRY
DIOCESAN-WIDE YOUTH PROGRAM LAUNCH
ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2019
3:30 – 6:30 pm

On September 22, join us at St. Alban's, Oakland/Franklin Lakes to compete in the very first Pop Up Youth Ministry Epic Games!

Go for the gold against friends old and new in a series of the most epic games ever imagined. We will top the night off with dinner, a medal ceremony, and a worship by campfire. All youth grades 6-12 are invited and encouraged to participate.

Registration begins at 3:30 PM; the event begins at 4 PM and ends at 6:30 PM. We can't wait to see you there!

~IMPORTANT DATES ~ PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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| Sun., 9/15 | Welcome Back Sunday/Kathryn's Back Parish Brunch following 10am Service
Please sign up in the narthex |
| Sun., 9/22 | *Sunday School begins
*Pop Up Youth Event 3:30pm – 6:30pm |
| Tues., 9/24 | Cedar Crest at 3pm
Vestry at 7pm in the church |
| Thurs., 10/3 | St. Paul's 5pm |
| Fri., 10/4 | PNO 6pm – 8:30pm |
| Sat., 10/5 | Leadership University 8am – Noon |
| Sun., 10/6 | Blessing of the Animals/Trip to the zoo |

Save
the
Date

CHURCH LEADER UNIVERSITY *GROWING IN CHRIST*

A training day for **ALL congregational lay leaders** to learn, network and celebrate your ministry!!!

**Saturday, October 5
8 AM to 12 noon**

**St. Elizabeth's Church
169 Fairmount Road
Ridgewood, NJ 07450**

GPS address: "212 California Street"

COST: \$20 per person

7:45 AM - Registration
8:15 AM - Breakfast With The Bishop
9:15 AM - Session A
10:45 AM - Session B
12 noon Adjourn



Workshop topics include:

- Gifted Called Sent
- Healthy Grieving
- Nourishing Spirituality
- Deacons
- Stewardship
- EFM
- Spiritual Direction
- Asset Mapping
- Churches in Transition
- Making Disciples: Adult Formation Ideas and Opportunities
- Contemplative Prayer
- Small and Thriving Congregations
- Facilitating Discussions on God
- **And more!**



To register by the **Sept. 27, 5PM** deadline, go to dioceseofnewark.org/church-leader-university-2019-fall

Registration is required.
Walk-ins cannot be accommodated



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