



ALL SAINTS' CRESTLINE

NEWSLETTER

An Eternal Faith. A Timeless Tradition.



Fr. Darryl Pigeon was born in Michigan, in 1964, the fourth of five children. He was ordained on the Feast of St. Thomas in 1994. He moved to Texas with his wife Cynthia and two boys, John-Paul and Sean-Michael in 2004 to serve as the Chaplain at All Saints' Episcopal School. He has served at St. Michael in Richland Hills and Christ the King in Fort Worth.

2023 Rally Sunday | August 20

"Virtue is a habit" – Aristotle

The Christian life is built upon the foundation of holy habits. We are all the product of the habits we keep. St. Paul reminds us that the central purpose for this life and the goal of our habits is to be "conformed to the image of the Son of God" (Romans 8:29). As we begin the Fall Programs here at All Saints', the development of holy habits is at the center. I would invite you to consider how each of us can arrange our schedules with a view to the process of conforming our lives and our families to Christ. A variety of programs are set forth in this Fall Newsletter by which we can foster a growing life in Christ. Through participation in the programs at All Saints, I hope all can grow in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ, create lasting friendships, and encourage one another in the faith.

Blessings,



US BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS July 22, 2022

On an average day in 2021, parents with children between the ages of 13 to 17 spent 32 minutes a day in family quality time with their children. (Quality time is defined as time away from chores, work, school or TV/phone). Parents whose youngest child was younger than age 6 spent the most time caring for their children at 2.5 hours per day.



Fall Events with the Saints!

August 20 sign-up for Fall Events, inquire about leadership, or join a ministry that interests you at our All Saints' Rally Sunday.



Ladies Fall Coffee | Aug 26

An overview of Ruth in history and art will be the topic of this Fellowship Coffee at 9:30 am.



God & Grille | Starting Sept 8

Invite a friend to join you for dinner at All Saints' and enjoy an evening of discussion -filled laughter and food.



Bless Your Pet | Oct 8

God made creation and called it, "Good!" If your pet is good, or only sometimes good, they need to be blessed at 1:00 pm.



Cotillion for Children | Oct 13

Manners matter even in a digital age. With lots of forks & spoons, we will teach Christ in common graces. Ages 6 -12.



Ladies Queen's Tea | Oct 20

All ladies are invited to don a fun hat, pearls, gloves, and come to the Rectory to enjoy some music, tea, and fellowship.



Baptisms & Confirmations

If you are not baptized or confirmed, please prayerfully consider the grace of God promised in these faithful actions.



Diocesan Convention | Nov 11

The 41st Annual Convention is at All Saints'! If you would like to assist, stay tuned. Lots of opportunities coming up.

Grow in Faith

The Sunday Forum Fall Series

Sundays at 9:30 am | August 27 – October 29

Distinctively Christian is a series focused on the foundations of the Christian faith. The goal is to explain Christianity clearly so that each participant can articulate their faith. It is also the basis by which All Saints' will grow together as a Church. These are the beliefs that All Saints' as a Church family will hold to and believe, and these are the tenants of faith upon which All Saints' will reach out and share Christ beyond the Church walls.

Rector's Fall Series: The Gospel of Mark

Wednesdays at 10:30 am & 6:30 pm | August 23 – October 18

New! Wednesday series by Fr. Darryl will be hosted at 10:30 am and 6:30 pm. While the shortest of the Gospels, the Gospel of Mark highlights the most important events and teachings of Jesus Christ. It makes an excellent introduction to the New Testament. This group will create discussion and thoughtful application as we seek to live Christian lives in this modern age.

Readings in the Great Tradition with Fr. Darryl

Multiple Group Times | August 22 – October 17

For those who want to have a deeper understanding of the Christian Church, the Christian life, and its teaching and who are willing to do substantive reading of significant historical and theological documents, this group is for you. The study is designed as a book reading club. Each week, the group will come together with Fr. Darryl to discuss that week's readings. The group size is limited to 10. Group meeting times are Tuesdays at 4:30 pm or 6:30 pm.

Women of Faith Series: Seven Weeks with Ruth

Multiple Group Times | August 31 – October 17

The Book of Ruth is an inside look at how God honors His promises and His people. It is a touching history of His weaving ordinary people into His extraordinary story of salvation. This is a reminder to us all that no matter how insignificant lives may seem, we are invited to participate in the salvation story of Jesus. The study is a small group series. Groups are limited to 10 ladies. Group meeting times are Thursdays at 10:00 am or Noon (light lunch provided at noon) and Tuesdays at 1:30 pm and 6:30 pm.

Men's Breakfast

Every Tuesday at 8:30 am

About 20 -25 men of the parish meet every Tuesday morning with Fr. Darryl in the Church Fellowship Hall (DeWolfe Hall). They gather together to read and discuss the Scriptures and how they apply to life today. Along with donuts, kolaches and coffee, this group is bound together in a common commitment to learn more about their faith. All men of the parish are invited. In addition, Morning Prayer is offered at 8:00 am in the Chapel.

Fellowship Fun

God & Grille Events

Fridays at 6:30 pm | September 8 – September 29

God & Grille is designed as an easy way to invite family and friends into the life of the Church. Each week a great local restaurant is selected as the theme for that weeks' discussion/game. God & Grille is lighthearted and yet offers a meaningful message for all. Locations are chosen for a variety of reasons: the theme name, menu, cost, and proximity. It is hoped that a diverse selection will appeal to a wide variety of guests.

- **Olive Garden | 6:30 pm, September 8**
Learn how important gardens are in Scripture: It all began in the Garden of Eden, Jesus prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane, and Mary Magdalene first saw the resurrected Jesus in a Garden.
- **Angelo's | 6:30 pm, September 15**
What do angels look like? Why did God make angels? Spiritual forces are real but often misinterpreted. Learn more as we study Angels and cater in Angelo's.
- **Torchy's Tacos | 6:30 pm, September 22**
Did the Devil make me do it? What better way to discuss the Devil and his scope of influence on the life of the believer than while eating Torchy's Tacos.
- **Soul Man | 6:30 pm, September 29**
Have you ever wondered about your soul? How is it different than your mind or your heart? Let's turn to Scripture and soul search as we partake of Soul Man food.

Meet & Greet Potlucks

Multiple Group Times

As God's family at All Saints', I would like us to take some time to get to know each other at Meet & Greet Potlucks. Evenings where we can "meet" those new to us and "greet" one another with a fun game. Meet and Greet Potlucks will be hosted over a series of three Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm to ensure the groups will be small enough for mingling. It is potluck style and the food last year was unbelievably good. The main dish is a HoneyBaked Ham, so bring something your family likes to eat with ham.

All members will receive Evites electronically and Invites in the USPS mail. Let me know if you would like to host a Meet & Greet at your home. Last year we had approximately 35 – 45 people at each Meet & Greet! Cynthia and I will bring the game, prizes and the HoneyBaked Ham. *Blessings, Fr. Darryl*

- A-F:** If your last name starts with A – F, mark your calendar for Wednesday at 6:30 pm on October 25.
- G-M:** If your last name starts with G – M, mark your calendar for Wednesday at 6:30 pm on November 1.
- N-Z:** If your last name starts with N – Z, mark your calendar for Wednesday at 6:30 pm on November 15.

Your Sacramental Life

Interested in Receiving a Sacrament of the Church?

Sign-up on Rally Sunday

If you are interested in being baptized, receiving first communion, confirmation, re-affirmation, or being received into the Church, please indicate your interest by signing up on Rally Sunday.

Baptism is the entrance into Christ's Church, and anyone seeking to be baptized, or those who seek baptism on the part of a child, are expected to be participating members. Preparation for receiving the sacrament requires training sessions for the candidate or the sponsors of a child. All are welcome to be baptized at All Saints', whether an infant, child, teen, or adult. Available dates for baptisms are published on the Church calendar and website.

First Communion classes take place in Children's Sunday School in October, allowing young ones to learn about the mystery of the Sacrament in time for the Bishop's visitation. *(Note: Children at All Saints' are welcome to receive communion immediately following baptism.)*

Confirmation is provided to those 14 years or older who were baptized on the faith of their Godparents. It reflects a desire on the part of the confirmand to own their baptismal vows and affirm their faith for themselves.

Re-affirmation is offered at the Bishop's visitation on November 5 to those who confirmed their faith as young adults but did not fully understand it at that time. Understanding more fully, they would like to rededicate their life to Christ.

Reception into the Church is provided at the Bishop's visitation on November 5 for those who are being received from another denomination.

Marriage, as established by God, is a sign of the mystical union between Christ and his Church. And God Himself has promised to provide in the Sacrament of Matrimony a special dispensation of the Holy Spirit, so those entering marriage may be able to live up to their vows. Marriage at All Saints' is reserved for those who are active members growing in faith.

Last Rites are sacramental as the Holy Spirit is present in a new way as the person of faith moves from this world to the next. The prayers mirror those of baptism, and communion is offered. For active members of All Saints' near passing, no matter the day or the hour, the rector should be notified when near death so that Last Rites may be administered. Please place Fr. Darryl's cell phone number in your cell phone marked "Priest," and do not hesitate to call (817) 791-8452.

Worship Ministry Teams

Altar Guild: Our Altar Guild takes care of our Altars, vestments, sacristy, and sacred vessels and prepares for all services of the Church. If you want to learn more and serve Christ at the Altar, you can indicate your interest at Rally Sunday.

Acolytes: A vital yet quiet ministry in our worship settings. Acolytes are a minor order of the church, essential to the preparation of the mass. Children age ten and up are invited to participate as Jr. Acolytes.

Ushers: Our Ushers seek to welcome all worshipers, give them programs, and, if necessary, help them find seats, the nursery, or restrooms. Join us in welcoming others.

Lay Readers: Do you love Scripture and are a good reader? Does your voice project? We welcome you to learn more about Lay Reader training and join our Lay Readers group on Rally Sunday.

Flower Guild: The flowers on the altar are a means by which we offer to the glory of God a beautiful representation of the creation over which He has made us stewards. If you love to make floral arrangements (or are willing to be trained), learn how to be a part of the All Saints' Flower Guild on Rally Sunday.

Choir/Music Ministry: If you have a heart for praising the Lord with your voice, audition information for All Saints' Choir/Music Ministry will be available at Rally Sunday.

Prayer Ministry: Praying for our Church, our congregation, and the world is the goal of our All Saints' Prayer Team. Members gather on Wednesdays at 9:00 am in the Church Parlour for a study on prayer, with time set aside to pray actively.

Coffee Hour: Coffee Hour is a well-loved tradition at All Saints', and, like all good traditions, it takes dedication from a team to carry on the legacy. On Sunday mornings, our Coffee hour crew helps to pick up donuts, brew coffee, and tidy up the kitchen. If you'd like to help out, please come by Rally Sunday to learn more about our "Coffee Crew."

Children Sunday School: The Sunday School program is designed for children in Preschool thru 6th grade to grow in wisdom, faith and friendship. Sunday School classes are held Sunday mornings at 9:30 am downstairs in the undercroft. During worship, "Pew Packs" (small backpacks) are available for children to play in the pew. Nursery for ages 0-3 is available 8:00 am - 12 noon. Sign your children up on Rally Day.

Admin Team: The Admin Team of All Saints' assists Fr. Darryl in preparing for Sunday mornings. This includes changing the Hymn boards, cleaning the pews, restocking the mints, unstuffing and restuffing bulletins, folding newsletters, stuffing mailers, helping with bulletins boards, etc., etc. There is always plenty to do if you would like to join in!

Fall Calendar Bytes

- Aug 20 Rally Day Sign-up for Faith Opportunities
Interested in Membership? @ 11:45 am at the Rectory
- Aug 22 Men's Breakfast (every Tuesday) @ 8:30 am
Book Study with Fr. Darryl @ 10:30 am & 6:30 pm in DeWolfe Hall
- Aug 23 Prayer Ministry - New Prayer Series @ 9:00 am Parlour
Fall Rector's Series @ 10:30 am & 6:30 pm in DeWolfe Hall
- Aug 26 Ladies Fall Coffee @ 9:30 am in DeWolfe Hall
- Aug 27 Fall Sunday School @ 9:30 am (age preK -6 grade)
Baptismal Sunday @ 10:30 am Worship
- Aug 31 Ladies Bible Series @ 10:00 am & Noon at the Rectory
- Sep 4 CANA Neighborhood Parade
- Sep 8 God & Grille Olive Garden @ 6:30 pm in DeWolfe Hall
- Sep 11 GriefShare Session begins @ 12:30 pm on Mondays
- Sep 15 God & Grille Angelo's @ 6:30 pm in DeWolfe Hall
- Sep 17 Interested in Membership? @ 11:45 am at the Rectory
- Sep 22 God & Grille Torchy's @ 6:30 pm in DeWolfe Hall
- Sep 24 Baptismal Sunday @ 10:30 am Worship
- Sep 29 God & Grille Soul Man @ 6:30 pm in DeWolfe Hall
- Oct 8 Blessing of the Pets @ 1:00 - 3:00 pm on the Church lawn
- Oct 13 Cotillion for Kids @ 5:30 pm in DeWolfe Hall
- Oct 15 WestAid Canned Food Drive Collection begins
- Oct 20 Ladies Queen's Tea 3:00 - 5:00 pm at the Rectory
- Oct 22 Interested in Membership? @ 11:45 am at the Rectory
- Oct 25 Meet & Greet @ 6:30 pm location TBD
- Oct 29 Costume Parade @ 8:30 & 10:30 am Worship: children are invited
to wear their costumes

GriefShare Program

Start Date: Monday, September 11, 2023

Time: 12:30-2:30 pm

Where: DeWolfe Fellowship Hall

This program offers biblical, Christ-centered teaching that focuses on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. The DVD seminar features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories of people, followed by a small group discussion about what was viewed.

Too often people, including Christians, tend to stuff their grief, instead of allowing it to do the God-given work for which it is intended. Whether your bereavement experience is recent or not so recent, you will find encouragement, comfort and help in grieving the death of a spouse, child, parent, sibling, other family member, or friend. No matter what the cause of your loved one's death, this is an opportunity to be around people who understand what you are feeling.

Join **GriefShare** and learn valuable information about facing your "new normal" in life and renew your hope for the future. For more information, call Toni Reed (806-559-6429) or email (rivers45@outlook.com).



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