

FACEBOOK LIVE Sundays at 10am

CHURCH OF ST DUNSTAN

800 N. Johnson ♦ P. O. Box 81 ♦ Mineola TX 75773

Sunday Service: 10:00 a.m. and LIVESTREAM via Facebook
Virtual Morning Prayer: Mondays at 11 a.m.
Adult Study: Wednesdays at 11 a.m.
Women's Bible Study, each Wednesday at 5:00 p.m.
Men's Bible Study, 2nd & 4th Saturdays at 8:30 a.m.
Prayer in the Nave, Tuesday at 5PM

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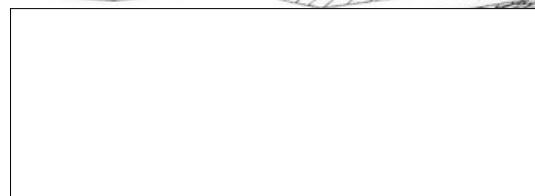
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Reaching out by God's Grace



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- ◆ Established in 1947, The Church of Saint Dunstan was named for St. Dunstan who was the Archbishop of Canterbury, statesman and reformer circa 909-988
- ◆ The Rt. Rev. Fraser W. Lawton is the 7th Rector at St. Dunstan
- ◆ The Church of Saint Dunstan is part of the Diocese of Dallas and has been designated a pro-Cathedral working with congregations in Northeast Texas
- ◆ St. Dunstan is home to parishioners from five counties: Wood, Smith, Rains, Van Zandt and Hunt

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THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTAN

A LETTER FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Brothers and Sisters,



nity, it is such a beautiful thing to experience and pervades the culture and day. This was not something “put on” for us and we observed this as people always greeted one another with joy and smiles. Some of this is obviously an expression of the local culture. However, it is undoubtedly also deeply affected by the faith and love of the people. They genuinely love God and one another and always make a point to show it. This is something we also noted about St. Dunstan at our very first experience – a sincere sense of community. This is something to treasure and grow. Being a Christian is by its nature a community. To be healthy Christians, we need to be a healthy, devout, and gracious community.

The Lord be with you!

+Fraser



Payot

This is the Zandi word for the structure in the photo(s). There was one of these at each of the parishes we visited in South Sudan and there was also one in the middle of the compound where the bishop stays in Ibba. When we arrived for any of our stops, the first thing we did was go to the payot. We were seated in places of honor along with Bishop Kamani and Mama Agnes. The local priest would greet us and lead us in prayer. We would hear from any other community leaders. The bishop would greet the people there and introduce us, whereupon we would give our greetings. At this point we sometimes shared

a meal or toured the rest of the parish buildings. The payot is a significant building in the life of the community. No one lives in it. Its purpose is to provide a place to greet one another, especially guests, and to talk in relative comfort and shade. There was almost always a group of people around the payot who were not part of the delegation who met inside. We ALWAYS took time to greet each person, shaking hands in the Zandi way. Community is important in Ibba, and provision is made to maintain it. Relationships have priority and this dictates the ways meetings and events transpire. While I have no experience of what that is like outside the church commu-

SAVE THE DATES:

THIS MONTH: Ongoing...

- Sunday service 10AM and live stream on Facebook
- Mondays at 11AM—Morning Prayer via Zoom
- Tuesdays at 5PM—Hour of Prayer in the Nave
- Wednesdays, 11AM, Bible study
- Wednesdays, 1:30PM, Intercessory Prayer, see Lee Spence for info
- Wednesdays, 5PM—Ladies' Bible Study
- 2nd & 4th Saturdays—8:30AM, Men's Bible Study
- JULY 3: OFFICE will be CLOSED this Monday
- JULY 4: OFFICE CLOSED in observance of Independence Day
- July 10-14: APNET Bible School
- JULY 15: 10AM, Vestry meets
- JULY 18: Noon, Grace Chapter DOK meeting
- JULY 20: Noon, ECW meeting :6PM, Healing Service, Parish Hall
- July 25: 5PM, Jeff & Jenn Boldt presentation, Parish Hall
- JULY 26 & 27: St. Paul's Food Pantry workday & distribution days

NOTE: A HEALING SERVICE WILL BE HELD IN THE PARISH HALL ON THURSDAY, JULY 20TH AT 6PM.

ACOLYTE, ALTAR GUILD AND LECTOR SCHEDULES

Acolytes for July:

- 2 Milton H. / Lee S.
- 9 Chuck & Mary Lu F.
- 16 Howard & Kathi L.
- 23 Milton H. / Patti C.
- 30 Chuck & Mary Lu F.

Lectors for July:

- 2 Mary Achziger
- 9 Tim Boswell
- 16 Lee Spence

- 23 Patti Corbett
- 30 Mary Lu French

Altar Guild for July:

- 2 Reggie A. / Anita R.
- 9 Bonita H. / Mitzi P.
- 16 Nancy B. / Cazzie H. / Margie J.
- 23 Lee Spence
- 30 Shirley T. / Angela W.



APNET: A LOT GOING ON!



"To Each is Given" presenters, (l to r): The Rev. Daniel Joseph; The Rev. Cn. Gene Packwood and Jane

APNET continues to grow and offer a greater array of programs for our Northeast congregations. From the celebrated Easter Vigil held at St. Philip's, Festival of Lessons & Carols at St. Wm. Laud, Intercessory Prayer Group, quarterly Bible studies and special events such as the conference featuring International speakers (at left), who shared their experiences on the gifts of the Holy Spirit, "To Each is Given", APNET has proven to bind and bless each of our participating churches.

Since 2019, there have been over 25 confirmations/reaffirmations in our APNET congregations.

The Rev. Dn. Susana Williams was ordained to the Diaconate and continues her devotion to pastoral care and the Intercessory Prayer Group. The Rev. Alfredo Williams was inducted into the Order of Garrett, both are clergy at San Marcos.

The path going forward will be the subject of the next APNET council meeting in September. †

SPACE FOR PRAYER

For those seeking a more personal space to talk to and listen to God, the chapel at St. Dunstan is open for prayers during regular office hours and on Sundays. Prayer in the Courtyard is always encouraged at any time. In the oppressive heat of Texas summers, retreating to a cooler option leaves the Nave or the Chapel. An effort is underway to provide a more inviting space for personal

reflection and devotional time at the rear of the chapel. If unfamiliar with the Chapel location, (traversing from the Nave going toward the Parish Hall), it is the first door to the right after the library. Each year, the Chapel remains open throughout the night following Maundy Thursday service. During COVID times, the chapel became the streaming location while attendance was limited to six.

The chapel is an excellent size for small group or individual reflection and devotional time. Blank cards will be available for those requesting prayers by the Daughters of the King (DOK). In addition to blank prayer request slips, a prayer box with bible scriptures will be placed on the bookshelf. Prayer is powerful. You are encouraged to spend time in prayer and watch God work in your life. †

ST. DUNSTAN HOSTS PRAYER TEAM TRAINING

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, August 12th**. The Church of St. Dunstan will host an **APNET Prayer Team Training** from **10AM to 2:30PM**. The program is an excellent opportunity to learn and experience how to pray with and for others. There is no charge for the workshop. You are asked to register so an accurate lunch count can be obtained.

**The training is open to all APNET congregations.
Call the office to sign up at 903.569.2478.**

THE BOLDTS ARE COMING!

The Rev. Jeff Boldt has been teaching and working on accreditation at the Alexandria School of Theology in Cairo, Egypt. As a missionary under the Diocese of Dallas, The Rev. Boldt moved to Egypt with his wife, Jenn and with their growing family (pictured at right).

Jeff and Jenn will be visiting the Diocese of Dallas in the last week of July and will spend two days in Mineola. They will be with us to give

a presentation at St. Dunstan on **July 25th at 5PM in the Parish Hall**. All are invited to come and hear about their experiences and adjustments during their time abroad.

Light refreshments will be served at the beginning of the evening. †



JULY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays:

- Jul 9 Howard Ladewig
Steve Holm
- 11 Lorraine Evans
- 12 Tim Boswell
Marcie Vail
- 13 Erin Bremmer
- 16 Patti Corbett
Barbara Stockton
- 19 Barbara Jarvis
- 21 Cn. Tom Pantle
- 22 Nancy Bogan
Barbara Mays

- 22 Suellen Holm
- 30 Janice Morton
- 31 Chuck French

Anniversaries:

- Jul 7 Ben Strange &
Cynthia Clark
- 8 Willis & Gail Lawton
- 11 Tim & Celia Boswell
- 18 Tommy & Karen
Campbell
- 22 Howard & Kathi Ladewig
- 25 Ray & Shirley Dean

