

## THE PARISH MISSION WEEK

*June 16-21, 2019*

Join youth and other parishioners (rising 9th grade and up) for a week long mission experience with St. Timothy's Church on Barnes Mountain near Irvine, Kentucky. ([www.sttimsky.org](http://www.sttimsky.org)) Our service to this Appalachian community could include rehabbing homes, installing window screens and even building a casket! This is a great way to serve with friends new and old. We will carpool following the 8:00 a.m. service on Sunday, June 16, 2019. The week comes to a close with a community supper where we are guests of the many people we will have served. An oral history of the mission is available on the website under resources. Registration will be open to the parishioners during Lent and opened to others in the Diocese after Easter on a space – available basis. You can access the report from the 2019 group here: <http://stalbandsdc.org/learn/resources/forum-youth-mission-trip/>

## GRATE PATROL



# SENIOR YOUTH

*Young Adults  
in the Church*  
(Grades 11 & 12)

*St. Alban's  
Episcopal Church*

2018-2019



## LIFE SKILLS

*Sundays at 10:15 a.m.*

*St. Columba Room in the Rectory*

Students meet regularly with adult leaders from 10:15-11:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings from September to May. Drawing on Scripture, teens write a personal credo of beliefs and rely on their trusted group of peers as they explore their faith more deeply and struggle with the details of transitioning from teenager to young adult in today's world. Senior Youth are encouraged to accept more adult responsibilities and to contribute their time, talent and treasure in ways that support the ongoing work of the church. Leaders include Noell Sottile, Glenn Davis, Matthew Cunningham and Wendy Stengel.

## ST. ALBAN'S YOUTH CHORISTER PROGRAM

*Thursdays at 5:30 p.m.*

Starting in September, and spearheaded by our newly appointed Director of Music, Dr. Jeremy Filsell and Associate, Ms. Rebecca Kellerman, a renewed chorister program will be instituted at St. Alban's Church. Utilizing the RSCM's (The Royal School of Church Music) highly respected VOICE for LIFE program as a pathway for training and spiritual development of choral singers, the new program will allow the acquisition of vocal skills, musical understanding, and knowledge of repertoire for youth in a sacred context.

We will structure the program as follows:

Choral Scholars [Girls & Boys Grades 8th-12th Grades]: Thursday rehearsal 5:30-6:30 p.m., refreshments 6:30-7:00 p.m., and rehearsal 7:00-8:00 p.m. with the adult choir for the Sunday 9:00 a.m. service.

## GRATE PATROL

*Various Second Fridays*

On the second Friday of each month during the school year young people prepare and serve meals to the homeless of downtown DC through the Salvation Army Grate Patrol. This is a popular activity and while anyone can volunteer in any month, the specific Senior Youth dates for the year are September 14, December 14, and March 8. We gather in the parish kitchen at 5:00 p.m. and return around 9:00 p.m. Space on the van is limited so pre-registration is advisable to ensure that we have enough transportation for everyone. (Service hours are available.)

## DINNER WITH THE RECTOR

*October 28, 2018*

A new opportunity this year is for students in our Senior Youth group to come to Geoffrey's home on a Sunday evening from 6:00—8:00 p.m. where Geoffrey will prepare and serve you dinner and join in conversation. RSVP by October 21, 2018 to [geoffreyh@stalbandsdc.org](mailto:geoffreyh@stalbandsdc.org) If there is interest, we will repeat this in the Spring.

## WELCOME TABLE

*November 11, 2018*

A new opportunity this year is a visit to the Welcome Table at the Church of the Epiphany in downtown DC. We will carpool to arrive at the church by 7:00 a.m. We will be given an introduction to the ministry of the Welcome Table. We will participate in either a pick up gospel choir, a Bible Study with homeless people (many of whom we meet on Grate Patrol) or "Gospel Art" (where people who live on the streets of our city express themselves through art). At 8:00 a.m. we will join their lively Eucharist and then help serve breakfast while visiting with the Welcome Table guests. The morning will end with a short period of reflection led by one of the Epiphany clergy. We leave by 11:00 a.m. Pre-registration is required to ensure that we have enough transportation. (Service hours are available.)

## YOUTH SUNDAY

*May 12, 2019*

Around the time of graduation from high school we invite our youth community to shape the liturgy in significant ways at both the 9:00 and 11:15 a.m. Eucharist. Rite 13 students select the hymns for the day. J2A students compose the Prayers of the People. Up to four Senior Youth are invited to offer a brief homily at the time of the sermon.