



# The **Whisper** - Your Weekly Spiritual Message

**January 21, 2024**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.  
Let us also pray for our fellow parishioners:

**Serving Sunday - January 14**

**Celebrant: Father Moses**

**LEM: Joy P.**

**Crucifer/Acolyte: Joey B.**

**Readers:**

**OT: Cassandra D.**

**NT: Jessie B.**

**POP: JoAnn T.**

**Ushers: Carmen R., Diane D.**

**Altar: JoAnn T., Diane D.**

**Vestry Counters-Josh B. , Philip W.**

**Lock-Up-Alice B.**

Pete Pantelouskas, Frances Panteloukas, Joy Parker, Kevin Parrish, Colleen Parrish, Mitchell Parrish, Alexander Parrish, Makensie Parrish, Claire Pechout, Mother Jacqueline Ponce, Jose Estrada, Carmen Ready, Ronnie Ready, Marilyn Rizzo-Ferris, Sharon Rogers, Craig Ruchalski , Bob Springthorpe, Marilyn Springthorpe, Iris Stackpole, Leroy Stackpole, Miriam Stewart, Tom Stewart, Bonnie Strait.



**Let us pray for all those who suffer from any grief or**

**trouble;** Connie, Sandy, Dr. Joy, Jacqueline, Jose, Jim, Ronnie, Anthony, Barbara, Marcie, Braxton Joane, Steve, Sean, Kenny, Helen, Sean, The Williams and Gaches Families, Carol, Carla, Lock Family., Bryan, Ashley, Mike.. All those affected by Covid 19 and their

**Let us pray for our Vestry and Administration:**

Father Robert Moses, Priest in Charge,  
Jessica Beck, Senior Warden, Philip Williams, Junior Warden  
Carmen Ready, Treasurer, Jo Ann Tatlian, Secretary/Parish Administrator  
Josh Beck, Vestry Member, Alice Bradshaw, Vestry Member,  
Cliff Greene, Vestry Member

Our **Prayer Team** continues to pray for the needs of our church. Please be in touch with Joy Parker should you, a friend, or family member need to have prayers during this time. Please feel free to send an email to Dr. Joy Parker at: [greatgg26@gmail.com](mailto:greatgg26@gmail.com). OR 863-712-5594.

**The 2024 Flower Chart** is hanging in the hallway. If you would like flowers on the altar for a specific date, please put your name on the chart accordingly. Please remember if you sign up for one arrangement it is \$25.00 , should you want two it's \$50.00.



**Ladies/Guys Night Out  
HAS BEEN CANCELED**





Service of **Connor Williams'** life will be held on February 10th at 1:00 p.m. As is our custom here at church, we will be putting together a reception to follow this service. If you would like to provide items for the reception—please note it on the sheet in the hallway. Please speak to Judy with regard to helping.

## SHROVE TUESDAY Pancake Dinner



Pancake Supper will be held on Tuesday, February 13, 2024 @ 5:30 pm, in the Fellowship Hall. Sarah and Phillip Williams will be our chef's again this year, but any help is appreciated.

## *The Fabulous Five*

Women Fellowship Group

This group is all about fellowship with our church family, friends and fellow journey walkers. We will have fun, learning and growing in our faith as we munch on light food snacks.

It is all about the fabulous five faith builders; fellowship, family, friendships, fun and food.

Place: Christ the King Episcopal Church

Time: 10:00AM – 11:30AM

When: Second Saturday of the month

First Meeting: March 9th, 2024 **PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN DATE**

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First fellowship focus, "faith and feast."

*11 Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. 2 This is what the ancients were commended for.*

*Hebrews 11:1-2*

## REV. DR. ROBERT MOSES

b. December 2, 1971

I was born Lakewood, Ohio (Cleveland area) in 1971 to Robert and Mary Ann Moses. My father's work for a communications/aero-space technologies company (Harris Corp) moved our family to West Melbourne, Florida, in 1978. My mother, an elementary school PE teacher for much of her life, died in 1989. In 1991, my father married Carmela (Camille) Mazzela. I have one brother, a year older, who lives in Chicago, and two step-brothers who live in Detroit and New York City, respectively. My father died in 2005. My step-mother still lives in Melbourne.

I graduated from Melbourne High School (*Go Bulldogs!*) in 1989 and from Florida State University (BS, Economics and International Affairs) in 1992. After university, I entered seminary, training for the priesthood for the Diocese of Orlando (Roman Catholic) at Saint Vincent de Paul Seminary (1992-1995) in Boynton Beach, Florida, and the North American College (1995-2000) in Rome, Italy. While in Rome, I studied at the Jesuit Gregorian University, eventually earning both a Bachelor of Sacred Theology and a Lisence (Master) of Sacred Theology, focusing on biblical studies and ancient languages.

I was ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons in 1998 and to the Sacred Order of Priests in 1999, both in the Roman Catholic Church under the authority of Norbert Dorsey, bishop of Orlando. I left ministry as a Roman Catholic priest in January 2003, having served at Saint Joseph Catholic Church and Santa Fe Catholic High School, both in Lakeland.

After leaving the Roman Catholic Church, I met Nancy Murphy Brink. We were married in September 2003. Nancy works as the Vice President of Provider Services for the Early Learning Coalition of Polk County. Nancy and I have two children: Emma and John, both graduates of Harrison School for the Arts. Emma is now in law school at Georgetown University and John is studying physics at the University of Central Florida.

Nancy and I were both received into the Episcopal Church by Bishop Hugo Pena-Lopez in 2004 at Saint David's. I returned to active ministry in 2005, as chaplain and religion teacher at All Saints' Academy and then as Director of Faith Formation at Saint David's. In 2008, on the Feast of Pentecost, the Rt. Rev. John W. Howe officially accepted my sacred orders from the Roman Catholic Church and received me as priest in the Episcopal Church.

That year, I took the position of assistant at Saint David's, a post I held until 2012. After the Rector resigned, I was made Priest-in-Charge and, eventually, Rector. While at Saint David's, I matriculated as a doctoral candidate at Virginia Theological Seminary, from which I graduated in 2014, with a doctoral thesis titled *Storytelling as a Precursor to Evangelism*.



## NEW THINGS ROBERT MOSES

As we are getting use to Father Moses, and he is getting use to us, we will use this venue to keep you updated.

Father Moses' new email is [RevRobertMoses@ctklakeland.com](mailto:RevRobertMoses@ctklakeland.com)

Morning Prayer, every morning at 8:00 am, Father Moses leads this service. You can find it on our Facebook Page. This is another opportunity for worship.



**What our children are doing, and how do we help:**

### **January Service Project -**

Children's Ministry Donations for Military Personnel - Sonny's BBQ will forward White tube socks Chap Sticks Hard Candy Personal products for women Tooth paste Tooth brushes Conditioner Shampoo Hand cream Kleenex Sewing kits Combs Puzzle books Playing cards Pens Paper Deodorant Mouth wash Foot powder Gum.

**February Service Project** Need boxes of Valentine cards. Kids will sign and they will be given out to nursing homes.

### ***Did you know that our Church hosts the following meetings in our building***

**AA Meetings**—See listing on bulletin board for times and days of the week

**Care Givers Support Group** — 2nd and 4th Thursdays at 1:30 p.m.

CTK caregivers support group provides Biblical, compassionate, support, in a safe atmosphere for those who are or indirectly providing care for a loved one. Within this safe place we share the stresses, challenges and rewards of providing care. Personal experiences, feelings and coping strategies are expounded upon along with encouragement and ample amounts of love. Approximately once a quarter we are blessed to have a professional speaker come and share their expertise in various areas of concern.

**Take Off Pounds Sensibly—T.O.P.S.**

Every Thursday at 8:30 a.m. TOPS is all about losing weight (the healthy and sustainable way), keeping it off, and making it a lifetime commitment.

**January 21, 2024**  
**Praise Team Rehearsal—9:30 a.m.**  
**Worship—10:00 a.m.**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Wednesday Evenings will not be meeting** .Season 3 will begin in January.

**Sundays during the Service—Children's/Youth Chapel Sunday School.** Please see Judy Heath if you have questions about the Children's Chapel and other children's/youth programs in progress.

**January 21 –Vestry Meeting following services**

**January 28—Congretational Meeting following services**

**February 10—Connor Williams Memorial Service 1:00**

**February 13—Pancake Supper 5:30 in the Fellowship Hall**

Annual meeting is coming up, if you are interested in serving on the Vestry, please let Father Moses or Jessie know..



**TALBOT HOUSE**—We have been collecting items jackets, blankets, old sleeping bags, tarps, yoga mats, etc. These items will be distributed to the homeless by Talbot House. There will be a BLUE box in the hallway marked Talbot House. They are also looking for large cans (#10) of vegetables and fruit for use in their kitchen. **PLEASE NOTE: they are no longer in need of pill containers! Thank You all for what we have already collected!**



**“You have annointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.” Psalm 23:5**  
Do you wish to receive a pastoral visit, communion or healing prayer with unction oil?

Please call Father Moses at 863-848-1948 church or  
Jo Ann (863) 450-9193 or church 863-848-1948.

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**Office Hours**

Monday – 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Tuesday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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**The Third Sunday after the Epiphany**  
**January 21, 2024**

**The Collect**

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**Old Testament-Jonah 3:1-5, 10**

The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, “Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

**The Psalm-Psalm 62:6-14 *Nonne Deo?***

- 6 For God alone my soul in silence waits; \*truly, my hope is in him.  
7 He alone is my rock and my salvation, \*my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.  
8 In God is my safety and my honor; \*God is my strong rock and my refuge.  
9 Put your trust in him always, O people, \*pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.  
10 Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, \*even those of low estate cannot be trusted.  
11 On the scales they are lighter than a breath, \*all of them together.  
12 Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; \*though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.  
13 God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, \*that power belongs to God.  
14 Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, \*for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

**The Epistle-1 Corinthians 7:29-31**

I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

**The Gospel-Mark 1:14-20**

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.