



# AnnaGram

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## Epiphanytide

### Christian nationalism is an oxymoron

By The Rev. Deacon Leroy “Buck” Close

**O** GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. ***More especially we pray for thy holy Church universal; that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life.*** Finally, we commend to thy fatherly goodness all those who are any ways afflicted, or distressed, in mind, body, or estate; [*\*especially those for whom our prayers are desired;*] that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities; giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ’s sake. *Amen.*

This prayer from the 1928 Prayer Book was a part of every Morning Prayer service I attended as a child, youth, and young man. It was called a prayer for all “Conditions of Men”. Naturally it was sacrificed on the altar of modernity when the 1979 Prayer Book was adopted; so we seldom hear it anymore. The portion of the prayer that I have italicized and bolded above kept coming to mind recently as the nation was treated to the spectacle of so-called “Christian Nationalists” taking part in the riot at the Capitol on January 6th. The portion that kept going through my mind were the words ***“that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth”***.

It is an inescapable conclusion, from even a cursory study of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, that his followers care about the truth, that they are led into the way of truth by following the teachings of Jesus. It is the total abandonment of any commitment to



truth in the public arena that has led wide swaths of self-identified Christians to connect themselves to movements and leaders who habitually lie and mislead. They become easy prey to the false prophets who seek their votes in order to garner more power.

But what concerns me more than the much discussed danger to our democracy is the danger to the Church and to religion in general. In our country today an increasing percentage of our population is unchurched and uninterested in being associated with organized religion. If you are reading this, you are in a minority - a blessed and beautiful minority but a minority nonetheless. And we who treasure our life of faith have all heard The Great Commission from Matthew's gospel:

*Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you.*

*Matthew 28:18*

**So,  
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So, brothers and sisters, we are all called to be evangelists, to spread the good news. We cannot escape this. And, at times like this, when groups of people who self-identify as Christians are hogging the headlines with their wholly secular political activity, our job of evangelization is rendered more difficult.

I especially worry about our young people who know nothing much about Christianity. When they hear the word "evangelical" they think of Republicans. Many don't realize that there are entire denominations, like our own Episcopal Church, who do not behave like or believe like the millions of "evangelicals" who our ex-President was proud to call "my evangelicals." There are even millions of evangelical Christians who resent being tarred with the brush of right wing political fervor.

Christian nationalism is an oxymoron. One is perfectly free to be nationalistic but it has nothing to do with Jesus's teaching. The nation state is a relatively recent phenomenon in human history and didn't exist when Jesus lived. Episcopalians can and must make it clear - largely through our lives but occasionally with our lips - that ours is a faith that leads us to seek out and cherish the truth. Our leaders, especially our Presiding Bishop, but also our own priest are good teachers. They point us to the truth. And finding the truth, i.e., being "led into the way of truth" leads us to serve the Lord which is, as we know, perfect freedom. We have a wonderful story to tell and it isn't what people are seeing on TV. Be an evangelist.

## Our Scholarship Fund Update

*The Anna's Place Staff was recently asked, "Give me one sentence about each of our scholarship students." If you wish to support these student scholars please contact Fr. Bill by phone or email to make a donation or pledge. Investing in young adults. It's good business.*

### **Derri Parker**

-Derri has been such a pleasure to work with because she possesses a certain tenacity. She has drive and passion and it shines bright through her smile.

Miss Nakeisha

-Derri Parker is an inspiration to me. Her goals are set and she will not let anything stand in her way of achieving them. She is driven, motivated, and shares that motivation with everyone around her. I can not wait to see what she accomplishes in her lifetime.

Miss Bri

-It has been a great honor for me to see and assist Derri in achieving her goals.

Mr. Chris

Derri's leadership skills were developed through exposure and experiences that took her beyond her community. Now she's poised to go out and become a leader in the world.

Darryl Durham, Founder

### **Rodric Parker**

-Although I haven't had the opportunity of meeting Rodric, Emman, or Gabby personally, I am glad that we are in a position to offer these young adults the help and guidance they probably otherwise wouldn't receive at home or school. It feels great to know that they feel comfortable enough to come back and continue to build and grow blossoming relationships.

Miss Nakeisha

-Rodric has the potential to accomplish whatever he wants to in life. He is a hard worker and a great big brother.

Miss Bri

-Rodric has so much potential to do whatever he wants.

Mr. Chris

-Roderick began to believe in himself through hard work and discipline. He is now learning to become an entrepreneur and anxious to start his own business.

Darryl Durham, Founder

**Emman Johnson**

-Although I haven't had the opportunity of meeting Rodric, Emman, or Gabby personally, I am glad that we are in a position to offer these young adults the help and guidance they probably otherwise wouldn't receive at home or school. It feels great to know that they feel comfortable enough to come back and continue to build and grow blossoming relationships.

Miss Nakeisha

-Emman has a maturity that far surpasses his age, when I met him his polite and kind demeanor impressed almost any adult that came into contact with him. He is applying to school for computer science, and I am excited to see what his future holds.

Miss Bri

-I am so proud of Emman he is motivated to further his education.

Mr. Chris

Emman who completed a specialized IT training course as a high school student and will be entering the tech field in a few years.

Darryl Durham, Founder

**Gabby Cephus**

-Although I haven't had the opportunity of meeting Rodric, Emman, or Gabby personally, I am glad that we are in a position to offer these young adults the help and guidance they probably otherwise wouldn't receive at home or school. It feels great to know that they feel comfortable enough to come back and continue to build and grow blossoming relationships.

Miss Nakeisha

-From the moment I met Gabby she was a role model to all those around her. She is smart, kind, and motivated, all things that will guide her into a positive future.

Miss Bri

-Although we have not met, I am incredibly proud of Gabby for chasing her goals to become a nurse! I know you will do great things!

Mr. Chris

Gabby, who started as a shy, quiet girl has blossomed into a gifted young woman who is set to go off to college.

The four scholarship students were all in the initial class of Anna's Arts for Kids (initial name of youth program) and their success demonstrated the effectiveness of the program.

Darryl Durham - Program Founder

Fr. Bill and St. Anna's Vestry and Community,

I am writing in support of the Scholarship Fund for the youth of Anna's Place NOLA and to notify you that I have sent St. Anna's my contribution for the same.

This fund is only one of the ways we at St. Anna's help vulnerable youth break out of the poverty cycle and reach their potential. While our work starts when they are younger, it is important to be a consistent part of their lives as they age and their challenges change -- our role in their lives doesn't stop at high school graduation. College education is a huge step for these youth, one they might have only dreamed of and one they may very well feel is out of their reach financially. While we can't provide total support for each of them, I feel we have an obligation to help them in any way we can, large or small, to achieve their dreams. I personally know three of the youth and can attest that these are bright students with the dedication and eagerness to be all they can be.

I hope that others feel that this is an endeavor worth supporting to help ensure the future of our youth and our community.

Respectfully,



Diana Meyers  
Vestry Member 2021-2023

### A Home for Stimulus Checks

**Not everyone needs them.**

**If not—consider gifting that check to St. Anna's**

**It will help:**

**Support Anna's Place NOLA**

**Payroll for Staff so that we can continue to employ**

**Acknowledge the gift of God to the people of God**

## A Church History— SOCIETY OF KING CHARLES THE MARTYR, INC.

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“I conceive that Episcopal Government is most consonant to the Word of God, and of an apostolical institution, as it appears by the Scripture, to have been practiced by the Apostles themselves, and by them committed, and derived to particular persons as their substitutes or successors therein and hath ever since to these last times been exercised by Bishops in all the Churches of Christ, and therefore I cannot in conscience consent to abolish the said government.” —Charles I, Declaration at Newport, 1648



**King Charles I**

**King Charles the Martyr**, or **Charles, King and Martyr** (Credit Wikipedia), is a title of Charles I, who was King of England, Scotland and Ireland from 1625 until his execution on 30 January 1649. The title was used by high church Anglicans who regarded Charles's execution as a martyrdom. His feast day in the Anglican calendar of saints is 30 January, the anniversary of his execution in 1649

**Martyrdom** (Credit Wikipedia): Charles is regarded by many members of the Church of England as a martyr because, it is said, he was offered his life if he would abandon the historic episcopacy in the Church of England. It is said he refused, however, believing that the Church of England was truly "Catholic" and should maintain the Catholic episcopate. His designation in the Church of England's calendar is "Charles, King and Martyr, 1649".

Mandell Creighton, Bishop of London, wrote "Had Charles been willing to abandon the Church and give up episcopacy, he might have saved his throne and his life. But on this point Charles stood firm: for this he died, and by dying saved it for the future." In fact, Charles had already made an Engagement with the Scots to introduce Presbyterianism in England for three years in return for the aid of Scots forces in the Second English Civil War. (Credit Wikipedia)

Both high church Anglicans and royalists fashioned an image of martyrdom, and after the 1660 Restoration of the monarchy the Church of England's Convocations of Canterbury and York added the date of Charles's martyrdom to its liturgical calendar.

## The Readings for Sunday

### Old Testament Isaiah 40:21-31

Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
Has it not been told you from the beginning?  
Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?  
It is he who sits above the circle of the earth,  
and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers;  
who stretches out the heavens like a curtain,  
and spreads them like a tent to live in;  
who brings princes to naught,  
and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.  
Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown,  
scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth,  
when he blows upon them, and they wither,  
and the tempest carries them off like stubble.  
To whom then will you compare me,  
or who is my equal? says the Holy One.  
Lift up your eyes on high and see:  
Who created these?  
He who brings out their host and numbers them,  
calling them all by name;  
because he is great in strength,  
mighty in power,  
not one is missing.  
Why do you say, O Jacob,  
and speak, O Israel,  
"My way is hidden from the Lord,  
and my right is disregarded by my God"?  
Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
The Lord is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He does not faint or grow weary;  
his understanding is unsearchable.  
He gives power to the faint,  
and strengthens the powerless.  
Even youths will faint and be weary,  
and the young will fall exhausted;  
but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
they shall run and not be weary,  
they shall walk and not faint.

**Psalm 147:1-12, 21c *Laudate Dominum***

- 1 Hallelujah!  
 How good it is to sing praises to our God! \*  
     how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!
- 2 The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem; \*  
     he gathers the exiles of Israel.
- 3 He heals the brokenhearted \*  
     and binds up their wounds.
- 4 He counts the number of the stars \*  
     and calls them all by their names.
- 5 Great is our Lord and mighty in power; \*  
     there is no limit to his wisdom.
- 6 The Lord lifts up the lowly, \*  
     but casts the wicked to the ground.
- 7 Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; \*  
     make music to our God upon the harp.
- 8 He covers the heavens with clouds \*  
     and prepares rain for the earth;
- 9 He makes grass to grow upon the mountains \*  
     and green plants to serve mankind.
- 10 He provides food for flocks and herds \*  
     and for the young ravens when they cry.
- 11 He is not impressed by the might of a horse; \*  
     he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;
- 12 But the Lord has pleasure in those who fear him, \*  
     in those who await his gracious favor.
- 21 Hallelujah!

**Hymn Selections for Worship**

Voluntary:	Nearer My God to Thee	arr. D. R. Johnson
Opening Hymn:	Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise	Hymnal423
Gospel Hymn:	Heal Me, Hands of Jesus	WLP 773
Offertory:	There's Something About That Name	arr. K. Leach
Communion:	Just When I Need Him Most	LEVAS 82
Closing Hymn:	Glory, Glory, Hallelujah	LEVAS 130

## The Epistle 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

## The Gospel Mark 1:29-39

After Jesus and his disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

## Why Pledge?

***Pledging empowers the ministry budget.*** There is a practical/pragmatic reason for pledging. It is a vital tool in the process of developing and managing a healthy church budget. A church budget is a *ministry funding plan* that is built with a variety of tools. Prayer is the first tool. In prayerful discernment and dialogue, our ministry leaders (ministers, deacons, stewardship committee, treasurers, etc) deliberately seek the guidance of the Spirit in developing a budget. Another tool is the study of trend-lines in our giving patterns. Our treasurer equips us with an intelligent analysis of trends from week to week, month to month, and year to year. But one vital tool used is the total number of all pledges submitted from a faithful and consistent membership. When you pledge, you help our leadership responsibly discern the viability of funding the ministry initiatives being envisioned.

The vitality and sustainability of the ministries we value are strengthened with each commitment pledged. That is why we are calling on you and your family to submit your pledge today.

Be a part of the beautiful narrative being written within the life of this congregation.  
Be a part of Generous Love: One Church. Many stories. What's yours?

### **SPOTLIGHT: Commentary and Reflections**

*Today's readings characterize committed Christian ministry. In awe-filled tones, the prophet Isaiah describes God's majesty, power and compassion. In his letter to the Corinthians, Paul explains how he willingly lays down his privileges as a Christian to reach people with God's message of good news. In the gospel, Jesus' ministry revolves around healing and preaching, solitude and prayer.*

#### **About the First Reading: Isaiah 40:21-31**

This passage is part of Isaiah's invitation to the almost-to-be-released exiled community to reflect on the God they believe in. During their exile, their fear intensified because they thought God had abandoned them. Was God powerful enough to save them again?

Isaiah comforts them with this mocking contrast between the power of God and the weakness of false gods. The outstanding characteristic of a god is power, and their God—in case they don't remember—is the ruler over all creation and all earthly rulers.

#### **About the Psalm: Psalm 147:1-12,21c**

Psalm 147 is divided into three stanzas: vv. 1-6, 7-11 and 12-20, each beginning with a call to worship and continuing with motives for praise. The themes of God's sovereignty over the natural

order and over human society are mingled throughout the psalm.

### **About the Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16-23**

In chapter 9, Paul defends his status as an apostle. His authority had apparently been questioned because he had waived two apostolic rights: being married and receiving support for preaching.

Opponents may have used Paul's restraint as evidence of his unworthiness. Paul retorts that he did not choose preaching as a career for the purpose of earning a living. Instead, like the prophets, he received a commission from God and so has no choice but to preach.

The absolute claim of the gospel makes relative all cultural, ethnic, national or legal values. The freedom that his decision gives him puts him in a position of servitude under "Christ's law"—the obligation of love. Paul's flexibility is neither cowardice nor compromise; rather, his freedom allows him to speak to and from the experience of others. Paul's freedom is for service, and his ministry is its own reward.

### **About the Gospel: Mark 1:29-39**

Today's reading continues the account of a day in Jesus' ministry. The healing of Peter's mother-in-law is presented without direct interpretation or theological comment.

Then at sundown, when the sabbath was over, people are brought to Jesus for healing and the casting out of spirits. Silencing the spirits (v. 34) was apparently part of the common technique of exorcism. But Mark implies that Jesus does not wish his identity made known by evil spirits who have no credibility as witnesses.

The following morning Jesus withdraws from Capernaum and from his disciples. He seeks communion with God and perhaps also wishes to avoid the superficial popularity indicated by the report that "everyone is searching for you" (v. 37). Jesus responds by going to the next towns, for that is why he came from Capernaum. Jesus acts as the envoy of God. His mission of "preaching" includes the whole of his ministry: teaching, healing, casting out spirits and finally his death and resurrection.



### **Reflection and Response**

We rush through our days, stressed and exhausted. The almost universal experience of people seems to be overwork, underpay, fast pace and stress.

When we turn to the gospel for some explanation of this state of affairs, we find Jesus caught up in a similar routine. He meets his friends; he confronts one demon after another; he cures many; he is deluged with requests: "Everybody is searching for you!" (Mark 1:37).

In a sense, it is encouraging to note how much Jesus' day resembled one of our busiest. He was certainly not removed from the hurly burly of messy human life. If anything, even more people searched him out.

But if we look again at Mark's account, we discover Jesus' secret. How did he manage it all? One sentence is the key: "In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed" (Mark 1:35).

Here is a model for us. Do we create a special time each day for meditation so that we know what we're about? Do we turn to God, as well as to our communities of sustenance and hope? If so, the pressing schedule can become sanctified; the busy day becomes holy ground; the problems become challenges and the successes, gifts of a caring Lord.

**The Behavioral Health Council (BHC) Town Hall** is an annual local event that is free and open to the public. During this event, attendees learn about pressing behavioral health issues affecting New Orleans' residents. This event is a great opportunity for networking, connecting with advocates or volunteer groups, or finding resources and information.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions, the Council is not able to host a public event. But now more than ever, our residents need to have the opportunity to hear from experts in the field, their recommendations on how to cope with the pandemic, and informative resources to help them navigate the system to bring some peace of mind during these uncertain times.

The panel discussion features subject matter experts covering behavioral health topics, such as stress, trauma, anxiety, depression, substance use, suicide and how to cope during the Mardi Season.

Please follow the [link](#) to register for this event.



## **DSNAP Benefits for those who lost food in Zeta This is for people who DO NOT get food stamps**

**The Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)** received federal approval today (1/27/21) to begin virtual Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (DSNAP) operations in 6 parishes to provide additional food aid to families affected by Hurricane Zeta. The application process will run in a single phase from Monday, Feb. 1, to Sunday, Feb. 7.

DSNAP provides food assistance to eligible households who do **not** receive regular SNAP benefits and who need help buying groceries due to lost income or damages following a disaster. The state must request that the federal government initiate DSNAP but can only do so after the president activates the Stafford Act and approves the parish for Individual Assistance (IA).

The six parishes recently approved for federal Individual Assistance and DSNAP due to the late October storm are Jefferson, Lafourche, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard and Terrebonne.

Residents who received SNAP benefits in November 2020 are **not** eligible for DSNAP and should not apply. Residents who began to receive SNAP benefits after November 2020 **may** be eligible.

### **Application Schedule**

Residents should call the LAHelpU Customer Service Center to apply and be interviewed for DSNAP on their designated day (according to the first letter of their last name) or on the weekend, which is open to all residents in the approved parishes.

**Parishes: Jefferson, Lafourche, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard and Terrebonne**

**Monday, Feb. 1** – Residents with last names beginning with A-C

**Tuesday, Feb. 2** – D-G

**Wednesday, Feb. 3** – H-L

**Thursday, Feb. 4** – M-R

**Friday, Feb. 5** – S-Z

**Saturday, Feb. 6** – ALL (A-Z)

**Sunday, Feb. 7** – ALL (A-Z)

Additional information about DSNAP is available at [www.dcfsls.gov/DSNAP](http://www.dcfsls.gov/DSNAP)

**The Dodwell House Committee** is dedicated to the renovation of Dodwell House and its use as the new home for Anna's Place NOLA. Our Development Team discusses funding options and opportunities and are currently searching for a new Fundraising Consultant. Our Construction Team is working closely with our Owner's Rep, architect and building contractor (Mayer Building Company) to work through renovation details. Keep your eyes and ears open for some exciting news coming soon!

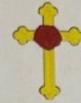
## Taking Just a Moment of Time

A personal reflection by Diana Meyers

January started for me in the way of 2020 -- my father-in-law contracted COVID and very quickly passed away. While 90 years old, he worked to stay healthy, was very active and loved life, so of course this was a shock to all of us. While speaking to my father-in-law's sister, she told me that she relied on the hug of Jesus at times like this. She closes her eyes and pictures herself climbing on Jesus' lap as a child would and Him embracing her in a huge hug. After the last visit with my father-in-law at the hospital I so needed a hug! I stopped in the chapel, sat down, closed my eyes and did exactly as she'd said. The sadness did not disappear, but a calmness fell over me almost instantly as I thought of (and felt) His arms wrapped around me. Don't we all need a hug right now in this time of social distancing?

### Like Any Other Sunday by Br. Don

This Sunday morning was no different than the other Sunday mornings when visiting the Homeless here in New Orleans who are spread out near and far. The reason I say it was no different is because there is always and expected visit from God. I am never sure what is going to happen but for sure God is present in so many ways. The visit from God this morning was through a beloved person by the name of Sharon. As I was handing out the blessing bags to others after Sharon received hers there was a joyful cry coming from Sharon. She had just read the note from Fr Bill that is placed in each and every blessing bag along with other notes of hope and promised prayer from St Anna's Parishioners and from my Sisters and Brothers in the Community of Francis and Clare. Sharon started reading the note (see below). She was especially excited about the fact she is beloved by God and also many other people. I stood in tears with my mask on as she read the words from Fr Bill's note. God was truly present.



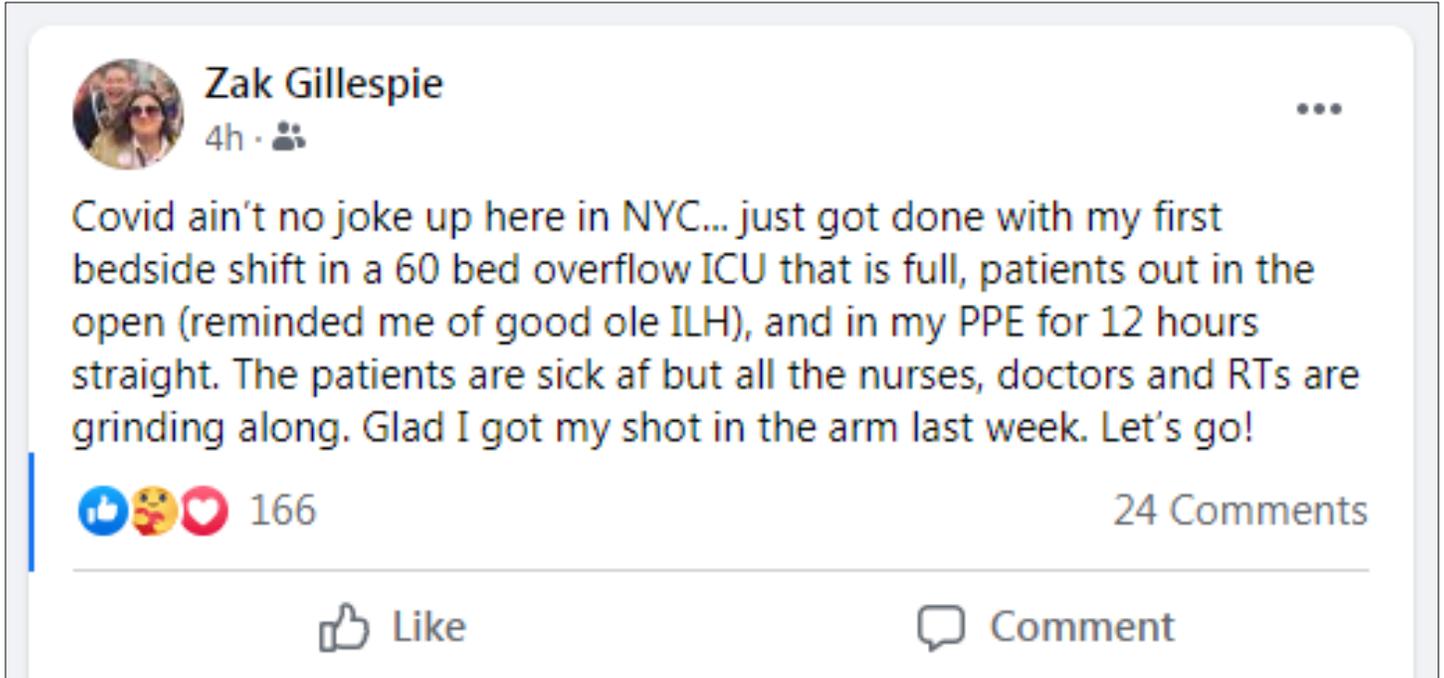
Dear Friend,

The days are sometimes cold and sometimes warm. The days will be getting longer. But no matter the weather or the length of days you are beloved. You are a part of nature. You are created by our God and beloved by God and beloved by your friends at St. Anna's Church. Be Blessed in God's Name; Be Safe Because you are Holy; and May the peace of God which passes all understanding be with you this day and forever.

Fr. Bill Terry+, Rector

Please know we are so thankful for our donors and benefactors that make the Food Assistance and Homeless Outreach Ministries possible. We are also thankful to all the prayer warriors out there. Your prayers are powerful.

St Anna, Francis and Clare Pray for Us  
Br Don



**The Following Friends and Parishioners have recently had or have COVID 19 Virus.  
Pray for them for healing and health and for recovery and thanksgiving for same.**

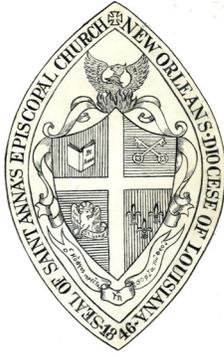
Kirk Toups (Recovered)  
 Jody Bailey (Recovered)  
 \*Diana Meyers (doing well)  
 Mike Meyers (doing well)  
 Zina Haase (doing well)  
 Allies:  
 Rudy San Miguel (Recovered)  
 Erik Tetho (Recovered)  
 TJ and CJ (Recovered)

***PLEASE. If you are ill or know someone who is,  
 Prayer works. Help us to pray for them.  
 Send us your prayer requests so that we can name them.***

*\*Diana, Mike, and Zina all have taken one or two doses of the vaccine and they believe that their limited symptoms are because of the effects of the vaccine.*

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## ***Our Mission***

***"St. Anna's purpose is to lead people into a growing relationship with Christ, to be the church that demonstrates the love of Christ, to declare the liberating power of the Gospel manifested in works of justice, mercy, empowerment and hospitality. "***

## **The Collect for Epiphanytide 5**

**S**et us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*



***Food dishes, bowls and serving jugs shown in a reconstructed Israelite house.***

***"Then the fever her, and she began to serve them."***

## **In Service to the Church**

### **Altar Servers:**

Charlie Gottschalk—Acolyte/Sub-Deacon  
Luigi Mandile as Thurifer  
Jalyn Gottschalk—Reader

Audio Visual - Jack Craft/Sean McLoughlin

### **Hospitality:**

Kirk Toups—Host  
Rebecca Henley—Usher