



**May 02, 2024**

**St. Simon's on the Sound Episcopal Church  
Fort Walton Beach, FL**

**May 05, 2024  
Service Times  
Youth Sunday**

**9:30 Holy Eucharist – Nave With Children's Chapel & Nursery**

**10:30 Vestry and Property Task Force Town Hall Meeting**

**12:00 Holy Eucharist - Outdoor or Kendrick Chapel**

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**MEET OUR AMAZING GRADUATES!!**

**RUBY ELIZABETH DARNELL AND ETHAN WAYNE COMBS**

**Join us in Celebrating our Graduating Seniors.**

**They will have tables in the Parish Hall this Sunday,  
showcasing their journeys.**

**Both are graduating from Choctawhatchee High School.**



**Ethan Wayne Combs**

From an early age, Ethan has displayed an innate aptitude for academics. However, his talents extend far beyond the confines of the classroom. As a natural athlete, he excelled on the baseball field, football field, and basketball court for over a decade, where his leadership and sportsmanship shone brightly!

As Ethan embarks on the next chapter of his journey, he carries with him the lessons learned from his years of hard work and devotion. Ethan is poised to leave an indelible mark on the world around him.



**Ruby Elizabeth Darnell**

Ruby is graduating with Summa Cum Laude honors in the class of 2024 from Choctawhatchee High School.

She joined St. Simons when she moved to Shalimar with her grandparents in 2019. She volunteers in the nursery and children's chapel every Sunday morning.

This summer she will be attending Florida State University. She is planning on studying nursing but will also explore other majors.



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## Meal Train for the James Wyatt Family:

### What is Meal Train?

There are times in our lives when friends and family ask, "What can I do to help out?" The answer is usually to help them with a meal. When many friends provide support through a meal, Meal Train keeps everyone organized.

You can sign up to bring food, have food delivered via door dash, or even make a cash Donation for the family.

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If you missed Vestry and Property Task Force  
Town Hall Meeting  
on  
Sunday, April 28, 2024

You can watch a recording from our  
YouTube Channel

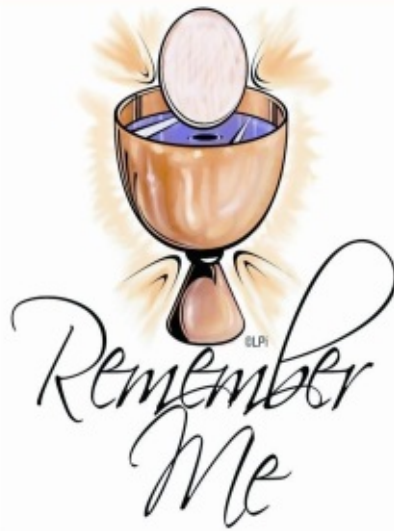
Go to: <http://youtu.be/ZzmmYgwurkk>

### Eucharistic Ministers needed to serve

With the departure of Deacon Clelia, we are in need more than ever for more Eucharistic Ministers to assist Fr. David at the altar. These ministers serve the chalice (wine) or the paten (bread), and often help with the readings of the day and the prayers of the people (although EMs who prefer not to read are welcome as well).

We will train you in how to do this vital work. Please prayerfully consider if God is calling you to this important ministry. If interested please contact Fr. David, 850-244-8621 or [rector@stsimons-fwb.org](mailto:rector@stsimons-fwb.org).

Curious? = Feel free to talk to any of our current Eucharistic ministers.



### Nursery Assistant Needed

We are so grateful for Ruby Darnell, who has served wonderfully as our nursery assistant during her senior year in high school. Thank you, Ruby!

If you know of a "baby-sitter qualified" teen who would like to help in the nursery, please contact Fr. David. Pat Fullen is our outstanding nursery chief, but she needs an assistant.

Any adults interested may contact Fr. David as well. Teens and adults can be paid, or school age teens can use the nursery hours as community service.

Fr. David can be reached at 850-244-8621, or [rector@stsimons-fwb.org](mailto:rector@stsimons-fwb.org)



## PENTECOST IS SUNDAY, MAY 19<sup>TH</sup>!



At the first Pentecost, the Apostle Peter, inspired by the Holy Spirit, preached his first sermon, explaining how the prophet Joel had foretold the coming of the Holy Spirit. After this sermon, Peter converted three thousand people. For this reason, Pentecost is considered the birthday of the church.

So, in addition to **wearing red**, we invite you to join us in the Parish Hall after the first service for a birthday celebration!

This is a great time for fellowship...and **eating cake!** Upon arrival, find your "birth month table" and enjoy a treat with the others who share your birth month.

If you interested in bringing the cake for your birth month  
Please find the sign-up sheet in the Atrium

### Plate & Pledge Updated Position as of March 2024

	Year-to-date Actual Plate & Pledge	Year-to-date Budgeted Plate & Pledge	Year-to-Date Remaining Balance	Annual Budget	Annual Balance
Plate	13,687.98	21,249.99	7,562.01	85,000.00	71,312.02
Pledge	121,815.18	112,500.00	(9,315.18)	450,000.00	328,184.82
Total	135,503.16	133,749.99	(1,753.17)	535,000.00	399,496.84

- March 31, 2024 balance for Plate contributions were \$7,562.01 or (36.00%) below the year -to-date projected plate.
- March 31, 2024 balance for Pledge contributions were \$9,315.18 or (8.00%) over the projected the year-to-date projected pledges.
- March 31, 2024 Pledge and Plate Income is over in the amount of \$1,753.17 to the year -to-date projection.

## St. Simon's Book Group

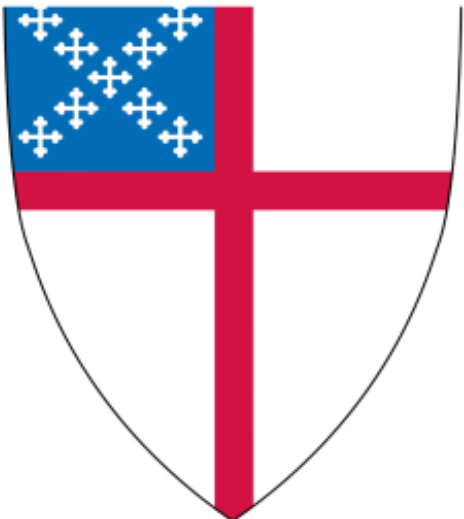
The book group will meet on Tuesday, May 28th  
At Noon in the Parish Hall

We will be focus on poetry. Bring your favorite poems from childhood, as well as those you have discovered more recently, to share with the group.



HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY

Kathy Adams, Gloria Battle, Elizabeth Hogenkamp,  
David Jones, Betty Kibblehouse, Diana LaFollette,  
Marsha Lowrey, John Mackin, Collier McBride, Mary  
Morgan, Lotte Nichols, Monica Reed, Zach Zachary



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