



# ALL ANGELS BY THE SEA WEEKLY TIDINGS

August 4, 2022

---

**SUNDAY SERVICE**  
10:00 am

---

To live-stream - go to [AllAngelsLBK.org](https://www.AllAngelsLBK.org), click on the "All Angels Enter Here" picture and you will be routed to our YouTube channel.

Zoom - go to <https://zoom.us/j/5955701807> and watch and listen live. Be sure to stick around after the service for our coffee hour chat-with-your-neighbor time.

The bulletin can be found on the All Angels Website:

[AllAngelsLBK.org](https://www.AllAngelsLBK.org) or at the following link:

*Bulletin for Sunday, August 7*

---



Altar Flowers for Sunday, August 7 are given by  
Philip Schuyler and the Rev. Cn. Nancy James Deming  
in loving memory of George E. Deming Jr.



---

## Scripture Readings, August 7

Genesis 15:1-6

Psalm 50:1-8, 23-24

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Luke 12:32-40

*[Click Here for this Sunday's Readings](#)*

---

## Habitat for Humanity Home Dedication by Katzy Nager



On Saturday we attended the Habitat for Humanity Home Dedication and Celebration in Palmetto for Terry Bibbins. He is a Palmetto native, six-year Army veteran who served in Iraq. Many local dignitaries spoke first, praising Habitat and Terry. Terry thanked all. He said the one thing which everyone did, but he did NOT like was that they said, 'Thank you for your

service, as if it was a sacrifice. No, I WANTED to serve my country.  
He was presented with the American flag in the traditional three cornered box so he can fly it over his house. When they gave him the keys to his kingdom it was hard to keep a dry eye, as neither Terry nor the presenter could.

Then we toured the house. No furnishings or wall hangings yet, but soon there will be so he can make a house a home. Maybe we should invite him to the Art Sale next year....

If you look out the back door of this house there are three lots with foundations poured, one already framed. The one in the middle, lighter sand, is the one that Yvette will have.

A delicious lunch followed.

Habitat serves a great need, especially in these times when affordable housing is denied to so many. They cannot help the whole world, but it means the whole world to the one they can help.

---

### **A Prayer for Peace Among the Nations** *(BCP 816)*

Let us pray in this time of conflict for the countries of Russia and the Ukraine,

*Almighty God our heavenly Father, guide the nations of the world into the way of justice and truth, and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of righteousness, that they may become the kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.*

---

### **Episcopal Relief and Development: Ukraine**

Episcopal Relief & Development is working with The Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe, the Diocese of Europe, the Anglican Alliance and United Society Partners in the Gospel as the churches prepare to mobilize on potential immediate and long-term responses to assist

Ukrainian refugees in Poland, Romania, Hungary and other parts of Europe.

If you can, please help us support these efforts and continue to hold the people of Ukraine in your prayers and thoughts as they face this ongoing crisis.

[Help Families Fleeing Ukraine](#)

---

## IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

### Last Sunday's Service



---

## PRAYERS

### Centering Prayer

Centering Prayer invites you to pray with them, every day, at 8 am, wherever you are. When you enter into prayer at 8 am (Eastern), you will know that others are praying at the same time.

### We Pray for our People

Hear the prayers of those who ask for healing and those who seek comfort. We especially remember before you: Downs IV, Holden, Brian, Tyler, Barbara and Anne. Grant healing and recovery for John (Holtzermann), Peg, Sandy, Dave, Beverly, and Mary Jo. Give peace and strength for those going through cancer treatments, especially Jane,

Downs III, Victoria, Alex, Connie and Douglas. Visit and comfort all who are under the care of skilled nursing, especially Timothy, Barbara, Kim and Mary Ann. Be near to all who are in hospice care.

---

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

### August Gallery Artist

Our featured artist for August is Robert Barylski. Please stop by and enjoy the work of this talented local artist. Checks should be written to All Angels by the Sea.



---

### Men's and Women's Discussion Groups

Are you familiar with the term "gaslighting"? It is a slang term that means to manipulate someone by psychological means into questioning their own sanity. Another way to look at gaslighting is when a friend or family member tells you that you don't feel the way that you actually feel or to dismiss something that you think with a phrase like, "It's crazy for you to think that way..." and then they will tell you what to think.

As troubling as that might sound, imagine if that person was your doctor.

The article for next week, from the NY Times, addresses medical gaslighting and what to do about it. Unlike our recent discussions, there is nothing really controversial about this topic, but it is a way for me to tell you that it is happening and to give us some ways to handle it.

For those in person, I will have the coffee ready. For those on line, here is the link: <https://zoom.us/j/5955701807>

## [Feeling Dismissed](#)

---

## Coffee Hour Hosts Needed

One of the most important things we do is gather after the service for coffee hour. If you are interested in hosting, the sign up sheet is on the Gallery table. If you would like help, sign up and we will find someone to show you how it is done.

---

## Online Giving

If you would like to give to the offering plate electronically, you can find the online giving link on our All Angels website by clicking the link below: [AllAngelsLBK.org](http://AllAngelsLBK.org)

---

## REFLECTION

### *Fraud*

While lying on their beds they plot evil; they commit themselves to a sinful course and do what is wrong. *Psalms 36:4*

Don't go on the way of the wicked ... They don't sleep unless they do evil; they can't sleep unless they make someone stumble. *Proverbs 4:14-16*



they make someone stumble. *Proverbs 4:14-16*

I'm not sure if I have told you this story before – All Angels almost fell for a fraud attempt. We received an automated phone call from FPL (Florida Power and Light, or, as Dale would call them, "Florida Plunder and Loot") saying that our payment for the last three months has not gone through. If we did not pay them by the afternoon, the power would be shut off through the weekend. I started to panic thinking about how to have Sunday services without electricity. The recorded voice said we could not pay over the phone, they needed cash to be dropped off at a drop box location in downtown Sarasota. Thankfully, we do not have a policy on outflow cash handling. During the moments it took for us to consider how to pay in cash, we realized that this might be a scam. Instead of using the phone number they provided, we looked up FPL's number off our invoice, called them and verified that our account is up to date. I then called Longboat's non-emergency police line and told them of the scam. After collecting our information, I was told that scams are getting better – more realistic and more pervasive.

A couple of months ago, in the afternoon, I picked up a phone call from "General Motors" saying that our company-owned car's warranty is about to expire (we don't have a company car). On my cell, I received a voicemail from "Your County's Court System" saying that a warrant has been issued and that I need to press "1" to talk to an officer and have the situation resolved. The "Social Security Office" recently called to say that there is a problem with my social security number. I received a passionate plea to help support the "fallen police officer's fund" which, according to the scoffer, was dangerously close to running out of funds. Through email and Facebook, I receive weekly attempts of fraud – either to "friend" someone who I don't know, or, someone I do know whose system has been hacked. And then, more recently, I received emails from two different beloved parishioners saying they needed me to buy them gift cards at Amazon. ... which was not true.

This reminds me of the scam that I did tell you about when two people at All Angels got a request from me for gift cards for Apple phone products. That was a pretty sophisticated scam. Thankfully it didn't work because someone called me to make sure I was okay.

At the beginning of this Reflection, I quoted a psalm and a pericope from Proverbs warning about fraudsters who can't sleep unless they are ripping someone off. The author of Ecclesiastes reminds us that there is nothing new under the sun. The fraud attempts that we experience today are nothing new; but, the scammers have become more sophisticated. This means we need to remain even more vigilant.

Please know that All Angels will ask you for contributions; it's how we are able to continue our ministry of bringing the living Christ to those inside and outside the church. However, we will not contact you to buy gift cards for myself or for any other member of All Angels. If you receive a text or email from me or anyone else in the congregation asking for gift cards, please think first that it is a scam, and call me or the parishioner directly.

One thing that scammers can never reproduce is conversations and relationships. As the hymn goes, they will know us by our love. Next time a fraud attempt comes up and one of the evil-doers tries to make us stumble, perhaps we should use it as an opportunity to converse with one another and build God's kingdom. Through conversation we will make certain that evil is foiled and that love will take the day.

- Rev. Dave

---



Angels  
gather here

All Angels Church | 563 Bay Isles Rd, Longboat Key, FL 34228

[Unsubscribe missy.bridges@allangelslbk.org](mailto:missy.bridges@allangelslbk.org)

[Update Profile](#) | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)

Sent by [byoffice@allangelslbk.org](mailto:byoffice@allangelslbk.org) powered by



Try email marketing for free today!