



FAMILY NEWS

FROM
ST JOHN'S EALING

A New Year Message from our Curate Revd Angelo Lebrato

Dear Friends,

A few weeks ago, while preparing my Advent talk on John the Baptist, something that I haven't seen before caught my attention. The same question appears three times in just a few verses: "What shall we do?" The crowds ask it. The tax collectors ask it. The soldiers ask it. All are asking the same thing in the face of the coming King, the Messiah.

Today, at the beginning of a new year, we find ourselves asking similar questions. Much like our New Year's resolutions, our thoughts often turn to familiar goals: losing weight, exercising more, praying and reading the Bible, spending less, traveling more, visiting friends and family, finishing what we left undone, or finally starting what we have long postponed.

But my hope is that in this new year of 2026 you ask the Holy Spirit, "What shall I do?" Ideas are many, suggestions are endless, and all may be good, but what is God highlighting "for you" to do in this coming year?

St John's is committed to supporting you and walking alongside you on this spiritual journey as we grow together as a community of faith. Let's find out together "What shall we do?"

Finally, I would like to bless you with, what is known as, the Aaronic blessing, from Numbers 6:24-26 (NIV):

The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you;
the Lord turn his face towards you and give you peace.

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