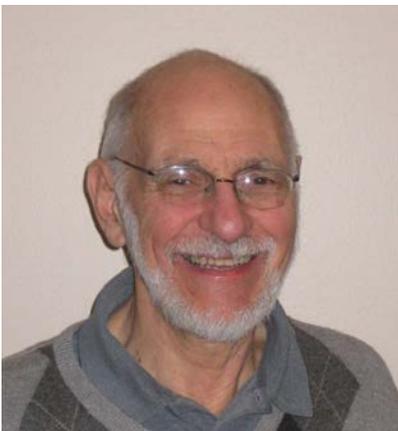




## Funeral for Tasso Spanos May 15



Tasso George Spanos, 88, went to his eternal rest on May 2, 2021.

Tasso was the beloved husband of Rebecca for almost 60 years; father to Mark (Toni) and Matthew (Joanna); and Papou to Benjamin and Mairén.

Tasso was a Renaissance man. He graduated from Bucknell University with a BS in Biology and then attended the University of North Carolina's Bacteriology master's program. He founded Opus One, an audio store, which allowed him to meet many of his musical icons.

Tasso loved to dance, any time, and in almost every style. He would perform traditional Greek dances, waltz, and swing—and was always ready to learn something new.

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Just in time for Rogation Days this coming Monday through Wednesday, the St. Andrew's Community Garden is ready for planting! See the garden map and guidelines on Page 3, and [click here](#) to reserve your plot today.



### Collect for the Sixth Sunday of Easter Rogation Sunday

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

# The Daily Lectionary

## Week of the Sixth Sunday of Easter • May 9-15

**Sunday, May 9** — A.M.: Psalm 19; Deuteronomy 10; Luke 6:20-38  
P.M.: Psalms 20, 21; Job 37; 2 Peter 1

**Monday, May 10** — A.M.: Psalm 22; Deuteronomy 11; Luke 6:39—7:10  
P.M.: Psalms 23, 24; Job 38:1-27,31-33; 2 Peter 2

**Tuesday, May 11** — A.M.: Psalm 25; Deuteronomy 12; Luke 7:11-35  
P.M.: Psalm 27; Job 39; 2 Peter 3

**Wednesday, May 12** — A.M.: Psalms 26, 28; Deuteronomy 13; Luke 7:36-50  
P.M.: Psalm 31; Job 40; Jude

**Thursday, May 13** — A.M.: Psalms 29, 30; Deuteronomy 14; Luke 8:1-21  
P.M.: Psalm 33; Job 41; 1 John 1:1—2:6

**Friday, May 14** — A.M.: Psalm 35; Deuteronomy 15; Luke 8:22-56  
P.M.: Psalm 33; Job 42; 1 John 2:7-29

**Saturday, May 15** — A.M.: Psalms 32, 36; Deuteronomy 16; Luke 9:1-17  
P.M.: Psalm 38; Ecclesiastes 1; 1 John 3:1-10

**Next Sunday, May 16** — A.M.: Psalm 37:1-17; Deuteronomy 17; Luke 9:18-50  
P.M.: Psalm 37:18-41; Ecclesiastes 2; 1 John 3:11—4:6

## Next Week's Eucharistic Lectionary

### Sunday after Ascension Day • May 16

**First Reading:** Acts 1:15-26 (5 p.m. & 9 a.m.); 1 John 5:6-15 (11:15)

**Second Reading:** 1 John 5:6-15 (5 p.m. & 9 a.m.)

**Gospel:** John 17:11b-19 (All)

## Prayers for the Church

**Anglican Church in North America:** Bishop Kevin Bond Allen, his wife Stefanie, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Cascadia. Almighty Father, we pray that they may be faithful witnesses for Jesus Christ and empowered by your Holy Spirit to serve you in the world.

**Anglican Diocese of the Great Lakes:** Fr. Terry Gatwood, Fr. Scott Gorbald, and the people of St. Nicholas Fellowship, West Columbus area.

**Parish Cycle of Prayer:** Kyle, Kelsie, Canaan, Magnolia, Francis, and Marion Meyers; Joe, Celia, Patrick, Gwyneth, and Elspeth Nelson; Sandy Murray; the Daughters of the Holy Cross; and the Prayer Chain Ministry.

## Encouragement for your prayer time

Which is more powerful: Luck—the events or circumstances that operate for or against an individual (<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/luck>); or God? “Yours, Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Yours, Lord, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all.” (1 Chronicles 29:11) — *From the St. Andrew's Prayer Ministry Team*

**Have a prayer request or praise report? Fill out the online form at [standrewspolaris.org](http://standrewspolaris.org) under the “Scripture & Prayer” drop-down menu (you don't need to log in to submit a prayer request); or call us at 740-548-5112, ext. 1, and we'll pass your request along to the Prayer Chain.**

## Wednesday Prayer Service offered at the church

All are welcome to attend the Midweek Prayer Service, which is held in the Sanctuary at noon every Wednesday. Prayer is offered with special intention for our parish, the city, the state, the nation and the world, as well as for individual prayer needs. The service also continues to be offered via Zoom from the church. For the Zoom link, please contact Ann Schnapp at [acbs2@hotmail.com](mailto:acbs2@hotmail.com).

## Tasso Spanos

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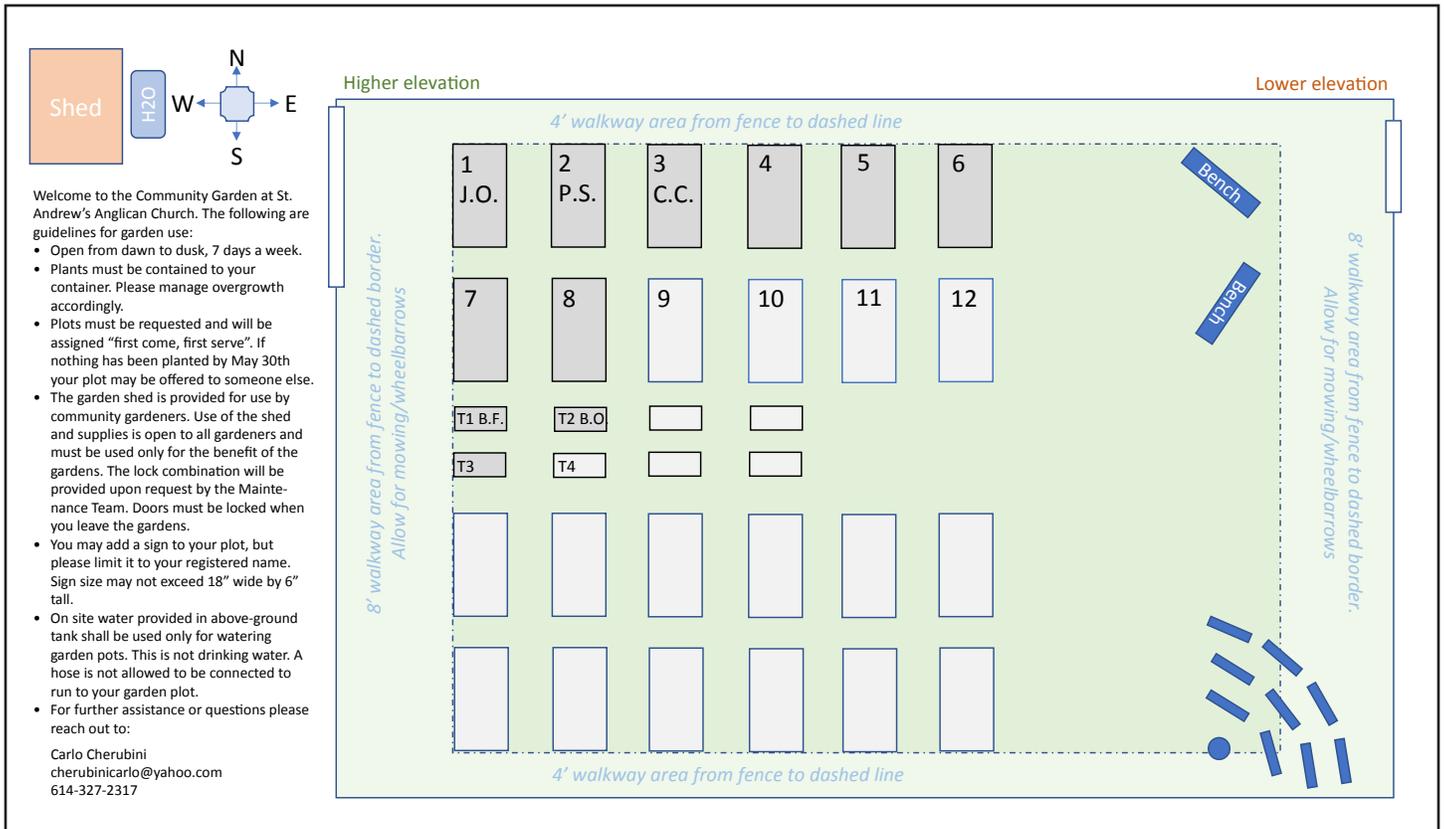
Following a severe illness abroad, Tasso discovered that trigger point myotherapy could restore his muscular health. He went through additional training, and helped found the Pittsburgh School of Pain Management. He also taught stretch classes throughout Pittsburgh, and at the Chautauqua Institution in New York State.

He never stopped trying to help people, even offering suggestions for stretches to his doctors as they, in turn, tried to help heal a heart stretched to its limit after 88 years of service to others.

Tasso's funeral service will be held at St. Andrew's Anglican Church, 7521 South Old State Rd. in Lewis Center, Ohio, at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 15. Visitation will be from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Church. A small reception will be held after the service. Private interment will follow.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions to the St. Andrew's Anglican Church Youth Project or Shepherd's Heart Veterans and Homeless Ministry, 13 Pride Street, Pittsburgh PA 15219.

Please continue to pray for the Spanos family as they mourn the loss of their beloved husband, father and grandfather, and pray for Tasso as he enters his new life in the nearer presence of Jesus, the Risen Christ. May his soul, with the souls of all the saints, rest in God's peace, and may light perpetual shine upon him.



# Rogationtide: What seeds are we planting?

By Fr. Ron Baird

How many of you remember celebrating Rogation days? Rogation days are the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday before Ascension Day, this year May 10-12. The meaning of these days comes from its name. Rogare is Latin for "ask." These days were set aside as days of intercessory prayer. On Rogation days we "ask for God's assistance for our labors."

In times past this has been focused in two different ways. In England in 1559, Parliament, at Queen Elizabeth's request, ordered that the priest of a parish lead a procession of his parishioners around the boundaries of the parish, praying for the needs of the parish. Since, until recently, our world has been primarily an agricultural world, these intercessory prayers have focused on planting and harvesting.

In the Anglican Church of North America's Book of Common Prayer—available to download free from [bcp2019.anglicanchurch.net](http://bcp2019.anglicanchurch.net)—you'll find the following intercessions that are especially appropriate for Rogation Days:

- For Agriculture and Farming (Page 660)
- For Commerce and Industry (Page 660)

- For Stewardship of Creation (Page 652)

These three intercessions focus on the needs of our day: The labor of all people in the planting and harvest; for commerce and industry; and for the stewardship of God's creation and gifts to us. Take a moment to say one of these prayers for each Rogation day.

Beyond the intercession for our own needs, one of the parables that Jesus told (illustrated below with materials used by our children in Godly Play) points to our need to plant and sow the seeds of faith. Anglicans are often somewhat reluctant to be evangelists, yet that is exactly what we are called to be. Perhaps our reluctance comes from having been put upon by some overzealous convert ourselves.

When we plant a seed, we can nurture it, tend it, care for it, pray for it, and even love it; but we cannot make it grow. Only God makes things grow. We are called to be planters and sowers, nurturers and carers. We are not called to convert someone. That job belongs to God!

The question we need to ask ourselves this Rogationtide is how many seeds have we planted and cared for?

