

TODAY and COMING UP at ST. BONIFACE CHURCH

TRANSFORMING GENEROSITY This morning we will collect and bless our pledges for carrying out God's work in the world in 2019. Please drop your pledge card in the baptismal font at the front of the church. Then wear your "I pledged!" sticker! Stickers and additional pledge materials are available on the counter in the church entry.

A GIFT TOWARDS THE ALTAR FLOWERS today is given in celebration of Debbie Harvey's 90th birthday with loving wishes from her family.

ADULT ED OPPORTUNITIES TODAY 9:00 – 9:45:

FAITH and FOUNDATIONS To better learn about our Episcopal and Anglican heritage, sacraments, liturgies, and theologies of the church, join us for Faith and Foundations. The format includes lecture, sharing in groups, and opportunities to practice. Lifelong Episcopalians or new to the church—all are welcome! Community Center.

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE IN DEPTH Study and discussion with a member of our clergy in the Library.

BONIFACE BOOK STUDY GROUP Our current book for discussion is *The Jesuit Guide to (Almost) Everything: A Spirituality for Real Life*, by the Rev. James Martin, SJ. We take turns each week facilitating, and promise a warm welcome and lively discussion. Join us in the St. Francis Room (through the Courtyard and just past the Bell Tower).

SUNDAY NURSERY Childcare is available for our youngest parishioners (through 2 years old) in the Nursery, located along the Courtyard, with Ms. Yu Ya, our licensed, professional caregiver.

CHURCH SCHOOL *Weaving God's Promises* Children in Pre-K4 to 5th grade are welcome to join us on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. A friendly greeter at the Welcome Table can direct you and your child to the classroom. The children return to their parents in church just before communion.

BEYOND THE BROKEN HEART ministry for grief and loss will meet today after the 10:00 service in the St. Francis Room. Beyond the Broken Heart is open to anyone experiencing the effects of grief and loss. Contact Rita Piovane at 610-442-0984 or drritav@gmail.com for more information.

COFFEE HOUR TODAY is hosted by the Women's Book Group. This group lost a beloved member earlier this year, Lea Droege, and will be presenting an etched vase with a dedication to her. This gift is a token of memories of Lea's great giving of herself to others, and is encouraged to be a part of future coffee hours and receptions.

THE D'AMORE DUO in CONCERT The St. Boniface Music Series welcomes William Feasley and Emily Tsai, a unique pairing of musicians performing chamber music for oboe and guitar. A free event (free-will offering), thanks to the generosity of the Friends of Music. **TODAY, 4:00 pm**

ALL FAITHS FOOD BANK provides food for those in need throughout our community – over 150,000 meals each week. We invite you to pitch in! Drop off your non-perishable food items in the bright yellow bins provided in the Church and Parish Hall. The Food Bank's most needed items are tuna, peanut butter, jelly, fruit, pasta meals and canned meats, so grab an extra can, jar, or box on your next shopping trip and support AFFB.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE In observance of Thanksgiving, the Holy Eucharist will be celebrated on the Eve of Thanksgiving, Wednesday, **November 21**, 5:30 p.m. (no Wonderful Wednesday dinner or program to follow). Then enjoy a blessed Thanksgiving Day with family and friends.

SIESTA YOUTH CHORALE is looking for some "Little Lambs!" We are going out on the road to sing for a holiday party on December 12th at Café Baci. All children age 10 and younger are welcome to join and membership in the SYC is not required, but we LOVE new faces! There will be short 20 minute rehearsals on Sundays at **11:30 am** in the Choir Gallery. We will also have a rehearsal on December 12th with a pizza dinner before heading over to Café Baci. For more information, contact Jen Weinstein at syc@bonifacechurch.org.

THANKSGIVING OFFERING This month's Thanksgiving offering supports the basic ministries of Saint Boniface. **Your generosity has the power to do more!** Once we have achieved \$1,000, we will donate all additional funds to **All Faiths Food Bank**. This effort continues our support of our community's food pantry. Your gift may be a memorial or tribute. Please use the envelope in your packet or send your check to Saint Boniface marked Thanksgiving Day.

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS resume **November 28** Join us for worship at 5:30 p.m. in the Church, social time/catered dinner at 6:00 in the Community Center, (for dinner reservations, please sign up at Coffee Hour or call 941-349-5616 x5 by noon the Tuesday before, \$10pp), then programs after dinner:

November 28: Lessons from the Richard Rohr's Conspire Conference led by Sandy Wilbur

GIVING WISELY AND CREATIVELY Recent changes in tax laws may leave you pondering your annual giving and your planned giving. We invite you to join us for a light brunch and a panel discussion with investment and legal professionals. The panel will share ideas for supporting favorite charities (including St. Boniface!), providing for loved ones, and ensuring your own financial well-being in the face of recent tax law changes. Sunday morning, **December 2**, 11:15 – 11:45. RSVP to Betsie Danner (941-349-5616 x318) by November 26.

EPISCOPAL RELIEF & DEVELOPMENT as the wildfires in California rage on, more than 200,000 acres have been scorched, leaving more than 300,000 people without homes and uncertain futures. Already ERD is working with local dioceses and congregations to provide aid and support. And the need for donations is sure to increase. Your gift to ERD will help rebuild lives and livelihoods. *You may make your check to St. Boniface and note ERD on the memo line. Donate directly at www.episcopalrelief.org.*

ADVENT QUIET DAY Join Bishop Smith at DaySpring for a day of reflection to begin the Advent season. The day includes teaching sessions, personal time, and lunch, the theme is "The Disciplined Life." Tuesday, **December 4**, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. \$10, includes lunch. Bring a Bible, Prayer Book and comfortable shoes for optional walks. Register by emailing merfourth@episcopalswfl.org.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY and ST. BONIFACE The new Habitat community, Hammock Place, begins its volunteer phase this month. Volunteers are welcome on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 7:30 - 12:00 noon. No special skills are needed – just the desire to see a deserving family in a home of their own. To sign-up contact our parishioner, Steve Reid, stevereid4@gmail.com.

BRADY CAMPAIGN GUN SAFETY WITNESS Our weekly nonpartisan Witness for Gun Safety meets at the Sarasota Bay-front (near the Unconditional Surrender statue) on Thursdays between 4:00 - 5:00 pm. We'll provide the signs, wear a white shirt and bring a chair, if you like. Keep your eye on the weather and dress accordingly. All are welcome to attend. For information, contact David and Nancy Evans. Tel. 941-954-2059.

MEDITATION IN MOTION: LABYRINTH EVENT This Advent, we will set aside some time to give people the opportunity to walk the Labyrinth in prayerful support of the world's displaced persons seeking refuge and asylum. The United Nations estimates there are currently 68.5 million people displaced by war, violence, religion and poverty. Our gathering will begin at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, **December 8**, in the Chapel of St. Mary (outside) with a brief prayer service, then a guided meditation walk of the Labyrinth.

WELCOME BACK SEASONAL FRIENDS! If you've just returned from up north, out west, across the pond or other summer locale, please be sure to let the church office know so we can send your mail to your Sarasota locale!

THIS WEEK

OFFICE: hours are Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., and by appointment.

HEALING MISSION: Open Tuesdays & Fridays 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, Wednesdays 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., call (941)349-5616 x335 for an appointment.

MONDAY, November 19

4:30 p.m. Yoga Class – St. Francis

TUESDAY, November 20

10:00 a.m. Eucharist – Church
1:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry – Library
3:00 p.m. B.E.S.T. Meeting - Library
5:00 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal – Choir Gallery

WEDNESDAY, November 21

5:30 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Eucharist - Church
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal – Choir Gallery

THURSDAY, November 22 – Thanksgiving Day

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FRIDAY, November 23

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7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast and Discussion

–Serving Spoon, Osprey Ave.