

TODAY and COMING UP at ST. BONIFACE CHURCH

HEALING PRAYERS At the 10:00 a.m. service, Healing Ministers are available today during communion to pray with you for your special intentions. After receiving communion, proceed either to the chapel or the back of the church.

ADULT ED OPPORTUNITIES TODAY 9:00 am

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

FAITH and FOUNDATIONS takes a break today. Join us next Sunday in the Community Center to better learn about our Episcopal and Anglican heritage, sacraments, liturgies, and theologies of the church.

BONIFACE BOOK STUDY GROUP meets in the St. Francis Room at 9:00 a.m. We will continue our discussion on *The Jesuit Guide to Almost Everything*.

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.

BLOOD DRIVE Show some heart this month and give the gift of life! It's quick, simple, and (generally) painless. You need to be in good health, over 17 years old and weigh more than 110 pounds. All donors receive a coupon for a pint of Culver's custard, and child care is available 8:45-11:30 if needed. **This morning, 8:30 - 12:30**, in the church parking lot. For info contact Nancy Rafter (941-402-3302).

COMPASSIONATE CONVERSATIONS Once per month during season, we will take time to learn how to talk with love about difficult topics. Please join us **TODAY** for our next topic of conversation, "God, violence & guns," in the Community Center, at 11:30 a.m.

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP If you are seeking some peaceful, reflective time in your life, consider being a part of this prayer group. Give yourself the gift of an hour of prayer and sharing. The group meets in the Healing Mission **TODAY** at 11:45 a.m. and on Thursday, **February 14** at 11:00 a.m. For more information, contact Fr. Michael Piovane at 610-442-0983.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING Take a major step in looking after your health! Parishioner and Faith Community Nurse, Doriel Boyce, encourages you to partake in our complimentary screening in the Library this morning at 11:30 a.m.

65th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS - UPCOMING:

DINNER GALA Join us Sunday, **February 24**, for a dinner celebration at Michael's on East, \$75 pp, RSVP by February 17th online, sign up at coffee hour on Sundays, or call the reservation line 941-349-5616 x5. *Payment confirms your reservation.*

HISTORICAL PUBLICATION which will include some highlights of our growth and development since our planting as a mission church. Also included will be current parishioners' anecdotes and experiences, in which we hope you will participate. A form is available for you to fill out online on the "About Us" page of the church website, or pick one up on Sundays.

More events and celebrations are planned throughout the year. Watch this space for details!

SIESTA YOUTH CHORALE - February's Special Offering Our early-childhood music ministry has grown from three to 15 children in our class for K-5 students since our first rehearsal in August, and our birth through age 4 class has five students. The Chorale rehearses weekly, and the students also receive personal music lessons every other week, utilizing the Voice for Life curriculum of the Royal School of Church Music. We continue to welcome new students! Please contact us for more information, syc@bonifacechurch.org or call (941) 349-5616 x330. Your gift can be made in memory or thanksgiving.

SIESTA YOUTH CHORALE also welcomes volunteers! We are looking for volunteers to sit next to one of our little ones and help them find hymn numbers, follow a line of words in their music and occasionally help them find their materials, as well as assist with the older students. Wednesdays from 4:00 to 5:45 p.m., no experience necessary!

ALTAR GUILD SEEKING SEWERS (we mean "people who sew") Every week the Altar Guild works behind the scenes to maintain the things that "set the table" for worship. Among those things are the linens used at the altar for the various Eucharist services, including sharing the Eucharist at hospital and home visits. We are looking for someone who is able and willing to sew hems (machine stitching is perfectly acceptable) for smaller square and rectangular linens to be used in the Eucharistic Visitor kits. If you have an embroidery machine and are able to add simple crosses to the flat piece, that would be terrific, but not required. Please contact Altar Guild Co-director, Lea Ellwood-Filkins at 734-612-8181.

PIANO CONCERT St. Boniface Church welcomes back classical pianist Brice Hamilton. A free concert (free-will offering), thanks to the generosity of the Boniface Friends of Music. Sunday, **February 17**, 4:00 p.m.

PILGRIMAGE to PORTUGAL and SPAIN Join us June 16-25, 2020, following the path of pilgrims old, on the road to Santiago de Compostela on the Portuguese Camino Route. Speak with Fr. Jonathan Evans (941-349-5616 x. 313) about this exciting trip. Deposit of \$900 due August 15, 2019. **Informational meeting Sunday, February 17**, 11:30 in the Library.

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS 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: **February 6, 13, 20: Lakota Spirituality** with Fr. Fred Mann (Community Center) **February 6 - 27: Getting Our Priorities Straight**, by parishioner Bill Tiffan. We'll explore common areas of everyday life that directly contribute to our well-being and sense of purpose. We'll look at how we're doing now and discuss principles for setting priorities in six areas: emotional, spiritual, intellectual, physical, vocational and social. The class will be highly interactive with practical exercises and stimulating discussions. (Library)

LITERARY LADIES will next meet on Thursday, **February 14** at 10:00 a.m. in the Crediton Room to discuss "Sing, Unburied, Sing" by Jesmyn Ward. For more information, contact Marilyn Hill 941-374-1990.

CÍRCULO ESPAÑOL All are welcome to our Conversational Spanish Group! We gather in a relaxed setting with others - there are no books, no tests, and no homework. We all just want to improve and refresh the ability that we have in the language and help one another in doing so. Wednesdays, 4:30 p.m. in the Library. For more information contact Mary Gordon, (941)923-2302.

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 - All are welcome to attend. For info, contact David and Nancy Evans, 941-954-2059.

HIKES & PRAYERS Join Fr. Jonathan on this outdoor ministry! Meeting at the Celery Fields, we will lead through a gentle hike (about a mile), stopping at various points to do the liturgy together. Not a challenging walk, but be sure to bring your walking shoes and water. A very family friendly event and great way for us to enjoy God's creation! Saturday, **February 16**, 4:00 p.m. Please sign up at coffee hour or by contacting the Church Office, 941-349-5616.

B.E.S.T. FIELD TRIP Join the Boniface Eco-Stewardship on Saturday, **March 2**, 10:00 a.m. for a visit to the Manatee County Agricultural Museum in Palmetto. Learn the history of Florida's farming, ranching, and machinery. This will also be combined with a guided tour of Palmetto Historical Park buildings at 2:00 p.m. Lunch between tours at local restaurants or bring a picnic. Free admission, carpooling suggested. [Sign-ups in the Parish Hall.](#) Contact Grace Riker 924-8908 for more information.

RISE AGAINST HUNGER St. Boniface Church will host its fourth annual meal-packing event on Saturday, **March 9**, 2019. These packages are shipped around the world to support school feeding programs and crisis relief, and each complete meal costs 29 cents. This year our goal is to pack at least 20,088 meals in a little over two hours. We will need about 100 parishioners who are willing to work at the event, 10 of whom are willing to do some "heavy lifting." We will also need to raise \$6,115 to cover the food cost plus church expenses for the event. Sign up at coffee hour. For more information contact event co-chairs Annarita Scott at 941-504-1205 or Linda Loveman at 617-816-5716.

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, February 11

4:30 p.m. Yoga Class - St. Francis

TUESDAY, February 12

10:00 a.m. **Eucharist** - Church

1:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry - Library

5:00 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal - Choir Gallery

WEDNESDAY, February 13

4:30 p.m. Conversational Spanish - Library

5:30 p.m. **Evening Prayer** - Church

6:00 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday Dinner - Community Center

7:00 p.m. After Dinner Programs - Community Center & Library

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - Choir Gallery

THURSDAY, February 14

9:00 a.m. Watercolor Group - St. Francis

10:00 a.m. **Healing service with Eucharist** - Church

10:00 a.m. Literary Ladies - Crediton Room

11:00 a.m. Contemplative Prayer - Healing Mission

FRIDAY, February 15

7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast and Discussion - Serving Spoon, Osprey Ave.

5:00 p.m. Fish Fry - Community Center

1:00 p.m. Ken Dulow funeral service - Church

SATURDAY, February 16

4:00 p.m. Hikes & Prayers - Celery Fields