

## TODAY and COMING UP at ST. BONIFACE CHURCH

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS today** are given in celebration of the marriage of Mayra Oliva and Holly Van Horsten.

**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** Join us 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.

**BISHOP'S VISIT** Bishop Dabney Smith will be with us for services on Palm Sunday, April 14. Classes for baptisms, confirmations and reaffirmations in advance of his visit will begin in March. Please contact Fr. Jonathans Evans (941)349-5616 x313 or jevans@bonifacechurch.org if you feel the Spirit calling you to these sacraments.

**DO YOU KNOW CPR, AED USE OR FIRST AID?** If so, - or if you would like training, please let us know. You'll find a form to fill out in the church entry and Parish Hall. We're compiling a list of parishioners trained to help out in case of a medical emergency at worship or other parish event. For more information contact Michael Pate, St. Boniface Safety Task Force Coordinator (941-256-3237 or patejmichael@gmail.com).

**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.

**TEA and TOUR** Join us for light refreshments and a behind-the-scenes look at our Altar Guild. This quiet ministry plays a very central role in our worship and community life at St. Boniface Church. RSVP by February 25, 941-349-5616 x5. 2:00 - 3:00, Thursday, **February 28**, St. Francis Room.

**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.

**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 27:** Fr. Richard Mahaffy on **deaf culture and the church** (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)

**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.

**CONCERT for FLUTE & PIANO** Linda Bento-Rei & Vytas Baksys' CD release concert, "Dually Noted," featuring significant world premiere, underperformed and out of print works for flute and piano. A free performance Thursday, **February 28**, 7:00 pm here at St. Boniface Church.

**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.

**HOW TO CHAT WITH A DEAF PERSON** Have you ever tried to introduce yourself to a person who is deaf or hard-of-hearing? It can be awkward or uncomfortable if you're not sure how to communicate. On Sunday, **March 3**, Fr. Dick Mahaffy will be offering a brief workshop at 11:30 am in the Community Center on "How to Chat with a Deaf Person." He'll introduce us to some basic sign language and offer helpful tips that make communication easier. Providing a welcome for all people is part of the mission of the Church. In this workshop, we'll learn how to extend that welcome to those who are deaf and hard-of-hearing. Get a head start and visit with Fr. Mahaffy at **coffee hour this morning**.

**EVENSONG SERVICE & RECITAL** Sunday, **March 3**, 4:00 p.m. The occasion begins with a recital featuring gifted organist, Alden Wright, from the Eastman School of Music. Then the choirs from St. Boniface Church and the Church of the Redeemer will present a Choral Evensong featuring music by Rickard, Whitley, Howells and Bairstow.

**PANCAKE SUPPER!** Join us Shrove Tuesday, **March 5**, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the Community Center for this traditional gathering before Lent begins. Reservations, please, by signing up at Coffee Hour, calling (941)349-5616 x5, or on our website (search "pancake supper"). Pay at the door, \$7.00 per person, families with young children capped at \$20.00.

**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. 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 \$5,825 to cover the .29 cost per meal. **Sign up at coffee hour TODAY.** 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 25**

10:00 a.m. Walter Seman funeral service - Church

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

### **TUESDAY, February 26**

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

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

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

### **WEDNESDAY, February 27**

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 28**

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

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

2:00 p.m. Altar Guild Tea & Tour - St. Francis

7:00 p.m. Concert - Church

### **FRIDAY, March 1**

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

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

### **SATURDAY, March 2**

10:00 a.m. B.E.S.T. Field Trip