

TODAY and COMING UP at ST. BONIFACE CHURCH

THE LITURGY TODAY celebrates Candlemas. It commemorates Jesus being presented at the Jerusalem temple 40 days after his birth in accordance with Jewish law (Lev. 12:28.) The procession at 10:00 echoes the Song of Simeon, Jesus is “A light to enlighten the nations.”

GIFTS TOWARDS THE ALTAR FLOWERS today are given by Audrey Pinney in memory of her grandson, Michael Robinson Shaw, and by Nancy Hinds in memory of her son, Bobby, and her husband, Joe, and by Melliss Swenson, in memory of Deacon Allan Rogers.

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 To better learn about our Episcopal and Anglican heritage, sacraments, liturgies, and theologies of the church. Join us in the Community Center.

Jan 27 & Feb 3: Introduction to liturgy with The Rev. Dr. Jeff Hamblin

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.

BEYOND THE BROKEN HEART - TODAY Coping with grief and loss is an ongoing process no matter if the loss is recent or occurred many years ago. Grief has no time limit. Beyond the Broken Heart is a support ministry for anyone experiencing grief and loss. There are two sections that meet on the first and third Sunday of the month. People dealing with the aftermath of a personal loss meet in the Crediton room and those who are grieving the death of someone dear meet in the St. Francis room. The group meets for approximately 45 minutes beginning at 11:30.

SARASOTA UNITED for RESPONSIBILITY and EQUITY We will be launching S.U.R.E. for the 2019 year at St. Boniface Church **TODAY** at our meeting in the Community Center at 11:30 a.m. We plan to schedule all of our SURE activities at St. Boniface, and have decided to have one large community meeting, breaking into small groups for our conversations rather than several house meetings.

LOST AND FOUND Check the counter in the church entry area if you've lost a pair of glasses, set of keys or other small item. If you've misplaced a black cardigan sweater or black pull over, or a black and white lunch box, contact the church office. Please claim your item by **this morning**. After that, they will be dropped off with the Goodwill Giving Mobile.

COMPASSIONATE CONVERSATIONS Once per month during season, we will take time to learn how to talk with love about difficult topics. Please join us Sunday, **February 10**, for our next topic of conversation, “God, violence & guns,” in the Community Center, at 11:30 a.m.

RECTOR AWAY Wayne will be out of town February 4th through the 7th.

65th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS - UPCOMING:

DINNER GALA Join us Sunday, **February 24**, for a dinner celebration at Michael's on East, \$75 pp, RSVP 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 ten 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.

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)

THE SINGING HOOSIERS from Indiana University's Jacobs School of Music will perform at St. Boniface Church on their Florida tour, Friday, **February 8**, 7:30 p.m. With a repertoire ranging from concert choral to jazz to gospel to Broadway and the Great American Songbook, the Singing Hoosiers have been entertaining audiences around the U.S. and elsewhere for sixty-nine seasons. A free event, thanks to the Boniface Friends of Music. Reception to follow the concert.

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 on Sunday, **February 10** at 11:45 a.m. Thursday, **February 14** at 11:00 a.m. For more information, contact Fr. Michael Piovane at 610-442-0983.

THE WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP next meets Monday, **February 11**, 3:30 p.m. at the home of Mary Ivey (941-927-1678) and the book for discussion is *Little Fires Everywhere*, by Celeste Ng. For more info contact Connie McManus 941-923-5366.

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. To schedule your appointment time and avoid long waits, sign up at Coffee Hour. Child care available 8:45-11:30 for donors. Sunday, **February 10**, 8:30 - 12:30, in the church parking lot. For info contact Nancy Rafter (941-402-3302).

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 and Fr. Fred Mann 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.

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 4

4:30 p.m. Yoga Class – St. Francis

TUESDAY, February 5

9:00 a.m. Library Team - Library

10:00 a.m. **Eucharist** – Church

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

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

WEDNESDAY, February 6

4:30 p.m. Conversational Spanish - Library

5:30 p.m. **Eucharist** – 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 7

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

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

FRIDAY, February 8

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

7:30 p.m. Concert - Church