

TODAY and COMING UP at ST. BONIFACE CHURCH

ST. BONIFACE DAY Today, our Patronal Feast Day takes on special significance as part of our 65th Anniversary festivities. Named Wynfrith at this birth in Crediton, England in 675, Boniface is remembered by the Church as the missionary to Germany and a martyr. He was killed on June 5, 754 at 79 years old.

COMMUNION NOTE Through the summer, all come to the altar rail to receive the Holy Communion.

ADULT ED OPPORTUNITIES TODAY 9:00 am:

Sunday Scripture in Depth Study and discussion with a member of our clergy in the Library.

Boniface Book Study Group meets in the St. Francis Room at 9:00 a.m. continuing their discussion on the book, *The Sacred Art of Loving Kindness*, by Rabbi Ravi Shapiro.

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.

WHOLLY LIVING How can we live the "whole lives" God intends for us – especially as we face life transitions? Throughout the year, we will offer workshops with resources to help you make plans and choices that reflect your wishes, values and priorities. We will dispel myths and provide solid information about retirement/assisted living, health proxies, hospice, wills, funerals, and legacy planning. Live your life wholly with good planning!

Funeral Planning *Planning your funeral or memorial service in advance is a great gift of comfort and connection for your loved ones. Join us for this workshop, where you'll receive helpful tools and references. TODAY 11:30 in the Community Center. Refreshments provided.*

SPECIAL GIVING – FATHER'S DAY TOOL FUND *Each month, above and beyond our regular giving, we have an opportunity to support a specific aspect of or parish life at St. Boniface Church. With 9 buildings, 21 toilets, 82 external doors and 23 air conditioners, our campus always has at least one "fix it" project underway! June's special offering ensures we can tackle the special projects that keep our campus safe and welcoming. Envelopes are available in the church entry area, or you may make your check to St. Boniface and note Tool Fund on the memo line. Your gift may be made in memory or thanksgiving. Gifts received by June 10 will be listed in the Sunday leaflet on Father's Day.*

ART SHOW AND SALE The Watercolor Group continues their Spring Show and Sale today in the Parish Hall, and features all new artworks. Stop by and see the talent of our own parishioner artists! Most pieces are for sale, with a portion of the sale supporting the ministries of St. Boniface, thanks to the generosity of the artists. *For further information about the St. Boniface Watercolor Group or to purchase the paintings in the Parish Hall, please contact Jane Aguilard. She can be reached by telephone (941-927-8442) or email (janeaguilard@comcast.net).*

THE WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP will meet Monday, **June 10**, at 3:30 p.m. at the home of Marilyn Hill (941-374-1990) to discuss *Killers of the Flower Moon* by David Grann. All are welcome! For more information, call Cynthia Smyth at 908-568-9210.

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER 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 this month in the Healing Mission **Thursday, June 13** at 11:00 a.m. For more info, contact Fr. Michael Piovane at 610-442-0983.

SUMMER LITERARY LADIES We will read *Auntie Mame: An Irreverent Escapade* by Patrick Dennis for our **June 13** gathering, and *Where'd You Go, Bernadette?* by Maria Semple for July 11. We will meet at members' homes at 10:00 am for these meetings. All are welcome! Call Marilyn Hill at 941-374-1990 for more information.

BEYOND THE BROKEN HEART is an ongoing support ministry for those dealing with grief and loss. Recognizing the broad scope of loss, St. Boniface Church has a ministry of support for those who are grieving. We will next meet on **Sunday, June 16** at 11:30 a.m. in the Healing Mission. For questions or more information contact Rita Valenti-Piovane (610)442-0984.

SCHOOL ENDS - SUMMER HUNGER BEGINS On Tuesday, May 28, twenty-one volunteers from St. Boniface Church packaged meals for over 1,700 backpacks at All Faiths Food Bank. The backpack items are picked up at libraries everyday during the summer by children who no longer get free breakfast and lunch at school. For some of them, this is their only meal that day. Please join us for two other opportunities from 9:00-11:00, Monday, **June 24** or Monday, **July 22**. Sign-up Sundays during Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall, or contact Helen Francis (941)921-6820. Thank you, St. Boniface, for fighting hunger and being a "Hunger Hero" to these kids.

DADS AND GRADS Our commemorative bricks make for a unique way to celebrate your special dad or new graduate. Create your own message to be permanently engraved on a brick, and let us know which area of the Courtyard you'd like it placed. We'll do the rest. \$150 per brick. Order forms are available in the church entry or on our website (www.bonifacechurch.org and type "brick" in the search box).

SUMMER COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS We welcome all bakers -- or those whose personal chefs are Costco, Gordon Foods or Publix ;-) -- to share your treats at our Sunday morning Coffee Hours. Keep the hospitality flowing and sign up in the Parish Hall or contact Betsie Danner (941-349-5616 x 318 or bdanner@bonifacechurch.org).

HEADING "HOME" FOR THE SUMMER? Add these to-dos to your list!

- Let the church office know your **summer address**, so we can direct your mail to the right place.
- Send us your **email address** to get the latest scoop while you're away.
- When **emptying your pantry**, bring any unopened, non-perishable items to the church. We have bright yellow **All Faiths**

Food Bank bins in the church and parish hall waiting for your donations!

- Drop off your gently read **books** for our **Give and Take Book Cart**.
- Remember you can **stay in touch** with your "winter church" through the newsletter and e-blast, website and our video stream of the Sunday service.

ST. NICHOLAS FAIR Your help is needed for the December 7, 2019, St. Nicholas Fair! Are you able to coordinate **fair decorations, signage, holiday wreaths, or holiday crafts**? Help make this fair celebrating St. Boniface's 65th anniversary the success it should be. The one-day event will include a many offerings for sale, with proceeds going to St. Boniface Outreach, as well as fun activities for children of all ages, including a chance to meet St. Nicholas himself. If you would like to contribute your talent, or for more information, please contact Ann Hardcastle at 941-538-8980; Denise Ayre at 941-342-0446; Alice Reid at 206-571-6393; Frankie Kruger at 678-923-5165; or Prill Nugent at 312-909-2609.

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 Wednesdays 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., call (941)349-5616 x335 for an appointment.

MONDAY, June 3

4:30 p.m. Yoga Class – St. Francis

TUESDAY, June 4

10:00 a.m. **Eucharist** – Church

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

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

WEDNESDAY, June 5

5:30 p.m. **Evening Prayer & Potluck** – Parish Hall

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

THURSDAY, June 6

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

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

FRIDAY, June 7

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

Best wishes to those who celebrate this week:

Phil Baker, Br. John Brendan Filkins, Claire Burnett, Jerry Catalano, Vic Dina, Claire Fink, Cindy Hannon, Shar Hawkins, Peter Hayes, Michael Pate, Donna Weinstein, Bunny Willett, Carrie Benes & Thomas McCarthy, Ruth & Chuck Brown, Rita & Peter Dadzis, Diane & Jim Davidson, Sally & Edward Johnston, Alice & Steve Reid, Susan & John Zwakman