

## TODAY and COMING UP at ST. BONIFACE CHURCH

**ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP (EOW)** is our Sunday liturgical text through the summer and into the fall. A supplement to the 1979 Book of Common Prayer, EOW seeks to expand the language, images, and metaphors in worship. The responses are in your service leaflet. **Beginning today and continuing for seven weeks, we will be praying Eucharistic Prayer Two.** The text of the Eucharistic Prayer is in the booklet in the pew rack.

**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 to the chapel.

**SUNDAY SCRIPTURE IN DEPTH** Study and discussion with a member of our clergy in the Library, 9:00 a.m.

**SUNDAY MORNING BOOK DISCUSSION** is on break, and will resume October 6.

**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.

**WAYNE FARRELL** will be away through Wednesday, September 18. We welcome and thank our assisting clergy in his absence, Fred Mann who was our celebrant last Sunday, and will be preaching September 8, our preacher today, Jeff Hamblin, and Dick Mahaffy concelebrating at the 8:00 service, Edward Sunderland celebrating September 1, and Michael Piovane celebrating at the 10:00 service September 15.

**PHOTO DIRECTORIES ARE HERE!** Pick up your copy after church on Sundays, or in the church office during the week (available to those who had their picture taken).

**ART SHOW AND SALE** The talented members of our Watercolor Group invite you to their Show and Sale in the Parish Hall, featuring all new artworks! Most pieces are for sale, with a portion of the sale supporting the ministries of St. Boniface, thanks to the generosity of the artists.

**SPECIAL GIVING THIS MONTH** In August, we turn to the work of our **pastoral care ministries** – our Healing Mission, Eucharistic Visitors and Stephen Ministry. Through these ministries, we are present with fellow parishioners and friends in the community who are going through times of trouble or need. You may make your gift in thanksgiving or in memory.

**THE HEALING MISSION** is open during the summer by appointment. Please call (941)349-5616 x335 and leave a message, a healing minister will get back with you to schedule a time.

**HEAR YE! HEAR YE! HEAR YE!** The summer choir is now in session! Please come and sing with us! Experience not required, just the ability to match pitch. If you like singing in the shower or the car, the summer choir is the place for you! If you sing with gusto from your bench in the congregation, come and join us! Whether you would be a first-timer or an alumnus of the Boniface choir, you will be welcomed with warm hearts and voices! Wednesday rehearsals begin this week.

**WEDNESDAY WORSHIP and POTLUCK** We gather in the Parish Hall at 5:30 pm for Evening Prayer (Eucharist first Wednesdays of the month) followed by a Pot Luck Supper. Please bring a salad, main dish, drink or dessert to share! For more info, call Katherine Johnson (941-927-2066).

**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 Sunday, **September 8**, following the 10:00 service.

**THE WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP** will meet Monday, **September 9**, at 3:30 p.m. at the home of Grace Riker (941-924-8908) to discuss *The Lost Carousel of Provence* by Juliet Blackwell. 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 next meets in the Healing Mission Thursday, **September 12** at 11:00 a.m. For more info, contact Fr. Michael Piovane at 610-442-0983.

**THE SIESTA YOUTH CHORALE** is getting ready to begin their second year, with rehearsals already under way! Volunteers are always welcome and very much needed for the continued support of this program. To register a student, volunteer, or for more information, email Jen Weinstein at [syc@bonifacechurch.org](mailto:syc@bonifacechurch.org) or call 484-744-0494.

**RECYLING PLASTIC BAGS** Donate your (clean) plastic bags from Publix, Walmart, Walgreens, or almost any retailer to be recycled into mats for homeless folks. "Weavers" from Bay Village work their craft and create soft, waterproof mats that are distributed through Salvation Army. Bring yours on Sunday, and look for the designated bin in the Parish Hall.

**SETTING THE TONE FOR QUALITY HOSPITALITY** Share an hour or so on Sunday mornings, we promise you'll make an impact with fellow parishioners and visitors! As a Greeter, your warm welcome at the church doors will create a positive and lasting impression with visitors – as well as long-time members. Our Ushers continue the hospitality as worshippers enter the church, creating a comfortable worship experience for all. If you see yourself participating in either of these ministries, helping all feel at ease in God's house, please contact Connie and Rooney Mereness (Greeters) at 941-346-1844 or Jane Aguilard (Ushers) 941-927-8442.

**KEEP THE HOSPITALITY FLOWING!** Our Coffee Hours need you! Please sign up to host a Coffee Hour, provide refreshments and/or tidy up afterwards. The duty is light and the rewards are heavenly! So, grab a friend or family member and sign up in the Parish Hall or contact Betsie Danner (941-349-5616 x318 [bdanner@bonifacechurch.org](mailto:bdanner@bonifacechurch.org)) for the Sunday of your choice. You'll earn enduring appreciation from your fellow parishioners!

**JOIN OUR ALTAR GUILD** They are the behind the scenes stars of our Sunday morning and mid-week worship. Teams of volunteers take one week a month, working together to ensure the altar is set and the communion elements are prepared; they also clear the altar following services. Their work lends dignity and beauty to our worship. Our Altar Guild members value their work and the friendships they've made. For more information, contact Leslie McLean (941-923-9104).

### 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: call (941)349-5616 x335 for an appointment.

#### **MONDAY, August 26**

4:30 p.m. Yoga Class – St. Francis

#### **TUESDAY, August 27**

10:00 a.m. **Eucharist** – Church

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

#### **WEDNESDAY, August 28**

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

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

#### **THURSDAY, August 29**

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

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

#### **Best wishes to those who celebrate this week:**

Tom Bisker, Carlisle Boyce, Chris Coston, Richard Cutting, Bill Firth, Marjorie Floyd, Jan Hinch, Anne Marie Janik, Dennis Smith, Cyndee White, Kristi & Jeff Ryan, Diane & Matt Smith