

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, November 22

Holy Eucharist: Rite Two (<i>no music</i>)	Church	8:00 a.m.
Thanksgiving Pie Auction	Parish Hall	9:15 a.m.
Parish Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	9:50 a.m.
Holy Eucharist: Rite Two (<i>with music</i>)	Church	10:30 a.m.
Fellowship Hour	Parish Hall	12:00 noon

Monday, November 23

Men's Bible Study	Youth Room	7:00 p.m.
Scouting Groups	Parish/Kiser Halls	7:00 p.m.
A.A. Meeting	Choir Room	8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, November 24

Stitch Group	Choir Room	10:30 a.m.
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Wednesday, November 25

Bread Ministry Pickup	Parish Hall	7:00 a.m.
Meals on Wheels	Parish Hall	10:00 a.m.

Thursday, November 26

Happy Thanksgiving! Office Closed

A.A. Meeting	Kiser Hall	8:00 p.m.
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Friday, November 27

Office Closed

A.A. Meeting	Choir Room	10:30 a.m.
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Saturday, November 28

Altar Guild	Church	9:00 a.m.
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THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

November 22

Andi Edwards
Tessa Myers

November 23

Darryl Jennus

November 24

Alexandra
Stallings

November 25

Ben Johnson

November 26

Clayton Davenport
Judy Tabb

November 27

Lindsey Cull
Ron Meldrum

Anniversaries

November 25

Tim & Yvonne Bridge

November 27

Brad & Trina Post

We apologize if your birthday or anniversary is this week and it is not listed. Please contact the church office at 813.689.3130 to update your information in our system.



HOLY INNOCENTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH VALRICO, FLORIDA

TRANSFORMING LIVES, TRANSFORMING THE WORLD

News for the Pews ✝ Sunday, November 22, 2015

Bread Available on Wednesday

Due to the holiday, we will have an abundance of bread available. If you would like some bread for your family, the Parish Hall will be open with any available bread on Wednesday from 8:30 a.m.—noon. First come, first served. Please only take what you need.

Church Office Closed for Thanksgiving

The church office will be closed this week beginning at noon on Wednesday. If you have an emergency during that time, please call the church office and leave a message on our emergency voice mail. There will be no noon Eucharist.

Advent Wreath-Making Next Sunday

Come and make an advent wreath for your home as a way of preparing yourself for the birth of Jesus! All are welcome to participate at 9:15 a.m. on Nov. 29 in the Parish Hall. Suggested donation is \$10 if you need both the ring and the candles, or \$5 if you have the ring from last year and just need the candles.

New Bible Study in December

Looking for a new bible study to attend during Advent? Join us on Thursdays, December 3 and 17, beginning at 2:00 p.m. in the conference room. Your teacher could be Father Doug, Deacon Gary, or maybe even choir director, Matt Woods!

Daniel Lemley is Being Ordained!

The congregation is invited to attend Daniel Lemley's ordination as a deacon on Saturday, December 5, at 11:00 a.m. at the Cathedral in St. Pete. Parking is limited at the Cathedral, so please consider taking the bus with other Holy Innocents' folks. The cost is \$18/person. There is a signup sheet in the narthex.

Who Is St. Nicholas?

Have you ever wondered about some Christmas traditions, including St. Nicholas? The Feast of St. Nicholas, held on Dec. 6 immediately after the 10:30 service., you will have a chance to learn about these traditions while you snack, are entertained, and shop for Christmas gifts, including cheese straws, candy, and more!

Mission Planning Meeting Scheduled For December 10

Anyone wanting to find out more about summer mission trips should attend this meeting at 7 p.m. on December 10 in the conference room. Options and dates will be discussed. Please call Pat Magnant at 727-365-2300 with questions.

A WHISTLE STOP THANK YOU!

From Pat Magnant: It takes a village full of people who are willing to give their time and talent to make an event like the Whistle Stop Craft Show be such a success. *THANK YOU to the following people:*

Barbara Baker	Neil Marshall
Kelly Black	Fr. Doug Scharf
Asunta Blanchard	Sue Scott
Bo Bray	Charlotte Snead
Bill Cox	Dan Snead
Audrey Cull	Justin Stone
Lea Gallagher	Paul Thomasson
Vince Gallagher	Tony Thomasson
Mike Magnant	Miyoko Winch
Arlene Maloney	

THANK YOU to the following groups:

Boy Scouts	Everyone who donated treasures
Everyone who donated baked goods	Men's Ministry
	Treasure Seekers Home Group

A total of \$3500 was raised for Mission and Outreach!

A Kid's Place raised \$629.75 selling used books. The Boy Scouts raised \$900 selling breakfast & lunch. The Treasure Seekers Home Group raised \$480 selling gently used items. **THANK YOU!!**

Join us for the spring Whistle Stop Craft Show scheduled for April 9, 2016!!

Attention 1st-6th Grade Scouts!

If you are in Boy or Girl Scouts, Trail Life, or American Heritage Girls and want to earn the Protestant religious medallion for your level, please contact Beth Latshaw-Foti (elatshaw@earthlink.net). Holy Innocents' will be offering several programs beginning in January, and registrations are due January 5. Cost is \$16.50. For more information, please email Beth or see our Friday e-newsletter, "The Shield".

Memorial Paver Orders

Looking for a unique Christmas gift? How about honoring your loved one with a paver in our memorial garden? Orders are currently being taken through the end of this year. To order a memorial paver, please fill out one of the forms in the narthex and return it with your check to the church office. You may also purchase a paver on our website at www.hiepiscopal.org.

FINANCIALS

How are we doing financially? Prior Week Actual Revenue: **\$7,269**. Prior Week Budgeted Expenses: **\$9,426**. YTD Actual Pledge/Regular Contributions: **\$393,935**. YTD Budgeted Pledge/Regular Contributions: **\$391,046**. Thank you for keeping your financial commitments up to date.

Youth Helping Local Mothers In Need This Christmas

The youth Christmas party will be on Wednesday, Dec. 9, during our regular 7:00 meeting. Please bring a new baby gift of no more than \$15. All gifts will be donated to Alpha House in Tampa for pregnant women.



When you buy gifts for kids in the Angel Tree program, you help prisoners' children know they're not forgotten, and you serve as an example of Christ's love to the parents behind bars. Please take a child's name and gift request from the

Angel Tree this morning, wrap the gift, attach the tag onto the wrapping paper of the gift, and then turn it in at church.



The Adopt-a-Family program matches impoverished local families with sponsors to provide for their tangible needs at Christmas. This year, we will be "adopting" three or four families in need, and all have been screened by a social worker. Please take an ornament from the Adopt-a-Family tree and give someone in need a brighter Christmas.

Dates for Both Programs

November 22: Trees are put up in the narthex; will hold ornaments with names and gift requests of people from the Angel Tree and Adopt-a-Family program

December 13: All presents for both programs due in to the church
Presents must be wrapped with tag ornaments attached to the outside of each package.

December 20: Presents are delivered to families.

Drivers are needed to deliver presents to recipients in both ministries. Please contact Cheryl Massaro at 634-0701 to help with Angel Tree or George Sledge at 689-6997 or Beth Seifert at 689-0619 to help with Adopt-a-Family.