

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, November 8

Holy Eucharist: Rite Two (<i>no music</i>)	Church	8:00 a.m.
Children's Sunday School	Kiser Hall, #1&2	9:15 a.m.
Adult Christian Education	Parish Hall	9:15 a.m.
Youth Sunday School	Youth Room	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
PRAY Scout Program	Kiser Hall	2:00 p.m.

Monday, November 9

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 10

KidsPACK	Parish Hall	9:30 a.m.
Stitch Group	Choir Room	10:30 a.m.
Vestry Meeting	Conf. Room	7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 11 *Church Office Closed*

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

No Noon Eucharist

The Gathering	Parish Hall	6:00 p.m.
Children's Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	7:00 p.m.
Youth Group	Youth Room	7:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 12

KidsPACK Loading & Delivering	Parish Hall	8:30 a.m.
Centering Prayer	Chapel	2:00 p.m.
Parish Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	7:00 p.m.
Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Church	7:00 p.m.
A.A. Meeting	Kiser Hall	8:00 p.m.

Friday, November 13

A.A. Meeting	Choir Room	10:30 a.m.
Massaro/McDowell Wedding Rehearsal	Church	4:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 14

Altar Guild	Church	9:00 a.m.
Massaro/McDowell Wedding	Church	4:00 p.m.



HOLY INNOCENTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH VALRICO, FLORIDA

TRANSFORMING LIVES, TRANSFORMING THE WORLD

News for the Pews ☩ Sunday, November 8, 2015

Ingathering Sunday is Today

If you did not bring your pledge card with you and did not fill one out online, you are invited to fill out a card and bring it forward this morning. If you filled one out online but would still like to bring something forward during the time of dedication, please bring a blank card forward as a symbolic gesture of your pledge.

Thank You to Our Veterans

We would like to say a special word of thanks to all of our veterans, who served this country so proudly and faithfully. We are grateful for you and for your sacrifices, which have helped to secure our freedom. Thank you.

Curious About the Bishop? Come to Adult Christian Education!

Fr. Doug will be leading a two-week series on the teachings of our brand new Bishop. The class will be held at 9:15 a.m. in the Parish Hall today and next Sunday. If you're reading this at 10:30, you can still come next week!

Church Office Closed

In recognition of Veterans' Day, the church office will be closed on Wednesday. As always, should you have a pastoral emergency during that time, please call the church office and leave a message on our emergency voice mail. Your call will be returned as soon as possible. The office will reopen on Thursday at 8:00 a.m.

Popular Chili Cookoff Returns!

Be a part of the Gathering this Wednesday, and enjoy the annual chili cookoff! You can still sign up in the Parish Hall to have your chili judged for the chance to win a \$50 Amazon gift card! Questions? Contact Beth Johnson at ejohnson0502@gmail.com or Sherry Roithmayr at sherylyn21@aol.com. The cookoff begins at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Centering Prayer this Thursday

All are invited to Centering Prayer beginning at 2:00 p.m. in the chapel this Thursday. Barbara Glaser will lead the group in learning more about how to go deeper in your relationship with God through this particular method of prayer.

COMING UP

Angel Tree & Adopt-a-Family Begin November 22

This beautiful Holy Innocents' tradition of giving returns. Starting Nov. 22, you will have the chance to help a child experience Christmas who might not otherwise receive anything on Christmas morning. Angel Tree helps children of incarcerated parents, and Adopt-a-Family helps local children in need. More information to come, but plan to make helping a child part of your gift-giving this year.

Advent Wreath-Making on Nov. 29

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 Thursday, December 3, and Thursday, December 17, beginning at 2:00 p.m. in the conference room. Your teacher could be Father Doug, Deacon Gary, or maybe even our choir director, Matt Woods! Come and be surprised by both the leader, and the power of timeless and familiar scripture during the Advent season.

Daniel Lemley is Being Ordained!

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 22 - Pie Auction

December 10 - Mission Trip

Planning Meeting

December 16 - Christmas Gathering

January 3-10 - Family Promise Week

New Amazon.com Rules

As you prepare to make purchases for the upcoming holidays, please follow these steps to use Amazon so that Holy Innocents' continues to receive a portion of your purchase!

Amazon has recently changed their rules on how to access their site so that charities get a percentage of purchases. The new (and easy!) procedure is on our website. Go to www.hiepiscopeal.org and click on the Amazon link on our homepage. Once you have followed these instructions just one time, you will always be set up to give to Holy Innocents' as long as you access Amazon using smile.amazon.com.

Submissions for the "News for the Pews" or "The Shield" must be emailed to communications@hiepiscopeal.org by 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT



It's time to bake.

What will you make???

You have a favorite pie.

You know the one.

Your family asks for it every year.

It's the best thing you bake.

Now it's time to share it with your church!

The annual Thanksgiving Pie Auction is back and we are looking for homemade pies to sell. Apple, berry, pecan, pumpkin, strawberry, lemon meringue, peach, rhubarb, chocolate cream, banana cream - we need all different kinds! Surprise us! Bake that family recipe, whatever it is! If you can donate a pie or two, please sign up on the list in the narthex or the Parish Hall. And plan to attend the Pie Auction on **Sunday, November 22 at 9:15 a.m.** to see the fruits of your labors. (Maybe literally, depending on the pie you bake.)

The youth receive all proceeds from the sale. They thank you. A lot.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

November 8
JoAnne Salem

November 9
Carol Menard

November 10
Merrick Bass
Alexis DeHate
Harry Vildibill

November 14
Jim Cary
Barbara Ritch

Anniversaries

November 10
Nancy & Stephen Richmond

We apologize if your birthday or anniversary is this week and your name is not listed. If that is the case, please contact the church office at 813.689.3130 to update your information in our system.

FINANCIALS

How are we doing financially? Prior Week Actual Revenue: **\$9,976**. Prior Week Budgeted Expenses: **\$9,426**. YTD Actual Pledge/Regular Contributions: **\$379,546**. YTD Budgeted Pledge/Regular Contributions: **\$374,044**. Thank you for keeping your financial commitments up to date.