

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, April 24

Holy Eucharist: Rite Two (no music)	Church	8:00 a.m.
Children's Christian Education	Kiser Hall	9:15 a.m.
Adult Christian Education	Various Rooms	9:15 a.m.
Parish Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	9:50 a.m.
Holy Eucharist: Rite Two (with music)	Church	10:30 a.m.

Monday, April 25

Cub Scouts	Conf. Room	6:30 p.m.
A.A. Meeting	Choir Room	6:45 p.m.
Men's Bible Study	Youth Room	7:00 p.m.
Boy Scouts	Parish Hall	7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 26

KidsPACK Packing	Parish Hall	9:00 a.m.
St. Lawrence Guild	Kitchen	10:00 a.m.
Stitch Group	Choir Room	10:30 a.m.
Small Group Bible Study	Conf. Room	2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 27

Bread Ministry Pickup	Parish Hall	7:00 a.m.
Meals on Wheels	Parish Hall	10:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist	Church	12:00 noon
The Gathering	Parish Hall	6:00 p.m.
Youth Group	Youth Room	7:00 p.m.
Children's Gathering	Kiser Hall	7:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 28

KidsPACK Delivery	Parish Hall	8:30 a.m.
Centering Prayer Group	Chapel	2:00 p.m.
Handbell Choir	Church	7:00 p.m.
Parish Choir	Choir Room	7:00 p.m.
A.A. Meeting	Parish Hall	8:00 p.m.

Friday, April 29

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

Altar Guild	Church	9:00 a.m.
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Submissions for the "News for the Pews" or "The Shield" must be emailed to communications@hiepiscopal.org by 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday.



HOLY INNOCENTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH
VALRICO, FLORIDA

TRANSFORMING LIVES, TRANSFORMING THE WORLD

News for the Pews † Sunday, April 24, 2016

Men's Bible Study Meets on Monday

All men are welcome to come to the youth room at 7:00 p.m. on Monday for a time of fellowship and study of scriptures from this week.

New "Gathering" Series Continues Wednesday, Dinner is Potluck

The current teaching series explores six areas of our faith that are rooted in our understanding of the resurrection, and this week's topic is holiness. Join us at 6:00 PM for Potluck dinner (remember to bring your meal), worship, and teaching. Youth and children meet at 7:00.

Centering Prayer Meets on Thursday

Centering Prayer will be offered this Thursday, April 14, at 2:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Take time to reflect and center yourself in the presence of God.

Family Promise Guests Here Beginning Next Sunday

After several months "off" due to renovations in Kiser Hall, our next Family Promise week starts Sunday, May 1. This ministry helps homeless families in our area get back on their feet by giving them a place to stay as they search for jobs and a new place to live. We need your help to make the week a good one for them! Sign-up sheets are in the narthex this morning. There are a variety of ways you can help. Please sign up today to give a little of your time to make the hosting successful!

Celebrating Two Years of Family Promise!

On May 4, Family Promise will celebrate two years of ministry in the Brandon and Valrico area. During that time, Holy Innocents' and 12 other local congregations have provided housing, meals, and other support for many homeless families in our community. Many of these families have found housing and employment thanks to the support provided by Family Promise. To celebrate this important anniversary, we welcome two representatives from Family Promise to worship this morning. They will be sharing their testimonies about the transformational impact of Family Promise in our community.

Update on the Parish Hall Door Project

Thank you to those who have so generously given to the fund to replace the Parish Hall doors! Here is an update on where we stand:

- Cost of New Doors: \$6,550
- Donations Received: \$2,650
- *Amount Still Needed: \$3,900*

We still need help to purchase the doors that will function correctly and ensure the safety of everyone in the Parish Hall. Thank you for continuing to support this last phase of renovations. If you would like to write a check, please note "Parish Hall Doors" in the memo.

Final Stage of Renovations to Kiser Hall

As the office renovations are completed throughout the early part of May, our phones and internet could be down periodically. Please be patient as we get settled into the new office space. We will respond to your messages as soon as possible.

Church-Wide Breakfast on May 7

The Men's Ministry will sponsor this breakfast at 7:00 a.m. on **Saturday, May 7** (*note the date change*). The guest speaker will be our own Deacon Gary Cartwright. He will lead discussion on the very important topic, "What is a Vocational Deacon and How Do You Become One?" Deacon Gary is a former Diocesan Archdeacon, and a current facilitator in the School for Ministry Development where postulants for the diaconate are being trained for ordination and life as a Vocational Deacon. Breakfast menu includes pancakes, eggs, bacon, juice, and coffee. All are welcome!

Cave Quest Vacation Bible School is June 20-24

Registration for this summer's VBS is open! It will be FREE and is open to children four years old through 5th grade. Sign up using the form in the narthex or on our website at www.hiepiscopal.org. If you are an adult and are interested in helping, please contact Shannon Scharf at 813-757-3111.

Save the dates

- May 1-8** - Family Promise
- May 15** - Pentecost Sunday
(with baptisms)
- May 22** - Scout Sunday
- May 29** - Memorial Day
- June 5** - Education Sunday

- June 5-12** - Family Promise
- June 9-12** - Healing School
- June 20-24** - Vacation Bible School -
register online!
- July 1** - Daniel Lemley Ordination to
Priesthood (*Church of the
Ascension in Clearwater*)

IT'S SCHOLARSHIP TIME!



In just over a month, we will celebrate the end of another school year, which means we are receiving applications for our **TWO** scholarship programs for the 2016-2017 academic year.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Graduating seniors and current college students who are active members of Holy Innocents' are eligible for annual scholarships to assist with tuition, books, and other educational expenses.

SPECIALIZED TRAINING SCHOLARSHIPS

Last year, we introduced a new scholarship opportunity for those applying to technical or vocation schools or other certified training programs

For information about either of these scholarship opportunities, please contact the church office at (813) 689-3130.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

- April 24**
Sara Lemley
- April 25**
Jack Brady
- April 26**
Judy Mickel
- April 27**
Marissa Polk
- April 28**
Cathy Hacker
- April 29**
Carol Jennus
Lilli Nichols
Nicholas Pareja

Anniversaries

- April 24**
Sherry & Mike Roithmayr
- April 25**
Jim & Vallie Bram
- April 28**
Amanda & Trent Comer

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

FINANCIALS

How are we doing financially? Prior Week Actual Revenue: **\$5,700**. Prior Week Budgeted Expenses: **\$9,560**. YTD Actual Pledge/Regular Contributions: **\$131,319**. YTD Budgeted Pledge/Regular Contributions: **\$138,432**. Thank you for keeping your financial commitments up to date.