thisweek @ Holy Innocents'

Sunday, August 20 Family Promise Week		
Holy Eucharist Rite II (no music)	Church	8:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist Rite II (with music)	Church	10:30 a.m.
Church of South India	Parish Hall	1:00 p.m.
Monday, August 21		
Plant City Community Choir Rehearsal	Church	6:30 p.m.
Cub Scouts	Conf. Room	6:30 p.m.
A.A. Meeting	Choir Room	6:45 p.m.
Boy Scouts	Youth Room	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, August 22		
St. Lawrence Guild	Kitchen	10:00 a.m.
Stitch Group	Kiser Hall	10:30 a.m.
Small Group Bible Study	Conf. Room	2:00 p.m.
Search Committee	Conf. Room	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, August 23		
Bread Ministry Pickup	Parish Hall	6:45 a.m.
Meals on Wheels	Parish Hall	10:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist	Chapel	12:00 noon
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Thursday, August 24		2 00
Centering Prayer	Chapel	2:00 p.m.
Daisy Troop	Youth Room	5:45 p.m.
Handbell Choir	Church	7:00 p.m.
A.A. Meeting	Parish Hall	8:00 p.m.
Friday, August 25		
A.A. Meeting	Choir Room	10:30 a.m.
Scrapbooking Bingo for Mission	Parish Hall	6:00 p.m.
Saturday, August 26		
Altar Guild	Church	9:00 a.m.
Stewardship Workshop	Offsite	9:00 a.m.
Sunday, August 27Deadline to purchase Baseball with Bishop tickets		
Holy Eucharist Rite II (no music)	Church	8:00 a.m.
Newcomer's Coffee	Rector's Office	9:15 a.m.
Holy Eucharist Rite II (with music)	Church	10:30 a.m.
Acolyte Training	Church	12:00 noon
Crown Do Well Study	Kiser Hall	5:00 p.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, August 20, 2017

Today's Loose Plate Offering Goes to Family Promise

Family Promise helps local homeless families get off the streets into a home of their own. The current participants are our guests this week. This morning's loose plate offering goes to Family Promise. Please give as you are able.

Fr. Read Out of the Church Office

Fr. Read will be on vacation with his family through this Saturday. He will be back in church next Sunday, August 27. Additionally, the church office will be closed on Friday at noon.

Work on Railroad Crossing at Front St. & Valrico Road

Valrico Road will be closed by the church from August 21-24 in order to do work on the railroad crossing. Please be advised that you will need to access the church using Front Street during that time.

Centering Prayer Meets on Thursday

As the hot, sticky days of summer linger on, set aside some time for yourself to learn the practice of centering prayer. The group meets at 2:00 p.m. in the chapel. Contact Barbara Glaser at barann2@verizon.net for more details.

Newcomers' Coffee Next Sunday Morning

If you are new at Holy Innocents' or have been around for a while but have any questions about the church, you are welcome to the Newcomers' Coffee next Sunday at 9:15 a.m. in the Rector's Office. If you have questions but can't attend, contact Pat Magnant at patm@myitperson.com.

Acolyte Training Next Sunday

The acolyte ministry is in need of new members. If you are 8 years or older and want to participate in this important ministry please contact Mr. or Mrs. Pergola (mvpjmp@yahoo.com) or Deacon Art (ahollows@verizon.net). Training for both new acolytes and current acolytes will be held next Sunday, August 27, at noon in the church. Parents of acolytes are asked to attend.

Baseball with the Bishop Set for Friday, September 15

The deadline to purchase tickets is next Sunday, August 27. The game is Rays v. Red Sox at 7:10 p.m. Tickets are \$25 and seats are located adjacent to the Rays' bullpen. Sign up in the narthex or email Bill Cox at bcox1953@gmail.com.

UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

Showing of Movie "The Shack" on Wednesday, August 30

The Women's Bible Study invites the congregation to a showing of the movie "The Shack" on Wednesday, August 30. Snack foods like Cuban sandwiches, chips, salsa, popcorn, and drinks will be provided. You are welcome to bring something to share. Food will be available starting at 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall, and the movie will start at 7:00 PM. Note: This is not a movie for small children. Please RSVP to Sue Bothe at 813-409-3442 or sueblue113@yahoo.com so we know where to hold the movie.

The Gathering Returns on September 6!

Mark Wednesday nights on your calendar and plan to be at church for a festive time of fellowship, food, worship, and teaching. The first Wednesday will feature a celebration of Deacon Gary's ministry and a community Eucharist. We need volunteers to sign up to help with meals each Wednesday evening. Make it fun and have a ministry or church group that you are a part of host an evening together! Sign up now in the Parish Hall.

Tickets Available Today to Celebration for Fr. Steve on September 10

We're marking this incredible milestone of 50 years of ordained ministry for Fr. Steve, our Rector Emeritus, with a huge Italian feast! The celebration is set for September 23 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Dinner is an Italian feast for \$5/person with a cap of \$15/family. You can purchase your tickets online or in the narthex today. You must buy your ticket in advance; there will be no sales at the door on 9/23. Deadline to purchase tickets is Sept. 10. There are a limited number of tickets and they are going fast!

Pictures of Fr. Steve

Do you have any pictures of Fr. Steve from the years when he served as Rector? Please scan and email them to Jeremy Rudacille at jsrudacille@gmail.com.

New List of Donations Needed for A Kid's Place

Here are the items currently needed at A Kid's Place, a local facility in Brandon that cares for abused, abandoned, and neglected children: sippy cups, toddler snacks, paper plates, and boys pajamas (sizes 6 & 8). Please place all donations in the marked box in the narthex and thank you for making donating to A Kid's Place a regular part of your giving!

Submissions Being Accepted for Veterans' Book

At Holy Innocents', we keep a record of all of our congregation members who are military veterans. If you have served in our armed forces and have not yet submitted your information to be included in our book, please contact Pat Magnant at patm@myitperson.com for specifics on what to submit or submit your information through our website. We will be publishing an updated book soon and want to include all veterans!

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES

Youth Webpage Update

We have redone the Youth Ministries webpage to include all sorts of upcoming events, medical forms, PowerPoints from last Sunday's meeting, and even a Matthew West video that is serving as our theme for the year! Check it out at www.hiepiscopal.org/youth-ministries.

Acolyte Festival

The annual acolyte festival will be on Saturday, September 16, at the Cathedral in St. Pete. If you want to attend, please contact Mr. or Mrs. Pergola or Deacon Art at the email addresses listed above.

Youth Going to Matthew West Concert

All middle and high school students (including rising 6th graders) are invited to attend this concert on October 6 in Lakeland. Tickets are \$12 if you purchase them in advance through the youth group. You must pay for your ticket(s) by September 7 in order to get the discounted rate. We also need several chaperones who are current on their "Safeguarding God's Children" certification. This can be done online. Questions? Contact Melinda Carr (melindaj3@verizon.net) or Kelle Schnabel (kelle.schnabel@gmail.com).

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

<u>Birthdays</u>

August 20 Sylvia McIntyre Rob Stone DaMali Suber August 22

Morgan Toth

August 23 Elvis Rivera Brandi Schock August 26

Michelle Bass Mike Magnant Cheryl Massaro August 21 Connie & Neil Marshall

> August 22 Pat & Bill Staley

Anniversaries

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

FINANCIALS

How are we doing financially? Prior Week Actual Revenue: \$8,924. Prior Week Budgeted Expenses: \$8,474. YTD Actual Pledge/Regular Contributions: \$258,391. YTD Budgeted Pledge/Regular Contributions: **\$246,708.** Thank you for keeping your financial commitments up to date.