



the **NATIVITY** *Scene*

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Steak and Bake for Wilmer Hall

Sunday, April 17th at 5:00 pm



Hot-off-the-grill hand-cut steaks, baked potatoes, and fixin's that you'd expect! Come on out to benefit a great cause, (our Diocese Children's Home, Wilmer Hall), enjoy a great meal, and spend some quality time with your family and friends.

Sign up forms are located at the welcome table, in the office during the week, and the deadline for orders is April 10th! \$20 a person

This will be an East Side Diocesan event!
If you would like to volunteer to help, please call
Hercules Pettis at 628-4007.

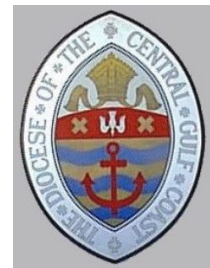
EASTER SUNDAY!



HAPPENINGS FROM THE DIOCESE!

April 18-22, 2016: Five-Day Iconography Workshop Held at St. Christopher's in Pensacola.

April 22-24, 2016: Young Adult Retreat Held at Camp McDowell in Alabama



For more information on these events and more please call the church office at 747-4000 or go to the Diocesan website at www.diocgc.org.

Summer Camp at Beckwith! Registration is now open for all youth 1st through Senior High. Early registration discounts apply through March 31st. Visit www.BeckwithAL.com for more information including camp schedule and to register. Camp dates and costs vary by age group.



- Apr. 2 Anne Hawley, Jim Sandlin, Duncan Scott
- Apr. 3 Avery Wattenbarger
- Apr. 4 Alyssa Shores
- Apr. 5 Mac Bonham, Jeremy Wilkins
- Apr. 6 Clara Spaulding
- Apr. 7 April Dick
- Apr. 8 Benjamin Stuart
- Apr. 9 Anna McCord
- Apr. 10 Sarah Dick
- Apr. 11 Deana Gailfoil
- Apr. 12 Callie Mills
- Apr. 13 Jewell Harding, Parker McClellan
- Apr. 15 Garrett Coley, Dan Smith
- Apr. 16 Richard Doran
- Apr. 18 Rosemary Cramer, Gregory Presser
- Apr. 19 Esteban Pereira
- Apr. 22 Henry Breland, Carmen Camenzind,
Byron Matthews, Steve McClain, Joseph
Parell, Stephanie Pettis, Sarah Pitts,
Madilyn Streichert, Joseph Thompson,
James Thompson
- Apr. 25 Ella Cole
- Apr. 26 Corbett McEwen, Addison Pack
- Apr. 27 Benjamin Churchill, John Currie, Alex
Phillips, Faith Smith
- Apr. 28 Abram Jeffery
- Apr. 29 Bailey Melzer, Madge Smith, Megan
Thompson
- Apr. 30 Alvin Peters, Marion Wallace



- Apr. 1 Jim and Florence Fortier
- Apr. 8 Rusty Smith and Stephanie Pettis
- Apr. 9 David and Madge Smith
- Apr. 15 James and Joyce Cospers
- Apr. 16 Max and Joyce Dannecker
- Apr. 17 Heinz and Jaimie Camenzind
- Apr. 20 Jim and Kelly Roberson
- Apr. 21 John and Nancy Currie
Chris and Kathy Mills
Hercules and Mary Ellen Pettis
- Apr. 22 Dan and Laura Johnson
Bruce and Phyllis McLawhorn
- Apr. 30 Jeff and Kate Watson

Acolyte Training for New Acolytes

Rising second or third graders (or older) and their parents are invited to an acolyte orientation and training on Sunday, April 10th, at 9:15am. This is for new acolytes. We are beginning our training program now and through the summer for new acolytes who will be in the second or third grades through high school next year. If you are interested in joining this ministry, please join us April 10th at 9:15am in the Nave! Questions? Ask Mike Harding, [\(850\) 747-0601](tel:8507470601) or email mharding@mmitv.com.





With a new coat of paint, marks a new beginning for the youth of our church.

The youth group is cleaning house and a new look room will start to take shape over the coming weeks. We this update of facilities, the development of a program for youth and young adults will be following soon.

Planning is underway for a trip before the end of the season. The youth will be hosting a trivia night on a Wednesday TBC, so if you think you know it all here is your chance to prove it! Details to follow.



Diocesan Youth Events Coming up!

Summer Camps at Beckwith	May 29-August 2
Episcopal Night at the Ballpark	Friday, June 17th at 5:30 pm (Maritime Park, Pensacola)
Diocesan Acolyte Festival	Saturday, August 20th (Christ Church Cathedral, Mobile)
EYC Kickoff	Sunday, August 28th (Beckwith)
Baylights Weekend	September 30th - October 2nd (Beckwith)
National Acolyte Festival	October 8th (Washington National Cathedral)
Province IV Leadership Gathering	December 1-3 (Lake Logan Episcopal Center, Canton, NC)
Happening #53	February 3-5, 2017 (Holy Nativity, Panama City)

Children's Ministry April 2016 *by Beverly McDaniel*

April	Sun. School 9:15 Sunday School is meeting in Kids' Kingdom for now.	Children's Church 10:30 In Kids' Kingdom after the children's sermon at the beginning of the worship service. They return to "big church" for communion.	Nursery 10:15 Younger children enjoy being in the nursery with Catherine Churchill or Emily Brock and our faithful nursery Volunteers.
3	Beverly McDaniel 265-8033	"Joseph's Beautiful Coat" Elizabeth and Johnny Moore 215-5492	Sandy Ciccarelli 265-9276
10	Beverly McDaniel 265-8033	"The Brothers Sell Joseph" Lindsey and Ian Crelling 319-6226	Liz Ward 864-420-5855
17	Beverly McDaniel 265-8033	"Joseph's Dreams" Holly Melzer 896-0428 Tricia Berry 407-456-0232	Pat Spangler 215-5247
24	Beverly McDaniel 265-8033	"Joseph's Brothers Go to Egypt" Karen Shores 867-1084 Casey Cole 319-4376	Teresa Durgan 913-3471

Again this year, so many thanks go to all of you who helped to make Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter memorable and meaningful for our children at Holy Nativity. (Look for Easter pictures in the May newsletter.) It is great to have parents who participate with each other in their children's Christian Education. In CE circles these days, we often call it Christian Formation, which I believe appropriately describes the objective of supporting corporate, shared worship. Worshiping together is inspiring and affirming for children as well as for adults. Many friendships formed at church promote Christian values and choices as young people grow and peer influences become more important to them. Holy Nativity is not just a neighborhood church; our parishioners come from throughout Bay County and beyond. It is so nice to see the children make "church friends" who may attend other schools or live in different areas, yet they connect to worship and play together forming lasting friendships.

This brings me to tell you more about our Wonderful Wednesday Evening events. Every Wednesday at 5:30, there is a "less-formal-than-Sunday, come-as-you-are" worship service after which we have supper together. Sometimes it is potluck but often it is prepared by our sexton and in-house chef, Mr. James, (who makes the best cookies ever). Following supper and play, we usually separate for short, age-appropriate programs: the nursery is open for babies and toddlers, the kindergarten and elementary children come with me, Coach Jeffery gathers the youth group, and the adults meet in Battin Hall or go to EFM or choir practice. Now with DST and nice weather, we can play outside and really enjoy the fellowship and fun. We finish about 7:30 so it is not too late for most of the children. I encourage you parents to come with your children for a wonderful evening at church.

April 2016



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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						Cursillo Retreat At Beckwith Mar. 31-Apr. 3
3 The 2nd Sunday of Easter 8:00 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite One 9:15 am - Christian Education for all ages 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite Two with Children's Chapel	4	5 10:00 am-Bible Seminar	6 4:00 pm-Children's Choir Rehearsal 5:30 pm-EfM 5:30 pm-five-thirty service, dinner and programs 6:30 pm-Choir Rehearsal	7	8	9
10 The 3rd Sunday of Easter Steak and Bake signup Deadline 8:00 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite One 9:15 am - Christian Education for all ages 9:15 am-Acolyte Training 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite Two with Children's Chapel	11	12 10:00 am-Bible Seminar 6:00 pm-EfM Alumni Dinner and Program	13 4:00 pm-Children's Choir Rehearsal 5:30 pm-EfM 5:30 pm-five-thirty service, dinner and programs 6:30 pm-Choir Rehearsal	14 2:00 pm - 8:30 pm Supper at Grace volunteer work	15	16
17 The 4th Sunday of Easter 8:00 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite One 9:15 am - Christian Education for all ages 9:15 am-Vestry Meeting 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite Two with Children's Chapel 5:00 pm-Steak and Bake	18	19 10:00 am-Bible Seminar	20 4:00 pm-Children's Choir Rehearsal 5:30 pm-EfM 5:30 pm-five-thirty service, dinner and programs 6:30 pm-Choir Rehearsal	21	22	23
24 The 5th Sunday of Easter 8:00 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite One 9:15 am - Christian Education for all ages 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite Two with Children's Chapel	25 5:30 pm-Book Club At Panera Bread 6:30 pm-Book Club at the Parish House	26 10:00 am-Bible Seminar	27 4:00 pm-Children's Choir Rehearsal 5:30 pm-EfM 5:30 pm-five-thirty service, dinner and programs 6:30 pm-Choir Rehearsal	28	29	30
				Area Clergy Lunch		

Worship Lay Ministry Schedule for April 2016

April 3, 2016	April 10, 2016	April 17, 2016	April 24, 2016
Altar Guild: Mary Bonham, Lisa McLendon, and Marla Churchill	Altar Guild: Amy Russell, Barbara Knowles, and Inge Churchill	Altar Guild: Tim and Monica Phillips, Mary Mitiga, David Burriss	Altar Guild: Nancy Hebert and Inge Churchill
Greeters 8:00 am: Larry and Kay Young 10:30 am: Tony and Jenny Collier	Greeters 8:00 am: Donna Jangula 10:30 am: Sandy Ciccarelli and Joe Ferrante	Greeters 8:00 am: Monica and Alex Phillips 10:30 am: Kate Watson and Kacey McEwen	Greeters 8:00 am: Ursula Hixson 10:30 am: Charlie Commander and Kacey McEwen
Ushers 8:00 am: Susan Nelson and Jerry Darnell 10:30 am: Max and Joyce Dannecker	Ushers 8:00 am: Terry Jangula and Tim Pride 10:30 am: John Thompson and Chris Mills	Ushers 8:00 am: Tim Phillips and Dawn Johnson 10:30 am: Russell and Beth Brock	Ushers 8:00 am: Jim Hixson and Parker McClellan 10:30 am: Bob and Lisa McLendon
Chalice Bearers 8:00 am: Lou and Inge Churchill 10:30 am: Kelly Roberson and Todd Williams	Chalice Bearers 8:00 am: Karen Tucker and Byron Matthews 10:30 am: Scott Clemons and Edyth Brown	Chalice Bearers 8:00 am: Gayle Ahrens and Gene Wicker 10:30 am: Joe Ciccarelli and Brian Leebrick	Chalice Bearers 8:00 am: Suzanne Grossman and Theresa Townsend 10:30 am: Nancy Breland and George McInnis
Acolytes 10:30 am: Jack Thompson, Joseph Thompson, Jacob Brock, Michael watts, Grace Ennis, Hannah Hickman, Andrew Collier	Acolytes 8:00 am: Lauren Stewart 10:30 am: Morgan Williams, Ashtyn Williams, Paul Brust, Peyton Lam, Kate Leebrick, Bekah Leebrick	Acolytes 10:30 am: Ben Bradford, Camryn Commander, Ginny Leebrick, Linda Taylor King, Chappell Syfrett, Shelby Roberson, Stevens Roberson	Acolytes 8:00 am: Lauren Stewart 10:30 am: Drew Dickey, Madelyn Reeder, James Thompson, Tyler Shores, Mia Carroll, Bekah Leebrick, Kate Leebrick
Lector at 10:30 am Michael Lovchuk	Lector at 10:30 am Rich Doran	Lector at 10:30 am Daniel Melzer	Lector at 10:30 am Holly Melzer
Tablecloth Ministry: Barbara Knowles	Tablecloth Ministry: Natasha Lithway	Tablecloth Ministry: Nancy Hebert	Tablecloth Ministry: Candace Leebrick



Only if you are unable to find a replacement for the day you are scheduled, please call your lay ministry leader.

Acolytes: Mike Harding - 747-0601
 Altar Guild: Inge Churchill - 265-6744
 Chalice Bearers/Lectors:
 8 a.m. Gayle Ahrens 235-4265 10:30 a.m. Edyth Brown - 265-4009
 Greeters/Ushers: Terry Jangula - 874-2382
 Tablecloth Ministry: Madge Smith - 588-8320



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DIocese OF THE CENTRAL GULF COAST

The Rt. Rev. Russell Kendrick - Bishop
The Rev. Steven B. Bates - Rector
The Rev. Tom Weller, Associate
Mr. Mike Dickey, Postulant for Holy Orders

CHURCH STAFF

Youth Director - Andrew Jeffery
Children's CE Director - Beverly McDaniel
Administrative Assistant - Madge Smith
Director of Choirs - Stacey Holliday
Church Organist - John Durgan
Church Bookkeeper – Kathy Mills
Sexton - James Rahn
Nursery Attendants - Catherine Churchill and Emily Brock

THE VESTRY

Fr. Steve Bates - Rector
Gayle Ahrens 15-18
Peggy Bowen 16-19
Beth Brock 15-18
Mike Dickey 15-18
Tiffany Ennis 16-19
Mark Godwin - Treasurer
Tom Hairston 16-19

Jim Hixson 15-18
Brian Leebrick 14-17
Madge Smith - Clerk
Hercules Pettis 14-17
Stewart Sumpton 14-17
Joy Thompson 16-19
Todd Williams 14-17

SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP SERVICES

*Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist - Rite I **
9:15 a.m. - Adult and Youth CE, Children's Sunday School (Sept. - May)
*10:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist - Rite II***
*Wednesday 5:30 pm - five-thirty Eucharist * and programs*

**Nursery Provided*

***Children's Church and Nursery Provided*