



the NATIVITY Scene

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Blessing of the Animals



Holy Nativity Episcopal Church
October 5, 2016 at 5:30 pm
Cookout afterwards!
If your pet is unable to attend,
bring a photo!



Don't miss the most fun night of the week!

- 4:00 pm: Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 5:30 pm: *five-thirty* service with supper afterwards
- 6:30 pm: Combined Choir Rehearsal
(rehearsing now for Lessons and Carols if you want to join them!)
- 7:00 pm: Chancel Choir Rehearsal

5:30 P.M.
 Casual, come as you
 are Eucharist!
 Dinner and Programs to Follow



**NEWCOMERS SOCIAL
AND SUPPER!**

October 2nd at 5:00 pm!

Good food. Great fellowship. Welcome to Holy Nativity!

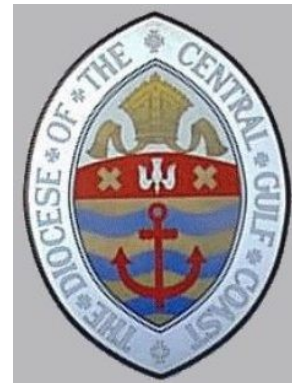
If you haven't attended a Holy Nativity newcomers social and supper, this is for you!

Please join your new church family on Sunday afternoon, October 2nd! The social hour begins at 5pm, with supper following at 6pm.

This is a chance for you to meet more of the Holy Nativity members (especially those who might attend a service other than the one you attend) and for us to get to know you and your family better!



**Bishop's Visit and Confirmations
December 11, 2016
(more info later)**



Confirma- tion

**Classes begin
November 6, 2016 at 9:15 am.**

If you or your youth would like to be confirmed and attend confirmation classes please call the church office at 747-4000 or A. J. Jeffery at 319-1953 or aussie_aj@holy-nativity.org

HOW you can HELP

Missions and Outreach

Backpacks:

The Backpack Ministry is off and running, making weekly deliveries to our sponsored school. There are still opportunities to participate, and of course to contribute food or funds to keep this worthwhile ministry going strong. Not sure what to buy? There is a list on the bulletin board in the narthex of suggested food contributions.

Food Bank:

Alas, the shelves are mostly bare in the Food Bank, for the best of reasons—a local charity arrived a couple weeks ago, and took all we had to help feed needy families in our community. Now we are re-stocking for the next visit, and need your help. Not sure what to buy? There is a list on the bulletin board in the narthex of suggested food contributions.



Look for boxes and information in the foyer soon! Boxes filled with school supplies and toys are sent to children all over the world! The deadline to return your boxes is November 15th.

Our next Laundry Love Event will be October 27, 2016 from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm at the Wash Depot on 11th Street next to the Bay County Library.

During this event we will serve anyone that walks in and needs clean clothes. We need you to volunteer! Volunteers will be available to assist with handling out quarters and laundry supplies, talking to people...just helping anyway possible by spreading the love and support.



Would you like to make a donation toward this ministry? Make your checks out to Holy Nativity Episcopal Church and note "Laundry Love". Also, look for the Quarter Donation Jar on the Welcome table! Thank you!

For more information and to volunteer, please contact David Smith at 774-6475 or david@sandoakdivorcesolutions.com or Brenda Harned at 960-0223.



The youth season is underway, unfortunately our first event had to be cancelled due to low numbers. Not something we are seeing Wednesday Nights with 25-30 youth from 6th grade to high-schoolers!! The next three main events are local and based from the church. Look forward to another developing and growing year in Youth Ministry.

Renovation Rescue

With HNEC hosting the diocesan wide youth faith weekend Happening in Feb 2017, the time has come to transform some of our forgotten spaces in readiness. Join our youth and their families in battle as they renovate the three rooms in the two story building. This will be a competition held over 24hrs and unveiled after the 10:30 service. Prizes and adulations awarded by an illustrious panel of experts.

If you would like to be part or have materials to donate please contact AJ at 319-1953 or the church office at 747-4000. The date will be announced with the teams and themes.

Love Thy Neighbor

Now in our third year the LOVE THY NEIGHBOR ministry has delivered over 90 parcels (30 in 2014 & 60 in 2015) of supplies to help the SOAR Program (Street Outreach and Recovery) assist the hundreds of homeless and vulnerable youth of Bay County.

This year we are asking that you help us deliver over 100 parcels please view the wishlist of items and if able buy an extra with your shop or you can purchase all the items for one parcel. All is greatly appreciated.

Wet-wipes x 1 packet

Deodorant x 1 stick

Scarf, hat & gloves x 1 set

Toothbrush & paste x 1 set

Chapstick x 1 stick

Canned meals ring-pull x 4 cans

Emergency poncho x 1

Granola bars x 4 bars

Crackers x 4 packet

Fruit cups x 4

Candy bar x 2

Sunscreen

Bug Repellent

The youth with pack and prepare for delivery in December.

Looking forward to the fun,

A.J. Jeffery, Youth Director

319-1953 or aussie_aj@holy-nativity.org

Children's Ministry October 2016 *by Beverly McDaniel*

Oct.	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.
2	"Water from the Rock" Laura and Alex King 625-0705	Sandy Ciccarelli 265-9276
9	"A Snake Made of Bronze" Krissy Oenbrink 890-4441 Liz Ward 864-420-5585	Kaew Sumpton 872-3782
16	"The Ten Commandments" Holly Melzer 896-0428 Tricia Berry 407-456-0232	Pat Spangler 215-5247
23	"Naaman's Skin Disease" Tiffany and Powell Ennis 784-4762	Teresa Durgan 913-3471
30	"What Is all Saints' Day?" Lindsey Crelling 319-6226 Beverly McDaniel 265-8033	Kathy Brust 814-8014

Many thanks go to all of you who helped to make our September 11th visits to the Panama City Police Department and the Sixth Street Fire Station a memorable and meaningful experience for our children... especially to Fr. Steve for barbecuing the beef, to Mr. James (Rahn) for packing everything for delivery, to the parents who drove, and to the children who made the charming thank-you cards for the first responders. Although Johnny Moore was called away on duty, he said that everyone there really appreciated our visit.

In October, the children can look forward to the St. Francis Blessing of the Animals on Wednesday the 5th, making our streamers on Wednesday the 26th and during Children's Church on the 30th for the All Saints' Sunday procession on November 6th. Actually, all of our Wonderful Wednesdays are nice for the children. First, there is a child-friendly Eucharist service followed by supper in Battin Hall. Then we have some playtime and a short program and/or activity...and this is the place we want to incorporate Godly Play. Liz Ward and Florencia Pereira have just attended the second training session so that they can begin teaching us. I will be asking you parents to help. Again, I welcome your questions, comments, and suggestions so please feel free to call me (265-8033).



Adult Christian Education Father Tom

Adult Sunday School!!!

We meet Sunday mornings 9:15 to 10:15 at the east end of the yellowing brick road, in Mary Stuart Poole Library for an hour of fun, education, and more fun. At the moment, we're trying a new approach to Bible study that's based on a method devised a generation ago by Walter Wink. Replacing, or partly replacing our usual study based in what's called "Modern Bible Criticism," we are, for the Gospel lesson only, pondering questions about the lesson, that help us contemplate what Jesus is saying and how His words in the Gospel apply to us, personally and corporately, in life today. It's a new adventure for us, and I am testing it in Adult Sunday School as a possibility for our Midweek Bible Seminar when we resume it second semester, soon after Christmas. Come one, come all. Come early, come on time, or come late. All invited, all welcome!

Join the Choir!

Wednesdays

- 4:00 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30 pm Combined Choir Rehearsal
(Lessons and Carols Practice)
- 7:00 pm The Chancel Choir Rehearsal

I would like to invite everyone of all ages to think about joining the choir! The children and youth sing several times a year and the adult choirs lead us on Sundays and on special occasions.

Currently, we have just begun rehearsing for our Festival of Lessons and Carols (December 7th) at 6:30 pm every Wednesday night. What a wonderful way to start Advent and the Christmas Season!

Mary Sexton
Choir Director



UPCOMING BOOK CLUB SELECTIONS

Holy Nativity's Book Club meets every month on the fourth Monday. 5:30 pm at Panera Bread by Mall for dinner and then at 6:30 pm at the Parish House to discuss the book of the month! For more information please contact Joyce Dannecker at dannecker@comcast.net or 763-2683.

October: The Summer Before the War by Helen Simonson

November: Alexander Hamilton by Ron Chernow

December: Supper and Speak of your favorite book his past year.

January: A Land Remembered (about Florida) by Patrick D. Smith

Thank you to the congregation and especially the "Church Ladies" for the lovely Sip and See! Charlie, Elizabeth, Henry, their mothers, and grandmother all felt so loved and blessed to be surrounded by your support and prayers. We appreciate the thought and heart into the special details including the pretty decorations, Auburn orange punch, appetizers and the amazing "baby girl and boy" cake! We are also thankful for the generous donations of books for the students of our sponsored backpack ministry school.

*Much love,
Carol and Garrett*





- Oct. 1 Edwin Stewart
- Oct. 2 Ina Joy Conrad, Michele Dawe
- Oct. 3 Jillian Dingus, Elizabeth Zinszer
- Oct. 4 Mary Sexton
- Oct. 5 Trevor Madden
- Oct. 7 Vicki Patterson
- Oct. 8 Heinz Camenzind, Ursula Hixson, Lydia San Juan
- Oct. 9 Anna Marie Smith
- Oct. 10 Sherry Davis, Raleigh Hickman
- Oct. 11 Chris Mills, Edward San Juan, Julian Scott
- Oct. 12 Ann Yessman
- Oct. 13 Lance Sheffield, Jeff Watson, Michael Watts
- Oct. 14 Candace Leebrick
- Oct. 16 Katy Bradford, Gigi Carroll, Emmarie Duncan, Elizabeth Stamps
- Oct. 18 Linda Taylor King, Beverly McDaniel, Zach Messer, Phillip Pack, Wayland Patterson, Mike Zinszer
- Oct. 19 Emi Hickman, Krissy Oenbrink, Matthew Ward
- Oct. 20 Cameron Johnson, Edwina McLane
- Oct. 21 Matthew Bruhn
- Oct. 22 Alice Allen, Sharon Carroll
- Oct. 23 Remy Godwin
- Oct. 24 Tom Hairston
- Oct. 25 Ben Bradford, Gerry Clemons, Jennifer Josten, Aerith McEwen
- Oct. 26 Matheson Crelling
- Oct. 27 Tyler Shores
- Oct. 28 Betty Grammer, Mike Harding, Abigail Russell
- Oct. 29 Russell Knowles, Katy McClain, Theresa Townsend
- Oct. 30 Emily Brock, Mark Godwin, Charles Knowles
- Oct. 31 Jack Thompson



- Oct. 7 Bill and Ashley Eaton
Matthew and Liz Ward
- Oct. 9 Tommy and Jewell Harding
- Oct. 10 John and Lynn Sarno
- Oct. 13 Matt and Casey Cole
- Oct. 15 Bill and Katy Bradford
Tim and Renee Madden
- Oct. 20 Scott and Katie Wattenbarger
- Oct. 24 Carl and Anne Harris
- Oct. 25 Conway and Nancy Reeder

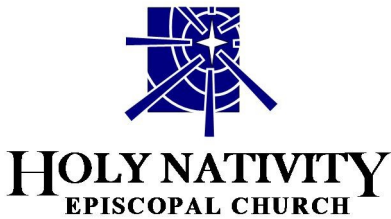


Efm Alumni
Dinner and Program
October 11, 2016
6:00 pm at Holy
Nativity

All Education for Ministry Alumni are invited to attend this once a month gathering.

Please contact the church office at 747-4000 or madge@holy-nativity.org for more information.





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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, Candidate for Holy Orders

CHURCH STAFF

Youth Director - Andrew Jeffery
Children's CE Director - Beverly McDaniel
Administrative Assistant - Madge Smith
Director of Choirs - Mary Sexton
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 Jr. Warden
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 Sr. Warden
Madge Smith - Clerk
Hercules Pettis 14-17
Kelly Roberson 16-17
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*

Worship Lay Ministry Schedule for October 2016

Oct. 2, 2016	Oct. 9, 2016	Oct. 16, 2016	Oct. 23, 2016	Oct. 30, 2016
Altar Guild: Kaew Sumpton, Nancy Dingu, Inge Churchill	Altar Guild: Nancy Breland, Victoria Williams, Rhonda Miller	Altar Guild: Mary Bonham, Lisa McLendon, Marla Churchill	Altar Guild: Amy Russell, Barbara Knowles, Byron Matthews, Karen Tucker	Altar Guild: Tim and Monica Phillips, Mary Mittiga, David Burris
Greeters 8:00 am: Donna Jangula 10:30 am: Kate Watson and Kacey McEwen	Greeters 8:00 am: Monica and Alex Phillips 10:30 am: Sandy Ciccarelli and Joe Ferrante	Greeters 8:00 am: Ursula Hixson 10:30 am: Charlie Commander and Mary Ellen Pettis	Greeters 8:00 am: Dorbre McMullen 10:30 am: Sue White and Mary Ellen Harding	Greeters 8:00 am: Larry and Kay Young 10:30 am: Tom Hairston and Ian Creling
Ushers 8:00 am: Terry Jangula and Tim Pride 10:30 am: Russell and Beth Brock	Ushers 8:00 am: Tim Phillips and Dawn Johnson 10:30 am: Bob and Lisa McLendon	Ushers 8:00 am: Jim Hixson and Parker McClellan 10:30 am: Dick and Nancy Hebert	Ushers 8:00 am: Dan and Laura Johnson 10:30 am: Steve Dick and Bill Bradford	Ushers 8:00 am: Susan Nelson and Jerry Darnell 10:30 am: Alan and Jeannette Tremaine
Chalice Bearers 8:00 am: Gayle Ahrens and Gene Wicker 10:30 am: Joe Ciccarelli and Kelly Roberson	Chalice Bearers 8:00 am: Suzanne Grossman and Theresa Townsend 10:30 am: Todd Williams and Edyth Brown	Chalice Bearers 8:00 am: Karen Tucker and Byron Matthews 10:30 am:	Chalice Bearers 8:00 am: Inge Churchill and Gayle Ahrens 10:30 am: Nancy Breland and George McInnis	Chalice Bearers 8:00 am: Gayle Ahrens and Gene Wicker 10:30 am: Joyce Dannecker and Brian Leebrick
Acolytes 10:30 am: Morgan Williams, Ashtyn Williams, John Moore, Linda Taylor King, Michael Watts, Andrew Collier, James Thompson	Acolytes 8:00 am: Lauren Stewart 10:30 am: Jack Thompson, Ginny Leebrick, Peyton Lam, Bailey Melzer, Chappell Syfrett, Hannah Hickman, Joseph Thompson	Acolytes 10:30 am: Paul Brust, Shelby Roberson, Grace Ennis, Milly Eberhard, Mia Carroll, Stevens Roberson, Madelyn Reeder	Acolytes 8:00 am: Lauren Stewart 10:30 am: Jacob Brock, Bekah Leebrick, Kate Smith, Nicolas Pereira, Samantha Smith, Kate Leebrick, Tyler Shores	Acolytes 8:00 am: Lauren Stewart 10:30 am: Joseph Thompson, Ginny Leebrick, Embrianna Hickman, Peyton Lam, Kristina Dick, Ashley Doran, James Thompson
Lector at 10:30 am Michele Hahn	Lector at 10:30 am Jackie Rahn	Lector at 10:30 am Judy Dickey	Lector at 10:30 am Tom Hairston	Lector at 10:30 am Tom Ledman
Tablecloth Ministry: Michele Hahn	Tablecloth Ministry: Teresa Durgan	Tablecloth Ministry: Barbara Knowles	Tablecloth Ministry: Natasha Lithway	Tablecloth Ministry: Nancy Hebert



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



October 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 20 Pentecost 8:00 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite One 9:15 am - Sunday School 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite Two with Children's Chapel 5:00 pm -Newcomer Social	3	4	5 4:00 pm-Children's Choir Rehearsal 5:30 pm – Blessing of the Animals and Supper 6:00 pm –8:00 pm: Choir Rehearsals	6	7	8
9 21 Pentecost 8:00 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite One 9:15 am - Sunday School 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite Two with Children's Chapel	10 Columbus Day Holiday (Office Closed)	11 6:00 pm-EfM Alumni Dinner and program	12 4:00 pm-Children's Choir Rehearsal 5:30 pm –five-thirty service, supper and programs GODLY PLAY BEGINS 6:00 pm –8:00 pm: Choir Rehearsals	13 2:00 pm - 8:30 pm Supper at Grace volunteer work	14	15
16 22 Pentecost 8:00 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite One 9:15 am - Sunday School 9:15 am - Vestry Meeting 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite Two with Children's Chapel	17	18	19 4:00 pm-Children's Choir Rehearsal 5:30 pm –five-thirty service, supper and programs 6:00 pm –8:00 pm: Choir Rehearsals	20	21	22
23 23 Pentecost 8:00 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite One 9:15 am - Sunday School 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite Two with Children's Chapel	24 5:30 pm-Book Club At Panera Bread 6:30 pm-Book Club at the Parish House	25	26 4:00 pm-Children's Choir Rehearsal 5:30 pm –five-thirty service, supper and programs 6:00 pm –8:00 pm: Choir Rehearsals	27 5:00 pm-Laundry Love Event	28	29
30 24 Pentecost 8:00 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite One 9:15 am - Sunday School 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite Two with Children's Chapel	31 Happy Halloween!	