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the NATIVITY *Scene*

Holy Nativity Episcopal Church • Panama City, Florida

Rally Day and
Blessing of the Backpacks!

WEDNESDAYS

Begin September 10th

5:30 P.M.

Casual, come as you
are Eucharist!

Dinner and Programs to Follow!

.....With

Children's Choir Rehearsal (4 pm),
Children's Program, Youth Group,
and Education for Ministry!





WITH SCHOOL BACK IN SESSION, WE NOW CAN LOOK FORWARD TO YOUTH GROUP GEARING UP FOR THE YEAR. I WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME ALL YOUTH TO ATTEND AND HAVE A VOICE IN WHAT,

WHERE AND HOW YOUR YOUTH GROUP WILL UNDERTAKE IT'S MINISTRIES.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS, BEGINNING SEPT 10TH WILL CONTINUE TO BE A PLACE TO SHARE FELLOWSHIP; SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL REMAIN A TIME TO DISCUSS AND REFLECT ON THE MESSAGE OF THE WEEK'S PRAYERS.

PARENTS, WE HOPE TO PUBLISH SHORTLY A CALENDAR OF EVENTS TO ASSIST IN PLANNING FOR FAMILIES. I HOPE TO MEET MORE OF THE CHURCH FAMILY IN THE COMING WEEKS AND PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO CONTACT ME IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR IDEAS. AUSSIE_AJ@HOLY-NATIVITY.ORG.

AJ, YOUR YOUTH DIRECTOR



**Pool Party and Cookout
For Youth and Parents
at Fr. Steve's House!**

Sunday, September 7th at 4:30 pm

Join us as we welcome Mr. Jeffery as our new Youth Director and celebrate Ms. Judy's ministry with us.

117 Legend Lakes Drive
(Bay Point)

Please let us know if
you're coming! 747-4000
(church office)



Welcome Andrew Jeffery as our New Youth Director!

Join me as we welcome Andrew Jeffery as our new Youth Director. Andrew is a native of Australia and comes to us from The United Kingdom with his wife Emma and their sons, Caleb and Abram. In addition to serving as Youth Director, Andrew serves as elementary physical education teacher at Holy Nativity School. He has a background in education, logistics, community access and camping and recreation programs for all ages and abilities.



All parents and youth are invited to welcome Andrew to this new ministry at a cookout and pool party at Father Steve's on September 7th at 4:30 p.m. We will also use this time to honor Ms. Judy's service as Youth Director. Please call the Church office and let us know if you're coming so we can get a good count for dinner. The first regularly scheduled youth group meeting will be Wednesday, September 10th following the five-thirty service and cookout. It's going to be a great year and you won't want to miss out!

God love you,
Fr. Steve+

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

With Fr. Tom

Tuesday morning Bible Seminar begins September 2nd !

Needs and Wants clarify when folks speak up, and several have asked that we again offer a weekday morning Bible study this fall, so we shall do so if six or more people commit and come faithfully. Beginning with the first session on Tuesday morning, September 2nd, the day after Labor Day, an adult Bible study will be offered. We will meet in my office conference room Through the Garage in the church office building across the street at 1011 E. Third Street (though if the class prefers, we can meet in the Mary Stuart Poole Library where the Adult Sunday School class meets on Sunday mornings). Time 10:00 A.M. and adjourning promptly at 11:15 each week. No lunch this year, but as we have done in the past, please plan to gather for coffee/tea and a cookie between 9:45 and 10:00 A.M. We will sit down at ten o'clock and class will begin promptly at 10:05 each week. All are invited and welcome, so come and bring friends! twellerpc@gmail.com

Adult Sunday School begins September 7th !

Back to class and fun after our summer break, Adult Sunday School resumes on Sunday morning, September 7th at our usual place and time. Between services, down the brick path to the Mary Stuart Poole Library. 9:15 to 10:15 Sunday mornings with our leadership team of Mike Dickey and Tom Weller. Lectionary & Liturgy, and as always members of the class will have a say in what we discuss and study, say and do.

CURSILLO WEEKEND

SEPTEMBER 25-28, 2014

Cursillo is a three-day weekend that introduces people to simple methods for nurturing and growing their relationships with Christ. It provides an experience of living in a Christian community centered in worship, prayer, study of scripture and interaction with other Christians. Its mission is to build up our parish churches by encouraging and empowering its members to prepare for doing the work of the church-the spreading of the Gospel. Cursillo is truly a wonderful gift in our diocese.

If you are interested in learning more, contact the office at 747-4000 or Madge Smith-madge@holy-nativity.org or Steve Bates-fr.steve@holy-nativity.org



Our church family is cordially
invited to a 60th Wedding
Anniversary celebration for
Tommy & Jewell Harding, hosted
by their children and
grandchildren.

The casual gathering is Saturday
afternoon, Oct. 4th, between 2 and
5pm in Battin Hall. Stop by
anytime.

Please RSVP to Mike Harding
[\[mharding@mmity.com\]](mailto:mharding@mmity.com)
or 747-0601.

Your presence is present enough.
Please, no gifts.

The Rite One Choir

Currently "The Rite One Choir" sings once a month at the 8:00 service as well as for some special services with The Chancel Choir.

Rehearsals are held every Thursday from 5:30 – 6:30 PM in the Church.

All interested adults are welcome to join! Please consider sharing your musical gifts with us. Interested high school and college students are also welcome.



Holy Nativity Church Chancel Choir

All adults are welcome to join us.

Weekly rehearsals are in the Church every Thursday evening 6:30 - 8:30 PM and Sunday mornings at 9:30.

The Chancel Choir sings every Sunday during the 10:30 worship service and special services throughout the year.

Please consider sharing your musical gifts with us. Interested high school and college students are also welcome.



Holy Nativity Church Children's Choir

All Children in grades 1–6 are welcome!

We rehearse every Wednesday, during the school year, starting Sept. 10, 2014 in the Choir Office from 4:00 – 5:10 PM

Come and lift your voices in song and praise. Enrich your child's life musically and spiritually!

For further information: Marqua Brunette, Director – 747-4000





Sept. 1 John Durgan, Chad Gall
 Sept. 3 Jo Bruhn, Julia McLane
 Sept. 4 Sara Bass, Liam Cramer
 Sept. 6 Bayne Collins, Kaitlyn Kelley, Al Lawrence, Shelby Roberson, Stevens Roberson
 Sept. 7 Pat Spangler
 Sept. 8 Casey Cole
 Sept. 9 Harvey David
 Sept. 10 Bill Ethridge, John Wicker, Gene Wicker
 Sept. 11 Emma Crelling
 Sept. 12 John McLendon
 Sept. 14 Tom Weller
 Sept. 17 James Cosper
 Sept. 18 Richard Bruhn, Jennifer Gailfoil, Jackie Rahn, Victoria Williams
 Sept. 19 Rob Doll
 Sept. 20 Anne Harris
 Sept. 21 Judy Dickey, Ron Yessman
 Sept. 25 Donna Jangula, Eric Stewart
 Sept. 26 Olivia Clemons, David Smith
 Sept. 27 Hannah Dye, Mary Frances Hutt
 Sept. 28 Chuck Coley
 Sept. 29 Mia Carroll, Denis Healey, Oliver Pettis, Carson Shores
 Sept. 30 Judi Lawrence

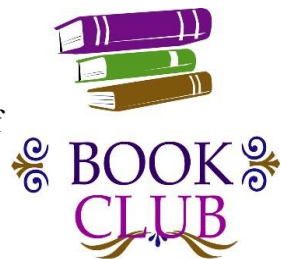


Sept. 1 Tommy and Torri Bishop
 Sept. 2 Bob and Judy Hughes
 Sept. 8 William and Monica Cramer
 Sept. 11 Andrew and Emma Jeffery
 Sept. 12 Doug and Susan Messer
 Sept. 14 Lou and Inge Churchill
 Sept. 16 Aaron and Karen Shores
 Sept. 17 Greg and Amy Russell
 Sept. 18 Ron and Ann Yessman
 Sept. 27 Henry and Nancy Breland
 Sept. 29 Doug and Caroline Smith
 Sept. 30 Terry and Donna Jangula

Kindle/Book Club

Everyone is invited to join the Kindle/Book Club!

They meet every 4th Monday of the month at 5:30 pm at Panera Bread by the Mall for dinner and then at 6:30 pm in the Church Office/Parish House for book discussion!



September: In An Instant by local author Dianne McKeithen, sheriff's wife.

October: Fever Man about Appalachicola's Dr. John Gorrie, inventor of air conditioning. By V. M. Sherlock.

November: Heaven Is For Real by Lynn Vincent and Todd Burpo.

December: Share a Book Party. Bring your choice book to tell us about.

January: Traitor's Wife, a novel about Benedict Arnold's wife, by Allison Pataki.

February: Sugar Queen by Sarah Addison Allen, a Southern novel.

March: Evensong by Gail Godwin. A woman priest married to a male priest.





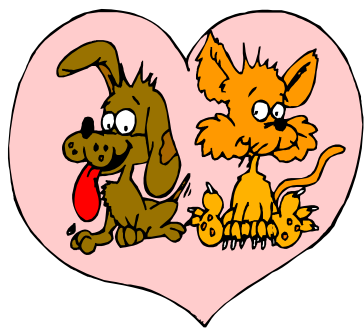
Children's Ministry Schedule September 2014

Sept.	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 Callie Mills and our wonderfully faithful nursery Volunteer.
7	Tiffany Ennis 784-4762 Casey Cole 319-4376	Sandy Ciccarelli 265-9276
14	Charlie Commander 819-5850 Trey Hutt 819-7934	Kaew Sumpton 814-8014
21	Karen Shores 867-1084 Sharon Carroll 784-6961	Pat Spangler 215-5247
28	Kathy Brust 814-8014 Brandi Kelley 832-2881	Teresa Durgan 913-3471

Rally Day brought great fun for Holy Nativity children and many guests again this year. They always like the Blessing of the Backpacks, as do we all. I particularly appreciate Fr. Steve's blessing and prayer for teachers. Certainly, we can extend that to our Children's Ministry volunteers as well. Our children greatly benefit from the fine adults they come to know and admire at Holy Nativity. I hope that all of our parishioners at Holy Nativity will take note of the volunteers' names on the Children's Ministry schedule each month and will join me in thanking them for their influence upon and contributions for our children and our church.

Beverly McDaniel





“FOOD FOR FURRY FRIENDS”

Benefits The Bay County Humane Society

The Holy Nativity Episcopal Church's Children's Choir is asking for your donations to help collect **“Food for Furry Friends”** in conjunction with our annual *St. Francis Blessing of the Animals* on Wednesday, Oct. 8th. The drop-off box will be inside the Kid's Kingdom Building. The Humane Society will pick-up all collected items and the Children's Choir is quite excited about their annual 'service project'. Please bring your donations on or before October 8^h.

Listed below is the “Wish List” for the Humane Society. They specifically request PURINA® food products to keep the animals on a consistent diet. While animals await adoption and their new homes, there are other items that they could really use to ensure that the pets have a more comfortable stay in the shelter and assist in offsetting expenses. Thank you for your generosity!!!

PURINA® Dog, Cat, Puppy & Kitten Food

Large Dog Harnesses

Leashes of all size

Peanut Butter

Washcloths, Bath and Hand Towels

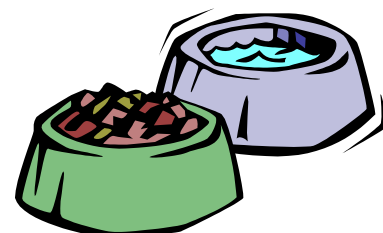
Paper Towels & Toilet Paper

Brown Paper & Plastic Shopping Bags

33-Gallon & Tall Kitchen Trash Bags

Liquid Laundry Soap

Low-Dust Cat Litter



Acolyte Training!

There will be Server training after the 10:30 service on Sept. 7th. If you're in Middle or High school, this is for you. It'll only take 30 minutes, so please stick around after the service for a refresher on your server training or for those who have now "moved up" into the server's position.



Acolyte Training



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DIocese OF THE CENTRAL GULF COAST

*The Rt. Rev. Philip M. Duncan II - Bishop
The Rev. Steven B. Bates - Rector
The Rev. Tom Weller, Associate*

CHURCH STAFF

*Youth Director - Andrew Jeffery
Children's CE Director - Beverly McDaniel
Administrative Assistant - Madge Smith
Director of Choirs - Marqua Brunette
Church Organist - John Durgan
Church Bookkeeper – Kathy Mills
Sexton - James Rahn
Nursery Attendants - Brynn Ledman, Emily Brock,
Abigail Dingus*

THE VESTRY

<i>Fr. Steve Bates - Rector</i>	<i>Mike Harding 13-16</i>
<i>Henry Breland 13-16</i>	<i>Betty Grammer 12-15</i>
<i>Edyth Brown 12-15</i>	<i>Brian Leebrick 14-17</i>
<i>Joe Ciccarella 13-16 Jr. Warden</i>	<i>Chris Mills 13-16</i>
<i>Carolyn Cramer 12-15</i>	<i>Hercules Pettis 14-17</i>
<i>Mark Godwin - Treasurer</i>	<i>Madge Smith - Clerk</i>
<i>Michele Hahn 12-15 Sr. Warden</i>	<i>Stewart Sumpton 14-17</i>
	<i>Todd Williams 14-17</i>

SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP SERVICES

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist - Rite I *</i>
	<i>9:15 a.m. - Adult and Youth CE, Children's Sunday School (Sept. - May)</i>
	<i>10:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist - Rite II**</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>11:30 am - Healing Eucharist</i>
	<i>5:30 pm - five-thirty Eucharist * and programs</i>

**Nursery Provided*

***Children's Church and Nursery Provided*



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 OFFICE CLOSED!	2 10:00 am-Bible Seminar 11:30 am-Mary Martha Circle 6:00 pm-EfM Reunion Group Dinner	3 5:30 pm-EfM	4 5:30 pm-The Rite One Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm-The Chancel Choir Rehearsal	5	6
7 The 13th Sunday after Pentecost 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 11:45 am-Acolyte training 4:30 pm-Youth Pool Party	8	9 10:00 am-Bible Seminar	10 4:00 pm-Children's Choir Rehearsal 5:30 pm-EfM 5:30 pm-five-thirty service and dinner 5:30 pm-Youth Group 6:30pm-Parish Ultreya/ Cursillo Reunion	11 2:00 pm - 8:30 pm Supper at Grace volunteer work 5:30 pm - The Rite One Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm - The Chancel Choir Rehearsal	12	13
14 The 14th Sunday after Pentecost 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	15	16 10:00 am-Bible Seminar	17 4:00 pm-Children's Choir Rehearsal 5:30 pm-EfM 5:30 pm-five-thirty service and dinner 5:30 pm-Youth Group	18 5:30 pm-The Rite One Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm-The Chancel Choir Rehearsal	19	20
21 The 15th Sunday after Pentecost 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	22 Book Club 5:30 pm-Book Club at Panera Bread 6:30 pm-Book Club at the Parish House	23 10:00 am-Bible Seminar	24 4:00 pm-Children's Choir Rehearsal 5:30 pm-EfM 5:30 pm-five-thirty service and dinner 5:30 pm-Youth Group	25 5:30 pm-The Rite One Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm-The Chancel Choir Rehearsal	26	27
28 The 16th Sunday after Pentecost 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	29	30 10:00 am-Bible Seminar				

Worship Lay Ministry Schedule for September 2014

Sept. 7, 2014	Sept. 14, 2014	Sept. 21, 2014	Sept. 28, 2014
Altar Guild: Nancy Breland, Victoria Williams, Rhonda Miller	Altar Guild: Mary Bonham, Lisa McLendon, Marla Churchill	Altar Guild: Amy Russell, Barbara Knowles, Inge Churchill	Altar Guild: Monica Phillips, Mary Mittiga, David Burris
Greeters 8:00 am: Ursula Hixson 10:30 am: Sandy Ciccarelli	Greeters 8:00 am: Dorbre McMullen and Laura Johnson 10:30 am: Tony and Jenny Collier	Greeters 8:00 am: Betty Heminway 10:30 am: Sue White and Mary Ellen Harding	Greeters 8:00 am: Dawn Johnson 10:30 am: Charlie and Cassie Commander
Ushers 8:00 am: Tim Phillips and Jim Hixson 10:30 am: Steve Dick and Bill Bradford	Ushers 8:00 am: Dan Johnson and Parker McClellan 10:30 am: Charles and Mary Bonham	Ushers 8:00 am: Terry Jangula and Tim Pride 10:30 am: John Thompson and Chris Mills	Ushers 8:00 am: Susan Nelson and Jerry Darnell 10:30 am: Russell and Beth Brock
Chalice Bearers 8:00 am: Gayle Ahrens and Gene Wicker 10:30 am: Scott Clemons and Joe Ciccarelli	Chalice Bearers 8:00 am: Suzanne Grossman and Theresa Townsend 10:30 am: Edyth Brown and Stewart Sumpton	Chalice Bearers 8:00 am: Lou and Inge Churchill 10:30 am: Brian Leebrick and Joyce Dannecker	Chalice Bearers 8:00 am: Bryon Matthews and Karen Tucker 10:30 am: Todd Williams and Mike Dickey
Acolytes 8:00 am: Wes McClellan and Madelyn Reeder 10:30 am: Jack Thompson, Jacob Brock, Camryn Commander, Grace Ennis, Shelby and Stevens Roberson	Acolytes 8:00 am: Lauren Stewart 10:30 am: Drew Dickey, Morgan Williams, Ashtyn Williams, Hannah Hickman, Andrew Collier, Trevor Madden	Acolytes 8:00 am: Wes McClellan and Madelyn Reeder 10:30 am: Ben Bradford, Joseph Thompson, Michael Watts, Paul Brust, James Thompson	Acolytes 8:00 am: Lauren Stewart 10:30 am: Sean Dickey, Ginny Leebrick, Chappell Syfrett, Kate Leebrick, Beka Leebrick
Lector at 10:30 am Rich Doran	Lector at 10:30 am Gerry Clemons	Lector at 10:30 am Tom Ledman	Lector at 10:30 am Beverly McDaniel
Tablecloth Ministry: Edyth Brown	Tablecloth Ministry: Candace Leebrick	Tablecloth Ministry: Mary Bonham	Tablecloth Ministry: Mary Frances Hutt



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