



# the NATIVITY June/July 2024 Scene

*Holy Nativity Episcopal Church • Panama City, Florida*

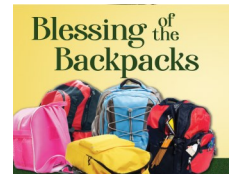
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**Rally Day and Blessing of the Backpacks:!**  
**August 4, 2024**

*Join us for this fun Sunday!*



*Lay Ministry Fair all morning.*

*Blessing of the Backpacks during the 10:30 service.*

*Parish Potluck after the 10:30 am service. Meat will be provided.*

*Kids: bring your swimsuits for the waterslide.*

## BACKPACK BUDDIES

The Backpack Buddy Ministry “packed it in” for the summer, May 22 nd , with several packing teams coming together to celebrate the 12 th successful year serving our Buddies! This year we packed and delivered over 2000 bags of weekend food as well as special extra bags during long school holidays.

After a well-deserved summer hiatus, we will hit the ground running when school starts again in the Fall.

Thank you to everyone who participates in this vital ministry – shoppers, packers, double baggers, deliverers, check writers and praying folks! You are the ones that make it all happen each and every week. An extra special thank you to our handsome husbands for their strong backs and unwavering support!

See you in the Fall,

Barbara and Marla



THANK-YOU for another wonderful season of Youth Group. Rest and have some fun and keep an eye out for emails and announcements for August.

If you have ideas and interest in the Youth Group being part of our Livestream team please let me know.

Have a great summer and travel safe.



AJ



Holy Nativity Family,

I hope this letter finds you well as we start summer and continue our transition at Holy Nativity after Steve's and Tom's retirements. I wanted to briefly reach out to each one of you on what is going on at the church during the transition. Highlights are below:

The search committee continues the process to call a new rector. Once the search committee identifies a candidate for the rector position, the vestry will perform their due diligence in calling the new rector.

What about clergy on Sundays? Ashley Freeman from the diocese and I have scheduled supply clergy for all the services in June. Supply clergy are clergy that come in and celebrate services without a commitment for future services to the church. We will have different individuals celebrate each Sunday during June. This will allow us to hear different styles from these priests as they celebrate at Holy Nativity.

I am currently working with Ashley on a potential interim rector for the transition period. The goal is to have this individual be with us during the transition until the new rector is called.

It is my goal, to not see a decrease in any of our ministries, events, traditions, etc. that makes Holy Nativity what we are! There may be an ask for volunteers, but I know that Holy Nativity will step up to ensure we don't miss a beat.

Finally, as Steve said in his last sermon at the church, please be patient, caring, and kind with the church staff, search committee, and vestry during this transition. All of us are working diligently during this period, but this has placed different/additional responsibilities on the individuals which they have accepted. Balancing the "to do list" during the transition and the other aspects of our lives has changed over the past couple of months, so please understand we are doing everything we can to keep Holy Nativity running as smoothly as possible.

I hope that during the transition you keep Holy Nativity in your prayers as we work to not just call our new rector, but to keep Holy Nativity running as we are accustomed to.

If you have any questions, concerns, feedback, etc. during this time period, please do not hesitate to reach out to me and I will try to do my best to address the concerns.

Thanks.

Ivan Pereira  
Senior Warden in Charge

# Birthdays

June 4 Michele Hahn, Bruce Josten  
June 5 Madelyn Reeder  
June 8 Cristina Jansenius, JR Jansenius  
Dan Johnson  
June 9 Tricia Berry, Pat Nease  
June 11 Michael Lovchuk  
June 12 Paula Hart, Lisa McLendon, Liz Robin  
June 14 Don Hodges  
June 16 Rick Stuart  
June 17 Jason Smith  
June 18 Deborah Pack  
June 20 Ken Davis, Greg Gladden  
June 22 Sawyer Choi  
June 23 Lauren Berry, Taylor Bradley  
June 24 Zachary Cox  
June 26 Jim Dunham, Mike Morrow  
June 27 Paula Weaver  
June 29 Katherine Pride  
June 30 Peggy Vasta

July 5 Candee England, Kirsten McCord,  
John Thompson  
July 7 Trey Hutt, Beka Leebrick, Kate  
Leebrick  
July 9 Finn Oenbrink, Celia Stamps  
July 10 Paul Brust, Mary Darrah, Mary  
Kathryn San Juan, Linda Weller  
July 12 Molly Grace Bradford  
July 13 Boopie McInnis, Bud Shuler  
July 14 Carol Calton  
July 15 Tiffany Ennis, Florence Fortier  
July 16 Eliza Jeffery  
July 17 Caleb Jeffery, Tabitha Lipscomb  
July 20 Jack Casady  
July 21 Charles Bonham, Evan Cox  
July 24 Chris Young  
July 25 Ginny Leebrick, Kathy Mills  
July 26 Joe Ciccarelli, Jim Hixson  
July 27 John Lipscomb  
July 28 Nancy Wall  
July 29 Laura Johnson  
July 30 Melanie Coulliette  
July 31 Garrett Bonham, Kimberly Gailfoil,  
Sabrina Lipscomb, Nancy Phares,  
Maggie Wattenbarger

# Anniversaries

June 1 Powell and Tiffany Ennis  
June 7 Charles and Mary Bonham  
Drew and Maki Jernigan  
June 9 Phillip and Deborah Pac  
June 10 Parker and Connie McClellan  
June 12 James and Krissy Oenbrink  
June 13 Jason and Ashley Steiner  
June 15 John and Teresa Durgan  
June 16 Don and Dianne Hodges  
June 18 George and Boopie McInnis  
June 20 John and Joy Thompson  
June 22 Russell and Beth Brock  
June 24 Gordon and Patti Akst  
Mark and Nina Godwin  
June 27 Jan and Stacy Herring  
June 28 Peter and Lauren Choi  
June 29 Tom and Linda Weller  
June 30 Scott and Pat Clemons

July 1 Ben and Shani Lee  
July 13 David and P.D. Landreth  
July 26 Linda and Roy Kregelka  
July 30 Tristan and Rhiannon Bennett  
July 30 Joe and Sandy Ciccarelli  
July 31 Mitch and Ann Leonard

**The Church Calendar is always  
on the homepage of the  
church's website.**

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## Worship Lay Ministry Schedule for June 2024

June 2	June 9	June 16	June 23	June 30
<b>Altar Guild:</b> Rhonda Miller Victoria Williams Nancy Breland Boopie McInnis	<b>Altar Guild:</b> Marla Churchill Mary Bonham Lisa McLendon	<b>Altar Guild:</b> Marla Churchill Cheryl Duffey Amy Russell Barbara Knowles	<b>Altar Guild:</b> Tim Phillips Monica Phillips Mary Mittiga David Burrs Katy Bradford	<b>Altar Guild:</b> Dan Finley Robin Finley Joanne MacPhee, Nancy Roupp Tricia Berry
<b>Ushers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Bert Churchill Jerry Darnell <b>10:30 am:</b> Al Tremaine Trey Hutt	<b>Ushers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Tim Phillips Tim Pride <b>10:30 am:</b> John Thompson Chris Mills	<b>Ushers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Dan Johnson Laura Johnson <b>10:30 am:</b> Ian Crelling Daniel Melzer	<b>Ushers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Jim Hixson Parker McClellan <b>10:30 am:</b> Trey Hutt	<b>Ushers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Bert Churchill Jerry Darnell <b>10:30 am:</b> Russell Brock Beth Brock
<b>Greeters</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Marla Churchill <b>10:30 am:</b> Michael Fuller	<b>Greeters</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Monica Phillips <b>10:30 am:</b> Bert Munn Jo Munn	<b>Greeters</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Phylis Walker <b>10:30 am:</b>	<b>Greeters</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Donna Jangula <b>10:30 am:</b> Jani Smith	<b>Greeters</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Marla Churchill <b>10:30 am:</b> Michael Fuller
<b>Chalice Bearers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Gene Wicker Kathleen Wicker <b>10:30 am:</b> Lisa McClendon Kelly Roberson	<b>Chalice Bearers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Laura Johnson Cheryl Duffey <b>10:30 am:</b> Joyce Dannecker George McInnis	<b>Chalice Bearers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Theresa Townsend Joanne MacPhee <b>10:30 am:</b> Brian Leebrick Joe Ciccarelli	<b>Chalice Bearers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Gene Wicker Kathleen Wicker <b>10:30 am:</b> Ian Crelling Kelly Roberson	<b>Chalice Bearers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Theresa Townsend Cheryl Duffey <b>10:30 am:</b> Scott Clemons Lisa McLendon
<b>Acolytes for 10:30</b> Brody Fuller Emma Crelling Scarlet Jernigan Matheson Crelling	<b>Acolytes for 10:30</b> Nicolas Pereira Esteban Pereira Isaac Ward Evan Ward	<b>Acolytes for 10:30</b> Jackson Lee Carson Berry Laney Lee Wyatt Syfrett	<b>Acolytes for 10:30</b> Jackson Lee Emma Crelling Matheson Crelling Lillian McKiney	<b>Acolytes for 10:30</b> John Moore Alex Moore Tome Moore Will Melzer
<b>Lector at 10:30 am</b> Holly Melzer	<b>Lector at 10:30 am</b> Daneil Melzer	<b>Lector at 10:30 am</b> Rich Doran	<b>Lector at 10:30 am</b> Ivan Pereira	<b>Lector at 10:30 am</b> Daniel Melzer

## Worship Lay Ministry Schedule for July 2024

July 7	July 14	July 21	July 28
<b>Altar Guild:</b> Gene Wicker Kathleen Wicker Joyce Dannecker Melanie Cox Madge Smith	<b>Altar Guild:</b> Joanne MacPhee Kaew Sumpton Alice Allen Vicki Hightower	<b>Altar Guild:</b> Rhonda Miller Victoria Williams Nancy Breland, Boopie McInnis	<b>Altar Guild:</b> Marla Churchill Mary Bonham Lisa McLendon
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# Holy Nativity Community Park

## *An Outreach Opportunity for our Neighborhood*



For many years, we shared a vision of making good use  
of the property behind the two-story building.

Help us make this dream a reality.

Look for the display in the lobby for information.

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### **DIOCESE OF THE CENTRAL GULF COAST**

*The Rt. Rev. Russell Kendrick - Bishop*

### **CHURCH STAFF**

*Youth Director/Video Production- AJ Jeffery*

*Director of Music - John Durgan*

*Administrative Assistant -*

*Children's CE Director - Liz Ward*

*Children's Choir Director - Leigh Gladden*

*Church Bookkeeper – Kathy Mills*

*Sexton -*

*Nursery Attendant - Kaew Sumpton, Taylor Hall*

### **THE VESTRY**

*- Rector*

*Tricia Berry 2023*

*Beth Brock 2026*

*Joe Ciccarelli 2024*

*Anna Eberhard 2024*

*Mark Godwin - Treasurer*

*Jim Hixson 2026*

*John Hutt 2024*

*Terry Jangula 2026 Jr. Warden*

*Joanne MacPhee 2023*

*Ivan Pereira 2022 Sr. Warden*

*Karen Shores 2023*

*Madge Smith - Clerk*

*John Thompson 2024*

*Gene Wicker 2023*

### **SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP SERVICES**

*Sunday 8:00 a.m. -*

*9:15 a.m. -*

*10:30 a.m. -*

*Holy Eucharist - Rite I*

*Adult Sunday School*

*Holy Eucharist - Rite II with  
Children's Chapel*

*Wednesday 5:30 pm -*

*(Sept.-May) five-thirty casual  
service followed by supper and  
programs*