

Notices for the week February 9-10, 2019

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in Thanksgiving for the ministry of the staff, volunteers and St. Mary's Parish by Babette and Bob Brenton.

A Heartfelt Thank You to all who attended, purchased raffle tickets and supported this year's Annual Fundraising Event, "Love On Broadway". The evening was full of wonderful music and merriment! Your generous support of St. Mary's is greatly appreciated.

"Tanzania Water Project at Kowak Theological College", Fr. David will give an update and a short presentation in the side room of the Parish Life Center after the 10 am service.

Evening Prayer: "He said to them, 'Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation'." Mark 16:15. St. Mary's is delighted to be sharing several of our Morning and Evening Prayer services often live online via our parish Facebook page. Many people from as far away as Australia have joined us praying the Daily Office via the web. Please worship with us live, The ether is so mysterious! like the Holy Spirit in our midst!, Services are 5 pm EST weekdays, 4 pm on Saturdays, 10:15 am Tuesdays, or anytime with the shared recordings posted. Please share the below link to invite family and friends to spend time with us in peaceful scriptural traditional prayer. Rejoice in the Lord always! Kathleen
<https://www.facebook.com/stmarysbonita/>

Book Club: Monday at 12:00 noon. Please join Mother Bobbie as she continues exploring our soul's relationship with God and how best to care for and nurture that relationship using John O'Donohue's book *Anam Cara* (Soul Friend). Books are available in the office.

Cursillo is holding its Ultreya (time of encouragement) Monday, at 6:00 pm, starting with a potluck supper. Those who have been on a Cursillo weekend and those curious about Cursillo or looking for a time of Christian fellowship and encouragement are very welcome.

Bentley Village Eucharist: will take place on Tuesday at 10:45 am in the Crystal Room, Bentley Village.

Wednesday Bible Study continues at 10:30 am with Fr. Bill, looking at the scriptures for next weekend: Jeremiah 1:4-10, 1 Corinthians 13:1-13, Luke 4:21-30 & Psalm 71:1-6

Requiem Eucharist will be held on Wednesday, at noon for Barbara Hicks and all the faithful departed. Please send names of those you wish prayed for to the office by Tuesday before noon.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: We will be holding our first meeting on Wednesday at 12:30. Please contact Barbara Williams in the Church Office at 992-3434 or Sara George at 207-315-5005. There is a signup sheet in the Narthex.

Centering Prayer, Thursdays at 9:00 am, is a method designed to facilitate the development of Contemplative Prayer by preparing our faculties to receive this gift.

ECW Gathering, Thursday, at 12 pm "Celebrate Simplicity!" presented by The Rev. Gail Tomei, as we declutter objects from our celebration of Christmastide, we may see empty spaces where festive bling presided. Sometimes our souls also need to be cleaned out-refreshed. Let's created space to breathe out clutter and breathe in new life. Let us breathe out concerns and breathe in affirmations that fill our souls. We are women of Worth as 'sisters' in the Kingdom of God. Let's make room for new joys. We will dig into our souls and simplify the clutter. Signup Sheet is in the Narthex.

Bentley Bible Study: Thursday at 1:00 pm with Mother Bobbie. All are welcome.

COMMA, a prayerful pause held on Thursdays at 5:30.

Ministry Fair next Sunday, February 17: Come and explore the wonderful ministries of St. Mary's. Ministry Leaders will be setting up displays starting at noon on Saturday, February 16.

Men's Breakfast, February 16 at 8:30, at the Bonita Beach Café. contact Paul Judkins for more information at 585-967-4182.



"St Mary's is thrilled to welcome the Ave Maria University Scholae, under the direction of brilliant published musicologist Dr. Susan Treacy, to sing a most beautiful traditional prayer service of Vespers, here in church next Sunday, February 17 at 7 pm. Please join us for this very special prayerful event. This concert is free. A Freewill offering will be accepted.

Vespers is sung Evening Prayer, as found in our Episcopal Book of Common Prayer -- the spoken version of which is prayed as Daily Prayer here at St Mary's at 5 pm every weekday, 4 pm every Saturday, 10:15 am every Tuesday (Morning Prayer), often live-streamed online, always available as recorded videos on our parish Facebook page, and echoed in thousands of churches worldwide. Vespers is one of the most enduring forms of Christian worship on Earth, having been mentioned in writings as far back as Pliny the Younger (61 – c. 113). Praying the Hours in what is known as The Daily Office (see The Book of Common Prayer pp. 35 --) was once seen as the duty of priests and religious only, but has enjoyed a resurgence to its rightful place in the lives of all the faithful. Each time we join in praying the Daily Office, our voices are united with, and for, more than one billion Episcopalians, Anglicans, and Roman Catholics, as one voice together praising God, and marking the elegant and ever-reliable movements of His Planets, Moons, and Stars, in their heavenly courses throughout each day and season.

Please bring your family and friends to hear one of the most ancient, yet ever fresh, presentations of scripted psalms, sung by highly skilled voices and devout hearts. Together, Let us pray."

Next Week and Beyond

Cursillo Weekend will be held on February 21-24 at Dayspring. If you are interested in attending the weekend or want more information you can speak with either Denise Wallace, 239-947-5197 or Father Michael.

Monday	12:00 pm	Book Club with Mother Bobbie
February 11	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer
	6:00 pm	Ultreya
Tuesday	10:15 am	Morning Prayer
February 12	10:45 am	Bentley Eucharist
	12:00 pm	Staff Meeting
	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer
	5:30 pm	Recovery Eucharist
	7:00 pm	Confirmation
	8:00 pm	AA Empathy Meeting
Wednesday	9:00 am	Pastoral Care Meeting
February 13	10:30 am	Bible Study
	12:00 pm	Holy Eucharist
	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Thursday	7:30 am	Holy Eucharist
February 14	9:00 am	Centering Prayer
	10:00 am	Walking the Mourners Path
	1:00 pm	Bentley Bible Study
	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer
	5:30 pm	COMMA
Friday	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer
February 15		
	8:30 am	Men's Breakfast
Saturday	4:00 pm	Evening Prayer
February 16	5:00 pm	Holy Eucharist
	8:00 pm	AA Group Meeting
		Ministry Fair
Sunday	8:00 am	Holy Eucharist Rite 1
February 17	10:00 am	Holy Eucharist
	6:30 pm	AA Meeting

The Upper Room where the world meets to pray. Provides a model of practical Christianity, accessible in varied formats, to help people feel invited and welcomed into God's presence. Available in the narthex display racks.

Forward – Day by Day A manual of daily Bible readings and devotions is available in the narthex display racks. The latest edition covers the months February, March and April

SAVE THE DATE

February 21-24	Cursillo Weekend
February 23	Healing Conference at St. John's Episcopal Church, Naples
March 2/3	Change your Clock
March 2/3	Compass Rose Society Sunday
March 6	Ash Wednesday. Lent begins
March 8	Stations of the Cross every Friday in Lent
March 8/9	St. Mary's Men's Retreat at Dayspring
March 16	Lenten Quiet Day
March 31	Confirmation
April 12	Symphonic Choral of Southwest Florida
<i>Holy Week – April 14 - 21</i>	
April 14	Palm Sunday
April 18	Maundy Thursday
April 19	Good Friday
April 20	Easter Vigil
April 21	Easter Sunday

Name Tags: Please wear your name Tags. Caution as with any magnetic device, magnetic badge accessories should be kept away from pacemakers, computer disks and credit cards. If you have any type of medical metal device, please make sure to order your name tags with a pin.



Welcome to St. Mary's Episcopal Church and to this celebration of the Holy Eucharist

- Please silence your cell phones and other devices and update your status
- Please feel free to use our "Quiet Room" room in the back of the church, as needed.

The Nursery is available for children under the age of 6 in the Parish Life Center. It is led by Courtney Crosby for those who desire to have the little ones cared for during the Eucharist.

10 am Sunday School is available for children of all ages in the Parish Life Center. Meet the teachers and register your child before the church service begins. All children are welcome to join their parents for part or all of the Eucharist.

Thank you for wearing your nametags. If you need a nametag, please sign up for one at the welcome desk.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please blot your lipstick. For those who receive by intinction, the chalice bearer will take the host from your palm, dip it and put it in your mouth, rather than you doing it yourself. If you are unable to come to the altar for Holy Communion, please notify one of our ushers and Communion will be brought to you.

Gluten Free hosts are now available at communion. Please make your request to the priest presenting the host who will give you a gluten-free host.

Prayer Ministry is offered during Communion at Station of the Cross #2 and #12. You may come for prayers, for yourself, or for others, for any need or for Thanksgiving.

The Church is generally open during the week from 9 am to 5 pm and other scheduled times for prayer and meditation.

Sermons are available online at stmarysbonita.org and in the narthex.