Notices for the week September 14-September 21, 2019

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Madeline Justus, beloved wife of Peter and beloved mother of Barbara, Deborah and David.

Book Club with Mother Bobbie Monday at 12:00 pm.

Wednesday Bible Study continues at 10:30 with Fr. Bill.

B**entley Bible Study** will be on Wednesday at 2:00 pm. Father Bill will be continuing the study of Acts.

St. Matthew the Apostle will be celebrated on Thursday, at the 7:30 am Eucharist. Matthew was the son of Alpheus, and he was likely born in Galilee. He worked as a tax collector, which was a hated profession during the time of Christ. According to the Gospel, Matthew was working at a collection booth in Capernaum when Christ came to him and asked, "Follow me." With this simple call, Matthew became a disciple of Christ. From Matthew we know of the many doings of Christ and the message Christ spread of salvation for all people who come to God through him. His book is the first of the four Gospels in the New Testament.

Walking the Mourner's Path will start on Thursday and will end on November 7. Please call the church office if you are interested in being part of this Christ-centered grief program and they will put you in touch with one of our trained facilitators.

Men's Breakfast: the next men's fellowship breakfast will be on Saturday at 8:30 am at the Café at Bonita Beach. For more information please contact Paul Judkins at 585-750-1889 or judkipa@comcast.net.

COMMA: Saturday evenings at 6:00 pm after the 5:00 pm Eucharist in the Library.

Next Week and Beyond

Fall Foyer Groups: At the suggestion of a parishioner, we are offering the choice of lunch or dinner, as well as the option of home or restaurant for dining for the Fall Foyer Groups. This might allow more of us to enjoy meeting and spending time with fellow parishioners. The sign-up sheet is in the narthex, or you may contact Beryl Chickerella at nanaberyl@aol.com , or 614-296-9224.

Invite, Welcome, Connect on September 25, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at DaySpring**.**
Do you trust God and wish you could share your faith?
Do you love to see people come alive as they come to St. Mary's?
Would you love to do more to share your faith and grow your church?
The Diocese of Southwest Florida is offering an inspiring program on September 25 called *Membership Development seminar at Dayspring*. For more information and to register, please visit https://www.dioswfl.org/dfc/newsdetail_2/3198973.
Also please contact Jeanne Stump, chair of the Membership Commission. She will be attending and would love your company jrstump103@comcast.net
Lunch is available at DaySpring beforehand. Call DaySpring at 941-556-0315 to make a reservation.

Saint Michael and All the Angels will be celebrated on September 28 & 29, with incense at the 10:00 am Holy Eucharist. St. Michael is the powerful agent of God who wards off evil from God's people and delivers peace to them at the end of this life's mortal struggle. Michael is one of four angels called by name in the Bible, along with Gabriel, Uriel and Raphael. Angels are often depicted in Christian art with wings to signify their swiftness, with swords to signify their power, and dazzling clothing to signify their ability to enlighten.

Choir Resumes, with rehearsals starting on Wednesday, October 2 at 7 pm and will return to worship on Sunday, October 6 at 10 am with a warm-up at 9:15 am. If interested contact Kathleen at 502-320-7777.

Pet Blessing, Saturday, October 5, 2019, 10:00 am in the Flora Linda Pavilion. A celebration honoring St. Francis of Assisi, Please join us and bring your pets to be blessed.

New Horizons Supers Kid Club Choir will be performing on October 6 at the 10:00 am Eucharist.

Newcomers Breakfast: If you are new to St. Mary's and would like to learn more about us, please come and join Fr. Michael for a *Breakfast with the Rector* after the 10:00 am Eucharist on October 13, 2019 at 11:00 am. If interested contact Jeanne Stump at 239-280-7368 or sign the signup sheet in the Narthex.

Way of Love: Practices for Jesus-Centered Life: Once we become part of the *Jesus Movement* (as Presiding Bishop Michael Curry puts it), how do we make it real every day? How do we persevere and grow as followers of Jesus? Bishop Curry and the Episcopal Church offer us *The Way of Love* as a pattern of Christian living. Beginning on October 16 at 7:00 pm in the Parish Life Center (after a light supper at 6:30) we will look at six practices that can shape our lives: Turn, Learn, Pray, Worship, Bless, Go. Please plan to take part.

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. The September/October issue is available in the narthex display racks.

Monday	12:00 pm	Book Club with Mother Bobbie
September 16	2:00 pm	New Horizons
	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer
Tuesday	10:15 am	Morning Prayer
September 17	12:45 pm	Staff Meeting
	2:00 pm	New Horizons
	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer
	5:30 pm	Holy Eucharist
	8:00 pm	AA Empathy Meeting
Wednesday	9:00 am	Pastoral Care Meeting
September 18	10:30 am	Bible Study
	12:00pm	Holy Eucharist
	2:00 pm	Bentley Bible Study
	2:00 pm	New Horizons
	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer
Thursday	7:30 am	Holy Eucharist
September 19	2:00 pm	New Horizons
	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer
	7:00 pm	Florida Conference of Young People in AA
Friday	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer
September 20		
Saturday	4:00 pm	Evening Prayer
September 21	5:00 pm	Holy Eucharist
	6:00 pm	COMMA
	8:00 pm	AA Group Meeting
Sunday	8:00 am	Holy Eucharist Rite 1
September 22	10:00 am	Eucharist Rite II
	6:30 pm	AA Meeting

AA Meetings

- Sunday @ 6:30 PM AA Meeting
- Tuesday @ 8:00 PM AA Empathy Meeting
- Thursday @ 7:00 PM Florida Conference of Young People in AA (bi-weekly)
- Saturday @ 8:00 PM AA Group Meeting

Save The Date

September 25 & 26	*Invite, Welcome, Connect* a program at DaySpring
September 28 & 29	St. Michael & All Angels
October 5	Blessing of the Animals
October 6	New Horizons Choir
October 13	Newcomer's Breakfast
October 16	Way of Love Program Begins
October 27	Outreach Partners

Help Wanted

Acolytes to serve at the altar on the weekends, we are also in need of people and to take part regularly in the Wednesday Eucharist, and others to attend on occasion, helping St. Mary's to worship God every day.

Recording Secretary needed for the monthly Vestry meetings to take minutes and prepare them for circulation. If you can help, please contact Vestry Secretary Ruth Davies at rcd629@yahoo.com.

New Horizon Volunteers: To assist the New Horizons professional staff by tutoring students with reading and math and computer activities. Training is provided and professional resources are always in attendance. Most of the children are bi-lingual and eager to learn and to interact with their tutors. And you can pick the hours that suit your schedule best.

Archivist: St. Mary's has wonderful historical material, some organized and some simply accumulated. We need someone with the skill, dedication and time to organize, preserve and show this material. To offer your help or for more information, please contact the church office.

Sound system monitors: We have a very good sound system. It is, however, delicate and sometimes its settings get altered wrongly. The control system at the back of the church is very simple. We need people who will adjust the volume of the microphones as necessary during our weekend Eucharists. If you can take a turn doing this, please contact Junior Warden Jon Gunger at realestate@jonathangunger.com. (Doing this is compatible with being an usher or greeter.)

PennyWise Volunteers: At this moment in time many opportunities exist to assist at Pennywise. The valuable work the existing volunteers are doing to raise funds that can be used in Outreach programs and within St. Mary's cannot be over emphasized. The spirit of fellowship and enjoyment add to this worthwhile endeavor.