

Parish News

for the Week of Sunday, July 28, 2024

Worship Bulletin The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost Click here

Happening this week:

- Monday Morning Prayer |8:30am on Zoom
- Tuesday Morning Prayer |8:30am on Zoom, REVIVE/GRACE Service |4:00pm (postponed), Scouts |7:00pm
- Wednesday Morning Prayer |8:30am on Zoom, Wednesday Book Study | coming in August, Karate |6:00pm
- Thursday Morning Prayer |8:30am on Zoom, Mah Jongg |12:00 pm
- Friday Morning Prayer |8:30am on Zoom, Karate |6:00pm

Keep on the Calendar

July

28 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost |9:00am

August

4 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost | 9:00am

11 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost | 9:00am

Community Meal | 12:30pm

12-15 Baseball Concession Fundraiser

18 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost |9:00am

Blessing of the Backpacks

Ice Cream Social after church

Vestry | 10:45am

21 Wednesday Book Study | 10:00am

25 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost -note service time change |10:00am



Messy Church

Unfortunately, we had to cancel Messy Church this week because of illness. Pastor Jenni will look for another time in the next couple of weeks

Wednesday Book Study

Keep an eye on this space for news on the upcoming study of Genesis.



Community Meals

Our next meal is on August 11, and our prep day is August 10. Put these dates on your calendar and join our team. If you want to know more or want to commit to joining in August, contact Tom Crafton or talk to any member of our team that participated this month.



Parish Life

Thank you to Andrea Lindblad and surprise hostess, Cheri Johnson (making her final coffee hour hosting) last Sunday.

Deb Modde has graciously volunteered to host coffee hour on July 28 and Linda Gigiano and Jane Schaefer have signed on for August 4.

It is relatively easy to host. I come in early and make the coffee and will normally also set up all the cups, plates, napkins, creamer, sugar, etc. for you. I try to have festive plates, etc. for as many Sundays as possible. You need to bring the food and clean up afterwards. It is pretty easy.

The summer puzzle currently being done is back on the table and is really looking good. It will probably be done in the next couple weeks. It is really pretty, by the way. Be of good cheer, I have found another pretty puzzle for our puzzlers to do before the picnic after which I will switch to a really cool one. I am so glad to see that the idea of doing puzzles has taken off. I think I saw about 5 people working on it a couple weeks ago. Good work all you puzzlers!!! Not only are you doing a puzzle but you are talking amongst yourselves as well which was the plan.

In case you did not read about it, the puzzle for the end of summer and the fall is a 1000 piece picture of the Baobab trees in Madagascar. The Baobabs are trees with smooth trunks and no limbs until way up high. They look funny but can be several hundred years old and very large. We will be having our October celebration of the signing of our Parish Link with Fort Dauphin and will have the puzzle to do as well. I hope we get it done in time!!!!!

If you have any questions, please see Andrea Lindblad or Miriam Berry.

PADS Lunches and volunteers!

The PADS team would like to invite additional volunteers to



help in making the lunches. If you are interested, please speak with Pam Meyers.

Our team provides lunches to PADS twice each month. We purchase the food and supplies to make those lunches a

reality. If you would like to contribute to this ministry of PADS, please note on the check or mark on the envelope, **PADS**.



News from Fort Dauphin and the Friends of Toliara

Earlier this week, I was on a Child Sponsorship call with people from the US, the UK, France and Madagascar. We had a very productive meeting about many subjects. One of those was about the water filters we will be deploying around the Diocese of Toliara.

5 people from the Florida area visited the Diocese of Toliara and took a bunch of water filters with them to deploy to schools and families of students. They found that it was somewhat hard to train the people in how to use the filters. As I understand it, the filter system is comprised of two buckets, one for the dirty water and one for the clean water. Between these two, is the filtering component of the system. The water looks really good after it has been filtered and all the bad "stuff" has been removed. The issue is that the filter has all the bad "stuff" in it. Each day these things must be back flushed out which is where the procedure is breaking down. The people do not understand that the bad 'stuff" has to be removed and how to remove it. It seems so simple to me but people who have no concept of things like this are totally unaware.

There was a training session for people and many people showed up but it is looking like one-on-one training is going to be necessary. So, now our people are working on how to create small groups with a trained leader at the head of each group, They will be tracking how this is working for at least the first three months of the deployment of the filter systems. More on this after we have our next meeting. Everyone is very excited about the opportunity to finally have clean, fresh water resulting in lessening of diseases.

Last Sunday we started our fundraising for school supplies for the government school we supported last year (Tsiharoa Primary School). This year there are 156 children from Kindergarten through Fifth Grade enrolled and the same 8 teachers. I have included the class lists for the children this year on the display boards. I think it makes it more real when you can actually see names. You might ask why we are fundraising for supplies for kids we already sponsor. Well, we don't sponsor these kids. There are two kinds of schools in Madagascar, private schools and government schools. The kids we sponsor attend private school (better schools) but they have tuition and fees, provide school supplies, etc. The government schools do not have tuition but do require the families provide all the school supplies. Believe it or not, even this is a hardship for some families. If the kids don't have the supplies, they cannot attend school. Also, if you remember from last year, the teachers do not get paid for their first 10 years of teaching in a government school. They may not be paid but they have to provide their own supplies. So, we are asking for donations of \$20 (or more) of which \$17 will pay for the supplies for a child for the WHOLE year and \$3 which will help defray costs for the teachers. So, come meet me at the display and donate as much as you can for these impoverished children. Remember, education is the path out of poverty. Come check out the displays.

If you have any questions about Madagascar, child sponsorships, schools, etc. please see Miriam Berry.

Steve Kublis' lending library

Steve gives us the 3rd instalment of his lending library. If you are interested in borrowing any of these books, just let Steve know!

Click here to see the next list.

Digital Vergers

We are calling for a few more volunteers to help with the broadcasting of our Sunday

worship. If you are interested in being one of our Digital Vergers, please talk with Beth Hagan, Charles O'Morchoe, or Pastor Jenni.

Annunciation Book Club

The schedule for the new year of book club gatherings is here! Click here to see the schedule and book list.

We meet most months on the first Monday of the month, moving to the second Monday in holiday months. A highlight of our year is the book exchange and potluck in December. The book list and schedule can be found on the communication wall at church, on the website or in the parish news. If you have any questions, please email **Deb**.

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Sunday Worship |9:00 am

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Meeting ID: 829 7113 4278
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Monday Morning Prayer | 8:30am

Join Morning Prayer

Meeting ID: 854 3455 6030 Passcode: 429149

Tuesday Morning Prayer | 8:30am

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Meeting ID: 812 3791 9123 Passcode: 832106

Wednesday Morning Prayer | 8:30am

Join Morning Prayer

Meeting ID: 828 3206 9054 Passcode: 528453

Thursday Morning Prayer | 8:30am

Join Morning Prayer

Meeting ID: 871 5804 8836 Passcode: 001151



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Meeting ID: 897 1519 6205 Passcode: 424496

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To be empowered

To be challenged

To find hope

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Email our webmaster, Mark:

Click here



During the week:

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