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*To be included*  
*To be honest*  
*To be empowered*  
*To be challenged*  
*To find hope*



## Parish News

for the Week of Sunday, June 23, 2024

### Worship Bulletin

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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#### Happening this week:

- Monday - Morning Prayer |8:30am on Zoom
- Tuesday - Morning Prayer |8:30am on Zoom, REVIVE/GRACE Service |4:00pm, Scouts |7:00pm
- Wednesday - Morning Prayer |8:30am on Zoom, Wednesday Book Study |10:00am, 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

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#### Keep on the Calendar

##### June

22 Juneteenth |1:30pm, Slove Park

23 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost |9:00am

Vestry |10:45am

27 Messy Church |6:00pm

30 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost |9:00pm

Community Meal |12:30pm

##### July

4 Independence Day |Office Closed

16-19 Pastor Jenni Vacation  
20 B&G |9:00am  
21 Vestry |10:45  
22 Parish Council |6:00pm

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## Vestry Date Change

The Vestry will meet on June 23rd at 10:45am.

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You're invited to:



## Messy Church

Thank you to everyone who came to Messy Church this week. We will meet again on June 27th!

**What is Messy Church?** It is an all-ages experience that explores God's love in an accessible way. All are welcome.

**Messy Church is Fun:** Everyone gathers for activities, crafts, or games that bring a Bible story to life. **Messy Church is Faith:** Before we do our activities, we gather in prayer or song to get ready to engage in the story. **Messy Church is Food:** We gather to share a simple meal and meet old and new friends to tell the stories of our messy lives!

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## REVIVE/GRACE Healing Service on Tuesdays

We continue to gather on Tuesdays at 4:00pm. Beginning in July, we will start a new resource book, but we need your input. Please take a look at the books below and let Pastor Jenni know which book you would be interested in reading.

[Anam Cara: A Book of Celtic Wisdom by John O'Donohue](#)

[Post-Traumatic Jesus: Reading the Gospel with the Wounded by David Peters](#)

[Finding Your Way Home: A Soul Survival Kit by Melody Beattie](#)

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## Actions for Peace and Justice

*Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being? I will with God's Help.*

Juneteenth is celebrated as a federal holiday on June 19. It is a special day for the entire nation, and it has an especially deep meaning for African Americans in marking a first step in dismantling the legacy of slavery in our country. All people in our country, black, brown and white can celebrate, and it is good, when possible to follow the lead of Black members of our community.

We are invited by BRIDGE of Lake County to celebrate Juneteenth with them on June 22 at 1:30 at Slove Park in Lindenhurst. BRIDGE is based in northern Lake County. Their vision is "Bridging the diversity gap across all generations through love, unity, and community!" This celebration will be joyful and impactful. As a congregation we can show our pledge to strive for peace and justice by attending these events.

Another action we can take for this holiday is to take some time to educate ourselves on the history and meaning of Juneteenth, and on the legacy of slavery in our country. Here is a helpful [link](#) with many resources.

Contact Deacon Anne if you have any questions



### Annual Juneteenth Celebration

Singer Kishi Johnson

**SLOVE PARK 1:30PM**

2301 Sand Lake Rd, Lindenhurst, IL 60046

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FOR MORE INFO - CONTACT [Bridgelakecounty@gmail.com](mailto:Bridgelakecounty@gmail.com)

224 343 6545



### Wednesday Book Study

On Wednesday at 10:00am, we will continue *When Everything Is On Fire: Faith Forged from Fire* by Brian Zahnd. Please join us! For 6/26, please read chapter 9.

For those of you who are interested in Brian Zahnd's playlist for *When Everything Is On Fire*, [click here](#).



### Community Meals

Save the date for June: our next Community Meal at Christ Church will be on **June 30**. We would like to do a picnic-style barbecue. We need a big crew. Please talk with Tom Crafton or Deacon Anne.



### Parish Life

Thank you so much to Steve Kulbis for hosting last week's coffee hour. We had Kringles and other goodies plus a lot of fruit and it all was really good. This week Jane Schaefer and Pam Moore will be hosting. Knowing those two ladies, I know we will have some delicious treats just like we always do. Thank you Jane and Pam in advance.

The new summer puzzle is going well and will probably be done in the next couple weeks. The Madagascar puzzle may be put on hold for a few weeks until sometime in August but be of good cheer, I have another nice summer puzzle which is "Mystic Seaport" where many of us have visited over the years in Connecticut. I have completed it and will get it ready for the next opportunity. I am really glad to see that the idea of puzzles to be done has taken off. I saw Sandi Hucker working on the current one before the service started

and there she was after the service was over. Now that is puzzle dedication. I think I saw about 5 people working on it last weekend. 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!!!!

Have you checked out ALL the jigsaw puzzles on the puzzle swap table? They are displayed nicely now on a big table so you can really check them out. At my last count, there are close to 30 puzzles available for you to borrow. People are borrowing them so the swap idea is working. It has been suggested that if you really like a particular puzzle you can just keep it. So, feel free to keep one you really like. There are a lot of Christmas ones there but who cares what they are, they're just fun to do!!!!

July 7 is the next open date for coffee hour hosts. Please check your calendars to see if you can host this one. If you can, please sign up on the signup sheet on the board in the parish hall. We also have a few other dates open during the summer. These are: July 28, August 4, September 1 and September 29. There are others later in the year but let's get these filled in first.

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.

Remember - If no one signs up, we will just have coffee and juice.

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

160 years ago, the first Anglican missionaries arrived in Foulpointe Madagascar. Foulpointe is a town in the middle of the east coast of Madagascar. So it is north of Fort Dauphin.

The Episcopal Church of Madagascar held a competition for a locally created song to commemorate the celebration which was held on May 25 and 26 in Antananarivo. The winners of the competition was the Herin'ny Finoana (Power of Faith) choir of St. Luke's in the Ankilifaly section of Toliara town. If you attended our book studies of Patsy McGregor's books about Madagascar, you might remember that "The Box" (Patsy's and Todd's apartment) was next door to St Luke's. A picture of "The Box" next door to St. Luke's is at the bottom of this article. Also at the bottom of the article is a picture of the choir. I believe this is the choir that is featured in the short video clip which was in the Parish News two weeks ago. They have produced an album of songs which they hope will be heard by people who are illiterate so they can hear of God's love for them. They are also hoping the songs will become part of the worship in the churches throughout the Diocese of Toliara (and maybe beyond).

According to the newest Friends of Toliara newsletter "Psalm 98 encourages us to "Sing a New Song to the Lord". That is certainly what the Diocese of Toliara is doing. For the last year or so, people in the Diocese have been writing hymns and songs in their own language to use alongside the western hymns they inherited from the missionaries who brought the Christian faith to the island."

Unfortunately Bishop Samy, Rev. Berthier, Venerable Noel and two evangelists were on their way to the opening celebration in Antananarivo when they were involved in an early morning accident. According to news reaching Rev. Victor (Rev. Nolavy's husband) everyone was unhurt except for Venerable Noel who was taken to the hospital. I have not heard anything more serious so everyone must be okay now.

A few short term mission trip teams from Florida, the UK and France will be visiting Toliara in June. A guy I work with a lot from the UK sent me his itinerary and it looks awesome. They do have 5 days scheduled to do a lot of animal reserve visiting in Kenya along with a couple days of meetings as well. Their whole trip will run from Tuesday, June 4 through Sunday, June 30. They will have many meetings in the Diocese of Toliara and my friend, John, will be installed as a canon to the Diocese on Sunday, June 16. It sounds like a very, very exciting trip.

Please pray for all the meetings and travel of these people.

We will, again, be raising money for the government primary school in Tsiharoa (pronounced See-Har-A) and the United Way "Stuff the Bus". I have picked up the posters and other information from the United Way and checked with Walmart on when they will be putting out their school supplies. It sounds like sometime in July. I will be putting out the Tsiharoa Government Primary school information in another week or two as well. Watch for all of it in the next few weeks. This is our opportunity to help children in huge need to be educated. Education is the best way to get out of poverty.

If you would like to know more about Madagascar, please see Miriam Berry.

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## 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.

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## Annunciation Book Club

The book list is set for the 20th year of the Annunciation Book Club. The club is open to all and if you would enjoy getting together over zoom or at a host's home, if there is sufficient interest, to discuss a book and enjoy some treats, we would love to have you join us. 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](#).

[Click here to see the list of books](#)

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**Links to Zoom Worship for this Week**

## Sunday Worship |9:00 am

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Meeting ID: 829 7113 4278

Passcode: 087501

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## Monday Morning Prayer| 8:30am

[Join Morning Prayer](#)

Meeting ID: 854 3455 6030

Passcode: 429149

## Tuesday Morning Prayer| 8:30am

[Join Morning Prayer](#)

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

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Meeting ID: 871 5804 8836

Passcode: 001151

## Friday Morning Prayer| 8:30am

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Meeting ID: 897 1519 6205

Passcode: 424496

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Email our webmaster, Mark:  
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**During the week:**  
Pastoral emergencies: 847-336-3730  
The Church office is open Monday -  
Thursday, 8:30am to 2:30pm.

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