

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

Edward & Arlene Riley 11/05/77
Michael & Andra Ladd 11/05/83
Leon & Lauren Stricklen 11/18/83

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Jr. Warden – George Pawliczak

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Rick Kiefer, Thelma Martin, Diane Mullen

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Jerry Fields, Maggie Kaiser (Alternate)

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Altar Guild – Sue Kiefer

Search Committee Chair – Leon Stricklen

Prayer Shawls – Rev'd Janet Clarke

Prayer Chain – Nancy Conley

Fellowship – Mike Christensen, Kathy Easter
Nancy Conley, Maryann Winslow

Memorial Garden – Ruth Squire Book Store – Betty Carr

Bereavement – Kay Ikeler Haven – Arlene Karwacki

Newcomer Baskets – Louise Dixon

MOST

Pres. – Jerry Fields V.P./Treas. – Bert Grace

Needle & Craft Group Hours:

Chair – Carol Ann Luche

Wednesday @ 10 am in Wisdom Hall

St. Thomas' Thrift Shop: Staffed by Volunteers!

Hours: Thurs. & Fri. 9 am – 3 pm, Sat. 9 am – Noon

Ph. (352) 589-0641

Office Volunteers:

Office Assistants – N.Conley, M. Winslow, K. Easter

2018 PLEDGE STATUS

Please phone the office at (352) 357-4358
if you wish to find out your current 2018
pledge contribution status.

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WORDS FROM FR. TED

To the St. Thomas family:

When have you ever discussed a wedding sermon after you have heard one? I would guess you are much like me – the answer would be never!

At our clergy conference recently, our bishop shared with us that he has had numerous conversations with other American bishops and others regarding the wedding sermon that was given by our Presiding Bishop, Michael Curry, some months ago now at the Royal Wedding in Great Britain.

It is simply remarkable that such a message has received world acclaim. Bp. Brewer said that some comments went like, “Oh, is that your American Bishop? Wow, tell me more!”

Well, folks, you and I have the opportunity to hear more, much more, on February 1, 2019. We are invited, and it is hopeful that we will invite friends, family, and neighbors to be with us at the opening Liturgy of our Diocesan Convention in Orlando this year. Bp. Michael Curry will be our preacher at that service on Friday night at First Baptist Church in Orlando.

Our Bishop has chosen that venue for this service as it will hold over 5000 people; 4000 on the main floor and another 1000 in the balcony area. Bp. Brewer was consecrated at First Baptist.

He is hopeful that we will indeed invite folks to attend what is being called the: **YES to Jesus Revival**. This event will be advertised as a very special opportunity to share Jesus with Central Florida, from the perspective of our denomination, with our Presiding Bishop as the main speaker.

Please make plans to attend and please invite someone to go with you – not just to attend, but to go with you.

I have heard Bp. Curry on a number of occasions, and you will not be disappointed; in fact, you will be enlightened by his message to us. Bp. Curry is very probably the best preacher we have had as Presiding Bishop, certainly in my lifetime.

Please come, please invite someone to come with you.

Peace & Joy

Fr. Ted

....more information will follow . . .

STEWARDSHIP 2019
COMMITMENT SUNDAY
will be December 2nd.

You will be receiving Pledge Cards and Stewardship letters in the mail. Extra pledge cards will be located in the church pews and also in the church Narthex. We ask that you prayerfully consider what you might be able to pledge to St. Thomas Church for **2019**, fill out your card, sign and return it to us on Commitment Sunday. We'd love to see everyone attend on this day to join us in worship and for fellowship.

PET BLESSING 10/04/18

The group gathers with their beloved pets for Fr. Ted Koeln to bless them.



CLOCK ALERT!

Daylight Saving Time **ENDS** on Sunday, November 4, 2018. Turn all clocks **back one hour** before you go to bed Saturday night (November 3rd).



NOVEMBER 4th

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

We will be remembering all parishioners and extended family members who have died during this past year: Nov. 1, 2017 – Nov. 1, 2018. The list of names will be read aloud during our All Saints' Sunday Services. Please call the Church Office with any names.

THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE

Our Thanksgiving Day Holy Eucharist Service will be at **10 am** on Thursday, **November 22nd**. Thanksgiving Day Offerings assist missions in Honduras. Last year, \$122 was collected for Honduran Missions.

THANK YOU!

Many warm and special thanks to all who helped with the recent visitation from Bishop Brewer on October 14th – it was truly a blessed day for all those receiving the sacraments: Baptism - Dominique Kerr; Confirmation – Kevin Bailey, Lynn Bailey, Ryland Cox; Reception – Bill Christiansen, June Christiansen. And thank you to all who attended the service that day; your presence was very meaningful to the Bishop and all the candidates. \$476 was donated for the Bishop's Fund! Also, thank you to everyone who participated in the October 13th Work Day – the campus still looks very inviting and welcoming!

GREAT JOB!

HEALING – 1st SUNDAYS

On November 4th, those wishing prayers or anointing may do so after all have received the Eucharist. All are invited to come to the altar rail, or please notify one of our ushers and Fr. Ted will come to you in your pew.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

There will be no November or December Fellowship Luncheon.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSURE

The Church Office will be closed in November during the Thanksgiving Holiday week.



OUTREACH MEETING

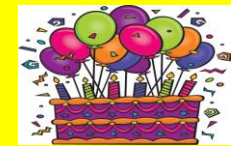
The next Thrift Shop Outreach meeting will be held on December 23rd at 9:15 am.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Phone Deacon Janet Clarke @ 352-728-0929 to join this ministry, or if you know of anyone who would benefit from a prayer shawl while they are ill or indisposed.

BOOK STORE

St. Thomas' Book Store is **OPEN** in our **Parish Hall** after Sunday services, with a great selection of religious-themed giftables. Betty Carr thanks our donors to the **Miles of Pennies jug in the Parish Hall**. Do you have a drawer or jar of change you need to clean out? Be like our recent generous donor of \$26.33 who had mostly nickels and pennies. **We now have \$286.33 toward Mile 5**. This all adds up to buy books for children. Thank you! Thank you! Please continue to drop coins & dollar bills into the jug. Thanks for your continued support. *Betty Carr*, **CPC** Chair, Book Store



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

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|-----------------------|-------|
| Opal Mahoney | 11/02 |
| Parker Adeline Bailey | 11/06 |
| Don Damon | 11/06 |
| Andra Ladd | 11/06 |
| Florence Adams | 11/10 |
| Marie Pawliczak | 11/10 |
| Leon Stricklen | 11/10 |
| Betsy Kulpan | 11/11 |
| Sue Carlsson | 11/13 |
| Arlene Riley | 11/13 |
| Sherrie Paskiet | 11/19 |
| Joseph Paskiet | 11/22 |
| Dolly Bankston | 11/23 |
| Lia Dufour | 11/23 |
| John Constable | 11/28 |
| Ted Deming | 11/30 |

4th Sunday Loose Plate Collection:

Our **November 25th** Loose Plate Collection is designated for the Rector's Discretionary Fund. Please memo checks: **"Rector's Discretionary Fund"** and place in the offering plate.

☞ Please continue to donate **Forever Stamps**, Paper Products, or printer ink **HP61XL** to St. Thomas – your donations are a terrific way to keep down costs!

NEW ADDRESS

Ann Johnson
 3405 54th Drive West G104
 Bradenton, FL 34210

CALL US

If you haven't already done so, please give the church office your email address, birthday, anniversary date, and contact changes.

Phone: (352) 357-4358.
Email: tthomasec@earthlink.net

ST. THOMAS BAZAAR NOVEMBER 12, 2018

The **PLANT BOOTH** for the Bazaar is in need of your help! Please assist us by dividing and repotting some of your beautiful plants for the November 12th Bazaar. Label with the name of the plant and a price. Nurture them until the Sunday before the Bazaar (November 11th) and bring them to the breezeway **BEHIND our Parish Hall**. Bert Grace and Kalia Baillene will also need a volunteer on Bazaar day to help with the sales at the Plant Booth.

Bazaar **YARD SALE** Space is available for \$25. Save up all of those treasures you've wanted to sell and fill up the trunk of your car. Bring a card table, chairs, umbrella, and your treasures at 8:00 am on Bazaar Day. Back up your car, set up your table (you provide from home) and sell all of those treasures you no longer need! Bring a friend so you can enjoy seeing the other vendors and spend some of the money you will be making! Spaces are limited. For more information or to reserve a space, call Mary Shriner at (352) 516-7124 or email Sally Hartenstein at niceglass@aol.com

SWEETS & TREATS Parish Pantry needs plenty of home-baked sweets and goodies, cookies, cakes, brownies, fudge, preserves, jellies, etc. Please label and price and bring in to the Parish Hall on Sunday set-up day (November 11th) or on Bazaar Monday. Please phone the Church Office at (352) 357-4358 if you can provide something.




THRIFT SHOP IN NOVEMBER

Fall is in the air, with Tremendous Autumn Deals at St. Thomas' Thrift Shop. Hurry, the Thrift Shop closes November 22, 23, and 24, for the Thanksgiving Holiday. On Bazaar Day-

Monday, November 12th - the Thrift Shop will be OPEN. Come see what terrific bargains are in store for you! Also, your donations of CHRISTMAS ITEMS are needed. If you can volunteer at any time - We need your help.... Call Sandy Pettitt 352-551-4225 or Gail Norris 352-357-2518. Please bring donations to the shop or SIDE porch of the Church Office.
Thrift Shop Phone: (352) 589-0641
Hours: Thurs. & Fri. 9 am – 3 pm
Saturday 9 am – Noon

WEDNESDAY FITNESS CLASSES

Bess Short offers a 1/2-hour **Beginners** fitness class on Wednesdays at Noon in our Parish Hall. An **Intermediate** class follows immediately after that at 12:30 pm. 

CHRISTMAS EVE/CHRISTMAS DAY

The following Christmas Eve/Christmas Day Service Schedule has been set:

December 23 – Regular 8 am & 10:30 am

Christmas Eve (Monday):

Music Program **6:30 pm**

Eucharist Service **7:00 pm**

Christmas Day (Tuesday):

H.E. Service **10:00 am**

NOTE: ONLY ONE SERVICE ON CHRISTMAS EVE & CHRISTMAS DAY!

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

Bess Short leads **Bible Study** in the Parish Hall on **Thursdays at 11 am (following the 10 am Healing Eucharist service).**

Monday, November 12th
9 am – 2 pm

BAZAAR 2018

ALL BOOTHS OPEN AT 9 AM. WE ALSO NEED HELP THE SUNDAY BEFORE ON SET-UP DAY – NOVEMBER 11th. Booths include: **BBQ Chicken Luncheon** – (Tickets \$10 each, will be on sale in front of the church on 11/04 **between** church services, as well as at the door on Bazaar Day.) **Coffee & Pie Café**, Thrift Shop, Sweets & Treats, Craft Shop, Yard Bargains, Gift Baskets, Plants, Books, Jewelry Kiosk, Silent Auction, Book Store, Meet the Priest. This is our big annual fundraiser (See Insert for other Information)

MOST NEWS



The **MOST** (Men Of St. Thomas) will meet on Thursday, **November 8th at 6 pm** in our Parish Hall, with a guest speaker and dinner provided. Please feel free to contact *Jerry Fields*, President @ 343-000 with any program ideas or input on future events.

SUNDAY ADULT FORUM

The Forum **is held on Sundays at 9:15 am with a relevant Topic of Discussion.** We gather in our Parish Hall for an opportunity to learn, share & grow. No materials required; just show up and join in.


U.T.O. SUNDAY

Sunday, Nov. 25th is United Thank Offering Day. Donations support missions & ministry. Please express your thanks. Last year, \$278 was raised at St. Thomas. Look for the blue UTO boxes in our church Narthex.

VETERANS

We will be honoring all past and current **members** of St. Thomas who served in the U.S. Military. Please join us on Sunday, November 11th (Veteran's Day) as we recognize their service to our country during our church services.

BAZAAR NEEDS

"Help us fill a basket" for the November 12th Bazaar's **Themed Baskets** (wine, gift cards, restaurant certificates, etc.) Items can be left at the office or given to Carole Warner. The **Silent Auction** features higher value items - Vacation get-aways, jewelry, collections, lessons, professional services, dinners, and small furniture. Contact Carole Warner (343-0671) with a description & estimated value/minimum bid for items. 

THANKSGIVING FOOD HARVEST

We're collecting food donations for **Thirty Thanksgiving Bags – 15 for Eustis Elementary School and 15 for Seminole Springs Elementary School.** In addition to your generous monetary donations for the Thanksgiving Turkey/Meat, we need:
*Boxes of Stuffing & Mashed Potatoes
*Cans Sweet Potatoes (15 or 16 oz.)
*Canned Green Beans, Corn & Cranberry Sauce
*Packets of Turkey Gravy Mix. Or--can't shop? A **\$20 donation** provides one complete Thanksgiving Bag. See Nancy Conley, Diane Mullen, or Vicki Tubb for info. Collection will be in the Parish Hall. **The deadline date will be in mid-November.** Thank you for the **Generous** outpouring of funds already received to purchase food for the bags!

NOVEMBER 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<u>*SUNDAY SCHEDULE</u> Holy Eucharist Services: Traditional - 8 am Family - 10:30 am Healing on November 4 th Adult Forum in Parish Hall – 9:15 Coffee Hour in Parish Hall – 9 am			1 9 am – 3 pm – Thrift Shop 10 am – HE/Healing Service 11 am – BIBLE STUDY 1:15 pm – Stained Glass 6:30 pm – AA Group	2 9 am – 3 pm – Thrift Shop	3 9 am – Noon – Thrift Shop DST Ends – Set Clocks BACK ONE HOUR tonight
4 HEALING ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY <u>*SUNDAY SCHEDULE</u>	5 7-8 pm – AA Meditation Group in Wisdom Hall	6	7 9-11 am – Thrift Work Day 10 am – Craft Group Dresses 12 pm – Beginner's Fitness 12:30 pm – Fitness Class 7 pm – Choir Rehearsal	8 9 am – 3 pm Thrift Shop 10 am – HE/Healing Service 11 am – BIBLE STUDY 1:15 pm – Stained Glass 6 pm – MOST Meeting 6:30 pm – AA Group	9 9 am – 3 pm – Thrift Shop 1:30 pm – Healing/HE at Lakeview in Altoona	10 9 am – Noon – Thrift Shop
11 SET-UP SUNDAY <u>*SUNDAY SCHEDULE</u> 25 PENTECOST VETERANS' REMEMBRANCE DAY	12 BAZAAR 9 am - Booths Open 11 am – 1 pm - BBQ Chicken Lunch 7-8 pm – AA Meditation Group in Wisdom Hall	13 7 pm – Vestry	14 9-11 am – Thrift Work Day 10 am – Craft Group 12 pm – Beginner's Fitness 12:30 pm – Fitness Class 7 pm – Choir Rehearsal	15 9 am – 3 pm – Thrift Shop 10 am – HE/Healing Service 11 am – BIBLE STUDY 1:15 pm – Stained Glass 6:30 pm – AA Group	16 9 am – 3 pm – Thrift Shop	17 9 am – Noon – Thrift Shop
18 <u>*SUNDAY SCHEDULE</u> 26 PENTECOST	19 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED THIS WEEK.... 7-8 pm – AA Meditation Group in Wisdom Hall	20	21 12 pm – Beginner's Fitness 12:30 pm – Fitness Class 7 pm – Choir Rehearsal	22 THANKSGIVING THRIFT SHOP CLOSED 10 am – THANKSGIVING HOLY EUCHARIST Service 6:30 pm – AA Group	23 THRIFT SHOP CLOSED	24 THRIFT SHOP CLOSED
25 DISCRETIONARY <u>*SUNDAY SCHEDULE</u> Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King UTO SUNDAY	26 7-8 pm – AA Meditation Group in Wisdom Hall	27	28 10 am – Craft Group 12 pm – Beginner's Fitness 12:30 pm – Fitness Class 7 pm – Choir Rehearsal	29 9 am – 3 pm – Thrift Shop 10 am – HE/Healing Service 11 am – BIBLE STUDY 1:15 pm – Stained Glass 6:30 pm – AA Group	30 9 am – 3 pm – Thrift Shop	

St. Thomas Bazaar 2018

Monday, November 12 from 9 AM to 2 PM.

If you can help in any way please call Diane Mullen at 343-9028 or 434-4069 or Lauren Stricklen at 408-8153.

We need set-up help on Sunday, **November 11th** after the 10:30 service and other general helpers on Bazaar day. We need your help to make this event profitable & entertaining. Chairpersons below are waiting for your call....

If you can help with the **BBQ Chicken luncheon** with prep, serving or clean up, call Nancy Conley at 350-4184. Buy your tickets early between Sunday services.

If you can bake something for the **Parish Pantry (Sweets & Treats)**, contact Naomi Townsend at 408-1707 or Wendy Geeslin at 408-4122. Package, label and price, and bring on November 11th or 12th.

Call Carole Warner at 343-0671, if you can donate items for either the **Silent Auction** or the **Drawing**.

Call Bert Grace at 314-0001 or Kalia Baillene at 386-983-5108, if you have potted **plants**. Label and price and bring on November 11 if possible.

The **Craft Shop** is looking for craft items of any kind you can donate. Call Janet Clarke at 728-0929. Bring in your craft items as soon as possible so they can organize and set up.

Joan Allen is hosting the **Coffee & Pie Café**. Call her at 636-6502 if you can donate a pie or two. The Leahys will be selling **popcorn and cold drinks**. Bette and Richard Dufour will man **the Book Store**.

If you can donate any **jewelry items or small gift items**, contact Suzanne Kiefer at 669-4622.

Lynn Bailey is looking for donations of **books, CDs, DVDs** for her booth. Call her to donate at 352-406-2524.

Mary Shriner at 516-7124 and Sally Hartenstein at 874-2220 are in charge of renting **yard sale space across the street from the church for \$25**. If you are interested in renting space for your table or trunk on Lemon Street for the Bazaar, contact either Mary or Sally.

The **Thrift Shop & Boutique** is always looks for gently worn clothes and shoes and household treasures. If you can donate these items or your time to work in the shop, please call Sandy Pettitt at 551-4225 or Gail Norris at 357-2518.

Beverly Cox will have several tables with **Thrift Shop Clearance** items. Call her at 406-1580 if you can assist in any way.

Fr. Ted will be working that day as the Priest in the Parlor. Ruth Squire will be with him to answer any questions about the church. Guided tours of our historic church will also be provided at 10:30, 11:30, 12:30 and 1:30 on Bazaar Day.

Save the date, save your dollars, invite your friends and neighbors.

Come and join us in this important fund raising event at St. Thomas Episcopal Church.
