Weekly Update May 15, 2024

Please join us on Sunday for Holy Eucharist

The Day of Pentecost May 19, 2024 8 am & 10 am*

Celebrant: The Rev. Deacon Chris Miller-Marcin

If you are unable to worship in person, please join us on YouTube *To view the livestream service please click the link below.



This week at

St. Martha's



Wednesday, May 15th:

- Seashell Ringers practice at 1 pm.
- Finance Committee Zoom meeting at 4 pm.
- Choir practice at 7 pm.

Thursday, May 16th:

- Becoming Beloved Community meeting at 1 pm in the parish hall.
- Outreach Committee meeting at 2 pm in the parish hall.

Friday, May 17th:

- Stitch and Sketch will meet from 10 am to 1 pm in the parish hall. We have knitters, painters, quilters and many other crafters who gather to stitch, craft and socialize. All are welcome.
- Scholarship Committee Zoom meeting at 11 am.

Monday, May 20th:

Yoga at 9:30 am. \$10 drop in. Bring your own mat, blanket, block and/or strap.
 Some will be available.

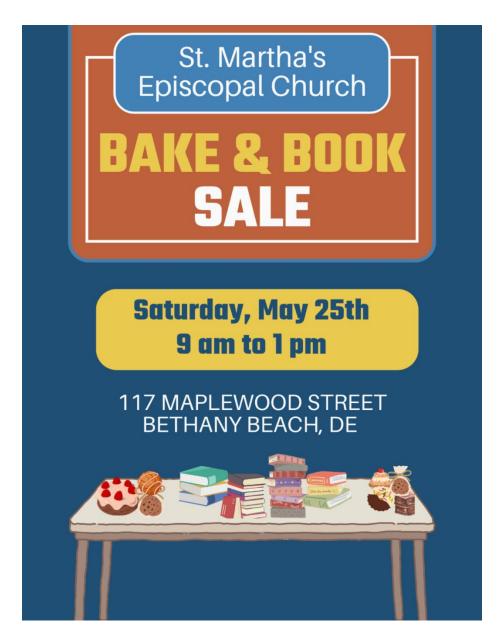
Tuesday, May 21st:

- Qigong at 9:30 am in the parish hall. Qigong is a mindful movement practice
 that helps us to calm our minds, balance our emotions, and feel more
 energized. Done seated or standing and is accessible to everyone. Bring a yoga
 mat if you have one, and some water. Suggested donation: \$10.
- International Student Welcome to the Community. The Wednesday, May 22nd at 2:15 pm Status Review meeting has been moved to Tuesday, May 21st at 11 am. Come out and join the fun or sign up and have your Team Leader send you update emails.
- Yoga at 5:30 pm. This is a beginner's class starting with the basics for anyone new to yoga or just looking for a gentle practice. \$10 drop in.

Wednesday, May 22nd:

- Men's Discipleship Group will meet from 8 9 am in the conference room.
- Choir practice at 7 pm.

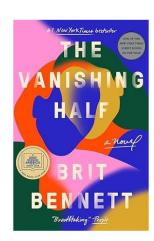
Upcoming Events



Can you believe we are about to kick off another Summer Season? Our Memorial Day Weekend Bake and Book Sale is in less than 2 weeks! We have a huge selection of books to sell but we need a lot more baked goods. So all you bakers out there, we need you to dust off your aprons and put your skills in to action. Signup sheets are in the hall. Please stop by on Sunday and add your name to the list of amazing volunteers. These events wouldn't be possible without all of you.

ST. MARTHA'S HYBRID BOOK CLUB





If you would like to join by Zoom, please contact Rick Legeer

Calling all book lovers! Join us for our next book club meeting on Thursday, May 30th, from 3 to 4:30 pm. This month, we're diving into the thought-provoking pages of 'The Vanishing Half' by Brit Bennett.

Everyone is welcome to join our vibrant discussions! And for our friends who can't make it in person, not to worry! Our hybrid setup means you can still be part of the conversation via Zoom. Just reach out to **Rick Legeer** at least a week before the meeting to let us know so we are fully prepared to make that virtual connection.

Let's explore new worlds, share insights, and connect over the magic of storytelling. Your unique perspective enriches our conversations, so mark your calendars and get ready for an afternoon that will surely stimulate your mind!



Calling all Youth from the Episcopal Diocese of Delaware

Delaware Pride Festival

JUNE 1, 2024 10am-4pm

Our mission is to be the hands of God, welcoming and affirming each person's unique beauty and worth. As we join together, we become a living message of God's unconditional love.

Meet new friends, make a craft, & explore our booth as we come together as a community, united in love and respect for all. Your participation is what makes this event truly meaningful. We can't wait to see you there!

For more information, please contact the Diocesan Youth Advisors, youthsupport@delaware.church. Let's make this a day to remember!



St. Martha's Church to the rescue! Thanks again for all your donations for diapers this year!



Early Learning Center

Indian River School District 30207 Frankford School Rd. Frankford, De 19945 302-732-1346 ext Janet Hickman Ed. D., Principal

Grace Cooper, Secretary

Colleen Murphy, Secretary

April 16, 2024

Dear Members of St. Martha's Church,

I want to thank you for your generous donation to the Early Learning Center. Your timing was impeccable as this time of year shortages often take place and as you can imagine, not having enough diapers can be a fiasco. I was amazed to see how many diapers and pull ups arrived at our doorstep. I just can't thank your organization enough for this support. It is greatly appreciated by the staff and the families.

The Early Learning Center is very fortunate to have an organization like yours who partners with us to ensure that our littles have everything that they need.

Thank you

Sincerely,

Janet Hickman Principal



Parking Reminder

Today is the day! Parking restrictions are now in effect! If you are at St. Martha's for any reason other than Sunday Services, please remember to park in our lot. The Town of Bethany allows us to park on the streets surrounding the church on Sundays during services until noon. If for some reason you get a ticket, please contact the office right away and we will reach out to the Parking Department official.

Parking passes for parishioners will be available at the entrance to the church or on the table outside the office. Please make sure to display them when parking in our lot, especially on days other than Sunday. This will allow us to monitor the use of our parking lot by non-parishioners.



International Student Welcome to the Community: Our Weds, 22 May, 2:15PM Status Review meeting has been moved to Tues, 21 May at 11AM. Come out and join the fun or sign up and have your Team Leader send you update emails.

Brick Blessing

There will be a brick blessing on June 9th at both services. If you've ever thought about dedicating a brick, now is the time! This coming Sunday, May 19th is the deadline to submit your order. Forms can be found outside of the office, at the entrance to the church or by clicking HERE. The cost is \$100. Please make checks payable to St.



FLASH MOB BEACH PICNICS!!

There are sign up sheets in the church hall if you would like to be notified this summer by email or text that we'll be having an early evening pot luck picnic on the beach. We are trying to plan picnics with less advance notice (a few days) because when we plan them weeks ahead, the weather tends NOT to co-operate with us! Last year, we cancelled several times due to rain, a heat index of 101, and high winds!!!



Eastern Shore Mission of Mercy (ESMOM2024) Dental Clinic

September 13-14, 2024 (clinic construction/setup September 12).

Mission of Mercy is a free adult dental clinic provided by volunteer dental professionals and a volunteer staff of several hundred people.

All dental services are provided by licensed dentists and hygienists who are donating their services for this event.

According to the CareQuest Institute for Oral Health, an estimated <u>68.5 million</u> adults nationwide do not have dental insurance.

Who are the patients at ESMOM? They are our friends, neighbors, service industry co-workers, church and community members, veterans and more.

Given our rural region, the shifts in Medicare and Medicaid insurance coverage, as well as the impact of inflation on household budgets, Mission of Mercy patients are mothers, fathers, grandparents, brothers & sisters, who are often in pain.

All types of volunteers are needed, from people to escort patients, check in patients, to physical labor volunteers to help set up all the equipment before the event and take it all back down Saturday evening.

The volunteer registration portal for the next clinic is now open. The event is again set at the Wicomico Civic Center in Salisbury MD.

The goal to serve 1250 patients over the two day clinic depends on the level of volunteer support generated. There is a job for everyone!

If you are interested in learning more and/or volunteering, please click the link below.

easternshoremom.org/volunteers