

Weekly Update

August 7, 2024

Please join us on Sunday for Holy Eucharist

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 11, 2024

8 am & 10 am*

Celebrants: The Reverend Victoria Pretti and
The Reverend 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, August 7th:

- Seashell Ringers practice at 1:15 pm.
- Choir practice at 7 pm.

Thursday, August 8th:

- Qigong at 9:30 am in the narthex. 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. This class is led by Rev. Ria. Drop ins welcome, by donation.
- Finance Committee at 4 pm by Zoom.

Monday, August 12th:

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

Tuesday, August 13th:

- 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, August 14th:

- Men's Discipleship Group will meet from 8 - 9 am in the conference room.
- Seashell Ringers practice at 1:15 pm.
- Choir practice at 7 pm.

Upcoming Events



AUGUST
15TH
7:30 pm

CELTIC TO CLASSICAL
WITH FLUTIST PAM PECKO SMITH

@ St. Martha's Episcopal
Thursday, August 15th, 7:30 PM

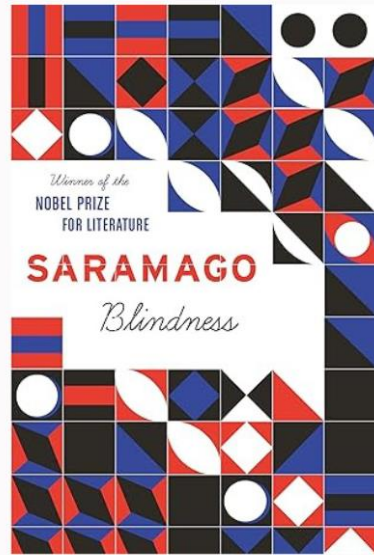
Celtic to Classical founders and multi-instrumentalists Sheridan Seyfried and Ya-Jhu Yang join flutist Pam Pecko Smith for an unforgettable evening of music—from Mozart and Brahms to French and Celtic music—and even some jazzy favorites from the Great American Songbook. Something for every musical taste! No tickets are sold; a freewill offering is taken. Seating is first-come, first-served.

We will be performing the same program in Milford on 8/13 and Rehoboth on 8/14. Details via email or on our website:

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St. Martha's Hybrid Book Club



Thursday, August 22nd
3:00 - 4:30 pm
Parish Hall or Zoom

If you wish to attend via Zoom, please contact
Rick Legeer at least a week prior to the meeting
to receive the link and further instructions.

Book Summary: Blindness by José Saramago is a harrowing tale that explores the descent of society into chaos following a sudden epidemic of blindness that strikes an unnamed city. The narrative delves into themes of fear, isolation, and the struggle for survival, painting a stark picture of humanity under duress. Saramago's unique writing style and profound insights into human nature make this a thought-provoking read.

Reading the book is encouraged but not required. All are welcome to join us for a stimulating and engaging discussion.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Women's No Agenda Lunch

Friday, August 23rd
Grotto's at 12:30 pm

Contact Tempe Steen with rsvp and/or questions. 302-542-5623



 **Join Us for the 2024 Jeff Jackson Golf Outing and Luncheon!** 

Are you ready for a day of fun on the greens? Whether you're a seasoned pro or just a beginner, we welcome everyone to participate in this exciting event. And if golf isn't your thing, you're still invited to join us for lunch at the clubhouse!

Don't miss this chance for an enjoyable day of community and camaraderie.

Check out the [attached](#) registration form for all the details. Copies of the forms can also be found in the Narthex. The completed forms and fees can be placed in the plate or returned to the office. Any questions, please contact [Bill Freund](#).

POSES FOR PEACE

Advanced/Beginner Christian Yoga Class



Thursday, August 29th &
Saturday, September 28th

10 am - 11 am

St. Martha's Episcopal Church
Bethany Beach, DE

A "love" donation will be accepted to pay school tuition for a 16 year old girl in Rawanda. Any questions, please contact Gari Lewis. (860) 985-2761

BOOK SALE

St. Martha's
Episcopal
Church

Saturday,
August 31st
9 am to 1pm

117 Maplewood Street
Bethany Beach



A SIGN UP SHEET IS IN THE PARISH HALL. PLEASE CONSIDER STOPPING BY AND SIGNING UP TO VOLUNTEER FOR SET UP AND/OR TO WORK THE DAY OF THE SALE! THE MORE VOLUNTEERS WE HAVE THE LESS WORK FOR ALL INVOLVED.

St. Martha's Divine Confections



September 7, 2024
10 am to 5 pm

Attention all bakers, it's time to dust off your aprons and put your baking skills to work!

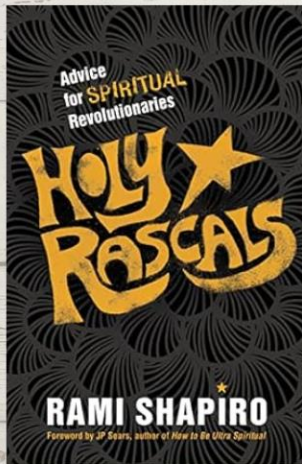
The 46th Annual Bethany Beach Boardwalk Arts Festival is right around the corner and we need lots of volunteers to fill our beloved St. Martha's Divine Confections Booth with plenty of sweet treats to sell. We also need volunteers to help, sort, price and transport the items, set up tent and display the baked goods, and work the booth on the day of the sale.

Volunteer Sign-Up: There is a sign-up sheet in the parish hall for those who wish to contribute their time and talents.

We appreciate your support and look forward to a successful and enjoyable event!



Sunday Book Study



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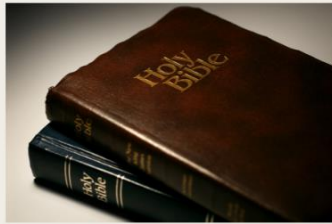
September, 8th

Between Services in the
Narthex

Bible Study

LED BY REV. RIA

NEW FORMAT OF PRAYER, REFLECTION AND
FAITH SHARING BASED ON THE NEW TESTAMENT.



STARTS
Tuesday,
September 10th
1:00 PM

Bishop Brown's Visitation – September 15th

Join us for a single service at 9 am on September 15th as we welcome Bishop Brown. If you'd like to be confirmed or officially received into the Episcopal Church after being confirmed in another denomination, please contact the office or see Rev. Ria for more information.

Outreach



Outreach is purchasing school supplies for three schools. Donations for these supplies will be appreciated. You may write a check with school supplies on the memo line or put cash in an envelope with school supplies on the outside.

The White Bag Summer Snacks for students in need of food continues until the end of August. Our White Bag artists are looking for people who would like to decorate the white bags with their artwork. They have 200 bags to go to complete the summer bags. See Fran Hasson or Fran McElvey to get the white bags.

REMEMBER YOUR POP-TABS FOR RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE!

Announcements



St. Martha's Bowling League

Anyone interested in forming a "For Fun" bowling league, playing at the Millsboro Lanes at 4:00pm either on Mondays or Wednesdays?

Please sign up in the parish hall before August 12. Check which day of the week would work for you; check both days if it does not matter. The day will be determined by the availability of the majority signing up. We will bowl 3 games weekly from September to mid May. Participants will be divided into teams each week based on who shows up to bowl.

**Any questions should be directed to John Grannis at
jhgrannis@gmail.com
or 540-877-4078**



We are excited to announce that registration is now open for Church School! Classes will begin on Sunday, September 22nd. Drop off will be at 9:45 am in the Children's Room. Click [HERE](#) for registration forms. They can also be found in the Narthex and outside of the office. Regular attendance is encouraged, but not mandatory. Completed forms can be placed in the plate or submitted to the office. For those interested in volunteering to assist Deacon Chris, a sign up sheet can be found in the parish hall and the attached [form](#) can be completed and submitted to the office.