

BETHESDA CALENDAR

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Commissioning of Vestry & ECW Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 9:05 a.m. Children's Worship, Parish Hall
- 10:10 a.m. Adult Forum, Parish Hall
- 10:10 a.m. Sunday School, Upstairs
- 10:10 a.m. MS Youth, ECW Room
- 10:10 a.m. HS Youth, Library
- 10:10 a.m. Youth Confirmation, Upstairs
- 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 3:30 p.m. Recital
- 4:00 p.m. Evensong
- 5:00 p.m. Reception, Garth

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

- 7:30 a.m. MOB, Guild Room
- 8:30 a.m. Women at the Well, Parish Hall
- 10:30 a.m. St. Mary's Guild, Guild Room
- 11:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer, Library
- 1:30 p.m. EFM, ECW Room
- 4:00 p.m. FIA Executive Board Meeting, Library
- 7:00 p.m. Living the Questions, Parish Hall

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

- 7:15 a.m. Bible Study
- 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 8:30 a.m. Breakfast, Guild Room
- 7:00 p.m. Bible Seminar, Library
- 7:30 p.m. Beginners' Al-Anon, Guild Room
- 8:00 p.m. AA, Parish Hall
- 8:30 p.m. Al-Anon, Guild Room

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

- 9:00 a.m. Bible Study: Women at the Well, ECW Room

- 9:00 a.m. Parish Potters, Tea House
- 12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist and Healing
- 4:30 p.m. Church Mouse Board, Library
- 4:30 p.m. Youth Choir
- 5:30 p.m. Women's AA Group, Guild Room
- 6:00 p.m. Women's Cursillo Group, ECW Room
- 7:00 p.m. Acts of the Apostles, ECW Room
- 7:30 p.m. Beginners' AA, Guild Room

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9

- 11:30 a.m. St. Mary's Bridge Luncheon, Parish Hall
- 6:00 p.m. EFM, ECW Room
- 7:30 p.m. Bethesda Choir
- 8:30 p.m. AA Group, Guild Room

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10

March Bulletin Deadline by 5:00 p.m.

- 8:30 a.m. St. George's Center Sandwiches, Kitchen
- 9:00 a.m. Altar Guild Housekeeping
- 12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Group, Parish Hall

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

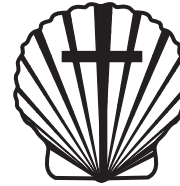
Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

Celebration Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 9:05 a.m. Children's Worship, Parish Hall
- 9:30 a.m. Brunch, Garth
- 10:10 a.m. Adult Forum, Parish Hall
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist
- 12:15 p.m. Church Lecture Tour

Bethesda Happenings

February 5, 2012



SUNDAY

HEAVENLY TREASURES (*our parish gift and book shop*)

Don't get caught without a gift for all your Valentines! We have the best greeting card selection in Palm Beach, and a wonderful variety of gifts, including solid gold and sterling silver crosses and chains. We are open after the

9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services, and Tuesday–Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

ECW SUNDAY celebrates the roles women play in the life of the church and in the community. All women who attend Bethesda are members of the Episcopal Church Women. They are active in all areas of the church—from the Altar Guild to the Vestry. Fellowship is also important. Therefore the ECW invites you to stop by the coffee table today after the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services to learn more.

RECTOR'S FORUM, 10:10 A.M., PARISH HALL. If you have not attended a Stewardship Social Gathering, we invite you to our forum today and see Fr. James' presentation and share your thoughts and questions.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

THE LITTLE CHAPEL UPSTAIRS (AGES 3 AND 4), SUNDAYS, 9:00 A.M. You may bring your 3 and 4 year olds upstairs, where they will have their own service and then be brought to the Narthex (at the back of the church) to meet their parents in time for Communion. It is good to explain to your little ones why we do the things we do in church (kneel to pray, stand to sing hymns, whisper when they have a question they want to ask, etc.) Children learn by doing, and you are their greatest model and teacher.

CHILDREN'S SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY: 10:10 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. Pre-School through 5th Grade, Upstairs.

YOUTH

YOUTH SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY: 10:10 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. Middle School Youth, ECW Room; High School Youth, Library; Youth Confirmation Class, Upstairs.

SERVING THROUGH BETHESDA

THE CHURCH MOUSE, Monday–Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., 378 South County Road, Palm Beach, FL 33480. Don't miss our all-day *Vintage and Fine Linen Event* on Saturday, February 18! Please note that we will remain open until 5:00 p.m. through March 31. For more information, please visit us online at <http://bbts.org/churchmouse.shtml> or call Coy Riestra at 659–2154.

† *Copies of service leaflets are available on our website under Worship.*
The deadline for announcements in the leaflet is every Monday at noon.

ONGOING EVENTS

BIBLE SEMINAR: "PROPHETS—GREAT AND SMALL," TUESDAYS, 7:00 P.M. TO 8:30 P.M., LIBRARY. Led by Fr. Cogan, the group will continue close readings of Old Testament texts, from Lamentations through the twelve Minor Prophets, covering the complete passages from the Babylonian Captivity and later which "everyone used to know."

FINDING A CREDIBLE JESUS, MONDAYS, 7:00 P.M. TO 8:30 P.M., PARISH HALL. Using progressive Christian commentary from the highly-acclaimed "Living the Questions" DVD series as a starting point, Tom O'Brien will explore ways to find a Jesus in whom we can believe and with whom we can have a dynamic relationship.

UPCOMING EVENTS

THE MEN OF BETHESDA (MOB), TOMORROW, FEBRUARY 6, AT 7:30 A.M., GUILD ROOM. All men of Bethesda are welcome to join us!

WOMEN AT THE WELL: A WOMEN'S RETREAT DAY, TOMORROW, FEBRUARY 6, 8:30 A.M. TO 1:45 P.M., PARISH HALL. The topic is "Abide with Me"—life lessons from Mary and Martha on how to live with balance in the busy world. Brochures to sign-up are available in the Narthex.

ST. MARY'S GUILD will not have their monthly meeting and luncheon in February, but please join us for the St. Mary's Guild Valentine Luncheon this Thursday, February 9, at 11:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall.

ACTS OF THE APOSTLES, BEGINNING WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 7:00 TO 8:30 P.M., ECW ROOM. The Rev. Clay Waddell will facilitate a seven week course on the book of *The Acts of the Apostles*. We will study the amazing growth of the early Church and the witness of those who left everything to "act" on the Great Commission to "go and teach all Nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit."

ADULT CONFIRMATION AND INQUIRERS' CLASS, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 6:30 P.M., ECW ROOM. The course will consist of ten classes, each covering a different aspect of our life together as Christians and as Episcopalians. Each class will last 1½ to 2 hours, including prayer, teaching, and discussion. These sessions will provide preparation for confirmation, reception or reaffirmation by Bishop Frade on Sunday, May 6, for those who are interested. They will also provide instruction, discussion, and fellowship for those who are confirmed but would like to learn more about our faith, the Church, and our life together. For a detailed schedule, visit our website at <http://bbts.org/inquirersclass.shtml>.

Did you know....

Copies of Fr. James' essay, *Worship at Bethesda*; his Annual Report Address; and the 2011 Annual Report are available in the Narthex and on our website.

Music at Bethesda

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

3:30 p.m. Recital

Junko Ohtsu, *violin* Irena Kofman, *piano*

4:00 p.m. Evensong

Music by The Bethesda Choir

Free-will offering • Reception following Evensong

St. Mary's Guild Valentine Bridge Luncheon

This Thursday, February 9

11:30 a.m. Luncheon

at Bethesda-by-the-Sea in the Parish Hall

Followed by an afternoon of Bridge with wonderful prizes
Please organize your tables and purchase your tickets early.

Tickets are \$25.00 each and can be obtained by contacting the church office at 655-4554 or you may send a check to 141 S. County Rd., Palm Beach, FL 33480 (att. St. Mary's Guild).

The Stewardship Committee invites you to

Celebration Sunday

February 12, 2012

between the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services

Come early, stay late!

Brunch in the Garth



Pancakes, bacon, fruit salad, and more will be served by our own Middle and High School Youth

Valentine's craft table for the Sunday School
(Pre K – Grade 5)



Performance by the Rosarian Show Choir
directed by Gay Dedo

