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We welcome you in the name of the Lord!

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"The mission of St. Benedict's Church is to know Christ's love and to make His love known"

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT:

Year C – Revised Common Lectionary / Daily Office Year Two

March 5 and 6, 2016

Weekend Schedule

Saturday: Holy Eucharist Rite II – 6:00 pm

Sunday: Morning Prayer - 7:45 am

Holy Eucharist Rite I – 8:00 am

Eucharist Rite II – 10:00 am

(With Sunday school for Children and Youth of all ages)

Weekday Eucharist/Prayer in Community

Tuesday: Intercessory Prayer Group – 8:00 am

Tuesday: Holy Eucharist - 8:30 am

Wednesday: Holy Eucharist/Healing Service – 7:00 pm

Thursday: Holy Eucharist – 8:30 am

Order of Service - Holy Eucharist: 6:00 pm and 10:00 am (BCP 355) – 8:00 am (BCP 323)

The Collect of the Day:

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Joshua 5:9-12

The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day. While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year. The Word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

Psalm 32 *Beati quorum*

1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, *and whose sin is put away!
2 Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, *and in whose spirit there is no guile!
3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, *because of my groaning all day long.
4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; *my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, *and did not conceal my guilt.
6 I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." *Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
8 You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; *you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; *I will guide you with my eye.
10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; *
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."
11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.
12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; *shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

The Epistle: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. The Word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

+The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (15:1-3, 11b-32)

ALL: GLORY TO YOU LORD CHRIST!

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So Jesus told them this parable: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe--the best one--and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. "Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a

young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

The Gospel of the Lord. **ALL: PRAISE TO YOU, LORD CHRIST**

Sermon/Homily: 6:00 pm Saturday, 8:00 am and 10:00 am Sunday: Sister Ellie Finlay, *Solitary Anglican Nun*

Prayers of the People: 6:00 pm & 10:00 am: Form I; 8:00 am (BCP 328)

Blessings for anniversaries and birthdays and the laying on of hands for healing

The Great Thanksgiving: 6:00 pm and 10:00 am (BCP 361); 8:00 am (BCP 333)

All baptized Christians who affirm the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Sacrament are welcome to receive communion in the Episcopal Church.

Post Communion Prayer: BCP, 365 (8:00 am BCP, 339)

Sending out the Lay Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant: N. (and N.) we send you out to share Communion this week with (names).

People: May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ's body and blood.

Celebrant: May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in the community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ. **People: Amen.**

WHAT'S HAPPENING? - THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT'S

Special Opportunities for Spiritual Growth and Renewal this Lent

***WEEKDAY EUCHARIST/SERVICES:** Tuesdays 8:30 AM, Wednesdays 7:00 PM, Thursdays 8:30 AM

***EVERY WEDNESDAY:** Rector's Bible Study and Lenten Meditations 7:30 PM

***EVERY FRIDAY:** Stations of the Cross (Via Crucis) at 7:00 PM in the church

Our Confirmation date and location have changed. Confirmation will be held April 23rd at 5:00 pm at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church, 1400 Riverside Dr, Coral Springs, FL 33071. Please join us to support and encourage our new confirmation class. Next year St. Mary Magdalene will be joining us for Confirmation.

ATTENTION PARENTS WITH CHILDREN AGES 5-13 - FIRST COMMUNIONS AT ST. BENEDICT'S: We will celebrate First Holy Communion May 1st, 2016, for our children who have been baptized. Please contact Donna Carty via phone [954 801 3814](tel:9548013814) or email stbennyouth@gmail.com or the office.

Mission of the Month: Please support our Mission of the Month, Our Little Roses of Honduras, which houses orphaned and abused girls in Honduras. It is a 501 C3 and a recognized mission throughout the Episcopal Church. Please be generous.

Bible Study on the Beatitudes of Matthew 5:3–12: We will devote almost a week to each one. We will begin by focusing on the group as a whole in the wider context of Jesus' ministry. We have to answer the questions: What are these beatitudes? Do they spell out conditions we must meet in order to inherit eternal life. Class on Fridays from 9:30 am-11:00 am. We will meet in the Conference Room. If there are any questions please call Jerry at 954-530-0901.

American Cancer Society Relay For Life shows support for cancer Survivors and all who are still battling cancer, we also remember all of those who have lost the fight against cancer. 2016 RELAY FOR LIFE will be on Friday, April 15-16, 2016 from 6:30pm-9am - Plantation Central Park. **HOW TO JOIN OUR TEAM:** Sign up with just a minimum donation of \$10.00 -- **Team URL:** <http://main.acevents.org/goto/sbec>. You don't have to walk all night, just register with the team, raise donations for Relay and walk with fellow team members committed to finding a cure. By raising a minimum of \$100 in donations members will qualify for the HOPE Club and will receive a participant t-shirt. **Dedicate a Luminaria:** Purchase a Luminaria to honor and/or in memory of a loved one. The cost is \$5.00. Your Relay Team will be selling Luminaria bags Sunday, March 12-13th and April 9-10th. If you'd like to support the effort, stay tuned for notices in the e-news, Facebook postings, and announcements in church for updates. If you have any questions, e-mail Garth Sill at gsill@live.com or Donna Carty at chungie711@hotmail.com

Christ's Passion and Death: Why and How! Join us for amazing and unforgettable insights into the last journey of Jesus. Your life-journey will abruptly change. Participate each Lenten Monday night at 7 PM in the chapel.

Faith in Music Ministry: Tuesdays 9:30 am beginning again with HANDEL'S MESSIAH.

Any senior graduating who is interested in applying for the ECW Catherine Brown Scholarship should contact Carla Holness at 954-309-3298 for the application and requirements. The deadline for applications and information is Sunday, March 13, 2016.

ECW meeting will be on Sunday, March 13, 2016 immediately after the 10:00 am service. Refreshments will be served.

Mothers' Union Meeting will be March 6th following the 10:00 am service in St. Luke's Room.

Mothers' Union High Tea will be on Sunday, April 24th at 3:00 pm in Deshaies Hall. If you are interested in placing an advertisement in the High Tea booklet, or if you can sell ads for the booklet, please see Blossie Lewis for more information.

Fish Fry on GOOD FRIDAY - March 25, 2016: We are requesting donations of the following: Non-perishable items may be dropped off at church on Sunday, March 20:

- (7) Gallon Vegetable oil,
 - (2) (5) Large bags of salad (Costco or Sams)
 - (3) (4 each) sweet peppers, green, red and yellow
 - (6) 5 lb. bags onions
 - (6) 3 lb. bags of coleslaw
 - (3) (15) bags of matchstick carrots (Publix)
 - (2) Large canisters of Iced tea AND lemonade mix
 - (3) Cherry or grape tomatoes (8)
- 3 DOZEN LEMONS and 2 DOZEN LIMES

NEED all donations BY WEDNESDAY, March 23. Please contact Hazel Mitchell at (954) 594-6281 or Cheryl Burley at (954) 433-0956. **Thank You!**

The 2016 Confirmation Class will appreciate donations for Seafarer's House to make Easter Shoe Boxes. Items needed are listed. The **lid of the shoebox** must be **wrapped separately** so that the box can be opened for security. Shoeboxes can be wrapped, painted or decorated with pictures pasted over writing on box.

STANDARD ITEMS (New items in regular sizes please)

Athletic White Socks, Combs, Deodorant, Disposable razors, Shampoo, Shaving Cream, Soap/Shower Gel Tooth Brushes, Toothpaste, Pencils/pens/pencil sharpeners. OPTIONAL EXTRAS - These are extra items that a seafarer might enjoy finding included with the above: Playing cards, Picture post cards, Calendars with pretty pictures, An Easter card, An Easter letter or drawing from a child, and hard candy. **DEADLINE: March 6 for church donations.**

THE Nova Singers 40th Anniversary Concert featuring Maurice Durufle's *Requiem* will take place at Christ Church, 4845 NE 25 Ave, Fort Lauderdale (954-771-7300) on March 15th at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$5.00 for students, \$15 Advance Tickets and \$20 at the door and are available online www.nova.edu/novasingers. For more information please see Gail Armagost.

Spiritual Thought for the week: "As Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus' thirst...'Repent and believe' Jesus tells us. What are we to repent? Our indifference, our hardness of heart. What are we to believe? Jesus thirsts even now, in your heart and in the poor -- He knows your weakness. He wants only your love, wants only the chance to love you." -Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Our offerings to God for February 27 and 28, 2016

Operating Fund: Pledge and Plate \$8,114.50

Building Fund: Pledge and gifts \$1,867.50

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