

## Week of August 14 - 21, 2016

### Sunday, August 14th

- 8:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
9:30 am Coffee & Fellowship, parish hall  
Summer Choir Practice, nave  
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
11:45 am Vestry Meeting, parish hall

### Thursday, August 18th

- 6:30 pm Bunco, parish hall

### Friday, August 19th

- 9:00 am Pack for Beans & Rice, parish hall

### Saturday, August 20th

- 9:00 am Beans & Rice Distribution, narthex

### Sunday, August 21st

- 8:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
9:30 am Coffee & Fellowship, parish hall  
Summer Choir Practice, nave  
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II with  
11:45 am Holy Spirit 101, rector's office  
Daughters of the King, parish hall

## Weekly & Monthly Reminders

Vestry Meeting	Aug 14th	11:45 am	Parish Hall
Bunco	Aug 18th	6:30 pm	Parish Hall
Pack for Beans & Rice	Aug 19th	9:00 am	Parish Hall
Beans & Rice	Aug 20th	9:00 am	Narthex
Holy Spirit 101	Aug 21st	11:45 am	Rector's Office
Daughters of the King	Aug 21st	11:45 am	Nave
Women's Circle	Aug 23rd	6:30 pm	Nave
Prayer Shawl	Aug 28th	9:00 am	Nave
Men's Breakfast & Prayer	Sept 10th	7:00 am	Parish Hall
Centering Prayer	Sept 12th	5:30 pm	Nave

## Save the Date

Wed, Aug 24th	Home Eucharist at Kim & Bill Sorensen's, 6:30 pm
Sat, Aug 27th	Baptism Class at 9:00 am
Sun, Aug 28th	Baptism Sunday at 10:30 am Christian Education Summit, 11:45 am <i>(lunch &amp; childcare provided)</i>
Sat, Sept 3rd	Boston Butt Sale, pickup at 3:00pm
Wed, Sept 7th	Pizza & Salad Party, 6:30pm and Choir Kick-off, 7:00pm
Sun, Sept 11th	Anniversary Celebration & Christian Education Kick-off
Sun, Oct 2nd	Blessing of the Animals
Sun, Oct 16th	Children's Liturgy, 10:30 am service
Wed, Oct 26th	Bethany Village Update with Bishop Kee Sloan, 6:00 pm
Sun, Nov 13th	Confirmation & Bishop's Visit
Sun, Dec 4th	Annual Parish Meeting
Sun, Dec 11th	Lessons & Carols, 5:00 pm

Living in the Spirit

## *Cookbooks & T-shirts*

can be picked up in the narthex Sunday after both services. There are still cookbooks available for purchase! We are opening another order for t-shirts if you missed getting yours. Order forms are available in the narthex or you can order online in the HS Store. [holyspirit-al.org/hs-store](http://holyspirit-al.org/hs-store)

## *Thank you...*

- to the mystery people that left a gas card for those in need, and the book, *Game Plan*, for Mary Bea.

## *Congratulations...*

- David Duncan Aldrich, whose 14 and under tennis team won the state championship. Wish him luck as they advance to sectionals in Georgia!

## *Church Happenings*

### **Choir Update**

"Summer" Choir begins Sunday, August 14. Anyone interested in "trying out" the choir, please join us at 9:30am in the nave beginning August 14. We will rehearse something simple and sing during worship. We will not vest. This is a great time to join or just test it out to see if you would like to join the choir. Summer choir will continue through September 4. The kick-off for fall choir will be Wednesday, September 7 at 7:00pm in the choir room.

### **Bunco, August 18th at 6:30pm**

Do you want to have a great meal, fellowship and fun? How about joining us for Bunco! We play Bunco on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Cost is \$5 and all money goes to the Beans and Rice ministry. Please email Kim at [kkj5165@charter.net](mailto:kkj5165@charter.net) if you want to be added to the email list for Bunco. (Adults only please-no childcare is provided for Bunco)

### **Holy Spirit 101 – August 21st at 11:45am**

Come learn more about Holy Spirit with Mary Bea and a vestry member Sunday, August 21st after the 10:30 service. This is a great opportunity for visitors (but all are welcome) to gather once a month in the rector's office with refreshments and hear about the church and our offerings.

### **Home Eucharist, Wednesday, August 24th at 6:30pm**

We will gather for a simple Eucharist and potluck at Kim & Bill Sorensen's home, 4637 Riverview Drive, Hoover (Chace Lake Subdivision – around the corner from Mary Bea's house). All are welcome! Feel free to bring guests, favorite side item, and a beverage. Questions? Contact Mary Bea, [marybea@holyspirit-al.org](mailto:marybea@holyspirit-al.org) or Kim Sorensen, 205-410-5324

### **Baptism Sunday, August 28th**

If you are interested in being baptized or having your child baptized, please contact Mary Bea. We will have our Baptism class Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am.

### **Boston Butt Sale, pickup Saturday, Sept 3rd at 3:00pm**

For only \$35, you can get a delicious pork butt (around 6-8 pounds of slow-cooked goodness), perfect for Labor Day weekend. Leftovers can be frozen and reheated for a convenient and easy meal. The cookout will be on Saturday, Sept 3rd, with the pork butts available for pickup at 3:00pm. Order online at:

<http://holyspirit-al.org/hs-store/>, call the office, or fill out a form in the narthex. We have several generous donors for these events. If you could use the assistance of a donated Boston butt to feed your family, please let Mary Bea know. Also, if you know a family (outside the church) that could use one, please let her know that as well.

### **Holy Smokers Needed!**

On Saturday, Sept 3rd, the Holy Smokers will be at it again, preparing delicious smoked Boston Butts for Labor Day get togethers and for needy families. Buzz and Al need your help! We need six willing souls to help them get the meat on the smoker, working at the Church from 5:00 am to 7:00 am. In addition, we'll need six folks to help between 11:00 am and 12:00 noon, and another four between 1:00 pm and 3:00 pm to finish up. ANY TIME YOU CAN COME BY TO HELP WILL BE APPRECIATED! Even an hour's work, especially in the 5:00 am time slot, would be welcome. Please contact Tara (tara@holyspirit-al.org), Buzz (buzz.palmer@rawsonlp.com) or Al (aldel9109@gmail.com) to let them know when you can help out. Thanks!

### **Men's Breakfast & Prayer Group, Saturday, Sept 10th at 8am**

We are starting a men's group to meet once a month on the second Saturday to gather for breakfast, prayer time, and fellowship. All men are welcome and encouraged to come. The first gathering will be Saturday, Sept 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:00am and end at 9:00am – cooks start at 7am. Please bring a few dollars to help cover the cost of breakfast. More information to follow. If you are interested in cooking breakfast or have other questions, contact Buzz Palmer, buzz.palmer@rawsonlp.com; Al Delchamps, aldel111@aol.com; or Doug Smedley, dsmedley@cclera.org.

### **Habitat for Humanity Build Day, Saturday, September 24th, 7:30am – 4:00pm**

We need 13 volunteers to assist Episcopal Diocese Habitat for Humanity along with volunteers from St. Francis for a build day in Calera. Skills are helpful but not required!! We are also looking for breakfast and lunch sponsors that...more info to come. If you would like to lend a hand that day, notify Tara at tara@holyspirit-al.org or 621-3418.

### **Cursillo Open House, October 7th, 6:30pm**

If you are interested in going to Cursillo or just learning more about it, please join us! We will have several Cursillistas (people that have already been to Cursillo) at the meeting as well. This is not a "secret society"! There are many wonderful surprises at Cursillo and I truly believe that when the Lord leads you to go, you get exactly what you need from it, and you leave with a lasting impression, a changed heart, lifelong friends and community centered on our Lord and living in the spirit. Bring the kiddos! We will have some youth group members to watch over them. Please bring a snack to share! Beverages will be provided.

**Next Cursillo Weekend – October 6th -9th.** Contact Kim Sorensen if you'd like to attend, ksorensen@jackhenry.com.

## *Diocesan/Local Offerings*

Join others from around the diocese for a  
**Celebration of Our Ministry With Bishop Santosh & Lynn Marray**

**Sunday August 28th:** Reception at 3:30pm followed by Service at 5:00pm  
St. Mary's on the Highlands - 1910 12th Ave South - Birmingham, Al 35205

We will offer Bishop Marray a special gift from Holy Spirit to thank him for his wonderful support of our parish.

If you would like to contribute please note on your check: *Bishop Marray gift*

### **Introduction to Centering Prayers, Sept. 4-6, Benedictine Sisters Retreat Center, Cullman**

This workshop is designed for those new to Centering Prayer, a form of Christian Prayer rooted in the ancient Christian contemplative tradition. Its purpose is to foster a deeper intimacy with Christ through the silence and stillness of contemplative prayer.

Visit [http://dioala.org/digital\\_faith/events/3170743](http://dioala.org/digital_faith/events/3170743) for more information.

### **Birmingham's Got Potential, Sept 24th at 7:30pm, Good People Brewing Company**

Special Session at Camp McDowell invites you to Birmingham's most stupendous, most marvelous, and most fantastically wonderful talent competition in the history of the city--"Birmingham's Got Potential", to be held at Good People Brewing Company on Sept. 24, 2016 from 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Tickets, which can be purchased online or at the door, are \$15.00 or \$20.00 including a plate of gumbo. All proceeds from this event will support Special Session at Camp McDowell.

[http://dioala.org/dfc/newsdetail\\_2/3180263](http://dioala.org/dfc/newsdetail_2/3180263)

**"God's Welcome The Spirituality of Hospitality", Oct. 16-21, Camp McDowell, Bishop Sloan**

Visit [http://dioala.org/digital\\_faith/events/3169257](http://dioala.org/digital_faith/events/3169257) for more information.

**Be sure to check the bulletin board in the parish hall for more exciting Diocesan offerings!!**

## *Financial Update*

### **Contributions**

Thank you for your generous support of our parish. Below is a summary of the contributions received during the week ending on Sunday, August 7, 2016.

Pledged .....	\$2,635.26
Unpledged .....	\$ 380.00
In Memory of Kelli Divers .....	\$ 100.00
Bethany Village Campaign .....	\$ 50.00
Cookbook purchases.....	\$ 52.00
T-shirt purchases .....	\$ 35.00
Total Contributions.....	\$3,252.26

## *Please pray for...*

**Bishops and Clergy:** Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; **Michael** Bruce Curry, Presiding Bishop ECUSA; **Kee** Sloan and **Santosh** Marray, Alabama Bishops; **Mary Bea** Sullivan, Rector; **Alison** Carmody, Priest Affiliate; **Malcolm** Marler, Priest Affiliate; **Stan** Wright, Priest Affiliate

**Diocesan Prayer Cycle:** Our companion dioceses of Alaska & the Virgin Islands & their bishops Mark & Ambrose; Cursillo Secretariat & Cursillo Community in Alabama; Diocesan Campus Ministries; Canterbury, Montevallo; Canterbury, Tuscaloosa; St. Dunstan's, Auburn; Trinity Commons, Birmingham

**Ministries and Programs within The Church of the Holy Spirit:** Vestry, Beans & Rice, Love in Action (Outreach), Prayer Shawl Ministry

**For Nation and Local Community:** Barack Obama, President; Robert Bentley, Governor; Communities of Calera, Alabaster, Helena, Maylene, & Pelham

**For all people everywhere especially:** Those impacted by violence.

**Healing & Guidance for members, relatives and friends of Holy Spirit:** **Betty & Baylee** Marek; **Doris & Richard** Smith (Victoria Knierim); **Linda** May, **Karen** Marshall, **Carl** Raymond (Allyson Agee); **Jo** Cochran (Judy Dykes); **Catherine** Fryson (Robbie McCoy); **Roxie & Stan** Wright; **Debra** Dewees (Glenda Jones); **Max, Miles, Kristen, & Bryan** DeLauney (Carrie May); **Shirley** Marshall (Allyson Agee); **Francie and Alan** Gardner; **Bethney** Nicholas (Tara Portney); **Mary** Hodgetts; **Fred** Aldrich (David Aldrich); **Carl** Bruner; **Betty** Grady; **Susan** Vincens (Janet Palmer)

**For those serving in the armed services:** **Hall** Graham (Julia Jackson), **Mark** McKay (Gladys McKay)

**For all who have died,** especially **Koa** Vincens, may light perpetual shine upon them.

**Upcoming Birthdays:** Roy Smith III (8/14), Trey Hughes (8/14), Ava Walden (8/15), Donna Noren (8/16), Emma Washam (8/16), Dylan Curry (8/17), Betty Grady (8/22), Roxanne Wilke (8/23), Clay Cawthon (8/26)

**Upcoming Anniversaries:** Susan & Mark Araujo (8/15), Debra & Jack Dickey (8/18)

***The Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit ♦ Reverend Mary Bea Sullivan, Rector***

Tara's Office Hours: Tues, Wed, & Thurs – 9:00am to 2:00pm

Rev. Mary Bea's days off are Friday & Saturday (but may be reached for emergency)

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