

Parish Announcements for the week of August 1, 2010

TODAY: SACRAMENTAL HEALING is available in the chapel during each service at communion time - to participate come to communion early and then go directly to the chapel. **NURSERY CARE** is available on the Upper Level. **GODLY PLAY, ADULT FORUM** and **LECTIO DIVINA** are on summer hiatus until August 22nd. **The Altar Flowers** are given by Pat Boling and Howard Grabois in thanks for their marriage at St. John's yesterday. **The Sanctuary Candle** is given by Tim Jones in thanksgiving for his children and grandchildren, and by Gaye Matthews in memory of her husband Michael.

We pray today the second of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs): to achieve universal primary education.

The parish office is on summer schedule through Labor Day: A volunteer will be at the phone until noon only on Fridays. The deadline for bulletin copy is Tuesday evening.

For those looking for their favorite Eucharistic Prayer (or translation of the Lord's Prayer) to come around, through and including September 5 we will pray Prayer C (with our local insertions) and the "traditional" Lord's Prayer. From September 12 through and including November 21 we will pray Prayer I from "Enriching Our Worship" and the contemporary Lord's Prayer. Beginning November 28 (the First Sunday of Advent) we will pray Prayer B.

The Identity Statement Project continues. Statements should be from your own perspective, concise, and accurate at the present time (we seek "present time" statements rather than "vision" statements). The Vestry will use these to seed discussion within the congregation as we move further into our work of discernment and priority setting which you'll remember is an integral part of the Extraordinary Stewardship Effort (almost 2/3 through the first of three years). Give your statement to Fr. Ed or to Nate Mosier at et@stjohns-laf.org or mosiern@comcast.net.

During the "coffee and conversation" time following the service on August 8 and 15 the clergy will be available to discuss events relating to The Episcopal Church (TEC) and the Anglican Communion from earlier in the summer. We'll gather in the Bishop's Parlor and consider the letters from The Archbishop of Canterbury and our own Presiding Bishop, among other things.

The Fall Retreat for the women of the Diocese of Indianapolis will be held the weekend of 24 September 2010 at the Waycross Conference Center. More information about this retreat can be found in the August issue of The Eagle. Registration forms can be found on the credenza in the Commons Room or on the website of The Diocese of Indianapolis. If you have questions, you may contact Mary Lou Davis, Dorothy Jones, Kaye Kleine-Ahlbrandt, or Charlene Watson.

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