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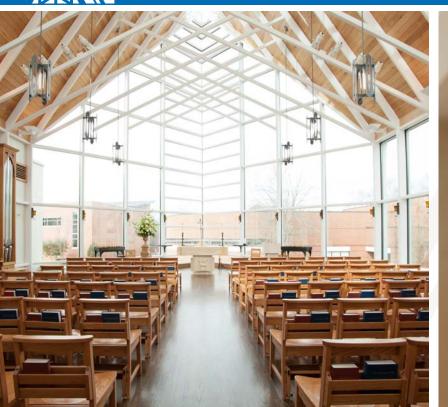
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Welcome to Holy Innocents'





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Holy Innocents' is a community where the best of the Episcopal tradition is honored and creativity, innovation, diversity, and inclusion are embraced.

We seek to extend the radical hospitality of Christ to all, whether in our buildings or through the web, in the hope that each person's spiritual journey can flourish from individual faith into communal compassion and action. Home to Holy Innocents' Episcopal School, our campus serves on many levels as an engaging, ever-renewing forum for people of all ages to gather, pray, celebrate, mourn, converse, reflect, learn, and teach.

Membership at Holy Innocents' is based on desire. If you are baptized (or desire to be baptized), intend to make this parish your principal community of worship, and you will support the ministries of the parish, you may be recorded as a member of the parish. We offer several opportunities throughout the year when new members are welcomed on Sunday mornings. We also offer opportunities for adult Confirmation, Reception and Reaffirmation. For more information on membership contact Caroline Fleming.

SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

Sunday Worship 8:00am, 9:00am, 11:15 & 6:00pm

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FROM THE RECTOR @ HIEC



Welcome Anam Cara

With this new issue of Anam Cara, you hold in your hands the gift of story.

Stories are what shape and form us. I recall sitting in my grandmother's lap on her front porch, usually on a Sunday afternoon, the adult conversation around me always turning to stories of the past. After catching up about relatives and neighbors, someone would start with "remember when" and 15 minutes later, everyone would be adding their memory, laughter often filling the porch along with the iced tea, cookies, and in the summer, hand-churned ice cream. On that porch in the rocking chair or on the glider (remember the metal ones that were so cool on September evenings!), I learned that stories help us remember... to remember what's important and grand and wonderful about life.

Stories invite us into the soul of those we love. That soul journey with our deepest friends asks us to belong. To belong to the story. To belong to our friend. To share a common life. To become the Anam Cara, the soul friend, of one another and God. This common life of the Anam Cara invites us to live presently with the gifts we've inherited, basking in the remember when all along the way, while also passing on the hope of God's call into the Spirit's future.

This magazine will have some announcements and upcoming events, but honestly, it is meant as an electronic rocking chair, a place to sit and hear the stories of who we are at Holy Innocents', to hear the Anam Cara of our lives. We will hear about our work in the world, where God is calling us through our community, and how we can uphold one another in our discipleship. We will discuss prayer, scripture, and tradition, seeking the narratives that help us walk this faith journey each and every day.

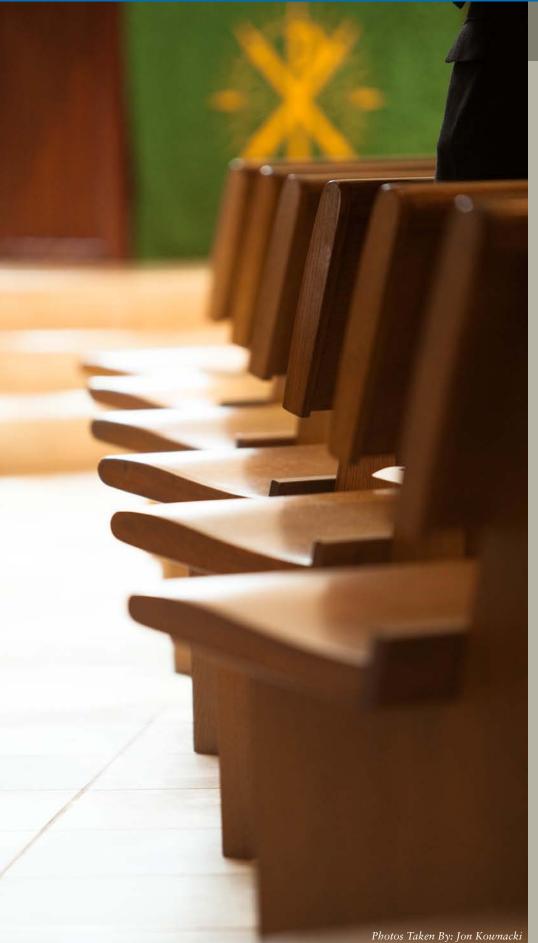
I hope you'll take time to sit and rock with each issue. Read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest it as the Book of Common Prayer says (page 236). For herein, you will find the story of your family. The story of our shared and common life. The narrative of God's grace, your Anam Cara.

Enjoy it!

Grace and peace,

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The Rev. Michael R. Sullivan



MICHAEL'S BOOKSHELF

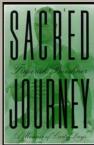
Our rector has mentioned the following books recently in sermons or commends them to you for the spiritual journey



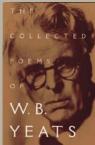
A Thousand Mornings Mary Oliver



The Naked Now Richard Rohr

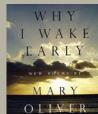


The Sacred Journey Frederick Buechner



The Collected Poems of W.B. Yeats

W.B. Yeats

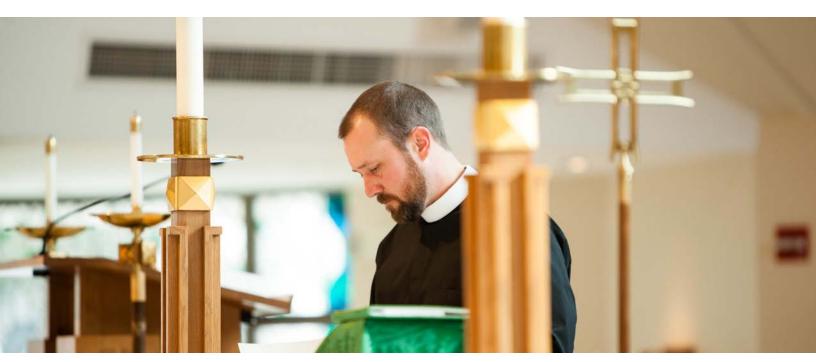


Why I Wake Early

Mary Oliver

CLERGY CORNER





The Rev. Joshua Case Assistant to the Rector for Formation

Ancient Faith, Digital World: Go, Share, Like!

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

Matthew 28:18-20

Therefore go. Sounds simple, but this was Jesus' ancient call to the church that persists through every generation. Go. But what does "go" mean when the church and her liturgies, stories, and communities are available to people all the time, online?

The truth of the matter is more people use some kind of mobile device in their everyday lives than ever before in history. Modern day technologies are more than just mediums of communication, they are indeed mediums of participation. Such a huge shift in the media landscape has caught up with the church and changed how most people not only live, but understand what it means to be in relationship with God and one another in worship. The question for the church today is not should we go bravely into the new world, but rather, how is our participation both intentional and forming people in the way of Christ?

At Holy Innocents' we have been very serious about engaging people where they are - about welcoming people to join our worship, to participate in our liturgies, to read the articles that we are reading, and to hear the quotes that are inspiring us - in real time where ever they happen to be. This radical hospitality is about more than simply being present to the outside the world, its more about us taking up a prophetic and active role in the world. All of us - parishioners, staff, clergy - must see our ongoing work as Christians as connected to taking Christ's love to the world through what we "Share" and "Like" online. After all, in 2014, this is the way we say to the world: "God will be with us always!"

Being a parish on Facebook, Twitter, LiveStream and iTunes is about more than just being a parish online. By participating in these media we are extending ourselves (quite literally) out into the world where people live, hurt, and share community. Each of these mediums, each of these "social media," are ways that we as a 21st century parish are saying to the world "This Episcopal Church Welcomes You!" Join us in this venture and "go into the world and make disciples!"

















Writer in Residence/Priest Associate The Rev. Martha Sterne

What Comes Next

When there is the encounter with the other, when there is mutuality, when there is presence, when there is giving and receiving, and both are changed in that encounter, that is the moment when you can begin to move toward transformation.

Richard Rohr

Richard Rohr is talking about the mystery of encountering God, but I think of encountering you, Holy Innocents' Church, when I read it.

This has been the weirdest year. Last December, Michael and I talked about retirement maybe this fall. Frankly, Carroll has been pushing me for a while. His theory is go out while you are still loving whatever it is you are doing. So Michael and I agreed to a fall date (September 14 and you better be there!), and the next thing I know, about three weeks later, I am on a totally unexpected, life-changing pilgrimage in the Holy Land. Go figure. Then the HOLY LAND! class we did this summer was a homage to Carroll's theory. It was the best.

Also this summer, Michael says to me why don't you write the first imprint for HI Press? Wow! I just happened to have some really good (she says modestly) pieces laying around in my computer from these last five years at Holy Innocents', and the next thing you know, we are in the final edits of the best book I have ever written, "Tell me a Story: Preaching with the Holy Innocents." I hope you will love it as much as I do.

"Tell me a Story" is my third book, and I think it is far and away my best one, and let me tell you why. For the first time I have taken every step of writing, developing, and editing the material in flesh-and-blood-right-there-in-the-same-room collaboration. Michael thought HI Press up and then encouraged me to go for it; Andre McIntosh designed the book and the look is beyond fabulous; Marilyn Russell in the choir did the cover art work from a photograph by Carroll; almost everybody in the office took sections and picked up typos and muddled up places. It was the most fun I have ever had in a writing project or most anything else. And EVERYBODY in the parish helped write it. This means YOU.

What can I say? Holy Innocents' has the gift of being the most mutually encouraging congregation on the face of God's earth. Have a dream of what you think God is calling you to do? Or do you need to admit to yourself that you want to have a deeper, more committed life, and you don't know what God is calling you to do? Then say your prayers and tell some people here, and see what happens.

I will miss being here with you something awful. If you did not have priests I already love coming to join Michael and Joshua, then I would be sad. But you do.

I have no earthly idea what God has in mind for me next. All I know is that since I said the word "retire," I landed in the Holy Land and have my best book ever coming out. Only God knows what will happen next!

God bless you.







Community online!



What is the City?

The City is a new way for HIEC members to communicate and engage in life beyond Sunday. It is an incredible way for the church to connect, share, and grow together in our very own online community. The City is our place for everything Holy Innocents' including communications about all events, registrations, and groups.

Why the City?

The City is critical to our ongoing growth and development as a parish of the 21st century. The City gives us an online home for parishioners to connect in the follow ways: view the church calendar and events, access member directory, online giving and statements, as well as make event reservations, all in real time.

How the City Helps?

The City is a powerful platform for making communication faster, easier and more effective. It creates a space for our church to connect with each other by sharing information, creating and maintaining connections in groups and supporting each other in Our Place for Faith.

Join the City!

"Holy Innocents' on the City" has launched! Join by emailing Caroline Fleming or look for an invitation in your email. All you need is an email address to create a login and password. See you in the City!

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Priests to Holy Innocents'

We are happy to announce the call of The Rev. Lisa Zaina as Vicar of Holy Innocents. Lisa comes to us from St. Mark's Church, New Canaan, Connecticut, where she has served as Assistant to the Rector.

As Vicar, she will assist The Rev. Michael R. Sullivan in the administration of the parish. Responsible for finance, communications management, and stewardship, Lisa will be a vital part of our team as she works with our Vestry, Finance, Endowment, and Stewardship Committees. Coupled with this extensive administrative background, she has a profound sense of God's call in her life. She has a great sense of humor, a passion for art, a love of food, and a care for every soul she encounters. Among her chief gifts is that of listening.

It is also with great excitement that we announce the call of The Rev. Grady J. "Buddy" Crawford, Jr. as Senior Associate Rector for Liturgy, Prayer, and Community. An experienced priest who has served both the Cathedral of St. Philip and St. Luke's here in the Diocese of Atlanta, we are thrilled to have him join our team. He will fill a newly created position that assumes the role formerly held by The Rev. Alison Schultz.



Buddy will bring extensive experience in the management of liturgy and pastoral care. At both the Cathedral and St. Luke's, he has been known as an excellent liturgist, assisting with the last two consecrations of bishops diocesan. He has also been known for his pastoral heart and willingness to engage all aspects of parish life in the care of individuals and community. During our discernment, he asked for, and we gladly accepted, a role that would seek the life of prayer in all things; it is a part of his title.

Both of these fantastic additions to the Holy Innocents' family began their call on September 1st.

The Rev. Lisa Zaina



A graduate of Notre Dame, B.A.; Wake Forest School of Law, J. D., and Yale Divinity School, M. Div., Lisa was active in the telecommunications industry prior to seminary. From the mid-1980s to 2009, she had increasing responsibilities in the field serving both in the private and public sectors. By the time she resigned to attend seminary, she is the former Chief of Staff to the Under Secretary of Rural Development. Earlier in her career she was the CEO of a corporation administering eight billion dollars of federal funding for telecommunications services and networking for people and places that may not have had access otherwise. She has also been a lecturer at Georgetown University and George Mason University, among others. Below are some of Lisa's responses to questions asked during her interview.

Where did you grow up and what do you most remember from your childhood?

I grew up in Alliance, Ohio. It is (was) a steel town and the community was greatly reliant on that industry. As you can imagine, it never really recovered from the recession in the 1970s. My fondest memories are of getting together with my maternal grandmother's siblings and their families. My grandmother was one of eighteen children born to immigrants from the Abruzzo, in Italy. They were loving, loud, funny, and very ornery!

What about your family as you grew up? Did they take you to church, pass down the traditions of the church? Or did you find the church on your own?

I am the youngest of three, so of course there is no picture evidence of my existence in my family! My family is Roman Catholic and I was brought up in the Church. I attended Catholic parochial school, as well as Catholic high school and college. Our faith was central to our existence. Instilled in me from an early age was that three of the most important things in life are faith, family, and friends.

When did you first consider a call to the priesthood?

I often tell people that I must have had a call at a young age because during vocation week (in Catholic grade school) I would pray to not find a religious vocation. Perhaps that is why I didn't hear, and listen, until middle age, because I had tried to drown it out for most of my life. It wasn't a single event, like a burning bush, but a confluence of factors that led me to the center of my being and found the courage to acknowledge and cultivate this call.

What has surprised you most about being a priest?

Sometimes I get free dessert at restaurants. On a more serious note, I'm surprised and awed by the number of people who will approach me to talk about God, as well as their willingness to share their joys

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and sorrows with me. It is a privilege. What do you most look forward to as you begin at HIEC?

I'm excited to meet, and get to know, you;

The Rev. Buddy Crawford



Buddy has extensive administrative experience. With a degree in accounting, he worked for over 15 years at MacDonald Consulting Group, assisting companies in everything from personnel and human resources management to financial reporting. He then owned and operated his own business for five years before attending Candler School of Theology at Emory. Below are some of Buddy's responses to questions asked during his interview.

Where did you grow up and what do you most remember from your childhood?

I grew up in the southeast corner of the state in the town of Waycross. I have lots and lots of memories from childhood and you will hear many of them peppered throughout my sermons. My fondest memories are related to my maternal grandparents, who I adored and who influenced my Christian life and journey more than I can enumerate in this short article – but you will find out many of the details as we get to know each other and swap stories.

What about your family as you grew up? Did they take you to church; pass down the traditions of the church? Or did you find the church on your own?

I am the oldest child of six and love that I come from a large family. We were typical siblings who fought and loved and played

together and we still get together at holidays and reunions to tell stories on each other. We laugh a lot and I am thankful that we continue to do that regularly. Church has been a part of my life for as far back as I can remember – in fact I have no memories of not being in church. My family has deep roots in Episcopal and Methodist traditions, with ministers in both, and that heritage has thoroughly shaped me in who I am today.

When did you first consider a call to the priesthood?

When I was eleven years old my family was attending a cookout with a large group of friends, as we stood around the fire toasting marsh-mellows someone asked me what I wanted to be when I grew up. Before I could respond my mother replied –



he is going to be a minister. I was going to say – a lawyer. Whether she planted a seed in the back of my head I can't really say, but from that time I had a nagging suspicion that I would be ordained at some point in my life. About sixteen years before I entered discernment I met with then Bishop Allan to discuss the "process" – he gave me some good advice, but it still took sixteen years of the Spirit's prompting before I acted on the call. I may be just a tad slow!

What has surprised you most about being a priest?

What has surprised me about being a priest is a difficult question. I anticipated experiencing holy moments preparing parents for their children's baptism, presiding over the Eucharist, officiating marriages, and teaching classes. But what has surprised me the most has been finding truly holy moments in the quiet of hospice rooms with people no longer able to speak, or the moments in planning a funeral, in sitting with couples whose marriages were in deep distress, in being asked questions that I had no idea what the answers might be, and in each of these scenarios sensing the profound presence of God. It is surprising that sometimes the best thing I can do as a priest is to simply be present without an answer or a solution. This makes me very uncomfortable and it keeps me humble.

What do you most look forward to as you begin at HIEC?

I'm looking forward to getting to know all of you at Holy Innocents'. Just a heads up - I don't remember names very quickly. In fact, the way I do remember is by getting to know a piece of your stories. So remind me of you name over and over and eventually I will get it. I'm excited about this call to come and serve among you as we make the love of God in Christ Jesus known in the world.

Newcomers, Vistors and their families are invited to a

WELCOME BRUNCH

hosted by our Clergy and layleaders of HIEC

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 AT 12:30 PM in Inglett Hall RSVP to reservations@holyinnocents.org or by contacting Caroline Fleming. (cfleming@holyinnocents.org)



The Parson's Table Returns!

Last year we launched a new initiative on Wednesday evenings called "The Parson's Table." The concept was a wonderful success with great attendance and happy bellies! The group of volunteers who helped make it happen worked hard throughout the year and their efforts paid off with great fellowship in our parish.

The Parson's Table was established around these principles:

Sustainability – use local, environmentally sustainable providers as possible Stewardship – seek to break even in kitchen operations Health – provide nutritious, balanced meals without processed foods Community – bring the whole community to HIEC without program required Education – provide limited formation, always after fellowship

These principles guided us well and will continue to shape us as we go forward. We succeeded with all of them except stewardship as we still operated with a small deficit. However, the deficit was the smallest we've had in over ten years, and with continued work, we will erase it by mid-fall! Not bad! We have renewed our commitment to all our founding principles and have fashioned a fall line up that will feature even more local foods and providers than last year. We have also planned for more diversity in our offerings, working with new farmers and providers.

We're happy to announce a partnership between The Parson's Table and Garnish & Gather (garnishandgather.com). They'll be our source for many ingredients, including H&F breads for our Wholly Meals for kids, as well as vegetables from local farmers. Order a meal designed by an Atlanta chef, order H&F breads, veggies, or other local foods. Take a look at their website for information about their meals. Deliveries to begin Mondays, starting Sept 8.

First orders 20% off with code "HIEC"

Generally, we'll have a food truck on the first Wednesday of each month. On these weeks, we will ask for an RSVP but only so we can plan for seating. A link to the truck's menu will be provided so you can select your food before you arrive, but you'll purchase your meal directly from the Food Truck. The portions are pretty good so you might not need as much as you think. And, for those who like to share, partner with others, try several things, or get your whole table together for your order! Make it a fun night!

The rest of our weeks will feature the cooking of the Parson himself, another local food provider, and a Southern Buffet. These weeks you'll also make a reservation but pay the church directly. Adult meals will again cost \$10. Children will be able to order a child's portion of the adult entre for \$5 or a new fun "Wholly Meal" with Holeman and Finch bread, fresh almond butter, local jam, "healthy" chips, fruit and a drink. We're excited about the line up and hope you'll invite friends and neighbors to join us.

Reservations will be published in HI Lights each week but here's a sneak peak of our first weeks together:

September 10	Happy Belly Food Truck
September 17 September 24	Parson's in the Kitchen: Garnish & Gather Partnership Farm Burger
September 21	r urin burger

Join us this fall! Can't wait!



MISSION (IS)POSSIBLE

We need missioners for the following jobs....

$\begin{array}{l} {\sf Parson's Table} \ - \ {\sf Wholly Meal Prep} \\ {\sf (Children's Meal)} \end{array}$

Who: Anyone who can pack a box with good food

What: Children's Meal Prep When: Wednesdays as listed, at 4:00 Where: Parish Hall Kitchen How: Instructions provided.

PARSON'S TABLE - COOKS

Who: Anyone who can boil water What: Prep with the Parson When: Wednesdays as listed, at 3:30 Where: Bishop Commons Kitchen How: Just show up

PARSON'S TABLE - CHECK IN HELPERS

Who: Anyone who likes to greet What: Check reservations in for dinner When: Wednesdays as listed, at 5:00 Where: Bishop Commons How: Rena or some other angel will greet and teach

> To sign up visit the link below, the scan QR code, or contact Rena Stallworth: (404) 255-4023



http://goo.gl/2561jU



The Parson's Table Buy One, Give One

When you reserve your space, consider giving away a meal, "Buy One, Give one: BOGO". We will bank contributions each week and when enough are available, we'll provide meals to Sandy Springs organizations such as the Police and Fire Departments. Look for announcements when your BOGO meals are donated around Sandy Springs.

Project Needlepoint

Project Needlepoint is well underway. Twelve canvases have been received from our designer and the remaining four are expected at any time. We have a dedicated group stitching now, but we need more. There is currently one canvas awaiting a stitching volunteer, and the last four canvases will be arriving shortly. Additional help will

be needed to team with those already stitching. If you have an interest in and some experience with needlepointing, please let us know; we would love to have you work on one of the canvases. The stitchers will meet the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm in the Parlor. Plan to join us if you are interested.



NEED A RIDE **TO CHURCH?**

Holy Innocents' in conjunction with Common Courtesy Inc will be providing transportation to and from the church.

Contact: Melody McNeil for more information

Photo Taken By: Jon Kownacki

MISSION (IS)POSSIBLE

We need missioners for the following jobs....

Who: Someone talented with ink What: Create a Memorial Book for HI of our Day Chapel When: As you are able Where: Any place you can work How: Contact: Carol Johns

BUILDING - PLANTS

Who: Gardener with green thumb What: Water and refurbish building plants When: Any time church is open

Where: Throughout the church buildings How: Contact: Rena Stallworth

Altar Guild — Members

Who: Any one (Yes, that includes men) What: Assist preparing altar for liturgies When: Flexible working hours Where: Sacristy How: Contact: Buddy Crawford

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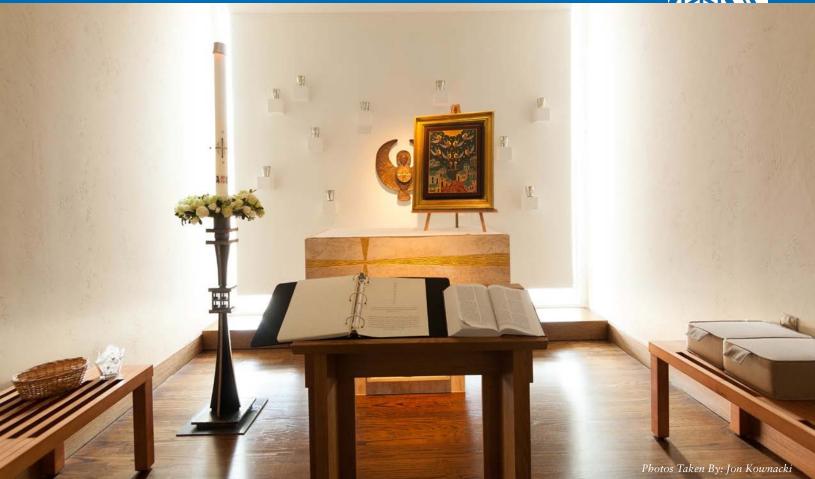
OPENING RECEPTION THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm











Questions from the Chancel Rail

Each month, we'll offer a short lesson about liturgy. Some of them might be about something you see in church while others might give a short reason we do something or say something. If you have a question you'd like answered here, just email any of the priests on staff! We'll do our best to answer it.

Why do we call the small room beside Christ Chapel an Oratory?

Literally, the word "oratory" means place of prayer. It's a room set apart for quiet mediation, prayer, study, or just sitting in stillness. Ours, named The Oratory of the Holy Family, is apart from the Chapel as a place of special devotion and contains a tabernacle, a "cupboard" for the reserved sacrament. In our tradition, being still and present with the Body of Christ, "really present" with us, allows us to contemplate God's presence in our own lives. It also provides a visible sign of the community of the faithful, the whole church, being present with us even when we are alone.

If you haven't stopped by the Oratory to pray, come by any time and give yourself and God a chance there. It's a powerful room just waiting for you.

STILL CURIOUS??

Join us for Meditation in the Oratory

Been thinking about meditating but didn't know where to start? Or maybe you've been curious, just interested in learning more by doing it? Well... come wade in at the shallow end of the pool as we begin a Meditation Group, using a meditation guide. It is not a "talking about" experience; it is principally a "doing it" opportunity.

> Come to the Oratory Monday mornings from 10:00am to 11:00am. No reservations are necessary

Contact: Pat Harris (678-686-4774)



CHOIR MEMBER **Spotlight**

which they engage, in your prayers.

Lee Juckett

Lee Juckett joined the choir in 2013. He is a Pricing Manager at Georgia-Pacific for printing paper business, and was formerly a lay reader, chalice bearer, an acolyte, and a war-den at HIEC. He has two grown children and two grandchildren.



Fall Music Programming Kickoff

Fall is always an exciting time as the choirs at Holy Innocents' begin regular mid-week rehearsals in preparation for leading the two principal Sunday morning liturgies at 9:00 and 11:15 a.m. Our St. Cecilia & St. Nicolas Choirs—for 3rd through 8th graders—began re-hearsals during the third week of August. They sing two Sundays a month at 9:00 am, performing both music for treble voices and music for four-part mixed voices in conjunction with the Schola Innocentum, our ensemble of stipendiary singers, which sings every Sunday at 9:00.



While most members of the Parish Choir continue to sing with the "Summer" choir (which meets only on Sundays and does simpler music), rehearsals of the full choir began in late August in preparation for their very active season of singing for the 11:15 a.m. liturgy, services of Evensong, extra services for Christmas Eve and Holy Week, at least

one concert, and, this year, in preparation for their residency at Wells Cathedral, UK, in July of 2015.

This fall, we have a greatly expanded program of music classes and ensembles for all the children of our parish. Our new Director of Music for Young Children, Suzanne Logue, will be offering Primary Choir (for 1st and 2nd graders) and a music experience for children ages 3 to 5 on Wednesday evenings.

In addition, she will meet with children in both of these age groups as part of children's formation time on Sunday mornings. On Tuesday mornings, we will have a class utilizing the Musikgarten curriculum for children from infancy through age 2.

Details about all aspects of our Music Program, including rehearsal/meeting days and times, may be accessed via the church website at holyinnocents.org.

David Brensinger





Parish Choir 2015 Pilgrimage/Residency at Wells Cathedral

The Holy Innocents' Parish Choir has been greatly honored by being chosen, following a rigorous audition process, for a week-long residency in July of 2015 during which time they will sing daily services at Wells Cathedral in England. Twenty-four of our singers have committed to making this trip.

During the residency, the choir will have daily morning and mid-afternoon rehearsals at the Cathedral. Some days, during the free time between rehearsals, singers will enjoy excursions to area places of historical and spiritual interest, including the town of Bath and Glastonbury Abbey.

The greatest benefit of this pilgrimage will be the strong bonding experience that comes from preparing for such travels and returning to Holy Innocents' with renewed energy, eager to serve the parish as musical leaders. Jon Michael Kownacki

PLACES FOR ADDITIONAL TRAVELERS ARE AVAILABLE!

There are a dozen spots available for folks who may wish to make this pilgrimage with the choir. Attendees will travel with the choir to and from London to Wells and join the excursions to Windsor Castle, Bath, Glastonbury Abbey, and the Cotswolds. Ground transportation to and from London, daily breakfast, four evening meals, and accommodations while in Wells are included. For a brochure, outlining costs and a summary of the schedule, email David Brensinger at dbrensinger@holvinnocents.org.

New Music Offerings and Staff Member

We're very pleased to announce that Suzanne Logue has accepted the new position of Director of Music for Young Children. She will be working with two groups: children ages 3 to 5, and children in grades 1 and 2. Beginning after Labor Day, she will be here on Wednesday even



be here on Wednesday evenings for rehearsals and on Sunday mornings, when she will work with the same age groups as part of the children's formation time. (See page 16 for more information on Musikgarten.)

Suzanne Logue is in her 26th year as a middle school choral director, currently at Hightower Trail Middle School in the Cobb County School District. She is also active as an accompanist for area school and community choirs, and for events with the GeorgiaMusic Educators Association. Suzanne is originally from southwest Georgia, but now calls Woodstock "home."

Additionally, we will be offering Musikgarten classes for children from infancy through age 2 on Tuesday mornings taught by Brenda Pruitt. Brenda is a certified teacher and music therapist. Classes will begin on Tuesday, September 2nd. Enrollment, which is limited to 12 children, is currently open and requires a "tuition." Please click here to see the Musikgarten flyer with details and registration information.

Lastly, after 20+ years of directing the Primary Choir, Anita Brensinger has decided to step down from that work. She has been a positive influence on hundreds of children in our parish over those years, and her preparation for her singers being able to move up into the St. Cecilia & St. Nicolas Choirs has been invaluable. We all would like to express our thanks to her for her fantastic leadership.



MUSIKGARTEN CLASS FOR INFANTS AND TODDLERS

If you want a fun, structured activity for your young child that is as educational as it is fun, Musikgarten for infants and toddlers is the place to be! Movement and music activities are perfect for child development. Music immerses the child in language, evokes movement, stimulates the brain and fosters physical coordination - all in a group setting that builds community—a truly holistic experience. With developmentally appropriate activities for infants through age 2, Musikgarten For Infants And Toddlers Offers children a joyful setting for mental, emotional, physical, spiritual and social growth.



ST.CECILIA AND ST. NICOLAS CHOIRS REHEARSAL

If you have a 3rd through 8th grader in your household, he or she is eligible for participation in the St. Cecilia & St. Nicolas Choirs. Over the years, choir membership has proven to be a significant activity in the lives of children and adults alike. At Holy Innocents', our children have the opportunity to gain valuable training in music and liturgy, and also develop a sense of belonging, commitment, and camaraderie as a result of choir experience. The St. Cecilia & St. Nicolas Choirs are scheduled to sing twice a month and this year, in addition to singing as their own ensemble, the choir will also be integrated into choral music sung with adult singers, giving our choristers balanced training and a superior musical experience. Rehearsals begin Wednesday nights at 5:45pm. We will also have dinner for Choir participants at 5:15pm. It is a rotating menu specifically for children, up to age 12, at a price of \$5.00. For more info, please email Rena Stallworth





SUNDAY FAITH FORUM SCHEDULE

Our Sunday Faith Forums are an incredible line up of speakers who will address faith in everyday life. You'll want to take advantage of each opportunity this fall to continue to grow in faith, individually and as a member of this supportive community. Join us each Sunday after the 9:00am service to hear these fantastic speakers.

September 7 Paul Barton, Head of School Holy Innocents' Episcopal School

HIES has a new Head of School. Coming to us from Chicago, Paul Barton joined the School in July and is off to a terrific start. We will hear about his family, growing up in Iowa, and why he felt called by God to enter education. Paul is a dynamic speaker and all will want to hear his passion for living the life God calls each of us toward each day.

September 14 The Rev. Martha Sterne

We all know and love Martha. On this particular Sunday, we'll bid her farewell from Holy Innocents' as she "retires out loud," the phrase she's used to describe how she wants to step into the next chapter of her life. You will not want to miss this wonderful time to share stories and remember when with one of the Church's best storytellers.

September 21 – October 12 Rich Walter Associate Director, Institute for the Study of Modern Israel Emory University

The Israeli-Palestinian conflict is not just on the evening news; it is a real conflict, centuries in the making. Despite it's ancient origins, many among us really don't know the depth of the conflict through biblical and modern history. We are honored to welcome one of the nation's foremost authorities on the conflict, Dr. Richard Walter of the Center for Israel Education at Emory University.

Richard Walter has extensive experience increasing community involvement in Jewish formal and informal learning for a wide variety of age groups. Prior to joining ISMI in August 2012, he served as Director for Jewish Life and Learning at the Jewish Federation and Jewish Community Center of Greater New Haven, and Director of Education and Community Development at the Bureau of Jewish Education in Rhode Island. From 1997 to 2001 he taught in the Solomon Schechter School in Providence, Rhode Island. He was educated at Brandeis University where he received his BA and MA degrees focusing on Jewish history, Middle Eastern history, and Judaic Studies.





CHILDRENS MINISTRY

Children's Ministry @ Holy Innocents'

There are many wonderful opportunities for learning and fellowship for children at Holy Innocents'. We offer nursery care during Sunday morning worship, Sunday School classes for children from age 3 through 5th grade, and children's choirs beginning at age 6. (For information on our music programs for children, see the Music section of the website.)

We also offer special events designed for children throughout the year: children's programs at the parish retreat at Kanuga, the pet blessing service on the feast day of St. Francis in October, the visit from St. Nicholas, annual Christmas Pageant, family Ash Wednesday and Good Friday services, and Vacation Bible School.

A New Beginning

Many times when we think of new beginnings we think of Spring. The world seems to be waking up, with the weather warming, trees budding and flowers blooming. We seem to think of Autumn as the time to slow down - temperatures cool, leaves turn, days shorten.

I think of Fall however, as a season of new beginnings. The school year begins with new teachers, books and classes. There are empty notebooks to fill and new friends to be made. Football season begins and team sports start up again. Church goes back to the normal worship schedule and we can look forward to The Parson's Table. Old routines are reestablished and new ones are begun.

The Holy Innocents' Children's Ministries are full of autumnal new beginnings. A new curriculum has been chosen with lots of quirky fun and giggles, along with learning. This is a bible centered curriculum designed expressly for each age group. It was also designed with teachers in mind with easy to prepare lessons and leader materials. We will continue with the rotation model, which makes it much easier on volunteers as each lesson needs to be prepared only once, and then tweaked each week according to the age group that Sunday.

In keeping with the rotation model and new beginnings, we have revamped the Sunday School space with paint, color and designs. Each room has been assigned a specific purpose and they all have been changed in some happy way.

We have expanded and added to the musical offerings for our children. There will be a weekly music class for infants to two year olds on Tuesday mornings, and we will have a music teacher rotating through our Sunday School classes.

You should have received the Sunday School packet outlining the new check in

procedure for Sunday School, utilizing The City. If you are already on The City – terrific! If you are signed up to The City, please be sure to go online and enter everyone in your family, especially your children and their birthdates. This will expedite the check in procedure at the beginning of the year.

I hope you were able to attend the open house in the Sunday School area on August 17 or the Children's Ministries Forum on August 24th. We were there to show you around and help you register if you needed some assistance. If you were not there - no worries. I can fill you in on what you missed and help you register your children when Sunday School starts on September 7th.

Finally, I am looking forward to welcoming a host of new volunteers, teachers and children. Again, you should have received a form with many volunteer opportunities. Please look at them carefully and choose at least one thing for which to volunteer. It is your continued energy, commitment and enthusiasm that makes the children's program the success that it is.

We have been working hard all Summer to surprise you this Fall. Please come join us in making this the best church year ever!













YOUTH MINISTRY

Youthwork and Ministry @ Holy Innocents'

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Holy Innocents' values the role that youth play in our community and we offer many opportunities for young people to engage in our parish life. The youth group at Holy Innocents' is called an Episcopal Youth Community, but is often referred to by its acronym, EYC. EYC is divided in to Junior EYC for Middle School youth and Senior EYC for High School youth.

Meeting the challenges of busy lives of youth, our EYC seeks to provide holistic opportunities for fun, worship, community service and mission projects. EYC is the primary place at Holy Innocents' where young people are encouraged to be themselves and to understand their role in the world as people of God.

While EYC is the most common way for youth involvement at Holy Innocents', many other activities are available to our youth. We offer many opportunities for students to assist in our regular worship services (including serving as an acolyte, singing in the choir, and becoming a lay reader). Our youth are also able to serve on the committees that carry out the ministry of the church. Holy Innocents' is a welcoming home to all young people who are encouraged to learn, grow and participate fully as members of God's Kingdom!

Prayer, Adolescence, and 21st Century Faith

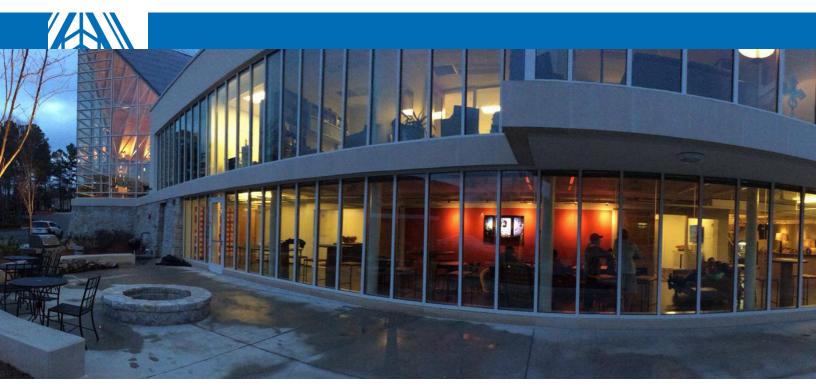
Change is one of the few constants in the life of adolescents today. Over the course of the teenage years students enter in and out of classrooms at a pace that is a little bit different from the way it used to be. The demands of school all-the-time plus athletics plus always-on-poking-alerting-snapping social networks means that young people are constantly faced with a new challenge: the always-ever-fun-task of curating their identity - of letting the world know who they are as child, Christian, and friend.

At Holy Innocents' Episcopal Church we are working hard to create safe, radical, and inclusive places for young people to discover who they are in community with others and God. While the challenges of curating an identity may be part and parcel with living in a world constantly asking *who you are?* and *how are you saying it out loud?*, to be the church in the 21st-century means that we must be present with these digital natives in ways that allow them to discover the fullness of their *vocare* with God. What is more, the church of the 21st-century must meet the demands of an always-on-the-go-kind of student by creating quiet yet prayerful places for individuals and families to explore new kinds of dispositions for being in community with one another. Now more than ever, families need to pray together. Now more than ever, youth leaders need to pray with young people. Now more than ever, Sabbath and rest and quiet and center – things the ancient way of Christ have constantly wanted to hold as deep practices of the faith - matter more than ever.

During the next year, stay tuned for all kinds of activities and events related to youth ministry in the digital age. We at HIEC will remain committed to being an innovative place for the formation of young people in the Episcopal way of the Christian faith. While young people today live complex digital lives and attempt to curate a single identity out of many, we who have been shaped by the mediums of different age must equally rise to the challenge of being formed newly as Christians.

So, how about you? What's your prayer life like? How is Sabbath-being a prophetic experience in your world? What things are you doing to slow down the pace of a world that is calling you to be always on? How are you bringing those in your life along for this physical digital and spiritual journey? Think about it. Talk about it. Practice wholeness!





Ways to Engage

YOUTH AND PARENT KICKBALL TOURNAMENT

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Friday Night Crowds

All 6-8 graders are invited to join us for fun and conversation at Friday Night Crowd. These events are great opportunities to invite friends and to meet new ones. Our first gathering of the year will be September 19!

AtISERVE

Year two of atlS-ERVE will take place on July 19-25, 2015. Staying and missioning local gives chance to know and serve our city better.



After School Cafe



Starting this autumn there will be a bible study for students from 7:00am - 7:45am on Tuesdays. Come for breakfast and stay for conversation about faith and the Bible. Also, the Frost Youth Center will be open after school on Wednesdays from 2:45pm -5:15pm for activities, study hall, music and more.

Sunday Mornings Live

Sunday mornings just got a little bit crazier- crazier fun that is! All youth (Grade 6-12) are invited to the Frost Youth Center every Sunday morning from 10:10am - 11:00am for fun, dialogue, and a whole new way of being community.

Ethos

Ethos is a new Wednesday night faith-experience for all students at HIEC. It begins at 6:15pm (following every Parson's Table) and will conclude by 7. Get ready to explore newly faith in the 21st century. All students are welcome. The journey begins September 10 after the Parson's Table!





Join us for a fun Sunday afternoon of KICKBALL at Holy Innocents'!

YOUTH AND PARENT KICK BALL TOURNAMENT



Following the 11:15 Service

All Youth and Parents are welcome! RSVP by emailing Rena Stallworth (rstallworth@holyinnocents.org)

PASTORAL CARE





Pastoral care at Holy Innocents' is manifested every day in a thousand different ways. Most of those ways are small. Yet all are tangible and important in their own way. All are life affirming and life sustaining. All embody the holy everyday.

What God desires most from us is relationship. Relationships are how we connect to one another and to the holy. Those connections are at the very least a two-way street. Yes, you are encouraging others, cheering them up, listening to their stories, holding a hand or giving a hug. Also consider what changes in you each time you sit with another person. You are changed. Your life is expanded, deepened and renewed.

We are called as Christians to share what we have been given. To give of ourselves, to pay attention to the lives of the people around us, to love as we are loved. This 'tithe' of relationship then is in response to what God gives us. The reward for our gift keeps on giving. Our presence with others feeds them at the same time it feeds us. I promise.

In welcoming another you welcome Christ and you encourage the Christ in you to grow. Pastoral care is for everyone. It is the life of the church. It is the life of the kingdom. When we give of ourselves we are enriched to greater service. Look around...there is a hand to hold and a story to hear. Here are some reactions fromWill Kelly and Mary Marvin Walter as they lived into the Theology of Pastoral Care.



Our Outreach Missions provide vital opportunities to deepen our response to the two Great Sacraments of the Gospel.

" ... let us love not in word or speech but in truth and action." 1. John 18

One pillar of Holy Innocents' mission, "reconciling ourselves with one another and creation", is brought to life through our Outreach Missions. These Outreach Missions work to restore relationships with God's creation by tending to critical needs in our community, our nation, and the world.

"The two great sacraments given by Christ to his Church are Holy Baptism and the Holy Eucharist." [BCP p. 858] As Episcopalians, our response to the sacrament of Holy Baptism are our vows to "proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ; seek and serve Christ in all persons; strive for justice and peace among all people; and respect the dignity of every human being."



[BCP p. 417] In the Holy Eucharist, we are called to break bread together as members of the Living Body of Jesus Christ. But, when our fellow human beings stand hungry or in need while we ourselves are fed, our Eucharistic community is incomplete.

Our Outreach Missions provide vital opportunities to deepen our response to these Great Sacraments. Our personal involvement as the hands and feet of Christ in the world is critical to our spiritual growth as a parish and individuals; it is the testament to our life as part of the Living Body of Christ, and through it we make a difference with each act of reaching out, no matter how large or small.

An Invitation to the Family

Having just returned from a Family Promise overnight at St. Dunstan's, I am reminded about how much fun participating in outreach ministries can be and just how fulfilling personally they are. Last night, Hayley, Jackson and I, all spent the night with our guests. All three

of the current families that are staying at Family Promise have kids and two of the six kids were Jackson's age. We arrived after dinner but well before bedtime, so Jackson was



able to spend about an hour hanging out and playing with the kids, while the parents finished cleaning the kitchen and getting things together for the next morning. It was great to see Jackson having fun helping the little kids 'hide' while the big kids were 'seeking'. After a few rounds of hide and seek a spontaneous game of tag



erupted, allowing the kids to burn off the day's last bit of energy, and then it was time to get ready for bed. While the three of us were in our room, Jackson told us about how much fun he has when it is our turn to 'camp' at Hotel Dunstan's and how he loves making all these new friends. I know it is true because he will ask about kids that were previous guests and have graduated the program. He remembers the games they have played, and the conversations they have had.

I would encourage all members of Holy Innocents to consider signing up for a volunteer slot with Family Promise. Whether it is staying overnight, providing a meal, serving a meal, or even setting up or taking down for the week, many forms of fun and fulfillment may be found at Hotel St. Dunstan's.

-Will Kelly-

Family Promise of North Fulton/DeKalb

Family Promise provides through its Interfaith Hospitality Network a partnership of congregations that make up an interfaith community helping families who are facing homelessness. They seek volunteers to serve meals, set up rooms, spend the night, and more. St. Dunstan's serves as one of the host congregations that provide shelter and meals for up to four homeless families for one week at a time. The parishioners of St. Dunstan's and Holy Innocents Episcopal Church have partnered to host on a quarterly basis.



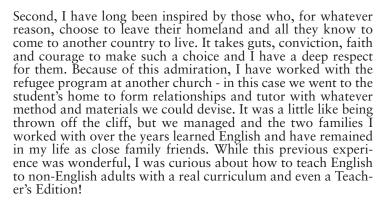
Why LaAmistad?

The questions posed to me were - why did I sign up to teach for LaAmistad ESL (English for Successful Living) at Holy In-

nocents', and what did the experience mean to me, and to those who were in my class.

I signed up to teach for LaAmistad for several reasons.

First, in a former life I was an educator in the public and corporate sectors, and I enjoyed the experiences of helping both children and adults learn and benefit from that learning.



Third, since I am rather new to HIEC, I was interested in meeting other HIEC communicants in a different setting and thought that this would be a good way to do so.

So, what did the experience mean to me? As the first class session approached I must admit that I asked myself why I had ever volunteered! What did I really have to offer? Would I be able to answer their questions? And, I was nervous about the whole experience. I went on to class despite my reservations and was rewarded with the gift of working and sharing with the most warm and motivated group of people you can imagine. We worked hard, and I must admit that I had forgotten a lot about the grammar that I learned in school. Quick - give me



a sentence using future perfect continuous tense! We laughed about words like since, cents, and sense. I answered questions about practical matters, such as where to buy and how to get a checking account and words they had heard and didn't understand. We shared our stories and became friends working together. They were inspiring, and I found myself inspired.

What did the experience mean to the students? Well, they came back - again and again - and they were happy to see me! They cared for me and for one another. They worked hard and supported everyone's efforts. They laughed with me, and sometimes at me, - all in good fun. They were from many different countries and cultures, but they were solidified in their desire to learn and become successful in America. At the end of each session we hugged one another. With that said, I would have to guess that they would consider their ESL student experience as successful as I would as the volunteer.

All three of my reasons for volunteering were exceeded and, I will be teaching again this fall.

Mary Marvin Walter

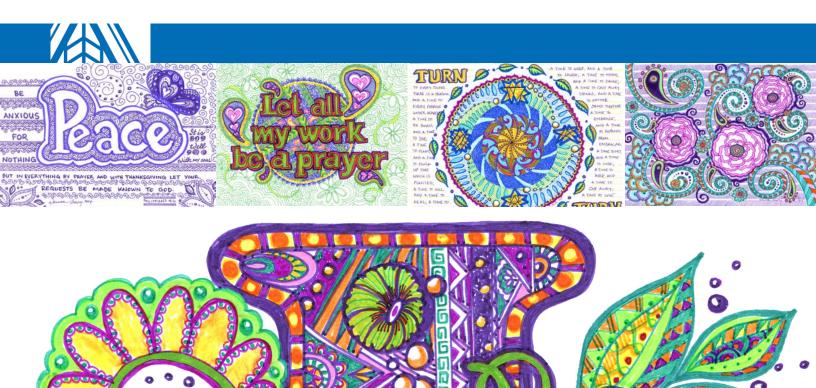
LaAmistad English for Successful Living offers English classes for anyone whose first language is not English and who desires to improve English proficiency. Classes are taught by volunteers who receive training in ESL strategies and practices. At Holy Innocents', classes are taught T/Th evenings and Saturday mornings in 12week sessions. If you would like to volunteer to teach, assist in the



classroom, help with registration, tutor, or become a conversation partner, contact Alejandra ("Alley") Del Castillo esl@laamistadinc.org or 678-752-1144.



HOLY INNOCENTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH YOUR PLACE FOR FAITH







Cultivating Creativity at HIEC



IMAGINATION INSPIRED

Imagination Inspired

We're busy and the pace feels faster all the time. Irish priest and poet John O'Donohue said, "May you experience each day as a sacred gift woven around the heart of wonder." How is that possible when life is so busy?

Imagination Inspired, the new HIEC program to cultivate creativity, is not designed to



cram one more thing into your schedule. The purpose is to give you space to catch your creative breath.

The level of noise in our lives continually increases if we let it. Many of our thoughts are filled with tracking schedules, meeting deadlines, evaluating have-to-dos and should-dos, juggling calendars filled with commitments, and responding to emails, texts and phone calls.

Shawn Achor spent twelve years at Harvard University studying what makes people happy. He found that our brains process noise before they process meaning. When we are always processing noise, our lives feel hectic, but somehow empty and devoid of purpose.

What happens to you and around you when you feel stressed?

I have several personal levels of stress indicators. At a minimum, I have troubled dreams and develop mild hives. If I don't take time to "cancel the noise," it progresses into moments of pain in my chest, my own type of panic attack. Cleo, my very sensitive—some say neurotic—cat responds to the vibe I'm putting off. When I'm stressed and continue to ignore my own bodily responses, Cleo pees on things. Now THAT gets my attention!

For several years, I've consciously taken time to create space in my life. This space comes from doodling as a meditation, writing in my journal, walking at the park, riding my bike, or paddling in my canoe. I don't do all of those things every day—and some days do none of them. But by incorporating this space regularly, I release my feelings of stress before it gets to the level of chest pain and cat pee. The unexpected side benefit are the creative ideas that pop into my head, the solutions that reveal themselves, and the sense of peace I carry through the rest of my day.

We are all creative. It's in our spiritual DNA.



What if a key way to honor God, the Great Creator, is by cultivating your own creativity and allowing it to influence every aspect of your life?

When I'm focused on my to-do list, I'm caught up in my own stuff instead of being a conduit of God's love.

A fatality of September 11, 2001 was Mychal F. Judge, a Catholic priest who served as a chaplain to the New York City Fire Department. Found in his pocket after his death was a prayer that has since become known as Mychal's Prayer.

> "Lord, take me where You want me to go; Let me meet who You want me to meet; Tell me what You want me to say, and Keep me out of Your way."

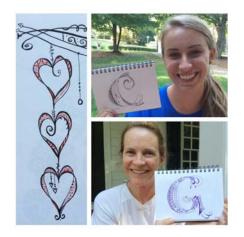
This prayer reminds me that unless I create a space, my busy head and noisy thoughts leave little room for listening. Multiple times every day I have the opportunity to choose if I'm going to listen to the whisper of Spirit or if I'm going to stay on my schedule and check the things off of my to-do list. (It's a struggle some days because I DO love to check things off of my list!) Make space. Register for a single class with Imagination Inspired or for several. Allow yourself to explore something new. Listen to your inner creativity and see where it leads. Embrace a time of meditation with your hand moving across the page to let the voice of Spirit whisper within your soul. Whether you come alone or invite a friend, you'll join others for an opportunity to collaborate in an atmosphere of playful non-judgment.

Go to http://www.holyinnocents.org/get-involved/imagination-inspired--hiec/ for a description of classes and how to register. Learn more about me, Vanessa Lowry, at www.holyinnocents.org/about/clergy-staff-and-vestry. I look forward to meeting, creating, and collaborating with you.



"While I believe I am creative, I am not artistic and thus shy away from anything related to drawing. Learning the basics of doodling has me looking at colors, pens, and patterns in ways I have not before. I am creating! I was surprised by the zen-like state of doodling and the ability to see a very complex design broken down into steps.

"Regarding the meditation angle, I do not sit sill well—until this class. Now, I can sit outside with the birds and the breeze. My blood pressure lowers while I get lost in my doodles. It is simply a lovely way to just be still." ~ Elaine Morgan ~





 $^{\prime\prime}I$ was so encouraged by everyone that any insecurity I felt before entering the class immediately went away. I did this class with my mother and together we enjoyed sharing ideas and work with each other. I was amazed at how many things around you can be incorporated into doodles which makes this class very powerful—it reaches beyond the classroom.'' \sim Cameron Simon \sim

 $^{\prime\prime}I$ am a tactile person who knits and sews. Doodling is a new form of art for me, but more calming. Now that I have some direction in how to doodle, I can see myself picking up my pen and sketchbook when I am anxious. I was surprised by how doodling in just one color can provide such dimension on the page." ~Garland Simon~



"Have you ever wanted to dance with pen and paper? Do you wonder about all those little squiggles you make while you're on hold waiting for Comcast? Vanessa can give you lots of ideas to beautify your wiggly lines and fill them with dots & dashes or curves & slashes, helping you have a wonderful time just following your pen across the page."

~ ALICE BALL ~

Imagination Inspired Classes at Holy Innocents'

Below are the current classes and/events through Imagination Inspired. Click on the link below each name to see a full description for that class and registration information. Class sizes are limited. If a class is full, you may put your name on a waiting list by sending an email to vlowry@holyinnocents.org.

DOODLING AS A MEDITATION

4-week class September 10 - October 1 Wednesdays from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm (Limited to 11 Participants, \$120)

PRIMING YOUR CREATIVE PUMP

4-week class September 13 - October 4 Saturdays from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm (Limited to 20 Participants, \$120)

PRIMING YOUR CREATIVE PUMP 4-week class

4-week class October 14 - November 4 Tuesdays from 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm (Limited to 20 Participants, \$120)

Doodling as a Meditation

4-week class October 18 - November 8 Saturdays from 10:00am - 12:30pm (Limited to 11 Participants, \$120)

Doodling as a Meditation

2-day workshop December 9 & December 10 Tuesday and Wednesdays from 10:30 -1:30pm (Limited to 11 Participants, \$70)

CREATING A VISION BOARD FOR 2015 1-day workshop December 30 Tuesday from 10:30am - 1:30pm (Limited to 30 Participants, \$30)

Your registration fees provide all the funding for Imagination Inspired, our Artist in Residence program. A ten percent tithe of all proceeds will be donated to our ministry among the Holy Innocents of Our Day, putting an end to violence against children in Greater Atlanta.

VENTULETT GALLERY PRESENTS PHOTOGRAPHS BY: MARILYN SURIANI

"HUMAN NATURE AND THE NATURAL WORLD"



August 14 - September 19

Atlanta photographer, Marilyn Suriani, is featuring personal selections from her extensive and on-going thirty-five year photographic career. Her work can be found in the permanent collections of museums, corporations and high profile public spaces worldwide.

Locally, images from her Storefront Churches documentary series are in the permanent collection of the High Museum of Art.Two permanent installations are featured at Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport and the stunning, newly installed 10' x 28' "Liquid Emerald" water photograph on glass can be seen at Capital City Plaza, Buckhead.

This show focuses on two diverse streams of Marilyn's photography; documenting human nature and documenting the natural world of water. Some of her personal favorites from both will be displayed.

To see all of Marilyn's work and her insightful commentary, go to www.surianiphoto.com

All photographs are available for purchase. Contact Carol Johns at the church office.

UPCOMING EVENTS

RETIREMENT DINNER HONORING MARTHA STERNE



Join us on Saturday, September 13 as we celebrate the life ministry of the Rev. Martha Sterne. Michael Sullivan, Carroll Sterne and Barbara Brown Taylor will honor Martha following a gourmet dinner in Inglett Hall. Seating is limited. Reserve your spot for \$35 a person as seating is limited. You can make a reservation online at https://hiec.wufoo.com/forms/retirement-dinner-honoring-martha-sterne/.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

"Would you like to be an Episcopalian?" We would love you to be one. To prepare for this Sacrament, we will meet on Sunday mornings - beginning October 5 and continuing through November 16, at 10:15am. There will be some fellowship, some theology, some information, and some laughter. Think about this....and ponder if God might be asking you to participate as a member of this Episcopal Church. Would you be willing to register your initial interest, so that we might have an indication of your heart in this matter? The confirmation will be held at the Cathedral of St. Philip on December 14 at 4:00pm. Contact: Caroline Fleming (cflemingh@holyinnocents.org)

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2014 LA'AMISTAD GALA

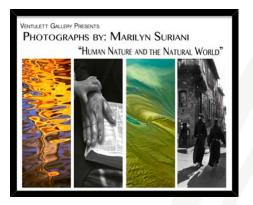
On Saturday, September 27, at the W Hotel Buckhead, LaAmistad will

host the 2014 LaAmistad Gala, "Celebrating Atlanta Heroes." There will be a delicious dinner, live entertainment, and a spectacular silent



auction. A LaAmistad English for Successful Living has been a vital program at Holy Innocents' since 2002. ESL assists adults with language education to help live the American Dream.

HUMAN NATURE AND THE NATURAL WORLD



Come see the stunning photography of Marilyn Suriani on display August 14 through September 19. This show focuses on two diverse streams of Marilyn's photography; documenting human nature and documenting the natural world of water. Some of her personal favorites from both will be displayed. All photographs are available for purchase. Contact: Carol Johns

WEEKLY STUDIES

Women's Wisdom Circle Monday mornings from 8:30-9:45am in Bride's Room Contact: hiecwisdomcircle@gmail.com

Road to Emmaus Bible Study Monday mornings from 7:30-8:30am in the Conference Room.

6:38 Gifts from the Gospel Wednesday Mornings at 6:38am in the Parlor

Education for Ministry (EFM) Wednesday evenings at 6:45pm in the Conference Room

Womens' Bible Study Thursday mornings at 8:45am

YOGA CLASS

Want to reduce stress and increase your energy and vitality? Join us for yoga on Monday evenings from 6:30 to 7:45 pm in Inglett Hall C. Instructor Richard Dew is certified yoga teacher and member of the Yoga Alliance. He received his teaching certification at Kashi Urban Yoga Ashram. The class is a 12-week session beginning on September 8 and ending on December 8. There is no class on October 13 (Columbus Day) and November 24 (the week of Thanksgiving). The cost for the full session is \$120 or you can pay \$12 per class. The class is geared to beginner/intermediate yogis but those who have never done yoga are encouraged to attend. Modifications are provided for each pose. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat.

FORMATION

ALL PARISH

Saturday Brewing 1st Saturdays, 10:00am - 4:00pm in Frost Youth Center Contact: Timothy Sommer (tsommer@holyinnocents.org)

HI Bridge Club 2nd Fridays, 12:30 - 3:00pm in Inglett C Contact: Renee Peyton (reneepeyton@bookhouse.net)

20/30 Somethings

Something for Brunch Every 1st Sundays, immediately following 11:15am worship at a restaurant nearby. Contact: Timothy Sommer

20/30 Something's Social Every 2nd Tuesday, 6:45 - 9:00pm Contact: Timothy Sommer

Lessons & Lager 3rd Tuesday, 6:30 - 9:00pm Youth Frost Center Contact: Timothy Sommer

Men

Men of HI Third Fridays 3rd Fridays, 7:00 - 8:15am in Frost Youth Center Contact: John Hedrick (jthedrick@aol.com)

Men of HI Dinner and a Book 2nd Tuesdays, every 2 months, 6:30 - 9:00pm Contact: Jeremy Webber (jwebber@us.ibm.com)

Women

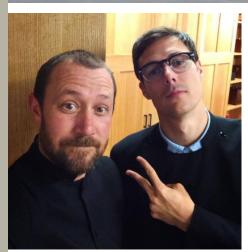
Prayer Shawl Ministry 1st Tuesdays, 10:30am - 12:30pm Parlor Contact: Lizy Avery (liza.avery1@gmail.com)

Women's Time Out! 3rd Thursdays, 7:00 - 8:30pm Contact: Kyle Young (kyley@mindspring.com)

Reading Connections (Women's Book Club) 2nd Mondays, 6:00 - 7:00pm Bishop Commons Contact: Alesa McArthur (agmcarthur@gmail.com)

St. Monica's Guild 3rd Tuesdays, 10:30am - 12:30pm Inglet Hall C Contact: Carolyn Yost (tyost27@bellsouth.net)





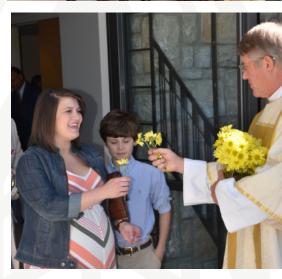














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HOLY INNOCENTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Registrar's Corner

"Newcomers/Visitors"

Have you been visiting? Want to learn more?

Join us for a Newcomer gathering in the Parlor! October 5 & November 9 at 10:15 am

Join us for a Welcome Luncheon September 21 at 12:30 pm Contact Caroline Fleming for more information (cfleming@holyinnocents.org)



MONTHLY EVENT CALENDAR September 2014



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		7 Church of the Common Ground Something For Brunch	14	21 Newcomer Luncheon Youth Parent Kickball Tournament	28 Acolyte Training @ 11:15 am Evensong

Pet Blessing Sunday, October 5 at 4:00pm

All pets welcome!

Be sure to join us after the Blessing for a Low Country Boil More info coming soon

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ANAM CARA SUBMISSION

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The deadline for event and article submissions to be included in the following month's publications are the 10th of each month by 5:00pm.

Also be sure that you have contacted our event coordinator, Rena Stallworth (rstallworth@holyinnocents.org), to scheduled your event and reserved your space. If you have not your event will not be promoted.

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