

# Weekly Update

## September 6, 2023

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Please join us on Sunday for Holy Eucharist.

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 10, 2023

8 am and 10 am

Celebrant: The Reverend Victoria Pretti

If you are unable to worship in person, please join us on Youtube.  
To view the livestream service please click the link below.



### St. Martha's Vestry Announcement

The Vestry has agreed to provide matching funds up to \$10,000 for any parishioner contributions to a St. Martha's Maui Relief Fund, the total of which will be sent to the Episcopal Relief & Development. The Vestry match will be based on contributions received by **September 11, 2023**. Checks may be placed in the plate or mailed to the office (P.O. Box 1478, Bethany Beach, DE 19930). Please be sure to put "Maui Relief Fund" on the memo line.

## This week at

St. Martha's



### **Seashell Ringers Practice**

Wednesday, September 6 at 1:15 pm.

### **Choir Practice**

Wednesday, September 6 at 7 pm.

### **Divine Confections Bake Sale Drop off**

Friday, September 8 between 10 am - noon or 1 pm - 3 pm. Bake sale items can be brought to the kitchen for pricing. Please enter the building through the rear door near the kitchen.

### **Divine Confections Bake Sale**

Saturday, September 9 from 10 am to 5 pm on the boardwalk.

### **St. Thomas Gospel Choir**

Saturday, September 9 at 6 pm. Admission at the door, \$20/person.

### **Book Study**

Sunday, September 10 in between services, 9 - 9:45 am in the parish hall. Discussion will begin on the Fall book, "Learning to Pray", by James Martin.

### **Yoga**

Monday, September 11 at 9:30 am in the parish hall. \$8 drop in. Bring your own mat, blanket, block and/or strap. Some will be available.

### **South Coastal Village Volunteers Presentation**

Monday, September 11 at 1 pm in the parish hall. Come learn more about this wonderful organization and the services they provide to our community.

### **Bible Study**

Tuesday, September 12 at 1 pm in the parish hall. This session focuses on St. Paul's Letter to the Romans. Dianne Burlew will once again lead the discussion.

### **Yoga**

Tuesday, September 12 at 5:30 pm. This is a beginner's class starting with the basics for anyone new to yoga or just looking for a gentle practice. \$8 to drop in.

# Upcoming Events

## The Bishop is Coming! The Bishop is Coming!

On Sunday, **September 17th**, Bishop Brown will join us for his annual parish visitation. There will be a single 9 am service followed by a very special coffee hour.

# Outreach



St. Martha's Outreach has completed shopping for school supplies and is now delivering to the schools. Your donations allowed us to purchase all the requested backpacks and school supplies, 34 backpacks and supplies, for Showell and Clayton Elementary Schools and Selbyville Middle School.

Four Habitat Housing Dedications are tentatively scheduled for September and October. Parishioners who signed up to attend dedications will be contacted as soon as the dates are finalized.

# Announcements

# Walk the Boards on Wednesdays

**Starting September 13th - October 11th**

Meet at Bethany Beach Christian Church at 10 am.

The walk is approximately 1 mile.



Join us as we talk together  
in support of Crop Walk



## **Make a Stitch on St. Martha's Justice Quilt**

The Racial Justice and Reconciliation Commission in the Episcopal Church in Delaware put out the call for each parish to make a Justice Quilt reflecting their take on justice and Becoming Beloved Community. Justice quilts will be displayed at the November Convention. Every parishioner is invited to help make the quilt by Making a Stitch. The quilt will be available to you at each coffee hour until we submit on September 15.

**19th Year  
St. Martha's Dinner Club  
October 2023 – January 2024**

***Come one, come all! Singles, Couples, New folks, Long-time parishioners***

**Don't want to cook? Join a restaurant group**

-see sign-up sheet in the parish hall

Groups of 6 – 8 adults will gather monthly for dinner and socializing. The dinners will give us a chance to get to know people from St. Martha's in a setting away from church.

Participants will be placed in groups that will stay together for the months of October – January.

Home groups: Each month a different person/couple will host the dinner and provide the drinks and simple entrée. Others in the group will provide the balance of the meal.

Restaurant group(s): Each month a different person/couple will be the host and make the arrangements for the restaurant.

There are only 2 "rules" for the dinners.

- No discussion of church business
- The evening should end by 9 PM.

**Please sign the sign-up sheet in the parish hall by September 17th**

Questions: contact – Wincy Jackson 302-381-8638, [wwjax77@gmail.com](mailto:wwjax77@gmail.com), or Carolyn Smith 302-436-9080, [jack.smith6@comcast.net](mailto:jack.smith6@comcast.net)

You know how when you first move here you have to get on a waiting list to get a doctor or a dentist? Well, that's not a problem at all with the St. Martha's Hybrid Book Group! We have plenty of room! It's a hybrid because you can join us in person at St Martha's or by Zoom. Our next meeting is on **September 28th** from 3 to 4 pm. We are reading *American Dirt* by Jeanine Cummins. Please come join us!!



Time To  
Celebrate

September  
Birthdays & Anniversaries



**MEETING  
MINUTES**

Vestry: June

July

Outreach: August