

Weekly Update

June 19, 2024

Please join us on Sunday for Holy Eucharist

The Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

June 23, 2024

8 am & 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.



This week at

St. Martha's



Wednesday, June 19th:

- Seashell Ringers practice at 1:15 pm.
- Choir practice at 7 pm.

Thursday, June 20th:

- Qigong class Rev. Ria at 9:30 am in the parish hall. Walk-ins and donations accepted, no experience necessary.
- Becoming Beloved Community meeting at 1 pm in the conference room.
- Vestry meeting at 3 pm in the parish hall.
- Beach Picnic at 5 pm on the beach at Maplewood Street. See below for more details.

Friday, June 21st:

- Stitch and Sketch will meet from 10 am to 1 pm in the parish hall. We have knitters, painters, quilters and many other crafters who gather to stitch, craft and socialize. All are welcome.
- Ladies Lunch Gathering at 12:30 pm at Ocean View Brewing Company. See below.
- Scholarship Committee meeting at 11 am by Zoom.

Monday, June 24th:

- Yoga at 9:30 am. \$10 drop in. Bring your own mat, blanket, block and/or strap. Some will be available.

Tuesday, June 25th:

- Qigong at 9:30 am in the parish hall. Qigong is a mindful movement practice that helps us to calm our minds, balance our emotions, and feel more energized. Done seated or standing and is accessible to everyone. Bring a yoga mat if you have one, and some water. Suggested donation: \$10.
- International Students' Picnic from 5:30 - 7 pm in the parish hall.

Wednesday, June 26th:

- Men's Discipleship Group will meet from 8 - 9 am in the conference room.
- Seashell ringers practice at 1:15 pm.
- Choir practice at 7 pm.

Upcoming Events

It's here at long last. The first St. Martha's FLASH MOB BEACH PICNIC of the season will be held this Thursday at 5pm. Right now, the weather forecast looks great. If there is a dramatic change, you will receive a message if we need to cancel. Bring a chair, yr drink, plate and utensils, and a dish to share. No glass, please. You may park for free in the St Martha's lot or on Maplewood Ave after 4p.m.



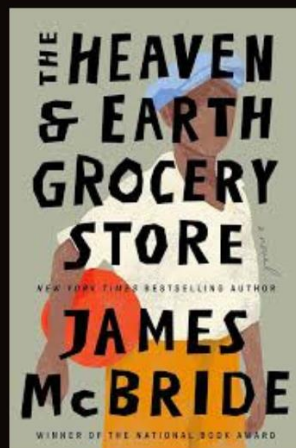


Friday June 21st at 12:30 pm at
Ocean View Brewing Company on Rt. 26.

Please join us. If you have questions or just
want to confirm you are coming:

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Haydee Toedtman 703.282.5999

St. Martha's Hybrid Book Club



**Thursday,
June 27
3 - 4:30 pm**

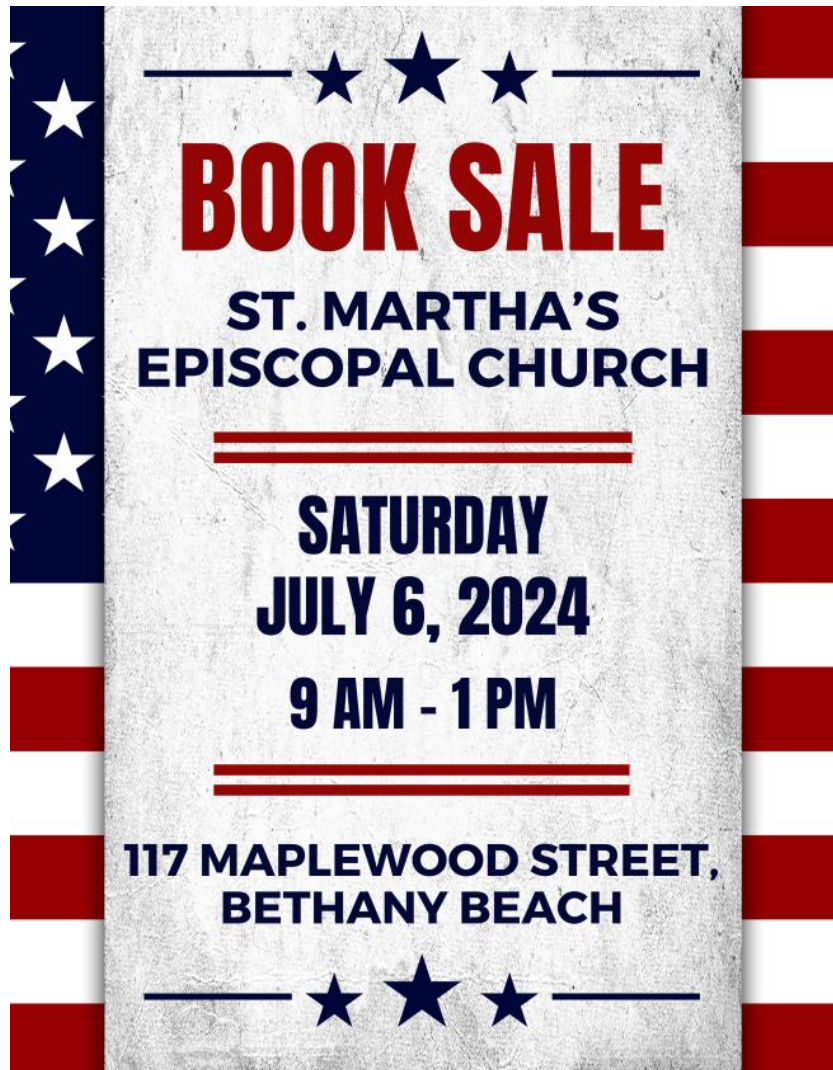
Join our discussion in the
parish hall or by Zoom.

Book Background: Heaven & Earth Grocery Store by James McBride is a poignant and richly layered novel that explores themes of community, love, and resilience. Set in a small town in Pennsylvania, the story delves into the lives of its diverse residents and uncovers the complexities of their relationships and histories. McBride's vivid storytelling and multifaceted characters offer a deep, thought-provoking reading experience.

Join the Discussion: Everyone is welcome to join the discussion, even if you haven't read the book! This is a great opportunity to share thoughts, listen to others, and enjoy a sense of community.

Zoom Participation: If you would like to attend the meeting via Zoom, please contact [Rick Legeer](#) at least a week prior to the meeting to make the necessary arrangements.

We look forward to seeing you there!



Our next book sale will be here before we know it! Last month's sale was a huge success but we still have plenty of books to sell. The only thing we'll need to pull it off is a group of amazing volunteers. Please consider lending a hand to help with set up or the day of the sale. A sign up sheet is available in the parish hall. Thanks again for helping to make these sales possible!

Outreach

Summer White Bag lunch program is underway. 80 bags have been decorated & delivered! Decorate a bag for students this summer. See Fran McElvey or Fran Hasson for some bags.



Remember pop-tabs for Ronald McDonald house!

Announcements



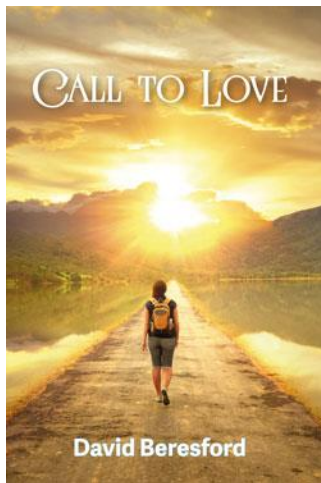
International Students Will Fill St Martha's with Laughter on 25 June starting at 5:30 - You'd never believe how many Volunteers from St Martha's and the Community are stepping forward to bring "tears of joy" to the eyes of travel-weary Students at our "17th Annual" Picnic. It would be nice to still have the cozy small picnics of old, but with about 650 Students in our area you will have to do that by inviting Students to join you later in the summer for a simple get together. If the sun shines, every seat inside and out may be filled with happy Students. Think "sunshine"!

YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED!

Children's Faith Formation at St. Martha's: We are considering launching some new children's ministries this Fall and are looking for your ideas, interest, and input. Nursery or Church School or both? During or between the services or both? If you have children or grandchildren, would your family be interested in participating? And how often would your kids like to attend any children's offerings? Please talk to Deacon Chris anytime soon. Thanks so much!

SAVE THE DATE

We have reserved August 24th for the annual Jeff Jackson Golf Tournament at Salt Pond. Anyone who thinks they can play golf, good or bad, is invited to participate. Everyone else can join us for lunch at the clubhouse. Details will be forthcoming. Please contact Bill Freund (wmfreund42@gmail.com) to help organize the event.



Father David Beresford, our interim rector prior to Rev. Ria has written two books. The first, "Above and Below", is a collection of inspirational meditations written while he was at St. Martha's. These were published weekly in our Saturday email blast. The second, "Call to Love", describes how God has called various people – both in the Bible as well as his personal contacts. These stories are a way of urging us to respond to God's call to us.

If you would like to purchase either of these books, you can contact Ron Kerchner, (609-424-7281) or visit the website below.

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