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THIS WEEK at ST. AIDAN'S

Sunday, April 26 - Scout Sunday

- Holy Eucharist at 9:30 a.m. (in-person)
- Intergenerational Formation in observation of Earth Day at 10:45 a.m. with Pat Rowell
- Funeral Planning Workshop at 10:45 a.m. with Rev. Rebecca and Rev. Ed
- Celtic Eucharist at 5:30 p.m. (in-person and online via Zoom)
- Parish Potluck Dinner following Celtic service

Monday, April 27 - Church Office closed

- Clergy Conference - Rev. Rebecca out of office
- Al-Anon meeting at 7:00 p.m. (in-person and online via Zoom)

Tuesday, April 28

- Clergy Conference - Rev. Rebecca out of office
- Meditation/Silent Prayer at 8:00 a.m. (in-person)
- Women's Reading Circle at 9:30 a.m. (meet in the Little Chapel)

Wednesday, April 29

- Clergy Conference - Rev. Rebecca out of office
- Compline at 7:00 p.m. (online via Zoom)

Friday, May 1

- Meditation/Silent Prayer at 8:00 a.m. (in-person)

Saturday, May 2

- Celebrate World Labyrinth Day at the outdoor St. Aidan's labyrinth at 1:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 3

- Holy Eucharist at 9:30 a.m. (in-person)
- Adult Formation: Christian Scriptures in the Light of Buddhist Nondualism with Rev. Farwell
- Celtic Eucharist at 5:30 p.m. (in-person and online via Zoom)

See the reverse side for a more detailed look at events this week and beyond.

A LOOK AHEAD at ST. AIDAN'S

Sunday, April 26 • Scout Sunday

Past and present Scouts are invited to wear their uniforms for Scout Sunday. We will honor the special contributions Scouts have to St. Aidan's and the importance of Scouting in the community. If you would like to help plan this service, please contact Rev. Rebecca.

Sunday, April 26 • Intergenerational Formation in observation of Earth Day • 10:45 a.m.

All ages are invited to join Pat Rowell for an observation of Earth Day during formation hour in White Hall. Join us for this important observation of God's creation!

Sunday, April 26 • Funeral Planning Workshop • 10:45 a.m.

Join Rev. Rebecca and Rev. Ed for a Funeral Planning Workshop. As the Book of Common Prayer reminds us, the liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. Even if you do not plan to have your service at St. Aidan's, we will discuss the funeral liturgy and look at the selections and considerations for this sensitive time. This is a gift you can give your loved ones as well as an important spiritual reflection.

Sunday, April 26 • Sunday Potluck Supper after the 5:30 p.m. Celtic service

All are heartily invited to enjoy potluck suppers at St. Aidan's on the fourth Sunday of every month. We will gather in the parish hall after the 5:30 p.m. Celtic Eucharist to share fellowship and a potluck meal. While signing up is not required, please plan to bring a dish (homemade or store-bought) to share.

Saturday, May 2 • World Labyrinth Day • 1:00 p.m.

Every year on the first Saturday in May thousands of people around the globe participate in World Labyrinth Day as a moving meditation for world peace and celebration of the labyrinth experience. Many "Walk as One at 1" local time to create a rolling wave of peaceful energy passing from one time zone to the next, and there are additional ways to participate. Go to worldlabyrinthday.org for more info.

Sunday, May 3, 10 & 17 • Adult Formation: Christian Scriptures in the Light of Buddhist Nondualism

Rev. James Farwell, Ph.D. will hold a three-part Adult Formation class on May 3, 10, and 17. As part of his upcoming work on Christian theology and practice in the light of Soto Zen, Dr. Farwell will consider the Transfiguration, the Lukan Emmaus Story and others in relation to Buddhist Nondualism. Dr. Farwell is the Professor of Theology and Liturgy at Virginia Theological Seminary and H. Boone Porter Professor of Liturgics at the General Theological Seminary. He is married to the Rev. Sarah Colvin, MD, Priest-in-Charge of All Saints Sharon Chapel.

Confirmation class sessions (meet in library) • May 17, 31 and June 14 • 10:45 a.m.

Students wishing to be confirmed at the Bishop's Visitation scheduled for October 25, 2026 should plan to attend all meetings of the Spring Confirmation Class beginning in February.

Sunday, June 7 • Youth Sunday

Celebrate the youngest members of our parish on June 7! Heather Sanderson will lead youth in a presentation for the homily and all youth are invited to serve in roles in the parish: ushers, readers, musicians. Please contact Eileen or Rev. Rebecca if your child wants to participate. We will also honor High School and college graduates. If you have a student reaching this milestone, please contact Rev. Rebecca.

Friday, July 31 - Sunday, Aug 2 • Annual Parish Retreat at Shrine Mont

Our Annual Parish Retreat will be held July 31 thru Aug 2. It's a wonderful time to be together as a community outside of our normal rhythm. There is something for everyone. Please consider adding our retreat to your Summer calendar. Questions? Email Eileen with interest. Please add your name and info to our Google form: <https://forms.gle/VntMjTmpiJYPwaXo7>

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