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THIS WEEK at ST. AIDAN'S

Sunday, October 5

- Holy Eucharist at 9:30 a.m. (in-person)
- Nibbles in the Narthex at 10:45 a.m.
- Oktoberfest clean-up (in place of formation)
- Celtic Worship at 5:30 p.m. (in-person)

Monday, October 6

- Compline at 7:00 p.m. (online via Zoom)
- Al-Anon meeting at 7:00 p.m. (in-person and live streamed via Zoom)

Tuesday, October 7

- Meditation/Silent Prayer at 8:00 a.m. (in-person)
- Women's Reading Circle at 9:30 a.m. (in-person)

Wednesday, October 8

- Compline at 7:00 p.m. (online via Zoom)

Thursday, October 9

- Soul Circle at 7:30 p.m. (online via Zoom)

Friday, October 10

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

Sunday, October 12

- Holy Eucharist at 9:30 a.m. (in-person)
- Nibbles in the Narthex at 10:45 a.m.
- Formation at 10:45 a.m.
- Celtic Worship at 5:30 p.m. (in-person)

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

A LOOK AHEAD at ST. AIDAN'S

No Formation October 5 • 10:45 a.m.

Please plan to stay after service to help break down tables and tents from Oktoberfest.

Adult Formation continues • Sunday, October 12, 19 & 26 at 10:45 a.m.

Chris Fafard will lead an exploration of the Celtic Saints of the Church, including Saint Columba, Saint Aidan, Saint Brigid and others. What made Celtic Christianity unique and what is its legacy?

WFMA/FOCUS concert featuring Ali Tod • October 18 at 7:00 p.m.

Scottish guitarist and singer Ali Tod fuses classical training with percussive finger-style guitar, loop-pedal wizardry, and raw, soul-stirring vocals—drawing comparisons to Rodrigo y Gabriela and KT Tunstall. Her dynamic performances have wowed audiences from Mexico to the UK, earning praise from industry legends, including Brandi Carlile, who said: “She’s ten times the musician we are!”

EYC Halloween movie night at Christ Church • October 19, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Meet at St Aidan's at 5:30 RSVP to Rev. Rebecca by Oct 12 if your student plans to attend.

Center for Spiritual Deepening - Sufism: The Hidden Treasure • Friday, October 24, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, October 25, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. (lunch provided)

Jesus was a Middle Easterner and his teachings flowed East as well as West. In the East his teachings met the arising religion of Islam, and the interaction was fortuitous. Yes, there were conflicts, but at their heart, Oriental forms of Christianity and the spiritual flowering of Islam—Sufism—shared a common language and often the same vision. Today this spiritual tradition holds rich gifts for Christians in the West. The Semitic heart of Jesus' teaching is held beautifully by the living tradition of Sufism today. In this seminar we will explore with facilitator Lynn Bauman these Christian and Islamic roots, and the common language and spirituality that we share as brothers and sisters of the Abrahamic faiths (Judaism, Christianity, and Islam). Sufism holds a Hidden Treasure for us and we will discover it and explore it together.

Knitting (+ more) Group meeting • Sunday, October 26 at 3:00 p.m. til 5:00 p.m.

The knitting group will start meeting again beginning on Sunday, October 26th from 3:00 p.m. till 5:00 p.m. in the Library. If anyone is interested in meeting two Sunday evenings a month, please contact Jennifer Smaha. If you don't knit but do other crafts such as Embroidery, Needlepoint, etc., please consider joining this group of artistic parishioners. Open to all, so invite a friend or neighbor to bring along.

Parish Potluck Dinner • Sunday October 26 following the Celtic service, 6:45 p.m.

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