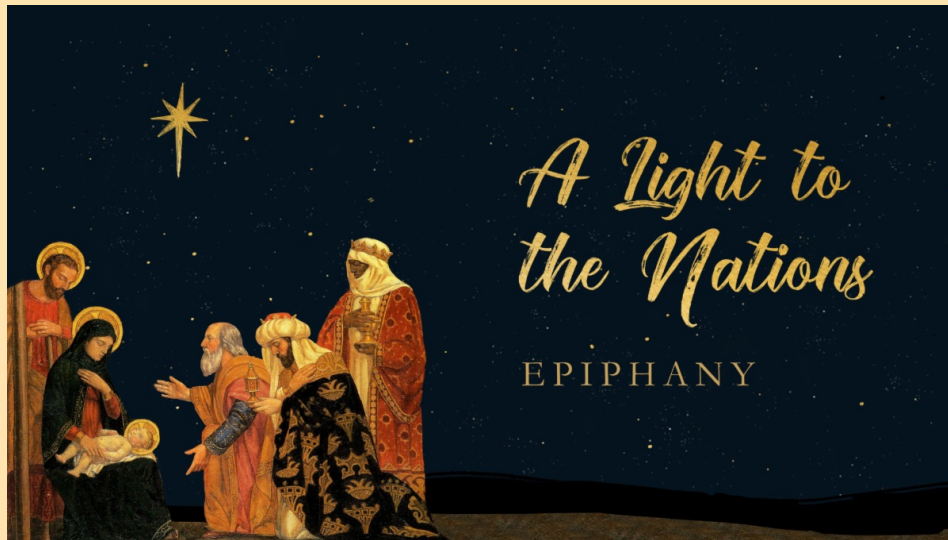


Weekly News From Iona-Hope

January 10th, 2025



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The Epiphany

Watch Our Services Online!

This Weeks Schedule

Week of 1/13 through 1/19

Monday, January 13th, 2025

4:30 P.M.-Lectio Divina (Office Library)

Tuesday, January 14th, 2025

12:00 P.M.-Arthritis Program-(Church Sanctuary)

6:30 P.M.-AA Meeting (Adler Gathering Place)

Wednesday, January 15th, 2025

10:00 A.M.-Holy Eucharist with Healing (Office Library)

Thursday, January 16th, 2025

8:30 A.M.-Breakfast Group-Sunflower Café

10:00 A.M.-Moving Forward Support Group (Adler Gathering Place)



Friday, January 17th, 2025

10:00 A.M.-Prayer Shawl Ministry-(Office Library/Office)

6:00 P.M.-Eye On Hope (AA-Open) (Office Library/Office)

Saturday, January 18th, 2025

8:00 A.M.-Steps to Awakening (Closed Group) (Office Library/Office)

12:00 P.M.-Cerniglia-Ruiz Wedding

5:00 P.M. -Holy Eucharist & Healing

Sunday, January 19th, 2025

8:00 A.M.-Holy Eucharist Rite I (with the Book of Common Prayer)

9:30 A.M.- Holy Eucharist with Healing Rite II

Please note for the month of January, the Wednesday morning weekly 10:00 A.M. Eucharist service will be held in the Church Office/Library.



Meet The 2025 Candidates For Vestry!



Neil Tousley

I was born and raised in Illinois. I graduated from Bradley U. in Peoria, IL. with a BS in Civil Engineering. I then went into the Air Force, got my Wings and did nothing but fly for 3 years. I married my beautiful wife Cindy while in the Air Force and had two children Kim and Mike. Kim you may know since she and her husband Steve attend the Saturday service. We now have 4 grandchildren and 5 great grands. God called Cindy in 2019 and boy is she missed. I spent my entire career in the Commercial Construction business and had my own firm for many years. I was also involved as a part Owner of a Restaurant Corporation which still exists.

We attended St Pauls Episcopal Cathedral in Peoria. I served on the Chapter, was Dean's Warden, on Building and Grounds Committee and an Endowment Trustee. I think my assets to the Vestry would be on Building decisions, general Business decisions and with some Marketing and Promotion ideas. We started attending Iona Hope around 2005 and I have been in the choir the entire time and love it.



John Hufnagel

Hello, I am John Hufnagel, and I would like to join the vestry at Iona-Hope. My wife, Teresa, and I have attended Iona-Hope for one and a half years. At our first Iona-Hope service, we felt very welcome and comfortable; everyone was so pleasant! We knew immediately that we had found our new house of worship. Iona-Hope feels like a home to us!

Prior to moving to Florida, Teresa and I lived in Indiana and Illinois. Teresa was a middle school math and science teacher, and I have been in the pharmaceutical business since 1988 working in process chemistry, quality assurance and clinical supply management. I currently work from home as a supply manager for human clinical trials. Teresa and I are immensely proud of our 26-year-old twin daughters, Emily and Rachel. Emily is a biochemist living in Carmel, Indiana. Rachel is a software engineer living in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin and will be married June 7th of this year.

I am interested in joining the vestry of Iona-Hope to contribute my talents to Iona-Hope. I have helped with fundraising and event organization for churches and schools for several decades. I hope that I am afforded the opportunity to help ensure that the positive, welcoming environment currently within Iona-Hope perpetuates for years to come.



Rob Ricca

Originally from New Jersey, I earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Kean University and began my professional journey as a math and science teacher. After several years in education, I transitioned to the corporate sector, taking on the role of Head of Sales for a manufacturing company. This rewarding opportunity eventually led to my becoming a partner and Senior Vice President of Sales. Additionally, I held a New Jersey real estate license for a decade, further broadening my professional expertise.

In 2007, my husband, Joe Mulino, and I relocated to Cape Coral, Florida. Shortly after, we discovered Iona Hope Episcopal Church, which felt like home from our very first visit. The church's warm and welcoming community resonated deeply with us, and we have been actively involved ever since.

Joe and I currently work as realtors in the Greater Fort Myers area, and we feel blessed to be part of such a vibrant and supportive congregation. Having served previously on the Vestry, I am eager to continue giving back to this wonderful church community through a second term. My goal is to support the ongoing growth and mission of Iona Hope, ensuring it remains a place where all are truly welcome.



A great big thanks to all those who volunteered to help remove and pack the Christmas trees and garland from the church this past Sunday.

**Alison Kinch
Narrie Magturo
Linda Osborne
Eileen Carrara
Nick Carrara
Joe Mulino
Rob Ricca
Steve Walsh
Julio Morales
Margo Farrara**



Moving Forward Support Group

The next gathering of the Moving Forward Support Group will be held next Thursday, **January 16th at 10:00 A.M.** in the Adler Gathering Place.

If you are in need of support due to caregiving or grieving, please feel free to attend and invite anyone you know who you feel would benefit from our meetings.

All are welcome. You do not have to be a member of Iona-Hope.



**Join us on Thursday March 6th at
The Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre for
“Crazy For You”**

**Tickets are \$75 and include dinner and the show!
Dinner starts at 5:30 P.M. & the performance starts at
7:30 P.M.**

(All Reservations & Money Are Due By Tuesday February 25th.)

This Tony Award-winning musical comedy follows Bobby Child, a young banker who dreams of being a star. Sent to foreclose on a failing theater, Bobby falls for the theater owner’s daughter. To win her heart and save the theater, Bobby disguises himself as a famous Broadway producer, but confusion and hilarity ensue when the real producer shows up, along with Bobby’s fiancée. Gershwin’s hits include I Got Rhythm, Embraceable You, Someone to Watch Over Me and more!

Other upcoming 2025 Thursday evening performances include:

“Waitress” April 24th \$65

“Legally Blonde” June 12th \$65

“Annie” July 17th \$65

If you’re interested in any of the 2025 shows listed above, please reach out to Wanda Adler in advance for securing your reservation!



Happy Birthday

January 11th Michael Maruzzi
January 11th Muriel Butler
January 14th Richie Worthen
January 17th Rowan Hart

Be Part Of Our Welcome Ministry!

We are in need of volunteers for our Welcome Ministry.

Volunteers in this ministry welcome parishioners and visitors to services on Saturday evenings and Sunday Mornings, handing out bulletins, providing newcomer information, and conducting the collection of the offertory as well as bringing the weekly food basket donations up to the altar for blessings.

If you are interested in being part of this important ministry, please email Ken Ingram at jingram05@gmail.com



If you, a loved one, or a church friend are physically unable to attend worship, or are having a health emergency, please reach out to our Parish Nurse Julie Vergin and Rev. Jenny by phone, email or text.



Julie Vergin (612) 296-8202

Ridgeroll@hotmail.com

Rev. Jenny Scott-Jones (239) 980-3994
Clergy@IonaHope.org

If you wish to donate flowers in memory or in thanks of someone special, there is a sign up sheet located on the rear table in the back of the sanctuary.

The cost is \$50.00, which is donated directly to the Hunger Ministry because we utilize 100% silk flower arrangements.



YEAR END STATEMENTS

Earlier this week, your **2024** year end financial statement was either emailed or mailed via the U.S. Postal Service.

If you did not receive one by email, you should be receiving it in your mailbox shortly.

Please make sure to check your statement carefully

and let Marnie know if there are any changes to be made by **January 15th**.

If you did not receive one at all, please email Marnie at finance@ionahope.org and she will send one out to you by your preferred delivery method. Please be sure to include the correct mailing address and/or email address.

Thank you for your continued support of Iona-Hope!



The next **Taizé service** will be held this **Tuesday January 14th at 4:15 P.M.** in the sanctuary. Taizé Prayer is evening prayer for all Christian faiths. It is a simple, meditative form of worship, calling us to dwell deeply on Christ's presence around and within us. Mantra songs, prayerful silence, and short readings guide the focus of the prayer in a candle-lit environment. All are welcome!

12 Step Recovery Service

Join us next **Thursday January 16th at Noon** for our 12 Step Recovery Service. Please join us if you practice, or are interested in any form of 12 Step Recovery. All are welcome!



Bridge Club Resumes This Month!

Bridge Club returns on January 23rd at 1:00 P.M. in the Adler Gathering Place. Please contact Charlie Champlin for additional information at 239-208-3401.



Join AAASWFL for a Free Exercise Program



Instructor: Gloria Lappost

Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program

January 14, 2025 - March 11, 2025

Tuesdays 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Iona Hope Episcopal Church
9650 Gladiolus Dr, Fort Myers, FL 33908

This is a FREE program designed to relieve pain, improve balance, and significantly reduce falls available to adults age 60+. Designed by a team of medical professionals and tai chi experts, the Tai Chi for Arthritis for Fall Prevention program is recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as an exercise to prevent falls and is supported by arthritis foundations worldwide.

Open to Public

Call (239) 652-6914 or email

Clorivel.Lappost@aaaswfl.org to register!



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Please remember to keep the church office updated on any change of address, phone number, or e-mail address. Contact the Church office at 239-454-4778 or by e-mail at office@ionahope.org



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The Rev. Jenny Scott-Jones-Rector
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9650 Gladiolus Drive, Fort Myers, FL 33908

Located next door to the Lee County Library at the corner of Gladiolus and Bass Rd

Join us for our weekly services!

Wednesday	10:00 A.M.	Holy Eucharist & Healing
Saturday	5:00 P.M.	Holy Eucharist & Healing
Sunday	8:00 A.M.	Holy Eucharist-Rite I
Sunday	9:30 A.M.	Holy Eucharist & Healing-Rite II

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Readings, Daily Devotionals and
Parishioner Resources are all available at
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