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Lincolnvile LIVE! on the Commons

St. Cyprian's Commons came alive on two evenings in May during *Romanza Festivale*. The weather was perfect for enthusiastic audiences to welcome four talented groups of local drummers, dancers, and musicians to this beautiful venue.

Students in the **DRUMBEAT** program at St. Augustine Youth Academy, a juvenile detention facility receiving enrichment programs through Compassionate St. Augustine, led a drumming circle including audience members. Florida School for the Deaf and Blind's **Outta Sight Band** played their lively music for an appreciative group. The band is comprised of visually impaired middle and high school students with astonishing musical talent.



The **St. Augustine Concert Band**, musicians of all ages and walks of life, offered pieces from their flute, clarinet, and saxophone ensembles. Finally, the award-winning performance dance troupe from West Augustine, **The**

Golden Flames, delighted the audience with a variety of routines in different dance styles.



UPCOMING Events

Tuesday, May 7
Dining with Dignity

Wednesdays at 4:30
Centering Prayer

Saturday, May 11
Cyprian Women

Tuesday, May 14
Ecumenical Food Pantry

Sunday, May 19 at 6:30
Concert on the
Commons with
Mama Blue

Tuesday, June 4
Dining with Dignity

Saturday, June 8
10:30—12
Cyprian Women

Tuesday, June 11
Ecumenical Food Pantry

Thursday, June 13
Mission Board Meeting



A Special Occasion Every Week

One of St. Cyprian's most popular traditions is Coffee Hour, a weekly opportunity to socialize and nibble on light fare after Sunday Worship. The Mission House serves as a relaxed and efficient venue for preparing, serving, and enjoying the "feasts." Coffee Hour hosts bring what they wish: fruit, crackers and cheese, baked goods, or casseroles. Anything, and everything, goes.



Thanks to Kate and Tommy Cash's decluttering and reorganizing the Mission House last year, hosts can easily locate everything they need, from table cloths to juice carafes. Babs Lutton does scheduling and trains and supports new teams.

Since last fall, Coffee Hour has been enhanced by the addition of French doors and a deck to the Mission House. Now, in good weather, parishioners can mingle outside overlooking the beautiful Commons.

Coffee Hour is always a celebration that creates and strengthens ties. St. Cyprian's is fortunate for the many members who pitch in to support this vital tradition. Here are some photos from the past year.





From the Vicar, by Fr. Ted Voorhees A Week to Reflect and Re-focus

Eleven or twelve years ago, I attended a CREDO conference for "retired" clergy. The question I had then was, "What will I do in retirement?"

Well, I found out! And it opened the opportunity to accept Bishop Howard's invitation to serve as St. Cyprian's Vicar ... supposedly part time and for two or three years. Ten years later the Episcopal Church's Pension Group has invited



me to participate in another CREDO conference. So I will be off to North Carolina for a couple of weeks while Pastor Deena fills in at the church.

CREDO conferences provide clergy at various stages of ministry with a specially designed seven-day experience. Conference participants are involved in a program of learning, sharing, reflection, worship, exploration, and laughter. There are large-group plenaries, component workshops, small-group interactions, one-on-one discussions, daily worship, prayer, and free time for exercise and relaxation ... all focused on holistic health.

"Becoming Ourselves Again: Reclaiming Our Core Values" is one of the resources we will use to clarify our personal priorities. The culmination of the conference is a CREDO Rule of Life ... a personal covenant that I will create from the knowledge attained and aspirations uncovered during the CREDO experience. It is intended that CREDO participants will leave feeling refreshed and reinvigorated, with a clearer vision of their total well-being.

Please include me in your prayers while I'm gone. I promise to return with a renewed enthusiasm for this wonderful ministry at St. Cyprian's.



In the month of **April**, St. Cyprian's collected **240** items of food for **St. Johns Ecumenical Food Pantry**.

The church's **volunteer day** on May 14 was unusually busy due to the generous donations from the church, plus a huge USDA delivery on the 9th, and 10,200 lbs. of groceries brought in from the US Postal Service Annual Food Drive.

May's team of seven provided 21 families with a total of 30 orders of food. One man who'd recently moved to Hastings called with a special request, and two volunteers had the rare opportunity to deliver groceries directly to his door.

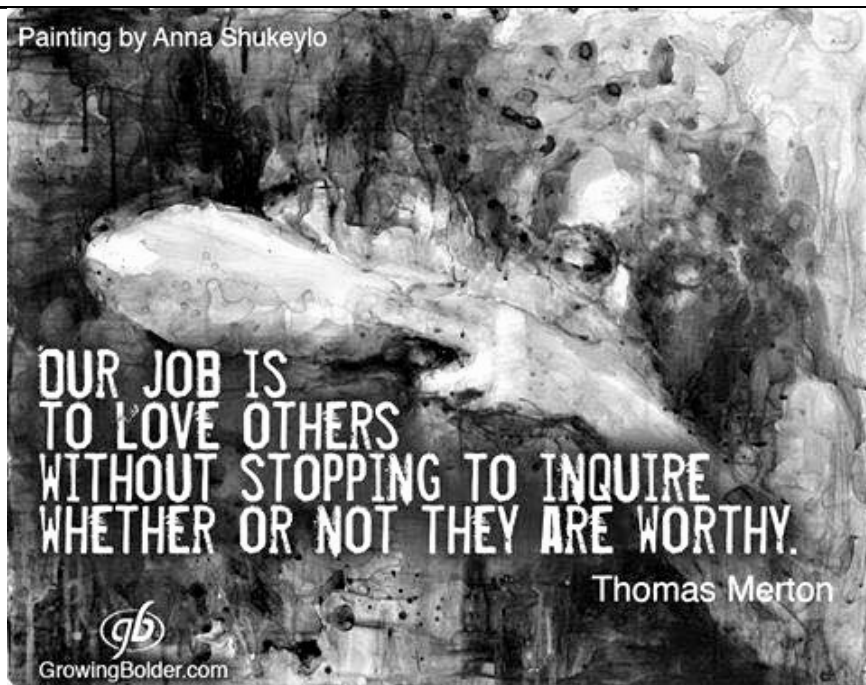
Thank you to all who support the food pantry. To make a monetary donation, write a check to St. Cyprian's with "Food Pantry" in the memo line or go to stjohnsfoodpantry.org/



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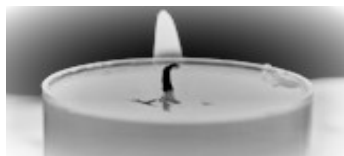
Parish Serves 72-80 at Dining with Dignity

Tuesday, May 7 brought dozens of servers from St. Cyprian's and The Pioneer School, plus many more diners, to the parking lot on the corner of Bridge and Granada Streets. As always, the evening was blessed



Chad, Rick, Barb, and Barbara ready for diners.

by the communion of hearts joined in that holy space. Not one bite of food was left over. Several new servers remarked on how much St. Cyprian's contributes to our community. Best wishes to the school kids, who will be missed over summer break!



Contemplative Moment

Offered by the
Centering Prayer Group

Each of us is one little piece of the grand Christ mosaic.—Richard Rohr, *The Good News According to Luke*

St. Cyprian's has centering prayer weekly, a labyrinth and prayer wall on the Commons, and occasional Taizé services.

Mission Board

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