

February 28, 2016
The Third Sunday in Lent



St. Patrick's Episcopal Church and Day School

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Our St. Patrick's Mission Statement:

"To love and obey God, to love each other and others and to let our light shine from this holy hill."

All are welcome to join us each and every Sunday morning for worship and to receive communion.

Rite I Worship Service: 8:00 AM

Rite II Worship Service: 10:15 with Choir & Sunday School

Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ

Interim Rector Fr. John Crean

Sr. Warden Anna Merriman

Jr. Warden Paul Teagle

Music Director Dr. Eric Kinsley

Children's Ministry Director

Youth Ministry Director

Financial Administrator

Parish Administrator

St. Patrick's Postulant

Patty Buffaloe

Robert Galletly

Kathryn Walters

Janet Enriquez

KC Robertson

Church office hours: Monday—Thurs from 9 AM to 3 PM
Please contact the Church Office for appointments w/Fr. John.
For pastoral emergencies after hours, please contact Fr. John
on his cell at 626-372-5898.

*The Lenten Palm is Dedicated
to the Glory of God and
in Loving Memory of
Rev. James England, the
founding rector of St. Patrick's,
his wife Leta, Gam and Alfhild
Croom, and Hank England.*

John's Jottings

Human relationships easily become possessive. Our hearts so much desire to be loved that we are inclined to cling to the person who offers us love, affection, friendship, care, or support. Once we have seen or felt a hint of love, we want more of it. That explains why lovers so often bicker with each other. Lovers' quarrels are quarrels between people who want more of each other than they are able or willing to give.

It is very hard for love not to become possessive because our hearts look for perfect love and no human being is capable of that. Only God can offer perfect love. Therefore, the art of loving includes the art of giving one another space. When we invade one another's space and do not allow the other to be his or her own free person, we cause great suffering in our relationships. But when we give another space to move and share our gifts, true intimacy becomes possible.

Henri Nouwen

Altar Flowers

Honor a loved one (birthday, anniversary, memorial, etc.) with a floral dedication. Sign up on the flower chart at the back of church. The suggested donation is \$40.00. Checks to St. Patrick's Altar Guild with 'altar flowers' in the memo may be placed in the offertory plate.

For Those We Love

Eudora Church, Evelyn Dineen, Lloyd Frazier, Bill & Christa Funk, James Arthur Gordon, Jack Kinsley, Shirley Kinsley, Jim Leon, Lynn Malfatti, Owen Nielsen, Bibi O'Neil, Mary Ann and James Thweatt

KC Robertson, St. Pat's Postulant and Ryan Macias for Discernment

Rest of the Soul

Richard Deasy, Dr. Edward Hager, Peter Jackman, Craig Kinsley, Sue Ann Loomis, Jim Nielson, Chris Nelson and Dick Seage

Family Ministry

Sunday School

Care for preschool children aged 2 1/2 - kindergarten is available in the sacristy wing. K-5th grade children are welcome to our Sunday school program each Sunday morning. Children gather in church at the start of the 10:15 worship and process to their SS classes.

Youth Group

Middle & high school youth meet Sundays at 10:15 in the youth room, in the church office wing. Middle and high school classes meet each week from 10:15 to 11:00 and return to worship for communion.

Sunday Service Participants

8:00

10:15

Lector Bill Funk
Crucifer
Acolytes

LEM's Anna Merriman
Jan Robertson

Ushers Jack & Carol
Shafer

Altar Guild Lisa Martin, Barbara Powell, Stasia Simrall
and Anna Merriman

Coffee Hosts:

8:00 Fred Blaich and Judy Malamis
10:15 Tara Mead

Adrian Benson
Haleigh Love
Cameron Love
Kaitlyn Coskun
Rick Spindel
Jodi Spindel
Bob Bland,
Bruce Benson,
Colin Greenidge

Exodus 3: 1-15

Psalm 63: 1-8

1 Corinthians 10: 1-13

Luke 13: 1-9

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Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Wednesday Lenten Opportunities

The five "middle Wednesday" evenings from 6-8 PM we are at King of Glory Lutheran for our **Annual Lenten Program**. (see below)

Please pray about your Lenten devotional practices this year — are the Wednesday opportunities calling your name? Join in either the Wednesday Healing Worship At 10:30 AM or the evening program on Covenant. You could "mix and match" or do both if you wish. Come one, come all. I have a distinct felling that Lent will bless our parish in a special way this year — let's journey together in faith!

Fr. John+

Lenten Program with King of Glory Lutheran Church

Fr. John and Pastor Steve of King of Glory Lutheran Church invite all to a five week Lenten program of worship, music and reflection. Gather for supper & fellowship at 6:00 PM followed by the program at 7:00 PM. The series is underway Wednesday evenings at King of Glory Lutheran Church, 2500 Borchard Rd, Newbury Park.

2nd week: Covenants Invite Response — Feb. 24th

See Fr. John or contact Pastor Steve of King of Glory Church at 805-498-4812 for additional info.

38th ANNUAL CONEJO VALLEY CROP WALK

The CROP Hunger Walk is on Sunday, March 6th. Thanks to all who have signed up so far, and for the sponsors who are supporting this great cause to help the hungry worldwide and locally. Last year, St. Patrick's had 15 walkers: there's a walk to fit all - either 6-mile, 4-mile, or the 20-minute campus stroll! Come and join us - we'd like more walkers to meet or beat our total for last year. Pick up an envelope on Sunday after services, or contact Jill Murch, Jan Lyons, or Bob Bland for more information.

St. Patrick's License Plate Frames

Free St. Patrick's License Plate Frames are available at the back of church.

March 6th, the 4th Sunday in Lent, is Mothering Sunday

Mothering Sunday, a Christian festival celebrated on the 4th Sunday of Lent in the UK to honor the Virgin Mary & all mothers, is a day meant to give servants a break from heavy Lenten discipline. Young English servant girls were allowed the weekend off to visit family and would take home Simnel cake, a fruited bread. St. Patrick's Altar Guild will serve Simnel cake after each service March 6th.

Scout Sunday - March 6th

Scout Sunday is March 6th. If you are a scout or a former scout, please join us at the 10:15 worship for a Celebration of Scouting. Fellowship in Hager Hall will follow the service.

Holy Week and Easter Services

Maundy Thursday: Thursday, March 24th at 7:30 PM
The Watch: Follows at 9:00 PM to Midnight
and 7:00 AM to Noon

Good Friday: Friday, March 25th Noon and 7:30 PM

Easter Sunday, March 27th: Rite I at 8:00 AM

Rite II with choir at 10:15 AM

Winter Shelter Program

The Winter Shelter Program is now at St. Julie's Catholic Church in Newbury Park through the end of March. St. Pat's serves meals and overnights on the second Saturday of each month. See Bob Bland for more details.

Conejo Compassion Coalition

Visit www.conejocompassion.org or call Bob Bland, 805-498-5682, for more info regarding the CCC.

Manna

Please donate to Manna. Bring your gifts of non-perishable food and hygiene items on Sundays to the front of church.

Mad Attic Thrift Shop

The shop is open Tuesday to Saturday from 10:00 to 4:00. Contact Barbara Powell or Gay Tortorici for information or to volunteer. MA: 805-497-1990. Please bring donations directly to the MA during open hours.

Studies & Groups**SPECL**

See Anne Van Cott for information on the St. Patrick's Ladies Group.

The Men's Group

The men's group gathers here for study, spiritual growth and fellowship. Contact Owen at 760-203-2422 for info and meeting times.

Bible Study

The Wed. Night Bible Study Group meets Wed. evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. For information, see Bob Bland or Ray Elizabeth Herkner.

Spiritual Reading Group

Friday's 1-3 PM. Call Ray Elizabeth Herkner for information.

Sunday Bible Discussion

Sunday Bible Study meets from about noon to 1:00 following the 10:15 service for a review of the books of the Bible, starting with the Old Testament. If you are a bit hazy on understanding of the Old Testament lessons, you are invited to join us. Contact Bob Wichmann for more information.

The Day School

Contact the Parish Day School at **805-497-1416** or www.stpatricksdayschool.org