

March 20, 2016
 Sunday of the Passion
 Palm Sunday



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

*"We reject the idolatrous notion that we can ensure the safety of some by
 sacrificing the hopes of others." March 15, 2016*

The House of Bishops of The Episcopal Church, meeting in retreat, unanimous-
 ly approved the following Word To The Church. Holy Week 2016

*"We reject the idolatrous notion that we can ensure the safety of some by
 sacrificing the hopes of others."*

*On Good Friday the ruling political forces of the day tortured and executed an
 innocent man. They sacrificed the weak and the blameless to protect their own
 status and power. On the third day Jesus was raised from the dead, revealing
 not only their injustice but also unmasking the lie that might makes right.*

*In a country still living under the shadow of the lynching tree, we are troubled
 by the violent forces being released by this season's political rhetoric. Ameri-
 cans are turning against their neighbors, particularly those on the margins of
 society. They seek to secure their own safety and security at the expense of
 others. There is legitimate reason to fear where this rhetoric and the actions
 arising from it might take us.*

*In this moment, we resemble God's children wandering in the wilderness. We,
 like they, are struggling to find our way. They turned from following God and
 worshiped a golden calf constructed from their own wealth. The current rhetoric
 is leading us to construct a modern false idol out of power and privilege. We
 reject the idolatrous notion that we can ensure the safety of some by sacrificing
 the hopes of others. No matter where we fall on the political spectrum, we must
 respect the dignity of every human being and we must seek the common
 good above all else.*

*We call for prayer for our country that a spirit of reconciliation will prevail and
 we will not betray our true selves.*

The Episcopal Church House of Bishops met in retreat March 11 – 15 at
 Camp Allen Conference Center in Navasota, TX.

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

Bruce Benson, Carlos Enriquez,
 Lloyd Frazier, Bill & Christa Funk,
 Linda Honey, Marion Jeffrey, Leonice,
 Lynn Malfatti and Mary Ann

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

Rest of the Soul

Eudora Church, Dr. Edward Hager,
 Chris Nelson, Jim Nielson and
 Shirley Spehar

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 Martha Stewart

Jim Leon

**Crucifer
 Acolytes**

Lukas Svitek
 Robert Svitek and
 Anna Eaton

Thurifer

John Eaton

LEMs

Bill Funk
 Bob Wichmann

Bob Bland
 Travis Tokuyama

Ushers

Evelyn Stephenson
 Richard Bitting

Jim and Debbie
 Leon

Stasia Simrall

Altar Guild All Teams

Coffee Hosts: 8:00 Jill Murch

10:15 Claudia de La Pena, Karen O'Malley
 and John & Marilyn Chavez

*Isaiah 50:4-9a
 Psalm 31:9-16
 Philippians 2:5-11
 www.lectionarypage.net*

*Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus
 Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great
 humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and
 ever. Amen.*

The Funeral for Dr. Edward Hager

The funeral for Dr. Edward Hager will take place Saturday, April 2nd at 1:00 PM at St. Patrick's. A reception with the family will follow in Hager Hall. Please keep Christa, Dan, Bobby, and the entire family in your prayers.

Easter Flower Dedications

Lilies will decorate the church for Easter. Dedications in thanksgiving or memory of a loved one can be made on the clipboard at the back of the church. A donation of \$10 is suggested. Please place checks made out to St. Patrick's Altar Guild in the manila envelope or check 'paid cash' on the sign-up sheet.

March 20th is the last day to sign-up.

The Flowering Cross

The Flowering Cross will be out in front of the church doors on Easter morning. Please bring flowers from your garden on Easter Sunday to "flower the cross". This is a striking and beautiful way to symbolize the new life we celebrate at Easter.

Lenten Program with King of Glory Lutheran Church

Gather for supper & fellowship at 6:00 PM followed by the program at 7:00 PM.

5th week: Covenants are Touched in Communion—March 16th

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

"Three For Me" Month of March

At this time each year, all organizations supporting the CROP Walk do a big push to fill Manna Food Pantry shelves with donations. This March has been designated "Three For Me" month. Please try to bring at least 3 non-perishable food or personal hygiene items each Sunday during the month of March. The donations will be carefully counted by Day School students. Your generosity will go a long way!

Holy Week and Easter Services

Palm Sunday, March 20th at 8:00 and 10:15 AM

Courtyard Blessing of the Palms and procession into church to hear the Passion Narrative and have Eucharist.

Maundy Thursday, Thursday, March 24th at 7:30 PM

The Vigil: Follows 9:00 PM to Midnight and 7:00 AM to Noon. Sign up at the back of church.

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

Easter Sunday, March 27th

Rite I at 8:00 AM Rite II with Choir at 10:15 AM
Children's Sunday School Easter Program & Annual Egg Hunt during the 10:15 worship service.

Youth Bake Sale

A Youth Ministry bake sale is Sunday, April 10th in support of the 2016 Mission Trip.

Winter Shelter Program

The Winter Shelter Program is at St. Julie's Catholic Church in Newbury Park on March 12th. The dinner program returns to St. Patrick's Sunday, April 3rd. See Bob or Shirley Bland for 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.

Please do not leave items in the

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

Chapel: Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 8:30 AM

