

Sept. 18, 2016  
The Eighteenth Sunday  
after Pentecost



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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**

Priest-in-Charge Fr. George Daisa

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 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM

**The Altar Flowers are  
Dedicated to the  
Glory of God and in  
Loving Memory of  
Joan Bitting**

**A Message From Your Priest**

Dear Friends in Christ,

I'm happy to report that, from my perspective, my first two weeks as your new Priest have gone beautifully. I'm settling into my office and duties, ably assisted by our diligent and knowledgeable Administrator, Janet Enriquez. More than a few of you have stopped by the office, or called to wish me your welcome, and to offer stories and memories of your past adventures here at St. Patrick's. This means so much to me, and to the future work we will do together. Some of you have even commented this week that you are ready to "begin again," ready to start a "new day," and "get on board" the train and the new vision for the future at St. Patrick's. I say to that a hearty, "Amen!"

Speaking of a new vision and new ministry, this Sunday Jesus begins to address our relationship to money. Or, better yet, perhaps Jesus is addressing something deeper than our relationship to money. Our relationships to one another are always at the heart of Jesus' teachings, especially as they reflect the condition of our current relationship to God. And, this goes for our relationship to money as well. Is our relationship to God one of faith in God's abundant care and divine providence, or do we relate to God in the same way many of us relate to the amount of money (or lack thereof) we have in our bank accounts? Scarcity and lack are not characteristic of the way God loves or relates to us. A wise mentor once told me that where God is concerned – and we're always God's most pressing concern – relationship is primary: everything else is derivative. So, we'll follow in the dust of our rabbi Jesus as he helps us unpack our relationships: to God, to each other, and to our bank accounts.

See you Sunday!

*(The Rev.) George Daisa*

**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**

Clare, Helen, Kym, Linda & Ron Allen, Tom Appleford, Richard Bitting, Kelly Campbell, Gonzalo Enriquez, Karen Frazier, Deane & Joan Funk, Mary Hansen, Marion Jeffrey, Rella Martin, Bibi O'Neill, Mary Ann, Greg Sorensen, Rick Spindel, Bruce Stone, and Doug & Diane Weir  
KC Robertson, St. Pat's Postulant and Ryan Macias for Discernment

**Rest of the Soul**

Priscilla Ahern, Shirley Conn, Robert B. Donnelly, John Doyle, Gary George, Paul Marcone, Frances Marconi, Betty Summersby and Stephanie Trujillo

**Family Ministry**

**Sunday School**

Care for preschool children aged 2 1/2 to kindergarten is available in the sacristy wing. K-5<sup>th</sup> 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 classes.

**Youth Group**

Please contact Robert Galletly at 805-807-5635 for information regarding youth group.

**Sunday Service Participants**

**8:00**

**10:15**

**Lector** Debbie McDonald

Doug Holmes

**Crucifer**

Haleigh Love

**Acolytes**

Kaitlyn Coskun

Robert Svitek

**LEMs** Jan Robertson

Jim Leon

Anna Merriman

Bob Bland

**Ushers** Joe & Joan Maskrey

Greg Gerardis,

Ken Cox,

Doug Holmes,

John & Marilyn

Chavez,

Bernie Honey

**Altar Guild** Team D

**Coffee Hosts** **8:00** Jill Murch

**10:15** Claudia de La Pena

**Amos 8:4-7**

**Psalm 113**

**1 Timothy 2:1-7**

**Luke 16:1-13**

[www.lectionarypage.net](http://www.lectionarypage.net)

*Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

## Announcements

### **Thank You**

Thank you to everyone for joining together at our 'single service' last Sunday. Many thanks to the worship servers, the ushers, to Eric and the choir, and to the altar guild, for your dedication and gifts. Thank you to our wardens, Anna and Paul, for your kind opening words and prayer. A special thanks to Bill & Christa Funk for sponsoring the wonderful brunch to welcome Fr. George and his family. Thank you to Merley Greenidge and her crew for the delicious meal and also to Dave Mead, our sexton, for all his hard work in readying our facility and assisting with all the preparations. I think all will agree, it was a wonderful morning of worship, song and fellowship together as a parish. Welcome Fr. George, Karen and Amelia, and to your whole family, welcome. We're all on board and We Thank the LORD!

### **Regional Forums Set with Coadjutor Candidates**

The Bishop Coadjutor Search Committee of the Episcopal Diocese of L. A. has named five candidates for nomination preceding election by Diocesan Convention meeting Dec. 2-3 in Ontario, CA. The candidates are the Rev. Paul Fromberg, rector of St. Gregory of Nyssa, San Francisco; the Rev. Rachel Nyback, rector of St. Cross, Hermosa Beach, CA; the Rev. Anna Olson, rector of St. Mary's, (Mariposa Avenue) Los Angeles; the Rt. Rev. Pierre Whalon, Bishop of the Paris-based Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe; and the Rev. Mauricio Wilson, rector of St. Paul's, Oakland, CA. The coadjutor-elect will succeed Los Angeles Bishop Diocesan J. Jon Bruno upon his retirement.

All in the diocese are welcome to attend the sessions, and to view the Saturday-morning plenary via webcast. The format will include break-out sessions with individual candidates following a plenary session at each site. You are invited to attend at the area location:

**Ventura County: Saturday, October 8, 3 - 6 p.m.**  
**St. Paul's Episcopal Church**  
**3290 Loma Vista Road, Ventura**

### **Wednesday Healing Service**

Join Fr. George on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. for a meaningful worship service with Holy Eucharist, healing prayers and anointing.

### **Our Postulant KC Robertson**

KC is again blogging and welcomes all of St. Pat's to join her on this journey. To follow her and support her, go to [www.flecksofjoy.com](http://www.flecksofjoy.com) (her personal blog) and click on the Wish List tab on top. From there, simply click on the Amazon logo and her wishlist/page should immediately pop up. With many thanks from KC in joy. Please remember KC in your prayers.

## Outreach

### **Homeless Dinner Program**

The Homeless Dinner Program serves meals here in Hager Hall on Sunday evenings at 6:00 PM through the end of November. See Bob or Shirley Bland for details.

### **Conejo Compassion Coalition**

Visit [www.conejocompassion.org](http://www.conejocompassion.org) or call Bob Bland, 805-498-5682, for more information.

### **Manna**

Bring your donations of non-perishable food and hygiene items on Sundays to the baskets in the front of church.

### **Mad Attic Thrift Shop**

The shop is open Tuesday to Saturday from 10:00 to 4:00. Contact Mary Ann Palmquist or Ruthanne England for info or to volunteer. 805-497-1990. Please do not leave items in the front of the church.

### **The Order of St. Patrick's**

Our OSP ministers provide Love and connection in times of need. OSP makes phone calls to those who are ill or shut-in to check in and remind them of our prayers and care. If you wish to join OSP, please call Jill Murch at 805-498-2616. If you know of anyone in need of a call, please call the church office.

## Studies & Groups

### **SPECL**

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

### **Bible Study**

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

### **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 your understanding of the Old Testament lessons, you are invited to join us. Contact Bob Wichmann for more info.

## The Day School

Contact the Parish Day School at  
**805-497-1416** or  
[www.stpatricksdayschool.org](http://www.stpatricksdayschool.org)