

October 2, 2016  
The Twentieth Sunday  
after Pentecost



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**

At St. Patrick's

<b>Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ</b>	Children's Ministry Director	Patty Buffaloe
Priest	Youth Ministry Director	Robert Galletly
Sr. Warden	Financial Administrator	Kathryn Walters
Jr. Warden	Parish Administrator	Janet Enriquez
Music Director	St. Patrick's Postulant	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  
Honor of Fr. George  
During Clergy Appreciation  
Month, Celebrated in October**

**A Message From Your Priest**

*Dear Friends in Christ,*

*It's hard to believe, but I've been with you exactly three weeks this last Tuesday. I must admit, it seems like longer, as your Vestry, Janet Enriquez, and I have hit the ground running going about the business of our spiritual and organizational audit. What a wondrous and enlightening process it is turning out to be, learning about your proud history as a beacon of hope and courage up on this holy hill, and out in the world through the work of the Mad Attic, the Conejo Compassion Coalition, and other great outreach partners. Equally as enlightening are your tender stories of heartache and loss, as many of you recount the stories of the parish hall fire, and the most recent attrition of some of our parish's long time parishioners and dear friends to other parishes. Indeed, transition is never easy, and you've been in transition now for longer than you might first assume, as affirmed by your Vestry at Tuesday night's meeting. I think it's important to keep in mind a couple of points: God loves you, and is preparing something new and life-giving, a new chapter of abundance and spiritual vitality for this community; and I love you. I've been called here to love you, encourage you, and partner with you to engage God's work in the world and with one another in new and more effectual ways... ways which will bring new life to this community.*

*On October 9, we begin our annual Stewardship Pledge Campaign, and I am very excited that this will be my first of what I hope will be many successful Stewardship Campaigns to come. Understanding that stewardship is something that happens 365 days a year, the fall Campaign – and this one in particular – is our first real opportunity for our community to get back in touch with our purpose for being here, and to re-shape our future so that it bends as hard as possible towards the coming Kingdom of God. Your Vestry and I are committed to discovering together through discernment, decisive actions, and fiscal responsibility, the ways in which God is calling us to be a "new creation," and we invite you to enter into this period of discernment with open and generous hearts, trusting that what God is preparing this community for is far beyond any of our imagination. Let us, therefore, begin to dream God's dream, together with God and this community to discover how the Kingdom of Heaven has, indeed, come near!*

*See you Sunday!*

*(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. Checks to St. Patrick's Altar Guild with 'altar flowers' in the memo may be placed in the offertory plate.*

**For Those We Love**

Kym, Kelly Campbell, Karen Frazier, Deane Funk, Joan Funk, Marion Jeffrey, Rella Martin, Jasmine Novick, Bibi O'Neill, Mary Ann, Linda Read, Greg Sorensen, Rick Spindel, Bruce Stone, Doug Weir and Diane Weir

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

**Rest of the Soul**

Priscilla Ahern, Tom Appleford, Judy Dettre, Gary George, Walda Gorian, Jack Kinsley, Jason Newman, Michael Newton 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.

## Announcements

### Clergy Appreciation Month

October is *Clergy Appreciation Month*, so let Fr. George know how much he is appreciated and how glad we are to have him at St. Patrick's. Fr. George, thank you for all you do!

### Pizza with Our Priest

All youth, 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join Fr. George at Pieology for *Pizza with Our Priest* this Sunday, Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> following the 10:15 worship service. Come to socialize and get to know Fr. George. There will be time for sharing ideas for our plans for Youth Ministry in the coming year. See Robert for more details.

Pieology, 593 N. Moorpark Rd., Thousand Oaks, (805) 273-9500

### Blessing of the Animals

The Day School welcomes parishioners to the annual *Blessing of the Animals* this Tuesday, Oct 4<sup>th</sup>, the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, at 8:30 a.m. in the courtyard.



### Wednesday Healing Service

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

### Regional Forums Set with Coadjutor Candidates

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**

*On Sunday, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> we will have a  
single worship service at 9:00 a.m.  
in observance of All Saints' Day.*

### Sunday Service Participants

	8:00	10:15
<b>Lector</b>	Martha Stewart	Evan Stephens
<b>Crucifer</b>		Ariana Greenidge
<b>Acolytes</b>		Cali & Mia Greenidge
<b>LEMs</b>	Bill Tewksbury	Creighton Stephens
<b>Ushers</b>	Joanne & Patrick Justus	Travis Tokuyama Bob Bland, Bruce Benson, Colin Greenidge, Rich Guske, Holly Newcomb
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Team B	
<b>Coffee Hosts</b>	8:00 Debbie McDonald 10:15 Jeff & Ken Cox	

**Habakkuk 1: 1-4, 2: 1-4      Psalm 37: 1-10**  
**2 Timothy 1: 1-14      Luke 17: 5-10**  
[www.lectionarypage.net](http://www.lectionarypage.net)

*Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

## 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 [conejocompassion.org](http://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

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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)

Blessing of the Animals  
Tues., Oct 4<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.