

August 20, 2017
The Eleventh 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	Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ	
Priest	The Rev. George Daisa	Youth Ministry Director	The Rev. George Daisa
Sr. Warden	Anna Merriman	Financial Administrator	Kathryn Walters
Jr. Warden	Debbie McDonald	Parish Administrator	Janet Enriquez
Music Director	Dr. Eric Kinsley	Sexton	Dave Mead
Children's Ministry Director	Patty Buffaloe	St. Patrick's Postulant	KC Robertson
Church office hours: Monday—Thurs from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM			

A Message from Your Priest

Dear Friends,

My weekly message for the remainder of the summer will be from the prayers I use to mark the seasons and special events in life. *Prayers for a Planetary Pilgrim: A Personal Manual for Prayer and Ritual* by retired Roman Catholic Priest Fr. Edward Hays is a book of cosmic prayers that has been a kind of guide for me on my spiritual journey. I look forward to being with you again very soon.

A PSALM OF THE POOR

I understand that God said,

"This is the fasting day that I desire:
releasing those bound unjustly,
sharing your bread with the hungry,
sheltering the oppressed, the homeless ones,
not turning your back on your own."

I guess I'm not one of your own

but rather an alien from another world;
exiled here on earth but not really one of your own
since you so easily turn your back or look away.

It's mostly hand-to-mouth and day-to-day

that I not so much live as exist,
forever exiled to the state of poverty,
a prisoner without hope of a governor's reprieve,
no eleventh hour pardon from my sentence of life in
poverty.

My prison walls

are too high to scale,
towering above the reach of my oh so limited
reading, writing and arithmetic.

You see, I'm chained and bound

by my lack of marketable skills and wear only lead shoes
of despair.

What was it that God said?

Those words seem like a faint murmur from a far-distant land.

(The Rev.) George Daisa

**The Altar Flowers are Dedicated
to the Glory of God and
in Loving Memory of
Jay and Scott Martin**

Altar Flowers

Honor a loved one (birthday, anniversary, memorial, etc.) with a floral dedication.

Sign up on the flower chart at the church entrance.

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

Maria Bill, Gary, Giselle, Mark Bloodgood, Grace Bumstead, Virginia Chicoj, Ana Durkin, Dollie, Eli, Bill Floyd, Ricky Griego, Dominic Horowitz, Miranda Janus, Jim, Peggy Lane, Leonard, Ingrid Loberg, Lynn Malfatti, Marie Manos, Lucy Martin, Rella Martin, Melanie, Bryan Meyers, Phyllis Dobbins Powell, Mary Ann, Gina Ramos, Debbie Rubino, Marshall Smith, Evelyn Szpet and Marlana Tietien

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

Rest of the Soul

Safar Ali Nasrollahy

Family Ministry

Sunday School

Care for preschool children aged 2.5 to pre-kindergarten is available in the sacristy wing. K-5th grade children are welcome to our Sunday School program each Sunday morning. Children gather at the entrance to church at the start of the 10:15 worship to meet with the SS Director, Mrs. Buffaloe, and then process to their classes.

Youth Group

Please contact Fr. George for info regarding St. Pat's Youth Group.

Isaiah 56: 1, 6-8

Psalms 67

Romans 11: 1-2a, 29-32

Matthew 15: 21-28

www.lectionarypage.net

Do You Sing? Why Not Join the Choir?

All are invited to join the St. Patrick's Choir and lend your voices to the 10:15 worship on Sunday mornings. Rehearsals are held weekly on Wednesday evenings in the music room from 7:30 until 9:00 pm, and will begin again on Wed., Sept. 6. Please see Dr. Eric Kinsley, St. Patrick's Director of Music Ministry, or a current choir member, for more information. Newcomers and youth members are especially encouraged.

Sunday School Kick Off

Join us for a Sunday School kick off on Sunday, September 24. Look for Sunday School Registration Forms at the back of the church beginning in early September for children ages 2 through 11. Our Bible based program includes storytelling, art, activities, games, crafts, and opportunities for discussion and fellowship. We also have pageants and other seasonal activities throughout the year. Please see Patty Buffaloe for more information, or you can reach Patty at Pattybuffaloe5@gmail.com or [\(805\) 582-2644](tel:8055822644).

Youth Ministry

Senior High Youth and their parents will meet with Fr. George on Sunday, Sept. 10 at 4:00 pm here at church to discuss their upcoming year.

Update from KC

Greetings St. Patrick's Family! My time in Arkansas has been exhaustively beautiful amid the various trials, tribulations, and elations these patients and their families encounter day in and day out. I give thanks that God has helped me discover a greater courage and more understanding about my ever-growing pastoral voice. There is no end in sight of all that will be learned from this time in CPE. While I am sad to be leaving the community I've been blessed with here in Little Rock, I am excited to head back up to D.C. to move back in for Year 2 and begin classes again.

With the new semester just around the corner, I am updating the Amazon Wish List daily with the various required texts and supplies I'll be needing. The link is <http://a.co/9fEXB8V>. Also much appreciated are Gift Cards: Vons/Safeway, Target, Amazon, Trader Joe's, etc.

It continues to amaze and humble me witnessing so many of you continuously supporting me whether it be through items from this list, through various gift cards or through innumerable letters of encouragement. You, my beloved St. Patrick's family, have kept my cup overflowing. May each of you take care and know that you are thought of fondly.

In Joy-KC

Wednesday Healing Service

There are no Wednesday Healing Services in the month of August. The Healing Service will resume on Wed., Sept. 6.

Seminary Tuition Assistance

Gifts to St. Patrick's Seminarian Fund are welcome in support of our seminarian, KC Robertson. Please make your checks payable to 'St. Patrick's Church' and indicate 'seminarian fund' in the memo of the check. Please continue to keep KC in your prayers.

Sunday Service Participants

8:00 AM

10:15 AM

Lector 1	Anna Merriman	Cindy Weaver
Psalm	Jan Robertson	Bob Bland
Lector 2	Jan Robertson	Bob Bland
Intercessor	Anna Merriman	Paul Teagle
Crucifer		Kayla Cox
Acolytes		Payton Mead
		Ashley Fisher
LEM 1	Jan Robertson	Travis Tokuyama
LEM 2		Bob Bland
Ushers	Joanne & Patrick	Bob Wichmann
	Justus	Cindy Weaver
Altar Guild:	Shirley Bland, Doyleenne Johnson, Debbie McDonald and Ruthanne England	
Coffee Hosts 8:00:	Fred & Judy Malamis	
10:15:	Jeff Cox	

Homeless Dinner Program

The Homeless Dinner Program serves meals here in Hager Hall on Sunday evenings at 6:00pm through November. Contact Bob or Shirley Bland at 805-498-5682 for more information. Volunteers are always welcome.

Conejo Compassion Coalition

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

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 donations 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.

Yoga with Karen Daisa

Tuesdays at 10:30 am. \$12 is a suggested donation. Bring a yoga mat (non-toxic, please) and a towel.

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 Wednesday Evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. For information, please see Bob Bland.

The Day School

Contact
St. Patrick's Parish Day School at
805-497-1416 or
www.stpatricksdayschool.org
Students return Thursday, Aug. 17