

Sept. 3, 2017  
The Thirteenth 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**

	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. My first Sunday back with you is over Labor Day weekend, September 3.

### A SUMMER SUNSET PSALM

O Beloved Friend and Earth Designer,

this day's light is seeping away,

and dark night crouches

beneath the amber horizon.

I am tired from the work of this warm day,

but not so weary that I can forget

this day's rich harvest of gifts.

I lift up my heart to you,

singing a sunset song of gratitude.

I praise you for the blessings that fill my life,

for the gifts I can recall

and for treasures I take for granted.

Gently refresh me now with your evergreen pardon

for my failure to drink deeply of your love,

hidden cleverly in each gift that has come my way today.

Forgive my rushing past

the countless visions of you, unique to this day,

held so tenderly in the beauty of your love.

Forgive my absent-mindedness, the deafness of my ears,

my senses blinded by my busyness today.

Blessed are you, Holy Parent,

who will soon wrap me in sleep

and cradle me in the womb of your peace.

(The Rev.) George Daisa

## The Altar Flowers are Dedicated to the Glory of God

### 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, Shirley Bland, Gary, Giselle, Mark Bloodgood, Grace Bumstead, Virginia Chicoj, Ana Durkin, Dollie, Eli, Bill Floyd, Ricky Griego, Dominic Horowitz, Miranda Janus, Jim, Milly King, 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, John Spehar, Marshall Smith, Kathlene Stephens, Evelyn Szpet and Marlana Tietien

KC Robertson,

St. Pat's Postulant and

Ryan Macias for Discernment

### Family Ministry

#### Sunday School

Care for preschool children aged 2.5 to pre-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 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.

*Exodus 3: 1-15*  
*Psalms 105: 1-6, 23-26, 45c*  
*Romans 12: 9-21*  
*Matthew 16: 21-28*  
[www.lectionarypage.net](http://www.lectionarypage.net)

**Office Closure**

The church office will be closed on Thursday, Aug. 31.

**Because We Care**

St. Patrick's Day School and Church are joining the Red Cross, Southwest Airlines, and the Los Angeles Rams to help our neighbors in Houston. As we know, the recent tropical storm, Harvey, has brought destruction and hardship to the people of the Houston region. Homes and belongings have been lost, and many people are living in shelters and still being rescued. **Houston needs our help.**

We are looking for the following donations that will be transported to Houston by Southwest Airlines and distributed by the Red Cross. Please bring new or gently used items to Church this Sunday or to the school office over the course of the next few days. The last collection day will be next Wednesday, September 6. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Needed Items: **Sweaters and sweatshirts, Socks for children and adults, Hygiene items & Diapers**

**Sunday Worship Sept. 24**

We will worship together as one on Sunday, September 24 at a **single service at 9:00 am** followed by fellowship together in Hager Parish Hall. Mark your calendars.

**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](mailto: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.

**Wednesday Healing Service**

The Healing Service resumes Wed., Sept. 6. Join Fr. George on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. for this weekly Eucharistic celebration with healing prayers.

**Update from KC**

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. 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*

**Sunday Service Participants**

**8:00 AM**

**Lector 1** Bill Funk  
**Psalm** Bill Tewksbury  
**Lector 2** Bill Tewksbury  
**Intercessor** Bill Funk  
**Crucifer**  
**Acolytes**  
**LEM 1** Bill Tewksbury  
**LEM 2**  
**Ushers** Joe & Joan Maskrey

**10:15 AM**

Candy Shaw  
 Travis Tokuyama  
 Travis Tokuyama  
 Cathy Svitek  
 Travis Tokuyama  
 Cindy Weaver  
 Jim and Debbie Leon  
 Stasia Simrall

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

**Coffee Hosts 8:00:** Jill Murch  
**10:15:** Sharon Lexau

**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](http://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**

**SPECL**

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](http://www.stpatricksdayschool.org)