

March 4, 2018
The Third Sunday
in Lent



The Parish of St. Patrick

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The Episcopal Church in Thousand Oaks

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Our 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	
Rector	The Rev. George Daisa	Youth Ministry Director	The Rev. George Daisa
Sr. Warden	Michael Eaton	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 Rector

Dear Friends in Christ,

Below is from the daily meditations from the brothers at the Society of Saint John the Evangelist in Cambridge, Massachusetts. A group of St. Pat's parishioners and I, led ably by Charlotte Hand-Greenson, are exploring the Gospel of John together. This is a particularly salient meditation on the Word of God Made Flesh:

"The Word became flesh." What difference has that made in your life? It certainly utterly changed the lives of those first disciples. Listen to these words: *"When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.'*" I love that story. The image of those disciples frightened and huddled together. The great 17th century divine Lancelot Andrews used the phrase, he said, "They were *drooping* in a corner."

Well, into that sad place Jesus breaks through, into the place and into their lives, the Risen Lord comes into their midst. The Lion of the tribe of Judah breaks into their lives and bounds into their midst with joy, and with hope, and with peace. And that same Lion of Judah breaks into the locked places of our lives and our hearts. It breaks into our fears, into our sins, our despair, and stands in our midst and says to us, "Peace be with you."

When Christ breaks into our lives - the Risen Christ - nothing is out of bounds. Everything is open and ready to be transformed and transfigured by his risen life. And I think the challenge is for us to leave the locked places of our lives, the familiar and the comfortable, and to always be ready and open to embrace the new life that Christ is always hoping and longing for us.

And so two questions today perhaps. First of all, "Where are the locked places of your life?" And secondly, when the Lion of Judah - Aslan, the Risen Christ - bounds into your life and says, "Come, follow me," will you say yes?

May you have peace this day and always.

George+

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

Arlyn Farrell, Nancy Hawfield, Dick Hill, Lawrence Howard, Marion Jeffrey, Lisa Johnson, Jillyn Kinsley, Rich Malfatti, Mary Ann Stephens Morell, Gail Platt, Jan Robertson, Mary Ann, Jan Shear, Jodi Spindel, Kathlene and Camille Van Asta

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

Repose of the Soul

Fred Blaich, Gabriella Chabot, and The Rev. Billy Graham,

Sunday School

Nursery care for toddlers is available on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month in the sacristy wing. Children Pre-K-5th grade are welcome to our Sunday School program each Sunday morning. Gather at the entrance to church at the start of the 10:15 worship to meet with the SS Director and then process to class. SS registration is ongoing. This program includes bible stories, activities, games, crafts, and much more. For more details, contact Patty Buffaloe at [805-582-2644](tel:805-582-2644). **Volunteers are invited to assist the program. Thank you.**

Youth Formation

Middle School Youth Group (grades 6-8) meets on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month from 10:15-11:00 am in the Buena Vista Room.

Sr. High youth (grades 9-12) attend Sunday worship with their families or as a group. They meet on the 2nd & 4th Sundays at 4 pm in the church. Emphasis is placed on building a Beloved Community through fellowship, fun and service. Please contact Fr. George for more info at gdaisa@stpatschurch.org.

Exodus 20: 1-17

Psalms 19

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

John 2: 13-22

www.lectionarypage.net

Funeral and Memorial Service for Fred Blaich

A Funeral Service with Holy Eucharist for Fred Blaich will be held at St. Patrick's Church on Saturday, March 3, at 10 am. All are invited. That afternoon, a memorial service and reception for Fred will be held at 1:00 pm at Vallecito Mobile Home Park, 1251 Old Conejo Rd, Newbury Park. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Patrick's Church. Please remember Fred and his family in your prayers.

CROP WALK Sunday, March 4 is here!! Today - or any day - is a beautiful day for a walk to help the hungry! Thanks to all for your enthusiasm in registering to walk - we hope to see EVERYONE at CLU Sports Complex - even if you can only walk a short distance, it's your showing up that counts. Big thanks go to all the wonderful, generous sponsors. You can still register and/or donate online at crophungerwalk.org/thousandsoaks Have fun, be safe and walk joyfully!! **WALKERS:** Please bring a can or two of food to donate to Manna, along with your donation envelope, to CLU Sports Complex from 12:00-12:45. Walk begins at 1:00 pm.

Winter Shelter Program at St. Julie's

Meals are needed for the Winter Shelter Program hosted by St. Pat's on Sat., March 10 at St. Julie's in Newbury Park. Please bring an entrée to serve 10-12 people to St. Julie's Church (2475 Borchard Rd.) by 6:00 pm. Volunteer servers are always welcome.

Mothering Sunday—March 11

Mothering Sunday is a Christian festival celebrated on the 4th Sunday of Lent in the United Kingdom to honor the Virgin Mary and all Mothers. It is tradition for families to gather together and share Simnel Cake. The Altar Guild will be serving Simnel cake Sunday, March 11 after both services.

Easter Flower Dedications

Lilies and Spring Flowers 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.

Feast of St. Patrick Celebration—Sunday, March 18

Bishop Diane Jardine Bruce will help us celebrate our Patronal Feast Day on Sunday, March 18 at both the 8:00 and 10:15 services.

Please join us for a Children's Pageant to celebrate the life of St. Patrick during the 10:15 am service. Children of all ages are welcome. Please bring a friend! Costumes will be provided. All children who would like to participate should come to the parish hall by 9:30 am to be fitted in a costume. Following the 10:15 service, gather in Hager Hall for a parish potluck and some fun children's activities. Bring a dish to share! Food with an Irish flair is welcomed. Please contact Patty Buffaloe at [\(805\)582-2644](tel:8055822644) or at pattybuffaloe5@gmail.com for more information about the pageant. For info regarding the potluck or to volunteer to help with this event, please contact Anne Van Cott at 805-427-0277.

Ongoing Lenten Programs**Meeting Jesus - 2018 Lenten Series at King of Glory**

Wednesday evenings, through March 21, at King of Glory Lutheran Church (2500 Borchard Road, Newbury Park). 6 pm for the soup meal with worship starting at 7 pm. For more info, please call King of Glory at 805-498-4812.

**Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John—A Study & Prayer Group
Thursdays, through March 22, 9:30 – 11:00 am – Hager Hall**

This Lent the Society of St. John the Evangelist offers a six-week Lenten journey through prayer and reflection on The Gospel According to John. Led by Charlotte Hand-Greenson, a Christian formation/education expert, and co-creator of *Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John*, we will gather to meet Jesus as he makes his way up to Jerusalem. This offering has been designed and produced by the Society of Saint John the Evangelist (www.ssje.org), a religious order for men in the Episcopal Church, and by the Center for the Ministry of Teaching of the Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria, Virginia (www.vts.edu/cmt).

Middle and Senior High Youth

On Palm Sunday, March 25, all high school & middle school youth are invited to act out/read the Passion play at the 8:00 and 10:15 services. This powerful reading will make a strong impact on the congregation, so we hope all youth will attend and participate in the reading.

Homeless Dinner Program

The Parish of St. Patrick supports the Winter Shelter Program held at St. Julie Billiard on the 2nd Saturday of the month in March. See Bob or Shirley Bland for details.

Conejo Compassion Coalition

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

Manna

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

Mad Attic Thrift Shop

Open Tuesday-Sat., 10:00-4:00. See Mary Ann Palmquist or Ruthanne England for info or to volunteer. Please do not leave donations in the front of the church. 805-497-1990.

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. If you wish to join OSP, please call Jill at 805-498-2616. If you know of anyone in need of a call, please call the church office.

Helping Hands

Helping Hands provides meals & baked goods to parishioners recovering from illness and other hardships. If you are interested in occasionally making a meal and joining this food ministry, please send your email to Jan Lyons at jelyons123@hotmail.com or call Jan at (818) 631-3089. Be a part of the pastoral team and show our love!

Yoga with Karen Daisa

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

**Daylight Saving Time
Starts
March 11****St. Patrick's Day School**

Contact

St. Patrick's Parish Day School at
805-497-1416 or
www.stpatricksdayschool.org

Support St. Patrick's

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Please let Kathryn know what part you wish to read and in which service time you/your child will participate. There will be a rehearsal after the 10:15 service on March 11. After the 10:15 service March 25, we are planning a high school/middle school outing. Time and place to be determined. This will be a good chance for both groups to enjoy time together in fellowship. Please plan on attending that event as well!

Show Your Support for the Conejo Compassion Coalition

The CCC's Gala is April 26 at the Palm Garden Hotel in Newbury Park. Support the worldwide relief efforts of this organization by placing an ad in the full color, glossy magazine that is published in conjunction with every gala. The magazine, which highlights the accomplishments of the CCC is distributed to all gala attendees and published on line to reach an even greater audience. Advertise two ways: if you own a business, place a traditional ad. If you do not own a business, you can place a tribute ad. See Bob Bland or any CCC member to learn more. Alternatively you can find more information at <https://www.ccc-calendar.com/advertisements>.

Wednesday Healing Service

Join Fr. George on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 am for this weekly Eucharistic celebration with healing prayers.

Sunday Service Participants

	8:00 AM	10:15 AM
Lector 1	Debbie McDonald	Dante de La Pena
Psalm	Anna Merriman	<i>sung</i>
Lector 2	Anna Merriman	Luca de La Pena
Intercessor	Debbie McDonald	Cindy Weaver
Crucifer		Kayla Cox
Acolytes		Ashley Fisher Lukas Fisher
LEM 1	Anna Merriman	Doug Holmes
LEM 2		Travis Tokuyama
Ushers	Joe & Joan Maskrey	Bob Wichmann John & Susan Sahlman Cindy Weaver
Altar Guild	Barbara Powell, Stasia Simrall, Anna Merriman and Lisa Martin	
Coffee Hosts 8:00:	Jack & Carol Shafer	
10:15:	Jeff & Ken Cox	

Holy Week and Easter in the Year of Our Lord 2018

PALM SUNDAY

March 25, 2018 - 8:00 and 10:15 am

MAUNDY THURSDAY

March 29, 2018 - 7:00 pm

THE WATCH

The Watch will be kept following the Maundy Thursday Liturgy.

The Church will be open for quiet prayer.

***Thursday from 9:00 pm to Midnight,
and Friday morning from 7:00 am – Noon***

GOOD FRIDAY

March 30, 2018 - 12:00 Noon and 7:00 pm

THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

3:00 pm

HOLY SATURDAY

March 31, 2018 - The Holy Saturday Liturgy at 9:00 am

A Service Remembering Jesus' Solidarity with Our Own Mortality

THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

Saturday, March 31, 2018 - 7:00 pm

Bring a bell to ring at the Easter Proclamation!

EASTER SUNDAY

April 1, 2018 - 8:00 and 10:15 am

Flowering of the Cross on Easter Sunday Morning

Bring flowers from your garden to adorn our beautiful Easter Cross so that it will "come alive" with color!

Easter Flower Dedications

Dedicate Easter flowers in memory of a loved one, in thanksgiving or for a special occasion. Sign up at the church entrance.