February 25, 2018 The Second Sunday in Lent



The Parish of St. Patrick 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 Janet Enriquez Debbie McDonald Jr. Warden Parish Administrator Music Director Dr. Eric Kinsley Sexton Dave Mead KC Robertson Children's Ministry Director Patty Buffaloe St. Patrick's Postulant

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-Greeson, are exploring the Gospel of John together. I thought I'd share today's meditation on the theme, the Word of God Made Flesh.

In Week Two of the series *Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John*, (which meets Thursday mornings of Lent from 9:30-11:00 am in Hager Hall), we're exploring what it means for us for Jesus to have been the Word of God made flesh and how Jesus shares God's love of the world through that. Today specifically we'll be looking at what it means for Jesus to be in the role of teacher. The scripture that we're looking at today is John chapter 13, verses 14 and 15: *So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example that you also should do as I have done to you."*

When I consider Jesus as teacher, I often think of him as a kind of guru. A guru is sort of a spiritual teacher that teaches more by their *presence* or by their *actions* and not perhaps as much by their *words*. We can see in this scripture, for example, that Jesus is teaching by the example he sets for his disciples. In Jesus' case, he was the Word made flesh. He became an incarnation of God's love and presence in the world, helping us to more fully live into that role ourselves. When Jesus washed the disciples' feet, he was giving them a concrete example of what God's love made manifest in the world might look like. In this case, simply a desire to serve out of that love.

Jesus gives for us an example of what the Word made flesh, this intersection between the spiritual and material, might look like in our lives. He's our example. He's our role model, our teacher. We're invited, like Jesus, to embody God's spirit of love and mercy in the world and to share that love in the world by virtue of our presence and by our actions, serving others out of love, as Jesus did. So I encourage you this week, this day, to include in your prayers a prayer to let God help us more fully embody God's love in the world, to let God live through us, as Jesus did.

May you have a holy Lent.

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, Leonard, Mary Ann Stephens Morell, Gail Platt, Jan Robertson, Mary Ann, Jan Shear and Kathlene KC Robertson, St. Pat's Postulant and Seminarian,

Repose of the Soul

and Ryan Macias, Postulant

Fred Blaich, Gabriella Chabot, The Rev. Billy Graham, Vera Gwiazda, Mark Hatchard and Jane Lang

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. Volunteers are invited to assist the program. Thank you.

Youth Formation

Middle School Youth Group (grades 6-8) meets on the 2^{nd} & 4^{th} 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.

Outreach

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.

Meeting Jesus - 2018 Lenten Series at King of Glory Wednesdays, Feb. 21 through March 21.

This Lent, we will be exploring Bible stories of Jesus meeting unexpected people. These stories encourage us to look outside of ourselves to share love with the world. The series is on Wednesday evenings at King of Glory Lutheran Church (2500 Borchard Road) starting February 21st. It begins at 6 pm with a soup meal and worship starts at 7 pm. All are welcome! For more information on this program, please call King of Glory Lutheran Church at 805-498-4812.

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

Have you ever wished to deepen your relationship with God? To experience a warm friendship with God? Maybe even fall in love with God - again - or for the very first time?

Starting in Lent 2018, the Society of St. John the Evangelist will offer a sixweek Lenten journey through prayer and reflection on The Gospel According to John.

Led by Charlotte Hand-Greeson, a seasoned church professional, Christian formation/education expert, life-long Episcopalian, and co-creator of Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John, we will gather during Lent 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).

Crop Walk

Help end hunger, locally and globally. It's time to start training for Conejo Valley CROP Hunger Walk! Sunday, March 4, 1 p.m. start, at CLU Sports Complex. We'd love to sign up 20 walkers this year; 3 different walk distances: one is a guided, 20 minute "Campus Stroll" around CLU, there are also ~4 mile and ~ 6 mile walks. Register after church services on Sunday, or online: look for "Team St. Patrick's Episcopal Church" at Conejo Valley CROP Hunger Walk website. Please join us as a walker or a supporter . Thank you.

Wednesday Healing Service

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

Show Your Support for the Conejo Compassion Coalition

The CCC's Gala will be held April 26 at the Palm Garden Hotel in Newbury Park. You can 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. There are two ways to advertise: if you own a business you can 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 find out more information. Alternatively you can find the information at https://www.ccc- <u>calendar.com/advertisements</u>.

Sunday	Service	Participants

	8:00 AM	10:15 AM
Lector 1	John Sahlman	Julia Chambers
Psalm	Susan Sahlman	sung
Lector 2	Susan Sahlman	Paul Teagle
Intercessor	John Sahlman	Adrian Benson
Crucifer		Amy Buffaloe
Acolytes		Christine Buffaloe
		Dante de La Pena
LEM 1	Susan Sahlman	Jodi Spindel
LEM 2		Rick Spindel
Ushers	Evelyn Stephenson	Bob Bland,
	, ,	Bruce Benson,
		Colin Greenidge

Altar Guild Marilyn Teagle, Muriel Karr, Mary Ann Palmquist and Paula Smith

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

Homeless Dinner Program

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

Conejo Compassion Coalition

Visit <u>conejocompassion.orq</u> call Bob Bland, 805-498-5682, for information on the CCC.

Manna

Bring your donations of nonperishable 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@ mail.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.

St. Patrick's Day School

Contact

St. Patrick's Parish Day School at

805-497-1416 or www. stpatricksdayschool.org

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