March 18, 2018 The Fifth Sunday in Lent: The Patronal Feast of Saint Patrick of Ireland



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We are Monday through Saturday followers of Jesus who worship together on Sundays. Rite II Worship Service: 10:15 with Choir & Sunday School

Rite I Worship Service: 8:00 AM

The Rev. George Daisa Michael Eaton

Jr. Warden Debbie McDonald Dr. Eric Kinsley Music Director

Children's Ministry Director Patty Buffaloe

Youth Ministry Director Financial Administrator Parish Administrator Sexton

The Rev. George Daisa Kathryn Walters Janet Enriquez Dave Mead 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,

Rector

Sr. Warden

The Parish of St. Patrick is happy to announce that a new Parish Administrator has been hired to replace long-time employee, Janet Enriquez, who will retire in April. Ms. Susannah Ruth of Thousand Oaks will step into this important role mid-March when she will begin training.

Some of you may recognize Ms. Ruth as the soprano from our Parish Choir. "Susie" as she is called by her friends (and her preferred name) is a cradle Episcopalian, and therefore comes with a depth of knowledge of our liturgy, traditions and polity. She is a graduate of California Lutheran University, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in music, with a concentration in Opera. This comes as no surprise to those who attend the 10:15 am Eucharist, as Susie has lent her melodic voice to our choir for several years and has served as the choir master for Dr. Eric Kinsley, our Choir Director.

Please take a moment in the coming weeks to both welcome Susie to her new position, as well as give thanks to God for the faithful and capable ministry of Janet Enriquez. I invite everyone to drop Janet a note, send her a card, and express gratitude for her years of dedication to our community. I will miss her camaraderie, her sense of humor and her knowledge and support. On the other hand, I'm excited for Janet by the fact that now she goes back to being a parishioner, without the responsibilities of the job, and without having to strike the delicate balance between being both Administrator and parishioner. I am also comforted knowing that Janet will always be close by, and that we will continue to celebrate and worship God together.

Patronal Feast of St. Patrick - Sunday, March 18

My excitement for our upcoming Patronal Feast Day of St. Patrick continues to grow, as I met with Bishop Bruce to prepare for the celebration. We are inviting all children to participate in the Pageant at the 10:15 am Eucharist and are encouraging everyone to attend and bring a dish to share for the Potluck directly after the 10:15 service. Ms. Annie Van Cott is generously coordinating the Potluck. Please contact Annie directly at 805-427-0277 to coordinate your dish! As always, it is a joy and honor to have Bishop Diane Jardine Bruce with us to celebrate the Holy Eucharist and preach.

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

The Bells of Ireland Altar Arrangement is Dedicated to the Glory of God in Celebration of Our Patronal Feast Day, and in Celebration of Candy & Fred Shaw's 51s Wedding Anniversary

For Those We Love

Jean Boyko, Courtney Derible, Arlyn Farrell, Joan Funk, Ingrid, Marion Jeffrey, Lisa Johnson, Betty Kren, Rich Malfatti, Mary Ann Stephens Morell, Richard Platt, Jan Robertson, Mary Ann, Jodi Spindel, Kathlene and Camille Van Asta

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

Repose of the Soul

Astrid Du Plessis, Luz Enriquez, Nicholas Henein and Jordan Hoffman

Sunday School

Nursery care for toddlers is available on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month in the sacristy wing. Godly Play Sunday School for children pre-K-5th grade are welcome to meet Ms. Patty every Sunday at the entrance to church at the start of the 10:15 worship and then process to class. Godly Play 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 (grades 6-8) meet 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.

Feast of St. Patrick Celebration—Sunday, March 18

Bishop Diane Jardine Bruce will help us celebrate our Patronal Feast Day 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, please come to the parish hall by 9:30 am to be fitted in a costume. Following the 10:15 service, gather for a parish potluck and fun children's activities. Bring a dish to share! Food with an Irish flair is welcomed. Please contact Patty at (805)582-2644 or at pattybuffaloe5@gmail.com for more 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.

Palm Crosses

The Altar Guild invites anyone interested in helping to make palm crosses for Palm Sunday to meet on Saturday, March 24 at 10:00 am. Please join us in the Buena Vista Room, and bring your scissors.

Mad Attic Scholarship Applications

The Mad Attic Thrift Shop gives a generous scholarship each year to a St. Patrick's graduating high school senior actively involved in the church. Applications are available in the church office and are due back by May 1. See Mary Ann Palmquist for more information.

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.

Wednesday Healing Service—On Hiatus March 28, April 4

The healing service resumes on Wednesday, March 21, then will go on hiatus until Wednesday, April 11. Join Fr. George on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 am for this weekly Eucharistic celebration with healing prayers.

Middle and Senior High Youth

After the 10:15 service on March 25, a high school/middle school youth outing is planned. This will be a good chance for both groups to enjoy time together in fellowship. Please see Kathryn Walters for more information.

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. 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.

Sunday	Service	Participants	

	8:00 AM	10:15 AM
Lector 1	Anna Merriman	Luca de La Pena
Psalm	Bill Funk	sung
Lector 2		
Intercessor	Anna Merriman	Amelia Daisa
Crucifer		Amy Buffaloe
Acolytes		Anna Eaton
		Dante de La Pena
LEM 1	Bill Funk	Bob Bland
LEM 2		Doug Holmes
Ushers	Joanne & Patrick	Jim Leon
	Justus	Debbie Leon
		Stasia Simrall
Altar Guild	Shirley Bland, Doylenne Johnson,	Debbie McDonald ar

Ruthanne England

Coffee Hosts 8:00: Jill Murch

10:15: Kristin and Mike Eaton

Homeless Dinner Program

The Homeless Dinner Program serves meals here in Hager Hall on Sunday evenings at 6:00 pm from the first Sunday in April through the last Sunday in November. Contact Bob or Shirley Bland at 805-498-5682 for more details.

Conejo Compassion Coalition

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

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.

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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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.