# March 25, 2018 Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday



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We are Monday through Saturday followers of Jesus who worship together on Sundays. **Rite I Worship Service: 8:00 AM Rite II Worship Service: 10:15 with Choir & Sunday School** 

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 Ones,

My continual prayer during these last five weeks of Lent has been that you have found in them times of reflection and contemplation. I pray that they have been a sacred time of slowing down and discovering moments of appreciation for how much you are loved by God. Our Psalm refrain at the 10:15 service this season, "Together with God, look at your life; and know you're loved forever," has been a kind of mantra of grace for us, reminding us of what Paul told the church in Rome: "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord," (Romans 8:35-39).

My prayer is that as we end the season of Lent and approach the day of Resurrection, you may feel that you are "more than conquerors" through Jesus who loves us so much that he gave his own life that we might have the kind of life he promised, and that we might experience the kind of love we were built to receive and give.

We were not created for hate. We were created for love.

We were not created for fear. We were created for hope.

We were not created for violence, anger, disease or illness.

We were built for one thing only.

We were built for love.

There is nothing else.

I write to encourage you at this particular tipping point in our journey together with God, to remind you that you are loved forever, and invite you to walk the long road to the cross together with Jesus. Bring your fears, your hopes, your anger, your disease, your despair, your grief, your joy, your hopelessness. Bring it all to the cross of Christ. Lay them all down at Jesus' feet, and let his sacrifice be a reminder to you that we are all "more than conquerors" in him who has conquered the world – all disease, hopelessness, hate, even death. I will walk beside you this coming Holy Week, and I will lay down my own burdens at the cross, and I, too, will be more than a conqueror in Jesus who built me for nothing but love. For there is nothing else. Please join me.

May God bless you with love this week 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.

#### For Those We Love

Jean Boyko, Courtney Derible, Ken Dickey, Arlyn Farrell, Joan Funk, Nancy Hawfield, Ingrid, Marion Jeffrey, Lisa Johnson, Paul Johnson, Betty Kren, Mike Lanska, Mary Ann Stephens Morell, Richard Platt, Jan Robertson, Mary Ann, Jodi Spindel, Kathlene Stephens and Sandy Trevino

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

Repose of the Soul

Astrid Du Plessis and Nicholas Henein

## Sunday School

**Nursery care** for toddlers is available on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month in the sacristy wing. **Godly Play Sunday School for children pre-K-5<sup>th</sup> 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 <u>805-582-2644</u>. **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 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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 <u>gdaisa@stpatschurch.org</u>.

Psalm 31:9-16

## Announcements

#### Palm Crosses

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

## **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.

#### Arts at St. Patrick Concert—April 6

The quartet Saxotopia returns to St. Patrick's for a concert of saxophone favorites from the Silent Film Era on Friday, April 6 at 7:30 pm in Hager Hall. A free will offering will be accepted in support of the music program at St. Patrick's.

#### **Honoring Janet**

Please join us on Sunday, April 8 in between both services (9:15 ish) to hon-or our very special Janet. She will be retiring on Tuesday, April 10. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church for anyone who would like to help with the brunch. Hope to see all of you there for this special chance to let Janet know how invaluable her service has been to St. Patrick's Church.

#### 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.

#### Wednesday Healing Service—On Hiatus March 28, April 4

The Wednesday healing service will go on hiatus March 28 and April 4 and resume Wednesday, April 11. Join Fr. George at 10:30 am for this weekly Eucharistic celebration with healing prayers.

#### Middle and Senior High Youth Activity- March 25

Our middle/high school combined youth activity is Sunday, March 25, starting at 3:00. We will meet at Underwood Farms at 3:00 and have some fun picking veggies and fruit to take back to the church and make a fresh delicious meal together. Youth are encouraged to come with their ideas of their veggie/salad/dessert creations using the produce picked at the farm to compete for the Top Chef award. We will end our evening at 7:00 with compline service.

#### Clean Up Day

All are encouraged to join in the all Parish and Day School Clean Up Day to beautify our campus. Saturday, April 21 from 8:30-11:00 am. There are tasks for people of all ages. Wear your work clothes and bring your gloves. Fr. George will bring the coffee and donuts! See you there.

#### **Conejo Compassion Coalition Gala**

The 2018 Conejo Compassion Coalition Gala will be held on Thursday April 26, from 5:30 to 9:00 PM. Tickets are \$75.00 per person and can be purchased via the CCC website at <u>https://www.ccc-calendar.com/online-store</u>. Tickets will also be on Sale this Sunday after church.

Sunday Service Participants				
	8:00 AM	10:15 AM		
Lector 1	John Sahlman	Bob Bland		
Psalm	Susan Sahlman	sung		
Lector 2	Susan Sahlman	Paul Teagle		
Intercessor	John Sahlman	Julia Chambers		
Crucifer		Erik Svitek		
Acolytes		John and Anna Eaton		
LEM 1	Susan Sahlman	Cindy Weaver		
LEM 2		Doug Holmes		
Ushers	Evelyn Stephenson	Bob Bland,		
		Bruce Benson,		
		Colin Greenidge,		
		Rich Guske,		
		Holly Newcombe		

Altar Guild ALL TEAMS Coffee Hosts 8:00: Jack and Carol Shafer 10:15: Grace Robinson and Jeanne Gates

## Outreach

## 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> or 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 Dav School at 805-497-1416 or www. stpatricksdayschool.org

#### Support St. Patrick's

When you shop at Amazon, a donation of .05% of your purchase price is made to St. Patrick's Church & Day School. Log onto smile.amazon.com. Write in precisely: St. Patrick's Episcopal Church and School. Then, simply proceed with your shopping and the donation will be automatically applied. It is as easy as that. Thank you for your generosity.

# 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.