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NEWS AND INFORMATION FOR THE PARISH OF ALL SAINTS-BY-THE-SEA

WELCOME TO ALL SAINTS-BY-THE-SEA EPISCOPAL CHURCH!

November 29, 2015

It is wonderful to worship with one another in song, prayer, praise and in sharing a holy meal of bread and wine. After the service, you are invited to gather on the patio for fellowship and refreshments. If you are worshipping here for the first time please fill out a newcomer card found in the pew and take it to the Welcome Center (with the pink tablecloth) on the patio after Sunday worship or hand it to an usher. We hope we will have more opportunities to grow together. Wherever you are on your faith journey, All Saints is honored to partner with you in ministry. Ask an usher or greeter for help if you need directions to any building on campus.

FINDING YOUR WAY THROUGH THE SERVICE

The worship bulletin will be your basic guide through this service's liturgy. Hymns: the hymn numbers are listed on the Hymn Board at the front of the church as well as in the bulletin. The Hymnal is the blue book in the pew rack in front of you. The Lessons: You may enjoy simply listening to the readings as Christians did for centuries, or you may follow along with the scripture readings in the bulletin. The Book of Common Prayer: This smaller red book in the pew rack is the principal book of liturgy for Episcopalians. Prayer: You will find that some people stand in prayer while others kneel. Please do what makes you feel comfortable. Holy Communion: All are lovingly invited to the Lord's table.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Centering Prayer & Healing

Presence Every Sunday Fall through Spring, alternating, at 9:15 a.m. in office conference room. Contact Pat McClure for more information, 969-1426.

Bible & Babble Tuesdays at 6 p.m. Contact The Rev. Vicki for more information. vicki@asbts.org

Sunday School Sept-May Meets during the 10 a.m. service in Parish House. Children pre-K to 8th grades.

Education for Ministry (EFM) Theological education at a distance. Local seminar group meets weekly Sept to June, begins Sept 13th at Trinity Library. Contact Robert Brown for more information, 895-3620

Christ Centered Prayer Every Wed at 5 p.m. and Thurs at 11:30 a.m. in Parish House youth room. Contact Jane Murray for more information. jane@murrays.com or 680.5292

Men's Bible Study Every Wednesday at 8:15 a.m. in Parish House youth room. Contact Ken Jewesson for more information. kfjewesson@cox.net or 687-1683

SPIRITUAL PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND

October 12-25, 2016

Brochures can be found on the Info Table. More info to come.

Weekly Services

Tuesday 8AM

Eventide Service & Supper

Wednesday, 6PM

Sunday 8AM & 10AM

Sunday School, 10AM

Nursery, located in the Parish School Bumble Bee Room, is open during the 10AM service for children 3 yrs & younger

All Saints Parish School

A leader in Early Childhood Education for 50 Years
Serving children ages 2 years to 5 years old

*NAEYC/CAEYC Member
National Association of Episcopal Schools
Diocese of L.A. Accredited*

Contact Padric Davis,
School Director for information or a school tour
[969-4946 school@asbts.org](mailto:969-4946_school@asbts.org)

Baptism

The next opportunity for Baptism is January 17, 2016. Please call the office for more info.

Christmas Eve Services

4 p.m. Family Service
7 p.m. Carol Sing
7:30 p.m. Service
10 p.m. Carol Sing
10:30 p.m. Service

Christmas Day Service
10:30 a.m. service followed by lunch

ADVENT

Today, on the first Sunday of Advent, we begin a new church year. Advent is a season of expectant waiting for the in-breaking of God among us in the birth of Jesus. During Advent we prepare ourselves for God to come into our world, our lives, our hearts anew. In this season, we are invited to quiet reflection and an inward turning to prepare ourselves for Christ's coming. Worship in Advent seeks to create an atmosphere of quiet, reflective preparation for Christ to be born in our world and in our lives. Our readings this season invite us to examine our lives and make a clear path for God's arrival. Our prayers conjure God's saving act of coming down to close the gap between God and humanity. Our music turns toward the contemplative with the use of a plainsong. Our senses are drawn toward the transcendent by the faint scent of frankincense and the simple chime of bells. Our altar is dressed in blue, the color of Mary. All so that when God is born in Christ this Christmas, he will find in us a mansion prepared for him to dwell.

ST. NICHOLAS DAY: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 10 A.M. INTERGENERATIONAL SERVICE

All are welcome, especially children, to a special day celebrating the witness of St. Nicholas. We begin this Advent season following St. Nicholas' witness of self-giving love to help those in need. St. Nicholas himself will be present to guide us. **Please bring your Giving Tree gifts to church that day and place them in the baptistry upon arrival.**

ADVENT STUDY BEGINS

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2ND

We look to the Season of Advent to prepare our hearts and minds for the birth of the Christ child. Explore with us this beautiful time of reflection and anticipation as we await God's incarnation. Our three week Advent Study will be given on the following Wednesday evenings: **December 2 in the church, 9, and 16 in the Parish House.** We will meet from 7:15 – 8:45 p.m. Please bring your Bibles, no other text is required. We will be following three studies from *Advent of the Savior*, edited by Cindy Bunch:

To Us a Child is Born: Isaiah's Prophecy (Isaiah 9:1-7) led by The Rev. Vicki Mouradian.

Nothing is Impossible: Mary and the Angel (Luke 1:26-56) led by The Rev. Aimee Eyer-Delevett.

Divine Interruption: Joseph and the Angel (Matthew 1:18-25) led by The Rev. Paul Collins.

On a seemingly ordinary day, in a manger in the middle of bustling, overcrowded Bethlehem, the promised messiah came into the world as a tiny baby. Thousands had longed for his coming, few witnessed his entrance, but millions have been changed by his life. These studies will introduce you to the circumstances surrounding the birth of Jesus, remind you of God's faithfulness and power to fulfill his promises, and draw you more deeply into the love that brought Christ to earth. Join us! For questions please contact the church office. 949-4771

COUNTDOWN TO ST. NICHOLAS DAY IS ON: DEC. 6 JUST A WEEK AWAY

The All Saints patio will transform into a magical scene complete with a full array of fun activities, shopping, photos with St. Nicholas, refreshments and more. Be sure to mark Dec. 6 after the 10 a.m. worship service.

Here are a few of the highlights of the Market already in hand. Contact Rev. Vicki or sign up at the Information Table if you would like to donate a treasure – from your home or something new – or help with the event. Craft items, baked goods and homemade items from jams to ornaments are welcome! All proceeds will benefit All Saints ministries for children and youth.

- * Consultation time and discounts available from Cabana Homes courtesy of Steve and Caroline Thompson
- * The Book Store will be carrying Advent calendars, holiday-themed books, new and old good reads, spiritual reads, and Episcopal mainstays
- * Autographed books written by All Saints parishioners
- * Christmas cards produced by the three winners of our parish contest: **Jim Dow** and Sunday Schoolers **Sophie Graham** and **Christian Walter**
- * A Gift Wrap center staffed by **Amy Miller**, **Maureen Anderson**, and **Alice Scott**
- * Authentic pearls with sourcing info and market pricing courtesy of **Caryl Wray**
- * A plane ride for one to, perhaps, Catalina Island for lunch with **Ben Short**
- * Wine packages from both the Rusack family and Bien Nacido, courtesy of the Miller family

EVENTIDE RESUMES WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2

Our Eventide service and supper will resume on December 2nd, and once again we will be serving soup and salad for Eventide dinner each week. Here's how it works: Large food storage containers are available from Anne Hopkinson and in the Parish Hall Kitchen. Pick one of these up, fill it up with your favorite soup, then put it in the stand alone freezer just inside the Parish House Kitchen (on the RH side). anne@asbts.org

FLOWER DELIVERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TODAY

After the 10 a.m. service our beautiful floral arrangements are made into bouquets to be delivered by willing volunteers to sick or senior members of the parish, or those celebrating special occasions. If your route home this morning takes you near the Mesa, Janason Road, Coronada Circle, please stop by the Flower Room.

ALL SAINTS' FOOD WAGON

We will collect food for the hungry each Sunday. Food & items that you bring for the hungry will be gathered each Sunday at the entrance in a green wagon and brought forward to the altar with our offerings and oblations to God. The food will be donated to Café Picasso Food Pantry at St. Michael's University Church (aka St. Mike's) in Isla Vista to serve UCSB and SBCC students struggling with issues of food insecurity.

All Saints Food Wagon provides us all with an opportunity to give out of our abundance. One way to do so is to try spending 10% (the biblical tithe) of your grocery bill on food that you will give away. Parents, you might invite your children weekly to choose the food that your family will bring to church to give to those who don't have enough to eat. This makes them aware of the blessings of their life and forms them at a young age to make a difference in the hurts of their world. Through this simple but loving service, both young and old can extend Christ's grace from the meal we share at the altar to our hungry neighbors' tables.

GRAB YOUR ICE SKATES!

Join All Saints School for a family fun afternoon of ice skating on December 13th, 3pm-5pm, at the new Ice in Paradise in Goleta. The price is \$65 per family, \$15 per single and includes skate rentals, hot cocoa & Christmas cookies. Sign up is on the Information Table.

ALTAR FLOWER AVAILABILITY

High Altar December 13th & 20th

Chapel 13th, & 20th

PLEDGE UPDATE

So far we have received 184 Pledge Cards. 77 of these have made an increase over last year and 19 of these pledges are from brand new pledgers. The dollar total so far is \$677,048.00 toward our preliminary 2016 pledge budget of \$1,070,000.00. If you haven't turned in your pledge card yet, please feel free to drop it in the offering plate or mail/bring it to the church office.



GREENING OF THE CHURCH

Please join us for "Greening of the church" on Sunday December 20th after the 10am service, many hands are needed to make the wreaths help with hanging of the garlands, tying on the bows, and putting the Christmas trees straight. There will be Chile, bread and cookies on the Patio for those who are hungry. The transforming of the church for our Christmas season is a wonderful sight to see, so please be part of it.

LESSONS & CAROLS DECEMBER 13TH

The Festival of Advent Lessons and Carols is a service of Scripture and song that dates from the late 19th century. In this service, we listen to Scripture lessons, which recount the Fall, the promise of a Messiah, the Incarnation, and the Great Commission to preach the Good News. Each lesson is followed by a carol or anthem that reflects on the lesson's message. Join us on **Sunday, December 13 at the 10:00 am service**, as the All Saints Choir leads us in this historic and beautiful liturgy.

BIBLE & BABBLE

Bible & Babble is currently on hiatus and will resume January 5th at 6 p.m.

WORSHIP LEADERS

The Baptized members of the body of Christ

Preaching		Rev. Aimée Eyer-Delevett
Presiding	8:00	Rev. Paul Collins
	10:00	Rev. Victoria Kirk Mouradian
Crucifer	8:00	Gail Harling
	10:00	Tom Mack
Acolytes		Harry & Frances Blevins
Music Director		Steve O'Connor
Lectors	8:00	Robert Brown, Phil Wilcox
	10:00	Bitsy Bacon, Cathy Haslem
Intercessor	10:00	Sharon Bifano
Lay Ministers	8:00	Robert Brown, Lore Dobler, Toni McDonald
	10:00	Tom Mack, Joe Rawls, Ben Short, Andy Rosenberger
Ushers	8:00	Jim Dow
	10:00	Michael Ditmore, Robert Avery, Daphne Von Essen
Greeters	8:00	Phil & Sally Wilcox
	10:00	Sue & Ed Birch
Info Table	8:00	Ken & Francie Jewesson
	10:00	Eleanor & Don Ziehl
Flower Power		Syd Walker, Pamela Hawes
Welcome Center	8:00	Susan Evans
	10:00	Pamela Hawes
Readings for Next Week		
		Baruch 5:1-9 or Malachi 3:1-4
		Canticle 4 or 16
		Philippians 1:3-11
		Luke 3:1-6

FEEDING MINISTRIES

Transition House Every 2nd Sunday of the month at 5PM; prepare & serve a simple meal to emergency shelter residents. Volunteers & food donations needed.

Carpinteria Food Distribution Volunteers needed to organize and give free fruit and veggies to some of our less-fortunate brothers and sisters in Carpinteria. Please sign up at the Info Table.

Community Kitchen Every 1st, 3rd, 4th, & 5th Tuesday at 10:30AM; serve a simple lunch at Casa Esperanza Homeless Shelter.

Victoria Hotel Every Tuesday & Thursday evenings; drive Victoria Hotel manager to Community Kitchen to pick up hot meals for residents.

Contact David Boyd for more information about the above feeding ministries: dboydinc@aol.com.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, November 29—Advent 1

- 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 9:15 a.m. Centering Prayer
- 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 10 a.m. Sunday School

Tuesday, December 1—Victoria Hotel Night

- 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 10 a.m. Community Kitchen
- 5:30 p.m. Usher Meeting

Wednesday, December 2

- 8:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 9 a.m. Parent Council Meeting
- 1 p.m. Santa Barbara Newcomers Book Club
- 5 p.m. Centering Prayer
- 6 p.m. Eventide followed by supper
- 7:15 p.m. Advent Adult Formation

Thursday, December 3—Victoria Hotel Night

- 11:30 a.m. Centering Prayer
- 7 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, December 6—St. Nicholas Day!

- 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 9:15 a.m. Healing Presence
- 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 11:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m. St. Nicholas Market

IN NEED

Five low-income families who recently moved into the new People's Self-Help Housing unfurnished apartments at Casas de las Flores in Carp are in great need of furniture and furnishings. They were previously living in shared housing which means a family has a bedroom where kids sleep on the floor or in bed with their parents, and family members share the bathroom, dining area and kitchen with one or perhaps two other families who each have a bedroom. These families have few furniture items and furnishings to set up a household in an unfurnished apartment of their own, and they need the following: 4 end tables, 3 coffee tables, 2 dressers, 3 nightstands, 2 kitchen tables and 8 chairs, 1 queen bed, 1 double bed, pots and pans, and 2 TV stands. Please help with any of these items. David Boyd, dboydinc@aol.com, is the contact for more info.

We are called to be good stewards of God's blessings, to share Christ's love through serving our neighbors and those in need. In doing this good work, one cannot help but grow in grace as well. All are invited to serve any outreach ministry offered at All Saints.