



The Holy Eucharist

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

9:00 a.m. Sunday, March 19, 2017

*Newcomers and visitors, we welcome you warmly.
May you find here, by the grace of God, that which feeds your soul.
May you leave here with a heart prepared to serve.*



*During the season of Lent we will be observing
a period of silence before our services in lieu of a prelude.
Please use this time to transition from the outside world to the liturgy
by kneeling in prayer or sitting in quiet reflection.*

The people gather in prayerful silence

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church

Hymnal, #149

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The Book of Common Prayer, page 323

Celebrant Blessed the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.
People **God's mercy endureth for ever. Amen.**

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

all kneeling

The Celebrant stands facing the people and says,

Celebrant Hear what our Lord Jesus saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

All **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**

Celebrant The Almighty and merciful Lord grant us absolution and remission of all our sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

all say together

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

KYRIE

all stand

Hymnal, S-91

**Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

PRAYER FOR THE INTERIM TIME all say together

**Almighty God, we pray for the people of St. Mary's during this time of transition.
May we be genuine in our self-reflection, patient in our discernment, loving in our communion, imaginative about our future, and daring in our faith.
As we seek to find, instill in us trust in your loving guidance.
As we seek to challenge, unite us in our commitment to serve and to know Christ in each other and the world;
As we seek to inspire, fill us with your bountiful spirit.
All this we pray, empowered by the love of Christ our Lord. Amen**

SFrom the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S CHOIR ANTHEM

Carol of the Atonement

Traditional English

Soul of Jesu, make me whole,
meek and humble make my soul.
Thou most sinless soul divine,
cleanse this sinful soul of mine;
hallow this my contrite heart,
purify my inmost part,
soul of Jesu strength in me;
Miserere Domine.

-Paraphrase of Anima Christi

THE SECOND LESSON

seated

Romans 5:1-11

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—

though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

all stand

Antiphon

Cantor: Lord, to whom shall we go? *All:* You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Music: Eric Choate (b.1990)

Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world;
give me this living water that I may never thirst again. (*St. John 4:42, 15*)

Antiphon

THE HOLY GOSPEL

standing

John 4:5-42

Response after the introduction to the Gospel **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him,

"Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The

water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.” The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.”

Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come back.” The woman answered him, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You are right in saying, ‘I have no husband’; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!” The woman said to him, “Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.” Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming” (who is called Christ). “When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.” Jesus said to her, “I am he, the one who is speaking to you.”

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me everything I have ever done.” So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world.”

Response at the end of the Gospel reading **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

THE CHILDREN’S HOMILY

Sandy Stadtfeld

THE DOXOLOGY

all stand

**Praise God from whom all blessings all flow
Praise him all creatures here below
Praise him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

After the Doxology, the Pre-School class processes out for programs in the nursery.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

standing

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
 the only Son of God,
 eternally begotten of the Father,
 God from God, Light from Light,
 true God from true God,
 begotten, not made,
 of one Being with the Father.
 Through him all things were made.
 For us and for our salvation
 he came down from heaven:
 by the power of the Holy Spirit
 he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
 and was made man.
 For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
 he suffered death and was buried.
 On the third day he rose again
 in accordance with the Scriptures;
 he ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
 and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
 With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
 He has spoken through the Prophets.
 We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
 We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
 We look for the resurrection of the dead,

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

adapted by Natalie Hala

Leader Jesus, remember us when you come into your kingdom. Hear us as we pray:
 For your church around the world,

People **We ask new life.**

Leader For all who carry out ministries in your church,

People **We ask grace and wisdom.**

Leader For people who have adopted Lenten disciplines,

People **We ask inspired discipleship.**

Leader For people of faith in every land,

People **We ask new unity in your name.**

Leader For those yet to believe,

People **We ask your faithful love.**

Leader For governors and rulers in every land,

People **We ask your guidance.**

The Deacon continuous prayers from the St. Mary's Prayer List
and invites the congregation to add theirs.

Leader For people who suffer and sorrow, especially.... Gracious Lord,

People **We ask your healing peace.**

Leader For family, friends, and those who have entered your heavenly kingdom,
especially... Gracious Lord,

People **We ask that your loving arms embrace them.**

Deacon Holy God, your son, Jesus Christ, spoke peace to a broken world and brought
humanity the gift of reconciliation by the suffering and death he endured.
Teach those who witness God's name to follow the example given us. May our
faith, hope, and charity turn hatred to love, conflict to peace, and death to
eternal life; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY HYMN

Amazing Grace

Hymnal, #671

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II

standing

BCP, page 340

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People **It is meet and right so to do.**

The celebrant continues...

Celebrant It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again.
Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and singing,

SANCTUS

Hymnal, S-114

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Stand or kneel as able as the celebrant continues...

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death,

his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP, page 336

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

BCP, page 337

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

AGNUS DEI

Hymnal, S-158

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.**

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

All **We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

THE INVITATION

All who desire to know God are invited to receive the consecrated Bread and Wine.

If you prefer, gluten-free wafers are available. Please let the clergy know.

You may also receive a blessing instead of bread and wine by crossing your arms over your chest.

COMMUNION HYMN

O Food to Pilgrims Given

Hymnal, #309

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

standing

BCP, page 339

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

SENDING OF THE LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR *

Celebrant N., in the name of this parish family, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts to _____. Together we share in the body and blood of Christ.

People **Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share one bread and one cup.**

* when needed

BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

CHURCH SCHOOL RECESSIONAL Guide me, O thou great Jehovah *Hymnal, #690*
verses 1 - 2

During the recessional, Kindergarten through Confirmation classes process out for Sunday School

THE SERMON seated The Very Rev. Hollinshead T. Knight

RECESSIONAL HYMN Guide me, O thou great Jehovah *Hymnal, #690*
verse 3

DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE *O Gott, du frommer Gott* Johannes Brahms
O God, Thou faithful God, op. 122 1833-1897

**As a courtesy to those who wish to continue in prayer or listen to the postlude,
please exit quietly and join in fellowship in the courtyard.**

We request that there be no applause after the postlude.

Thank you.

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Announcements at St. Mary the Virgin

WELCOME VISITORS & GUESTS

We are delighted that you chose to worship with us. We hope to be in an on-going and holy relationship with you in the days and years to come. Let us know how we can be of service to you. May God bless you and all whom you love.

Please fill out a welcome card and put it in the offering plate, or give it to one of the ushers or clergy.

We are happy to add you to our email list so you can keep up with the programs, activities, and news of St. Mary's.

MUSIC FOR THIS MORNING

TODAY the choir will sing a short movement from Howells' Requiem, which we performed last year for All Souls. Our Psalm this morning is Psalm 23 and the movement is a musical setting of this favorite text. Howells was a 20th-century English composer whose music is a staple in our Anglican tradition.

-Eric Choate, Interim Director of Music

SUNDAY SCHOOL

With three teaching Sundays before Holy Week begins, we are today reviewing Lenten themes--prayer, good deeds, the Heifer Project--and doing a light touch introduction of the events of Holy Week. In several grades the children will work on spring wreaths to accompany the Thursday Food Bank deliveries made by members of our parish. As they work on the wreaths, they'll learn about this parish outreach activity, organized by Deacon Tim Smith, and the service it provides for needy people in our city. If you take a quick look into the Great Room today, you will find the fifth and sixth graders making sandwiches and assembling lunches for Open Cathedral, another ministry to hungry people.

-Nancy Clark, Sunday School Director

YOUTH GROUP

No youth group meeting tonight.

MISSION TRIP

Signups for the Mission Trip to Arkansas have begun! Follow the link below to register for the trip, and feel free to pass it on to others who might not be on our email list. **Registration ends March 15**, and is open to all graduating 8th graders through graduating seniors. Any questions about the trip can be directed to Mike Stafford. Here is the link to register:

<https://goo.gl/forms/WKRpBQWRUn1ZJmcm2>

-Mike Stafford, Youth Minister

WORSHIP MINISTRIES ARE CALLING FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION

• MAUNDY THURSDAY DINNER:

DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME

At **6:00 p.m., Maundy Thursday, April 13th**, we will gather together to begin our journey with Jesus by recalling the Last Supper with a shared meal in the Great Room. Maundy Thursday recalls the institution of the Eucharist as worship and communal gathering. The ritual is deeply rooted in the ancient traditions of Judaism, including the inherent value of hospitality. This year we are seeking your help in making this meal by asking you to prepare one dish to share. The recipes will come from one of the most respected chefs in the world, Yotam Ottolenghi. If you are not familiar with him, Ottolenghi's cuisine showcases Mid-eastern, cross-cultural cuisine he first discovered as a young boy in his hometown of Jerusalem. His best selling cookbooks (*Jerusalem, Plenty, and Plenty More*) include many quick to prepare and delicious, healthy recipes. If you would like to contribute a dish to our Maundy Thursday meal, please contact Natalie Hala at natalie@smvsf.org. She will be happy to match your culinary skills to the menu of the evening and to provide the recipe for you, if you do not have access to them. Why wait months for dinner reservations at one of his award-winning London restaurants? Come, taste, and see the goodness of the Lord on Maundy Thursday at St. Mary's by participating in an Ottolenghi meal at St. Mary's table where all are welcome.

-Natalie Hala

• WHERE THERE IS SMOKE....

...there is a thurible! A new class of thurifers will be trained before Easter and the Worship Ministries welcome anyone, adult or youth, 6th grade or older, to join the ministry of thurifer. Thurifers are members of the altar party who carry the censer containing incense during special feasts and liturgical celebrations. You do not have to be an acolyte or a chalice bearer to be trained as thurifer. If you are interested, please contact Natalie Hala at natalie@smvsf.org

• **HAND BELL RINGERS WANTED!**

The hand bell choir of St. Mary the Virgin is preparing for Easter services and needs a few more ringers. Please consider lending your hands to a bell or two to join in this ministry, ringing with a small, fun, and dedicated group of people. No experience necessary, we will teach you. If you can count to four, swing your arm, or read a newspaper, then you can ring. We welcome adults and young people ages 12 and up. Consider joining as a family activity. Our **regular rehearsal time is Wednesday 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. however for the Wednesday Lenten series we will adapt to the group's schedule, probably 5:30 to 6:30, or move to Thursdays for a few weeks if necessary.** We will accommodate schedules as much as possible. Please contact **Marla Perkins**, Interim Hand Bell Choir Director with questions or to join us at **marla@smvsf.org**.

2017 LENTEN SERIES

LIVING THE WAY OF THE CROSS FROM THE HISTORICAL JESUS TO THE COSMIC CHRIST

Join **Fr. Don Brown** as the **Lenten series continues on March 22 at 6:00 pm in the Great Room** The five-week series is designed for all parishioners who would like to know more about Lent, the meanings inherent in the Stations of the Cross, and the traditions that surround our observances and religious practices during Holy Week. The series is designed to challenge us to develop new practices based on ancient teachings and lean into new cosmology, the stations of the cosmic cross. The series includes a light soup supper. If you have friends who want to know more about faith practices in the Episcopal Church, please invite them to attend with you.

-Natalie Hala, Verger & Liturgist

STEPHEN MINISTER COMMISSIONING

Seven new Stephen Ministers will be commissioned at the **11:00 a.m. service, March 26th.** Stephen Ministry is an international ministry of parish-based lay pastoral care, which has been serving St. Mary's since 2015. After 50 hours of rigorous training, Stephen Ministers walk with people in Christ during times of personal crisis. The Rev. Dr. Don Brown, Nan Slavin, and David Crosson served as this year's training leaders. There are currently eight congregations offering Stephen Ministry within the Diocese of California. The Episcopal parishes of St. Mary the Virgin and Holy Innocents are the only two Stephen Ministry churches of any denomination within the city of San Francisco. The following seven people will be commissioned Stephen Ministers on the 26th: Alli Bunker,

Megan Burrows, Joannie Ericson, Kory Li, Laurie Lenore Martin, Alexandra Pearson, and Jacob (James) Shepherd. They will join current Stephen Ministers Lee Walsh, Nan Slavin, Arthur Perkins, Josie McGann, and David Crosson. We invite the congregation to be present in the commissioning on March 26th and provide a warm welcome to these dedicated people who have responded to the call to serve Christ in this special way.

-David Crosson

CHILI COOK OFF

Hosted by Friends of Music

Saturday, March 25th. We will be having an Evensong beginning at **5:00 p.m.** for the Feast of the Annunciation (one of several Marian Feasts in the Christian Year). Immediately following will be a Chili Cook-off and Craft Beer Tasting. We will all have a chili dinner together in the Great Room where we sample each chili and cast votes for several different categories (hottest, most original, best overall). There will be prizes and winners announced at the end of the evening. Additionally, we will set up a craft beer tasting (with equally appealing non-alcoholic beverages). Everyone is invited! Bring your friends! Entrance will cost: \$15/person or \$30/family. Funds will go toward Friends of Music. Participants who would like to bring chili should **contact** Interim Music Director **Eric Choate: eric@smvsf.org**

2017 ANNUAL PARISH RETREAT

Please mark your calendar for **Friday, May 19th through Sunday, May 21th** for our Annual Parish Retreat at the Bishop's Ranch in Healdsburg. This much loved tradition is a time for parishioners of all ages, from all services, to come together and enjoy fun and fellowship. We can engage in hiking, eating, swimming in the saltwater pool, tasting cheese and wines, worshipping in the Ranch's lovely historic chapel, dropping into quiet contemplation, exploring the town of Healdsburg, doing crafts, playing games, eating s'mores by the campfire, and yes, enjoying some fellowship and community! Do it all or just enjoy sitting with a book, basking in the beauty of the wine country. The registration costs include comfortable lodging, all meals, crafts and other supervised activities for the kids, and entertainment for all. Registration forms will be available at **www.smvsf.org** and in future bulletins. Look for more details in coming announcements. The **deadline to sign up is May 12th at noon.** We also need volunteers to help at the Ranch; please contact **Amy Cebrian** at **amycebrian@gmail.com** if you can help. We have loved going for years and hope to see you at the Ranch!

-Amy Cebrian

LENT MADNESS SCORECARD UPDATE

The first full week of Lenten voting continued the trend of upsets when Moses the Black took down "the morning star of the English Reformation," John Wycliffe. It also had its blow-outs. Anselm of Canterbury barely got 20% of the vote against Florence Nightingale. Odo of Cluny (wasn't he in *Game of Thrones*?) also embarrassed Theodore the Studite. Raymond Nanatus edged John of Nepomuk. In the closely watched contest between the two Augustines, Canterbury prevailed over Hippo. *Location, location, location.* Next week it will be interesting how the great pain in Pope Leo X's neck, Martin Luther, does against Native American deacon and missionary, David Oakerhater. Does Franz Jagerstatter stand a chance against Joan of Arc? How do you dress to vote for (or against) Amelia Bloomer? (Will the vote be a cover-up?) These and more contests await your interest and your vote at <http://www.lentmadness.org>.--David Crosson

LAY MINISTRY

Altar Guild: Erika Coughlan, Jerry Lehman,
Gloria Galindo, Lee Walsh
Eucharistic Visitors: David Crosson, Steve White,
Sandy Briggs,

Flowers:

8:00 a.m. service

Chalice Bearer: Sheila Santangelo

Usher: Mary Hill

9:00 a.m. service

Chalice Bearers: Rob Carol, Sandy Stadtfeld, Debbie Veatch

Lector: Sandy Briggs

Prayer Leader: Anne Williams

Children's Homily: Sandy Stadtfeld

Ushers: Jerry George, Jeff Landry, Wells Blaxter

Acolytes:

First Crucifer: Sam Parkinson

First Torch Bearers: Jake Boyden, Charlotte Wyman

Second Crucifer: Caroline Parkinson

Second Torch Bearer: Lily Peta, Margaret Veatch

Servers: Charlotte Toney, Eva Toney

11:00 a.m. service

Chalice Bearers: Ilia Smith, Ray Hahn, Bruce McClatchey

Lector: Mari Coates

Prayer Leader: Guy Kornblum

Ushers: Peter Musto, Tom Austin, Ron Clark

We Pray For...

PARISHIONERS, RELATIVES and FRIENDS

Paula Driscoll
Alexa Frechette
Cammy Bryan
Emily
Randy Kwock
Joan Howell
Venod
The Tilley Family
Hope Tarpey Brady

CONTINUING CONCERNS

Roy Brichard
Mason Brown
Mitch Graham
Bob Mittelstadt
Pat Okimoto
Kerry Reed
Matt Sowick
Joan Toto
Lisa Vance
Rebecca Wardell
The Community at the
Heritage
The Community of St.
Francis
The Presidio Gate residents
The CASA foster children
Nick
Dolores Cook

DISCERNMENT OF MINISTRY

Kathleen Bean
Nan Slavin
Stephanie Lehman
Stephen Ministry
Class of 2017

RECENTLY DECEASED

Eleanor Dickinson
Grant Carey
Anna Kwock
Kathleen Connery
Michael Haggin
Mary Jane Eddy
Carl Zachrisson

GLOBAL CONCERNS

For children throughout the world, that they may have equal access to justice.

THANKSGIVING

Today, the Feast of St. Joseph, we give thanks for those who are or have been vigilant guardians during our lives.

We give thanks for the marriage of Nicholas Heitzman and Alison Woodworth, daughter of Linda and Phil Woodworth, that took place on March 11 in Washington, DC.

We give thanks in celebration of Izzy Paxton's 21st birthday.

TO SUBMIT PRAYER REQUESTS

Names may be submitted to our prayer request email at prayfor@smvsf.org or by filling out a **YELLOW** prayer card and placing it in the offering plate. Names will remain on the prayer list for **two weeks** and may be re-submitted.

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