

IN THE NAME OF CHRIST WE WELCOME YOU
SAINT THOMAS OF CANTERBURY
Episcopal Church

Temecula, California



MISSION STATEMENT

To share Christ's life-changing love with all people, invite and welcome them into the Body of Christ, and equip them for worship, ministry, and service.

THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER
YEAR A

SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 2017 ✠ 7:00 PM

We're glad that you are here! If you are a visitor, we want to greet you and get to know you. If you have not done so, please sign the Guest Book. After the service, please join us for refreshments in Julian Hall. Whether you are looking for a church home or just passing through, we would be glad to tell you more about Saint Thomas of Canterbury.



THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

“Hymn” & “S” notations refer to the Hymnal 1982—the red book.
“BCP” notation refers to the Book of Common Prayer 1979—the blue book.

THE LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

Individual candles are distributed to the People who gather around the place where the New Fire will be kindled. In the darkness, the New Fire is kindled; after which the Celebrant addresses the People.

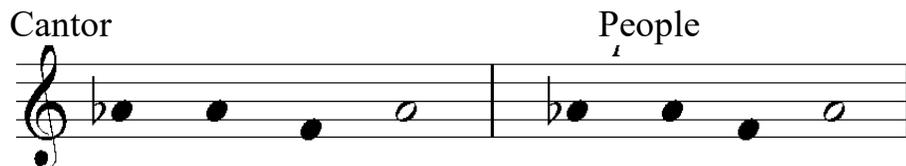
Dear friends in Christ: On this most holy night, in which our Lord Jesus passed over from death to life, the Church invites her members, dispersed throughout the world, to gather in vigil and prayer. For this is the Passover of the Lord, in which, by hearing his Word and celebrating his Sacraments, we share in his victory over death.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, through your Son you have bestowed upon your people the brightness of your light: Sanctify this new fire, and grant that in this Paschal feast we may so burn with heavenly desires, that with pure minds we may attain to the festival of everlasting light; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: *Amen.*

The Paschal Candle is then lighted from the newly kindled fire. The People’s candles are lighted from the Paschal candle at this time. The Cantor, bearing the Paschal Candle, leads the procession into the church, pausing three times and singing



The light of Christ. Thanks be to God.

The Paschal Candle is placed in its stand.

Then the Cantor, standing near the Paschal Candle, sings the Exsultet.

BCP, P.286

Deacon *People*

... for ev-er and ev - er. A - men.

Deacon

The Lord be with you.

People

And al - so with you.

Deacon

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Deacon *People*

... for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Paschal Candle burns at all services from Easter Day through the Day of Pentecost.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Celebrant introduces the Scripture readings with these words.

Let us hear the record of God's saving deeds in history, how he saved his people in ages past; and let us pray that our God will bring each of us to the fullness of redemption.

(Please be seated.)

I: THE STORY OF CREATION: Genesis 1:1 – 2:4a *(Please be seated.)*

Psalm 136: 1-9, 23-26 *(Please remain seated.)*



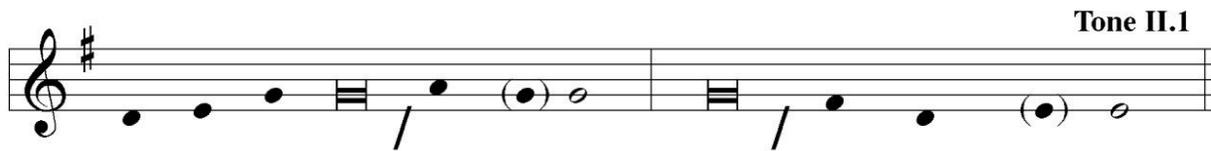
- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is / good, *
for his mercy en- / dures for ever.
- 2 Give thanks to the God of / gods, *
for his mercy en- / dures for ever.
- 3 Give thanks to the Lord of / lords, *
for his mercy en- / dures for ever.
- 4 Who only does great / wonders, *
for his mercy en- / dures for ever;
- 5 Who by wisdom made the / heavens, *
for his mercy en- / dures for ever;
- 6 Who spread out the earth upon the / waters, *
for his mercy en- / dures for ever;
- 7 Who created great / lights, *
for his mercy en- / dures for ever;
- 8 The sun to rule the / day, *
for his mercy en- / dures for ever;
- 9 The moon and the stars to govern the / night, *
for his mercy en- / dures for ever.
- 23 Who remembered us in our / low estate, *
for his mercy en- / dures for ever;
- 24 And delivered us from our / enemies, *
for his mercy en- / dures for ever;
- 25 Who gives food to all / creatures, *
for his mercy en- / dures for ever.
- 26 Give thanks to the God of / heaven, *
for his mercy en- / dures for ever.

Celebrant: Let us pray. *(Please stand as you are able—Silence)*

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

II: THE FLOOD: Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8-13 (*Please be seated.*)

Psalm 46 (*Please remain seated.*)



- 1 God is our refuge and / strength, *
a very present help / in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be / moved, *
and though the mountains be toppled into the depths / of the sea;
- 3 Though its waters rage and / foam, *
and though the mountains tremble at / its tumult.
- 5 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of / God, *
the holy habitation of / the Most High.
- 6 God is in the midst of her; she shall not be over- / thrown; *
God shall help her at / the break of day.
- 7 The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are / shaken; *
God has spoken, and the earth / shall melt away.
- 9 Come now and look upon the works of the / LORD, *
what awesome things he / has done on earth.
- 10 It is he who makes war to cease in / all the world; *
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
and burns / the shields with fire.
- 11 “Be still, then, and know that I am / God; *
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalt- / ed in the earth.”

Celebrant: Let us pray. (*Please stand as you are able—Silence*)

Almighty God, you have placed in the skies the sign of your covenant with all living things: Grant that we, who are saved through water and the Spirit, may worthily offer to you our sacrifice of thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

III: ISRAEL'S DELIVERANCE AT THE RED SEA: Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21

(Please be seated.)

Canticle 8 *(Please remain seated.)*

1. I will sing to the Lord, for he is lofty and up - lift - ed;
the horse and its rider has he hurled in - to the sea. 2. The Lord is my
strength and my re - fuge; the Lord has be - come my Sa - vior.
3. This is my God and I will praise him, the God of my people and I
will ex - alt him. 4. The Lord is a might - y war - rior;
Yah - weh is his Name. 5. The chariots of Pharaoh and his army has
he hurled in - to the sea; the finest of those who bear armor have been
drowned in the Red Sea. 6. The fathomless deep has o - ver - whelmed them;
they sank into the depths like a stone. 7. Your right hand, O Lord, is glor - ious
in might; your right hand, O Lord, has overthrown the en - e - my.
8. Who can be compared with you, O Lord, a - mong the gods? Who is like you,
glorious in holiness, awesome in renown, and worker of won - ders?

9. You stretched forth your right hand; the earth swal-losed them up.

10. With your constant love you led the peo - ple you re - deemed;
with your might you brought them in safety to your ho - ly dwell - ing.

11. You will bring them in and plant them on the mount of your pos -
ses - sion, 12. The resting-place you have made for your - self, O Lord,
the sanctuary, O Lord, that your hand has es - tab - lished.

13. The Lord shall reign for ever and for ev - er. [Ant.]

Celebrant: Let us pray. (*Please stand as you are able—Silence*)

O God, whose wonderful deeds of old shine forth even to our own day, you once delivered by the power of your mighty arm your chosen people from slavery under Pharaoh, to be a sign for us of the salvation of all nations by the water of Baptism: Grant that all the peoples of the earth may be numbered among the offspring of Abraham, and rejoice in the inheritance of Israel; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

IV: SALVATION OFFERED FREELY TO ALL: Isaiah 55:1-11 *(Please be seated.)*

Canticle 9, First Song of Isaiah *(Please remain seated.)*



1 Sure - ly it is God — who saves me; trust - ing him, I shall not
2 Make his deeds — known to the peo - ples; tell out his ex - alt - ed



fear. For the Lord de - fends and shields me and his sav - ing
Name. Praise the Lord, who has done great things; all his works his



help is near. So re - joice as you draw wa - ter from sal -
might pro - claim. Zi - on, lift your voice in sing - ing; for with



va - tion's liv - ing spring; in the day of your de -
you has come to dwell, in your ve - ry midst, the



liv - erance thank the Lord, his mer - cies sing.
great and Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

Celebrant: Let us pray. *(Please stand as you are able—Silence)*

O God, you have created all things by the power of your Word, and you renew the earth by your Spirit: Give now the water of life to those who thirst for you, that they may bring forth abundant fruit in your glorious kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

V: THE VALLEY OF DRY BONES: Ezekiel 37:1-14 *(Please be seated.)*

Psalm 143 *(Please remain seated.)*



- 1 LORD, hear my prayer, and in your faithfulness
 heed my / supplications; *
 answer me in your / righteousness.
- 2 Enter not into judgment / with your servant, *
 for in your sight shall no one living be / justified.
- 4 My spirit / faints within me; *
 my heart within me is / desolate.
- 5 I remember the time past; I muse / upon all your deeds; *
 I consider the works of / your hands.
- 6 I spread / out my hands to you; *
 my soul gasps to you like a / thirsty land.
- 7 O LORD, make haste to answer me; my / spirit fails me; *
 do not hide your face from me
 or I shall be like those who go down / to the Pit.
- 8 Let me hear of your loving-kindness in the morning,
 for I / put my trust in you; *
 show me the road that I must walk,
 for I lift up my / soul to you.
- 10 Teach me to do what pleases you, for / you are my God; *
 let your good Spirit lead me on / level ground.

Celebrant: Let us pray. *(Please stand as you are able—Silence)*

Almighty God, by the Passover of your Son you have brought us out of sin into righteousness and out of death into life: Grant to those who are sealed by your Holy Spirit the will and the power to proclaim you to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

VI: THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE: Zephaniah 3:14-20 *(Please be seated.)*

Psalm 98 *(Please remain seated.)*



- 1 Sing to the LORD a / new song, *
for he has done / marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his / holy arm *
has he won for him- / self the victory.
- 3 The LORD has made known his / victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight / of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of / Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the vic- / tory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the LORD, all you / lands; *
lift up your / voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the LORD with the / harp, *
with the harp / and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the / horn *
shout with joy be- / fore the King, the LORD.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is / in it, *
the lands and / those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their / hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,
when he / comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the / world *
and the peo- / ples with equity.

Celebrant: Let us pray. *(Please stand as you are able—Silence)*

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE HOLY BAPTISM

THE PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATE

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The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Grace Rose Toro-Gonzalez

Celebrant: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents & Godparents: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents & Godparents: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Parents & Godparents: I renounce them.

Celebrant: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Parents & Godparents: I renounce them.

Celebrant: Do you renounce Satan all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Parents & Godparents: I renounce them.

Celebrant: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Parents & Godparents: I do.

Celebrant: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Parents & Godparents: I do.

Celebrant: Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Parents & Godparents: I do.

Celebrant: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this in their life in Christ?

Congregation: We will.

Celebrant: Let us join with *Grace Rose, her parents and godparents* who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.*

*He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.*

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People: I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.*

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: I will, with God's help.

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

Celebrant: Let us now pray for *Grace Rose* who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth and for those who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

Intercessor: Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Open her heart to your grace and truth.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: Send her into the world in witness to your love.

People: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

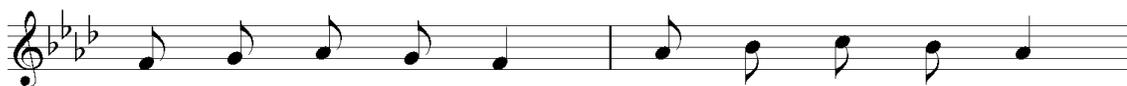
People: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

THE PROCESSION TO THE FONT:

Hymn 294

Baptized in water

Point Loma



1 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spi - rit,
2 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spi - rit,
3 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spi - rit,



cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:
dead in the tomb with Christ our King:
marked with the sign of Christ our King:



heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing his prom - ise,
one with his ris - ing, freed and for - giv - en,
born of one Fa - ther, we are his chil - dren,



faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: *It is right to give him thanks and praise*

Celebrant: We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received

the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE BAPTISM

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Grace Rose, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant, the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

Grace Rose, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. *Amen.*

Celebrant: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People: *We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.*

THE ASPERGES

AT THE EUCHARIST

The candles at the Altar are now lighted from the Paschal Candle. Any remaining personal candles should be extinguished. The announcement of Easter is proclaimed three times.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

People: *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.*

Bells are rung.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

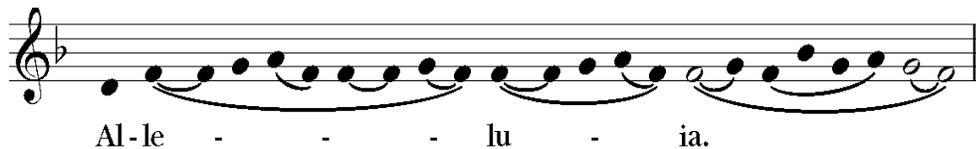
People: *And also with you.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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THE EPISTLE: *Romans 6:3-11*

THE GREAT ALLELUIA is sung three times by the Cantor at successively higher pitches, the People repeating it each time.



THE HOLY GOSPEL: *Matthew 28:1-10*

THE HOMILY

The Reverend Eleanor Ellsworth

A period of silence is kept after the homily.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor:

On this holy night of resurrection and joy, let us pray for the church and the world, saying in your mercy, hear our prayer.

O God, we give thanks for the goodness of creation, for the victory of resurrection, and for the grace of redemption. We praise you for leading us from darkness into light, and for bringing us through the waters of death into new life in you. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

That the church, celebrating the resurrection with joy, may bring the light of Christ into the world: Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

That the newly baptized, buried and raised with Christ, may grow in trust and hope: Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

That our community, renewed this night through word and sacrament, may be strengthened in the covenant of our baptism: Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

That the people of the world, remembering the source of creation, may care for the waters of the earth and for all living things: Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

That the leaders of nations, especially Donald our president, knowing their power, may bring peace and justice to the world: Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

That all who suffer, recalling the mystery of Christ crucified and risen, may be comforted: Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

In thanksgiving for the saints and martyrs, for the witnesses of the resurrection, and for all who have passed over from darkness of death into the glorious light of Christ: Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Silence

Celebrant: *In joy and faith and hope, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray to the mercy of God, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.*

THE PEACE

Celebrant: *The peace of the Lord be always with you.*

People: *And also with you.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY
CHORAL ANTHEM

This Joyful Eastertide

arr. Charles Wood

THE DOXOLOGY

Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here be -
 low; Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Praise him a - bove, ye heaven-ly
 host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: *Eucharistic Prayer A*

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Lift up your hearts: *Sursum Corda*

S 120

Holy, holy, holy Lord: *Sanctus* (Hurd)

S 124

The Great Amen

S 142

THE LORD'S PRAYER (TRADITIONAL)

S 119

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE FRACTION ANTHEM: *Alleluia, Christ our Passover*

S 154

The Communion of the People (*If you prefer gluten-free bread, please inform the priest.*)

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion. If you are unable to go to the Altar for Communion, please notify an Usher. Communion will be brought to you. If you would like to bring your pet with you to the Communion Rail for a blessing, please do so.

HYMN 190

Lift your voice rejoicing

Fisk of Gloucester

HYMN 199

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

St. Kevin

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP, p. 366

THE BLESSING

HYMN 207

Jesus Christ is risen today

Easter Hymn

THE DISMISSAL



The Sanctuary Candle is dedicated to the Glory of Almighty God by Andrea Liesman in celebration of Bill Liesman's birthday

Easter Flower Dedications

In Loving Memory of:

Kenny (husband); Barney & Kelly (sons) - by Heidi Allen

Our Parents - by Jack & Barbara Bundy

France Fay - by James Fay & Betty Crosbie

Paul A. Wing - by Betty Crosbie

Dr. Charles Ernest Davis - by George Ernest Davis

Darlene, Terry, & Frankie Whittington - by Elena Gimpel

Robert Wilkens, Terry Wilkens & Larry Hill - by Aaron & Wendy Hill

Alan & Mary Steele, Sonya's parents & Joann Jump, Darren's Mom - by Darren & Sonya Jump

Raymond Klippert, Anna & Anthony Buccola, Dolly Fish, Mable Kessler & Frank Buccola - by Cary & Jackie Klippert

Those forever in our hearts - by The Mihok Family

Peter Castricone, Jr & Don & Sally Hutchings - by Deb Mitchell

Herbert & Laura Webster, William R. Hilligoss & Robert Williamson - by Virginia Hilligoss Patton

Patricia Patton - by Joel Patton

Henry Palmieri (dad) & Joyce Harnois (sister) - by Laurie Pratt

Our Parents: - Ed & Kay Rather

Ellen Robbins - by Harry & Mary Robbins

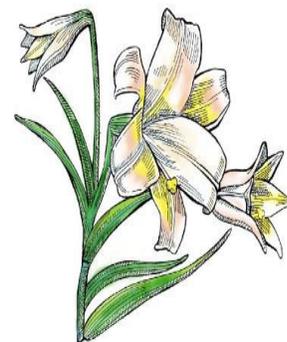
Brian Scoles - by Lynda Scoles

George Hroma & The Reverend Juan Acosta - by Stephen Sturk

Rita Ward - by Carole Williams

Bruce & Barbara Iredale, John & Lois Tangas, Virginia Mooker - by Viki Iredale-Tangas

Mary & Jim King (Bridget's parents) - by Dan, Bridget & Pumpkin Wyncott



In Thanksgiving for:

All the saints and our Saint Thomas Family - by Peter & Deniece Mandery

Patricia Deane Davis - by George Ernest Davis

The People of Saint Thomas - by Jon Floth

God's Blessings - by Jami Loudenback

God's Bounty - by the Mihok Family

Our Family & Friends - Ed & Kay Rather

Our Family - Viki & Michelle Tangas

Many Blessings of Family & Friends- by Mary Lou Thomas

The opportunity to serve St. Thomas as Interim Vicar -

Mother Eleanor

The ministry of the Profile and Search Committee 2016 –2017

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VICAR SEARCH UPDATE – AS OF APRIL 12, 2017

Our search for a new vicar at St. Thomas is coming to completion. The search committee, using the recommendations compiled by our Profile Committee at the end of last year as a guide, made a unanimous recommendation to the Bishop's Committee last week, which was in turn agreed upon unanimously (with one absence) to call the recommended candidate. The decision then was handed to the Office of the Bishop through Canon Allisyn Thomas. It is important that the confidentiality of the call be maintained by both committees' members until a definitive public announcement can be made. While we had hoped that announcement could be made by Easter, for the sake of the relationship with the candidate's current congregation, this will have to be postponed by a week. We are confident that on April 23, the very busy day that we say farewell to both Mother Eleanor and Bishop Mathes, we will be able to provide the candidate's information to all publicly. We thank you, the people and ministers of St. Thomas, for the tremendous patience and respect shown for the process.

In His service,

Bill Liesman

BISHOP MATHES' VISIT

Bishop Mathes will conclude his years as Bishop of the Diocese of San Diego at the end of June. He will visit St. Thomas on Sunday, April 23rd, at both services and be available for the Adult Forum between the services.

Please plan to celebrate time together that day, including a festive pot-luck lunch after the service —honoring Mother Eleanor's last celebration with us and the Bishop's last visit here. A pot-luck signup sheet is available in the Narthex

ANNOUNCEMENTS

An email blast goes out every week, ideally on Wednesdays, with announcements. If you do not yet receive this email blast, please send an email to communications@episcopalchurchtemecula.org so we can update the list.

Please send information about your activity/event to the Communication Committee via email to communications@episcopalchurchtemecula.org by Wednesday of the preceding week or deliver information to the church office. For example, if you want an announcement to appear in the Wednesday, May 17 eblast, you must get your material to communications@episcopalchurchtemecula.org by Wednesday May 10th.



PRAYER LIST

SAINT THOMAS OF CANTERBURY EPISCOPAL CHURCH



We invite you to pray throughout the week with the Daughters of the King for the needs and concerns of the church. DOK receives your prayer requests submitted on blue prayer request forms in the "pews." Requests are either for DOK-confidential or for this public Prayer List.

Please indicate your preference on the prayer request forms.

Requests will be kept on this and the confidential list for 4 weeks (or longer if requested).

For the Week of Saturday, April 15 through Friday, April 21, 2017

THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Saturday 15-Apr-2017 *Holy Saturday*

Psalm: Lam. 3:22-33 Micah 7:7-15

Mthatha (formerly St John's) - (Southern Africa)

Sunday 16-Apr-2017 *Resurrection of our Lord Easter Day*

Psalm: 118:1-5 Heb. 1:1-5

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!

our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!

who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!

suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Monday 17-Apr-2017 *Monday in Easter Week*

Psalm: 148 Heb 1:6-9

Muhabura - (Uganda)

Tuesday 18-Apr-2017 *Tuesday in Easter Week*

Psalm: 149 Heb. 1:10-14

Mukono - (Uganda)

Wednesday 19-Apr-2017 *Wednesday in Easter Week*

Psalm: 145:13-21 Heb. 2:1-4

Multan - (Pakistan)

Thursday 20-Apr-2017 *Thursday in Easter Week*

Psalm: 146 Heb. 2:5-9

Mumbai (Form. Bombay) - (North India)

Friday 21-Apr-2017 *Friday in Easter Week*

Psalm: 138 Exod. 2:1-10

Mumias - (Kenya)

THE DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Clergy and people of Church of the Good Shepherd, Hemet.

FOR OUR CLERGY

Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury

Michael, our Presiding Bishop

James, our Bishop

Nancy, Canon Chief of Staff

Allisyn, Canon to the Ordinary

Eleanor, our Interim Vicar

FOR THE NATION AND ALL IN AUTHORITY

Donald, our President

Jerry, our Governor

Maryann, our Mayor

FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Steve McNeil (*friend of Faisal Sipra*)

Michael T. Jordan (*grandson of Roberta Brown*)

Drew Durivage (*nephew of Jon Floth*)

Ryan Conner (*grandson-in-law of Kay Bemis*)

Marc Veale (*son of Elizabeth Veale – STEP teacher*)

Taylor Day (*grandson of Kay & Ed Rather*)

Ryan Longwell (*friend of the Tisdales*)

Weston Izzi (*grandson of the Klipperts*)

Tony Valence (*friend of Terrie Scheele*)

Eric Grindle (*son of Susan Grindle*)

FOR THOSE SUFFERING: BODY, MIND, SPIRIT

Chris Junger

Kristin Menhall (*daughter-in-law of Dalton & Lilian Menhall*)

Nicholas Lilly & family (*family of Mary Lou Thomas*)

Gregg Baker

Sybille Lutz (*friend of Laurie Pratt*)

C.W. Alexander (*friend of Laurie Pratt*)

Rita Alexander (*friend of Laurie Pratt*)

Judy & George Metzler (*friends of Marion Barbieri*)

Betty & Jim Crosby*

Ruby Arellano & family*

Michael Izzi (*son of the Klipperts*)

Coptic Christian brothers & sisters in Egypt

Ted Docteur (*friend of Lynda Scoles*)

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

***Gary Crosby** (*son of Betty & Jim Crosby*)

***Susana Bogarin** (*grandmother of Ruby Arellano*)

All who have died in the ravages of war, terror and

displacement

FOR THOSE WHO ARE TRAVELING

Peter & Jean Hicks (*3/31 to 4/17*)

Barbara Bundy (*4/4 to 4/16*)

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SERVICE SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY: 5:00 PM HOLY EUCHARIST

SUNDAY: 8:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST

10:15 AM HOLY EUCHARIST

WEDNESDAY: 11:00 AM ALL-SCHOOL CHAPEL SERVICE

7:00 PM HOLY EUCHARIST WITH HEALING

Jesus Christ Head of the Church
The People of Saint Thomas of Canterbury..... The Ministers
The Right Reverend James R. Mathes..... Bishop of San Diego
The Reverend Eleanor Ellsworth (**ext. 104**)..... Interim Vicar

Bishop’s Committee

Peter Mandery (20??)—Property and Administration..... Senior Warden
John Crawford (2019)—Evangelism Junior Warden
Deborah Mitchell (2020)..... Pastoral Care
Jon Floth (2020)..... Christian Education and Formation
Jean Hicks (2020) Stewardship
Virginia Patton (2018) Communication
Irene Eisenhut (2018)..... Church and the World & Youth Ministries
Jack Bundy (2018) Fellowship and Hospitality
Patrick Grannan (2019)..... Pet Ministries
Stephen Lee (2019)..... Community Engagement

Barbara Bundy (2018) (**ext. 103**)..... Clerk of the Bishop’s Committee
Lynn Dordahl (2018) Treasurer



Brian Hopley (**ext. 101**) Interim Business Manager
Barbara Bundy (Volunteer)..... Administrative Assistant to the Vicar
Kathy Foxen (Volunteer) Registrar
Stephen Sturk, DMA (**ext. 105**)..... Music Director
Wendi Turk, MM Pianist
Barry Weiss (Volunteer)..... Pianist
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