

In the Name of Christ We Welcome You

Saint Thomas of Canterbury Episcopal Church
Temecula, California



The First Sunday in Lent
The Great Litany and Holy Eucharist, 8 and 10:15 a.m.
Sunday, March 1, 2020



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. Whether you are looking for a church home
or just passing through, we would be glad to tell you more about our congregation.

Children are always welcome at Saint Thomas; we are pleased to offer
Nursery and Sunday School during our 10:15 service.

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.

A Pet-Friendly Mission of the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego.

The Holy Eucharist

*The Congregation's spoken portions of the service are in **Bold**.*

The ringing of the bell signals that our worship is about to begin; please stand as you are able.

The Word of God

The Great Litany *Spoken at 8 o'clock; sung at 10:15.*

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth,



Have mer-cy on us.

Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world,

Have mercy on us.

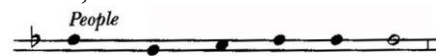
Holy Immortal One, Sanctifier of the faithful,

Have mercy on us.

Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, One God,

Have mercy on us.

From all evil and mischief; from pride, vanity and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred and malice; and from all evil intent,



Sa - vior, de - liv - er us.

From sloth, worldliness and love of money; from hardness of heart and contempt for your word and your laws, ***Savior deliver us.***

From sins of body and mind; from deceits of the world, flesh and the devil, ***Savior deliver us.***

From famine and disaster; from violence, murder, and dying unprepared, ***Savior deliver us.***

In all times of sorrow; in all times of joy; in the hour of our death and at the day of judgment, ***Savior deliver us.***

By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your birth, childhood and obedience; by your baptism, fasting and temptation, ***Savior deliver us.***

By your ministry in word and work; by your mighty acts of power; by the preaching of your reign, ***Savior deliver us.***

By your agony and trial; by your cross and passion; by your precious death and burial, ***Savior deliver us.***

By your mighty resurrection; by your glorious ascension; and by your sending of the Holy Spirit, ***Savior deliver us.***

Hear our prayers, O Christ our God.



Hear us, O Christ.

Govern and direct your holy Church; fill it with love and truth; and grant it that unity which is your will.

Hear us, O Christ.

Give us boldness to preach the gospel in all the world, and to make disciples of all the nations.

Hear us, O Christ.

Enlighten your bishops, priests and deacons with knowledge and understanding, that by their teaching and their lives they may proclaim your word. **Hear us, O Christ.**

Give your people grace to witness to your word and bring forth the fruit of your Spirit. **Hear us, O Christ.**

Bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived. **Hear us, O Christ.**

Strengthen those who stand; comfort and help the fainthearted; raise up the fallen; and finally beat down Satan under our feet. **Hear us, O Christ.**

IV. Guide the leaders of the nations into the ways of peace and justice. **Hear us, O Christ.**

Give us the will to use the resources of the earth to your glory and for the good of all. **Hear us, O Christ.**

Bless and keep all your people, **Hear us, O Christ.**

Comfort and liberate the lonely, the bereaved and the oppressed. **Hear us, O Christ.**

Keep in safety those who travel and all who are in peril. **Hear us, O Christ.**

Heal the sick in body, mind or spirit and provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute. **Hear us, O Christ.**

Guard and protect all children who are in danger. **Hear us, O Christ.**

Shower your compassion on prisoners, hostages and refugees, and all who are in trouble. **Hear us, O Christ.**

Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and turn their hearts. **Hear us, O Christ.**

Hear us as we remember those who have died and grant us with them a share in your eternal glory. **Hear us, O Christ.**

Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance and our deliberate sins; and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your word.

8 – Spoken **Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy on us.**

10:15 – Sung **Hymn S-100 Trisagion: Holy God**

Hurd

The Acclamation and Collect

Celebrant Blessed be the God of our salvation:
People **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**
Celebrant God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Lector A Reading from the Book of Genesis. (2:15-17; 3:1-7)

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?'" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

People Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 32 *prayed in unison*

**Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, *
and whose sin is put away!**

**Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, *
and in whose spirit there is no guile!**

**While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, *
because of my groaning all day long.**

**For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

**Then I acknowledged my sin to you, *
and did not conceal my guilt.**

**I said, " I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." *
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.**

**Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**

**You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**

**"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; *
I will guide you with my eye.**

**Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; *
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."**

**Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.**

**Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; *
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.**

The Epistle

Lector A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans. (5:12-19)

As sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned-- sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

People **Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation: Hymn H-626 (stanza 1 only)

Quam Dilecta

The Holy Gospel

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew. (4:1-11)
People **Glory be to thee, Lord Christ.**

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written,

 'One does not live by bread alone,
 but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

‘He will command his angels concerning you,
and ‘On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’”

Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.”
Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

‘Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him.’”

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise be to thee, Lord Christ.

Gospel Acclamation: Hymn H-626 (*stanza 2*)

Quam Dilecta

The Sermon

The Reverend Dr. Sylvia Sweeney, PhD, Dean of Bloy House,
Episcopal Theological School of Los Angeles

The Nicene Creed

The Celebrant and People pray together, standing as they are able

**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:
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and became truly human.
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.
Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Peace

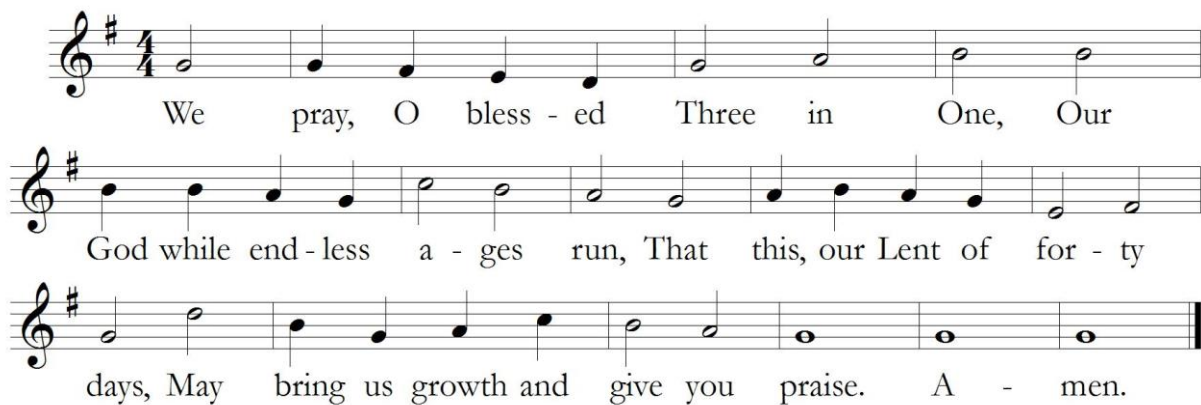
Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Welcome & Announcements

The Offertory

Choral Anthem *Wash me thoroughly* David Halls

The Doxology *We pray, O blessed Three in One* Old 100th



We pray, O bless - ed Three in One, Our
God while end - less a - ges run, That this, our Lent of for - ty
days, May bring us growth and give you praise. A - men.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. 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 we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Hymn S – 128 *Holy, holy, holy Lord* Sanctus, Mathias

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The people may stand or kneel as the Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Thomas and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

Fraction Anthem S - 160 Jesus, Lamb of God

Mathias

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion; everyone is welcome to come forward for a blessing.
We use wheat-based hosts and wine for Communion; if you prefer gluten-free bread, please inform the priest.
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 H-147 Now let us all with one accord

Bourbon

Hymn H-559 Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us

Dulce Carmen

The Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

People and Celebrant, standing as they are able

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

The Blessing

The Wisdom of God the Love of God and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. **Amen.** (*source: Celtic*)

Hymn – 142 Lord, who throughout these forty days

St. Flavian

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Meet & greet over refreshments in Julian Hall right after the service.

At 9:15 a.m. please join us for a conversation about “Winged with Longing for Better Things” with author The Reverend Dr. Sylvia Sweeney, PhD.

Every Sunday, our coffee teams do a great job of setting up Julian Hall and supplying baked & savory treats after both services. Be sure to extend a thank-you to this week's team, and consider becoming a member as well.*

** This week's team: Norma Bowles, Lani Jones, Pam Bowen, Doria Lore & Letty Rojas*

Thank you to Tom Reid and others for setting up Julian Hall on Saturday.

Saint Thomas of Canterbury Episcopal Church and School

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Worship: Sundays, 8 and 10:15 in the morning; Wednesdays, 7 pm

Church Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 9 am to 2 pm

Preschool: Monday through Friday, 7 am to 6:30 pm

The Right Reverend Susan Brown Snook, Bishop of San Diego

The Reverend Julie D. Bryant, DMin., *Priest-in-Charge*

Ms. Sandra Guajardo, *Preschool Director*

Dr. Stephen Sturk, DMA, *Music Director*

Bishop's Committee

Chantel Blas (2022); Tess Crawford (2022); Russell Higgins (2023); Ann Little (2022); Allan O'Neil (2023); Anne Meservey (2021); Tom Reid (2021); Warren Rippe (2023); Dr Frank Rojas (2021); Lauren Walton (2021); Lynn Dordahl, *Treasurer*.

ATTENTION † REMINDERS

Lenten Soup Suppers

The Friday night Lenten gatherings begin next week, March 6th, at 6 pm.

We will walk the Stations of the Cross, using several different versions of this ancient prayer practice, then share a simple potluck supper and conversation. Please plan to take part, and look for the Potluck sign-up sheets in the Narthex.

Because each of the Stations will focus on different themes, we'll have plenty to talk about!

March 6 - (Re-)Imagined Familiar. We will begin our Stations journey using the booklets and prayers that are familiar to the Saint Thomas family. Alongside the Stations mounted around the perimeter of the Church, we will hang images from various artists who have responded to the sacred story of Jesus' arrest, trial, and crucifixion

March 13 - 'Women of the Passion.' In this Stations liturgy, women whose lives were transformed by encounters with Jesus narrate the Passion they witness unfolding in their midst. Katie Sherrod's book, published in 2006, has been used extensively to call contemporary people of faith into deeper understanding of Jesus' presence and effect on the surrounding community.

March 20 - Stations for All. Using simplified language and images, we invite all members of our congregation to learn and reflect on the Passion of Jesus; we will offer art supplies of several types as tools to respond to the Stations. While this evening is particularly accessible for our younger members, people of all ages may find the invitation to create opens a window to prayer and contemplation.

March 27 - Immigration Focus. Called to the Wall is an advocacy and liturgical event celebrated for the tenth time this year. Members of the Episcopal tradition from both sides of the US-Mexico border will pray the Stations as they progress through their communities to the common wall that marks the border; There, the clergy will celebrate the Eucharist and offer blessings through openings in the wall, often to families separated by circumstance and immigration policy. On the eve of the Called to the Wall pilgrimage, we will use the same Stations liturgy here at Saint Thomas.

April 3 - Interactive Stations. We will utilize a number of tactile elements to symbolically engage physical attributes of the Via Dolorosa, so that our senses can carry us across time and space to understand more intimately the journey Jesus undertook on our behalf.

KNIT W.I.T.S.* (With Intent to Serve)

Monday, March 9th at Andrea Liesman's home from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Daughters of the King

Tuesday, March 10th 5:30 p.m. in the St. Benedict Conference Room

Lenten Book Discussion

Each Sunday during Lent, 9:15 – 10:00 a.m. Julian Hall

Let's Make Palm Crosses

April 4th 8:30 a.m. Julian Hall.

Save the Date!

Youth Italian Night Dinner & Fundraiser - Saturday, April 25th 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Spread the Word

We have extra copies of the Canterbury Tales and invite you all to please take a copy or two and share them with your family, friends, senior centers and other locations as you deem appropriate. Thank you for sharing the news of the wonderful work we are doing here at St Thomas of Canterbury Episcopal Church.



PRAYERS AND SQUARES

Members of our community make small quilts to bring comfort to those in need, particularly those suffering physically.

Quilt request forms are in the church pew holders, and can be returned to Deb Mitchell via the offering plate or in her mailbox in the church office. Quilts may be requested for anyone known to have a need.



FOOD DONATIONS

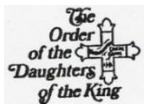
Please remember to bring in donations during the month for our pantry. We bless and deliver food to hungry people and pets twice a month. Grocery bags and shopping lists are provided in the Narthex. The food goes to the Community Mission of Hope; please support this important ministry.

Alcoholics Anonymous Open Meeting

Every Wednesday evening, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Julian Hall
The congregation is glad to host this recovery group.

Stay Informed!

Stay informed and see what is going on at St. Thomas and the Diocese by signing up for our Wednesday e-blast. Go to our website: episcopalchurchtemecula.org Click on 'Stay Informed,' and sign up.



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 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).

(* Indicates those that have died and their family and friends.)

If you have a pastoral care need please call the office at (951)302-4566, or our Priest-in-Charge, the Reverend Julie Bryant at (310)625-9377.

For the Week of Sunday, March 1 through Sunday, March 8

FOR OUR CLERGY

Michael, our Presiding Bishop
Susan, our Bishop
Julie, our Priest-in-Charge

FOR THE NATION AND ALL IN AUTHORITY

Donald, our President; Gavin, our Governor; &
James "Stew" Stewart, our Mayor

FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Steve McNeil (*friend of Faisal Sipra*)
Drew Durivage (*nephew of Jon Floth*)
Ryan Conner (*grandson-in-law of Kay Bemis*)
Taylor Day (*grandson of Kay & Ed Rather*)
Ryan Longwell (*friend of the Tisdales*)
Weston Izzi (*grandson of the Klipperts*)
Eric Grindle (*son of Susan Grindle*)
Patrick Furlong (*son of Debbie & Patrick Furlong*)
Ben Irvin (*stepbrother of Maggie Cabral*)
Eric Cirincione (*cousin of Maggie Cabral*)
McKenna Izzi (*granddaughter of the Klipperts*)
Adrian Busbee (*grandson-in-law of Mary Lou Thomas*)
Mat Hobby (*son of John & Tess Crawford*)
Jared Faherty (*req. by Deb Mitchell*)
Aaron Looper (*son-in-law of the Jumps*)

FOR THOSE SUFFERING: BODY, MIND, SPIRIT

Viki Iredale-Tangas
Chris Junger
Roland Steele
Ann Ludwig
Barbara Mina
Michael K Brown, kidney disease (*son of Roberta Brown*)
Donna Happ
Coral Bergman
Roberta Brown
Judy Pellam
Joan Wanner
Stewart Crawford
Jaden Drago (*grandson of Richard and Marva Ross*)
Mike Bramhall
Nancy Jo Mandery (*healing of body and mind*)
Maria Almodiel

*The Mihok, Portillo & Nieves families,
relatives of Margarita Benitez
Franceli Seixas
Luke the Great Dane, bad eye (*dog of the Seixas family*)
Mary Ruth Hunsberger (*dear friend of Donna Weiss*)
Corina Benitez – upcoming surgery (*sister of Ana Mihok*)

*Swartz family and the Clarke Family
Gavin Cox (*friend of Jenn Cole*)
Roberta – diagnosed with leukemia (*neighbor of Mary Lou Thomas*)
Josie – treatment for heart attack (*dear friend of Mary Lou Thomas*)

*Gary Miller and Klip & Jackie Klippert

FOR SAFE PREGNANCY & BIRTH

Gabby Day (*granddaughter-in-law of the Rathers*)
Haleigh Looper (*daughter of Darren & Sonya Jump*)

THANKSGIVING FOR SAFE BIRTH OF ...

FOR SAFE TRAVELS

BAPTISM BLESSINGS

Tristan age 1, baptism on 3/1/2020
(*Grandson of the Wyncotts*)

FOR WISDOM & GUIDANCE

Laura Palma (*encouragement for job search*)
Frank Lilly (*son of Mary Lou Thomas*)
Jenn Cole

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

*Margarita Benitez (*relative of the Mihoks*)
***Judy Hickman Swartz (*cousin of Carol Clarke*)**
***Victoria Miller (*sister of Klip Klippert*)**

FOR OUR PETS WHO HAVE DIED

*Layla (*Family dog of the Sipra family*)

