



### During Lent, Don't Forget the Food Ministry!

Please keep up your food donations and help us bring canned foods and boxes to Interfaith Ministries.

Put your donations in the Food Basket located at the side of the church. The basket is then brought up to the Altar along with the offering every Sunday and is blessed with our offerings.

A BIG THANK YOU to **Robert & Sharon Neller** for all their faithful work bagging and bringing the donations into Interfaith Ministries.

### + Christian Symbols +

#### Rooster



The rooster is reminiscent of Peter's threefold denial of Jesus on the night of Jesus' trial (Matthew 26:34, NIV); thus; it may represent faithlessness in general, especially in the face of danger. Because of the rooster's early-morning call, it's also symbolic of watchfulness: "Therefore keep watch," said Jesus, illustrating the return of the Son of Man, "because you do not know when the owner of the house will come back — whether in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or at dawn"

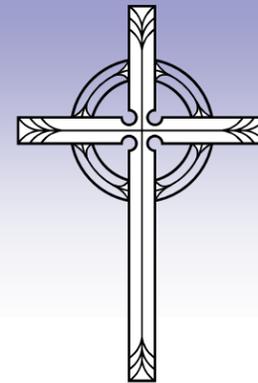
(Mark 13:35, NIV)

*from the Newsletter Newsletter*

Answer to Bible Quiz: A

(See Luke 19:40.)

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# The Savior's Voice

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### Don't Miss the Lenten Soup Suppers!

Every Wednesday night at 6:00 p.m., there will be bible study, stations of the cross and a soup supper hosted by different church women every time. This is a wonderful time to learn more about the Lenten customs, stations of the cross and enjoy a delicious supper and fellowship.

For more information, call the church or Liz Basham.

*"Faith is not believing that  
God can,  
but that God will."*

—Abraham Lincoln

*from the Newsletter Newsletter*



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### Indulge for **Lent**

Rather than sacrificing something for Lent — especially something easy and spiritually insignificant, such as chocolate — Patty Kirk, in *Guideposts* magazine, suggests finding new ways to indulge in God's presence. Surely one can do this by having extra devotions or attending Lenten worship services. But Kirk offers these ideas:

- ✚ Spend time outdoors, sensing God's magnificence.
- ✚ Spend time with others, extending generosity and compassion. Remember Jesus' promise that when you care for others, you care for him (*Matthew 25:31-46*).
- ✚ Pray for the "little things," coming before God in child-like trust and feeling peace.
- ✚ Watch attentively for God's answers to prayer and receive them as reminders of his presence.
- ✚ Turn anxiety into prayer. As you frame concerns as prayers and entrust them to God, you "sacrifice" the tendency to wallow in worry.

*from the Newsletter Newsletter*



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*The Bishop's Committee meets the second Sunday of every month following the Sunday service.*

- ✚ Sunday School - Sunday at 9:30 a.m.
- ✚ Nursery - Sunday at 9:30 a.m.
- ✚ Church Service - Sunday at 9:30 a.m.



### Altar Guild Co-Directresses

Liz Bashm & Jan Miller

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## Welcome to Jesus, Our Savior

*Peace soothes my soul as I rest in the assurance of God's love.*

Waking in the early morning hours when all in my house is still, I listen to the quiet and feel the peaceful presence of God within me. In these sacred moments, I understand any time throughout the day.

Enfolded in the assurance of God's love, I reach out to the world with thoughts of peace. I see each man, woman and child comforted by God's loving presence. I pray in faith, believing that peace, happiness and well-being are inherent in every life.

God's presence soothes and sustains me and each one I hold in prayer. Wherever we are, we are connected in Spirit. We have an inner calm that strengthens our souls and comforts those around us.

*"My people will abide in a peaceful habitation, in secure dwellings and in quiet resting places." Isaiah 32:18*

My wish for every member of our congregation is a very blessed Lent to one and all.

*With blessings and love,  
Beverly Burke  
Welcoming Committee*



### NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 15th of every month.

Please e-mail your submissions to Mary at [mlscott9@pacbell.net](mailto:mlscott9@pacbell.net) or call 529-7606.

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## Another Successful Computer Give-Away

On February 28, 100 desktop computers were given to junior high students from Hanshaw Middle School, LaLoma, Mark Twain and Roosevelt schools. In addition, students from Beyer, Elliott, Gregori, Downey, Johansen and Modesto High Schools received 20 laptop computers. These students are all selected by teachers and counselors based on their high achievement and low income status. To pay it forward, these students are asked to perform 6 hours of community service at a place of their choice.

Please help us to continue this wonderful ministry. All personal and business donations are welcomed. The hard drive on the computers are scrubbed and new free software (Linux) is installed. If the system is unable to be fixed, parts can still be taken from them to use. The parts that can't be used are taken to E-Waste.

For the first time, we didn't have enough mice and keyboards. Donations are appreciated to help defray the cost of purchasing these when needed. Thank you!

### Dates to remember

- Second Sunday in Lent ..... March 1
- World Day of Prayer ..... March 6
- Third Sunday in Lent ..... March 8
- Daylight-Saving Time Begins ..... March 8
- Girl Scout Sunday ..... March 8
- Fourth Sunday in Lent ..... March 15
- First Day of Spring ..... March 20
- Fifth Sunday in Lent ..... March 22
- Palm/Passion Sunday ..... March 29
- Holy Week ..... March 29-April 4

### Bible Quiz

When the Pharisees complained about the noisy crowd praising God as Jesus entered Jerusalem on a donkey, what did he say would shout out if the people were silent?

- A. The stones
- B. The trees
- C. The palm branches
- D. The donkey

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- Karen T.
- Gabriella
- Betty H.
- Maxine M.
- Carlton McC.
- Fr. Bill & Shirley
- Dave & Michelle
- Rob & Lori
- Helen M.
- Gloria W.
- Pamela J.
- Art & Jane
- Rachel
- Wendy
- Don & Ruby
- Joan C.
- Kennedy R.
- Janet M.
- Haley B.
- Phil R.
- Wicher Family
- Rashel S.
- Kay K.
- Sandra B.
- Tom D., Jr.
- Evan W.
- John
- Lucille
- Eiden
- Nancy B.
- Marjorie M.
- Ruby H.
- Gwen H.
- Eva B.
- Jean R.
- Yvette C.
- JoAnne M.
- Bryce
- Corinne
- Sam A
- Gillian
- Conley
- Annabelle
- Ruth G.
- Myles P.
- Genie B.
- Lucille
- Jan L.
- Beverly B.

If you have a name to add to the prayer list, please call the church at 551-5279.

### Answers to Kid's Page

1. anxious
2. every 3. prayer
4. petition
5. thanksgiving
6. requests
7. God
8. peace
9. transcends
10. understanding
11. guard
12. hearts
13. minds
14. Philippians



- ❖ Nicky Beyers ..... March 1
- ❖ Joan Faucett ..... March 4
- ❖ Suzana Pine ..... March 4
- ❖ Angelina Pine ..... March 16
- ❖ Tom Carrillo ..... March 28

Tom & Genevieve Dimperio.. March 18...69 years

*If you are not on the Birthday/Anniversary Chart, please let Mary Scott know.*

# The Kid's Page

## PRAYER REMINDER



Use this fun family activity to remember to pray for other people.

### What you need:

- White index cards (at least six)
- Markers or colored pencils (red, orange, yellow, green, blue and brown)
- M&M's candies

### What you do:

1. On each card, write a group of people to pray for (family members, friends, teachers, sick people, etc.). Use a different color of writing utensil for each card.
2. While sitting at a table, divide the M&M's among family members.
3. Spread out the cards and explain that each color represents a group of people to pray for. Have each family member choose one candy and consider who they'll pray for.
4. Designate one person to start praying aloud. Go around the circle, and have the last person close.
5. At the end of that round, eat those M&M's.
6. Continue until you've prayed for all the cards. (Make more, if you'd like!)



## POWER OF PRAYER

When life gets crazy, worry creeps in. But God tells us exactly what to do – any time and anywhere.

Directions: Circle the word in each group that doesn't belong. Then write those words on the numbered lines below.

1 apple anxious artichoke	2 every eagle emu	3 purple pink prayer	4 Paul petition Peter	5 taste touch thanksgiving
6 rest requests relax	7 God George Greg	8 puddle peace pond	9 transcends train truck	10 unusual unique understanding
11 guard giraffe gorilla	12 hearts hold held	13 many minds more	14 Philadelphia Pennsylvania Philippians	

"Do not be \_\_\_\_\_ about anything, but in \_\_\_\_\_ situation, by \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, with \_\_\_\_\_, present your \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_. And the \_\_\_\_\_ of God, which \_\_\_\_\_ all \_\_\_\_\_, will \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_ and your \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ Jesus." \_\_\_\_\_ 4:6-7, NIV

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Answer on page 8



## The Vicar's Voice

During this 40 day cycle of Lent, please prepare your heart and meditate upon the 40 days our Lord, was tempted and placed under the siege of Satan. Lets us endeavor to prepare and sacrifice, and grow with humility in our Christian life.

This modern world we live in today, is under an evil prescience that is attempting to destroy the good that is in creation. To put asunder the love, joy and compassion that God has given to mankind. Seek during this season the things God is calling you to do. Be the light of peace and be a stalwart pillar of faith in Christ. And keep a continual prayer for peace upon your lips.

With the acts that we process in love and charity, we will overcome. For as Christ died for us and overcame death, that we may live in him, keep that candle of God's grace burning.

So as we mark this season of Lent, remember the following:

*God, grant me the serenity to accept the things  
I cannot change,  
the courage to change the things I can,  
and the wisdom to know the difference. Amen*

*Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Jack*



### Results of Election

We would like to welcome Beverly Burke to the Bishop's Committee. In addition, Jim O'Neill was selected to be the Bishop's Senior Warden.

Liz Basham and Jim O'Neill and Joan Faucett, alternate were voted in as 2015 delegates to the Diocesan Council.



Don't miss the next Men's Prayer Breakfast set for Saturday, March 14.

We will meet at the church the second Saturday of each month at 9:00 a.m. for Bible study, reflection and fellowship. A restaurant for breakfast will be selected by consensus.

Come join us for prayer, reflection and a good breakfast!



## St. Patrick's Day Trivia

You may know that St. Patrick used shamrocks to teach about the Trinity, but did you know these other facts about him?

- St. Patrick wasn't Irish. (His parents were Roman citizens living in either Scotland or Wales.)
- He was kidnapped and sold as a slave at age 16. After escaping six years later, he joined a monastery in England.
- March 17 is the date of St. Patrick's death, not his birth. He died in 461 A.D.
- The color originally associated with St. Patrick is blue, not green.
- The harp, not the shamrock, is the national symbol of Ireland.

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### Bishop's Note

#### February 26, 2015 - The Last Word of Jesus, Part #2

"Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." (Luke 23:43)

The last words of Jesus are some of the most powerful ever spoken. They have resounded throughout the last two thousand years, and will continue doing so until our Lord returns. In the first week of Lent we concentrated on Jesus' statement: "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." (Luke 23:34) This week we see Jesus put those words into action as he responds to the plea of a criminal. Allow me to set the scene.

Jesus has been falsely accused and convicted. He has been beaten and scourged, nailed to a cross, and hoisted aloft between two criminals - one on his right and one on his left. The religious officials and Roman soldiers were mocking Jesus. They divided his garments, and even one of the criminals berated Jesus saying: "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." (Luke 23:39-42)

It was the plea of the criminal to be remembered that caught Jesus' attention. Jesus' response had to have been the sweetest words imaginable: "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." (Luke 23:43) The Greek term that Jesus used for "Paradise" (paradeisos) is the same term used in the Greek Old Testament to mean "garden" - specifically the Garden of Eden (Genesis 2:8). In addition, in the first century "Paradise" was also used to refer to the place one went following death while awaiting the coming of the Messiah, or "Heaven." In other words, Jesus promised the criminal, whose heart called out to Jesus, that he would be with Jesus in Heaven that very day. Whether Heaven was the Garden of Eden restored or the great

wedding banquet that Jesus spoke of to his disciples, is academic. The Good News - the Gospel - for this criminal is that Jesus would have mercy upon him - not saving him from the consequences of his action that led to crucifixion, but showing him the ultimate mercy of saving him from banishment to hell.

It is important to note that this criminal was not a disciple of Jesus, nor did he live a virtuous life. He simply recognized who Jesus really was and asked with a contrite heart, "...remember me when you come into your kingdom."

Salvation really is that simple. It comes with the recognition of who Jesus really is and who we really are, and with pleas for mercy and grace.

Of course, the criminal was actively dying, and in fact shortly would have his legs broken by the Roman soldier in order to hasten his death. 99.99% of the rest of us who come to that knowledge of who Jesus really is need to follow up that plea for mercy with the humble invitation for Jesus to be Lord of our lives. Have you made that plea for mercy? Do you know in your heart of hearts what awaits you the very next second after you take your last breath on earth? If in any way you are unsure, I encourage you to take this moment to make the same plea that the criminal made, and to invite Jesus into your life as Lord.

This Lent I would like to invite you to meditate upon the mercy of the Father for us, granted through His Son - mercy which is given not because we deserve it or have in any way merited it. God's mercy is simply given through love. Having received God's love and mercy, what in your life reflects your response to God? Have you put your full trust in Jesus?

*I pray you a blessed Lord's Day  
and a Holy Lent!  
Bishop Menees*

### Diocesan Calendar



- ✦ **March 10** - Rural Deans' Meeting
- ✦ **March 11-12** - Gathering of Western Bishops at ECCO
- ✦ **March 21** - Diocesan Council Meeting



### A Potluck of People

Many congregations enjoy gathering for potluck dinners — meals largely unplanned, when people bring food to share. Usually, the main dishes, salads and desserts balance out. The fun is the variety mixing together on a plate and the surprise factor of what's contributed.

Churches and communities — even families — are potlucks of a sort, too. When groups assemble, each person contributes something unique and sometimes unexpected. When all is mixed together, the whole is truly greater than the sum of the parts. A beautiful balance often results: One is a good singer, the other writes well; some are strong leaders, others dependable team members; some are traditional, others innovative. Together, it's delicious!

Potlucks are sometimes called covered-dish dinners. But don't keep your gifts "covered"! Share them because you're a valued part of the whole.

*from the Newsletter Newsletter*



### A Churchless Christian

In response to the question "Can I be a Christian without joining the church?" someone once said it's as possible as being:

- ❖ A student who will not go to school.
- ❖ A soldier who will not join an army.
- ❖ A citizen who does not pay taxes or vote.
- ❖ A salesman with no customers.
- ❖ An explorer with no base camp.
- ❖ A seaman on a ship without a crew.
- ❖ A businessman on a deserted island.
- ❖ An author without readers.
- ❖ A tuba player without an orchestra.
- ❖ A parent without a family.
- ❖ A football player without a team.
- ❖ A politician who is a hermit.
- ❖ A scientist who does not share his findings.
- ❖ A bee without a hive.

*—Author unknown  
from the Newsletter Newsletter*

### Daughters of the Holy Cross Installation



by Joan Faucett, President

Join us on Sunday, March 8 to help install Luci Beyers, Eva Breshears, Pamela Jordan and Helen Merrick. Our new members will be presented and receive a beautiful new cross. Come join us for a wonderful celebration.

The Daughters of the Holy Cross meet the last Friday of every month at 10:00 a.m. at the church.

We are always appreciative of any donation to help the church.



**Don't forget to turn your clocks forward on March 8th!**

### Recycle Update



Please keep bringing in plastic soda, CRV juice bottles and aluminum soda cans. To date, our recycling efforts have brought in **\$272.95**.

Don't forget your used toner and ink cartridges. Office Max has changed their recycle policy and will now only take 10 cartridges per month. That is still a \$10.00 credit for office supplies and newsletter copying, which we receive at the end of the month.

**Thanks for all your support!**



**Prime Shine Coupons** are still available for \$7.00 each.

See Seth Simas, Mary Scott or call the church to get a coupon!

The proceeds go to the Building Fund.