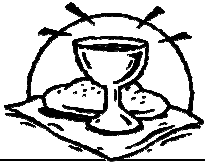


# Benediction Weekly

April 8, 2018

*The people of St. Benedict's are called to share God's love as we minister with and to all persons in Los Osos and beyond, providing worship, education, nurture, fellowship and service.*



## Evening Eucharist Service this Saturday at 5:30

Once a month, on the second Saturday, St. Benedict's has an evening Eucharist service with music, using liturgies from a variety of sources. The service is followed by a simple soup supper for those who wish to stay. *Join us!*

### Coming up at St. Benedict's

(at the church unless otherwise specified)

#### TODAY

- 8:00 am – Contemplative Communion Service
- 9:20 am – Bible Study
- 10:30 am – Holy Eucharist with music

#### Monday, Apr 9

- 7:30 pm – "Opening Doors" at Nativity of Our Lady

#### Tuesday, Apr 10

- 5:30 pm – Vespers, followed by potluck supper

#### Wednesday, Apr 11

- 2:30 pm – Earthcare Meeting
- 5:30 pm – Chamber of Commerce Mixer
- 7:00 pm – Choir Rehearsal

#### Saturday, Apr 14

- 9:00 am – Men's Breakfast at Sea Pines Grill
- 5:30 pm – Saturday night Eucharist

#### Sunday, Apr 15

- 8:00 am – Contemplative Communion Service
- 9:20 am – Bible Study
- 10:30 am – Holy Eucharist, with music
- 7:30 pm – Emma's Revolution concert at SLO UMC

#### *Tomorrow Night:*

Opening Doors of Interfaith Understanding presents...

### ***"The Abuse of the Word of God"***

***How faith traditions based on nonviolence are sometimes used to support violence.***

Talk and Discussion led by Dr. Rushdie Cader, Rabbi Linda Bertenthal, and Fr. Jim Nisbet - Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup>  
7:30 pm at Nativity of Our Lady, 221 Daly St., SLO



## Storytelling and Faith to Headline May 19 Spring Conference

Save the date for the diocesan Spring Conference on Saturday, May 19, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Salinas. The conference will focus on the Beloved Community Story Sharing Campaign, a project conceived to support the Presiding Bishop's strategic path called ***"Becoming Beloved Community: The Episcopal Church's Long-term Commitment to Racial Healing, Reconciliation and Justice."***

This learning day is an interactive workshop with two parts. First we will learn about story, narrative, and myth and how they function in our faith. We will consider what the stories, narratives, jokes, and tropes we repeat say about who we are and how we understand God in our church. In part two, together we will engage our spiritual imaginations and learn how storytelling can redefine evangelism and facilitate racial reconciliation. We will tell our stories and listen to others stories looking for the glory of God. Come share, learn, and be inspired by the way our stories build community and speak of the goodness of God.

It is with sadness that we report the death of Shannon Mallory, first bishop of the Diocese of El Camino Real. May he now rest in peace and rise in glory.

***Almighty God, our Father in heaven, before whom live all who die in the Lord: Receive our brother Shannon into the courts of your heavenly dwelling place. Let his heart and soul now ring out in joy to you, O Lord, the living God, and the God of those who live. This we ask through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

### **Serving God and the People of St. Benedict's this Week:**

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Caroline Hall; Deacon: The Rev. Sharon Dalrymple; Eucharistic Ministers: Alan Kiste & Brian Spolarich; Lectors: Joan Hayes & Francis Rivinus; Ushers: Connie Weldon & Esta Kandarian; Greeter: Lorienne Schwenk; Flowers: Brian Spolarich; Altar Guild: Lisa Gonzalez & Stef Shuman; Prayer Team Member: Judy Schloss; Coffee Hour Hosts: Pat Stoneman & Barbara Schippers; Tellers: Alice Welchert & Diana Hammerlund; Music Director: John Cribb



**On-Going  
Activities  
at St. Ben's**

**ABUNDANCE SHOP**– Thrift shop at 2025 9th St. Tues- Sat 10am-4pm.

**BIBLE STUDY** – Sundays at 9:20 am

**EARTHCARE** – A discussion/action group to formulate local solutions to environmental concerns. 2nd Weds at 2:30 pm.

**HEALING SERVICE** – a time for prayers for healing at the 10:30 service on 5th Sundays.

**HOLLISTER INSTITUTE** – Opportunities for stimulating discussion and thoughtful exploration for everyone, whether or not they are members of a church. See website.

**INTERCESSORY PRAYER CIRCLE**– Prayers for the community and the world. 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 10am.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST** – morning social gathering, 2nd Saturdays 9am at Sea Pines Grill.

**PEOPLE'S KITCHEN** – Providing and serving food at Prado Day Center, 1st Saturday of even-numbered months.

**POTLUCK AND PRADO** on the 1st Sunday of each month donations to Prado Day Center are collected, and potluck lunch follows 10:30 service.

**SATURDAY EUCHARIST** - Evening Eucharist on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 5:30pm, followed by potluck supper.

**VESPERS AND CONVERSATION** 5:30 pm Tuesdays. Vespers service using varying liturgies, followed by potluck supper.

**VESTRY / PARISH COUNCIL**  
3rd Sundays at 12:30pm  
The Rev. Dr. Caroline Hall, *Rector*  
Pamela Bleisch Strawn, *Sr. Warden*,  
Lisa Gonzalez, Diana Hammerlund,  
Esta Kandarian, Alan Kiste,  
Michael Lucas, Francis Rivinus,  
Barbara Schippers,  
Lorienne Schwenk, Lynn Wise

## Zero Waste Presentation

Thursday, April 19

As part of Faith Climate Action Week, St. Ben's will be hosting a presentation on Thursday, April 19 at 6:30pm, by Mike di Milo, Education Program Coordinator for the SLO County Integrated Waste Management Authority. There will be a slideshow, "**The Road to Zero Waste**" with Q & A, followed by an informative video: "**The Story of Stuff.**"

Learn how we can take the next step in using natural resources more wisely, while moving toward zero waste. You'll leave with a new perspective on what to throw away after seeing this thought-provoking presentation. This is an open meeting - please invite your friends!

## Chamber of Commerce Mixer

Wednesday, April 11

St. Ben's will be hosting the Chamber of Commerce membership Mixer this Wednesday from 5:30 - 7pm. Please consider coming to welcome them. If you know a local business which would like to provide a door prize please contact Deacon Sharon.



## Conflict Management and Mediation Training

Saturday, April 28, at St. Stephen's

Training for Conflict Management and Mediation in the Church is coming in April, at three locations across our Diocese. In our deanery, it will be held on Saturday, April 28 at St. Stephen's, 1344 Nipomo St., SLO.

This introduction to conflict management is based upon a facilitative model used in courts and community mediation settings. The objective is to recognize conflict when it occurs, to hone listening skills, and to discover the interests that lie behind the positions people take in conflict situations. We teach people how to foster a safe environment so that the true intentions and interests can emerge so that true problem-solving can occur. A discussion will follow examining the uniqueness of disputes in the church or parish setting, and then explore fact scenarios and role plays. The goal is that church leaders will gain new tools to use in order to convene and facilitate difficult discussions before they escalate.

*The trainers: Bill Shelby is an educator at CSUMB and is a professional mediator. Jackie Pierce is an attorney and runs the Mandell Gisnet Center at the Monterey College of Law and a professional mediator.*

Trainings will take place 9:30 am-3:30 pm; gather at 9 am for check-in and refreshments. Lunch, snacks and materials will be provided. Please RSVP to convenor David Ottesen, [ottesen2@icloud.com](mailto:ottesen2@icloud.com) to assure seating and lunch for everyone, and sufficient materials in hand for distribution.

## Nurturing Your Baby Support Group

Starting April 19

Nurturing your baby support group for the North Coast will be meeting at St. Benedict's every other Thursday from 9:30-11:30 a.m., starting April 19. Facilitator Lisa Boyd is an International Board Certified Lactation Consultant and Labor and Postpartum Doula and mother of three with a background in nutrition and education. Through this group participants will learn, support and guide each other through this new and exciting phase of life. Each week there will be a relevant topic to discuss related to feeding and development as well as time for questions



## Emma's Revolution Concert Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm ~ SLO United Methodist Church, 1515 Fredericks St.

Emma's Revolution, the award-winning "activist power duo" of Pat Humphries & Sandy O, will be performing in concert next Sunday night, to benefit People of Faith for Justice, an interfaith alliance in SLO County that promotes peace and justice for all through ongoing education and strategic advocacy. Tickets, available through [www.emmasrevolution.com](http://www.emmasrevolution.com), are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. Preferred seating is \$30.

**Keeping in Touch during the Week.** For counsel & spiritual care, please contact any of the clergy:

The Rev. Dr. Caroline Hall, 704-5826; The Rev. Donna Ross, 235-5117; The Rev. Barry Turner, 784-0670; or The Rev. Faye Hogan, 541-4595. Call Celeste Pennington with pastoral care & prayer chain requests, 771-8974.

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