

Benediction Weekly

October 21, 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.

Today at 3:00 p.m.



Central Coast Readers' Theater presents: "GAUDY NIGHT"

Gaudy Night (1935) is a mystery by Dorothy L. Sayers, featuring Lord Peter Wimsey and Harriet Vane. Harriet has returned to her Oxford college alma mater to attend the annual 'Gaudy' celebrations. However, the mood turns sour when someone begins a series of malicious pranks. Desperate to avoid a possible murder in college, Harriet asks her old friend Wimsey to investigate.

◆ Produced by John Cribb ◆ Directed by Jonniepat Mobley ◆ \$10 suggested donation

This Week 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
- 12:15 pm – Parish Council Meeting
- 3:00 pm – Readers' Theatre Presents "Gaudy Night"

Monday, Oct 22

- 6:30 pm – "Active Hope" book group

Tuesday, Oct 23

- 3:45 pm – Hollister Inst: "A Good Life"
- 5:30 pm – Vespers, followed by potluck supper

Wednesday, Oct 24

- 7:00 pm – Choir Rehearsal

Fri & Saturday, Oct 26 & 27

- Diocesan Convention, Salinas

Sunday, Oct 28

- 8:00 am – Contemplative Communion Service
- 9:20 am – Bible Study
- 9:30 am – "Messy Church" family worship
- 10:30 am – Holy Eucharist with music



Rev. Caro+ will be on vacation
from November 5th through 19th



The 38th Annual Diocesan Convention

will be held this Friday and Saturday, in Salinas. This year's theme will be "**Relational Courage**." Please keep our delegation in your prayers. In addition to our clergy, our elected lay delegates are John Cribb, Ann Lucas, and Lisa Gonzalez.

All Saints' Day Necrology

All Saints' Day will be observed on Sunday, November 4th. In church tradition, names of parishioners and loved ones who have died are read as part of the Eucharist that day. If you would like someone remembered, please give their names to Stef at stefshuman@sbcglobal.net for inclusion in the bulletin by Wednesday, Oct 31st. To have their photos included in the remembrance, send digital files to office@stbenslososos.org or leave a photo in Dana's box with their names and yours.

Prayer for St. Benedict's: Almighty God, whose loving hand has given us all that we possess and has blessed us with the community of St. Benedict's: Grant us the grace to see your abundance, and the openness to receive the full riches of your blessing, that we may continue to grow and flourish as your people in this place; that we may be your faithful stewards and may more surely fulfill our role in your eternal purpose, to the honor of God Christ our Lord. Amen

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

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Caroline Hall; Eucharistic Minister: Jim Arnold; Lector: Lisa Gonzalez;
Ushers: Alan Kiste & Brian Spolarich; Greeter: Laura Thompson; Flowers: Brian Spolarich; Altar Guild: Sarah Chesebro;
Coffee Hour Hosts: The Family of Emily Young; Tellers: Mary Ellen Rico & Judy Schloss;
After Service Greeter: Esta Kandarian; Intercessory Prayer Team: Louisa Beeler; Music Director: John Cribb

Thank you for your service!



**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

COMMUNITY DINNER – Providing and serving food at Trinity UMC, on 1st Monday of odd-numbered months in conjunction with Los Osos Cares.

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 – Varying programs of stimulating discussion and thoughtful exploration for everyone. See website.

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

LAUNDRY LOVE - 5-9pm on 4th Wednesdays at Osos Clean Laundry, helping low-income families with funds, soap, and friendly assistance.

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

MESSY CHURCH - Sunday morning worship geared towards young children and busy families. 2nd & 4th Sundays in the Great Room

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 2nd Saturdays at 5:30pm, followed by potluck supper.

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

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

Hollister Institute: “A Good Life”

Please join us for our new Hollister Institute Book Study: A Good Life - Benedict's Guide to Everyday Joy, by Robert Benson. This discussion group meets from 3:45-5:30 pm on Tuesdays through October 30. The group facilitators are Caro+ and Roz Malone. Benson offers a warm-hearted, humorous guide to enriching our lives with the wisdom from The Rule of St. Benedict. The topic for this week is *Work*.

Work

- Hour by hour keep careful watch on all that you do, aware that God's gaze is upon you, wherever you may be. The Lord waits for us daily to translate into action, as we should, his holy teachings.
- Every time you begin a good work you must pray to him most earnestly to bring it to perfection.
- Serve one another in love, for such service increases reward and fosters love.
- If there are artisans among us, they are to practice their craft with all humility.
- Relieve the lot of the poor, clothe the naked, visit the sick, bury the dead, go to help the troubled, and console the sorrowing.
- Refrain from too much eating and sleeping, and from laziness.
- In his goodness he has already counted us as his children, and therefore we should never grieve him with our actions.
- Remember that with his good gifts that are in us, we must obey him at all times.

~ From the Rule of St Benedict

Proper 24: Sunday closest to October 19—Year B

Welcome to our parish. The liturgy today centers on two themes of the Christian message about Jesus. Both are found in today's Gospel: Jesus' messiahship is revealed not in his power but in his life of serving others and his suffering and death, and he calls us to a like ministry of self-giving love.

The Old Testament reading is from Job. This innocent sufferer complained that he cannot face God and seek an answer to his suffering. Suddenly God speaks, but God is the questioner. Who are you to question the source of the entire universe? God will explain his actions and plan only if Job can explain God, clearly an impossible task.

We, the people of God, gather to celebrate the Eucharist, which is one aspect of our work. In song, story, Word, and Sacrament, the dying and rising of Jesus and his ministry to us are revealed and made present. We become sharers in his life by our participation, and are prepared and enabled to carry out the other aspect of our work in sacrificial, servant ministry to others.

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