

Benediction Weekly

April 7, 2019

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.



Spiff Up the Church!

Plan to help out on Saturday morning, April 13, when we polish the pewter, clean out the cobwebs (if any), decorate, and generally prepare our space for Easter worship. Come for an hour or as long as you can. From 9am till done. **Bless you!!**

This Week at St. Benedict's

(at the church unless otherwise specified)

TODAY

NO 8am Service
9:20 am – Bible Study
10:30 am – Holy Communion, followed by potluck lunch
2:00 pm – SLO Deanery Meeting at St Stephen's

Monday, April 8 RECTOR'S SABBATH

Tuesday, April 9

5:30 pm – Vespers, followed by potluck

Wednesday, April 10

11:00 am – A Beginner's Guide to Holy Week
2:30 pm – Earthcare Meeting
4:15 pm – Education for Ministry class
7:00 pm – Choir rehearsal

Thursday, April 11

3:45 pm – A Beginner's Guide to Holy Week

Saturday, April 13

9:00 am – Spiff Up the Church Workday
9:00 am – Men's Breakfast at Budget Café, SLO
5:30 pm – Evening Eucharist

Sunday, April 14 PALM SUNDAY

8:00 am – Contemplative Communion Service
9:20 am – Bible Study
10:30 am – Palm Sunday Liturgy with Blessing of Palms, Procession, & Passion Gospel
12:30 pm – Parish Council Meeting



Holy Week

Apr 14: Palm Sunday

Contemplative Communion (8am);
Palm Sunday Liturgy (10:30 am)

Apr 16: Tuesday

Vespers, followed by potluck (5:30pm)
Praying the Stations of the Cross (7:15pm)

Apr 17: Wednesday

Praying the Stations of the Cross (9:15am)

Apr 18: Maundy Thursday

Eucharist with Foot Washing (7:30pm)

Apr 19: Good Friday

Good Friday Liturgy (12pm);
Praying the Stations of the Cross (2:15pm)
Hymns & Readings at TUMC (7:30pm)

Apr 20: Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil (8:00 pm)

Apr 21: Easter Sunday

Contemplative Communion (8am);
Festival Eucharist (10:30am)

Deanery Meeting today, with guest speaker *Noha Kolkaila* of the SLO Peace Academy. 2pm at St. Stephen's SLO. Noha is both Muslim and an assistant principal at Mission Prep in SLO. Her dream is to form an interfaith school K-12. She dreams big: she wants to buy 400 acres off Los Osos Valley Road for \$7M and another \$5M to build the school. Her vision is for children to rub elbows with others who are different from themselves. (peaceacademyslo.org)



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

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Caroline Hall; Deacon: The Rev. Sharon Dalrymple;
Eucharistic Minister: Lorienne Schwenk; Chalice Bearer: Esta Kandarian;
Lectors: Roz Malone & Ann Edwards; Ushers: Brian Spolarich & Maureen Titus;
Greeters: Connie Weldon, *pre*, Jane Wu, *post*; Altar Guild: Diana Hammerlund;
Potluck Hosts: Karin Cake & Judy Schloss; Tellers: Lorienne Schwenk & Alice Welchert;
Cantor: Lorienne Schwenk ; 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

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL – Sundays during the 10:30 service.

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

EARTHCARE – 2nd Weds 2:30 pm. Discussion/action group seeking local solutions to environmental concerns.

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

MEN'S BREAKFAST – Morning social gathering, 2nd Saturdays 9am at Budget Cafe, 3121 S. Higueras SLO

MESSY CHURCH - Sunday morning family worship geared towards young children and busy families. 2nd & 4th Sundays in the Great Room at 9:30.

PEOPLE'S KITCHEN – Providing and serving lunch 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,
Lorienne Schwenk, Deb Garza,
Lynn Wise, Steve Hirahara, Jane Wu.

Pledge to Care for Creation

Are you ready to take the pledge? Episcopalians and friends concerned about all of God's creation are joining Presiding Bishop Michael Curry in pledging to take action to protect and renew God's world and all who call it home. The goal is to gather at least 1,000 pledges with concrete, personal commitments by Earth Day, April 22.

The three overarching elements of both the vision and the pledge -- loving, liberating, and life-giving -- arise directly from the call to live as the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement and as people who live the Way of Love. Dioceses everywhere are lifting up the commitment. Read the full announcement online at <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/creation-care/pledge>

THE PLEDGE

We long to grow loving, liberating and life-giving relationship with God's Creation. In this urgent moment, we pledge to protect and renew this good Earth and all who call it home. Together, we commit to specific actions, trusting we can do more as a body than any person could alone.

LOVING: We will share our stories of love and concern for the Earth and link with others who care about protecting the sacred web of life.

LIBERATING: We will stand with those most vulnerable to the harmful effects of environmental degradation and climate change – women, children, poor people and communities of color, refugees, migrants.

LIFE-GIVING: We will change our habits and choices in order to live more simply, humbly and gently on the Earth.

Holy Week Sign-ups



Lectors and other service ministers needed for Holy Week services
Please sign-up to volunteer on the sign board in the sanctuary.

Flower Dedications



Donations for Easter Flowers may be dedicated to the memory of loved ones, in thanksgiving for blessings, or other commemoration. Please fill out the information on the flower contribution envelopes in the sanctuary near the ushers' table.

Wi-Fi Change



Please note that St. Ben's Wi-Fi network and password has been changed and upgraded recently. (Lisa worked with AT&T to get us faster connection and a cheaper rate.) Access info is available in the office, or contact Laura DeLoye, parish Administrator.

Giving in March – St. Ben's General Operating Fund – Thank you!

Mar Income: \$ 14,087	Mar Income Budgeted: \$ 14,155	Difference: (\$ 68) shortfall
YTD Income: \$ 43,089	YTD Income Budgeted: \$ 42,467	Difference: \$ 662 surplus

Keeping in Touch during the Week. Contact any of the clergy for counsel & spiritual care:

The Rev. Dr. Caroline Hall (805)704-5826; The Rev. Barry Turner (805)784-0670; The Rev. Faye Hogan (805)541-4595; or The Rev. Susan Plucker (530)263-8540. Call Celeste Pennington with pastoral care & prayer requests: (805)771-8974

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