

A Sacred Space for Your Busy Life

Sunday, April 2, 2017, the Fifth Sunday in Lent

We especially welcome visitors and newcomers today. Please fill out the newcomer card in the pew and place it in the collection plate or give it to a member of the clergy. Following the service, the clergy will be standing near the doors to greet you. We encourage you to join us for coffee hour in Duncan Hall. For more information about St. Paul's, please visit www.StPaulsSanRafael.org or call our office at 415.456.4842.

At St. Paul's we are all called to follow Jesus together in worship, prayer and service.

WORSHIP

The service begins on page 355 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)

Prelude	Adagio	Felix Mendelssohn
Opening Hymn	143	Hymnal
Kyrie	S-86 (S)ervice music found in front of hymnal	Hymnal
Psalm	130	BCP p. 784
Gradual	S-102	Hymnal
Prayers of the People	Form III	BCP p. 387
Offertory Hymn	149	Hymnal

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion. Whoever you are, wherever you are in your journey of faith, you are welcome to receive initiation into the church through the sacrament of baptism.

Eucharistic Prayer B		BCP p. 367
Sanctus	S-124	Hymnal
Fraction Anthem	S-161	Hymnal
Prayer of Humble Access		BCP p. 337
Closing Hymn	145	Hymnal
Postlude	Allegro Maestoso	Felix Mendelssohn

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Legacy Letters. The Lenten Speaker Series brought to you by the St. Paul's Legacy Program concludes today from 11:30-12:30 in the Upper Room.. Legacy Advisor Melanie Vetter will show us how to write Legacy Letters that share our values, traditions, stories, wisdom and love with the people we care about.

Holy Week Schedule:

- 4/9 Palm Sunday, Services at 8am and 10am
- 4/13 Maundy Thursday at 7:30pm. We'll be joined by Grace Marin and Bay Marin
- 4/14 Good Friday at Noon. Bring you nail.
- 4/15 Easter Vigil at 7:30pm. We'll have two Baptisms.
- 4/16 Easter Sunday, Services at 8am and 10am. No music at the 8am.

SERVING TODAY

Preacher & Celebrant: The Rev. Christopher Martin	
Choirmaster/Organist: Michael Struck	
Acolytes: Jacob Moody, Pamela Barnes, Ronnie Dodds	
Readers: Jacob Moody, Pamela Barnes, Jack Beggs	
Altar Guild: Michael Green, Linda Danford, Walter Tanner, Jane Sant	ucci

Easter Flowers

We'll be filling the Church windows and draping the Altar with flowers and greens on Saturday morning, April 15, in preparation for the Great Vigil and Easter Sunday. You're more than welcome to join us! Your Altar Guild would also appreciate your donation for these flowers, especially given in memory of someone you love. There is no specific dollar amount required for the flowers. Please either send in the form below and your check by mail or bring it in on a Sunday to put in the offering plate. Make your check payable to St. Paul's and note the designation for Easter Altar Flowers. Please be sure that this request is in the Church no later April 7.

I am enclosing \$ ______ for flowers to decorate the Church.

Flowers are given by _____

(your name here)

 \Box In Memory of or \Box In thanksgiving for _____

(name of loved one)

CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

I'm looking forward to May. Now, you may say to yourself, "Christopher, that's crazy! I understand why you might look forward to April, because that's when we celebrate the mighty acts by which we were saved. I understand why you might look forward to June, because by then the Hardin Courtyard will be complete. But why, of all months, May?"

(That's word-for-word what you were thinking, wasn't it?)

Well, I'll tell you. I'm looking forward to May because, for that whole month, I get to hang out with lots of people I respect and love. For the month of May we, and everyone who ever uses our campus, will be up at Nativity church in Marinwood. As it happens, our weekly schedule matches perfectly with the weekly schedule of Nativity. All the activities of St. Paul's, along with the work of Grace Marin, the San Francisco Boys Chorus, the three music teachers and the four 12 step programs, will be bustling around at the top of the hill with the beautiful view down the Lucas Valley for at least four weeks.

The Rev. Kirsten Snow-Spalding and her lay leaders could not be more gracious as they plan for our stay. The Rev. Rod Miles and the people of Grace Marin are nothing but grateful for our careful care and support of them. And the same has been true of every person and group I've told about the move to Nativity in May.

For the month of May, then, I have the opportunity to get to know good people even better. Of course we're going to need to communicate with each other a ton and exercise some patience. But I firmly believe that on the other side of our adventure at Nativity in May, we will have made some new friends and deepened some old friendships.

Blessings, Christopher

PRAYER

Arty Bill Donnelly Bill Tate Dan Pollart & Family Deborah Della Holloway Elizabeth S Grace Michael Jennifer Fritz Kairos Inside San Quentin Laurel Lisa R Marcella Hermstad Mark Hardin Mika Kappen & Family Pat David Binkley Phyllis Richard F

Rosa Montes Syrian Refugees The Rev. Stefani Schatz The Rev. Vanessa Glass

SERVICE

Teen Success Breakfast: Serve hot breakfast to at-risk youth. Contact Beverly Armstrong at 415.454.4015 or nevbev@sbcglobal.net.

San Rafael Health Care: Services 1^{st} and 3^{rd} Sundays, 11:00 - 11:25. Help us with the simple service. Children are welcome. Contact Sue Adamson at 415.461.1798.

Prison Ministry: St. Paul's has been engaged in regular visitations and correspondence for 20 years with Joseph Cook, a death row inmate at San Quentin who was confirmed by Bishop Swing as a member of our Church. The prison ministry has grown and the rector and other parishioners are now visiting Joe and six other inmates. For further info contact Richard Olive (415.259.9198 or ollipops@comcast.net).

ONGOING

Plate Cash: 1st Sunday of the month goes to the Rector's Discretionary Fund; 3rd Sunday goes to Outreach. **Childcare:** Sundays from 9:30 to 11:00am, childcare is available in the Basement Level classroom.

Marin Episcopal Youth Group: Sundays from 5-6:30pm at Church of the Redeemer in San Rafael. Middle and high school students from 5 Marin churches. Daniel London, youth minister, daniel.london@gmail.com. Centering Prayer: Meditation in the Christian tradition. Join us in Duncan Hall on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month, 7:00-8:30 pm. Leave a message for Chris Olson at the parish office at 415.456.4842.

Our Spiritual Core: Discipleship Groups are the spiritual core of St. Paul's because they are where we encourage one another to follow Jesus in worship, prayer, and service. Contact Christopher Martin at 415.456.4842 or cmartin@stpaulssanrafael.org.

Altar Flower Dedications: Looking for a way to honor a loved one, give thanks or remember a special occasion? You can by dedicating the flowers at the altar. A donation of \$40 is suggested. Contact Alex Elliot at 415.488.7930.

Memorial Wall Plaques: Contact the office if you would like to purchase a plaque to be inscribed with the name of a loved one who has died.

St. Anne's Guild: St. Anne's Guild meets Thursdays at 11:00am. All are invited - bring a bag lunch. **Facebook & Twitter.** Please like and follow us to join the fun!

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