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## A Journey From Life to Death to Resurrection

The Rev. Mark McKone-Sweet

Dear Friends.

I hope this newsletter finds you in good health and spirits.

Today I walked by Milldam Nursery School in Concord, Massachusetts, where

there is a small strip of grass that runs under the windows and along the foundation of the classrooms. As a child, after school on Tuesdays, which was a half day for me, I walked to Milldam, where my mom worked. You would find me outdoors assisting the preschool teachers with

their extended day. It was on that day each week that I always felt the love of God profoundly, regardless of how my week had been.

If you had passed by, you would have thought there was no jungle gym on the playground, as the children used me as their model play structure, literally hanging from my back or my arms. And when I got down on the strip of grass and made a table with my body, the children could be seen climbing on my back and jumping off, or leaping over me. I can recall the laughter and joy, year after

year. Despite all the challenges in each of our lives, the power of God's love was undeniably tangible.

There is a saying that March arrives with the roar of a lion and leaves like a lamb.

As soon as winter releases its grasp, shoots emerge from the soil, green stems surge to the sky, and soon, flowers blossom and bees feed from them. Indeed, even the bees have survived the harsh winter.

Here in Southern California, the amazing blooming hills and

valleys of flowers have painted a mosaic that gladdens our hearts. From what is ordinarily hot, sun-parched, dusty land, becomes fertile ground for raging fires, comes new life and breathtaking beauty. Thanks to the roar of March after a long winter.

Easter Sunday arrives during this passage from death to life, from darkness to light, from dull browns to an array of color beyond our imagination—each year.



## A Journey...

The Rev. Mark McKone-Sweet

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I had every reason to question God then, just as you, too, may have questioned. Countless occasions are given us to question God—desert moments. I have to admit, it's weeks like this when I believe God transforms nature into a billboard of life. It's a beautiful sign of hope, made real and tangible—God wrapping all of us in his steadfast love.

I invite you to join us on our shared pilgrimage from the wilderness to new life in Jesus Christ, made real and tangible in the practice of recalling Jesus's journey from life, to death on the cross, to resurrection—to new life.

We also commemorate this wondrous transition with other markers:

- If you seek to know Jesus, we welcome you to be baptized. All are encouraged to experience this physical and outward sign of God's love for you and others.
- 2. If you seek to discover and proclaim your faith in Jesus, we welcome you to embrace the Episcopal Church as your spiritual home through confirmation or reception.

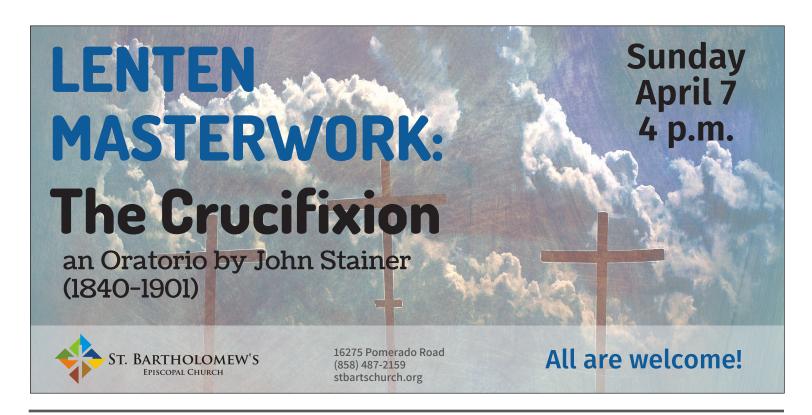
- 3. If you would like to give thanks for those who have gone before us and been restored with Jesus, or for life in our midst today, we invite you to offer petitions of flowers and music.
- 4. And as we enter Holy Week, we take up palms to continue our journey to the cross and then beyond.

In this newsletter, you will find abundant opportunities to walk the path to the cross and then celebrate the hope found in the Power of Love—the power of God's love that transcends this life and the next.

May your journey this Lent continue to embrace you and invite you into deeper relationship with God and with God's people.

Faithfully yours,

Mark+



## Stay Connected to St. Bart's with Our New App

Kristeen Evans



We've pulled together the most current and essential content about St. Bart's to create this app. Now you can stay connected with St. Bart's every where you go!

### From the app's home screen, you'll see:

**Events:** View and make plans to attend upcoming events at St. Bart's - ReGeneration service, music concerts, and more!

**Sermons:** Listen to sermons right on your phone!

**Videos:** Experience The 9am Forum - interesting and timely topics, guest speakers and a chance to explore the corners of our faith and the issues of the day.

St. Bart's Blog: Read the latest blog posts

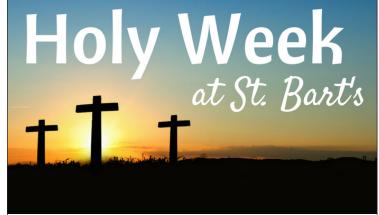
**Service Bulletins:** Download and view the weekly service bulletin right on your mobile device.

**Giving:** Make your pledge payment or weekly offering online.

**St. Bart's Preschool:** Preschool parents can access the preschool calendar and tuition payment features from anywhere!

There are even more options in menu (tap the three lines at the top left of the home screen). From here, you can submit a Prayer Request, view the Lectionary (readings for any day of the year), Subscribe to the weekly enews, and look at St. Bart's photos on Flickr.

The app is available on mobile devices. Search St. Bartholomew's to download it from the App Store or Google Play today! Try using the service bulletin from your mobile device at this weekend's service.



### April 14 - Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

5 p.m. (Saturday) Holy Eucharist

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist

### April 15 - Holy Monday

7:30 p.m. Compline

### April 16 - Holy Tuesday

7:30 p.m. Compline

### April 17 - Holy Wednesday

11 a.m. Prayerful Pause

7:30 p.m. Tenebrae for Holy Week, a choral service

of darkness

### April 18 - Maundy Thursday of the Lord's Supper

7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Liturgy with foot

washing

(Nursery care available)

### April 19 - Good Friday of the Lord's Passion

12 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy

4 p.m. Stations of the Cross Children/Youth/

**Families** 

7:30 p.m. Choral Good Friday Liturgy

(Nursery care available)

### April 20 - The Great Vigil of Easter

7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil with Baptisms

(Nursery care available)

#### April 21 - Easter Day

6 a.m. Sunrise Service at the Cross on the Hill

9 a.m. Festal Eucharist 11 a.m. Festal Eucharist

(Nursery care available 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.)

### All are welcome - No exceptions!



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## **Breaking Ground, Changing** Lives

Judy Macemon

Six years of planning, praying, and transformation of our parish community take an important next step forward--the first major work to redevelop our campus for the future.

Phase 1 starts in late April, and we'll celebrate together with Bishop Katharine on May 5th following the 10:15 a.m. service. This work remodels and re-imagines rooms in the administration building into updated and flexible sacred space and multi-use rooms. This important milestone is made possible using funds from campaign pledge payments already received. Thank you!

We're all excited and grateful to be putting these faithfully pledged funds to work-implementing our master plan that redevelops the campus and supports our mission to reach out to our neighbors and welcome them into our spiritual home.

The current Youth Room will be remodeled into an intimate Chapel, designed for small weddings, memorial services, and chapel time for our preschoolers. In keeping with the priority of

building space that can be used for a variety of purposes, the Chapel will offer seating configurations for different uses, including worship, musical performances as well as 1100 sq ft flexible meeting space for ministry teams and community partners. An

arrangement of seating in the round in the new chapel space will accommodate 65 chairs; lecture style seating can accommodate 100 like our current North Parish Hall. The new design also incorporates the adjacent courtyard, which will be updated to provide

even more seating that - with



the chapel doors flung open can accommodate 140 people for concerts and worship services. And the courtyard will include a labyrinth and meditative space for quiet reflection.

Also included Phase 1 scope, the conference room will be remodeled into a new multi-use space for our Youth activities and all-purpose meeting room. This 1100 sq ft meeting space also adds a new small residential-style kitchen, ADA compliant restrooms, and additional space to support ministries and the numerous community groups that rely on St. Bart's for their meetings and work.

We expect Redevelopment Phase 1 to be completed this summer in time for dedication as part of our annual St. Bartholomew's Day celebration on Saturday, August 25.

If you weren't able to attend the Redevelopment Update Q&A forum during The 9am Forum in March, watch it on St. Bartholomew's YouTube channel.





## Get Ready for the Preschool Annual Gift Basket Fundraiser

St. Bart's Preschool

Our families and friends of the Preschool have generously donated items which have been beautifully wrapped in gift baskets. Please consider purchasing tickets from the Preschool Office May 6 though May 10 or in the courtyard after services on May 5 and May 12.



You can choose which baskets you would like to win by placing your tickets in the corresponding boxes. Winning tickets will be drawn at our "Mom's Celebration" events at the Preschool on May 13 and 14.

Ticket prices are: 1 ticket for \$2, 3 tickets for \$5, 6 tickets for \$10, 13 tickets for \$20. Some of our amazing gift basket themes are: Camping, Lego Fun, Gardening, Goodies, Dinner, Sightseeing, and many more!

Thank you for supporting St. Bart's Preschool

## **Preschool Registration Update**

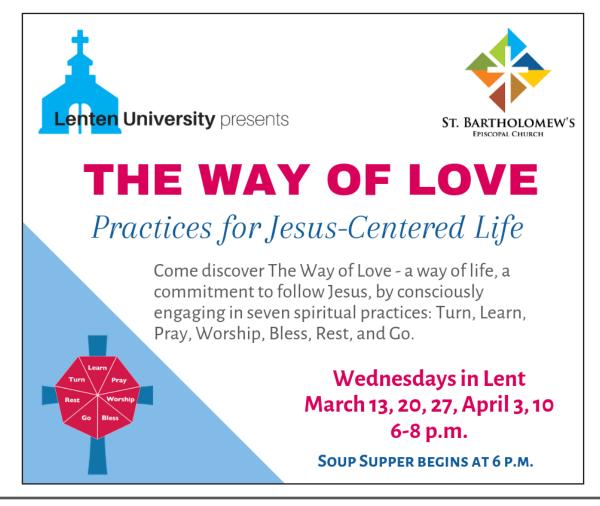
St. Bart's Preschool

We're thrilled to share that St. Bart's Preschool is nearly full for the 2019-2020 school year. Registration began in January and we currently have only 5 spaces remaining in our 3's program.



If you have a 3-year-old or know of a friend or neighbor who may be considering starting their child in preschool, have them come for a tour.

For a tour or more information about St. Bart's Preschool go to our website stbartspreschool.org or give us a call at 858-487-2140.



## Mark Your Calendar for Our Sabbatical Soirees

Beth Dean

This summer as Fr. Mark is on sabbatical with his family, we plan to follow along. We have planned three Sabbatical Soirees - June 5, July 10, and August 7. We'll gather together for fellowship as we experience the food and music of Guatemala, Wales, and Ireland - all places Fr. Mark and his family will travel this summer as they experience the land of their ancestors.

All are welcome for the festivities! Mark your calendar with these dates. You won't want to miss the fun!



# you are invited to st. bart's Sabbatical Soiree







June 5 July 10 August 7

# Scholarships Applications Due May 2

St. Bartholomew's has several scholarships available for those members pursuing a college education or an accredited vocational/technical training.

The Brittany K. Stark Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to a male or female graduating high school senior who is an active member of the parish.

The Lucille C. Heide Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to a graduating high school senior, male or female, who has been an active member of St. Bart's for at least 18 months.

The St. Bartholomew's Scholarship will be awarded to a male or female graduating high school senior who is an active member of the parish.

The Evelyn Wyatt Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to a woman of St. Bart's, 25 years or older, who is returning to school and has set aside her personal development to support the needs of others (family) and would like to reach a new educational goal.

The Community Outreach Scholarship will be awarded to a graduating male or female high school senior who is not a member of St. Bart's. Our Outreach Partners will provide nominees for consideration.

All applications include an essay, unofficial transcript, a letter of recommendation and copy of Letter of Acceptance. Financial need will be considered.

Applications may be picked up in the church office beginning March 18, 2019. Applications are also available electronically from Anne Snyder, JohnAnneEtc@san.rr.com.

All completed scholarship packets must be delivered to the church office no later than Thursday, May 2, 2019, 4:00 PM

Mailed applications must arrive no later than Thursday, May 2, 2019, by 4 p.m.

Recipients will be honored at church on Sunday, June 9, 2019 at the 10:15 a.m. service.

If you have any questions, please contact Anne Snyder, 858-485-0562, JohnAnneEtc@san.rr.com.

## Feeding America and Feeding Our Souls

Lisa Marie Oakes

Every Sunday at 2 p.m. here on the St. Bart's campus free groceries are distributed to anyone who needs them. Our partnership with Feeding San Diego (an affiliate of Feeding America) allows us to feed families for free with donations from our local grocery stores.

Each Sunday the donated items are picked-up by volunteer drivers and in the afternoon the groceries are given to anyone who needs them. We are serving seniors and others on fixed incomes, families new to the United States, folks who have recently been furloughed or lost

a job and anyone who might need some groceries for the week. No documentation, registration or income verification is required.

If you or someone you know is struggling with food insecurity, please come by and bring your neighbors. Sign-in begins at 1:30 p.m. and the food is distributed until it's gone - usually before



3 p.m. Each week the items vary but usually include dairy, fresh baked goods, bread, canned goods, meats and more.

If you would like to get involved as a

volunteer - we need your help! Volunteer positions include leadership and organization roles, drivers, and workers at the distribution each Sunday. Sign-up for one shift (about 1-1/2 hours) or join us more frequently. Whatever works best for you.

Reach out to Lisa Marie Oakes at feedingpeople@ stbartschurch.org or call



858-472-0959 for more information. We would love to have everyone at St. Bart's join us for at least one day a year in this service. Many hands make light work and feeding people is a beautiful thing that deeply touches the soul. I hope you'll join us!





# Palm Sunday

Pony & Donkey Rides

9-10 am & 11:30 am-12:15 pm

Join us for Palm Sunday Services at 8 am or 10:15 am. We'll have pony and donkey rides for the kids!



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## **Confronting Evil**

The Rev. William H. Zettinger & Bob Capettini

We're looking at evil during a five-week series at The 9am Forum - March 31, April 7 and 28, May 5 and 12.



Why? We need to understand evil so that it makes it possible for us to confront evil. In the first week, we will discuss how post-World War II, Hannah Arendt wrote about how Totalitarian Societies aim to transform human nature itself. Societies like Nazi Germany tell us that doing evil is "normal" behavior. It makes it difficult to resist evil when others around us indicate that it is normal.

In the second week, we will look at a number of experiments conducted by U.S. social psychologists. Their experiments on evil found that our behavior is not determined by our character or morality but by the setting or context in which the events take place. Normally good people can do evil things even in temporary experimental laboratory situations.

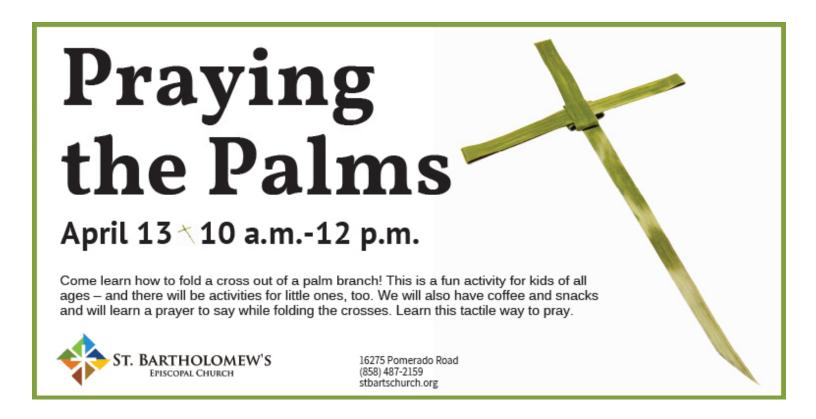


The last three weeks we will look at how evil was perpetrated by the Japanese

in WWII. We all know about their unprovoked attack on Pearl Harbor. But did you know that less than a day later they attacked the Philippines? At that time, many U.S. civilians were working in the Philippines. The Japanese interred civilians in the Los Banos Prison for 38 months. General MacArthur's troops left Manilla for the island of Corregidor. He was forced to flee to Australia, but many of his troops were captured and died in the Bataan Death March. He returned 31 months later. Four months later, he sent the 11th Airborne Division to free the 2,100 prisoners (including St. Bart's Chuck Innis) from the Los Banos Prison.

Yes, normally good people can sometimes do very cruel things. But we also know that people who gather in community to do good, to help and to support each other (as we do here at St. Bart's) are much less likely to be swayed by circumstances that lead to chaos and cruelty.

Join Bill Zettinger, Bob Capettini, and Chuck Innis each of five Sundays as they show a video and have 20 minutes of discussion on our need to confront evils.



## **Regular Meetings**

#### **SUNDAY**

Junior & Intermediate Choir (ages 7-18)

11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Interfaith Community Services (ICS) - Merle's Place

1st & 3rd Sunday, 4-6 p.m.

Contact Jill Henderson, 760-807-8445

Daughters of the King

3rd Sunday at 9:15 a.m., Room 3E

MONDAY

**Boy Scouts** 

7 p.m., Parish Hall

**Handbell Choir** 

7 p.m., Choir Room

**TUESDAY** 

**Prayers and Squares Quilt Ministry** 

Tuesdays (except fifth Tuesday), 1 p.m., Quilt Room

**Centering Prayer** 

5 p.m., Education Building, Room 3AB

Our Space

2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

**Interfaith Community Services (ICS)** 

Serve breakfast, fourth Wednesday 6 a.m. Contact Denny Walters, 760-432-8518

Thrift Shop Work Night

Last Wednesday at 4:00 p.m., Thrift Shop

Schola Cantorum

6 p.m., Choir Room

Youth CREW

6 p.m., Youth Room

**String Ensemble** 

7 p.m., Choir Room

**THURSDAY** 

Junior Choir (ages 7-12)

5-5:30 p.m.

Intermediate Choir (ages 13-18)

5:30-6:15 p.m.

**B.P.U.S.A.** – Bereaved Parents

4th Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Conference Room

Choir

7 p.m., Music Room

### **Support Groups**

### AA MEETINGS

Sundays, 6 p.m., Conference Room

Mondays, 9:30 a.m., Parish Hall (Women only)

Tuesdays, 12 p.m., South Parish Hall

Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m., South Parish Hall (Women only)

Wednesdays, 6:45 p.m., Parish Hall

Thursdays, 12 p.m., South Parish Hall (Beginners)

Fridays, 9:45 a.m., South Parish Hall (Women only)

Fridays, 12 p.m., South Parish Hall and 6 p.m., Room 3AB

Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. and 12 p.m., Conference Room

### **AL-ANON**

Mondays, 12 p.m., South Parish Hall

Tuesdays, 12 p.m., Parish Hall

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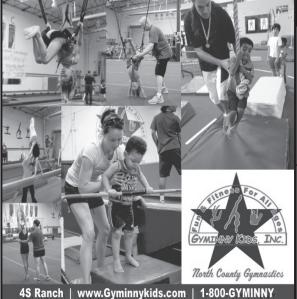
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Saturdays: 5 p.m.

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## **Clergy and Staff**

Clergy
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