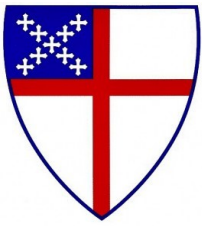


THE ANCHOR

SEPTEMBER 2016

The monthly newsletter of St. Clements by-the-Sea Episcopal Church

Welcoming all since 1929



**Member, Anglican
Communion**

PARISH MISSION:

*Follow Christ through
the way we live and
love, spreading the
good news of God in
Christ, opening our
hearts to all, and
experience and spread
joy in the process.*

**“This Church of
Ours is Open To
All...There Will
Be No Outcasts.”**

-The Most Rev. Edmund
Browning *Emeritus*
Presiding Bishop
of the Episcopal Church



Vitality...

As we make the turn from summer to fall and I look out upon our programming, I see a community that is full of life and inspired by the Spirit. This is always an event filled season, but there are a few things that really stand out. I also continue to be impressed by the way that several individuals have taken on real leadership roles in the congregation, beginning just before I left on Sabbatical but continuing even to today. That is a mark of a healthy congregation when the various gifts of parishioners are affirmed and well utilized for the strengthening of the Church and the building up of the saints (to paraphrase St. Paul, Ephesians 4:12).

Well, I highlight the following items and I suggest that you immediately go stand next to your wall calendar and add them as you read about them, or add them to your on-line calendar if you are so sophisticated. Either way, you don't want to miss any of these. As my former rector in Virginia mentioned this past Sunday, “you never want to not be here on a Sunday because you don't know what you might miss.” That's good advice! And besides, we miss you when you are not here, either on a Sunday or for any of our parish events. Your absence diminishes us, and not just numerically. We are a family and YOU are an important part of that family.

In September, we have a couple of items to note. The first is the return of our choir on Sept. 11, an important day in the life of the Church and our nation. We will certainly hear a word about that in the homily and prayers that morning. On September 25th, we'll mark the 87th anniversary of our founding with a combined service at 9am, using the traditional Rite I, followed by a festive brunch. I'm currently arranging some live music for that brunch, as a couple of our parishioners recently said to me, “I don't know why we ever have an event without live music!” That comment came at one of my home visits that I've been making. I hope to get to every parishioner's home over the next many months.

Get ready! Because October is going to be amazing! We begin the month with the Blessing of the Animals at our annual celebration in honor of St. Francis. Our four-legged, furry, fuzzy and scaly friends will join us at the 10am service on Oct. 2nd, which will again be outside on the courtyard. The following Saturday, Oct. 8th at 4pm, we will have a special celebration for all those who would like to renew their marital vows or have their civil unions blessed for the first time. This service will be followed by a wedding cake and champagne reception in the parish hall.

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The Church has an important role in supporting and upholding marriage and this is one way in which we will live into that role.

There are other surprises in October but I will hold off on announcing those for now, but do look for announcements in the bulletins, website, Facebook page and Anchor Newsletter. We jump then right into November, when we will start the month with our annual gala event. In the past, we've done a silent auction and dinner, what will this year's event be? Just wait and see, but do save the date, evening of November 5th. Sunday of the following week will be our Marine Corps Birthday celebration (Nov. 13th). There will be a combined service at 10am, followed by lunch and presentation in the parish hall. Last year's event was so amazing, and this year's will be as well.

Toward the end of the month, we'll have our Thanksgiving Day mass (Nov. 24th). You'll recall that we combined with Christ Lutheran on that event last year, and I anticipate that we will do so again this year, and perhaps might even be joined by another congregation. How good and pleasant it is when God's people worship together in unity (to paraphrase Psalm 133). We continue to seek and embrace opportunities for ecumenical dialog, interdenominational worship and friendship. And that is indeed "a good thing!" That brings us up to the start of the new liturgical year, Advent and our preparations for Christmas (just 116 days from today!).

On the third Sunday of Advent, which works out to be December 11th, we'll have a combined service at 10am with our Spanish speaking congregants from the 12pm service. This will be a bilingual celebration of the Virgin Mary, on the Sunday closest to the feast day of the Virgin of Guadalupe. We'll have festive music at that service, and a delicious lunch afterward in the parish hall. This year, Christmas happens to fall on a Sunday. The Christmas Eve services, which are the most attended, will occur then on that Saturday evening before, 4pm for the Pageant, 8pm en Español, and 10pm with candlelight, choir and strings. The single Christmas Day service will be at 10am, as we have done in the past.

I hope by now you are as excited as I am for these delightful months ahead of us. We'll need your presence and support to make them all a success. So, please do add them to your calendar and come to as many as you are able. There is much I've not mentioned, only because space precludes me, or because they are still being finalized. What is certain is that we have a gift in our lives which is St. Clement's, this church, these people and you yourself. May God bless us today, tomorrow and always, as we live in unity, joy and peace for the building up of the Body of Christ.

In his love,

Fr. Patrick



LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. CLEMENT'S IN SEPTEMBER

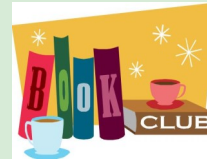
**Whether your interest is reading, a night out,
volunteering to help others, or just good St. Clement's fellowship,
there is an activity for you this Month!**

Watch for details for the following events in the weekly Sunday bulletin.

5th: Office Closed



6th: Dinner and book Discussion, 5:00PM, Rocco's



11th: National Grandparents Day

16th: Anchor's Potluck Supper Club



18th: Sandwich Making for the Welcome Inn, 9:00 am



*25th: Founder's Day Service and Brunch
Combined Services, 9:00 AM*



Back to School Success!

We hope that our many children that came to have their backpacks blessed for the new school year are having a great start to the new year. We would also like to report that thanks to the many school supply donations we were able to supply over 70 complete kits to families in need this year. Thank you for your support!



***Blessing of the Backpacks
2016***

SAVE THE DATE!

Every November St. Clement's has some fun evening fundraising event. This year it will be Saturday, November 5. We're looking for volunteers, so if you are able to be part of the planning group please contact Judy Johnson at 949-422-8210. We are just getting started and would appreciate your suggestions and talent.



National Grandparents Day

Bring your grandparents and
Grandchildren to church on
September 11th, 2016

*For National Grandparents Day
We'd love to meet them!*



Something for Everyone

Book Discussion Group

The Crocodile Bird

By Ruth Rendell

September 6th, 2016

5:00pm, at Rocco's



Anchor's Potluck Supper Club

Hosted by Fred and Joyce Stewart

Friday, September 16th, 7:00 pm

Ocean Hills Clubhouse

3517 Calle Verano (by Trader Joe's)

San Clemente CA

Sign up at coffee hour to bring a dish and RSVP



OFFICES FOR LEASE ON HISTORIC CHURCH PROPERTY

202 Avenida Aragon, San Clemente, 92672



A special opportunity to lease office space in the heart of San Clemente on historic church property.

Currently 2 offices with bathroom facilities are available. A storage area could be provided upon availability and a conference room could be scheduled for use as needed.

Office # 5, 151 sq. ft. @ \$ 500/mo.

ML. # OC16110993

Office # 6, 185 sq. ft. @ \$ 610/mo.

ML. # OC16110994

Contact Marianne Knapp

949-498-3662

mgnknapp@cox.net

Watercolor Raffle

Jim Prothero, who is a regular MC at the 8 a.m. service, has donated a beautiful framed watercolor of Poche Beach with the American flag on driftwood. The church will be raffling it off as a fundraiser during the month of August. Tickets are \$25 each. Tickets will be sold during coffee hour and the winner will be announced at our Founder's Day Brunch on September 25th.



Founder's Day Service and Brunch

Mark your calendar for September 25th, 2016 for our annual Founder's day Service with brunch to follow.

This will be a combined 9:00 am service. We hope to see you!



Would you like to renew your marriage vows or have your civil marriage blessed?



St. Clement's will be having a service on Saturday, October 8th, 2016 at 4:00pm for married couples that would like to do so. There will be an informal dessert reception to follow. Family and friends are welcome to attend as well. Please contact Fr. Patrick or the church office at 949-492-3401 or info@scbythesea.org if you'd like more information.

We need you!

St. Clement's is in need of acolytes and MC's for all services.

Other serving and lector positions are available as well.

Training will be provided.

Please contact the church office
immediately if you are available to serve.

949-492-3401

info@scbythesea.org

Thank you!

**Do you know a parishioner that
needs help with rides, meals, or
that would like a home visit?**

**Please contact the church office for
further information.**

Sandwich Making for the Welcome Inn



**September 18th
9:00 AM
Okie Hall**

**Centering Prayer Group
meets each Monday at
6:00pm in the Library**

**For more information,
please contact Matt Duncan**

Parish Register

September/Septiembre

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY / FELIZ
CUMPLEAÑOS**



Mike Marcu	4
Forrest Wilson	18
George Nixon	10
Joyce Stewart	23
Donald "DJ" Atkinson	22
Fred Robinson	27
Michael Morris	23
Sherilee Pocino	8
Christopher LaBarthe	21
Mark Williams	9
Bart Ashbaugh	20
Lina Hernandez Garcia	23
Sarah Harrison	18
Anthony Carillo	1
Max Wallett	28
Fatima Delgado	12
Ainsley Harrison	28
Noelle Harrison	28

Happy Anniversary / Feliz Aniversario



Mike and Rebecca Marcu	12
Fred and Joyce Stewart	14
Earl and Patricia Welliver	10
Frank and Katrina Soto	23
Duggan and Deborah Neville	8
Mark and Karen Williams	13
Jim and Heather Pechous	10
Stewart and Deirdre Stropp	30
Julia Darden and Cathy Lentz	20

St. Clement's by-the-Sea September 2016						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
8 am Rite I 9 am 10 am Rite II 10 am Sunday School 12 pm Eucaristía en Español	9:30 am Counters 6 pm Meditation 8 pm AA 8 pm NA	3:00-6:30 pm Peaceful Warrior 5:00 pm Book Club 6:30 pm PW Adult Class 7 pm NA	3:00-6:30 pm Peaceful Warrior 7 pm CA	3:00-6:30 pm Peaceful Warrior 6:30 pm PW Adult Class	6:30 pm ESL 7 pm WAA 8 pm AA	
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SUNDAY WORSHIP

8 a.m. Holy Communion Rite I, Nursery

10 a.m. Holy Communion Rite II with Choir,
Nursery, Sunday School

12 p.m. La Misa en Español

OFFICE HOURS

Summer hours:

9 AM - 2 PM MON - FRI

CHURCH STAFF

RECTOR ~ The Rev. Patrick Crerar

MUSIC DIRECTOR & ORGANIST ~ Larry Gates

SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR ~ Sarah Harrison

NURSERY ATTENDANT ~ Julie Bergman

SEXTON ~ Bartley Ashbaugh

WEEKEND SEXTON ~ Pilar Corral

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