

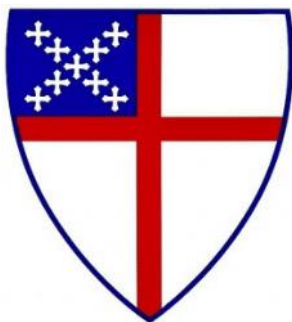


# THE ANCHOR

NOVEMBER 2017

*St. Clement's 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



## Remembering...

As the air becomes cooler, and the days become shorter, many find themselves remembering those whom they have loved in this world but see more. Perhaps the natural world inspires this reaction in us, as plants and flowers fade and leaves, once vibrant, begin to fall. We also have at the beginning of November All Saints Day, when we remember those renowned holy ones of our past, and All Souls Day when we remember those dearly departed from our lives, who were beloved to us.



There are numerous ways to remember, and they say, “to remember is to honor.” That’s right, isn’t it? We honor those who have gone before us by the remembering the cherished memories we have of them in our hearts. Sometimes we do that by gathering with family, and sharing stories. And one the greatest gifts that God has given us is one another, the people in our lives, with whom we can laugh and cry and mutually comfort each other.

Some choose to put out some pictures, and perhaps light a candle, symbolizing both Christ’s eternal light and the promise we have of everlasting life with him, and as a representation of the love that still burns within us for those who have journeyed on ahead of us to their heavenly homes. One of the more lovely means of remembering that I’ve experienced recently was our Spanish congregation’s marking of the “Día de los Muertos,” or “Day of the Dead.”

Last Sunday evening, many of our Spanish speakers, as well as some of their friends and our neighbors came together for our first official Día de los Muertos here. There were six “altares” or altars set up, each representing a family and those they wanted to remember. Each of these altars bore photos of their loved one(s). There were crosses and candles and flowers. And on each altar or nearby there things that were significant to the person being remembered. These items told a passerby something of this person and their life. I.e. each altar told a story, which is the point of these memorials.

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There was also a favorite food and drink of the one who had passed. And these things too told us something significant about the person, and in what they delighted.

Probably some of the fondest memories we have of the people we have loved are of them being with us at big family meals and on the holidays. Can you remember the wonderful aromas that accompanied those meals? The laughter you shared? On Thanksgiving this year, I'll certainly be thinking of my own father presiding at the table, his humor and amazing stories, both of his adventures and those of generations past. He was in many ways our link to those ancestors, at least on that side of the family. And he was an excellent raconteur. I was very tempted to add a memorial altar for him at our Día de los Muertos celebration, though it would have had a definitively Scottish quality (but I don't think anyone would have minded).

Liturgically, we remember our loved ones by naming them in our worship (what we call the "Necrology") on the first Sunday of November, when we mark a combined All Saints and All Souls Day service. This year, we will also host an ecumenical "Blue Christmas" service on December 21<sup>st</sup>. "Blue Christmas" sometimes called "the Longest Night" services have become a national phenomenon. This is a separate Christmas service offered for all those who may have experienced the loss of a loved one in recent times, or anyone for whom the holidays can be touched by sadness, loneliness or a renewed sense of loss. The service is beautiful! And helps us all to heal. (See more about this service inside this edition of *The Anchor*.)

To remember is to honor. One of the greatest fears perhaps that people have is that their lives didn't matter or make a difference. Of course, all our lives make a difference, and we all have an impact upon those with whom we come into contact. In this season, we remember those beloved souls who we were blessed enough to know. Whom we have been honored to know. They are surely among that great cloud of witnesses, who uphold us by their prayers, and have inspired us by their holy living.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Patrick

## - United Thank Offering -



NOTICE THE GOOD THINGS THAT HAPPEN EACH DAY...

**GIVE THANKS TO GOD**  
for your blessings.

**MAKE AN OFFERING**  
for each blessing.

**EVERY PENNY, NICKEL, DIME, QUARTER, AND  
DOLLAR OFFERED IN THANKS**  
through United Thank Offering is given to God's  
mission in the world.

**EVERY COIN AND BILL TRANSFORMS LIVES**  
in the United States and around the world.

**YOUR BLESSINGS**  
become blessings for others.



### UTO Ingathering Reminder:

*We will be having an ingathering of the UTO Blue Boxes on  
Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, right around the corner...*

So, please remember to keep adding your coins as you say prayers of gratitude daily for God's many blessings. If you do not have a blue box, or if you need a new one, they are available on the sign-up table at Coffee Hour or you can drop into the church office during the week and get one! This is an ideal ministry for someone with limited time, and can be done as is convenient for you. Please consider taking advantage of this opportunity to serve our Lord.

United Thank Offering (UTO) is a ministry of the Episcopal Church for the mission of the whole church. Through United Thank Offering, men, women, and children nurture the habit of giving daily thanks to God. These prayers of thanksgiving start when we recognize and name our many daily blessings.

Those who participate in UTO discover that thankfulness leads to generosity. United Thank Offering is entrusted to promote thank offerings, to receive the offerings, and to distribute the UTO monies to support mission and ministry throughout the Episcopal Church and in invited Provinces of the Anglican Communion in the developing world.

## - November 4th Gala -

**Get Your Glamour On**  
**Old Hollywood comes to St. Clement's**  
**Invite your friends; there is something for everyone!**



The Glamour of Hollywood is coming to St. Clement's by-the-Sea on Saturday, November 4 for a food, music, and silent auction extravaganza. This is the major parish fundraiser of the year, and we expect a large crowd of glamorous party guests.

Appetizers and dinner will be by Rocco's Restaurant, once again, with parishioners Rocco and Belkis planning another feast for us all to enjoy. You won't want to miss the Hollywood music by Larry Gates, Chris LaBarthe, and Wendy Berube plus instrumental accompanists. Sumptuous desserts will be served during the concert.

Tickets are on sale online and at the church office. They are priced at \$60 each, with a limited number of front row seats for \$80 each for tables of four. Payment may be made by check to "St. Clement's by-the-Sea" with a note of Nov. 4 Gala. Payment is also accepted through credit card or PayPal.

**Schedule:**

- 5-6:30 PM - Hors d'oeuvres, champagne, silent auction
- 6:30 PM - Dinner; end of auction
- 7:30 PM - Music of Hollywood, dessert; auction winners notified and payment made

The silent auction will feature many wonderful items, with new donations coming in every day. Please donate a desirable item or service for others to bid on and enjoy. In general, we are looking for items that will attract a bid of \$75 or more. We are not able to accept large items, such as furniture.

**Popular silent auction items include:**

Tickets to events and entertainment venues  
Vacation venues, such as second home or time share  
Boat ride  
Hand-made items, as a hosted dinner, artwork, crafts  
Jewelry and clothing accessories  
Personal services, such as 3 hours of handyman services, singing or instrument performance, massage certificates  
Musical instruments  
Home décor items  
Baskets of related items, as baby items; wine and food; personal care items

*Guests are encouraged to dress their old Hollywood best!*

## - Veterans Day & Marine Corps Birthday -



November 12th

Veterans Day &  
Marine Corps

*Birthday Celebration*



**10:00am Combined Service**

Followed by a luncheon celebration in Okie Hall  
12:00pm Spanish service will be held as scheduled.

*Veterans Day is an official United States public holiday, observed annually on November 11th. It honors military veterans and all those who serve or have served in the United States Armed Forces.*

*The Marine Corps Birthday celebration is a commemoration of the birth of the United States Marine Corps on November 10th, 1775. This date was chosen as a result of the Second Continental Congress resolution to raise two battalions of Continental Marines.*

## - Blue Christmas -



### **What is "Blue Christmas"?**

The holidays, while joyous, can also be a challenging time for anyone who has suffered the loss of someone they loved, or other kinds of sadness or hurt. For this reason, our community now offers a "Blue Christmas." This service of comfort is a way we can recognize the hope of this season, while we also acknowledge those sad feelings within, or remember those who are in our hearts by remembering them in a meaningful way. By doing so, we can all celebrate more fully together!

**Thursday, December 21**

**7:00pm Service**

**at St. Clement's by-the-Sea**

**A collaboration of the Ecumenical Fellowship  
of San Clemente**

*Christ Lutheran Church*

*Our Savior's Lutheran Church*

*Palisades United Methodist Church*

*St. Andrew's by-the-Sea United Methodist Church*

*St. Clement's by-the-Sea, Episcopal Church*

*San Clemente Presbyterian Church*



## - Halloween Bash -



Sarah Harrison and Patty Welliver hosted St. Clement's 1st Annual Halloween Bash spooktacular following the 10:00am service on October 29th. The children all enjoyed frosting (and eating!) cookies, trick-or-treating, and playing bean bag toss in the courtyard.

*A huge thank you to the members of the congregation who donated candy and contributed to the pumpkin buffet!*



Frosted Cookies... Yum!



Bean Bag Toss with Cookie Monster



Chocolate Smiles all around!



Pumpkin Buffet



Happy Trick-or-Treaters

## - Día De Los Muertos -



In addition to the 1st Annual Halloween Bash, St. Clement's also hosted the 1st Annual Día De Los Muertos Celebration. Día De Los Muertos is an annual holiday, celebrated throughout Mexico and those of Mexican ancestry. The holiday is focused on family and friends, to pray and to remember loved ones who have passed. St. Clement's 1st Annual celebration, dedicated to Día De Los Muertos, was a success - complete with beautifully decorated memorials, and a children's presentation. We hope to have you join us next year!





## - Something for Everyone -



### ***The Traitor's Wife***

by Allison Pataki

Tuesday, November 7th

5:00pm at Rocco's



A sign-up sheet is in the church hall for those who wish to attend.



**When:** November 15th from 2:00pm-5:00pm

**Where:** Laundry Basket-South

2405 S. El Camino Real in San Clemente

*New volunteers are welcome and should arrive at 1:30pm for a brief orientation.*

*Laundry will be done in two hour shifts between 2:00pm-6:00pm*

*The first Sunday of every month we gather donations for Laundry Love. The monthly collection takes place during coffee hour. Since November of last year, this ministry has done over 2,000 loads of laundry for families in need. Let's keep the momentum going!*

*Contact Jan Geneviro for more information on this ministry: [outreach@scbythesea.org](mailto:outreach@scbythesea.org)*



## Sandwich Making for the Welcome Inn

**Join us** in the Parish Hall on

**Sunday, November 19th at 1:00pm**

**JOIN US** to help make sandwiches and sack lunches for those in need!



## Tai'yo Classes

Tai'yo combines the fluid, meditative movement of Tai'chi with the strength, flexibility, and calm attained through the practice of Yoga postures.

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

Classes meet on Monday and Friday mornings from  
9:00am – 10:00am in the Parish Hall



**- Birthdays -**

1-Marcia Mohler	17-Elvira Carrillo
2-Deb Loftus	17-Dylan Casey
2-Paget Merriman	17-Patrick Crerar
5-Don Rodgers	17-Robert Miranda
10-Joan Ashbrook	18-Margarita Farias
11-Earl Welliver	21-Susan Rhodes
12-Marie Card	23-Rachel Tomeo
12-Gustavo Carrillo Jr.	25-Cecily Grigg
12-Katrina Soto	27-Juvenal Delgado
15-Lauren Baxter	30-Kendall Bottjer

**- Anniversaries -**

18-Michael & Andrea Morris  
 19-Thomas & Marie Card  
 27-James & Paget Merriman  
 27-Roger & Mary Ann Morrison  
 29-Bill & Deb Loftus



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

Please contact:  
the church office, Fr. Patrick, or Carolyn Ferreira

Bible Studies



Every Wednesday  
in the Library

11:00am (English)

6:00pm (Spanish)

Centering Prayer

Centering Prayer Group

Every Monday at 6:00pm in the Library

For more information,  
please contact Matt Duncan:  
morphix1@cox.net

# - November Ministry Schedule -



Below is our November schedule of servers. If you are able to help where there is a gap, please contact Alicia at the office ([info@scbythesea.org](mailto:info@scbythesea.org)) If you have never served and would like to, please let us know.

8:00am Ministry Schedule							
11/05 All Saints' Day		11/12 Marine Corps BDay COMBINED		11/19 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday		11/26 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	
MC	Jim Prothero	MC	SEE 10:00AM MINISTRY SCHEDULE	MC	Jim Prothero	MC	Karen Stevens
ACOLYTE	Sandy Gilman	ACOLYTE		ACOLYTE	Anna Brownell	ACOLYTE	Tina Inglish
USHERS	Matt Duncan, Peter Knapp	USHERS		USHERS	Mike Marcu, Mark Pocino	USHERS	Ken & Teresa Hite
1 <sup>ST</sup> READER	Jim Prothero	1 <sup>ST</sup> READER		1 <sup>ST</sup> READER	NEED READER	1 <sup>ST</sup> READER	Jerry Stevens
2 <sup>ND</sup> READER	Mike Marcu	2 <sup>ND</sup> READER		2 <sup>ND</sup> READER	Karen Williams	2 <sup>ND</sup> READER	Ken Hite
INTERCESSION	Joe Silva	INTERCESSION		INTERCESSION	Anna Brownell	INTERCESSION	Karen Stevens
CHALICE	Bob Gergen	CHALICE		CHALICE	Mark Pocino	CHALICE	Anne Garcia
Coffee Hour	NEED HOST	Coffee Hour		Coffee Hour	Pocino Family	Coffee Hour	Inglish Family

10:00am Ministry Schedule							
11/05 All Saints' Day		11/12 Marine Corps BDay COMBINED		11/19 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday		11/26 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	
MC	Char Bailey Crowe	MC	Judy Johnson	MC	NEED MC	MC	Sean Casey
ACOLYTE	Greyson Wallett	ACOLYTE	Sean Casey	ACOLYTE	NEED ACOLYTE	ACOLYTE	Sean Casey
TORCH BEARER	Lilly Miranda	TORCH BEARER	Ryan Casey, Colin Casey	TORCH BEARER	NEED TORCH BEARER	TORCH BEARER	Ryan Casey, Colin Casey
OBLATION BEARER	Lilly Miranda	OBLATION BEARER	Dylan Casey	OBLATION BEARER	NEED OBLATION BEARER	OBLATION BEARER	Dylan Casey
USHERS	Frank Soto, Marc Allen	USHERS	Bill Major, Will Wallett	USHERS	Bob Corless, Joe Wharton	USHERS	NEED USHERS
1 <sup>ST</sup> READER	Jan Lee-Thorp	1 <sup>ST</sup> READER	Don Rodgers	1 <sup>ST</sup> READER	Chris LaBarthe	1 <sup>ST</sup> READER	Paget Merriman
2 <sup>ND</sup> READER	Katrina Soto	2 <sup>ND</sup> READER	Bill Green	2 <sup>ND</sup> READER	Paget Merriman	2 <sup>ND</sup> READER	Jan Lee-Thorp
INTERCESSION	Katrina Soto	INTERCESSION	Roger Morrison	INTERCESSION	Pat Corless	INTERCESSION	Chris Miller
CHALICE	Patty Clarke	CHALICE	Kent Adamson, Bob Gergen	CHALICE	Geoff Harris	CHALICE	Rich & Tina Rajaratnam
Coffee Hour	NEED HOST	Celebratory Luncheon!	Luncheon	Coffee Hour	Stacy & Georgina	Coffee Hour	NEED HOST



<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
			1 830am Zumba 11am Bible Study 4pm Peaceful Warrior 6pm Spanish Bible Study 7:30pm CA Disc.	2 8:30-10:30 ESL 4pm Peaceful Warrior 5pm Martini Club	3 9-10am Tai'Yo 6:30pm ESL 7pm WAA 8pm AA	4 5:00pm Silent Auction & Gala Event
5- <b>ALL SAINT'S DAY</b> 8am Rite I 10am Rite II 12pm Eucaristia en Espanol 12pm Bell Choir	6 9-10am Tai'Yo 9:30am Counters 6pm Meditation 8pm AA 8pm NA	7 8:30-10:30 ESL 4pm Peaceful Warrior 5pm Book Club 7pm NA	8 8:30am Zumba 11am Bible Study 4pm Peaceful Warrior 6pm Spanish Bible Study 7:30pm CA Disc.	9 8:30-10:30 ESL 4pm Peaceful Warrior 5pm Martini Club	10 <b>Office Closed</b> 6:30pm ESL 7pm WAA 8pm AA	11- <b>VETERAN'S DAY</b> 9am-12pm Preconvention Deanery Assembly
12 10am <b>Combined Marine Corps Birthday</b> 11:15 Luncheon 12pm Eucaristia en Espanol 12pm Bell Choir	13 9-10am Tai'Yo 9:30am Counters 6pm Meditation 8pm AA 8pm NA	14 8:30-10:30 ESL 4pm Peaceful Warrior 7pm NA	15 8:30am Zumba 11am Bible Study 2-5pm Laundry Love 4pm Peaceful Warrior 6pm Spanish Bible Study 7:30pm CA Disc.	16 8:30-10:30 ESL 4pm Peaceful Warrior 5pm Martini Club	17 9-10am Tai'Yo 6:30pm ESL 7pm WAA 8pm AA	18
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26 8am Rite I 10am Rite II 12pm Eucaristia en Espanol 12pm Bell Choir  <b>UTO INGATHERING</b>	27 9-10am Tai'Yo 9:30am Counters 6pm Meditation 8pm AA 8pm NA	28 8:30-10:30 ESL 4pm Peaceful Warrior 7pm NA	29 8:30am Zumba 11am Bible Study 4pm Peaceful Warrior 6pm Spanish Bible Study 7:30pm CA Disc.	30 8:30-10:30 ESL 4pm Peaceful Warrior 5pm Martini Club		

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# *St. Clement's by-the-Sea* EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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## **San Clemente's First Church**

*Welcoming all since 1929*



### **SUNDAY WORSHIP**

8:00am Holy Communion Rite I, Nursery

10:00am Holy Communion Rite II with Choir, Nursery, Sunday School

12:00pm La Misa en Español

202 Avenida Aragon  
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