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PHOTOS / SEEDS OF HOPE STAFF

Seeds of Hope in Hollywood

Young people at St. Stephen's, Hollywood, were hard at work setting out seedlings during the congregation's Fall Garden Day on Nov. 9. The youth planted tomatoes, broccoli, cabbage and strawberries with the help of staff from Seeds of Hope, the diocesan project to combat hunger in the Southland. For more about Seeds of Hope and how it can help churches use their land to grow crops or take part in other projects to benefit the needy, visit the web page at seedsofhope.ladiocese.org or Facebook at [on.fb.me/1Hg36FI](https://www.facebook.com/1Hg36FI)



Diocesan Convention to meet Dec. 5 - 6

“Horizons & Heritage” will be the theme of Diocesan Convention, the annual meeting of the clergy and congregations of the diocese, on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 5 and 6 at the Ontario Convention Center.

The Convention theme, “Horizons & Heritage,” is the same as that of the six-month commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the Episcopal Church’s continuing parish ministry in Southern California.

As part of the agenda, convention delegates and visitors will view three videos on the history of the Episcopal Church in the Southland.

Convention delegates and clergy will hear reports of work done over the last year by the institutions and organizations of the diocese. Bishop J. Jon Bruno will deliver the Bishop’s Address, assisted by Bishops Suffragan Diane Jardine Bruce and Mary D. Glasspool.

Five resolutions have been submitted for convention’s consideration:

- ◆ Regarding the 800th Anniversary of the Signing of the Magna Carta
- ◆ Regarding Disaster Preparedness
- ◆ Regarding Diocesan Partnership in the Charter for Compassion
- ◆ Regarding Divestment
- ◆ Regarding Marriage Equality

Delegates will vote for diocesan officers to serve on Diocesan Council, the Standing Committee, Diocesan Investment Trust and several other boards and committees. Candidates’ biographies, statements and photos have been posted on the convention page of the diocesan website at www.ladiocese.org/convention/home.html, which is also where elected lay delegates and alternates, clergy, volunteers and exhibitors will find texts of the proposed resolutions, detailed information, instructions, forms, deadlines and just about everything else they need to know about convention.

Visitors are welcome to attend convention and visit the exhibit hall, where ministries will have booths displaying their work and exhibitors will offer a variety of goods for sale. Visitor information also is available on the convention website. †

The Episcopal News, Late Fall 2014, is online



The Late Fall 2014 issue of The Episcopal News, magazine of the Diocese of Los Angeles, is now available online. The issue includes news about the upcoming Diocesan Convention; an article about the 150 years of ministry by St. Athanasius’ Church, the oldest continuing Protestant congregation in Los Angeles, written by Bob Williams, canon historiographer of the diocese; a story about the Rev. Greg Kimura, director of the Japanese American National Museum in Los Angeles, by the Rev. Canon Pat McCaughan; an account of a lunch ministry for day laborers at St. Hilary’s Church, Hesperia; and news of the people of the diocese.

To read the magazine online or download for printing, visit www.episcopalnews.com and click on the cover photo on the right-hand side of the page. †

AROUND THE DIOCESE

— SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23 —

5 p.m. **'Holidays by-the-Sea' Dinner & Auction**
St. Clement's Episcopal Church
202 Avenida Aragon, San Clemente
Reservations: 949.492.3401

6 p.m. **Staged Reading: 'The Outermost House'**
St. James' Episcopal Church
3903 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles
Information: 213.388.3417

7:30 p.m. **Compline**
St. James' Episcopal Church
3903 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles
Information: 213.388.3015

— TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25 —

7 p.m. **Interfaith Thanksgiving Service**
Congregation B'nai Emet
9 West Bonita Drive, Simi Valley
Information: 805.526.5141

— THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27 —

11 a.m. **Thanksgiving Feast**
Cathedral Center of St. Paul
840 Echo Park Avenue, Los Angeles 90026
Information: ffor1@sbcglobal.net

10 a.m. **Thanksgiving Day Service**
All Saints/Todos los Santos Episcopal Church
144 S. C Street, Oxnard
Information: 805.483-2347

— SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30 —

3 p.m. **Community Sing-A-Long Messiah**
St. Cross Episcopal Church
1818 Monterey Blvd, Hermosa Beach
Information: 310.376.8989

— FRIDAY and SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5 - 6 —

Diocesan Convention

Ontario Convention Center
200 E. Convention Center Way, Ontario
Information: 213.482.2040 or www.ladiocese.org

More listings and program details may be found at www.ladiocese.org. (See *Calendars: Events Calendar and Arts | Liturgy | Music.*)

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FROM THE BISHOPS

The sacred art of pilgrimage

'Diocese Reads' book named for 2015

By J. Jon Bruno

Pilgrimage is a central metaphor for us as people of faith. Most often, pilgrimage involves a journey toward a sacred place — a path on which we encounter and discover the Presence of the Holy, many times in new and surprising ways. As we travel, our contemplative life of prayer and meditation deepens, and we also have the joy of meeting fellow pilgrims who are kindred spirits, even within different faith traditions.

The distinguished scholar Dr. Sheryl Kujawa-Holbrook — a priest of our diocese and a professor at Bloy House (Episcopal School of Theology) since 2009, who currently serves Claremont School of Theology as its vice president of academic affairs and professor of practical theology and religious education — has captured these highlights in her recently published book titled *Pilgrimage — The Sacred Art: Journey to the Center of the Heart* (Skylight Paths, 2013).*

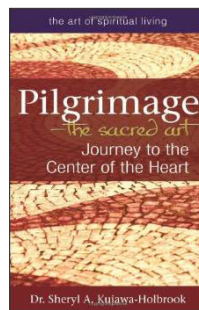
The text is rich in every respect, including interfaith contexts and varied forms of spiri-

tual practice, both for individuals and groups. So helpful are these insights that I invite us to engage this book in the 2015 "Diocese Reads" program, taking time to read and reflect upon the text both personally and in group study settings.

Now more than ever, understanding is needed among faith groups, and especially as we continue to build bridges within the Abrahamic tradition. As Dr. Kujawa-Holbrook's publisher writes of her book, "It examines how the world's religious pilgrimages evolved as central spiritual practices and the relationship between pilgrimage and transformation."

With the Thanksgiving holiday approaching, I give thanks for our diocesan community, for its faithfulness and companionship as together we engage life's journeys in love and service to God and one another in Christ Jesus. Mary Bruno joins me in wishing each of you a wonderful Thanksgiving. †

*Available from the Cathedral Bookstore, online at cathedral-bookstore.mysshopify.com or by phone at 213.482.2040.



Church of England votes final approval of women bishops


The General Synod of the Church of England has enacted the final measure enabling women to be ordained as bishops.

The formal enactment of the legislation on Nov. 17 followed the vote of approval by the synod at its meeting in July. Since that time the legislation has been approved in Parliament and received assent from Queen Elizabeth II. The final legislative requirements


took place during a session chaired by Archbishop of York John Sentamu on the first day of the synod's meeting in London.

The motion was put without debate, with only a simple majority required for approval. After the vote, the archbishops of Canterbury and York signed the measure into law before the whole synod. †

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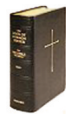
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The Episcopal Community Federal Credit Union has been in existence since 1994, and any Episcopalian in the diocese can join.

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