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Coadjutor search committee calls for series of 14 'listening sessions'

he Coadjutor Search Committee is beginning the process of developing a profile for the Diocese of Los Angeles, and it is seeking help from the entire diocesan community.

The committee, which is charged with identifying candidates for the election of a bishop coadjutor who will eventually succeed J. Jon Bruno as bishop of Los Angeles, has planned a series of "listening sessions" throughout the diocese between now and the end of July.

"We are interested in listening to your vision of who we are and who we aspire to be as a diocese and the skills and qualities you believe are necessary for a leader who will shepherd us in the years to come," wrote the Rev. Canon Julian Bull, chair of the committee.

"Each session will provide an opportunity for sharing your perspective both in writing and verbally," Bull wrote. "Each of the geographical meetings will provide separate breakout groups for lay people and for clergy." Sessions will be available in English, Korean, Chinese, Vietnamese, Spanish and American Sign language.

"Each session will be two hours in length and will be conducted through an intentional listening process established through the Kaleidoscope Institute," Bull wrote.

The committee requests that interested parishioners and clergy register for the session they wish to attend by visiting the search committee web page at www.ladiocese.org/coadjutorsearch_listening.html. According to Bull, committee members are developing online and hard-copy survey materials for those who are unable to attend one of the sessions. Information about these resources will be posted at www.ladiocese.org/coadjutorsearch. html as it becomes available, and will be noted in the Episcopal News Weekly and Update (www.episcopalnews.com).

Sessions will be held on the following dates (visit the website to register and for more information):



Five ordained to diaconate: Bishops Suffragan Mary D. Glasspool (at left) and Diane Jardine Bruce (at right) ordained (from left) Michael Corrigan, Gina Gore, Nathan Bjornstad, Peter Pi-sen Huang and Greg Millikin to the transitional diaconate on June 6 at St. St. John's ProCathedral, Los Angeles.

Sunday, June 14, 10 a.m. (Vietnamese) St. Anselm's Church 13091 Galway Street, Garden Grove

Saturday, June 20, 10 a.m. (English) St. Paul's Church 3920 Loma Vista Road, Ventura

Saturday, June 27, 10 a.m. (English/Spanish) Church of the Messiah 614 N. Bush Street, Santa Ana

Saturday, June 27, 7 p.m. (English) St. Paul's Church 1221 Wass Street, Tustin

Saturday, June 27, 10 a.m. (English) St. John's ProCathedral 514 W. Adams Boulevard, Los Angeles

Thursday, July 9, 6 p.m. (Korean) St. James' Church 3903 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles

Saturday, July 11, 10 a.m. (Chinese) Church of Our Saviour 535 W. Roses Road, San Gabriel Sunday, July 12, 4 p.m. (Spanish/English) St. Mark's Church 14646 Sherman Way, Van Nuys

Saturday, July 18, 10 a.m. (English) St. Cross Church 1818 Monterey Boulevard, Hermosa Beach

Saturday, July 18, 10 a.m. (English) St. George's Church 23802 Avenida de la Carlota, Laguna Hills

Saturday, July 18, 5 p.m. (Spanish/English) St. Athanasius/Cathedral Center 840 Echo Park Avenue, Los Angeles

Saturday, July 25, 10 a.m. (English) St. Mark's Church 330 E. 16th Street, Upland

Saturday, July 25, 5 p.m. (Spanish) St. Simon's Church 623 N. Hagar Street, San Fernando

Sunday, July 26, 2 p.m. (English/ASL) All Saints Church 132 N. Euclid Avenue, Pasadena.

— THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY through JUNE 27— Chalk Repertory presents 'Diet of Worms'

St. John's ProCathedral
514 W. Adams Blvd., Los Angeles
Information/Times/Tickets: www.chalkrep.com

— SUNDAY, JUNE 14 —

3 p.m. L.A. Metropolitan Opera presents *Aida* All Souls Chapel, Good Samaritan Hospital 637 S. Lucas Avenue, Los Angeles Information/Tickets: www.losangelesmet.com

4 p.m. Sunset ChamberFest Festival Concert St. Thomas the Apostle Episcopal Church 7501 Hollywood Blvd.,

Information: 323.876.2102

4 p.m. Jouyssance Early Music Ensemble - 'The Song of Songs: Music from the Garden of Love' Church of the Angels

1100 Avenue 64, Pasadena

Information: 213.533.9922 / www.jouyssance.org

— FRIDAY - SUNDAY, JUNE 19 - 21 — Retreat: 'There's a Wideness in God's Mercy'

Mt. Calvary Monastery and Retreat House 505 E. Los Olivos Road, Santa Barbara Information: www.mount-calvary.org
Registration: 805.682.4117 / mtcalvary1@aol.com

— SATURDAY, JUNE 20 —

4 p.m. Musical Treasures of the Baroque Era $\,$

St. Ambrose Episcopal Church 830 W. Bonita Avenue, Claremont Information: 909.626.7170

— THURSDAY, JUNE 25 —

11 a.m. World Refugee Day Celebration

Plummer Park

1200 N. Vista Avenue, **West Hollywood** Information: IRIS, 323.667.0489

— SUNDAY, JUNE 28 —

6 p.m. Jazz on the Patio

St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church 280 Royal Avenue, Simi Valley Information: 805.526.5141

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Scripture, reason and tradition

By Diane Jardine Bruce

He explained everything in private to his disciples ...

nce again this day we hear Jesus speaking in parables in the reading from the Gospel according to Mark. This time he is talking about seeds — something that is common and something that should be understood. Yet, once again, he takes something familiar that should be obvious and makes it difficult to understand. People around them were shaking their heads —I can see it in my mind's eye.

We hear at the end of this Gospel passage that he explained everything in private to his disciples. Don't you wish you could have been a fly on the wall listening in? I certainly wish the apostles had developed a "crib sheet," aka a cheat sheet — preferably in spreadsheet form (the former banker in me likes that) — and handed it out to their friends and down through the generations.

We don't have a "crib sheet." We don't have a lengthy explanation. We just have what we have — the Bible, which is part of the threelegged stool we stand on as Episcopalians: Scripture, reason and tradition. We rely on Bible study, coupled by our reason and our centuries of tradition to inform the way we understand the parables that Jesus used in



his teaching. We rely on coming together as a community of faith to pray together, to learn together and celebrate the Eucharist together, as Jesus shared with his disciples.

As we continue this season after Pentecost, may we all remember and pray now the collect that will be said near the end of this season, on the Sunday closest to November 16:

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Red Shirt Project prepares for 15th annual pilgrimage

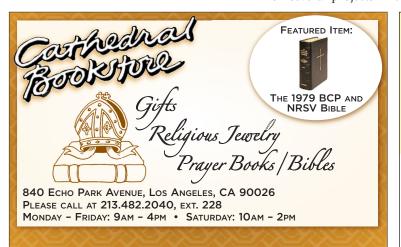
The Red Shirt Project is preparing for its 15th annual youth pilgrimage to the village of Red Shirt on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota, a project of the dioceses of Los Angeles, Minnesota, South Dakota, and Wyoming.

Led by the Rev. Michael Cunningham, rector of St. Mary's Church, Lompoc, and the Rev. Robert Two Bulls, Jr., of the Diocese of Minnesota, the young people, who represent all of the sponsoring dioceses, will work on several projects in cooperation with Pine

Ridge residents.

Cunningham is seeking donations to pay for housing and board for the young people, as well as materials to support their work on the reservation. Contributions may made payable to The Red Shirt Project OR St. Mary's Church (write RSP on the memo line), and sent care of the Rev. Michael Cunningham, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 2800 Harris Grade Road, Lompoc, CA 93436.

For more information, contact Cunning-ham at sensei1633@aol.com.



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