

# Saint John's Good News

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from St. John's

March 2016



## From the Rector

### A Week Set Apart

The month of March provides us with wonderful opportunities to continue our journey through Lent, and it is my prayer that all of us are turning toward the Lord as we strive to deepen our relationship and open our hearts to His transforming love. I want to thank all of you who have encouraged me to keep writing the daily reflections that I have been publishing. Whether you realize it or not, you are helping me to hold myself accountable to one of the disciplines I have engaged during Lent. Thank you for your willingness to serve me in this way.

I want to encourage all of us to not only continue to keep a Holy Lent, but also to be mindful of the special time that the church calls a Holy Week. Beginning March 20th on Palm Sunday and culminating with our Easter celebrations on Sunday, March 27th, the church takes a week to tell the story that is at the essence of our faith. We proclaim the Good News that death has been overcome, and that, as a result, the promise of eternal life is made available to all!

Webster's defines the word "holy" as:

- 1) Exalted or worthy of complete devotion as one perfect in goodness and righteousness;
- 2) Divine;
- 3) Devoted entirely to the deity or work of the deity.

The word derives from the Greek word "hagios" which means "set apart."

I want to encourage all of us to set this week apart and treat it differently than other weeks. What does this mean? It means that for a week, we only attend to those matters of our normal everyday lives that are critical, and make a good faith effort to attend worship, prayerfully reflect on the activities in which our Lord was engaged that week, and spend time listening with our hearts to the way in which God desires us to be transformed by this Good News.

The story we hear that week is the essence of our faith, and it is my prayer that we allow ourselves the space to absorb the meaning of this story into our hearts so that we might embody the hope contained therein as we move forward from this sacred week. Please make plans to attend as many of the scheduled services as you are able. Immerse yourself in the story that is told this Holy Week. Let God speak to you. Let God transform your life. Hear the story as you have never heard it before.

Devote yourself to God's work in this time that the church sets apart.

Then let us share the Good News we have heard.

In Him,

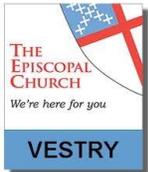
Fr. Cliff +



### Senior Warden Message

With the Annual Meeting behind us, we are now officially at the beginning of a new church year here at Saint John's. I am pleased to say that I again will have the pleasure of serving as your Senior Warden. With 3 new members of Vestry in hand we held an all-day retreat on February 13 to start the planning process for 2016. The meeting provided us an opportunity to better learn about each other and to help enable us to become a more cohesive group. One of the outcomes of that retreat was a further focus on Ministry Groups. The Vestry and the Ministry heads will be fleshing out a process to plan together for 2016. In the months ahead, I look forward to updating you as to the progress we make toward our goal of refining our focus outward and toward the people of West Park.

In His Service,  
Craig



### The Vestry Page

The Vestry, the parish board of directors, consists of nine elected lay members and the Rector, who is the Chair of the Board. Vestry meetings and Vestry committee meetings are open to all. Vestry members are: Craig Collom (Senior Warden), Eric Larson (Junior Warden), Jean Lacher (Clerk), Michael Adams, Deanna Frazee, Bruce Hall, Roy Larson, Amit Thompson, David van Greuningen. Tom Stevens serves as the Treasurer.

#### Vestry Highlights\*

#### February 17, 2016

The Vestry voted to endorse Pam Stevens for Postulancy.

Vestry members debriefed the Annual Meeting, and the Diocesan Congregational Leadership Conference that was held at St. John's.

#### February 20, 2016 - Vestry Retreat

Pastor Sarah provided an overview of the "Divergent / Convergent"

### St. John's Website

Click the link above to view our website.

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model, and the "Gradients of Agreement" model, which Vestry members may reference during meetings.

Vestry members discussed the draft Long-Range Plan and provided feedback to Father Cliff.

The Vestry elected Eric Larson as Jr. Warden and Jean Lacher as Vestry Clerk

Submitted by Jean Lacher  
Clerk of the Vestry

*\*Complete minutes of the Vestry meeting are posted on the Kiosk in the narthex. You may also find the 2015 Vestry Minutes binder on the bookshelf in the hospitality room.*



## Lenten Study

### **Deep Listening: Quietening Our Hearts, Suspending Our Judgments To Hear The Voice of God In Our Lives**

During Lent Fr. Cliff will offer a series of talks that will focus on how we might become deep listeners; discerning the will of God for our lives. Fr. Cliff will be drawing upon his experience in the Holy Land to guide us as we develop the ability to hear others without judgment, develop an appreciation for the other, and discern how God might be calling us to live into God's ministry of reconciliation. Beginning February 14th, each week Fr. Cliff will provide three opportunities to gather (Sunday at 9:30 am, Tuesday at 7 pm, and Thursday at 2 pm) as we explore deep listening in the context of our lives and our community. All are welcome. Please come as we deepen our ability to live into the transforming love of Jesus Christ.



## Evening Prayer During Lent

Join us Tuesday evenings at 6:30 in Lent for Evening Prayer. Evening Prayer is a short service found in our Daily Office in the Book of Common Prayer. The service includes readings from scripture and prayers. It usually lasts about 20 minutes and provides a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the day and relax into the evening. During Lent we are encouraged to spend more time in prayer, study and self reflection. This could be your new Lenten discipline. Stay afterwards for the discussion about Deep Listening.



## More Lenten Resources

Below you find a link to further resources suggested by the diocese that will help us observe a Holy Lent. We hope you might find them useful.

[Lenten Resources](#)



March 20	Palm Sunday	Holy Eucharist 8am & 10:30 am
March 21	Monday	Holy Eucharist 9:30 am, 12:15 pm, 7pm
March 22	Tuesday	Holy Eucharist 9:30 am, 12:15 pm, 7pm
March 23	Wednesday	Holy Eucharist 9:30 am, 12:15 pm, 7pm (Seder Meal)
March 24	Maundy Thursday	Holy Eucharist/Foot washing 7pm
March 25	Good Friday	Holy Eucharist Noon, 7pm Stations of the Cross at 3pm
March 26	Holy Saturday	Easter Egg Hunt 10:30 am Easter Vigil 8pm
March 27	Easter Day	Holy Eucharist 8am and 10:30 am



### Molly's Revenge Concert

St. Patrick's Day festivities will continue at St. John's on Friday evening, March 18, with Molly's Revenge, a Celtic trio of "dynamic acoustic entertainers", offering Irish music and other entertainment that includes dance.

Molly's Revenge members bring years of experience in performing, studying, composing and teaching both here and in Ireland and Scotland.

David Brewer has 20 years background with Highland bagpipes and others. He has studied in Scotland and composed 200 traditional tunes for the various pipes.

John Weed, a classically trained violinist, now has 15 years experience playing the Irish fiddle. He has also lived and taught in Ireland.

Stuart Mason has appeared on the international music stage for 30 years with both guitar and mandola. He also composes and teaches. All this adds up to an evening of lively Celtic sounds with a couple dancers added.

The Celtic entertainment is to raise funds for Haitian causes and is sponsored by St. John's Outreach Committee and offers support for the Episcopal Partnership program with Haiti. Representatives from both St. John's and St. Augustine's will attend the Haitian Connection Conference there in April.

Father Cliff and Diane Williamson will represent St. John's. Delegates from Rocklin include the Rev. Elizabeth Armstrong, Jerry Harner and Jim Quinney.

St. John's doors will open at 6 p.m. for appetizers, liquid refreshments, auction, raffle and more. The concert featuring pipes, fiddle, guitar, and dancers will begin at 7 p.m.

Save the date: Friday March 18 to join the Irish festivities. Tickets will be available at church on Sundays. Reservations for adults \$ 25, children under 16 only \$ 10 , or families \$ 60. Seating will be limited due to dance floor area so purchase your tickets in advance.



**Your family is invited to an  
EASTER EGG HUNT  
&  
A Chance to Meet the  
Easter Bunny**

**Saturday, March 26, 2016  
10:30 a.m.**



## Stephen Ministry News

### February yielded more Stephen Ministers (SM) to serve you.

Sunday, February 14, six (6) new Stephen Ministers and one new Stephen Leader were commissioned. Our Ministry has greatly grown since its inception at St John's in January 2014. We now have 18 Stephen Ministers (including the five Stephen Leaders) to serve the silently hurting members of St. John's parish. Thus, this year's Valentines came in many forms, and the Stephen Ministry is Christ's for you.

**Stephen Ministers are now:** Michael Adams, Elaine Bickford, Bruce Hall, Cynde Martin, Sandy Moon, Donna Reynolds, John Willoughby, Roy Larson, Lois Larson, Lisa Cross, Denise Boutwell, Winnie Critchlow, and Jim Kennemore.



**During March**, our newly commissioned Stephen Ministers will begin the process of having Care Receivers (hurting parishioners) assigned to them. Fr. Cliff is very pleased with how this ministry is growing to serve the needs of our parish as we also serve Jesus Christ's desire for us to be of assistance to the least of his brethren. The number of Care Receivers in our parish who have been helped through this ministry has continued to grow. Some have had short-term needs, while others needed more time. SMs walk with you for as long as you need.

**Psalms 71:20-21** "You who have made me see many troubles and calamities will revive me again; from the depths of the earth you will bring me up again. You will increase my greatness and comfort me again." A Stephen Minister will confidentially listen and pray and walk with you during troubling times. Unlike friends and family members, you can say anything your feeling to a SM.

Call or approach Fr. Cliff or a Stephen Leader to determine if a Stephen Minister is the right fit for your hurting needs. Stephen Leaders are: Bev Williams, Marcia Hansen, Jo Anne Williams, Jean Lacher, or Jo Anne Dreyfus; our phone numbers are in the St John's directory, or just walk up to one of us.

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## Adult Education March 2016

As we continue through Lent, Fr. Cliff will offer a series of talks that will focus on how we might become deep listeners; discerning the will of God for our lives. Fr. Cliff has been drawing upon his experience in the Holy Land to guide us as we develop the ability to hear others without judgment, develop an appreciation for the other, and discern how God might be calling us to live into God's ministry of reconciliation. Join with us as we explore deep listening in the context of our lives and our community. All are welcome. Please come as we deepen our ability to live into the transforming love of Jesus Christ.

***Note: If you miss the Sunday sessions of Adult Ed during Lent, they will be repeated each each Tuesday at 7pm and Thursday at 2pm.***

Adult Education takes place on Sundays at 9:30 am in the Hospitality Room. All are welcome. Child care is provided. Please join us.

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## Flower Guild News

If this will be your first Easter at St. John's, you are in for a beautiful treat in many ways. Linda Marsh and the entire flower guild do a fabulous job. You will find an insert in your weekly bulletin for Easter Lily donations. The cost is \$15.00 and you choose if you'd like to donate in memory or honor of a loved one.

Anyone who is willing to help decorate the church for Easter is very welcome and appreciated. If you are new to decorating with flowers, you will be working with a member of the Flower Guild. There is much to be done. We will begin following the 9:30 service on Saturday, March 26 and finish when the church is beautiful!

If you have yard flowers and greenery at home that you would like to donate, whether you work on decorating or not that day, please have the items at church by 9:30 am on March 26. There are vases in the Sacristy should you need to bring items earlier and place them in water. Questions? Call Linda Marsh at (916) 740-3743

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## Nursery News

We have many more little ones in the nursery these days which is keeping Leeann and Abby joyfully busy! They love the children they have met and are so excited to be with us!

The St. John's Nursery is staffed Sundays from 9:15 am to 12:15 pm with gentle, smiling, child care professionals, and it's equipped with safe and engaging toys for infants and toddlers (3 and under).



## Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meeting will be held Saturday, March 5.

**Jenny will bring any yarn that she has for those who need it to get started on a shawl.**

To request a prayer shawl for a loved one, friend or yourself, please contact Jenny at 771-9566 or call Robin at the church office at 757-6137.



## Aesthetics Ministry Meeting

Do you have an interest in the aesthetics of St. John's? Do you have suggestions or ideas you would like considered? You are invited to attend our upcoming meeting on Thursday, March 10 at 10:00 am with Father Cliff and the committee.



## St. John's Single Group

The St. John's Singles group is open to any man or woman of any age who would enjoy getting together. Please contact Diane Williamson (916-300-6384, dianew@surewest.net), Joanne Overgaard ((916-772-9629, joanne.overgaard@hotmail.com) or Marcia Hansen (916-764-7236, meh1362002@yahoo.com) for more information or to be added to our email list.



## Daughters of the King

The regular meeting of DOK was held on Feb. 14th. The minutes and treasurer reports were read and accepted. Denise Boutwell led the study of "Continuing the Journey, The Spiritual Formation Guide" chapter 3.

Ann Sokolsky and Kathy Alvis will present the Bible Bear program to the children of St. John's as soon as they know how many age appropriate Bibles to purchase. The DOK Spring Assembly will be held at St. Michael's in Carmichael on April 16th. More information will be available later. The DOK New Comer Study will be held on March 13th and 20th and April 3rd and 10th. If you are interested in becoming a "Daughter" please contact Penny Hart or Pat Cannariato. Day care will be provided.

Blessings, Penny Hart



### Rosati's Gives Back 10%

Some of you know our parish member and friend Christine Grau. Christine recently opened Rosati's, a great little Italian restaurant in Roseville. The pizza and pasta is out of this world! It's a great place to meet up with friends, watch football, baseball... and just hang out and have a glass of wine or beer.

***Mention to your server that you are a member at St. John's and we will receive 10% back (pre***

***tax.)***

Rosati's is located at 5140 Foothills Blvd. Roseville, CA 95747 (same shopping center as Ripped Fitness and The Dollar Store.)



### Simply Worship

Our next Simply Worship service will take place at 9am on April 23. All are welcome to sing, pray and worship.

Questions? Email Mary Circle at [mcircle@surewest.net](mailto:mcircle@surewest.net)



### Keeping our Church Clean Tablecloth Laundering

Thank you to the angels who notice soiled tablecloths and take them home to launder and bring them back folded and put into the cabinet under the mirror located in the

Narthex!

Please place them in the cabinet on the shelves and in the drawers labeled according to size, which takes the guess work out of choosing the right size tablecloth for the table.



## Recyclables for Youth Group

**Both aluminum cans and individual plastic water bottles for our recyclable program for our Youth Group.** Some heavier plastic and the milky colored plastics are not accepted nor can we take tin cans or glass bottles. **You do not need to wash the aluminum cans or plastic water bottles, but please be certain to empty them.** Separating cans and plastic water bottles into separate bags would be appreciated.

Thank you again.

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## The Men's Program The Spiritual Journey Program February 2 -- 7:30 p.m.

All men are invited to our monthly get together titled The Spiritual Journey Program. We meet the first Tuesday evening of each month between 7:30 and 8:45 pm. What is included? Evening prayer, an exercise of three questions to be answered by each participant, a single presentation of 15-20 minutes on the spiritual journey of an individually selected man, responses by men in the group and a closing prayer. The meeting will be held at the large table inside the church

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## March Book Club Selection Highlights Haiti

- **Been to Haiti?**
- **Interested in our Haiti mission?**
- **Want to know more about Haiti? (It is the largest Diocese in the Episcopal Church.)**

**Thursday March 10 at 7 pm** the Book Club will be discussing ***The Big Truck That Went By: How the World Came to Save Haiti and Left Behind a Disaster*** by Jonathan M. Katz

You needn't have read book (though there is still time) to profit from the discussion. We will be showing a short video by Jonathan Katz. Come join us at Kathy Des Rosier's home, 2307 Vernon Street in Roseville. Questions? Call Kathy 783-7398 or Pat Cannariato 791-4219 to RSVP.

Katz was the only full-time American news correspondent in Haiti on January 12, 2010, when the deadliest earthquake in the history of the Western Hemisphere struck the island nation. In this visceral first-hand

account, Katz takes readers inside the terror of that day, the devastation visited on ordinary Haitians, and through the monumental--yet misbegotten--rescue effort that followed. More than half of American adults gave money for Haiti, part of a global response totaling \$16.3 billion in pledges. But four years later the promises remain unfulfilled. How did so much generosity amount to so little? What went wrong?

### Other Book Club News:

**Change of Meeting Day:** Starting in April, Book Club will meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month, 7-8:30 pm. Call Pat Cannariato (791-4219) for information about location.

Book Club Brochures with selections through July are available in the kiosk. Pick one up today!



### Moveable Feasts

Our new brochure for 2016 is available! Be sure to stop by the table in the narthex to take a look at the great events we have planned and better yet, sign up for the events that peak your interest!

Originally Moveable Feasts was designed to be a way to raise money for the general fund, AND invite others to share in the fun and fellowship of the event. Most events were themed, (Chinese new year, St. Patricks Day, Mardi Gras, Harvest dinner, etc.). In our parish we have had that kind event and a few concerts, and some just plain great dinner parties. Our goal for 2016 is to insure newcomers and or outsiders are guests at each event.

Below are the remaining events we have thus far:

***Please note: These are subject to change at time of print.***

March 5 Chili and Clam Cook-Off and feast  
April 16 Big Band Dancing Parish Hall

May 21 Art Exhibit an Silent Auction  
June 10 Dinner with Bob and Michael  
July 16 Famous Family Camp Steak Dinner  
August 12 Steak Diane at the Larson's

Sept. 10 Pay It Forward Back to School Dance  
Oct. 1 Octoberfest at the Treis'  
Nov. 5 Non Progressive Dinner  
Dec. 10 Christmas Concert



### Rides To Church

There are a few folks from our 10:30 a.m. service that are not able to drive to church. If you are available to pick up and drop off fellow parish members, please give the office a call.



### Prayer Book

You are invited to write your prayer concerns in the Burgundy Prayer Book located on the pedestal as you enter the sanctuary. These intercessions are presented at the altar each Sunday.



### Weekday Morning Prayer

We offer morning prayer Monday through Friday every week at 9:00 am. For those who are able to join us, we welcome you! Share our newest service with friends and neighbors.



[Click here for our March Calendar of Events](#)

Note: To see a particular month of the year, use the arrow keys on the website.

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**Would you like to submit an article for the Newsletter?**

Email Robin at [rwhitlow2@gmail.com](mailto:rwhitlow2@gmail.com) or [stjohnsroseville@surewest.net](mailto:stjohnsroseville@surewest.net)

Items should be submitted by the 20th of each month.

If possible, please submit articles in Microsoft Word or similar format. Thank you.