

The Anchor



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Dear Friends at St Clement's,

I am writing about the Easter Season, but right now it's still Holy Week and Easter is several days away. We can imagine things like that, ... what it will be like when Sometimes this is a mixed blessing. As one of my favorite authors (Ernest Becker, *Denial of Death*) pointed out, we are the only beings on this planet who can contemplate our own death – our own moment of non-being. And yet, we continue to function on a day-to-day basis regardless of that certainty and knowledge, as if it doesn't really matter – or at least doesn't scare us in the least. As Christians, it is Easter that makes that possible! But sometimes, we need reassurance, not exactly “proof” but something pretty close to that.

Thomas was like that, and I guess I have a bit of him in me – since I was ordained a priest 35 years ago on his feast day (December 21)! And we hear that most famous part of his story this year on April 12, the Second Sunday of Easter. How he was absent the first time Jesus appeared following the resurrection, and he refused to take their word for it until he could “place my hand in the wounds in his hands and side.” A week later, on the Second Sunday after the Resurrection, Thomas is there, and when Jesus appears again he confronts Thomas for his lack of faith. “Blessed are those who have not seen, but yet have believed,” Jesus says to Thomas and the rest gathered there.

We are challenged, since none of us are likely to have the risen Lord standing in front of us holding out his hands and saying, “Here, touch me there, see for yourself, it's really me...”. Yet we believe. How is that? We are willing to accept the words, the testimony, the witness of others who have gone before us and told us the story, over and over again. There is power in the story – it grabs our hearts, our souls, and reassures us. “Death is not the end, it's just the beginning, and I'm with you always.”

Thanks be to God!

Fr Dr Dave

Hooray! The Return of the Anchor Group!

St. Clements is journeying forward by restarting the former “Anchor Fellowship Group”, that was popular a few years ago. It’s a way to strengthen our church fellowship beyond regular Sunday services. With Jesus’ guidance we can expand our church community, strengthen Christian bonds and build new friendships from within and beyond the church. For those not familiar with the original **Anchor Group**, it was formed to help our Christian fellowship grow, to build companionship, share mutual interests & beliefs, share stories, and indulge in activities selected by the whole group. We gather once a month at an activity location selected by the group.

Some past activities were: potluck & slide shows, snack & board games, River Cats game, a night at the Sacramento Ballet & Symphony, yard sale, singing Christmas songs to the elderly, Choral Society, visit museum & zoo and other activities voted on by the group.

Come and see what being in the group has to offer.

Your Friend in Christ,

Guido Polana

What does St. Clement’s do best?

Deacon David is working on an assignment from his Deacon Mentor to create a paper on what ministries the people of St. Clement’s feel they do best. The idea is to identify these ministries and build on them. Send your thoughts to davidbridges@comcast.net

Blessings and Peace,
Deacon David+

Pet Help

If you would like to help support the Pet Food Assistance Program at the Sacramento County Animal Shelter, please bring non-perishable dog or cat food to church and Dorothy LeCel has volunteered to deliver the donations to the shelter. Please see Dorothy for details.

The Great Peanut Butter Round-up

Just to report to the parish on the results of the peanut butter ingathering. This parish collected a grand total of fifty-seven jars of peanut butter, which have been spirited off to River City Food Bank. That’s over twice what we planned. Congratulations on a job well done!

Now, what can we do next?

Bible Readings

for the month

Revised Common Lectionary Year B

April 5

Resurrection of the Lord
Easter Sunday
Acts 10:34-43
PSALM 118:1-2,14-24
1 Corinthians 15:1-11
John 20:1-18

April 12

Second Sunday of Easter
Acts 4:32-35
PSALM 133
1 John 1:1-2:2
John 20:19-31

April 19

Third Sunday of Easter
Acts 3: 12-19
PSALM 4
1 John 3: 1-7
Luke 24: 36b-48

April 26

Fourth Sunday of Easter
Acts 4: 5-12
PSALM 23
1 John 3: 16-24
John 10: 11-18

Birthdays

April 19 Rebecca Haggerson

April 20 Debbie Kidd

CHRIST IS RISEN



Easter Schedule

Thursday April 2

Maundy Thursday

Service at 7:00pm followed by an all night vigil. The vigil will continue until 12:00noon
Good Friday.

If you would like to participate the sign-up sheet is in the narthex; or simply attend for as
long as you are able

Friday April 3

Good Friday

Services at 12:00noon and 7:00pm.

Saturday April 4

Holy Saturday

Easter Eve

There are no scheduled events this day

Sunday April 5

Easter Sunday

Communion at 8:00am and 10:00am.

There will be an Easter Egg hunt for children after the 10:00am service.

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CALENDAR YEAR / MONTH

SUNDAY
FIRST DAY OF WEEK

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	01	02	03	04
				Maundy Thursday Service 7:00pm All night vigil until noon Friday	Good Friday Services 12:00noon and 7:00pm	Thrift Store 9:00am- 1:00pm NA 10:00am AA 6:00pm AA 9:00pm
05	06	07	08	09	10	11
Easter Sunday Eucharist 8:00 & 10:00am AA 6:30pm		Bible Study 7:00pm AA 6:30pm		Beginning Ukulele 5:15pm Ukulele Club 5:45pm Thursday Prayer Service 7:00pm		Thrift Store 9:00am- 1:00pm Daughters of the King 10:00am NA 10:00am
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Second Sunday of Easter Eucharist 8:00 & 10:00am Vestry Meeting 1:00pm AA 6:30pm		Bible Study 7:00pm AA 6:30pm		Beginning Ukulele 5:15pm Ukulele Club 5:45pm Thursday Prayer Service 7:00pm		Thrift Store 9:00am- 1:00pm NA 10:00am AA 6:00pm AA 9:00pm
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Third Sunday of Easter Eucharist 8:00 & 10:00am AA 6:30pm		Bible Study 7:00pm AA 6:30pm		Beginning Ukulele 5:15pm Ukulele Club 5:45pm Thursday Prayer Service 7:00pm		Thrift Store 9:00am- 1:00pm NA 10:00am AA 6:00pm AA 9:00pm
26	27	28	29	30	01	02
Fourth Sunday of Easter Eucharist 8:00 & 10:00am AA 6:30pm		Bible Study 7:00pm AA 6:30pm		Beginning Ukulele 5:15pm Ukulele Club 5:45pm Thursday Prayer Service 7:00pm		

Lay Ministry Schedule St. Clement's Church

	SUNDAY Apr 5 Easter Sunday	SUNDAY Apr 12 Second Sunday after Easter	SUNDAY Apr 19 Third Sunday after Easter	SUNDAY Apr 26 Fourth Sunday after Easter
Alter Guild	Len and Debbi Honeycutt	Jennifer Yee	Stephen Souلمان Debbie Kidd	Deidra White Kara Magdelano
Ushers 8:00 a.m.	Randy Grimwood	Randy Grimwood	Randy Grimwood	Randy Grimwood
Ushers 10:00 a.m.	Pam Quarles Trish M. Staff	Ray and Sherri Stults	Phil and Lynette Yoes	Kent Ransom
Acolytes 8:00 a.m.	Chris Wash	Jim Wash	Harry Shippy	Janelle Fallan
Acolytes 10:00 a.m.	Debbie Popp	Debbi Honeycutt	Debbie Popp	Debbi Honeycutt
Lectors 8:00 a.m.	Mari Heineke	Janelle Fallan	Chris Wash	Jim Wash
Lectors 10:00 a.m.	Steve Ramiro Deb Bickford	Len Honeycutt Muriel Murray	Pam Quarles Chuck Maxson	David Bridges Lynette Yoes
Intercessors 8:00a.m.	Jim Wash	Harry Shippy	Ken Dunham	Chris Wash
Intercessors 10:00 a.m.	David Bridges	Steve Ramiro	Kent Ransom	HELP NEEDED
E.M. (Chalice) 8:00a.m.	Chris Wash	Jim Wash	Harry Shippy	Janelle Fallan
E.M.(Chalice) 10:00 a.m.	Muriel Murray	Debbi Honeycutt	Len Honeycutt	Sharon Burke-Polana
Coffee Hour 8:00 a.m.	Harry Shippy	Janelle Fallan Ken Dunham	Chris & Jim Wash	Irene Grant Randy Grimwood
Coffee Hour 10:00a.m.	Dorothy Lecl Debbi Popp	Maria Bridges	Jennifer Yee Betty Chapman	Debbie Popp
Counters	Kent Ransom Ray Stults	Muriel Murray Stephen Souلمان	Ray Stults Harry Shippy	Guido Polana Stephen Souلمان
PIE 8:00 & 10:00a.m.	Debbie Popp	Mickey Boughton	Debbi Honeycutt	Muriel Murray

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Clergy and Lay Eucharist Visits

Please call Len Honeycutt (362-5170) or the church office (635-5282) or send an e-mail to the church at info@saint-clements.com if you would like communion brought to you or a family member.

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Priest-in-Charge

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