



“Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.”

**All Saints’ Episcopal Church & Day School
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Iglesia de Todos los Santos**

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Our Mission:

**To Know Christ and to make Christ Known
Kilalanin si Kristo at gawing kilala si Kritso
Conocer a Cristo y dar a conocer a Cristo**

July 2010

Weekly Worship Schedule

English Language Worship
Saturday: 5:30 pm
Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 am

Santa Misa en Español
Sunday: 12:30 pm

Tagalog/English worship
Sunday: 3:30 pm

*See the parish web site or call the
parish office for more
information*

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ENJOY YOUR SUMMER! By Fr. Gary

Summertime is traditionally a time for fun and leisure; a time to “re-create” ourselves. Of course, this seems to apply more to children than adults; our work lives hardly change throughout the year! Perhaps we do more family outings to the lake or the park, but mostly, we still work 9-5 five days a week. Maybe it’s the longer daylight hours, but we do perceive that we have more time for recreation. So what are you doing this summer to re-create and revitalize yourself? A family/personal vacation? Playing more golf or tennis? Riding the bicycle more? Or just sitting on the deck/patio reading a good book! Whatever it is, I hope that part of the time is being spent on **renewing your spiritual life. A few ways to accomplish this might include:**

Going to church. As self evident as this may sound, many people think of summer as a time to stay away from church. If Sunday is a time for more family activity, consider the 5:30 p.m. service on Saturday or even starting the day at the 8 a.m. service. This might also be a good time to worship with the Hispanic community at 12:30 p.m. or the Holy Child community at 3:30 p.m. if those times work better into your schedule. **In order to give everyone more time after church, we have changed the 10:30 service to 10 o’clock!**

Read a spiritually uplifting book. It doesn’t have to be anything overtly theological or heavy; there are numerous novels with Christian themes that are worth reading. (see two I would recommend in another article in this newsletter!) And remember that we have a small, but diverse parish library from which you may borrow books, tapes, or videos. Browse before or after a service to see what may attract you.

Get out and consciously seek God in creation! Ok. That is theologizing, but it isn’t painful. God created this world for our enjoyment so it only seems fair that we should take up the invitation to see that the world is “good”!

Remember to keep up with your pledge/giving. (It’s obligatory for the priest to mention this, even though it should be self-evident!) The bills continue to come in and ministries still have to be supported.

CHANGE OF SERVICE HOURS

Beginning July 4th the 10:30 service is being moved up to 10 a.m. This will help get us out a little earlier and beat some of the summer heat. It also presents us with opportunities for more fellowship! By moving this service up, the 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. service can share in the coffee hour between services. One of the “complaints” I have heard is that “we don’t get to know each other in the other services.” The only solution to that is to consciously make an effort to spend time with one another. It also presents us with the same kind of opportunity to get to know people at the Hispanic 12:30 p.m. service by giving us more social time between the services. There have been suggestions about having more structured coffee hours as well. Again, we have to make the effort. Another benefit may be that those groups that want to meet after church will have more time to do it before lunch. If we want to continue this in the fall, it will give time for an adult study class or two.

TWO BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE INTERIM:

Eric Law, “The Wolf Shall Dwell with the Lamb” is “a spirituality of leadership in a multicultural community” and uses “theology and cultural anthropology to explore why people of certain cultures—most notably whites of Northern European origin—tend to dominate in multicultural situations, driving those of other races and ethnic groups to silent rage or outright rebellion.” I have known Eric for nearly 20 years and find him to be a bright, sensitive, wise priest whose insights into multiculturalism influence my own thinking and practice to a large degree. Well worth the read and thought for All Saints as we proceed to practice a multicultural ministry here. Printed by Chalice Press.

Marcus Borg is the author of his first novel, Putting Aside Childish Things. Known as one of the leaders of the Jesus Seminar and author of numerous books and articles about finding the historical Jesus, Borg uses his questions and insights to develop a story about several characters who seek to define their Christian faith and practice. It speaks very well to the current situation in the Episcopal Church on matters of biblical interpretation and human sexuality, as well as spiritual practices that lead us closer to God.

Both books are relatively short and easy to read and challenge us to further develop our faith understanding.

NOTES FROM THE JUNIOR WARDEN

The All Saints' Vestry has begun to institute a more effective committee system, with building and grounds being one of our areas of focus. Just this past week, the parish signed contracts for repair of the roof (it has been leaking), and repair of our drip irrigation system (it too has been leaking). By the end of the summer, you should expect to see a noticeable improvement in our landscaping and weed control, and when you go to church next time, you will see that the sign saying "The Episcopal Church Welcomes You" is graffiti-free.

We will also be implementing a public 'punch list' of action items through the end of the year, with an emphasis on improving the appearance of the property prior to All Saints' 50th Anniversary. This punch list will be a public document, updated to reflect progress against tasks, and an opportunity for congregants to add items and note their resolution. It will be posted in the Parish Hall and Office – please have a look and add to the wish list – we need everyone's ideas! The initial Buildings and Grounds committee is composed of Al Jackson, David Ipharr, and myself. We have established a connection with a handyman service that also helps the Day School, and we hope to organize a handful of volunteer events before the end of the year. The 50th birthday event and the gift of repaying the mortgage have been wonderful catalysts for big ideas about All Saints' buildings and grounds. Please look for the punch list of action items in the coming weeks.

Vestry meetings have been re-scheduled to fall on the third Saturday of the month at 9:00. This will allow maximum participation by vestry members, and prevent any scheduling conflicts with Saturday/Sunday services. Our next meeting is July 17th.

Sunday School is on break till September, but the nursery re-opened last weekend with help from one of the ASDS teachers and one of the parents. We are recruiting additional teachers, to make sure we have year-round coverage for this critical ministry. At the

end of the summer, we will be organizing a "Safe Church" class for all returning Sunday School teachers, volunteers, and acolyte leaders. And although Sunday School is taking a vacation, Fr. Bernardo has organized a 'summer camp' for youth of all ages, to be held at Christ Church on June 26th and July 24th.

Blessings during this summer season!

Steve Tryon

Junior Warden

The Church Mortgage is paid off!!

An anonymous donor contributed the money to pay our church mortgage off in full. Payments on the 8 per cent \$180,000 building loan had been \$2184 per month. Thanks to all the contributors along the way to the Burn the Mortgage fund, the final payment by the donor was \$28,467 including interest. Because of this, the "deficit" 2010 budget is no longer a deficit one; that is, the church is paying its current bills from current income, and is now free of debt.

THE CHURCH NURSERY HAS REOPENED

Nursery hours are 9:30-11:30 am during 10:00 worship. There will soon be a rotating staff of four, with two Nursery Nannies on duty every Sunday. The nursery is for children age birth to 6 years old. Children who have entered Kindergarten or higher grades may sit with their parents until Sunday School resumes after summer.

BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW

We stay busy with all our projects. It looks like we may have two more chapters on board. Christ Church and Grace in the Desert. Other than that we're zipping right along.

Signing off /// Ed Moreira - Diocesan Coordinator



DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

The Daughters of the King will be celebrating their 125th year nationally. St. Mary Magdalene Chapter at All Saints' is in the process of determining how to celebrate this special time at our church.

A new training class for women interested in joining the Order will begin in the Fall. You may want to join us at our monthly meeting on the second Saturday in July or let a member know of your intention.

COMMEMORATIVE ORNAMENT FOR 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Please watch for more information in the summer months on a new commemorative Christmas ornament made in the design of All Saints' Episcopal Church. The ornament is being fashioned in Williamsburg, Virginia. Watch for a display in the upcoming months where you can see samples of the ornaments to be sold in honor of our parish 50th anniversary. A limited number will be made so be sure to place your order in the upcoming months.

ST. MARGARET'S GUILD

The women of St Margaret's Guild will be hosting an Ice Cream Social after the 10:00 a.m. service on July 4th. A sign up sheet will be posted in the rear of the church. Come share your favorite home made ice cream with your friends.

KINGDOM OF GOD AS CENTRAL IN CHRIST'S MISSION

By Arsie Almodiel PASTORS REPENTING BECAUSE OF THEIR OLD PIETY:

Pat Robertson stated: *"This was revolutionary understanding, as simple as it may seem these six or seven years later. I had been instructed to regard our time as the age of the church, and it is that in a very real sense; but John the Baptist and later the Lord Jesus Christ declared the arrival of the Kingdom of God. Somehow I had failed to take seriously the fact that the Kingdom of God is the central teaching of Jesus."* [The Secrete Kingdom, p.16]. **Peter Wagner**: *"It is clear to me now that*

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the Kingdom of God is present as well as future that I wonder how I missed it so long... I finally realized how ignorant of the subject I

was...I now believe that the Kingdom of God should be much more central to our preaching..." [How to Have Healing Ministry, p.96]. **Charles 'Chuck' Swindel**, listening to his radio program, he said that many sermons that is preached 'I looked at my files about the Kingdom of God, embarrassing to say, its empty, how can I have missed it; Central to the whole purpose is the Kingdom of God.' [Radio; Bakersfield, CA. 11.80, "Insight for Living"]. **Rt. Rev. Peter Hall**: *"...we also hold very dear, as evangelicals, the doctrine of the Second Coming of Christ... Christians having always been taught to welcome the Second Coming, nuclear war then is a thing not to be worried about, but even to be positively welcomed... That attitude is a total distortion of what we are told by Jesus obedience in the light of the Second Coming..."* [Decode for Peace. p.26].

Parish Leaders Clergy

The Rev. Gary Goldacker, Rector
The Rev. Bede J. Parry, Organist, Choirmaster and Assisting Priest
The Rev. Canon Connie Dee Belmore, Assisting Priest
The Rev. Michael Link, Associate Priest
The Rev. Canon Robert Nelson, Associate Priest
The Rev. Karl Gustafson, Deacon
The Rev. Sandy Oetjen, Deacon
The Rev. Emma J. Gregory, Deacon
The Rev. Arsolin Almodiel, Assisting Priest for Filipino Ministries
The Rev. Canon Bernardo Iniesta, Assisting Priest for Hispanic Ministries

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