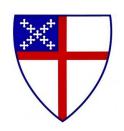
THE ANCHOR

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The monthly newsletter of St. Clements by-the-Sea Episcopal Church

Welcoming all since 1929



Member, Anglican Communion

PARISH MISSION:

Follow Christ through the way we live and love, spreading the good news of God in Christ, opening our hearts to all, and experience and spread joy in the process.

"This Church of Ours is Open To All...There Will Be No Outcasts."

-The Most Rev. Edmund Browning *Emeritus Presiding Bishop* of the Episcopal Church



Images...

There are many images used for the Church that we hear about in Holy Scripture. And, in this week following the celebration of our 87th anniversary of our founding as the first church in San Clemente, I've been contemplating those images. We heard many of them on Sunday, and one in particular in our Epistle lesson struck me. St. Peter describes the Church as "living stones." To refresh your memory, here is a pericope from that passage.

"Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ." (1 Peter 2:4-5, NRSV, emphasis mine)

So, what does it mean for us to be the "living stones" of the Church? Well, it certainly emphasizes that the Church (and any parish or community of faith) is the people. The church building is important, as holy things certainly happen there. And as a symbol, the church building is powerfully important in a town, city or nation. It represents God's very presence in our midst. It is a place of refuge and comfort. It is also a reminder that God's love and justice shall reign and that evil shall never ultimately prevail.

Nonetheless, and as important as buildings are, the Church *is the people*, and we are to be those living stones that make up that "spiritual house," and that "holy priesthood" (of all believers), as St. Peter rightly states. Have you ever thought of yourself as a "living stone"? Perhaps not. But you've surely heard Jesus described as the "chief cornerstone" and the "stone that the builders [of the former Temple] rejected." And it is our relation to *that stone* which makes us living stones of the Church.

As "cornerstone," Jesus is our sure rock, the one in whom we put all our trust. It is our faith in him (a gift of the Holy Spirit) that is the mortar that binds us to him and holds us resolutely to one another. It further unites us to the saints of the past and will unite us with those who will come to believe and confess that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of the living God, in the future. This is the Holy Temple

or "spiritual house" to which St. Peter refers.

This is even how St. Peter himself gets his name. He was originally Simon, as you know, and when asked (by Jesus) whom Simon believed Jesus to be, Simon responds "you are the Messiah, the Son of the Living God," (Mt 16:16). Jesus responds, "you are Peter [in Greek, "Petros"] and on this rock [Greek, "petra"] I will build my Church" (Mt 16:18). We too make that same confession of Jesus, as both Messiah and Son. And like Peter, are built up into Christ' Church and joined to that chief cornerstone.

Part of the point of all this is to make clear that the Church is not a stagnant or immovable object, as buildings typically are. The Church is animated by the Holy Spirit to be the Church wherever Christ needs us to be the Church. Too many churches in modern times have become like museum pieces in a culture that hardly understands their religious significance. But the Church, as the people, is a living entity. It is deeply connected with its community, and pulses with the vitality of the Holy Spirit. This is what it means to be "God's own people," as St. Peter writes, who "proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light" (1 Peter 2:9).

Well, there you have it! But it must be said that as "living stones" of God's holy Church, we are still being formed and shaped and fitted into place. In fact, every church in Christendom should probably have a sign outside that reads, "Under Construction!" as Christ, our master builder and mason, shapes and polishes and smoothes these stones of our own beings, removing those rough edges and making us, in some ways, more perfect but certainly more loving (which in the end turns out to be the same thing).

You are living stones of God's holy temple, moved and filled with the Holy Spirit, shaped by Christ for God's own purposes. You are precious in God's eyes, perhaps you are the jasper, sapphire, agate, emerald, onyx, cornelian, chrysolite, beryl, topaz, chysoprase, jacinth, or amethyst we hear of in Revelation (21:19-20). You are essential to this "spiritual house" a living stone of a holy temple, God's own temple.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Patrick



LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. CLEMENT'S IN OCTOBER



Whether your interest is reading, a night out, volunteering to help others, or just good St. Clement's fellowship, there is an activity for you this Month!

Watch for details for the following events in the weekly Sunday bulletin.

2nd: Blessing of the Animals, 10:00 am Service



4th: Dinner and book Discussion, 5:00PM, Rocco's



8th: Marriage vow renewals, 4:00 pm, in the Sanctuary



16th: Sandwich Making for the Welcome Inn, 11:00 am, Okie Hall

FAM Hunger Walk, 12:30 PM



21st: Anchor's Potluck Supper Club, 7:00 pm,



World Culinary Journey

Benefitting St. Clement's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church

Saturday, November 5th, 2016

Starting at 4:00 pm



Get Your Passport to the Extraordinary... Food, Wine, Entertainment, and Jetsetter Auction Items

Buy your tickets soon, we expect a sell out! Only 20 tickets available for the dessert and band segment, they will go quick!

Invite your family and friends, groups of 4 or more are only \$70 per person!

Childcare and shuttles available for additional cost.

Go to www.scbythesea.org to purchase your tickets TODAY!

Destination #1 - The Johnson Home, four o'clock to a quarter past five

Barcelona, Spain

Flamenco Dancer with Guitar

Menu

Tinto de Verano (Sangria) and Mango Aqua Fresca Tortilla Española Bites • Spanish Onion and Potato Torta • Braised Chorizo Garlic Shrimp • Pork Empanadas

Fried Herbed Almonds • Marinated Olives • Sliced Bread with Cheese

Destination #2 - half past five until half past seven

Option 1 - The Copeland Home

Provence, France

French Chanteuse with Piano

Menu

Kir Royale

Salade Niçoise

a Bandol AOC wine blend

Roasted Gigot (lamb), Haricot-Verts with Roasted Almonds and Aioli, & Goat Cheese Scalloped Potatoes

Option 2 - The Mancusa Home

Amalfi Coast, Italy

Italian Folk Singer with Piano

Menu

Nini Bellini - Veneto Winter Caprese Salad a Montepulciano wine Stuffed Porcetta (pork), Farfalle with Fresh Tomatoes, & Asparagus with Green Sauce

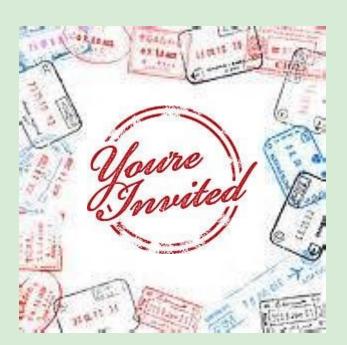
Option 3 - The Bower Home

Fez, Morocco

Belly Dancer

Menu

Spiced Mint Julep
Fattoush Salad
a dry Riesling wine
Chicken Tagine with Preserved
Lemons and Olives, Roasted
Cauliflower, Jeweled Pomegranate
& Pistachio Rice



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Destination #3 - The Badstubner Home, eight until half past nine Swank New York, New York

Featuring The Barry Rillera Group, a celebrated Rhythm & Blues Rock Band Menu

Waldorf Astoria Red Cake • Presidential Apple Pie • New York Style Cheese Cake Hot Drinks: Chocolate • Cider • Coffee • Red Wine • Toddy

For the kids ...

Children's Destination - St. Clement's, four o'clock until ten in the evening

Disneyland, USA

Featuring movies, music, pizza, lemonade, popcorn, treats, and lots of fun

Tickets:

Group of 4 - \$280 (\$70pp),* Couple \$150 (\$75 pp), Individual \$80 pp;

Destination #3- dessert ONLY option of dessert and live band is available for \$30PP; limited to 20 tickets which will sell out quickly

Childcare: Family \$10, Individual \$5 ■ Shuttles Available \$10 pp ■ Cocktail Attire

To purchase tickets:

There are only 100 tickets available for the full Culinary Journal (three houses, each with wonderful food and live entertainment). And 20 tickets for the Dessert-only and live band option. We expect the event to sell out quickly, so buy your tickets soon. You can order online on the church website to pay by credit card or PayPal. You can also fill out the ticket form with a check to the church office. During coffee hour we will accept checks and also take credit cards.

Pack your bags and buy your tickets today!



Something for Everyone

Book Discussion Group

The Crooked Elm Partnership

By Pamela Kelley

Author will be present!

October 4th, 2016

5:00pm, at Rocco's



Join us for Bible Study!

Every Wednesday at 11:00 am

Meet in the Library

We'd love to hear your
thoughts!





Anchor's Potluck Supper Club

Friday October 21st, 7:00pm

Hosted by Vic Cumming & Tatia and Will Wallett

At Vic's Clubhouse

Contact Pat Sawyer or Tatia Wallett with any questions

Sign up at coffee hour to bring a dish and RSVP



Centering Prayer
Group
meets each Monday
6:00pm in the
Library

For more information, please contact Matt Duncan

A message from the Ministries...

The new Peace & Reconciliation Committee is one way in which St. Clement's actively responds to God's call to us to love our neighbors as ourselves. This year, the Committee has chosen to focus on activities that directly benefit others and build on existing outreach efforts or concerns. We worked with the Youth Group on collecting and distributing school supplies (many thanks to all who contributed!). We are also supporting the Welcome Inn program by coordinating the monthly bag lunch preparation and collecting clothing to be distributed 3 times a year (another big thank you to the many folks who volunteer and contribute to these activities). One promising new activity is a partnership with Christ Lutheran Church to develop a LaundryLove site in San Clemente. We also will be serving members of the military community through a special project planned for Easter. Future projects might include meetings and sponsored discussions around topics like interfaith reconciliation.

Please join us in this work! We invite you to join the Committee, which meets about once a month for 60-90 minutes, or to join us as a volunteer for one or more activities. For more information, please contact the Church Office (949-492-3401) or Jan Genevro, the current convener of the Committee (janice.genevro@gmail.com).

Jan			

Pastoral Care

I am honored to be on St. Clement's Vestry overseeing pastoral care with Father Patrick. I am a retired registered nurse and I feel blessed to be able to continue to care for our parishioners. As Father Patrick mentioned earlier this month, our ministry provides for those who need, visitation, transportation, and prepared meals. I would appreciate any communication of those in need of pastoral care. Also, I would like to extend an invitation to anyone who would be interested in joining our ministry. The experience of helping others is an awesome gift from our Lord.

Faithfully,

Tina Borden

949-496-1872

FAM 29th ANNUAL HUNGER WALK October 16th, 2016

Check in: 12:30 PM Team Photos: 1:00 PM Walk begins: 2:00 PM

Address: 100 North Calle Seville, San Clemente

Come out to show your support and help represent St. Clement's Sign up at coffee hour or contact Kasey Carey for more information

Silent Auction Items Needed!

We all love the annual Silent Auction, which is always part of a dining experience. This year we are again having a Silent Auction, and it will conclude at the final destination of the November 5 Culinary Journey. However, we are adding an online bidding system so that we will start the auction BEFORE the event, allowing everyone to participate in the auction and giving more time for bidding. Dot' worry, paper bids will also be accepted. We have a couple bright tech-savvy parishioners who will help us all through this.

Your donations are needed to help make this important fundraiser a success. Both goods and services are welcome, anything from home décor items, vacation get-aways, entertainment tickets, coupons for personal services like haircuts or dental services, and the ever-popular dinner for 8. Please think what you can offer, four hours of doing handyman work, website assistance, everyone has a talent that is helpful to others.

To start us off, Mark Johnson has donated an 1927 all original Style 0 solid mahogany Martin ukulele (minimum bid \$400). You probably have a treasure in your house that someone would really enjoy. Donation forms will be available soon. Also, we are looking for volunteers to help solicit items and prepare them for presentation. Please contact Judy Johnson, jjohnson@keyseo.biz or (949) 422-8210.



Would you like to renew your marriage vows or have your civil marriage union blessed?



St. Clement's will be having a service on October 8th, at 4:00 pm for married couples that would like to do so. There will be an informal dessert reception to follow. Family and friends are welcome to attend as well. Please contact Father Patrick or the church office for more information.

Sandwich Making for the Welcome Inn

October 16th 11:00 AM Okie Hall



PLEASE JOIN US!

Thank you to all who turned out and volunteered to make our Founder's Day Brunch a success.

The food was delicious and the company was even better!



Parish Register

October/Octubre

HAPPY BIRTHDAY / FELIZ CUMPLEAÑOS

CUMPLUANUS	
Gwendolyn Wilson	1
Char Bailey Crowe	1
Michelle Higgins	3
Curtis Bower	4
Jose Jaimes	6
Claire Morrison	6
Charles Mansfield	7
Anne Casey	9
Kevin Higgins	9
Anne Garcia	10
Jerry Stevens	10
Karen Stevens	1 5
Sally Roth	1 7
Susan Pierce	18
Justin Carbonara	18
John Bottjer	20
Pat Welliver	20
Karin Sherman	23
Matthew Torchiana	25
Jim Prothero	25
Sue King	26
Geoffrey Harris	26
Bob Lloyd	26
Larry Sawyer	31

Happy Anniversary / Feliz Aniversario

Roland & Audrey Daigle

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Kyle & Kasey Carey

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Rocco & Belkis Carbonara

October 2016										
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Eucaristía en Español 9	10	11	12	13	14	15				
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SUNDAY WORSHIP

8 a.m. Holy Communion Rite I, Nursery
10 a.m. Holy Communion Rite II with
Choir, Nursery, Sunday School
12 p.m. La Misa en Español

OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Thurs 9am-3pm

Friday 9am-12pm

CHURCH STAFF

RECTOR ~ The Rev. Patrick Crerar

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR ~ Brenda DePano

MUSIC DIRECTOR & ORGANIST ~ Larry Gates

SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR ~ Sarah Harrison

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL ~ Kristen Ruth

NURSERY ATTENDANT ~ Ashley Hangan

SEXTON ~ Bartley Ashbaugh

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