



ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

"Our mission is to bring the good news of Jesus Christ's love to our entire community through traditional Anglo-Catholic worship, fellowship, outreach, and Christian formation."

Our Vision: *"We strive to be a haven of healing, reconciliation, joy and peace in service to our wider community and beyond, so that our example in prayer and practice may reflect Christ's love for us all."*

THIS SUNDAY — February 9 & Beyond

“The Grace that Calls and Transforms ”



In this week's Epistle reading (1 Corinthians 15:1-11), St. Paul reminds the Corinthians of the Gospel he first proclaimed to them: the Good News of Christ's death and resurrection.

He emphasizes that this message is of "first importance" and that they are saved by it—provided they hold fast to it. St. Paul also speaks of his own unworthiness, calling himself the "least of the apostles" because he once persecuted the Church. Yet, he acknowledges that "by the grace of God I am what I am," testifying that God's grace not only called him but also transformed him into a relentless laborer for the Gospel.

St. Paul's encounter with grace echoes the transformative experiences found in this week's other readings. In Isaiah 6:1-8, the prophet has a vision of God's majesty. Overwhelmed by his unworthiness, he cries out, "Woe is me!" But when his lips are purified by a burning coal from the altar, he is ready to answer God's call: "Here am I; send me!"

Similarly, in Luke 5:1-11, [as seen in the artwork above] Peter falls at Jesus' feet after witnessing the miraculous catch of fish, confessing his sinfulness: "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" However, Jesus responds not with rejection but with a call:

"Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people."

Like Isaiah and Paul, Peter is transformed by an encounter with God's grace.

These readings remind us that the call to discipleship is never based on our worthiness but on God's grace. We may feel inadequate or unqualified, but God calls us nonetheless. More than that, He transforms us—giving us new purpose, strength, and the assurance that His grace is sufficient for the task ahead.

As we reflect on these passages, let us ask: Where is God calling us to serve, despite our feelings of inadequacy? How is His grace shaping us into faithful witnesses? Like Isaiah, Paul, and Peter, may we embrace God's call with trust and gratitude, saying, **"Here am I; send me!"**

Fr. Carlos E. Expósito, Rector

Weekly Calendar for the week of Sunday, February 9, 2025

Note: We worship in our historic church. The service will also be on Zoom. The service time is 10am. Tuesday Noon Mass is held in All Saints' St. Mary Chapel.

SUNDAY February 9, 2025 The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

10:00am Mass in All Saints' Church

Join Zoom Meeting from our web site at www.allsaintschurch.org

Recording of Mass available before noon at www.allsaintschurch.org

Christian Formation and First Communion Instruction for Children

Ages 5-12 in the Parish Hall from 10:00am-10:45am

Christian Formation for Adults (the 2nd and 4th Sundays)

Youth and adults around Noon after the Mass in the Library

TUESDAY - Noon Mass in St. Mary Chapel

THURSDAY - 1:00pm in the Rector's Office -- **Devotional Service followed by a Bible Study session** based on the readings for the Sunday of that week.

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10:00am Mass in All Saints' Church

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To activate Zoom you need to click on the link above and zoom will download and put you in the meeting. If you have a camera and microphone they can interact in the meeting. The meeting is setup to not auto turn on your camera. You will need to make that decision. Otherwise it will be on YouTube - a video you can listen and watch. Here is the link <https://www.youtube.com/@allsaintsepiscopalchurch-s4030/videos>

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