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The Holy Name of Jesus

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"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."

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"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."

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- Welcoming strangers like old friends
- Embracing the Anglo-Catholic tradition
- Being dependable members of a caring community
- Respecting each other's differences
- Being faithful stewards of God's gifts
- Remembering that God loves everyone unconditionally

On the cover: Giovanni Battista Gaulli, known as "Il Baciccia," painted most of Il Gesù's ceiling frescoes between 1672-1685.

This central vault fresco, representing 'The Glory of the Holy Name of Jesus,' seems to open up a hole in the ceiling, through which heavenly light pours onto downwards-cascading colossal figures and into the nave and altar. Thus the Jesuit church becomes not only a gateway to and from the world, but a window into paradise.

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The Holy Name of Jesus



The first day of the New Year, the 8th day of Christmas, is presently celebrated in Episcopal churches as the Feast of the Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ. This feast does not have a long history in our denomination, and most of the time, when it does not fall on a Sunday, it is simply overlooked, particularly because most parishioners stay up late during the New Year's Eve celebrations, and would rather sleep until late the following morning.

2023 is one of those years when the feast occurs on the Sunday after Christmas (which also occurs on a Sunday in 2022!) so the chances are that parishioners in Episcopal churches will be more actively involved in it.

What does this celebration imply and how did it come about?

Here is some basic information provided by the glossary of terms of the Episcopal Church:

The Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Celebration on Jan. 1, the eighth day after the birth of Jesus, when he was named and circumcised. He was "called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb" (Lk 2:21). Under the Law of Moses, all male infants were to be circumcised on the eighth day after birth (Lv

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12:3). It was also customary at this time for family and friends to witness the naming of the child. This major feast is celebrated on Jan. 1, the eighth day of the Christmas season. The designation of the feast in honor of Jesus' Holy Name is new to the 1979 BCP. It was traditionally celebrated as the Feast of the Circumcision. Celebration of the Holy Name reflects the significance of the Holy Name of Jesus, and the emphasis of the Gospel of Luke on the naming of Jesus rather than his circumcision.

Celebration of the Feast of the Name of Jesus dates from the end of the middle ages. In the fifteenth century, the Franciscans Bernardino of Siena (1380-1444) and Giovanni Capistrano (1386-1456) encouraged devotion to the name of Jesus. The name "Jesus" is from the Hebrew Joshua, or Yehoshuah, "Yahweh is salvation" or "Yahweh will save." Devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus is particularly derived from Phil 2:9-11, which states that God highly exalted Jesus "and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth." This scriptural devotion is paraphrased by the hymn "At the name of Jesus" (Hymn 435) in *The Hymnal* 1982. Other hymns that express devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus include "To the name of our salvation" (Hymns 248-249) and "Jesus! Name of wondrous love!" (Hymn 252).

More extensive information can be found in encyclopedias which cover the subject at greater length, and it will be noticed how different dates have been adopted at different times, by the Roman Catholic Church, and even by the Church of England.

Personally, I find it particularly appropriate to start the year celebrating the name of Our Lord and Savior. It is as if acknowledging that He is the one on which our salvation rests. It gives true and deep meaning to the whole year that is just starting.

It is not just another year ahead of us that is beginning. It is a new life cycle that we start by recognizing, first and foremost, that the One we believe in is the author of our Salvation, the One who redeems us from a meaningless self-centered life, away from our true life source, and takes us back to the true and abundant life, lived in loving communion with our Creator, our fellow human beings, and the rest of creation.

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Perhaps if we took it into our hearts to really acknowledge who Jesus is, it would no longer be necessary to make up lists of New Year resolutions that we hardly ever fulfill, but we would instead let ourselves be led by Him whose name and real identity is **God saves**, and that would make all the difference.

Blessed New Year's Day, the day that reminds us that at the mention of His Name "every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth, and under the earth."

Fr. Carlos Dipietro

Rector.

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December

We continue worshipping in our historic church each Sunday at 10am. The service will also be on Zoom. To join the Zoom Meeting click [here](#).

SPECIAL CLASSES AND PROGRAMS:

- Sundays from 10:00am to 10:45am – Christian Formation and First Communion Instruction for children ages 5-12 in the Parish Hall taught by Lucretia Locke. For registration, call (619) 298-7729 or email us at info@allsaintschurch.org
- Christian Formation 11:30am in December the 4th and 11th and in January on the 8th and 29 in the Rector's study at noon
- Thursdays – Spanish Class will be in recess during December and resume in January. from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. Meeting in the Flower Room, Taught by Fr. Carlos.

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| 2 | Morning Prayer (St. Mary Chapel)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 10:00am         |
| 3 | <b>Societies of Mary</b> (St. Mary Chapel)<br><i>All are welcome to join the Societies of Mary for their monthly day of devotion, beginning in the Chapel with Rosary at 11:00am with Mass to follow. After which we will adjourn to the Flower Room for a light lunch.</i> | 11:00am         |
| 4 | <b>The Second Sunday after Advent</b><br>Mass<br>Christian Formation—Rector's Study                                                                                                                                                                                         | 10:00am<br>Noon |
| 6 | Mass (St. Mary Chapel)<br>Snack Fellowship in the Flower Room                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Noon<br>1:00pm  |

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|----|----------------------------------------------|---------|
| 9  | Morning Prayer (St. Mary Chapel)             | 10:00am |
| 11 | <b>The Third Sunday of Advent</b>            |         |
|    | Mass                                         | 10:00am |
|    | Christian Formation—Rector's Study           | Noon    |
| 13 | Mass (St. Mary Chapel)                       | Noon    |
|    | Snack Fellowship in the Flower Room          | 1:00pm  |
|    | Finance Committee Meeting via Zoom           | 6:30pm  |
| 16 | Morning Prayer (St. Mary Chapel)             | 10:00am |
| 18 | <b>The Fourth Sunday of Advent</b>           |         |
|    | Mass                                         | 10:00am |
|    | Vestry Meeting—Rector's Study                | Noon    |
| 20 | Mass (St. Mary Chapel)                       | Noon    |
|    | Snack Fellowship in the Flower Room          | 1:00pm  |
| 23 | Morning Prayer (St. Mary Chapel)             | 10:00am |
| 24 | <b>Musical Offering</b>                      | 8:30pm  |
|    | <b>Christmas Eve Mass</b>                    | 9:00pm  |
| 25 | <b>The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ</b> |         |
|    | <b>Christmas Day Mass</b>                    | 10:00am |
| 27 | St. John Apostle and Evangelist              |         |
|    | Mass (St. Mary Chapel)                       | Noon    |
|    | Snack Fellowship in the Flower Room          | 1:00pm  |
| 30 | Morning Prayer (St. Mary Chapel)             | 10:00am |



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## January

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|----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1  | <b>The Most Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ</b><br>New Year's Day Mass                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 10:00am                  |
| 3  | Mass (St. Mary Chapel)<br>Snack Fellowship in the Flower Room                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Noon<br>1:00pm           |
| 5  | Spanish Class Flower Room Taught by Fr. Carlos                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1pm—3pm                  |
| 6  | <b>The Epiphany of the Manifestation of Our Lord Jesus Christ To the Gentiles</b><br>Mass (St. Mary Chapel)                                                                                                                                                                      | 10:00am                  |
| 7  | <b>Societies of Mary</b> (St. Mary Chapel)<br><i>All are welcome to join the Societies of Mary for their monthly day of devotion, beginning in the Chapel with Rosary at 11:00am with Mass to follow. After which we will adjourn to the Flower Room for a potluck luncheon.</i> | 11:00am                  |
| 8  | <b>The First Sunday after the Epiphany</b><br>Mass<br>Christian Formation—Rector's Study                                                                                                                                                                                         | 10:00am<br>Noon          |
| 10 | William Laud, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1645<br>Mass (St. Mary Chapel)<br>Snack Fellowship in the Flower Room<br>Finance Committee Meeting via Zoom                                                                                                                              | Noon<br>1:00pm<br>6:30pm |
| 12 | Spanish Class Flower Room Taught by Fr. Carlos                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1pm—3pm                  |
| 13 | Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers, 367<br>Morning Prayer (St. Mary Chapel)                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 10:00am                  |

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|----|-------------------------------------------------|---------|
| 15 | <b>The Second Sunday after the Epiphany</b>     |         |
|    | Mass                                            | 10:00am |
|    | Vestry Meeting – Rector’s Study                 | Noon    |
| 17 | Antony, Abbot in Egypt, 356                     |         |
|    | Mass (St. Mary Chapel)                          | Noon    |
|    | Snack Fellowship in the Flower Room             | 1:00pm  |
| 19 | Spanish Class Flower Room Taught by Fr. Carlos  | 1pm–3pm |
| 20 | Fabian, Bishop and Martyr at Rome, 250          |         |
|    | Morning Prayer (St. Mary Chapel)                | 10:00am |
| 22 | <b>The Third Sunday after the Epiphany</b>      |         |
|    | Mass                                            | 10:00am |
|    | Annual Meeting–Parish Hall                      | 11:30am |
| 24 | Francis DeSales, Bishop Confessor, Doctor, 1612 |         |
|    | Mass (St. Mary Chapel)                          | Noon    |
|    | Snack Fellowship in the Flower Room             | 1:00pm  |
| 26 | Spanish Class Flower Room Taught by Fr. Carlos  | 1pm–3pm |
| 27 | John Chrysostom, Bishop of Constantinople, 407  |         |
|    | Morning Prayer (St. Mary Chapel)                | 10:00am |
| 29 | <b>The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany</b>     |         |
|    | Mass                                            | 10:00am |
|    | Christian Formation–Rector’s Office             | Noon    |
| 31 | Mass (St. Mary Chapel)                          | Noon    |
|    | Snack Fellowship in the Flower Room             | 1:00p   |

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## Music at All Saints'

### CONCERT

SUNDAY DECEMBER 4 AT 3PM

ALL SAINTS' PARISH HALL



### CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

Come celebrate the annual Christmas concert with the Greater San Diego Chamber Orchestra in a program **featuring soprano Emily Orlieb (a member of All Saints' Choir)** in Vaughan Williams' arrangement of What Child Is This and Ave Maria by William Gomez. The concert will begin with Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker Suite and ends with Christmas carols sing-along.

Free admission. Free-will donations accepted at the door.

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## Year-End Message from the Treasurer

As we prepare to celebrate at Christmas “the yearly remembrance of the birth of ... Jesus Christ” (*Book of Common Prayer*, p. 164), the parish treasurer’s thoughts turn to . . . (could you guess?) **year-end giving**. Because of the importance of Christmas in a parish that has always emphasized the Incarnation, members and friends of All Saints’ have a long history of generous giving at this holy season.

Pledge envelopes have long included an envelope marked “Christmas offering.” Back in my early years at All Saints’ (more than 46 years ago), I remember that announcements in the parish newsletter suggested that an appropriate Christmas offering might be an amount equal to the value of the average family Christmas gift. As always, this kind of Christmas offering would seem appropriate for most parishioners, including those who no longer use envelopes for their weekly offerings.

In addition, we encourage different types of Christmas gifts from parishioners who may be in a position to support our mission and ministry while simultaneously lowering their taxes. The Vestry has recently committed to a roof replacement and repair project for our historic church building that will cost us approximately \$30,000 at the end of a year in which we have already spent the maintenance and repair budget on other high priority projects. We have already received one generous gift designated specifically for the roof replacement project, and we invite other gifts (large or small) for this purpose.

Other types of year-end offerings are subject to special rules, but may be appropriate for some individuals. In recent years All Saints’ has received generous year-end contributions through donor-directed trusts and direct donations of appreciated stocks. Those who have created a charitable foundation may be able to direct a trustee to send a check to All Saints’ with a request to thank the individual who created the foundation.

Both the parish and the donor may be able to benefit financially from a direct donation of appreciated securities. Unfortunately, these transactions have complicated paperwork rules that require communication between the individual’s broker and our financial administrator, Theresa Krist. Because of these time-consuming requirements, we ask that

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anyone considering a gift of appreciated stock begin the process no later than December 9. Another possibility for some individuals over 70 ½ might be an IRA charitable rollover, though these gifts are often made earlier in the year. Of course individuals considering such gifts need to rely on the guidance of their own tax advisers.

With the Advent season beginning in November this year, there are still several weeks to consider prayerfully what Christmas gift is appropriate for you. We at All Saints' are grateful for all year-end offerings whether large or small.

Edward V. Heck  
Treasurer  
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## Life Stories of Members of All Saints'

In this December/January issue of our bi-monthly newsletter we continue with our ongoing series of life stories of members of our parish. In this issue The Rev. Walter Edelman tells of his journey from youth, college student, deacon, ordained priest, rector, and retirement.



My name is Walter Edelman and I can truly say that I am one of a few Episcopal clergy who may call themselves "Cradle Episcopalians". I was born in White Plaines, New York, reared in Dobbs Ferry, New York, and attended church and school in Ardsley, New York. All three of those towns are in Westchester County just north of New York City. Thus I was a suburbanite before that term was in popular usage.

I was baptized in St. Barnabas Mission Church in Ardsley and 10 years later I was confirmed in the same place. It was during my confirmation instruction and training to be an acolyte that I first expressed the idea that I might be interested in becoming a priest. The lay gentleman who did the instructions not only told us what to do as an acolyte, but gave us the history of the Church and the traditions behind every move. It completely fascinated me and when I told my parents of my desire, they responded by sending me to an Episcopal boarding school for boys also in Westchester County, named St. Peter's School.

While at St. Peter's I became head Sacristan which is like the altar guild ~ setting up for the daily services in the Chapel. I was tenor soloist in the Glee Club which traveled up and down the eastern coast promoting the school and soliciting for new students for the school. We went as far south as Florida and as far west as Ohio. I was also on the football team, but I do not remember that we won one single game the whole time I was at the school. I graduated in 1954 as valedictorian of my class.

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I then entered Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio. Kenyon is one of the few colleges founded by the Episcopal Church in this country and when I went there it was for men only. It is now co-educational. While there I sang in the glee club, acted in several of their drama productions, founded a new fraternity and became its first president. I graduated in 1958 with a BA degree, magna cum laude with high honors in history. I was also elected to Phi Beta Kappa with a gpa of 3.8 on a 4.00 system. I also won a Fulbright Fellowship to study in France ~ first at the Sorbonne in Paris and then at the University of Strasbourg where I could further research the Marian Exiles who had been the subject of my honors paper at Kenyon. (The Marian Exiles were convinced Protestants who fled England during the reign of Mary Tudor [Bloody Mary] and settled in various protestant cities on the continent ~ Strasbourg being one of them.)

When I returned from Europe I entered The General Theological Seminary in New York City and after three years graduated with a Master Divinity Degree. I was ordained to the diaconate on June 9, 1962 and little more than six months later to the priesthood in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City by the Rt. Rev. Horace W. B. Donegan who many years earlier had confirmed me.

My first call was to my home parish of Christ Church, Tarrytown where my mother was the parish secretary (Parish Administrator today) and I was known as "Little Walter" in order to distinguish me from my father who was also Walter. "The prophet is not without honor except in his own home." That adage proved to be true. It was very difficult preaching to a group of people who knew you as a child. It was easier with the Sunday School and Youth Groups both of which were under my direction. Tragically the Rector of the parish was killed in an automobile crash about a year and a half after I started there and this rather large parish of over 1500 communicants came crashing down on my inexperienced shoulders. Fortunately, the Vestry rapidly called a new rector and I was free to seek another call.

That call came from St. Luke's Chapel in the Greenwich Village area of Manhattan. St. Luke's at that time was one of six missions supported by Trinity Church, Wall Street, so I was part of what was called the "Diocese within the Diocese" I was called to be the second

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assistant whose function was to be chaplain to the Day School which had about 200 students and included grades Nursery through 8th grade. My main duty was to be chaplain to the students, faculty and parents of the school. I met many fascinating people while calling on the parents, many of whom were not Episcopalians or even churched. As far as the parish was concerned I felt I had died and gone to heaven. Since we had three clergy on staff and many visiting clergy all year long, and a community of nuns living on campus which guaranteed us a congregation, we had Morning Prayer every day followed by daily Mass, and each day ended with Evening Prayer. The Sunday service schedule was said Mass at 8:00AM, Mass with incense at 9:00AM and Solemn High Mass at 11:00AM at which a superb choir of men and boys sang music that had been written for the Church over hundreds of years. Unfortunately, I was only able to stay at St. Luke's for two years when I received a call to be the rector at The Church of the Mediator in the Kingsbridge section of the Bronx.

The Mediator had a magnificent building which dated from the mid 19th century. It was five stories high and seated 800 or more people. Since we only numbered about 300 communicants, if everyone who claimed membership came to service all at once we would not fill the building. Also on our property was a small building which had been a public library and now housed a one room school which included grades one through three and which ran itself independently from the Parish. I was rector there for six years and spent most of our energies raising money to keep up the fabric of our properties. We had all kinds of fund raisers ~ sales, bake sales, and even the second largest outdoor art festival in New York City. We rented space on the fence that surrounded our property to New York artists and they sold their art work there. It was an annual affair and brought us a goodly return. We did manage to increase the membership of the parish in the time I was there, but I felt more like a CEO of a company rather than a priest of God.

During my last three years at Mediator I took my vacations in San Diego. I liked the city and loved the climate so I came back three years in a row. The last year I came armed with a resume. While I was here, I always attended church at All Saints' since its churchmanship and style of worship suited me. So I made an appointment with the then



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rector, the Rev. Canon Paul Satrang and asked him if he knew of any parish in the area seeking a priest. He told me of several and also mentioned that San Diego was to become its own Diocese and the formation convention was scheduled for December. I went to interview at Christ Church, Coronado who were seeking an assistant who was also to be principal of the Day School. I returned to New York and a month later received the call to come to Coronado.

I arrived in December of 1973 just in time to attend the formation convention of the new Diocese of San Diego. I could not vote to separate from the Diocese of Los Angeles since I had not been resident here long enough, but once the division was made I could vote for the first bishop of San Diego.

I discovered that the Day School at Christ Church consisted of 20 some students in grades pre-K to grade one. The rector, John Hauser, was not interested in the school and it was slowly dying. Over the course of the next three years we built it up to 96 children in pre-K to grade four. I was also in charge of the Sunday School and the two youth groups. After three years I received a call to become the Chaplain of Bishop's Schools (as it was known then). I leaped at the chance since I had always wanted to be a chaplain at a boarding school similar to the one I had attended. When I got to Bishop's, I found out I was to teach a class on "Christian Traditions" to the 8th graders and one of two semester Courses, one on the Old Testament and one on the New Testament. I chose to teach the Old Testament since many of the students were not Episcopalian and I felt the OT would be more common ground and I would not give my Anglican slant on the New Testament. We hired a person with a degree in religion to teach the NT course whose approach to it would be more ecumenical than mine. Since no one could tell me what the "Christian Traditions" course was all about, I decided to teach it as a course in Christian history and get at Christian traditions that way. The problem was that the students viewed me as just another teacher of a course they had to take and pass in order to graduate and it made it very difficult for me to establish any kind of chaplain relationships with them.

After two years I received a call back to Christ Church, Coronado this time as rector of the parish and headmaster of the school. I discovered that in my two year absence the

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school had diminished to 20 some students again. But I remained as rector of Christ Church for the next 16 years and by then the school was at capacity with waiting lists in several grades and we had dropped the Pre-K and added grades up to the sixth. I also started a Day School Board made up of representatives from the Vestry, teachers, parents, the parish at large and an outside educator who acted as chairman. The Head of the school was answerable to the Board and the Board was answerable to the Vestry-so there was accountability all around. I also started an endowment fund for the School the income from which was to be used to increase teachers' salaries. About half way through my time at Christ Church we had enough income to hire a third clergy who was to be the Head of the School. (At times that position was held by a lay person as well.)

As far as the Parish was concerned, we did several building projects. First, we rearranged the furniture in the sanctuary area of the church ~ moving the altar and altar rail out and placing the choir behind the altar so that the altar became the focal point of the church. We built an apartment atop a set of three garages we had on the property which was used to house the Head of the school or one of the teachers, and we built a brand new building which housed the offices for the Parish and the School on the first floor and provided an apartment for the Parish Sexton and his family on the second floor.

I also expanded the rather small endowment fund the Parish had so that by the time I left we had a fund of over a million and a half dollars the income of which was to be used for whatever the Vestry decided.

When I arrived back in Coronado as rector, it was at the time when the 1979 Prayer Book had been authorized and I had the questionable joy of introducing it to the Parish. Having purchased enough books to fill the pews I then decided that the 7:30 am service, for the time being, would remain with the 1928 Prayer Book. The 9:00AM service would use Rite II services and the 11:00Am service would use Rite I services. That was fine for the congregation. They could choose which service they wished to attend. But for the clergy it was a nightmare. "Which service am I doing and which Rite am I using?" -was the question one had to ask oneself before beginning a service. Also, Christ Church had been founded as a Morning Prayer Parish and it took almost my entire 16 year tenure there to

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convince them that our Lord gave us only one service to repeat, namely: The Holy Eucharist.

In 1990 I had my first heart attack and recovered nicely from it, but started to slow down a bit. By 1995 I felt it was time to move on and when I inherited a small apartment house in the Bankers' Hill section of San Diego I felt it was time to leave Coronado, so I resigned as rector and moved into one of the apartments in my new acquisition. The Vestry voted to give me the entire year of 1995 as a Sabbatical at full salary, so technically I was rector at Christ Church for 17 years.

I spent all of 1995 settling the estate of the person who left me the apartment house and in 1996 the then bishop, Gethin Hughes, started sending me to various parishes throughout the Diocese as a supply priest in places where the clergy person was on holiday, or ill, or where there was a vacancy. I went to parishes as far away as El Centro and Borrego Springs and as near as St. John's, Chula Vista and St. Luke's, North Park. The last place he sent me was Holy Cross, Carlsbad. After being there for a few months, the Bishop's Committee (as the Vestry is called in a mission parish) asked the Bishop if they could call me as their full time vicar (as the rector is called in a mission). He said yes and I accepted the position with full intention of staying there until required retirement age of 72. I was 59 at the time. I even moved to Oceanside to be closer to my work. But God had other ideas. When I had been at Holy Cross for two years I suffered a second heart attack and this time I decided to listen to the message God was sending and I retired from active ministry.

Since then I have helped out by celebrating and /or preaching at St. Michael's Carlsbad; Holy Cross, Carlsbad; St. Andrews, La Mesa; St. John's, Chula Vista, and All Saints'. Since last January I decided to make All Saints' my parish home and worship there on a regular basis. This coming December 22nd I will be celebrating the 60th anniversary of my ordination to the priesthood and what better place to celebrate that milestone than with the warm and welcoming people of All Saints. After all, I have been attending this church off and on (mostly off) since 1971.

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## *Christmas at All Saints'*

### *Decorating the Courtyard and Church*

The Flower Guild welcomes your help decorating the courtyard and part of the church with greens on Saturday December 17th and your help to assemble the altar flowers and church on Saturday, December 24th. Let Sue Johnston Eaton know you will be there to help hang the garlands, wreaths and arrange the poinsettias. All are welcome! Email Sue at [labretired@cox.net](mailto:labretired@cox.net)



### *Christmas Poinsettias*

We are offering an opportunity for parishioners to dedicate a Christmas poinsettia in memory of a loved one. These flowers will be used to decorate the courtyard for Christmas. Orders must be completed by Sunday, December 18th to ensure that all names will be in the Christmas bulletins. We ask for a \$25 donation. Forms are available from the Greeters.

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## *Christmas at All Saints'*

### *December 18, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Mass Schedule*

- **Sunday December 18 – Festive Coffee Hour**  
Bring Christmas Cookies to share at the Coffee hour. Upon leaving boxes will be available to take shared Parish Christmas Cookies home.
- **Saturday, December 24 – Christmas Eve**  
Musical Offering – Christmas Music: Organ, Choir, Solo Quartet, a Solo and Carols at 8:30pm  
Solemn Mass at 9:00pm
- **Sunday, December 25– Christmas Day**  
Mass at 10:00am



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## Brief Report on the 49th Annual Diocesan Convention



We met at St. Bartholomew's Church in Poway on November 12, 2022.

First order of business was to elect the delegates and alternatives for the 81st General Convention in 2024 in Louisville, KY and to fill the various local diocesan positions. Four lay persons and four clergy were elected for the General Convention as well as alternates for each one. To see the names of all and the other offices, see the link at the bottom.

The Strategic Plan 2020-2025 was discussed. Because of covid closures the plan was delayed by one year . . . this last year the Bishop declared as the year of evangelism, and this new year will be the year of service.

The budget was reviewed and I found two line items that interested me (at least) - one is that the diocese wants to have two campus ministers (each 1/2 time) for SDSU (there is one currently) and UCSD (there isn't one yet). The diocese also wants to "plant" two new churches - one in Ocean Beach and one in Oceanside.

Next were the resolutions - there were three. The first had to do with a "consent" requirement re real property and its "alienation" - the resolution was to exempt Bishop's School and ECS from the requirement. It passed. The second was about deciding the

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determinants for a parish deemed as in difficulty (now known as an APP) - there was dissent from the floor about some of the determinants (the issue being the vagueness of some of the conditions), but that was ultimately rejected by voice vote with the bishop saying that the "intent" was to be fair - it passed. The last resolution was to increase the "petty cash" amount for the diocese from \$2,000 to \$10,000 (the original amount was set many years ago and doesn't cover current potential emergency expenses on diocesan property) - it passed.

The Cursillo Community provided all the hospitality - they did a good job! Also, one of the providers for the Good News Festival Marketplace was there with wonderful items made in Kenya - at very reasonable prices (I can't wait to revisit them at the GNF in December).

An extra piece of business that was announced is that our former diocesan bishop, James Mathes, has been appointed as assistant bishop by Bishop Susan.

For more details on the above, click on this link from the diocese . . . <https://edsd.org/news/diocesan-convention-2022-recap/>

Any questions for me? Feel free to talk with me at church or by email . . .

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## PARISH LIFE

### Roof Replacement Announcement

Good news!! Our historic church is getting a new roof!

The Vestry has voted unanimously to accept a proposal and bid from Christian Roofing, Inc., to replace the tiles on the roof of All Saints' Church and to repair the areas near the bell tower and flat-roofed area over the office wing that have sprung leaks during heavy rains in recent years. We had hoped that a few simple repairs would plug the leaks for the next few winters, but a detailed roof and drainage inspection revealed that the damage to the tile portion of the roof was much more extensive than we had thought. After considering several options, the Vestry concluded that the best way forward was to replace the current synthetic clay tiles with lightweight concrete tiles that will preserve the architectural integrity of our mission-style church and to work with an experienced roofing contractor to repair and seal the areas most prone to leaks during the rainy season.

We have selected a style and color of Eaglelite tiles (Capistrano style, "Kona red range") that seem most appropriate for a historic church. We hope to schedule the work as soon as the contractor receives the tiles from the manufacturer. The contractor estimates that the work will take five or six working days.

The base bid for the work is \$29,810, but there may be additional costs if there is significant damage to the wooden roof structure. The Vestry has identified reserve funds in our savings account at California Bank and Trust that can be used to pay for the roof, but the need to spend these reserves in 2022 will present budgetary challenges for 2023. We have already received one generous contribution designated for the roof replacement work and would welcome additional gifts from parishioners who are concerned with keeping a roof over our heads



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## Lay Eucharistic Training



Father Carlos is pleased to announce the revival of the ministry of Lay Eucharistic Visitors (LEVs) at All Saints' Church with the licensing of Edward Heck just a few days ago.

Eucharistic Visitors are members of the congregation who are licensed by the Bishop to take the Blessed Sacrament "in a timely manner" to those who are unable to attend a regularly scheduled celebration of the Holy Eucharist in the church or chapel. For the time being our LEV ministry will be available on Tuesday afternoons following the Noon Mass in the chapel.

If you would like to add a name to the list of those to be visited, please contact Father Carlos (619-298-7729 or [rector@allsaintschurch.org](mailto:rector@allsaintschurch.org)) or Ed Heck (858-571-6832 or [edheck46@gmail.com](mailto:edheck46@gmail.com)).

# COMMEMORATIONS

Channing Moore Williams

December 2



Williams was born in Richmond, Virginia, in 1829, and ordained deacon in 1855. The Episcopal Church sent him to China, where he was ordained priest in 1857. In 1859 he was sent to Nagasaki, Japan, and in 1866 was consecrated Bishop of China and Japan. In 1868 Japan was opened to far greater contact with the West than before, and he determined that he could achieve best results by concentrating his efforts on Japan. In 1874 he relinquished his pastorate in China, and went to Tokyo (then called Edo or Yedo), where he founded what is now St Paul's University. (In 1877 a new bishop, Samuel Isaac Joseph Schereschewski-see October 15-was consecrated for China.) In 1878 Williams helped unite several mission efforts in the formation of the *Nippon Sei Ko Kai*, the Holy Catholic Church in Japan. In 1889 his health began to fail, and he asked to be relieved. In 1893 a successor was appointed, and Williams stayed on, living in Kyoto and helping to open new mission stations. He returned to America in 1908 and died 2 December 1910.

**Source:** James Kiefer BIO

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## Antony, Abbot in Egypt

January 17

Before the conversion of the Emperor Constantine in 312 AD, back in the days when Christianity was still a persecuted religion, the act of becoming a Christian involved turning one's back on the pursuit of security, of fashionable prestige and popularity, of success as the term is widely understood. After the Emperor had changed Christianity from a persecuted religion into a fashionable one, many earnest Christians felt the need to make such a renunciation in the service of Christ, and did not see mere Church membership as any longer enough to constitute such a renunciation. Accordingly, many of them sought Christian commitment by fleeing from society into the desert, and becoming hermits, devoting themselves to solitude, fasting, and prayer. Although this trend was much accelerated and reinforced by the conversion of Constantine and attendant changes, it had already begun earlier. An outstanding early example is Antony of Egypt, often reckoned as the founder of Christian monasticism.



Antony of Egypt, the son of Christian parents, inherited a large estate. On his way to church one day, he found himself meditating on the text, "Sell all that you have, and give to the poor, and come follow me." When he got to church, he heard the preacher speaking on that very text. He took this as a message for him, and, having provided for the care of his sister, he gave his land to the tenants who lived on it, and gave his other wealth to the poor, and became a hermit, living alone for twenty years, praying and reading, and

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doing manual labor. In 305, he gave up his solitude to become the head of a group of monks, living in a cluster of huts or cells, devoting themselves to communal singing and worship, to prayer and study and manual labor under Antony's direction. They did not simply renounce the world, but were diligent in prayer for their fellow Christians, worked with their hands to earn money that they might distribute it as alms, and preached and gave personal counseling to those who sought them out.

In 321, Christians in Alexandria were being persecuted by the Emperor Maximinus (the rule of Constantine was not yet universal), and Antony visited Alexandria to encourage those facing the possibility of martyrdom. He visited again in 335, when Arianism was strong in the city, and converted many, by his preaching and testimony, and by prayer and the working of miracles. His biography was written by Athanasius, who said of him: "Who ever met him grieving and failed to go away rejoicing?"

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