



Food Ministry

Please keep up your food donations and help us bring canned foods and boxes to Interfaith Ministries.

Put your donations in the Food Basket located at the side of the church. The basket is then brought up to the Altar along with the offering every Sunday and is blessed with our offerings.

A BIG THANK YOU to **Robert & Sharon Neller** for all their faithful work bagging and bringing the donations into Interfaith Ministries.

+ Christian Symbols +

Ladder



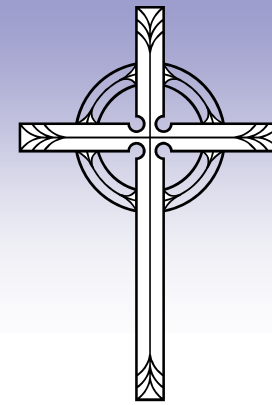
A ladder is sometimes pictured with a sponge at the end of a long stick, reminiscent of the soldier offering Jesus vinegar to drink on the cross (Matthew 27:48). Thus, a ladder may symbolize Christ's Passion. In the Old Testament, Jacob dreamed of angels ascending and descending a ladder (or staircase, depending on the Bible version) set up between earth and heaven (Genesis 28:12). Both accounts show that through Jesus, our Savior, we — like the angels — have ready access to God, now and for eternity!

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Answer to Bible Quiz: D

(See Genesis 28:10-19.)

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The Savior's Voice

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"Easter says you can put truth in a grave, but it won't stay there."

—Clarence W. Hall
from the Newsletter Newsletter



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- ✚ **Palm Sunday, March 29**
♦ 9:30 a.m. - Blessing of the Palms
Procession & Reading of the Passion, Mass & Potluck
- ✚ **Maundy Thursday, April 2**
♦ 4:30 p.m. - Agape (soup supper hosted by Joan Faucett & Mary O'Leary) Washing of the Feet & Mass
- ✚ **Good Friday, April 3** (Fasting & abstinence)
♦ 12:00 p.m. - Reading of the Passion
Holy Communion from Reserved Sacrament
- ✚ **Holy Saturday, April 4**
♦ 4:00 p.m. - Blessing of the New Fire and Paschal Candle; Vigil of Easter Readings; Blessing of Baptismal Water and Baptism; First Mass of Easter and First Communion
- ✚ **Easter Sunday, April 5**
♦ 9:30 a.m. - Easter Mass
Potluck Coffee Hour & Easter Egg Hunt for kids under 10 (older kids will be asked to hide eggs)

Daughters of the Holy Cross - article on page 3



Standing from left: Pamela Jordan, Luci Beyers, Helen Merrick, Joan Faucett and Liz Basham. Seated from left: Eva Breshears, Beverly Burke and Jo Anne Mitchell.



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Bishop's Committee

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 Mary Scott..... Secretary

Liz Basham Pamela Jordan
 Beverly Burke Gregory Matteson
 Joan Court Helen Merrick

The Bishop's Committee meets the second Sunday of every month following the Sunday service.

- ✙ Sunday School - Sunday at 9:30 a.m.
- ✙ Nursery - Sunday at 9:30 a.m.
- ✙ Church Service - Sunday at 9:30 a.m.



Altar Guild Co-Directresses

Liz Basham & Jan Miller

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Mary O'Leary Margaret Moore

Auxiliary member:

Joan Court



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Welcome to Jesus, Our Savior

Faith

I have faith in God for the perfect outcome in my life and in the world.

The abundance of God's love nourishes my faith. Filled with the love of God, I express my gratitude for the goodness of all people. I give thanks for loving friends and colleagues who enfold me with support in situations.

With faith in the perfect outcome, I take every challenge to God in prayer. In the silence, I hear the still small voice within my heart and my faith is rejuvenated. As I celebrate the experience that has caused me to call forth greater strength, my deep and abiding faith overflows in every area of my life.

Stepping out in faith, I place my life, my world in God's care. With no challenge too large and no task too daunting, my faith in God knows no limit.

"And if I have prophetic powers and understand all mysteries and all knowledge and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing."

1 Corinthians 13:2

*With blessings and love,
Beverly Burke
Welcoming Committee*



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 15th of every month.

Please e-mail your submissions to Mary at mlscott9@pacbell.net or call 529-7606.

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Last Computer Give-Away Scheduled

The the last Computer Give-Away for the school year has been sheduled for April 25th.

Students from local junior and high schools are selected by teachers and counselors for their good grades and need.

Please help us to continue this wonderful ministry. All personal and business donations are welcomed. The hard drive on the computers are scrubbed and new free software (Linux) is installed. If the system is unable to be fixed, parts can still be taken from them to use. The parts that can't be used are taken to E-Waste.

Thanks for all your help!

Dates to remember

- Maundy/Holy Thursday April 2
- Good Friday April 3
- Holy Saturday April 4
- Easter Sunday April 5
- Administrative Professionals Day April 22

Answers to Kid's Page

Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.

Romans 8:34 NIV

RESURRECTION



Bible Quiz

As Jacob used a rock for a pillow — later to become a pillar honoring God — which of the following did he experience in a dream?

- A. Angels going up and down on a ladder between earth and heaven.
- B. The Lord promising that Jacob's family would be a blessing to all nations.
- C. God's assurance: "Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go."
- D. All of the above.

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- ⊕ Karen T.
- ⊕ Gabriella
- ⊕ Betty H.
- ⊕ Maxine M.
- ⊕ Carlton McC.
- ⊕ Fr. Bill & Shirley
- ⊕ Dave & Michelle
- ⊕ Lori & family
- ⊕ Helen M.
- ⊕ Gloria W.
- ⊕ Pamela J.
- ⊕ Art & Jane
- ⊕ Rachel
- ⊕ Wendy
- ⊕ Don & Ruby
- ⊕ Joan C.
- ⊕ Kennedy R.
- ⊕ Janet M.
- ⊕ Haley B.
- ⊕ Phil R.
- ⊕ Wicher Family
- ⊕ Rashel S.
- ⊕ Kay K.
- ⊕ Sandra B.
- ⊕ Tom D., Jr.
- ⊕ Evan W.
- ⊕ John
- ⊕ Lucille
- ⊕ Eiden
- ⊕ Nancy B.
- ⊕ Marjorie M.
- ⊕ Ruby H.
- ⊕ Gwen H.
- ⊕ Eva B.
- ⊕ Jean R.
- ⊕ Yvette C.
- ⊕ JoAnne M.
- ⊕ Bryce
- ⊕ Corinne
- ⊕ Sam A
- ⊕ Gillian
- ⊕ Conley
- ⊕ Annabelle
- ⊕ Ruth G.
- ⊕ Myles P.
- ⊕ Genie B.
- ⊕ Lucille
- ⊕ Jan L.
- ⊕ Beverly B.

If you have a name to add to the prayer list, please call the church at 551-5279.



- ❖ Bob Neller April 11
- ❖ Hugh Cooke April 22
- ❖ Seth Simas April 23
- ❖ Beverly Burke April 28
- ❖ Isaiah Pine April 28

If you are not on the Birthday/Anniversary Chart, please let Mary Scott know.

The Kid's Page



Create a simple yet powerful Easter display.

What you need:

- 3 wood blocks (small, medium, large)
- Acrylic paint (three pastel colors and white)
- Paintbrush
- Water
- Paper towels
- Letter stencils and tape (optional)

What you do:

1. Paint each block of wood a different pastel color. (You can paint the whole block or just one side.)
2. When paint is dry, use white paint to write (or stencil) "He" on the smallest block, "is" on the medium block and "risen!" on the large block.
3. When blocks are dry, stack them from largest to smallest to proclaim "He is risen!"

OUR HOPE

Romans 8:34 tells about our risen Lord, who gives us hope.

Directions: Write the phrases on the correct numbered lines below. Then, on the final row of blanks, write the bold capital letters in order from top to bottom, left to right, to spell the word that sums up this verse.

5 who was R aised	8 R ight hand	6 T o life
3 d iEd	4 m o R e than that	7 I s at the
2 J e S us who	11 i nt E rceding	9 O f God
12 f or U s	1 C hrist	10 a nd is also

... 1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____

4 _____ 5 _____

_____ 6 _____ 7 _____

_____ 8 _____

6 _____ 10 _____

11 _____ 12 _____ *Romans 8:34, NIV*

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The Vicar's Voice

Faithful people have long looked for the way to God and his Blessings in life.

Saint Thomas was among the first seekers as he asked Jesus how he could know the way. Jesus replied, "I am the way, the truth and the life." In his responses to the questions about how to find God's grace, Jesus consistently said that God himself is the way.

We do not get to God by any accomplishment of our own, nor by any merit. God is our Path. God comes to us and give us all that we need in life.

God coming to us, however, is something in which we participate. God dwells in the midst of us, not far away, and we are invited to be attentive in the presence of God already in our midst. How can we know the way? By tuning in and paying attention. Do not ever assume God is somewhere else. He is in us and around us, now and forever.

*Yours in Christ,
Fr. Jack*



Four Lessons of Good Friday

The Rev. James Martin, S.J., author of *Jesus: A Pilgrimage* (HarperOne), writes that Jesus' suffering and death almost 2,000 years ago are very relevant to our 21st-century lives. He says Good Friday teaches us that:

1. physical and emotional suffering are part of life;
2. suffering isn't always the result of sin;
3. Jesus was fully human—and thus understands our humanity; and
4. suffering isn't the last word.

"The message of Good Friday is incomplete without Easter," Martin writes. "The story of the Passion is not simply of a man being brutally tortured, nailed to a cross and executed by the Romans. It's the story of a man who turns himself fully over to the Father's will, trusts that something new will come out of this offering and receives the astonishing gift of new life."

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Don't Miss This!

The next Men's Prayer Breakfast is set for Saturday, April 11.

We meet at the church the second Saturday of each month at 9:00 a.m. for Bible study, reflection and fellowship. A restaurant for breakfast will be selected by consensus.

Come join us for prayer, reflection and a good breakfast!

Daughters of the Holy Cross



by Joan Faucett, President

We enjoyed listening to guest speaker, Fr. Jim Wilson, at the Spring Gathering of the The Daughters of the Holy Cross on February 6.

We would appreciate any donations for the Homeless Shelter on Yosemite Avenue. They are in need of clothing and food. Please leave them at the church and we will bring them to the Shelter.

Watch for more details of the upcoming Fall Conference. The Daughters meet the last Friday of every month at 10:00 a.m. at the church.



Bishop's Note

March 26, 2015 – The Last Words of Jesus #6

“It is finished.”

This week we have come to the penultimate of the Last Words of Jesus. “It is finished,” speaks volumes – theologically, spiritually, and physically. Jesus utters these three words as his life ebbs away. He’s endured so much pain, sorrow, and anguish that his heart just cannot take it any more. St. John describes it simply this way: “When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, ‘It is finished,’ and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.” (John 19:30)

Physically, Jesus’ body could just take no more. I can’t begin to imagine what this could have been like – no living soul could, I suppose. However, I recently read Unbroken, the story of Louie Zamperini. In it he describes an experience in a Japanese prisoner of war camp, where a particularly sadistic guard forced him to hold aloft a heavy beam. He was told that if he dropped the board, he would be shot. After a long period of time, with scores of other prisoners looking on, the guard just walked away and Lt. Zamperini was able to drop the beam. The relief that he must have known would have been an, “It is finished,” moment. The physical and mental pain had ended – at least for the time being. When Jesus uttered the words, “It is finished,” it was a factual statement – his last breath proclaimed that he was done; spent; emptied.

Spiritually, Jesus’ statement proclaimed that he had completed his assignment on earth. Jesus was the Word made flesh in order to bridge the gap - created by the Fall of Adam and Eve, and experienced by everyone following - between God and mankind. “It Is finished,” spiritually represented a sense of satisfaction – the only begotten Son of God perfectly fulfilled the will of his Father. Jesus is



the only one to have experienced complete emptying and fulfillment at the very same moment.

Theologically, Jesus’ statement speaks to the new reality that you and I are allowed to experience as the Father’s adopted sons and daughters. “Finished” (in the Greek, tetelestai) only occurs twice in the New Testament – both times it’s in chapter 19 of the Gospel of John. The first use is in verse 28: “After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, (tetelestai) said (to fulfill the Scripture), ‘I thirst.’”

And, of course, the second is in verse 30, quoted above. Biblical scholars tell us that tetelestai was used in the first century with regards to having paid a bill – i.e. paid in full! That is exactly what occurred - Jesus paid to the Father, in full, what was and is owed on our part; namely, justice for sin. Jesus paid, with his own flesh and blood, the price that we should pay. What more can be said beyond – IT IS FINISHED!

*I pray you all a truly blessed Holy Week.
Bishop Menees*

Diocesan Summer Camps for Kids at ECCO

- Elementary Camp for Grades 4-6 ...June 28-July 1
- Jr. High Camp for grades 6-8 July 19-24
- High School Camp July 26-31

For more information, check the pamphlets on the bulletin board. If you need help with the cost, please speak to Fr. Jack.

Diocesan Calendar



- ✦ April 2-3 - Diocesan Office Closed
- ✦ April 6-7 - Diocesan Office Closed
- ✦ April 7-13 - Bishop Menees on vacation
- ✦ April 14 - Rural Dean’s meeting
- ✦ April 15 - Installation of Fr. Jack Faucett with Pastoral Visitation
- ✦ April 18 -Diocesan Council Meeting
- ✦ April 27-29 - Spring Clergy Conference



Stations of the Cross

by
James O’Neill
Senior Warden

“May I never boast of anything except the CROSS OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.” So said St. Paul to the Galatians 6:14. Paul was referring to RESURRECTION, the reward, goal and heart of Christian belief; and the means to this reward is the Cross.

We may make the sign of the Cross at specified times in the service and anytime as a physical and symbolic accompaniment to our prayers. The sign of the Cross may be made by anyone of us responding to a priestly blessing or we may make the sign on ourselves at significant points of worship and prayer. This sign may be made by anyone at anytime.

Physically making the sign of the Cross on oneself, usually using the right hand, involves:

1. Bringing your hand up and touching your middle forehead,
2. Bringing your hand down to lower mid-chest and touching there,
3. Moving your hand up and touching your left shoulder,
4. Moving your hand straight across your chest to and touching your right shoulder,
5. Dropping your hand to natural position.

In one fluid action of you hand and arm you have traced the sign of the Cross upon yourself.

When entering and leaving the Church, you may want to dip the first two finger of either hand into the small fount of Holy Water found on the wall at the entries to the Church. Next touch the middle of your forehead with these fingers. It is usual to finish making the full sign of the Cross from steps 2 through 5.

At the reading of the Gospel when the priest announces the reading, one crosses oneself in a different way special to the great importance of this part of the service. Using the thumb of your right hand trace a small Cross on your mid forehead, then move your thumb to

your lips and make a small Cross on your lips and finally move your thumb to your mid chest and make the third small sign of the Cross. This is a symbol and personal awareness that we are REDEEMED IN ALL OUR PARTS: mind, spirit and body. Also, when we hear the Gospel, this action symbolizes that we are praying for the ability to understand the Gospel with our minds, speak the Gospel with our lips and believe the Gospel in our hearts.

James G. O'Neill



Egg-stra facts

- ✦ Although Easter eggs were once part of pagan spring festivals, they’ve become Christian symbols of new life. A cracked-open shell also represents Jesus’ empty tomb on Easter morning.
- ✦ The early Christians of Mesopotamia began staining eggs red in honor of Jesus’ blood shed on the cross. Red eggs remain part of Greek Orthodox celebrations today.
- ✦ For Lent, some families used to give up eggs and dairy, so they prepared a pancake feast on Shrove Tuesday, the day before Ash Wednesday. They solved the egg surplus by hard-boiling them in various broths, which led to colored eggs.
- ✦ In medieval times, churches held “egg-throwing” festivals. The priest threw a hard-boiled egg toward the choir boys, who tossed it back and forth. When the clock struck 12, whoever was holding the egg got to keep it.

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Don’t Forget...

Prime Shine Coupons for \$7.00
Bring your cans, bottles and ink cartridges for recycle