



SAINT JOHN'S PARISH News of the Week

January 29, 2012

*Vision Statement: Saint John's Episcopal Parish - A Welcoming Community for All:
Seeking God's Word • Responding to God's Call • Working for Love & Justice*

Come Worship this Sunday ...



**We'll Celebrate the Fourth Sunday after the
Epiphany, January 29th
(One Service Only)**

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite Two

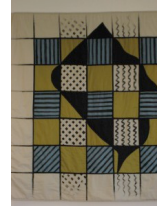
**The Parish Annual Meeting
following the Service**

**2011 Review
2012 Budget
Vestry and Deanery/
Convention Delegate Elections
Rector's Report**



Stay for Brunch after the Annual Meeting

From the Contra Costa Interfaith Council



Join the Fight Against Hunger

St. Paul's Episcopal Church of Walnut Creek is looking for individual and congregational partners to join them in a March 10 meal-packaging program for Stop Hunger Now, during which they hope to package 60,000 meals in two hours. This would mean recruiting 200 total volunteers. If you would like to be part of this effort, contact Donna Colombo at 925-212-2382 or dlcolombo@yahoo.com.

Adoption Choices for Women Today

Wednesday, February 8, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
Hyatt Summerfield Suites
2611 Contra Costa Blvd., Pleasant Hill

Sweet Beginnings Adoptions sponsors this education conference about independent open adoption. Subjects will include types of adoption, adoption terminology, adoption professionals, birth mother insight and adoptee lives. For more information or to register, contact sweetbeginningsadoptions@yahoo.com or 925-408-6712.

Care for the Caregiver Seminar

The Pastoral Care Services at John Muir Medical Center, Walnut Creek is sponsoring a session for Caregivers on Tuesday, February 7th, 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. in the Ball Auditorium, 1601 Ygnacio Valley Road, Walnut Creek. Dr. Martin Helldorfer, co-author of *Healing with Heart: inspirations for Health Care Professionals* and *Prayer: A Relationship without Words* will be the main presenter. Please make your reservation at 925-719-1740 or Kathy.trowbridge@johnmuirhealth.com. Sponsored by Pastoral Care Services.

Episcopal Charities Contra Costa Action Network Meeting



Join us Tuesday, January 31, 2012, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Church of the Resurrection, 399 Gregory Lane, Pleasant Hill. At this meeting, Network Members will discuss the interviews of outreach projects that are being considered for volunteer support and funding and vote on which project(s) to recommend. All are welcome to attend this final meeting of the 2011-2012 granting cycle. For more information contact the Rev. Justin R. Cannon, EC Program Manager, at jcannon@episcopalcharities.org or 415-869-7810.

Saint John's Book Meets this Sunday, January 29th

Saint John's Book Club will be meeting this Sunday, January 29th at 7 p.m. at the Wygal home. They will be discussing *Green Age of Asher Witherow* by M. Allen Cunningham. This is an historical novel set in the early years of the Black Diamond and Diablo Mountain area. All are welcome.



It's Saint John's 50th Anniversary Save the Date... Saturday evening, April 28th

Saint John's 50th Anniversary Celebration with Bishop Marc and Dr. Shelia Andrus will be Saturday evening, April 28th (more details later, but save the date).



You Can Still Sign Up To Give Flowers ...

The Altar Flower signup chart has arrived and is hanging in the back of the sanctuary. So if you wish to sign up for flowers for the altar in celebration or memory of a family member or friend on a given date, please do so. More than one household may sign up for each Sunday.

The Relay for Life of Clayton will be held at the Clayton Community Park on August 11-12, 2012. Plan to volunteer to form and be on Saint John's team as we fund raise for the American Cancer Society.

Announcements

Guests & Newcomers, Welcome! We are delighted to have you join us this morning. Please be sure to sign our Guest Book located near the double doors. Please, join us for coffee after the service, and again next Sunday for worship!

Flowers today are given by Betty Jacobsen in thanksgiving for her many blessings. To donate flowers for your special occasion, see the chart on the wall in the back of the sanctuary. More than one household may sign up for each Sunday. If you have a special request for your floral arrangement contact the church office. Thank you.

The Infant & Toddler Nursery room is available for parents' use, as needed. Mikayla Little is our Nursery Attendant. The room is located across the patio in the Nursery, Room #4.

Pastoral Contact -- Please remember that parishioners may contact Father Peter Champion (510-245-7542) for any pastoral needs or emergencies. Contact the office (925-672-8855) or Matt Chamberlain (925-825-3546) for questions or information regarding other parish matters.

Calendar of Events at Saint John's Parish

- January 29 Annual Parish Meeting at 9:00 a.m., ONE SERVICE ONLY, Saint John's Book Club Meets, 7:00 p.m.
- February 11 Vestry Retreat, Part 1
- February 19 Vestry Retreat, Part 2
- February 21 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
- February 22 Ash Wednesday
- February 26 First Sunday in Lent
- April 28 Saint John's 50th Anniversary Celebration (more details later)

Ministers of Worship, January 29, 2012			
MoW	9:00 a.m.	MoW	9:00 a.m.
Subdeacon	Marianne Crosby	Flowers	Kathy / Angie Murelli
Lectors	Richard Evon Bev Price	Bread Maker	Nancy Spellman
Acolyte	Katie Hartlove	Sweepers	Ken Newton Paul Henshaw
Cupbearers	Kenisen Hartlove Wendy Brose	Altar Guild	Suzanne Howard Kathy Rosen
Intercessor	Robin Doty	Counters	Paul Henshaw Carol Henshaw
Hosts	Paul Henshaw Carol Henshaw	Organist	John McDermott
Brunch	Brunch Committe	Preacher and Celebrant	The Rev. Peter Champion