St. Paul's by-the-Sea

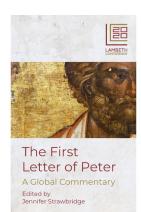
Weekly news & updates

February 25, 2022

Coffee Hour Returns







Lenten Book Study with Bishop San: March 3rd - April 14th, 12-1pm

Bishop San is hosting a Book Study, "God's Church for God's World" Letter of I Peter, on Zoom every Thursday from 12 noon till 1:00pm during Lent. Beginning on Thursday, March 3rd, we will be discussing the book "The First Letter of Peter: A Global Commentary" edited by Jennifer Strawbridge. This book is the same book bishops are studying for the upcoming Lambeth Conference.

This commentary can be purchased from online booksellers. The study starts on Thursday, March 3rd. <u>Click here</u> to register. All are welcome!! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Purchase the book online **here**. You can access the first 2 chapters for free **here**.

Participants will receive supporting materials a week in advance in preparation for the next week's study. The materials for the first week, March 3rd, can be found linked below. For our first discussion, please view the introductory recording by Professor Jennifer Strawbridge (linked below), the first chapter of the commentary (linked below), and the bible text (1 Peter 1-2). The agenda for our first session is also linked below.

Together in Christ's Service, Bishop San

Materials to Review Before Session One:

<u>Video - An overview of 1 Peter with Professor Jenn Strawbridge</u>

The first 2 chapters of the Commentary can be viewed here.

Session 1 Agenda 'Called Together' - 1 Peter 3: 13-16

Sacred Ground: A Film-based Dialogue on Race and Faith

Sign Up for "Sacred Ground!" Tom and I participated in "Sacred Ground" in 2019 at The Hillsboro Retreat Center. It covers the history of our country in an honest, informative and sometimes gut-wrenching way. It is a series of readings, videos, and discussions that reflect on where we've been as Americans, and how we got here. If



you have the time, sign up for this course. Francie Thayer and Libby Rice do a wonderful job of leading the discussions. You won't be sorry you enrolled.

Debbie Shuster

A Series - Six Thursday Afternoons March 10, March 24, April 7, April 21, May 5, and May 19 4:00pm - 6:00pm via Zoom

The Retreat House invites you to participate in **Sacred Ground**, a curriculum that is part of the Episcopal Church's long-term commitment to racial healing, reconciliation, and justice in our personal lives, our ministries, and our society. The core of this series is the vision of *beloved community* – where all people are honored and protected and nurtured as beloved children of God. *Why Sacred Ground?* <u>Learn more and</u> <u>register here.</u>



Lent Madness XIII

Fire up your novenas, it's just five days until Lent Madness XIII begins! <u>Tim and Scott</u> are back with essential pre-season viewing on this week's episode of Monday Madness. Among other things, they <u>highlight</u> some of the big-time saints in this year's epic bracket.

About Lent Madness: Lent Madness began in 2010 as the brainchild of the Rev. Tim Schenck. In seeking a fun, engaging

way for people to learn about the men and women comprising the Church's Calendar of Saints, Tim came up with this unique Lenten devotion. Combining his love of sports with his passion for the lives of the saints, Lent Madness was born on his blog "Clergy Family Confidential" which has subsequently moved locations and become "Clergy Confidential."

The format is straightforward: 32 saints are placed into a tournament-like single elimination bracket. Each pairing remains open for a set period of time and people vote for their favorite saint. 16 saints make it to the Round of the Saintly Sixteen; eight advance to the Round of the Elate Eight; four make it to the Faithful Four; two to the Championship; and the winner is awarded the coveted Golden Halo. The first round

consists of basic biographical information about each of the 32 saints. Things get a bit more interesting in the subsequent rounds as we offer quotes and quirks, explore legends, and even move into the area of saintly kitsch. If you're not sure about terminology, **check out our glossary**. It's free!

The essence of Lent Madness: allowing people to get to know some amazing people who have come before us in the faith and reminding one another that there's no reason for a dreary Lenten discipline.

The Ocean Cluster of churches, St. Paul's Berlin, St. Paul's bythe-Sea and Church of the Holy Spirit, has not been able to have our three-parish events for the last couple of years, due to Covid. We are anxious to have members of all three churches remember that we are a group, and that when we can, we do things together.



Ocean Cluster

With that in mind, we decided it would be a good Lenten project to pray for members of the Cluster, and not just our own church

members. So we are going to have a postcard prayer project: Each household in the Cluster will get a postcard, asking them to pray for a certain randomly selected household in the Cluster during Lent. We think this will encourage prayer during Lent, but also remind us that we are all in this together, as a group of churches. And it will strengthen our bonds as fellow Christians and Cluster members when we can meet again in person.

Patricia Mulcahy



Book Club

Our February meeting and discussion of *The Dovekeepers* by Alice Hoffman was great. Many thanks to Rev. Penny Morrow and Nancy Baxter for adding to the discussion with their personal stories about Masada.

Our March Book is The Hiding Place by Corrie Ten Boom which we will discuss on Monday, March 21 at 7pm via Zoom. It is an autobiographical memoir by Corrie ten Boom, a devoutly religious

woman who lived in the Holland city of Haarlem during the Nazi occupation. Compelled by her unshakeable Christian morality, she defied tyranny to rescue her Jewish neighbors who faced annihilation during the Holocaust. She was ultimately caught and sent to the notorious Ravensbruck death camp, where she witnessed scenes of unimaginable cruelty. In the camp, it was Corrie's bedrock faith in the glory of God that sustained her. She discovered that love was a far more powerful force than hate—for God's love was truly unconquerable.

Anyone who enjoys reading is welcome to join our group. Contact Debbie Shuster or Jody Farley.





February 27: The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

Holy Eucharist, Rite II service with music, celebrated by the Rev. Carl Mosley. <u>Click here</u> for a PDF version of the 2/27/2022 bulletin so you can follow along.



Ash Wednesday Holy Eucharist Service & Imposition of Ashes March 2, 2022 7:00 pm

Click here for a PDF version of the 2/27/2022 bulletin so you can follow along.



Happy Birthday

Virginia Mosley (2/28) Linda Holloway (3/1) Karen Gordon (3/4) Adam Showell (3/5)



Online Services

<u>Click here</u> to watch the February 20th Holy Eucharist service.

Prayer List

Please keep those on our prayer list in your daily prayers.

Robbie Whittington Joyce, Cindy Dreslin, Kyle Harmon, Shirley Connor, Jose Cabrera, Ryan Fischer, Katlyn, David Warren, Letty Trimper Hurst, Rev. Penny Morrow, Fr. Joe Rushton, Connie Mayers, Doug Dryden, Brian Friedman, Grace, Fr. Ron Knapp, Delores Rothermel, Ronnie Skinner, Randy Hastings, Gary Ballard, Hugh, Frank Candeloro, Jr.,

John Rogers, John Seward, Stephanie Hill, Douglas Allan, Yvetta Henry Tull, Melvin, Jimmy Farley, Alex Hoffman, Jonathan Jones, Francisco Hector Diaz Diaz, Jean Charles, Richard, Brad, Larry Lorton, Betty Merenda, Dee Toms, Bob Rothermel, The Lecates Family, The People of Ukraine

Family and Friends of Sammy Cornish, a longtime client of Shepherd's Crook who died earlier this week.

Worship Leaders Schedule

This Week-February 27, 2022

Celebrant: Rev. Carl Mosley Reader: Nancy Knotts, Andy Diaz

Altar Guild: Kay Ayres, Amanda Cropper

Usher: John Knotts

Counters: Amanda Cropper, Amy Rothermel

Next Week-March 6, 2022

Celebrant: Rev. Carl Mosley

Reader: Cami Rogers

Altar Guild: Mary Wright, Kay Ayres, Amanda

Cropper

Usher: Kay Ayres



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