



# Holy Eucharist

## The Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost During Creation Season

8 a.m., 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday, September 25, 2022

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*Newcomers and visitors, we welcome you warmly.  
May you find here, by the grace of God, that which feeds your soul.  
May you leave here with a heart prepared to serve.*



*If this is your first time here, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card  
found on the Welcome Table in the courtyard.*

# The Word of God

**Voluntary (9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.)**

Prière à Notre-Dame

Léon Boëllmann (1862-1897)

**Hymn At The Procession (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)**

Hymnal, #366

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

(at 9:00, verses 1-4 only)

*The people stand.*

**Opening Acclamation**

Blessed be the God of all creation.

*And blessed be God's holy Name for ever and ever.*

**Collect For Purity**

*Minister and people, together*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**Gloria In Excelsis**

at 8:00 a.m.: the following is said

at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.: the following is sung



1. Glo - ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



2. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you,



we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,

on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

4. you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;

5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.

6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

**The Collect Of The Day**

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

# The Lessons

## First Reading

Amos 6: 1a, 4-7

*The people are seated.*

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Amos.

Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria.

Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall;

who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music;

who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

## Gradual Psalm

## Psalm 146

8:00 a.m.: said responsively by half verse

11:00 a.m.: chanted by all

George A. MacFarren  
(1813–1887)



<sup>1</sup> Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord, / O ' my / soul! \*

I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God / while ' I / have ' my / being.

<sup>2</sup> Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any / child ' of / earth, \*

for there / is ' no / help ' in / them.

<sup>3</sup> When they breathe their last, they re-/turn ' to / earth, \*

and in that / day ' their / *thoughts* / perish.

<sup>4</sup> Happy are they who have the God of Jacob / for ' their / help! \*

whose hope is / in ' the / Lord ' their / God;

<sup>5</sup> Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and / all that ' is / in them; \*

who / keeps ' his / promise ' for / ever;

<sup>6</sup> Who gives justice to those who / are ' op-/pressed, \*

and / food ' to / those ' who / hunger.

<sup>7</sup> The Lord sets the prisoners free;

the Lord opens the / eyes of ' the / blind; \*

the Lord lifts up / those ' who / are ' bowed / down;

<sup>8</sup> The Lord loves the righteous;

the Lord / cares for ' the / stranger; \*

he sustains the orphan and widow,

but / frustrates ' the / way of ' the / wicked.

<sup>9</sup> The Lord shall / reign ' for / ever, \*

your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.

/ Hal'le-/lu-/jah!

## **Children's Choir Anthem (9:00 a.m.)**

Song for Beginnings

Kevin R. Riehle

Come, my children, I will teach you of the goodness of the Lord. God, your guardian, never sleeping, never slumbering, gives the Word: "I will keep you as the apple of my eye." From your birth you were protected by the watermark of grace; God is here from life's beginning speaking love into this place. "I will hide you in the shadow of my wings."

-Psalms

## **Second Reading (8:00 & 11:00 a.m.)**

1 Timothy 6:6-19

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to Timothy.

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time-- he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

**Sequence Hymn (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)**

Hymnal, #656

Blest are the Pure in Heart

*The people stand.*

**The Holy Gospel**

Luke 16:19-31

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house-- for I have five brothers-- that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

The Gospel of our Savior.

*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**The Homily**

*The people are seated.*

8:00 & 11:00 a.m. The Homily

9:00 a.m. Children's Homily

The Rev. Kira Austin-Young

The Rev. David Erickson

## **Doxology (9:00 a.m.)**

*Sung to the tune OLD 100TH*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly host:  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **The Nicene Creed**

*The people stand.*

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### **Prayers Of The People**

Holy God whose hand laid the foundation of the earth; nothing dies that is lost to you; nothing comes into being without your love. Hear the prayers of your people. God of all that has life, we pray for the creatures of land, sky and sea.

*The heavens and earth tell of your glory.*

God of wisdom, we pray for those managing our natural resources,  
*Awaken our zeal to care for your creation.*

God of healing, we pray for those who suffer from illness, abuse and distress. We pray especially for those who have asked for our prayers (N.) and for those we now name. Comfort them,

*And teach us to be compassionate friends and stewards.*

God of growth, help us work for a world that sustains generations to come. We pray for those suffering in the aftermath of Hurricane Fiona, those in conflict-ridden Armenia and the women of Iran fighting for their dignity and safety. Living our covenant with you,

*May we cultivate care and respect for all living beings.*

We remember those who have gone before us in this earthly pilgrimage, especially (N.), those murdered & buried in Izium mass graves, and for others we may name. Be with those who mourn them.

*We give thanks that you bring life out of death.*

God of creation, we take wonder at the beauty of our the earth and the vast universe beyond as we offer our thanksgivings. Today, we give thanks for the ministry of Rev. Kira Austin-Young and for other blessings we now name. Joining with all creation,  
*We raise our voices in praise.*

*The Celebrant finishes the prayer with a closing collect.*

Holy One, you know our hearts and our deepest desires more truly than we know them ourselves. Look with compassion on us, and on all who cry out to you for help, that we may see the world through your eyes and ask only what aligns with your dream for creation. *Amen.*

### **Confession Of Sin**

Let us confess our sins against God and all of creation.

*The people kneel, as able.*

*Ministers and People*

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. *Amen.*

*The Priest stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

### **The Peace**

*All stand.*

The peace of Christ be always with you.

*And also with you.*

*The Ministers and the People share the peace of Christ with one another.*

### **Greeting And Announcements**

*The people are seated.*

# The Holy Communion

## Offertory Sentence

*The Celebrant says*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

*Ephesians 5:2*

## Anthem At The Offertory at 9:00 a.m.

Panis Angelicus

César Franck (1822-1890)

*Sung by St. Mary's Youth Choir*

The bread of the angels  
becomes the bread of mortals;  
the bread of heaven  
puts an end to prefigurations.  
O wondrous thing!  
the poor, the slave and the humble  
feed on their Lord.

-St. Thomas Aquinas

## at 11:00 a.m.

Pilgrims' Hymn

Stephen Paulus (1949-2014)

*Sung by the Parish Choir*

Even before we call on Your name  
To ask You, O God,  
When we seek for the words to glorify You,  
You hear our prayer;  
Unceasing love, O unceasing love,  
Surpassing all we know.

Glory to the father,  
and to the Son,  
And to the Holy Spirit.

Even with darkness sealing us in,  
We breathe Your name,  
And through all the days that follow so fast,  
We trust in You;  
Endless Your grace, O endless Your grace,  
Beyond all mortal dream.

Both now and forever,  
And unto ages and ages,  
Amen

-Michael Dennis Browne

**Hymn At The Presentation (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)**

Hymnal, #314

Humbly I Adore Thee, Verity Unseen  
*The people stand.*

**The Great Thanksgiving**

May God be with you.

*And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts.

*We lift them to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

Truly it is right and good to glorify you at all times and in all places, by offering you our thanksgiving. O Lord, holy Parent. You spoke and the light shattered darkness, order arose from confusion. You breathed into the dust of the earth and we were formed in your image. Through your Son, our Lord Jesus, you came to us while we wandered.

He met us as a refugee, a threatened child. He called us by name to leave what is comfortable, to be his disciples, friends, and partners. With his outstretched arms on

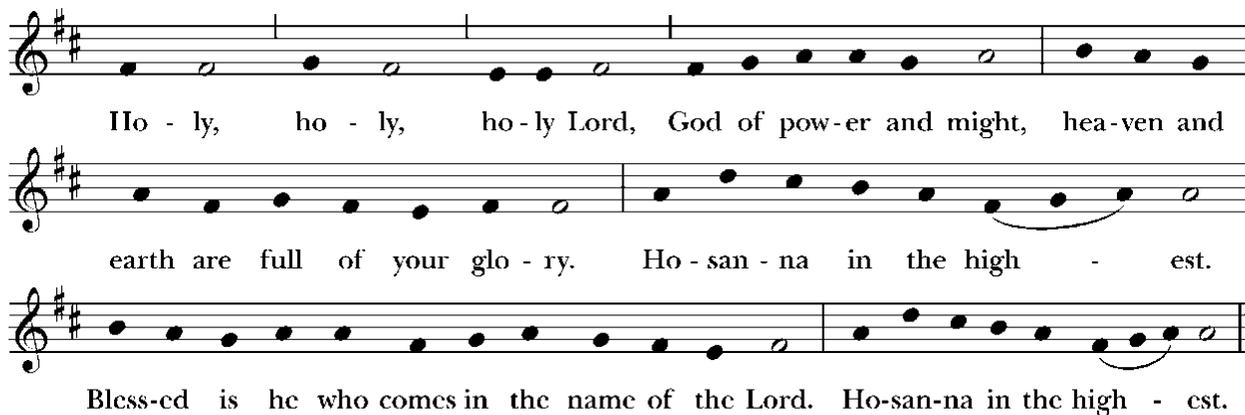
the cross, and through his death he bore our sins and through his resurrection we are saved. And through your Holy Spirit you brood over the chaos we create, mothering us and shaping a new creation.

You enlighten everyone coming into the world. You inspired the prophets and apostles to find the right word at the right time. You liberate, equip and commission your people for the continuance of your mission to make everything new. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we proclaim your glory:

### **Sanctus & Benedictus**

at 8:00 a.m.: the following is said

at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.: the following is sung



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and  
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The people stand or kneel.*

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night in which he was betrayed, took the bread and when he had given thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat: This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me. In the same way, after supper, he took the cup and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them saying: Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me. Great is the mystery of faith:

*We commemorate your death on the cross,  
we celebrate your resurrection,  
and we await your coming.*

Eternal God, let your Holy Spirit move in power over us and over these earthly gifts of bread and wine, that they may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ, and that we may become one in him. May his coming in glory find us ever watchful in prayer, strong in truth and love, and faithful in the breaking of the bread. Then, at last,

all peoples will be free, all divisions healed, and with your whole creation, we will sing your praise, through your Son, Jesus Christ. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

### **The Lord's Prayer**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those

who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

### **The Breaking Of The Bread**

The living bread is broken for the life of the world.

*Lord, unite us in this sign.*

## Agnus Dei (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

### Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### Communion Rubric

*All who desire to know God are invited to receive the consecrated Bread. Gluten free wafers are available upon request. Due to health considerations, no consecrated wine is offered.*

*If you prefer to receive a blessing, please simply cross your arms over your chest.*

*The people are seated.*

## Communion Chant (9:00 a.m.)

*Sung by all, seated*

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when You come in - to Your king - dom.

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Words: Luke 23:24  
Music: Jacques Bethier, 1923-1994

## Communion Motet (11:00 a.m.)

Tantum Ergo

Benedict Preece

*Sung by St. Mary's Parish Choir*

Down in adoration falling,  
Lo! the Sacred Host we hail,  
Lo! o'er ancient forms departing  
Newer rites of grace prevail;  
Faith for all defects supplying,  
Where the feeble senses fail.

To the Everlasting Father,  
And the Son Who reigns on high  
With the Holy Ghost proceeding  
Forth from Each eternally,  
Be salvation, honour, blessing,  
Might, and endless majesty.  
Amen.

-St. Thomas Aquinas

## **Post-Communion Prayer**

Let us pray.

*The people stand.*

*Celebrant and People, together*

Holy God, the source of all that is, with joy we have offered our thanks for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom: by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

## **Blessing**

**Closing Hymn (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)**

Hymnal, #625

Ye Holy Angels Bright

*At 9:00 a.m. verses 1-2 sung before the homily; verses 3-4 after.*

**The Homily (9:00 a.m.)**

Rev. Kira Austin-Young

## **Dismissal**

Go forth to use your gifts for God's glory and the welfare of all creation.

*Thanks be to God.*

**Voluntary (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)**

Carillon

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

# Announcements at St. Mary the Virgin

## *Welcome Visitors And Guests*

September 25, 2022

Thank you for wrapping your prayer with ours today. We welcome all that seek the Holy. St. Mary's prays, celebrates, and serves our community and our neighbors as we strive to live as the body of Christ in the world. Check out the announcements at the back of the service bulletin for more ways to connect with us or email [office@smvsf.org](mailto:office@smvsf.org) and we will stay in touch with you. We look forward to traveling this journey of faith with you! Following public health recommendations from the diocesan and civic authorities, masks and social distancing are optional for worship. We invite you to use your own discretion about whether or not you choose to wear a mask indoors.

### **St Mary's Participation in Vital + Thriving Congregations: Unlocking the Capacity of Congregations to Build Beloved Community**

**Today at 10:15 a.m.**

How do congregations adapt and flourish in trying times How do we unlock our capacity to build beloved community?

How do we discern God's promised and intended future? Vital+Thriving is designed to help faith communities explore these questions.

"Vital+Thriving Congregations" (V+T) is a ministry learning hub developed for the congregations of the Episcopal Diocese of California through a special partnership with Newbigin House of Studies. A space where congregations can join with others for support, to learn missional practices, and enter a process of collective discernment as we emerge from the pandemic Vital and Thriving also serves as a pathway for seed funding as congregations discern their unique missional challenge.

St. Mary's is a part of the inaugural cohort for the program and we will be introducing many aspects to the congregation over the next several months. To learn more about this wonderful journey we are on, please join us on Sunday, Sept. 25, at 10:15 a.m. in the parish hall.

To learn more about Vital and Thriving, check out their website at <https://www.vitalthriving.org/>

### **Sunday School Update**

Welcome to the second Sunday of our 2022-23 Sunday School year. Based on last week's attendance, we will be meeting today in two groups--one for the 3rd grade and older children and one for younger students. No worries parents- we'll take care of the groupings.

Here's how it works: The children will go to the 9:00 a.m. church service with their family staying through Communion. After receiving communion or a blessing, they leave church and go to the Parish Hall for a half hour (or so) of Sunday school activities. The teachers will be in the Courtyard to scoop up the children and

take them to the appropriate classroom. The older children will be in the vestry room and the younger children will be in the Pre-School room downstairs in the Parish Hall. The teachers will bring the children back to the Courtyard at the end of class. Parents, feel free to attend the Adult Education program in the Great Room. We'll keep the children busy and happy.

### **Youth Confirmation Class**

#### **Today**

Youth Confirmation classes (7th grade and older) will be held today, September 25, in the Study after the 9:00 a.m. service. Mr. Woodworth is looking forward to another great year in Confirmation!

### **Meet Our Newest Asylum Seeker, Edward Esteven Restrepo Pulgarin**

Edward Esteven Restrepo Pulgarin, a 30 year-old Columbian seeking asylum in the United States, arrived in the Bay Area September 12<sup>th</sup>. He is sponsored by our dear Gerson Marcony Bolvito Grijalva, who we helped obtain asylum three years ago. Marcony met Edward when they both were working in Tijuana. Edward entered the U.S. at a border checkpoint in Texas and was housed for while by our friends at the Welcome Coalition of San Antonio, who flew him here. The St. Mary's-Congregation Sherith Israel Nueva Esperanza Accompaniment Team (NEAT) will work with Edward over the next 3-6 months to obtain housing, employment, medical care, legal representation, and help him establish an life of independence and dignity in his new home. Currently,

Edward is living for a short period in housing provided by our NEAT partners in Marin, but we will need to find him long-term housing soon. Watch St. Mary's website for more information on Edward as we get to know him better.

### **Youth Group Begins**

#### **Today, Sunday, September 25**

Youth Group is an awesome way for 6th-12th graders to connect and have fun in a safe, loving, and welcoming church community. Our first gathering will be on September 25 from 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.; dinner will be provided and friends are always welcome. Contact Mike Stafford ([mike@smvsf.org](mailto:mike@smvsf.org)) if you have any questions!

### **Children's Youth Choir Has Resumed**

Children from grades 1-8 are invited to join St. Mary's Children's & Youth Chorister program. We rehearse Thursdays from 4:30-5:30, and sing every Sunday at the 9:00 Eucharist. Please contact Eric Choate, Director of Music, for more information ([eric@smvsf.org](mailto:eric@smvsf.org)). All are welcome.

### **Resolution of Commendation and Support For St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Edgartwon, MA**

“Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.” (Hebrews 12:1-3)

*The Vestry unanimously adopted the following resolution, as presented by St. Mary's Nueva Esperanza Accompaniment Team, and directed*

*that it be communicated with St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Edgartown, MA.*

From Genesis through Revelation, God repeatedly commands us to welcome those who sojourn among us. Never are we instructed to turn people away or to send them on to others. Indeed, even Jesus and the Holy Family were forced into exile by a brutal state and were received into a country not their own. (Matthew: 12-23) Jesus could not have been more specific: "I was a stranger and you invited me in. . . ." (Matthew 25: 35-37)

That is why our hearts are warmed and spirits renewed by the welcome St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Edgartown, MA, extended to the 48 migrants unexpectedly and inhumanely flown by the State of Florida to Martha's Vineyard on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September. Realizing that this humanitarian emergency required immediate and loving response, the clergy and parishioners of St. Andrew's immediately opened their doors to receive and care for these guests, most of whom are escaping intolerable economic conditions and human rights abuses in Venezuela. Led by Rector, the Rev. Vincent G. Seadale, and co-wardens Carl Malmquist and Barbara Rush, for over two days, the people of St. Andrews and the Edgartown community provided immediate shelter in parish facilities, as well as food, clothing, legal counsel, language interpretation, and even dental work to those who arrived without notice or time to prepare. The people of St. Andrew's have demonstrated to us all how

to fully live our baptismal commitment to "respect the dignity of every human being."

The Episcopal Church of St. Mary the Virgin, San Francisco, extends our most profound commendation and thanks to our sibling parish of St. Andrew's, Edgartown, for your commitment to, and example of, bearing witness to the Gospel that we proclaim. You have demonstrated to the entire country what radical Christian hospitality looks like in real time, and you have inspired us at St. Mary's to renew our commitment to live God's justice into our broken world. Thank you.

Approved unanimously by the Vestry,  
Episcopal Church of St. Mary the Virgin,  
San Francisco, CA.

### **The Season of Creation & Upcoming Pet Blessing**

**Sunday, October 2nd**

The Season of Creation is celebrated by faith communities around the world as a time for renewing, repairing, and restoring our relationship to God, one another, and all of creation. The Episcopal Church and the Diocese of California join this international effort for prayer and action for climate justice and an end to environmental racism and ecological destruction. Likewise, St. Mary's joins the global presence in turning our attention to address the urgent need to heal our relationships with creation and with each other.

We will celebrate the Season of Creation for the next four Sundays. Culminating the season on Sunday, Oct. 2, St. Mary's will welcome both humans and their pets at the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Sunday services in honor of the Feast of St. Francis, the patron saint of ecology. Celebrate the joy of God's creatures by bringing your pet, a stuffed animal or picture of your pet for a special blessing. The 8:00 a.m. service will be pet-free.

**Your Participation in Vital + Thriving  
Congregations: Sharing Your Experiences  
to Help Build Beloved Community  
Sunday, October 16**

We invite you to join us on the journey of discovering God's preferred and promised future for us at this time so we may build beloved community together. Please join us for our Congregational Timeline Event on October 16. This will be an opportunity to listen to one another as we share our experiences as part of the process of exploring God's mission for us.

Please Save the Date: Sunday, October 16, at 11:30 am following a combined 10:00 a.m. Eucharist. Lunch will be provided, so kindly RSVP to Ashley Ryan at [ashley@smvsf.org](mailto:ashley@smvsf.org) by October 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Masks Strongly Encouraged at St Mary's**  
Following the example of the Bay Area's counties, St. Mary's strongly encourages the wearing of masks, in particular well-fitted N95 or KN94 masks, when on our campus and when we gather for worship. We also strongly encourage that all those eligible for vaccinations be up to date on their vaccinations and boosters.

**Online Hymnal Information**

Virtual participants of our worship service may download an ebook version of the 1982 hymnal via Amazon or Google Books. If you would like a physical copy mailed to you, please contact Ashley Ryan at [ashley@smvsf.org](mailto:ashley@smvsf.org)

**Sunday School, Confirmation and Youth  
Group Registration**

Our Program Year started on September 18, and we have began Sunday School classes, Youth Confirmation classes, and Youth Group. Be on the lookout for more information about all of those, and in the mean time you can register for them at this link <https://smvepiscopalchurch.breezechms.com/form/22a53820>

**Youth Acolyte Ministry Resumes**

We would love to welcome all youth in 4<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade to join us as acolytes at the 9 a.m. service beginning September 18<sup>th</sup>. Acolytes lead the procession and assist the altar party. Scheduling is flexible; we know our youth have busy lives. We will offer training at times convenient for you. Please contact Debbie Veatch at [veatchdl@gmail.com](mailto:veatchdl@gmail.com) or 415-244-3515 or Sandy Briggs at [sjbtbf@earthlink.net](mailto:sjbtbf@earthlink.net).

# *We Pray For...*

## ***PARISHIONERS, RELATIVES and FRIENDS***

Will Driscoll  
Mary Roper  
Frankie B.  
John Patrick Moore  
Tom Austin  
Doris Howard  
The Fiscus Family  
Frances Kalani  
Jon Hayman  
Alisa Quint  
Betsy Quint  
Matthew Quint  
Sherryl Kumli  
Heidi Keeler  
Linda Harvey

## ***CONTINUING PRAYERS***

*Please remember these individuals who have ongoing concerns in your personal prayers this week.*

David  
Jeanne  
Deborah  
Gordon Bellis  
June  
Pat Okimoto  
Kevin Teeney  
The Community at the Heritage  
The Community of St. Francis  
San Francisco Night Ministry  
Jane  
Quinn Charles Fay  
Erich  
Tim Eland  
Simon  
Phyllis Shepherd  
Michael Crossley  
Kendra Lanham  
André Diedrichs  
Mike Lusse  
Fred Martin  
Shirlee Martin

## ***RECENTLY DECEASED***

Gail L.  
Maude F.  
Rocco Mastrocol  
Queen Elizabeth II  
Ned DeWitt  
Fred Lyon  
Jackie Young

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