

Holy Week Worship Schedule April 5-12

- April 5—*Palm Sunday*
April 9—*Maundy Thursday*: dinner at 6pm, then worship service.
April 10—*Good Friday*: Liturgy at Noon and 6 pm; The Stations of the Cross at 4 pm.
April 11—*Holy Saturday*: The Great Vigil, 7pm.
April 12—*Easter Sunday*: Eucharist at 7 am, Choral Eucharist at 9 & 11 am; *Easter Egg Hunt* at 10:30 (between services)

Avoid the April 26th Sunday Traffic—Come to a 5 pm Saturday Service

Because of the *La Jolla Half Marathon* Sunday traffic, we offer a **SATURDAY EVENING service**
April 25 at 5 pm

Sunday Readings

April 5 Palm Sunday

Liturgy of the Palms
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
John 12:12-16
Liturgy of the Word
Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 31:9-16
Philippians 2:5-11
Mark 15:1-39

April 12 Sunday of the Resurrection

Acts 10:34-43
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Mark 16:1-8

April 19 Easter Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:32-35
Psalm 133
1 John 1:1—2:2
John 20:19-31

April 26 Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:12-19
Psalm 4
1 John 3:1-7
Luke 24:36b-48

“He has gone to Galilee”

By The Reverend Dr. Randal Gardner

This year at Easter we read the most unusual – and troubling – account of the resurrection in all of the gospels. The women who come to the tomb find the stone rolled away and a messenger tells them that Jesus has risen and has gone ahead of them to Galilee. “You will see him there.”

Then the disturbing part: the women ran away terrified, and never told anyone.

What follows are a few sentences that certainly were added by a later author, describing how Jesus did appear to the disciples and gave them a commission for their ministry. Most bibles attach a footnote to these last verses, indicating that they seem to have been added by a different writer.

Yet, is the disturbing end exactly what Mark wanted to convey? Since he was writing to a community of believers, he and they knew that news of the resurrection had been told. He also knew that the disciples were in a time of crisis following the destruction of Jerusalem. Perhaps he wanted to shake them out of the assumptions they had formed for 40 years and startle them into rethinking what the Gospel message was.

It may be that the terrifying message was not that Jesus lived, but that he had returned to Galilee. That may be the part that the witnesses never told anyone about. For it is also true that all these Galilean disciples made the decision to stay in Jerusalem after the resurrection. While their intimate time with Jesus was in Galilee, and while it was in Galilee, Samaria, Sidon and the regions outside of Jerusalem that all the miracles took place, the disciples immediately chose Jerusalem as the headquarters for their new movement.

Jerusalem was, after all, the big city. It was the home of the movers and shakers, of wealth and power, of grand buildings and elegant parades. It was captivating enough that the disciples decided not to go home. And when Jerusalem was turned into a pile of rubble by the Roman army, what would happen to the church?

Mark tells us, in these final words, that the disciples had gotten it wrong. While the great ministry of Jesus had been in a land of hard work, of common people, of mixed culture and constant interaction between Gentile and Jew, the disciples had fallen into that too common belief that their ministry could be stronger from the seat of power than it would be from the simpler life they had left back home. It would not be through hob-knobbing with aristocrats and imperial envoys that the Gospel would be spread, but through the humbler community built on the shores of Capernaum, in the

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Church and the World

By Eleanor Ellsworth, Associate Rector

Dorcas House: Changing the world... one child at a time

Before Dorcas House was founded, children of prisoners in Tijuana simply went to prison with their parents. *Los Padrinos* provide those children a loving home and an education one week at a time. But most of all, they provide a future brighter than the past. Our St. James-by-the-Sea Gift Shop is a member of *Los Padrinos* of Dorcas House. *Los Padrinos* supports all 40 children of Dorcas House for one week a year. For more information please go to the website at www.dorcashousefriends.org



"He has gone to Galilee"

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cross-roads of Nazareth, in the border territory where Roman civil engineers came to buy food from Jewish merchants.

It may be good to reflect, this Easter season, on the Christ who is present among us in the neighborhood and school, in the factory and grocery store. The Jerusalem Christ, who is called upon in national politics and in church debates, may not be the one whom we are told to seek after all. The Christ of the day-to-day life, the Christ of Galilee, empowers us to form the Kingdom of God in small and fleeting glimpses rather than in durable national societies. It is in these glimpsed moments that our faith bears its fruit: we find ourselves able to pass on his blessing and love, we find the courage to create justice and peace, and we find our hearts are suddenly opened to deeper faith and durable joy.

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Youth Notes

By Chris Bernard, Pastor for Youth & Families

Vertical Holds

Rock Climbing is the perfect balance between Tai Chi, Ballet and Chess. It's not about powering your way up a wall. It's about finding the right path. It's hard. It's challenging. And it's awesome. So on Saturday, May 9, St. James will takeover Vertical Holds in San Diego from 10:00 AM to 1:30PM. Join us for an afternoon of fun and fellowship. Sign up with Chris Bernard, 858 459-3421.

Youth Calendar

- April 5: Palm Sunday – No Sunday School
- April 6-11: Holy Week
- April 12: Easter – No Sunday School
- April 25: Church on Saturday
- May 3: Ministry Faire
- May 9: Rock Climbing
- May 17: Bishop Mathes Sunday
- May 24: Instructed Eucharist (Youth Sunday)


Children's Ministries

Amanda Davis, Pastor for Children's Ministries

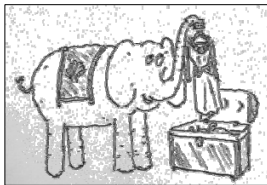
The Second Annual Bible Drama Reading Contest at St. James by-the-Sea! Open to Children & Youth

Children and youth from our parish and the surrounding community are invited to participate in our *second annual Reading and Speech Contest* at 9:00am on **Saturday, May 2, 2009 in St. James Hall**, sponsored by *The Father Waddy Fund for Music, Drama and St. James Children's Ministries*.

Children compete in two age groups: Under 12 or 12 and Over. Participants will perform two assigned short readings—a Bible passage and a poetry selection—as well as perform a "cold" reading of a passage received on the day of the contest. The readings need *not* be memorized. First and Second place winners in each age group will receive a cash prize, and a book, given in their name, to the church library.

There is no fee to enter. However, only the first twenty entrants in each age group will be accepted, due to time and space constraints. For more information or to enter the contest, please contact Mandy Davis, 858-459-3421, ext. 108 or email amanda.davis@sjbts.org. 

So what's in your trunk?



The 2009 White Elephant Sale is Gearing up!

Springtime is a great time to put aside slightly used and unneeded items for donation to the 2009 White Elephant Sale (WES).

Starting **Sunday, May 24th** donations will be received at the back of St. James Hall from 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. We will accept large items e.g., furniture in the Fall, as we do not have storage for bulky items.

Have your children "left the nest"? Perhaps you are downsizing or redecorating and no longer need things—or no longer wearing or using some items. What ever the reason, please consider donating them to the 2009 WES.

For those of you who have shopped at the WES you have seen our "department store" inventory: books, antiques and collectibles, jewelry, pictures, children's women's and men's clothing, shoes and accessories, and linens. Our largest department is "Golden Treasures" This includes all types of items— from holiday and special occasion— to glassware, and nick knacks.

The income earned by our famous sale supports St. James Children's and Youth ministry, and the St. James Music Series. It also funds organizations such as: The Interfaith Shelter, Dorcas House, Episcopal Community Services (ECS), and the Juvenile Hall Literacy Program, as well as worldwide outreach (Heifer Project) and much more.

Want to help? Need more information? Contact co-chairs: Nan 858-459-2322; nan.giraffe@gmail.com; or Lyn at lgansc7@yahoo.com.

♪ **LUNCH BUNCH** ♪ **Noon, April 15th**

It's music, music, music on Wednesday, April 15th when *Millennia Too!* joins the *Bunch*. *Millennia Too!* is composed of Alison Luedecke and Susan Barrett. They will entertain as well as educate us with selections on piano, harpsichord, English horn, and Oboe d' Amore. You may know Alison as our 2008 summer-time organist. She and Susan are well-known in the musical circles around San Diego.

We are quite blessed to have them come to the Lunch Bunch with such a wonderful Spring program full of heavenly music...maybe they are angels too? Reservations for lunch (\$7.00) are a must before noon on Monday, April 13th by calling the Church at 858-459-3421.

Women's Dinner Group Tuesday, April 14, 6 pm

We are delighted that Mr. James Higgins of "Voices for Children" has rescheduled from March! Please join us to hear about this wonderful program and the service they provide. Call the church office at 858-459-3421. prior to noon, Monday, April 13. The dinner in the VS Room is catered by the Girard Gourmet for \$15 per person. All are welcome!

Easter @ St. James

Gift Shop. *We have many gifts under \$10 for your Easter Baskets!*

Hop over soon! Colorful little wall crosses from El Salvador-\$4; Pewter pocket crosses and angels-\$2; Worry dolls-\$2; Easter cards starting at 49 cents; Prayer cards -\$2; hacky saks-\$6; Stuffed ducks and lambs-\$6; Hot pads-\$6; cloth napkins-\$7.50; Episcopal shield pins-\$6; Easter eggs-\$2; Milagros & Saints medals-\$2; Crackers & Cookies-\$4...and lot's more! *Karen Fast, Manager 456-1105*

Always open 10 AM to 4 PM 7 days a week

For the Beauty of the Earth

20th Annual Earth Day Event.
Sunday, April 19, 2009 in Balboa Park

Our Presiding Bishop, Katharine Jefferts Schori, has said, "This cycle— poverty that begets climate change, and vise versa— threatens the future of all people, rich and poor alike, and of all things in the world that God so loves."

Plan now to attend San Diego's **20th Annual Earth Day Event. Sunday, April 19, 2009 in Balboa Park.** This is the world's largest annual environmental fair and Earth Day celebration produced by volunteers.

Our own Chris Scott and members of the youth group will be there with the **Icology** house—the same house to be built in Mexico in late April. (call Chris Scott at 858 454-8785).

For more information about Earth Day—www.earthdayweb.org.

Bishop's Lodge Celebration, Saturday, April 18

Join us in celebrating completion of the newly rebuilt Bishop's Lodge. Come for the celebration and dedication in memory of Bishop Robert and Helen Wolterstorff.

Optional work party at 9 am, Celebration 11 am, lunch 12:30 pm. For more information and lunch reservations (required) please call or email the Camp office. No charge for this event.

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The St. James Music Series Final Program of 2009

SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 4 PM
The Australian Chamber Orchestra



ACO's international tours received outstanding reviews for performances in Amsterdam, London, Vienna, New York's Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center, and the Kennedy Center. At St. James they perform with pianist Paul Lewis, one of the most sought after artists of his generation. Following their performance at St. James they present this program in Disney Hall. Tickets are available. Call Steve Townsend at 858 459-3421 x109

Things You Need to Know in April

Don't forget your Easter Flower Remembrances

Just fill out the envelope inside and mail or bring it in Sunday...or call the office at 858 459-3421 no later than Wednesday, April 8. If you can donate Easter greenery, contact Lacey Colmore at 858 459-4931.

Avoid the traffic & Come to Church on Saturday, April 25, at 5 pm.

Come to a 5 pm service on SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH! Because of the impact of Sunday's La Jolla Half Marathon, we offer an alternative...Saturday evening at 5 pm. Try it, you might like it! See you there!

See the Front Page for our HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SERVICES!