

## E-Newsletter November 25 - December 1, 2016

Link to Scripture readings for each Sunday

# Preparing for Sunday

### **Prayer List**

Please remember those on the Prayer List when you pray.

Click link for the list of prayer requests.

# First Sunday of Advent

Click link to read this week's Sunday Bulletin.

#### November

25-Thanksgiving Friday: Office Closed 26-SPARK Contemplative Service: 4pm

#### **December**

1-Holy Eucharist/Healing Service: 10am

1-Bible Study: 11am: Fireside Room

2-Feed My Lambs: 9:30am: Parish Hall

3-Feed My Lambs: 7am: St. Luke's

3-No SPARK Service this Saturday

6-Outreach Cmte Mtg: 7pm: Room 10

7-Food Bank: 9:30am: Fireside Room

8-Holy Eucharist/Healing Service: 10am

8-Bible Study: 11am: Fireside Room

9-Funeral: 11am: Grace Alexander

10-Feed My Lambs Christmas Work Party: 10am

10-SPARK Alternative Eucharist: 4pm

11-Christmas Concert: 4pm

11-Christmas Dinner: 5pm

# <u>CALENDAR</u>

Click here for Parish Calendar

## Monthly Service Schedules



click on link below...

LEM/Lectors
(November)
or
(December)

#### **Thanksgiving Weekend**

The Parish Office will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 24 & 25 in observance of the holiday. Also, there will be no Eucharist/Healing Service nor Bible Study Thursday, November 24.

#### **St. Gregory's Current Income Summary**

Budget Actual Difference Year-to-Date \$269,914 \$260,969 (\$8,945)

Above is an update on our income shortfall for the year. As we enter the holiday season it is very important that every member of St. Gregory's stays current with their pledge, and where possible, consider increasing their support.

Should you have any questions please contact Dave DeMent, Finance Chairman or Bob McRae, Treasurer.

#### **Holiday Food Collection**

Share the love this holiday season through food and gifts. Updated food lists are now available in the Narthex and Parish hall. Please visit the Family Wish Lists, select an item or two, fill out your name next to the gift and return it

unwrapped as soon as possible. We are adopting 9 families and 4 shut-ins.

Here are items that we need:
Stuffing mix
Instant mashed potatoes
Jars of gravy
Canned milk
Yams
Bread mixes
Pasta & Spaghetti sauce
Peanut butter / Jelly
Cereal
Coffee / Tea
Pancake mix & Syrup
Vegetable oil
Crakers

#### **SPARK Returns!**

SPARK has returned on Saturdays at 4:00pm. Be sure to join them and welcome them back. You can follow SPARK on (twitter@sparkstgregs) or (instagram:sparkstgregs) or contact them at sparkstgregs@gmail.com.

Click here to view original flyer

#### **Thank You!**

A special thank you to ECW for hosting the parish breakfast last week. There was a lot of tasty

food! We will not have a Third Sunday Breakfast in December.

#### **Slate of Officers for ECW for 2017**

VOTING ON DECEMBER 14, 2016 AT 9:30AM

President: Lurlie Edgecomb

Vice-President: open

Recording Secretary: Anita Finley

Corresponding Secretary: Phyllis Comisky

Treasurer: Jan Craven

Care to help or run for office? Contact any of the above.

#### St. Gregory's Food Bank

Our monthly Food Bank distribution takes place the first Wednesday of every month. This ministry helps us help our neighbors by providing a supplemental source of groceries. We CANNOT do this without your generosity. Your kindness is greatly appreciated!

Please also consider donating the following:

**Canned fruit** 

1 lb bagged rice

1 lb bagged dry pinto beans

This month we served 52 people!

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### The Episcopal News Weekly

Bulletin insert for November 27, 2016

serving the six-county diocese of Los Angeles

Click on the link below to view this week's news from the Diocese of Los Angeles

**Diocese of Los Angeles Weekly News** 

#### **Pastoral Care Note**

When you are ill and not able to attend services at church, Clergy would like to know. They will visit you at your home or in the hospital. They will bring Holy Communion and the love of the congregation as well as prayers to your bedside. Please contact the parish office, 562 420 1311.

#### **SUNDAY**

8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist Rite II

9:00 A.M. Sunday School Grades K-1

Grades 2-5 Grades 6-8 Grades 9-12

10:15 A.M Holy Eucharist Rite II

Nursery care is available each Sunday 8:00 AM to11:30 AM other days by request and reservation.

Please join us in Francis Hall, after each service, for refreshments and conversation.

Volunteers needed for refreshments, set-up, and serving. Interested? Please see Lurlie Edgecomb.

THURSDAY

10:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist Rite II
and Healing Service

SATURDAY
4:00 P.M SPARK Alternative Eucharist

Saints' Days as they occur

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