



E-Newsletter | September 6 - 12, 2019

Prayer List

Please remember those on the Prayer List when you pray.

Click link for the list of prayer requests.

Link to Scripture readings

Preparing for Sunday

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September

6-Feed My Lambs Work Party: Parish Hall: 9am

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

8-Holy Eucharist: Sanctuary: 8am & 10:15am

8-Jr. Supper Club: Fireside Room: 4pm

11-Finance Committee Mtg: Fireside Room: 7pm

11-Men's Fellowship: Office Library: 7pm

12-Holy Eucharist/Healing Service: Chapel: 10am

12-Bible Study: Fireside Room: 11am

14-Choir Workshop: Choir Room: 9am

15-Holy Eucharist: Sanctuary: 8am & 10:15am

15-Parish Breakfast (Men's Fellowship): 9am

17-Centering Prayer: Sanctuary: 6:30pm

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the Sunday Bulletin.*

Sermons

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Archive of Sermons*

CALENDAR

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Calendar*

Monthly Service Schedules



*Click on the link
below...*

18-ECW Meeting: Conference Room: 10am

18-Vestry Meeting: Fireside Room: 7pm

19-Holy Eucharist/Healing Service: Chapel: 10am

19-Bible Study: Fireside Room: 11am

21-B&G Work Party: Church Grounds: 9am

22-Holy Eucharist: Sanctuary: 8am & 10:15am

26-Holy Eucharist/Healing Service: Chapel: 10am

26-Bible Study: Fireside Room: 11am

28-Boy Scouts Spaghetti Dinner: Hall: 5pm

29-Holy Eucharist: Sanctuary: 8am & 10:15am

October

1-Food Bank Work Party: Fireside Room: 2:30pm

1-Centering Prayer: Sanctuary: 6:30pm

1-Outreach Committee Mtg: Room 2: 7:15pm

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

3-Holy Eucharist/Healing Service: Chapel: 10am

3-Bible Study: Fireside Room: 11am

4-Food My Lambs Work Party: Parish Hall: 9am

5-Food My Lambs: St. Luke's: 7am

5-Blessing of the Animals: Bible Garden: 10am

6-Holy Eucharist: Sanctuary: 8am & 10:15am

8-Multi-Congregational Taize: St. Luke's: 7pm

9-Finance Committee Mtg: Fireside Room: 7pm

3rd Sunday Breakfast:

September's 3rd Sunday Breakfast will take place on Sunday, September 15th. Men's Fellowship is hosting. Please join us in the Parish Hall at 9 AM for a wonderful time of fellowship and great food.

Sunday School on Break:

Summer School (ECE) will be on break until September 15th. Class resumes September 25th in Room 1 at 10:15 AM.

Summer Pledge Payments:

Summer is always a little bit rough for parish finances. Monthly income tends to drop due to parishioners being away on vacation. While our parishioners get to take vacations, the parish does not get a vacation from paying the bills. If at all possible, please keep up with your monthly pledge commitments during the summer months. It will make life a lot easier and less stressful for the Finance Office. We are very grateful for your efforts to do so.

Boy Scouts Troop 117 Spaghetti Dinner:

The Boy Scouts will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, September 28th from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Tickets are \$10/person or \$30 for a family of 4. Raffle tickets will also be available for prizes at the event. You do not need to be present to win. The

scouts will be here at St. Gregory's between services to sell tickets on Sunday, September 15th and Sunday, September 22nd. All proceeds will help the scouts afford camping and outdoor activities throughout the year.

ECW Holiday Faire Donations:

We are seeking donations for Hattie's Attic - new or gently used items - to be sold in our resale boutique during the Holiday Faire. Items such as jewelry, dish sets, knickknacks and other small household items. Items should be portable. We are also seeking donations for our silent auction. Examples such as football tickets, concert/show tickets. Items that you couldn't return, like a Keurig coffee maker, electronic tablet, new/gently used game system or games. We thank you for all you can provide to make the Auction a success! Please contact Lurlie Edgecomb lurlie@zero3nine.com / (562) 598-1458 or Laura Samaniego laurasam5@aol.com / (562) 230-1705.

Blessing of the Animals:

We will have our annual Blessing of the Animals service on Saturday, October 5th at 10:00 AM. The brief service will include several prayers attributed to St. Francis followed by individual blessings of all animals present. A reception will follow, including treats for our guests of honor. Treats will also be available for their human companions. For the comfort and safety of all concerned, human and non-human guests alike, we do ask that a few ground rules be honored. Please restrain all animals. They should be on leashes (if appropriate) or in carriers. And please clean-up any messes your pet makes. If you are not able to, or are uncomfortable bringing your pet, or if your pet is uncomfortable coming out, you can bring a picture of your pet or one of your pet's favorite toys, which we will bless instead.

St. Luke's Taizé Invite:

The members of the monthly Taizé service at St. Luke's Episcopal Church would like to invite all interested to join us on Tuesday, October 8th for a service including participation by St. Luke's, St. Gregory's, St. Thomas of Canterbury, and St. Peter's of San Pedro. Anyone interested in attending can join us at 7:00 PM for the service at St. Luke's, 525 E. 7th Street, Long Beach. Members of all congregations are also invited to sing with the Taizé singers or read during the service. For those of you interested in taking part during the service, please contact Kevin Wood at (562) 841-5785.

Finance Team Volunteers:

Are you looking for a way to quietly serve your church? Do you like numbers? Are you a detail oriented person? Do you prefer a smaller group setting? Do you have a couple of hours every other week? Do you prefer to be behind the scenes? Then this might be a ministry for you. The receiving team is looking for a few more dedicated, trustworthy, confidential volunteers to process our weekly offerings and receipts. If this sounds like a ministry you'd be interested in, please contact Dawn Lewis at (562) 965-5172 or talk to Fr. Michael.

Feed My Lambs & Food Bank Help:

The Food Bank and Feed My Lambs Ministries could use help stocking their supplies. These two ministries do NOT receive their monies from the church operating budget. They can only operate under generous donations from our parishioners and others. Please consider adding St. Gregory's Food Programs to your list of charities you support! If you would rather give an in-kind donation, here is a list of needed items:

Feed My Lambs

Hot Cocoa (Large cans 39 serving size)

Flats of water
10oz cups for hot beverage
12oz powder creamer or sugar
Plastic forks and spoons
Plastic soup spoons

Food Bank

Canned Soup
16 oz Canned Pasta Sauce
Dry Cereal
Dried Pasta
Peanut Butter

NOTE: Hard Boiled Eggs and Homemade Cookies are still needed for Feed My Lambs. Eggs should be delivered to the church by September 6th. Cookies can be delivered any time and frozen here at church.

Thank you for our generous support of our "feeding programs."

Name Badges:

Are you new to the parish and need a name badge? Are you an "old-timer" who has lost your name badge? Just call Kevin in the Parish Office and let him know that you need one. And, voila, by the next Sunday it will be waiting for you at the church entrance. And a reminder to all, please be sure to wear your name badge on Sundays. That way visitors and parishioners you may not know will know who you are.

In Case of Emergency...

In Case of Emergency . . . Notify Your Priest! In the event of a pastoral emergency (i.e., hospital stay, illness, being homebound), please notify Fr. Michael or the Parish Office. You can call the Parish Office at 562-420-1311. If no one answers, dial 302 for Fr. Michael's

extension and leave a message on his voicemail. Or you can call Fr. Michael directly on his cell phone at 909-373-6478. And PLEASE, no excuses about not wanting to bother me. That's why I'm here - for YOU

On-line Donations:

You can now make donations to St. Gregory's on-line. Just visit our website (www.stgregoryschurch.com) and click on the "Donate" button on the menu bar. You can pay your pledge, make donations to specific funds (Food Bank/Feed My Lambs, Rector's Discretionary Fund, and more). You can set up one-time payments or recurring payments. You can do it all from the comfort of your home computer or cell phone. And it is completely safe and secure!

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!



We have plenty of canned vegetables and soups, so...

Please consider donating the following:

Canned Soup

16oz Canned Pasta Sauce

Dry Cereal

Dried Pasta

Peanut Butter

This month we served 43 people!



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of
Los Angeles*

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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.

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

SUNDAY

8:00 A.M. - Holy Eucharist Rite II

10:00 A.M. - Sunday School (Grades K - 8)

10:15 A.M. - Holy Eucharist Rite II (with music)

Nursery care is available 8:00 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.

*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**

CENTERING PRAYER

**6:30 P.M. in the Sanctuary
First and Third Tuesday of the Month**

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Monday - Friday 9am - 1pm

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