



The Orb

Weekly Announcements of

Church of the Advent of Christ the King

An inclusive parish of the Episcopal Church in the Anglo-Catholic tradition

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THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (Proper 10)

Welcome to all our visitors & newcomers.

Please sign our guest book and join us after Mass for refreshments in Lathrop Hall and Hardcastle Garden. If you are new, please make yourself known to the clergy and the greeters.

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Sunday, 16 July

Low Mass, 8:30am (Episcopal Sanctuary) & 9am
Confessions. 10:30am (Fr Alexander Martin)
High Mass, 11am

Monday, 17 July

William White, *Bishop of Pennsylvania*, + 1836
Evening Prayer, 6pm & Low Mass, 6:30pm

Tuesday, 18 July

Weekday after Pentecost
Evening Prayer, 6pm & Low Mass, 6:30pm

Wednesday, 19 July

Macrina, *Monastic & Teacher*, + 379
Low Mass, 8am & 6:30pm
Evening Prayer, 6pm

Thursday, 20 July

Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Amelia Bloomer, Sojourner
Truth & Harriet Tubman
Evening Prayer, 6pm & Low Mass, 6:30pm

Friday, 21 July

Weekday after Pentecost
Evening Prayer, 6pm & Low Mass, 6:30pm

Saturday, 22 July

SAINT MARY MAGDALENE
Rite I Low Mass, 5pm

Sunday Confessions: July 23, 10:30am:

Br Jude Hill

Living the Kingdom: Father Paul D. Allick

The key to understanding our Christian mission is recognizing the Kingdom of God. The Kingdom will come in its fullness at the end of time but it also here now. It is among us and within us. The first time I experienced what the Kingdom felt and looked like happened at the revivals I attended as a child. Traveling evangelists came through our small town quite often. We started with music to get our souls pumping. Then the preacher gave us the Good News. We were invited to come forward and receive an abiding assurance of our salvation. Hands waved in the air and tears flowed. Each of us knew that whatever had happened in the past we could be forgiven and move on. I eventually stopped going to any kind of Church services. When Jesus called me back to Church he told me to go where the Holy Eucharist would be celebrated. At the first Mass I attended upon my return I remembered what the Kingdom of God felt like. I was so close to Christ's presence in the Eucharist. I wept through the whole service. Now I find the Kingdom at Mass. I also find it in the journeys of parishioners I am honored to walk beside. I find it around the neighborhood in the good work so many are doing to make our community healthy, happy and strong. This is our mission: live the Kingdom wherever you may be. Be the Body of Christ. Always be ready to give a reason for the hope that is in you.

Fr Allick will be taking vacation time from Thursday, July 20 through Friday, August 4. He will be traveling but not for the whole period. If you see him, Keith or Murray on the grounds, please pretend they are not there!

This Sunday's Readings: Isaiah 55:10-13; Psalm 65:9-14; Romans 8:1-11; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Next Sunday's Readings: Isaiah 44:6-8; Psalm 86:11-17; Romans 8:12-25; Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Superb Mission Opportunities:

(Vestry Member Aaron Conner will be coordinating our participation in these neighborhood events.)

National Night Out will be held **Tuesday, August 1, 5pm to 8pm at the Ella Hill Hutch Center.**

Please stay tuned for a call for all of us to help with a table at this annual cook-out and community fair.

The annual **Backpack Giveaway & Health Fair** will be held **Friday and Saturday, August 4 and 5, at the Ella Hill Hutch Center.** Friday is the day we need the most help, packing the backpacks for distribution on Saturday. This annual all-day event features free backpacks and school supply kits for students ranging from Pre-K to college age. Watch *The Orb* and email for more details!

Celebrating Anniversaries This Week:

17 July...Michael McGinley (birthday)

19 July...Walter Ramsey (birthday)

20 July...Kevin Baum (birthday)

Note: If you think we don't have your anniversary information (birth, baptism, confirmation, reception or ordination), or if we need to make corrections, please send that information to news@advent-sf.org or inform one of the clergy.

Please note Fr Paul has a new personal email address! allickpd@gmail.com is the correct address. The aol address has been disconnected. Messages sent to rector@advent-sf.org will be forwarded to the gmail address. Thank you!

Please submit news items news@advent-sf.org by noon on Wednesday for inclusion in the following Sunday's edition of *The Orb*.

The Church of the Advent offers condolences to Chip Heath upon the death of his mother, Caroline Heath, to Sally Schweikert upon the death of her sister Kristine Schweikert, and to Lenda Taylor upon the death of her mother, Doris Taylor.

Solemnities in August: August 6 (Sunday), The Feast of the Transfiguration. This is also the Sunday on which we mark the return of our Music Director, Dr Paul Ellison, and Schola Adventus. **August 15 (Tuesday), The Feast of the Assumption,** Procession and High Mass, 6:30 p.m. Additional details may be found in this month's issue of *The Sceptre*.

Deficit Reduction. Please remember that we have set up a Deficit Reduction Fund in our annual budget. This line item is provided for those who might come into extra funds and want to help shrink the deficit. This is different than giving to enhance the endowment funds. Giving to the endowments is good, but it does not shrink the deficit. The reason we want to shrink the deficit is so that we do not have to deplete our endowments. Thus, giving to the endowment builds it up, but the deficit left unchecked will require further draw-downs on the endowment. Always feel free to come to me directly with your questions. I am very happy to explain these things in person. ~ Fr Paul

As we consider our world and its challenges, let us pray for the Future of the Human Race:

“O God our heavenly Father, you have blessed us and given us dominion over all the earth: Increase our reverence before the mystery of life; and give us new insight into your purposes for the human race, and new wisdom and determination in making provision for its future in accordance with your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*”

~ *Book of Common Prayer*, page 828