



# 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 TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (Proper 28)

**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.

### Ordo ~

#### Sunday, 19 November

*[Comm: Elizabeth, Princess of Hungary, +1231]*

Low Mass, 9am (Episcopal Sanctuary & Church)

Confessions, 10:30am (Fr Alexander Martin)

High Mass, 11am

#### Monday, 20 November

Edmund, *King of East Anglia & Martyr*, +870

Evening Prayer, 6pm & Low Mass, 6:30pm

#### Tuesday, 21 November

Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Evening Prayer, 6pm & Low Mass, 6:30pm

#### Wednesday, 22 November

Cecilia, *Virgin & Martyr at Rome*, + c.230

Low Mass, 8:00am & 6:30pm

Evening Prayer, 6pm

#### Thursday, 23 November

THANKSGIVING DAY

*[Comm: Clement, Bishop of Rome & Martyr, +c.100]*

Low Mass, 10:00am

#### Friday, 24 November

*Abstinence observed*

Weekday after Pentecost

Evening Prayer, 6pm & Low Mass, 6:30pm

#### Saturday, 25 November

James Otis Sargent Huntington, *Priest & Monk*,

*Founder of Order of Holy Cross*, +1935

Latin Chant Mass, 5pm

**Stewards** ~ Father Paul Allick

Next week on Christ the King Sunday we will gather our pledges for 2018. As you have been hearing from your Stewardship Committee, stewardship is not just about getting pledges each year. It is a way of life. As Christians we are called to steward our resources for the spread of God's Kingdom. This aspect of our Christian life has been present from the beginning.

We see in the Gospels that Jesus was provided for by those disciples who could afford to house and feed him. And those who did not have much money shared other gifts to help him in his ministry. We see in the Book of Acts how the Apostles and disciples shared resources with one another as they built the Church. In the Epistles of St. Paul, we see how fellow believers helped take care of him in his evangelical work as he spread the Good News of Jesus across the Mediterranean.

In his first epistle to the Church in Corinth, Paul refers to himself and other leaders of the young Church as, "servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries" (4:1).

Each baptized disciple is called to be a steward. Stewardship of the Body of Christ involves taking care of sacred things. Sacred things that God wants us to share with others. We gather pledges as one crucial piece of this mission. Please do not forget to fill one out and turn in your pledge to the Glory of God and the health of our mission.

And let us each take to heart what we pray at the end of Mass as we thank God "for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now Father send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witness of Christ our Lord."

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**Stewardship Ingathering Sunday will be the Feast of Christ the King, Sunday November 26.** Please prayerfully consider your pledge for the coming year, weighing our needs, our ministry, and our future.

**Thanksgiving Day is Thursday, November 23.**

There will be a parish potluck Thanksgiving dinner at approximately 2:00 pm in the Parish Hall, with setup to begin around noon. Please sign up on the sheets in Lathrop Hall so that we know how many are attending and what you are bringing. Please note that due to limited kitchen space, **all contributions must be “table ready,” that is, except for warming and chilling items, we will not be cooking or prepping in the kitchen on Thanksgiving Day.** Thank you for your understanding. Please direct any questions to Suellen Thompson or Pamela Vaughn.

**This Sunday’s Readings:** Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18; Psalm 90:1-12; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30

**Next Sunday’s Readings:** Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; Psalm 95; Ephesians 1:15-23; Matthew 25:31-46

**Sunday Confessions:** November 26, 10:30am:  
(Fr Paul Allick)

**Third Sunday Concert today at 4pm!** *Harmony in Times of Conflict: Continuum of Pacific Boychoir*, under the direction of Jonathon Hampton. Continuum is a high school a cappella group as comfortable in the 16<sup>th</sup> century as the 21<sup>st</sup>. Please join us for a wonderful concert “calling for love and peace,” and for a festive reception following. Learn more here:

[www.pacificboychoir.org/choir/concerts/harmony-times-conflict](http://www.pacificboychoir.org/choir/concerts/harmony-times-conflict) and  
[www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kx10NhLbRel](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kx10NhLbRel)

**Celebrating Anniversaries This Week:**

23 Nov...Cort Cortez (reception)

24 Nov...Robert Ayala (birthday)

*Note: If you think we don’t have your anniversary information (birth, baptism, marriage, confirmation, reception or ordination), or if corrections need to be made, please send all information to [news@advent-sf.org](mailto:news@advent-sf.org) or provide written information to one of the clergy. Thank you.*

**Please submit news items to [news@advent-sf.org](mailto:news@advent-sf.org) by noon on Wednesday for inclusion in the following Sunday’s edition of *The Orb*. With thanks!**

**Hayes Valley Neighbors:** we will be doing an Outreach Walk, lasting about **3 hours**, on **November 30th at 2 pm**. We will meet at the Project Homeless Connect office at **25 Van Ness** for a training, do the outreach walk, and then return to debrief. Anyone living in Hayes Valley is welcome to attend. The Outreach Walk will help engage our homeless neighbors. During the walk, we will be providing information about services as well as some essentials to those we meet. To cover the cost of what we hand out, **PHC asks for a \$35/person donation**. However, this is not a barrier to attend. Give what you can. The Walk is sponsored by the Homelessness Task Force which has been meeting at Advent. We decided to do this event to meet our task force's goals, such as reaching out in compassion to our neighbors, letting them know we are concerned about them and quality of life in Hayes Valley, and gathering information we can share with City leaders about the state of homelessness in Hayes Valley. Please contact Fr. Allick with questions or to sign up.

**On Thanksgiving Day**, whether in church or at home or abroad, let us offer the General Thanksgiving, which opens

“Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love. We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side. We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us. We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone. Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom. Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know him and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. **Amen.**”

~ *Book of Common Prayer*, page 836