



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 NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (Proper 23)

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, 15 October

The Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost (Proper 23)

Low Mass, 8:30am (Episcopal Sanctuary) & 9am

Confessions, 10:30am (Fr Paul Allick)

High Mass, 11am

Monday, 16 October

Hugh Latimer & Nicholas Ridley, *Bishops* &

Thomas Cranmer, *Archbishop of Canterbury*,

"The Oxford Martyrs," +1555 & +1556

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

Tuesday, 17 October

Ignatius, *Bishop of Antioch & Martyr*, +c.115

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

Wednesday, 18 October

SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST

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

Evening Prayer, 6pm

Thursday, 19 October

Henry Martyn, *Priest & Missionary to India & Persia*, +1812

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

Friday, 20 October

Abstinence observed

Weekday after Pentecost

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

Saturday, 21 October

Weekday after Pentecost

Latin Chant Mass, 5pm

We Need More Children in Church ~ Fr. Paul Allick

Throughout my service as an Episcopal Priest, no matter the context or how many young people were already among us, I have repeatedly heard the cry, "We need more children in Church."

I couldn't agree more but not in any chronological sense. We need more children in the Church in the sense of what Jesus taught, "He called a child, whom he put among them, and said, "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven." (Matt. 18:2-4 NRSV)

Each of us needs to be born again. This means we start over. We wipe the slate clean and take a fresh look at ourselves, at God and those around us. We take the risk to stop telling ourselves the stories we have already decided upon about God, ourselves and others. One cannot enter the kingdom unless we are born again.

St. Peter exhorts us to become like newborn infants and long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation. (1 Peter 2:2)

Our Stewardship Campaign this year is called, "Rebirth, Renew, Replenish." Christian Discipleships is always about renewal. Renewal is sometimes needed more than at other times. At Advent our current context both sociologically and financially compels us to reimagine how we will live as Christ's Body in the world. How will we use the resources available to us to live within our means while bearing good fruit?

Church of the Advent has been here before, in a state of renewal and reimagining, and we will most likely be here again in another 25 years. I am confident that what St. Paul wrote to the Church in Philippi is also true for us at Advent, "I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ." (Philippians 1:6 NRSV)

Fr Paul Allick will be away from the evening of Wednesday, October 18 until the morning of Thursday, October 26.

Third Sunday Series. This month's Third Sunday Series offering is not a concert, but "Music from Our Anglo-Catholic Heritage." In lieu of a concert we will have **Solemn Evensong & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament** ~ the first time in many years that we have scheduled such a liturgy at Advent. **It's today at 4pm and will be followed by English Tea** in Lathrop Hall and the Hardcastle Garden. *Schola Adventus*, directed by Dr Paul Ellison will sing music by English twentieth-century composer Herbert Howells in the month that marks the 125th anniversary of his birth. Professor George Emblom (from CDSP) will play the organ. See the Bulletin insert *A Foretaste of Heaven on Earth*, and do invite your friends and neighbors.

Stewardship Meditation for this week:

"*Stewardship* has become associated with little more than church management and finances. **'Stewardship' itself should represent the summing up of a Christian life.**"

~ Douglas John Hall

Benedictine Spirituality for Everyday Living, an Adult Education Class, will hold its final session this Tuesday, October 17, at 7:15 pm. As usual, a light supper will be served. Please join us.

Thanksgiving Parish Potluck!! Fun & Fellowship!! More to come. Watch this space.

Celebrating Anniversaries This Week:

16 Oct...Aaron Conner (confirmation)
18 Oct...Jude Hill SSF + (baptism)
18 Oct...Ricardo Avila + & William Bonnell
(marriage)

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 or provide written information to one of the clergy. Thank you.

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

All Saintside 2017. Donations are sought to cover the cost of **Schola Adventus** singing for High Mass on the Feast of All Saints (November 1) and for our annual High Mass of Requiem on All Souls' Day (November 2). Both Masses are at 6:30 p.m. All gifts may be designated "in thanksgiving" or "in memory" of a loved one. \$400.00 is needed for the music at each mass, making a total needed of \$800. Donations in any amount are most welcome, and will be acknowledged in the bulletin. If able to help, please see Paul Ellison or contact him at music@advent-sf.org.

This Sunday's Readings: Isaiah 25:1-9; Psalm 23; Philippians 4:1-9; Matthew 22:1-14

Next Sunday's Readings: Isaiah 45:1-7; Psalm 99; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10; Matthew 22:15-22

Sunday Confessions: October 22, 10:30am:
(Fr John Porter)

You may think you are too old for dressing up and "trick or treating," but you are never too old or too young to celebrate **All Hallows' Eve at the First Evensong of All Saints, Tuesday, October 31 at 6pm.** Do come, invite friends, and stay for the mass following when angels, archangels, and a host of blessed spirits will encompass us, and then take home a small treat to make the evening sweet. ~ John Klopacz.

Thursday, 2 November, for All Souls' Day, you are invited to bring names of the departed you wish to remember to place on the catafalque. These will be read at the Commendation. **Please do not call the office with names or ask the clergy to add them.** Paper and pencils will be available at Mass for you to write them down, should you forget to bring them with you. **Please print legibly.**

Remembering *The Oxford Martyrs* Hugh Latimer and Nicholas Ridley, burned at the stake (the site being marked on Broad Street outside the gates of Balliol College) on October 16, 1555:

"Keep us, O Lord, constant in faith and zealous in witness, that, like your servants Hugh Latimer and Nicholas Ridley, we may live in your fear, die in your favor, and rest in your peace; for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*"

~ *Holy Women, Holy Men*, page 641