



Times and Tides

St. Mary's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church
Pacific Grove CA 93950 ❖ September-October 2009



Bay View

Bishop Mary will make her Annual visitation on the Second Sunday of Advent, December 6. In preparation for her visit, there will be a series of Confirmation Classes, one for adults and another for youth. Youth classes are already being scheduled.

On Sunday, September 27, after both services there will be an informal gathering of those adults who would like to be involved in the classes. At that time we'll decide which dates and times work best, so please bring your calendars. If you are seeking to receive the sacrament of Confirmation, these classes are for you. If you have already been confirmed in another denomination and would like to be received into the Episcopal Church, these classes are for you. If you'd like to brush up on church history, the Bible, and theology, these classes are for you. We'll gather during coffee hour after both services. If you're not able to attend that day and are interested, please give me a call.

On Page 2 of *Times and Tides*, Treasurer Phil Frey reports on the financial outcome of the Antiques Show. Our guests were welcomed, the dealers left with smiles on their faces, and new friendships have been formed. Thanks for all the gifts you offered to make the Antiques Show a rousing success! ❖

— Fr. Richard

St. Mary's Guild Holiday Bazaar set for November 7

The Annual Holiday Bazaar at St. Mary's promises to be bigger and better. Come early to purchase your Christmas gifts from among the many offerings of home made jams and jellies, knitwear for all ages, Christmas decorations galore, books, knives, embroidered goods, and more.

Take a chance on the gourmet or bath baskets at \$1/chance or 6/\$5.

The popular luncheon will be served from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m., which includes a hot lunch, your choice of a home-made dessert and the beverage of your choice, all for only \$8. Come early and stay all day. Hours 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. ❖



Joan Elstob and Mary Scherer (above) entered the hat contest and enjoyed tea at the August Knitting Party. Judy Obbink's winning hat.

Photos by Fr. Richard Leslie



Prayer Shawl Ministry Hosts Knitting Party

The August Knitting Party was lots of fun! We had delightful entries in the hat contest. Fresh flowers were strongly featured, but top honors were taken by Judy Obbink whose hat was decorated with several balls of yarn and a pair of knitting needles! The readings made us laugh and the tasty treats at high tea were delicious.

Of course, lots of knitting got done too. In August we blessed 17 shawls. Our next meeting is in the Guild room on Friday, September 4, at 12 noon. We will have our 4th annual potluck salad luncheon to kick off the new knitting season. New knitters (or crocheters, or weavers) are always welcome. We have an excellent learn-to-knit DVD to show or borrow, and seasoned knitters to assist if you would like to learn to knit, or need a brush up session.

If you know of someone who is in need of comfort, please contact the clergy, or any Prayer Shawl Ministry member to discuss shawl delivery. Future 2009/2010 PSM meetings: First Fridays 1:30 p.m.: Oct. 2; Nov. 6; Dec 4; Jan. 1; Feb. 5; Mar. 5; Apr. 2; May 7; and June 4. Happy Knitting! ❖

— Ann Pettit, 375-9694

2009 Antiques & Collectibles Show & Sale a Success!

The 52nd St Mary's Antiques & Collectibles Show & Sale is history. The sore muscles have mended, the new purchases have filled the holes in our living rooms left by earlier donations, and the analysis of how to do things even better next year has begun.

Many congratulations and much gratitude needs to be spread around, because with all income and expenses reported through the first week of August (which I hope is all of them!), we have netted \$26,212. Of that, the Thrift Shop brought in \$9,263 (way to go!) and \$5,916 by this year's expanded Silent Auction.

By comparison, last year, when the economic environment was much happier, our total net was \$28,157. Although our ticket income and was down — \$5,249 (2009) versus \$6,334 (2008) — a big positive change was this year's fuller buildings and higher income [not a net number] from more dealers: \$9,102 (2009) versus \$4,300 (2008).

We helped one another, helped meet our 2009 Budget goals, and helped the larger community see our loving parish in action. ❖

— Reported by your Treasurer, Phil Frey



Parishioner Donations Made the Difference

Donations from St. Mary's parishioners accounted for 60% (over \$3,600) of this year's Antiques Show Silent Auction donations.

We couldn't have had such a successful Silent Auction without you. Your thank you note (which will be coming soon) is suitable for tax purposes. Thanks to all who donated and all who obtained donations for St. Mary's. You made a difference! ❖

— Barb Utter, Silent Auction Co-Chair

Ideas Plentiful at St. Mary's Parish Planning Conference

On August 15, approximately 35 St. Mary's parishioners gathered together for the Parish Planning Conference. We received over 100 suggestions, which were read and documented. Thank you for your participation in responding to this year's questionnaire.

The information gathered is in a folder titled, "Where is My Idea?" This folder will be located on the Welcome Table during Sunday Coffee Hours. From this stage of the Planning Conference, we move forward to developing a brochure that will be presented to all at the Ice Cream Social, scheduled for Sunday, October 18th, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Please mark your calendars, and stay tuned as we progress from ideas to action. ❖

Respectfully,

Kimberly Brown, Stewardship 2009, Vice Chair
Kate de la Fuente, Stewardship 2009, Chair

Sunday School at St. Mary's

Please mark your calendars!
September 6 Godly Play Resumes
September 20 Homecoming

All God's Children Service (everyone in church)

Overview

- Our Nursery/Toddler Room is open year round for Infants through 5 year olds.
- Godly Play I is for K- 2nd grade students – downstairs Clay Hall; class runs concurrent with our 10 o'clock service
- Godly Play II is for 3rd – 5th grade students; class occurs during the "Liturgy of the Word" portion of our 10 o'clock service; students and teachers join the congregation for Communion.

I invite you to consider being a Godly Play storyteller, a doorperson and into the deep wondering that our sacred stories encourage. Godly Play is taught September through May. Teachers usually teach one Sunday a month.

I Wonder...

- Are you a parent that would like a tour of our Godly Play Rooms?
- Are you a High School student or an adult that would like to explore what it means to be a storyteller and/or a doorperson?
- Are you ready to enter into the world of Godly Play?

If you would like to learn more about Godly Play, please contact me, Celeste Ventura, at 626-8878 or cavcv@sbcglobal.net.

I Wonder...

"I wonder" is a phrase often used in Godly Play. Today I am wondering if we have some costume seamstresses and/or tailors in the parish. Our wonderful costumes, used in the Christmas Pageant, are in need of some tender, loving care: hems to be repaired, holes to be patched and rips to be mended. There is plenty of time to do this on your own time schedule, at home, or gathering with others here at St. Mary's. If this is something you would like to do, please contact Celeste Ventura, 626-8878 or cavcv@sbcglobal.net.

The good news is our "Three Wise Guys from the West" are returning as our producers and directors for Christmas Pageant 2009. Thank you Steve Bruemmer, John Donohoe and Fritz Renner.

— Celeste Ventura

Join us and bring a friend!

St. Mary's Fall Homecoming

Sunday, September 20th

All God's Children Service
10:00 am

*Parish potluck, Barbeque, and
Bounce House immediately following*

RSVP in Edwards Hall



Help Needed — Altar Guild

Altar Guild has something for everyone! Whether you enjoy polishing brass, laundering and pressing linens, arranging flowers, or general "holy housekeeping," Altar Guild invites you to join our ministry. We work in teams of three to four people per team. Each team volunteers a few hours one weekend a month to prepare for and clean-up after church services. We provide on the job training, a quiet and holy workspace, and good company! We are grateful for parishioners' generosity, signing up to sponsor arrangements to honor or remember loved ones on special Sundays; thank you. We do need your participation as well. Please contact Altar Guild Directress Georgia Booth (831.372.6329 or georgiab@redshift.com) for further information and/or to volunteer TODAY. Help us find you! ❖

We Need You —to Teach Sunday School!

Sunday School Teachers are needed for middle and high school grades. We have lessons already prepared and training is available! Please contact Sharron Frey at yerfandyerfette@sbcglobal.net or 375-5049 if you can help out! ❖

Times and Tides Publication Schedule

To help all of our newsletter contributors, the *Times and Tides* publication schedule for 2008 - 2009 is as follows:

Publication Date	Content	Deadline for News
November 1, 2009	Nov. - Dec. 2009	October 15, 2009
January 1, 2010	Jan. - Feb. 2010	December 10, 2009

Please leave your news and photographs in the *Times & Tides* mailbox, or email them to me: kmnevin@sbcglobal.net.

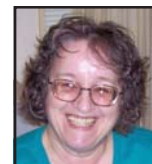
Please attach your articles — created in MS Word only — to your email. Due to space considerations, please, please, please limit your articles to no more than 300 words.

Thanks!

— Kitty Nevin, Editor

On the Record

From Helen Reames
Parish Office, 373-4441, ext. 10



BIRTHDAYS

SEPTEMBER

2 Bob Uehling
3 Bill Scholefield
Phyllis Strecker
4 Judy Palmieri
9 Emily Griffith
Erik Brownyard
13 Fran Coen
15 Carol Galanti
Jenna Lynn Hall
16 Betty Finlay
Georgia Booth
17 Rick Franke
20 Kitty Nevin
Doreen Tovey
MacKenzie Finch
Eleanor Murphy
21 Dianne Hobson
John Hyleman
22 Matthew Hunter
24 Bruce Johnston
Alyssa Synsteby
25 Michael Masuda
27 Marilyn Gamble
28 Jeff DeMarco
Chris Elstob
Anna Welsh
29 Garth Hobson

OCTOBER

3 Kathy Herbig
6 Ann Taugher
8 Kathryn Manlin
Megan Donahoe
9 Vita Burn
11 Kate de la Fuente
Benjamin Bishop
12 Phil Galanti
14 Margaret Baldwin
15 Melinda Manlin
16 Judy Obbink
Eleanor White
17 Anne Blankenhorn
Dennis Gorman
20 Annette Foisie
JJ Bettencourt
21 Jerry Harvel
Veronica Thaanum
22 Andrew Heywood
23 Laura Hubrich
Catherine Rose
Mountain
Clare Welch
24 Conor Synsteby
26 Henry Strecker
Andrew Herbig
28 Barrett Heywood



rites of Passage

BAPTISM

Josephine Aria Wilson

DEATHS

Margaret Rogers

*"Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord; and
let light perpetual shine
upon them.."*

Note from Helen:

I only have about half of the parishioners' birthdays in my records. If you'd like your birthday listed in *Times and Tides*, please email me: Helen@stmarysbythesea.org.

Thanks! Helen Reames

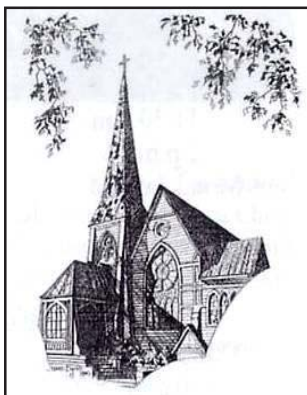
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St. Mary's by-the-Sea Calendar of Events, Meetings and Worship Services

September 2009

Thurs., Sept. 3, 12 noon
Fri., Sept. 4, 1:30 p.m.
Sun., Sept. 6, 9:30 a.m.
Sun., Sept. 6, 10 a.m.
Mon., Sept. 7
Mon., Sept. 14, 7 p.m.
Sun., Sept. 13, time TBA
Sun., Sept. 20, 10 a.m.
Thurs., Sept. 24, 5:15 p.m.
Mon., Sept. 28, 7 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 26, 5:30 p.m.

St. Mary's Guild
Prayer Shawl Ministry
St. Mary's Guild Card Sale
Sunday School Resumes
Office Closed, Labor Day
Christian Social Concerns
Youth Group Pool Party
All God's Children Service & Homecoming BBQ
Finance Committee
Vestry
I HELP Dinner

Guild Room
Guild Room
Guild Room
Clay Hall

Canterbury Woods
Lockwood home
Church & Patio
Guild Room
Guild Room
Edwards Hall

October 2009

Thurs., Oct. 1, 12 noon
Thurs., Oct. 1, 4 p.m.
Fri., Oct. 2, 1:30 p.m.
Sun., Oct. 4, 9:30 a.m.
Sun., Oct. 4, 12 noon
Sun., Oct. 4, 12 noon
Fri., Oct. 9, 7:30 p.m.
Mon., Oct. 12, 7 p.m.
Thurs., Oct. 15, 5:15 p.m.
Sun., Oct. 18, 3 p.m.
Mon., Oct. 19, 7 p.m.
Fri., Oct. 23, time TBA
Sat., Oct. 24, time TBA
Sat., Oct. 24, 5:30 p.m.
Fri., Oct. 30, time TBA
Sat., Oct. 31, time TBA
Sat., Oct. 31

St. Mary's Guild
New Testament Class resumes
Prayer Shawl Ministry
St. Mary's Guild Card Sale
Blessing of the Animals
Heritage Society Home Tour
Taize Service
Christian Social Concerns
Finance Committee
All Parish Ice Cream Social
Vestry
Olan Mills Photo and Portrait Viewing
Olan Mills Photo and Portrait Viewing
I HELP Dinner
Olan Mills Photo and Portrait Viewing
Olan Mills Photo and Portrait Viewing
All Hallows' Eve

Guild Room
Edwards Hall
Guild Room
Edwards Hall
Front lawn
Church
1st Pres., Monterey
Canterbury Woods
Guild Room
Canterbury Woods
Guild Room
Guild Room
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Edwards Hall
Guild Room
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Note: This calendar is subject to change. Please let Office Manager Helen Reames know about any changes or additions. Helen@StMarysbytheSea.org, voice: 373-4441 ext 10.