



# SAINTS ALIVE!

## April 2016

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### To Serve You:

#### Bishop:

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### Passing on Your Legacy through Decisions about Life, Death and Faith

As part of ASEC's Stewardship activities, Alice and I attended the Diocesan workshop on February 13, 2016 at St John's in Kirkland. It was sponsored by the Diocese's Office of Stewardship and Development. I was expecting a seminar on endowment giving (often called legacy stewardship), and was very pleasantly surprised at the theme and content of the workshop.

The Bishop opened the workshop and clearly the topic of how we die is an important one to him. He shared his perspectives as well as the experiences that have shaped his beliefs. His remarks (as well as the presentations of all the speakers) were joyous and celebratory, although some very serious topics were presented and discussed. There was no "sugar coating" of any of the topics. Of particular note was a panel discussion. An attorney covered: Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care; Health Care Directive (Living Will); Physician's Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment. A palliative care physician discussed palliative care, and a hospice chaplain discussed what hospice is and is not, as well as Washington State's Death with Dignity Act, and voluntary stopping of eating. We had a lot of discussions with our table partners as well as with the panel and facilitators. If there were a sub-theme to the workshop, it probably was "communication." It was stressed over and over how important it is to have conversations with family members (spouses and children, especially), attorneys, doctors and other caregivers, and one's church family.

The workshop evaluation sheet asked the question if the training would be valuable to have at the participants' home parishes. I believe that the Diocese is committed to take this workshop "on the road" throughout the diocese. We understand that ASEC did a similar workshop several years ago, but it might be time for a "refresher." I will make sure that Fr. Joe and Vicki have the copies of the workshop manual and will provide more details of the workshop to them, and others, that might have an interest.

Respectfully, Tom Williams.

## Rain Riding

Being a motorcycle enthusiast in the Pacific Northwest is challenging on most days. The rain that seems to last for months on end; wet and dangerous road surfaces; assertive/aggressive drivers mostly on cell phones; and lots and lots of big trucks all contribute to the “Perfect Storm” for us two-wheeled riders.

But then there are those absolutely perfect days like this last week; sun glowing; clear, cloudless blue sky; warm wind and open, dry, twisty roads ahead...that keep bringing us back again and again. Days like today that give us a “glimpse of perfection” ...when the mist clears and we see things without obscurity, sometimes for the very first time.

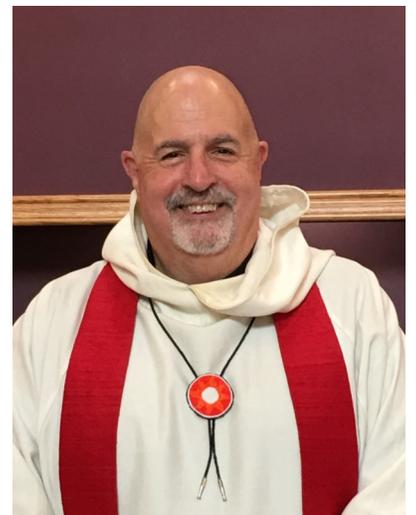
The last three days were just like that for me. I got to see three places dripping with Spiritual Perfection. The first were the vast tulip fields south of Portland. Acres and acres of the Creator’s Majesty spread before us in an awe inspiring mirror of the Creator’s greatness. Next, was Multnomah Falls. When we first arrived the morning mist was enshrouding the upper falls completely. It was simply a promise waiting to be honored. And then as the temperature rose slightly the mist began her ascension and just as promised the splendor of the upper falls appeared in a Vision of Spirits dancing in the Sun-painted, misty morning canvas. And finally yesterday, the splendor of the Oregon Coast...sitting quietly on the beach being wrapped in the quiet relentlessness of the sea. Following her ancient rhythms and her Moon Dance promise.

But for me now, an interesting transition is beginning to taking place. I have started to like being a “Rain Rider.” The rhythms of the drops beating on my helmet; the spray of water droplets beading up on my bike’s tank and on my leathers. The glorious freshness of a newly-washed urban landscape. Beautiful...the mist continues to clear for me...and I see the Creator’s Hand not only in the splendor of the southern tulips, in the grandeur of Multnomah and the Coastal places but in the Dutch Brother’s Coffee shacks, shiny wet asphalt and children waiting for the school bus splashing in multicolored rain boots.

When we look, we find...when we connect we see...the Creator waits in grand and humble places. Enjoy the ride.

Blessings,

Fr. Joe



## *From the Senior Warden*

Dear Friends,

We will be taking a new approach to our annual report. Our goal is to keep our outreach activities and committees front and center every month in the newsletter, not just yearly in the Annual Report. Jennifer and I will be asking for updates specifically, and I encourage everyone to submit current news within their ministry as it happens. So much is going on at All Saints every day!

The grant process for 2017 starts soon. I will submit an *Intent to Apply* by May 1<sup>st</sup> to the Diocese of Olympia. I also continue to stress--and put time into--our accounting conversion. The vendor has been very helpful, we just seem to make every mistake possible. February financials were late, but they are now correct and posted in the church office. It is hoped that in April we will be able to promptly post March statements. Financial information is always posted in the church office if you're interested in reading them. Questions can be directed to me, or Carol Sanza, our treasurer.

I recently read, "Life has meaning only in the struggles. Triumph or defeat is in the hands of the Gods, so let us celebrate the struggles." –Swahili Warrior Song

So we will continue to struggle to get our accounting conversion correct!

Hope you all are enjoying spring and the many activities at All Saints.

With joy and love, Vicki



Many recent blessings have been sent my way as I have participated in several science competitions locally and in Seattle. I won gold in my category of Biomedicine and was recognized by the American Psychological Society when I shared my examination on the effects of gluten on symptoms of depression. For the people who participated in my study, I thank you for without your participation, I could not have completed my study and participated in the competitions.



Aside from my science competitions, my team and I won first place in Knowledge Bowl regionals. Knowledge Bowl is equivalent to team jeopardy. We look forward to traveling to Arlington, Washington to compete in the state competitions.

Lastly, I am going to travel to the Dominican Republic in the next few weeks to construct a sports court for a local community. Though we have not received word of the precise village, my team and I cannot wait to get our hands dirty in building opportunities and having fun on Dominican soil. Thank you for all of your support, and I am looking forward to sharing my experience of Christ's work.

Love, Remington

### April Birthdays:

Dee Ann Teseneer	April 1
Diane Manning	April 5
Andrew Metts	April 5
Tom Williams	April 13
Nicolas Charbonneau	April 27

### April Anniversaries:

Al & Diane Manning	April 15
Rob & Kitty Ash	April 18

**Is your All Saints Directory information accurate?  
If you wish to be included in the All Saints directory,  
or you need to change your entry,  
please email your information to the church office (or check the copy in  
the Narthex next time you're at church).  
admin@allsaints-vancouver.org. Thanks! ~Jennifer**

## SPRING SOCCER

The 2016 Spring Soccer season begins Saturday, April 16. Practices have already begun for the Under 6 and Under 7 Leagues that use our fields. We don't know yet how many teams there will be but we do know there are some changes this year. Each team will have 4 players on the field at a time instead of the 3 they have had in the past. That should mean there are less teams, but we won't know until the schedules come out just before opening day. Score is not kept in these leagues, so everyone is a winner.

I have already begun announcing in Church that we will need cookies to share on the fields. When I attended the coaches meeting, everyone shared how happy they are that we make these fields available to them. It seemed that everyone was aware of "The All Saints Fields" and they made it clear how much they appreciate us. Along with the need for cookies, we need volunteers to be at the fields on Saturdays. As soon as I know the times of the games I will put out a sheet asking for people to help. Remember too that our playground gets a lot of use this time of year, so John may be asking for a little extra maintenance assistance this spring as well.

This ministry exposes the community to All Saints and gives us the opportunity to provide safe and wholesome activities to that community. The players, coaches, and friends frequently express their gratitude to us for providing a well-groomed, safe facility for the community to use. For the non-player children who are there also, our playground is a big draw. After games, many of the players also enjoy our facilities as well. It is common for families to use the picnic table for lunch and as a gathering place to enjoy each other. We provide a safe, secure environment for players and spectators. Please come out and join us for this wonderful ministry.

### Second Look

#### Wednesday Evenings beginning April 13

Have you ever left church on a Sunday and a word from the scripture lessons or sermon left an impression or you didn't quite get what was being said. Perhaps you wanted to discuss more of what you had heard.

Wednesday April 13th to June 1st at 6:30 p.m., we will reflect on the past Sunday's scripture lesson and sermon. They will be led by Rev. Elise Astleford, Carol Burckhardt, Martha Stephenson and Fr. Joe. We will close with Night Prayer (Compline) at 8:00.

**All are welcome!**

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### Cathedral Day 2016

Diocese of Olympia invites us all to Cathedral day on Saturday, April 23rd. It's a day of fun and games with activities for all ages. Check out the poster hanging in the Parish Hall!

St. Mark's Cathedral, Seattle  
1245 10th Ave. E Seattle, WA 98102

### Refresher Courses for Lay Ministers

Ushers/Greeters, Lectors: Your ministry of greeting welcoming, and proclaiming God's word are very important! Save the date of Sunday, April 24 at 10:45!

You are invited to a "refresher training." After you have had time for some coffee and a treat, we will gather upstairs in the church.

Every once in awhile it is good to reflect on what is going well in our service for the liturgy. and to refine or "tweak" what needs to be strengthened. Since some of you volunteer for multiple ministries, it seems more productive to offer "refresher training" at different times, thus, training for LEMs will be offered at a later date.

Thank you for your participation, and we look forward to this gathering.

Blessings,  
Fr. Joe  
Martha Stephenson

## SUNDAY MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

Please let Pat Stephens (pat.stephens@msn.com) know by the 15th of EACH month if you will be gone or unable to serve on any Sundays the following month. After that time, the schedule will be in production, and you will need to find your own back up replacement. If there are changes made mid-month for the current month, please email Jennifer at admin@allsaints-vancouver.org or call the office so that she can have the correct info in the Flash and service bulletin for Sunday.

## *Save the Date!*

The Right Reverend Bishop Rickel will come to All Saints on **Wednesday, May 11th at 6 pm** for an evening celebration of Fr. Joe's new ministry.

Mark your calendars and don't miss it!

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### Garden Team

Sun on your back, warm fragrant earth, birds soaring and chirping overhead, leaves and blooms opening, God's blessings all around us. We meet to putter and chat in the church gardens every other week for a couple hours. Please let Martha or Kitty know if you'd like to join us. Martha: [mepop4@gmail.com](mailto:mepop4@gmail.com). [KittyAsh2@msn.com](mailto:KittyAsh2@msn.com).

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## Babies In Need



*Serving Needy Newborns in Southwest Washington  
~with car seats, layettes, portable cribs, and love.*



**Baby Kirsten** was born last month with drugs in her system.

She was placed with her loving, kind grandparents who had neither baby things nor the money to buy them. They were overwhelmed. One of our regular Babies In Need volunteers checked with us and we provided a car seat, layette, bassinet, stroller, swing and a bundle of extra clothes.

"Oh... you should have seen how grateful and happy the family was when we delivered the items. The grandmother had tears in her eyes. They were beyond thankful for everything we gave them. They also said that they would be sure to donate everything back again when they didn't need it anymore. Thank you for having the vision to start this wonderful organization and for allowing me to be a part of it."

Thank *you* for your prayers, hands and hearts that touch babies like Kristen every week.

**Next layette assembly day:** Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm.

Faithfully, *Kitty Ash*

*"We cannot all do great things, but we can do small things with great love."  
Mother Teresa*

# All Saints Ministry Schedule: April 2016

4/3 Easter II

4/10 Easter III

4/17 Easter IV

4/24 Easter V

## Scriptures

First Lesson	<a href="#">Acts 5:27-32</a>	<a href="#">Acts 9:1-6, (7-20)</a>	<a href="#">Acts 9:36-43</a>	<a href="#">Acts 11:1-18</a>
Psalm	<a href="#">Psalm 118:14-29</a> or <a href="#">Psalm 150</a>	<a href="#">Psalm 30</a>	<a href="#">Psalm 23</a>	<a href="#">Psalm 148</a>
Second Lesson	<a href="#">Revelation 1:4-8</a>	<a href="#">Revelation 5:11-14</a>	<a href="#">Revelation 7:9-17</a>	<a href="#">Revelation 21:1-6</a>
Gospel	<a href="#">John 20:19-31</a>	<a href="#">John 21:1-19</a>	<a href="#">John 10:22-30</a>	<a href="#">John 13:31-35</a>

## Services Sunday, 9 AM

	Eucharist	Eucharist	Eucharist	Eucharist
Altar Setup	Sheridan	Sydney	Pat	Fiona
Lay Eucharistic Ministers	Sheridan Curtis Jon Metts	Sheryl Haase Fiona Neumann	Jon Metts Sheridan	Fiona Neumann Rob Ash
First Lesson	Candy Weatherby	Suzanne Philbrook	Remington Scovel	Martha Stephenson
Second Lesson	Leslie Woods	Dick Woods	Roman Scovel	Elizabeth Scovel
Ushers	Candy Weatherby	Rob Ash	Vicki Setzer	Joe Astleford
Greeters	Vicki Setzer	Martha Stephenson	Elizabeth Scovel	Kitty Ash
Sunday School	Fiona	Beth	Matt	Sheridan
Nursery	Martha	Kitty	Martha	Kitty
Coffee Hour/ Potluck	Potluck	Coffee Hour	Coffee Hour	Coffee Hour
Teams	Kitty, Rob, Vicki, Mona	Susan, Martha, Emilie	Carol S., Margaret, Elise + Joe	Paula, Carol L, Carol B, Linda

**Wednesdays:**  
***Evening Prayer 6:30***  
***p.m.***  
**Worship Leaders:**  
Rob Ash  
Suzanne Philbrook

# March 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>  Evening Prayer/ Adult Reflection 6:30 pm  AA: 11:30 - 1:30	<b>3</b>  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 5 - 9 pm	<b>4</b>  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30-8:30 pm	<b>5</b>  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30 - 9:30 pm
<b>6</b>  Holy Eucharist 9 am Potluck		<b>8</b>  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 7 - 9 pm	<b>9</b>  Evening Prayer/ Adult Reflection 6:30 pm  AA: 11:30 - 1:30	<b>10</b>  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 5 - 9 pm	<b>11</b>  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30-8:30 pm	<b>12</b>  Work Day 9am-12pm Parish Life Mtg., 2pm  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 5:30 - 9:30 pm
<b>13</b>  Holy Eucharist 9 am Coffee Hour Bishop's Committee Mtg. 10:30 am	<b>14</b>  BIN Assembly 2 pm  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30 - 8:30 pm	<b>15</b>  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 7 - 9 pm	<b>16</b>  Evening Prayer/ Adult Reflection 6:30 pm  AA: 11:30 - 1:30	<b>17</b>  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 5 - 9 pm	<b>18</b>  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30-8:30 pm	<b>19</b>  Palm Cross Making  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30 - 9:30 pm
<b>20 Palm Sunday</b>  Holy Eucharist 9 am Coffee Hour  <i>Saints' Alive!</i> Deadline	<b>21</b>  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30 - 8:30 pm	<b>22</b>  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 7 - 9 pm	<b>23</b>  AA: 11:30 - 1:30	<b>24 Maundy Thursday</b>  Agape Meal Holy Eucharist & Foot Washing 6:30 pm  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 5 - 9 pm	<b>25 Good Friday</b>  Open Church Stations of the Cross 12-3pm  Good Friday Unburdening Ceremony 6:30pm  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30-8:30 pm	<b>26 Holy Saturday</b>  Easter Egg Hunt  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30 - 9:30 pm
<b>27 Easter Sunday</b>  Holy Eucharist 9 am Coffee Hour	<b>28</b>  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 6:30 - 8:30 pm	<b>29</b>  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 7 - 9 pm	<b>30</b>  AA: 11:30 - 1:30	<b>31</b>  AA: 11:30 - 1:30 5 - 9 pm		