# Saint Francis Episcopal Church Palos Verdes Estates California

# FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT MARCH 10, 2024 8:00 AM

## Welcome to St. Francis Church

There are no flowers on the Altar during Lent, but you may still make a contribution and have your dedication in honor of a special occasion, or in memory of someone you love, in our Easter bulletins! The suggested donation is \$50. To arrange, please contact Claire in the Church Office: 310-375-4617 or claire.erbeznik@stfrancispalosverdes.org

# What's Happening!

#### Lenten Dinners – 2/28, 3/06, 3/13, 3/20 6pm

2/28 - 3/13 Who we are and where we come from: A Look at Our Roots 3/20 Seder Meal, presented by Bob Rothman from Congregation Ner Tamid.

#### Palm Sunday — March 24th

Celebrate Palm Sunday at the 8am & 10am service.

#### Holy Week – March 24th - 30th

**3/27 Holy Wednesday: 7pm** Tenebrae at St. Andrew's (Torrance). A contemplative evening of light & music.

**3/28 Maundy Thursday: 12pm** Foot washing at Christ Church (Redondo). **7pm** Holy Eucharist, foot washing, stripping of the alter, and the Watch at St. Cross (Hermosa).

**3/29 Good Friday: 12-3pm** Meditative service at St. Francis. Sit in the quiet of the chapel as we contemplate the last words of Christ; this is a come and go service. **7pm** Veneration of the Cross at Christ Church (Redondo).

3/30 Holy Saturday, 8pm the Great Easter Vigil at St Francis.

#### Easter Sunday — March 31st

Celebrate Easter at the 8am & 10am service, followed by our Easter Egg Hunt at immediately following the service.

### Prayers this Week

We pray for all those who serve in the armed and foreign services, and for their families, especially Thomas, Drew Deley, Michael Heredia, Mark Kappelmann, Joseph Leahy, TJ Malzahn, Will Piepenbring, Scott Ruston, Michael Strong, Barry Witt, Jonathan Zimmerman and Steve.

Those who are ill, recovering from surgery, or in any other kind of need or trouble: Andrea, Shelly Crilley, Julia Dawson, Jean Dicus, Daniel Dreiling, Pauline Duley, Ceri Falk, Colette Furbush, Chris Goldsmith, George Ginis, Hannah, Sally Hill, Russell Knight, Loren, Mick Mohuchy, Judy Morgan, Patt Parker, Bruce Schaefer, Donna Tolbert, Roxanne Wall, Gail Winters, and for the people of the Middle East, and victims of violence everywhere.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Thank you!

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONES. THANK YOU.

### 8:00 A.M. - THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I

Celebrant:	
Deacon/Preacher:	
Prelude: "Gabriel's Oboe"	1
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Words: Johann Franck (1618-1677); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt. Music: "Schmueke dich," melody Johann Crugeer (1598-1662); harm. "The English Hymnal," 1906.

The Opening Acclamation	Book of Common Prayer, p. 323
1	(this and all similar page refs. refer to Book of Common Prayer)
Collect for Purity	p. 323
Summary of the Law	
Kyrie	
The Collect of the Day	
The First Lesson	Numbers 21:4-9
From Mount Hor the Israelites set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses,	

"Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ-- by grace you have been saved-- and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God-- not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

The Holy Gospel ......John 3:14-21 Jesus said, "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

The Sermon	The Rev. Celeste Stump
The Nicene Creed	
The Prayers of the People	
The Confession	
The Peace	
Welcome and Announcements	I

Anyone who has a birthday or anniversary in the next week is invited to come forward for a blessing: Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may the peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

