

From The Dean . . .

As you read this, Lent is well under way and we are moving into a busy March during which we share our Annual Meeting, Vestry Retreat, Holy Week and several Lenten programs discussed elsewhere in this month's Canticle.



Lent is often described as a journey; a good enough metaphor, yet there are so many kinds of journeys that it can be somewhat vague. Lent may be better understood as a pilgrimage. A pilgrim (Latin: peregrinus) is one coming from another place and having a holy destination. The Classic Christian pilgrimage is to the Holy City of Jerusalem. For those who could not physically make this trip, the Church created the Stations of the Cross symbolically transporting the ability to walk the Via Dolorosa (Jesus' way of sorrow between his condemnation and crucifixion) to parish churches around the World. Walking a labyrinth is another kind of pilgrimage which doesn't require a passport or even packing a lunch which many experience as a deeply moving interior journey. Even the traditional Palm Sunday procession is its own kind of pilgrimage. The point is not the distance traveled, but the movement toward the sacred. You are holy because God has made you holy and he calls you to move closer to the divine presence day by day throughout your life.

The Lenten pilgrimage differs person to person and year to year based on where we find ourselves physically and spiritually when Ash Wednesday dawns. Even though this pilgrimage is an individual one, as Church we follow our unique paths while remaining together in Community. Think of co-riders on a Carnival float. Everyone has their individual reason, purpose and method for making the ride, yet at the same time all the riders are on a communal path, and the experience of each person is enhanced and supported by the presence of the others. When occasionally, an empty or scarcely populated float comes down the parade route its glitter and lights cannot mask its sad lifeless quality. Similarly, Lent is a time that the Parish community especially needs your active presence and participation. Our liturgical and formational life is only as rich as the diversity and quantity of our participants: You are the Cathedral. We have beautiful buildings and a dedicated Clergy and Lay staff, but this infrastructure exists to support, inspire and empower you as individuals and Community to make the pilgrimage to which God calls you and to become ever more fully His Real Presence in the World. Make it a priority this Lent and Holy Week to walk with your brothers and sisters toward the Cross of Jesus Passion so that when Easter arrives the Alleluias will be more joyful than ever before.

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Lenten Programs

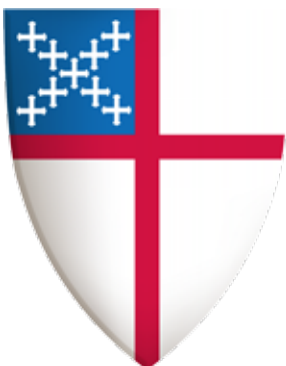
In addition to our regularly scheduled bible studies and book groups, we have planned the following:

On Wednesdays March 11, 18 and 25 beginning at 6:30, Theologian in residence Dr. David Lowry will help us prepare for Holy Week by focusing on the Passion Narratives of the four Gospels. Don't miss this chance to deepen your understanding of these essential texts in our Christian faith. There will not be Pot-Luck suppers before these programs during Lent, however, the Parish Hall will be open at 6:00 PM and all are welcome to bring a brown bag meal if desired.

On Sundays March 1, 15, 22 at 11:30 AM the Dean will lead an intergenerational introduction to Islam.

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LECTIONARY TEXTS
(Sunday Readings)

March 1

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16
Psalm 22:22-30
Romans 4:13-25
Mark 8:31-38

March 8

Exodus 20:1-17
Psalm 19
1 Corinthians 1:18-25
John 2:13-22

March 15

Numbers 21:4-9
Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22
Ephesians 2:1-10
John 3:14-21

March 22

Jeremiah 31:31-34
Psalm 51:1-13
Hebrews 5:5-10
John 12:20-33

March 29

Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 31:9-16
Philippians 2:5-11
Mark 14:1—15:47

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Submissions for Cathedral publications
are always welcome.

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Send photos to
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Weekly Liturgies

Sundays

7:30 AM ~ The Holy Eucharist (Spoken)
1928 Prayer Book
10:00 AM ~ The Holy Eucharist (Sung)
Rite II (Rite I in Lent)
6:00 PM ~ The Holy Eucharist (Sung)
Real Presence

Weekdays (M-F)

12:15 PM ~ The Holy Eucharist

Saturdays

9:30 AM ~ The Holy Eucharist (Spoken)
Rite I

WGSO 990AM

Sunday Morning 10 AM Eucharist
Live Broadcast on WGSO 990 AM
Radio.

Online streaming and downloadable
podcast at www.wgso.com
Broadcasts underwritten in part by
St. Martin's Episcopal School.



Study Groups

Monday Afternoon – *Advent House Book Club*

at Advent House; 1:00pm – 2:00pm;
led by Mother Bridget Tierney.

Tuesday Morning – *Spiritual Writing Circle*

at Advent House; 10:00am – 12:30pm
led by Dorothy Wells

Tuesday Evening – *Seeker's Book Group*

at Advent House; 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm;
led by Dr. Julio Figueroa

Thursday Evening – *Canon Roberts' Bible Study*

Meeting Jesus in the Gospel Stories;
in the Cathedral; 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm;
led by Canon Steven Roberts.

Friday Morning – *Dean's Bible Study*

Bible Study in the Stained Glass –
in the Cathedral; 11:00 am – 12:00;
led by Dean David duPlantier.

Thank You

*To the LeGardeurs, chef Melissa Montero, and all volunteers
for leading the very successful Hermes Parade party!!*

Annual Meeting

occurs after the 10:00 Eucharist on Sunday, March 8. For
a change this year, we will be serving dessert and coffee.

Please plan to attend this most important event as we
elect new vestry members and hear reports about our life
together at Christ Church Cathedral.

Parents' Night Out

*A great opportunity for a few hours
...for a quiet dinner? ...or errands? ...or just peace and
quiet?*

Friday night – March 20, 6pm - 9 pm.

*We will provide for your children:
dinner, a time to play, do crafts & other activities.*

Cost: Free

*Please use the back entrance of Church on Carondelet
Street.*

Supervising Adults:

*Christian Formation leader Page Beary (504) 232-1100
and Canon Steven Roberts (504) 352-4564.*

Feel free to call if you have any questions...

Baptism is especially appropriate at the Easter Vigil, on
the Day of Pentecost, on All Saints' Day or the
Sunday after All Saints' Day, and on the Feast of the Baptism
of our Lord (the First Sunday after the Epiphany). It is recom-
mended that, as far as possible, Baptisms be reserved for these
occasions or when a Bishop is present. (BCP, page 312). *Our next
opportunity for baptism is April 12, 2015.* Please contact Canon
Roberts for more information.

Choral Evensong

Sunday, March 1 2015

4:00 PM

Guest preacher, The Reverend David B. Lowry
Theologian in Residence

The Choir sings music of
Charles Wood & H. Balfour Gardiner

Reception following



March

2 Molly O'Keefe	15 The Very Rev. David duPlantier
4 Les Kellum	16 Jennifer Rowland
4 Charlie Kellum	18 Abbie Carlson
5 Debbie Delerno	19 Amanda Figueroa
6 Sarah duPlantier	21 Annette Figueroa
7 Zachary LaBauve	21 Marie-Louise Spangenberg
7 Sarah LaBauve	22 Mimi O'Leary
9 Milton Seiler Jr.	23 Bob Finley
10 Puttee Holladay	23 Elizabeth Thomas
10 Ellen Dollacker	23 Philip Lazich
12 Michael Dollacker	25 Linda Miller
13 Kyle Del Hierro	25 Louise LeGardeur
13 Kaili Dyson	26 Daphne Fahrenholt
	29 Pam Ricciardi

*O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray,
on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they
may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in
your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our
Lord.*

If your name isn't listed, we don't have your date of birth in our re-
cords. Please send an e-mail to acs@ccnola.org or call the cathedral
office and we'll be sure to wish you a Happy Birthday next year!

“A Passion for the Passion Stories:”
A Theological Exploration of the Passion and Crucifixion

All four Gospels (and some of the Apocryphal Gospels) have accounts of the events leading up to and inclusive of the death of our Lord. Although the general outline of the events from Jesus' entry into Jerusalem through his death on the cross is similar, there are also substantial differences in important details in the evangelists' accounts. There is great theology in the similarities and the differences within the accounts. On the last three Wednesdays prior to Holy Week, we will read, mark, learn and inwardly digest the four Passion Gospels to unearth the overall and the specific theology (and theologies) contained therein.

The dates: Wednesdays, March 11, 18 and 25

The time: 6:30-8:00 PM

The location: Stewart Hall in Christ Church Cathedral

(Please enter from the parking lot on Corondelet between 6th and 7th)

Please bring an inquiring faith and an open mind!

The discussion leader will be the Rev'd Canon David B. Lowry Ph.D.

Theologian in Residence at Christ Church Cathedral

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sunday, March 1
Choral Evensong
4:00 PM

Preacher: The Rev'd David Lowry, *Theologian in Residence*

Sundays, March 1, 15, 22
Christian Formation led by The Dean
Introduction to Islam

Sunday, March 8
Annual Meeting
11:30 AM

Wednesdays, March 11, 18, 25
The Rev. David Lowry presents
6:00 - Brown Bag it
6:30 - Passion for the Passio

Sunday, April 5
Easter Day



Coffee Hour

Visitors to the cathedral are often surprised by our Coffee Hour. I've heard many a person say they were going to go home and tell their church about our hospitality. You can help us keep up our reputation for great hospitality by volunteering to host Coffee Hour one Sunday. Drinks are provided by the cathedral and volunteers provide their choice of food. Host with a friend or two. If you have no time to shop and prepare food, donations are always gladly accepted. For additional information or to volunteer, contact Kathy Boyd 891-1360 or kboydaj@yahoo.com. Recent hosts: Sue Blankenship, Susan Carswell, and Les Bradfield.

Many thanks to all!