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YOUNG:
HEAD SACRISTAN

LESSONS & CAROLS OF THE APOCALYPSE ON EASTER 2

Recently, long-time Director of the Altar Guild got a make-over. No, not a trip to a day spa in Beverly Hills! Jeannette Young was named Head Sacristan by the Rector.

When asked what will change, Canon Newman said, "Absolutely nothing! ... except the name of the job! Jeannette does an excellent job and we want her and her associates to continue doing that excellent job — except now they are Sacristans and Jeannette is the Head Sacristan."

The Sacristans take care of the Sacristy. Wikipedia notes: "*A sacristy is a room for keeping vestments (such as the cassock and chasuble) and other church furnishings, sacred vessels, and church treasures.*" The Catholic Encyclopedia defines a Sacristan: "*An officer who is charged with the care of the sacristy, the church, and their contents.*"

If you are interested in serving as a Sacristan, please see Jeannette Young.

Readings from the Book of Revelation are featured during the Sundays between Easter Day and Pentecost this year. "Year C is the year of the Apocalypse in our three-year cycle of readings," says Canon Newman. "One year we hear 1 Peter, the next 1 John; this year we hear selected readings from this last book of the Bible."

"Many people are scared of the Revelation to John, but it is really a great poetic experience of the visions that a man named John experienced while on Patmos, a prison-island off the west coast of what is today known as Turkey," explained the Rector. "Many Christians today think it is a guidepost for the 'horrors to come' such as are portrayed in the 'Left Behind' novels. However, they are in fact a proclamation of hope and a statement that God has won the victory through Jesus".

The "Good News from Patmos" will be presented on **Sunday, April 15th at the 10 a.m. service**. Canon Newman said it was hard to select hymns because so many are based on the Revelation. "Over 90 hymns and canticles are based on the six readings we will hear," Music Director Frank Basile noted.

Canon Newman noted that he had been inspired to compose this service while on a study retreat earlier in the year. "I had to move quickly or wait another three years," he said. This year, all of the responses will come from the hymnal 1982. Both Canon Jim & Frank agreed that it may be more elaborate in 2010.

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THIS MONTH

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a Sacristan!

CANON JIM'S JOTTINGS

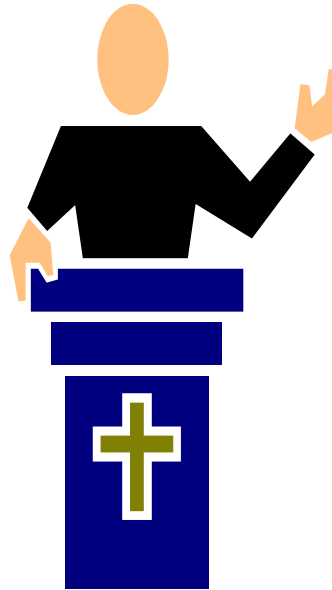
Dear Friends in Christ:

I want to continue to update you on our ongoing commitment to work in El Salvador. Our El Salvador house-building project ended **THE YEAR** with the final check for just over \$3,600 going to **aid work being done in the Diocese of El Salvador.**

Archbishop Barahona has asked that support go to San Andres Church (St. Andrew's) in the Soyapango section of San Salvador. San Andres and its Vicar, the Rev. Amy Denny, are purchasing a neighboring house to become their parish school. The complete story may be found on page 9 of the current (Lent) issue of *The Episcopal News*. I expect that we will continue this project through this year and possibly next.

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This issue will reach you just before Holy Week — certainly the busiest time of our Church Year. If you heard me say that you should “**live Lent**”, then I must underline that point concerning Holy Week. I would strongly urge you to attend an many of the services as



possible. As usual, all of the reading are listed on p. 3. Palm Sunday tells the story of Jesus' last week — from his triumphal entry into Jerusalem to his execution and burial on Friday. Holy Week then lays all of that out. The Tenebrae service on Wednesday prepares us by hearing the Psalm and readings and we enter the Triduum (the three-days) with the Maundy Thursday service which continues through the noon services on Good Friday and Holy Saturday and concludes with the Great Vigil of Easter early on Sunday morning.

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Do you feel like partying?? Eastertide begins with a BANG. On Easter Day, the Sisters of Bede will sponsor the annual Easter breakfast while the St. John's holds its annual Easter Bake Sale. Alice Short & Steve Vielhaber will host their Italian dinner on April 14; I still have 10 spaces at the Hawaiian dinner on April 21 (see Samira about spaces or tell me); and Jeannette Young hosts the 2nd round of kite-flying and lunch at the beach on April 28.

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In Eastertide this year, we will again be studying Bruce Metzger's commentary on the Book of Revelation, *Breaking the Code*. As noted on p. 1 of the *Quill*, this year we hear lessons from the Book of Revelation on the Sundays from April 15 through May 20. On the 15th, we will hear all of the Easter readings from Revelation with hymns taken from those texts.

As Revelation is both the most obscure book (it is a poetic vision), it is also a much misunderstood text. It is also the Book which supplies inspiration for the most hymns in our Hymnal. I hope that Episcopalians will involve themselves in serious study of this book so that they can speak knowledgeably.

We will continue the study of the *Heroes of the Old Testament* with Amy-Jill Levine on June 6.

Canon Jim Newman+ Rector

VITAL STATISTICS

Please Pray for:

Fr. Giles, Tina, Lois, Eugenia, Dulcie, Janet, Diane, Nabila, Harriet, Fr. John, Fr. Howard, Daniel, Joe, Wes, Kim, Ina, Frances, Peggy, Jeff, Sandy, Kelly, Dan, Ergun, Don, Caleb, Dennis

Visitors to the Parish:

Dave, Ashley & Emily Klem, Valerie Lozoya, Alan & Bonnie Selmanat, Br. Robert Sevensky, OHC

April Anniversaries::

04/11 Kathy & Joe Hartley	04/27 Wendy & Steve Butts
04/17 Seth & Diana Neilson	04/28 Jerry Hornof & Karen Scharre
04/27 Martin & Jean Boone	04/29 Angus & Valerie Mackay

April Birthdays:

04/01 Daniel Mohler, IV	04/15 Nancy Holly
04/02 Eugenia Eaton	04/17 Connor Winston
04/06 Harriet Haddad	04/18 Amanda Duval
04/10 Carl Townsend	04/20 Samira Tamer
04/11 Kathy Hartley	04/23 Evlynn Householder
04/12 Karen Earle	04/24 David Householder
04/12 Virginia Stenstrom	04/26 Stephen Buck

The services of Holy Week are some of the oldest devotions of the church, as this is the holiest and most solemn time. Holy Week provides a time for intensive meditation upon the offering of Christ and the joy that offering has brought to the world. We hope it will be a special time for you - for reflection and prayer - and, when Easter arrives, for new life and joy. Plan to worship with us throughout the week, and we hope to see all of you at Easter, either at the Vigil Service or at the later service on Sunday morning.

PALM SUNDAY - Services at 8:00 & 10:00 A.M.

Holy Week begins with the Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday. We recall both the triumphal entry of our Lord into Jerusalem and the impact of that procession which carried him to the cross. On this day, we gather at a place apart from the nave to re-enact Christ's entry into the city. After the procession moves into the building, we read the passion narrative.

CONFESSIONS

If you wish to make a confession during Holy Week, speak to one of the clergy. There are times before and after the services, or you may make an appointment for another time. The forms for private confession is found on pp. 446-452 of the Book of Common Prayer.

EUCHARISTS ON MONDAY & TUESDAY at 7:00 P.M. & WEDNESDAY at 6:30 P.M.

We view Christ's passion from various points of view as we gather at the Lord's Table.

TENEBRAE - Wednesday at 8:00 P.M.

This is the traditional service for the evening before Maundy Thursday. Tenebrae (Latin for "shadows") is a service of lessons and psalms that provides an extended meditation upon, and a prelude to, the events in our Lord's life between the Last Supper and the Resurrection.

MAUNDY THURSDAY - Service at 7:00 P.M.

On this day, we celebrate the inauguration of the Lord's supper, when Jesus offered his body and blood in the form of bread and wine. At the same time, he gave us his commandment - "Mandatum" - that we should love one another. So on Maundy Thursday we celebrate the Eucharist and the priest washes the feet of people as Jesus washed the

feet of his disciples. The service concludes with the stripping of the altar and in silence as we recall Jesus and his disciples leaving the upper room and going to Gethsemane.

Following this, a prayer vigil will continue until Noon on Friday.

GOOD FRIDAY - Service at Noon

This day we concentrate on Jesus death on Calvary. Good Friday is also one of the two days designated as fast days in the Prayer Book. To keep the fast, eat nothing on this day from morning until sun-down. Our worship at this service consists of the service of the word, the Veneration of the Cross - when we meditate upon Christ's offering - and receiving the consecrated elements reserved at the Maundy Thursday Eucharist.

HOLY SATURDAY - Service at Noon

This is a short "burial office" liturgy where we remember Christ lying on the tomb. There is no celebration of the Eucharist on this day.

THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER - Service at 6:30 A.M. on Sunday

As the first ray of sun is breaking, the first Eucharist of Easter is celebrated preceded by a Vigil in which we remember the meaning of Christ's rising from the dead. At this service the Paschal Candle - symbolizing the risen Christ - is lighted. Old Testament lessons tell us of God's saving deeds in history. From earliest times this was the time for the baptism of new Christians. Since this is the night when Christ, buried in the tomb, was raised to new life, new Christians are buried with him and raised to new life with him in Baptism.

This is followed by a festive parish breakfast.

EASTER DAY - Service at 10:00 A.M.

The second Eucharist of Easter is a festive choral service. During the Great Fifty Days of Easter, the confession is omitted and it is customary to not kneel because of the festal nature of the season.

APRIL LESSONS

SUNDAYS

April 1 — Passion/Palm Sunday (JN): Luke 19.28-40 & Isaiah 50.4-9a; Ps. 31.9-16; Philippians 2.5-11; Luke 22.14-23.56
April 8 — Easter Vigil: (JN) Romans 6.3-11; Luke 24.1-12
April 8 — Easter Day: (JN) Acts 10.34-43; Ps. 118.1-2,14-24; 1 Corinthians 15.19-26; Luke 24.1-12
April 15 — Easter 2 (JN): Acts 5.27-32; Ps. 118.14-29; Revelation 1.4-8; John 20.19-31
April 22 — Easter 3 (MO): Acts 9.1-6(7-20); Ps. 30; Revelation 5.11-14; John 21.1-19
April 29 — Easter 4 (AH): Acts 9.36-43; Ps. 23; Revelation 7.9-17; John 10.22-30

WEEKDAYS

4/2 (Mon. in Holy Week): (JN) Isaiah 42.1-9; Ps. 36.5-11; Hebrews 9.11-15; John 12.1-11
4/3 (Tues. in Holy Week): (AH) Isaiah 49.1-7; Ps. 71.1-14; 1 Corinthians 1.18-31; John 12.20-36
4/4 (Wed. in Holy Week): (JN) Isaiah 50.4-9a; Ps. 70; Hebrews 12.1-3; John 13.21-32
4/5 (Maundy Thursday): (JN) Exodus 12.1-4(5-10) 11-14; Ps. 116.1,10-17; 1 Cor. 11.23-26; John 13.1-17,31b-35
4/6 (Good Friday): (JN) Isaiah 52.13-53.12; Ps. 22.1-11; Hebrews 10.16-25; John 18.1-19.42
4/7 (Holy Saturday): Job 14.1-14; Ps. 31.1-4,15-16; 1 Peter 4.1-8; John 19.38-42
4/11 (Wed. in Easter Week): (JN) Acts 3.1-10; Ps. 105.1-8; Luke 24.13-35
4/18 (Wed., Easter 2): (JN) Acts 5.12-26; Ps. 34.1-8; John 3.16-21
4/26 (St. Mark): (JN) Isaiah 52.7-10; Ps. 2.7-10; Ephesians 4.7-8,11-16; Mark 1.1-15

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10 am, Church School & Nursery
10 am, Holy Eucharist (w/choir)
6 pm, Evensong or Evening Prayer

TUESDAYS 10 am, Morning Prayer & Bible Study

WEDNESDAYS: 7 pm, Holy Eucharist & Healing
7:45 pm, Adult Class

TUESDAY BREAKFAST & BIBLE

Hosts:

4/03: NO CLASS 4/10: I. Klem, L. Jennison
4/17: J. Dahler, A. Haynes 4/24: J. Young, R. Miller

WEDNESDAY EVENING FORUM:

Breaking the Code: Understanding the Book of Revelation

4/04: NO CLASS—HOLY WEEK
4/11, 18 & 25

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