

THE QUILL

Homecoming Sunday: September 27



St. Bede's will celebrate its annual "Homecoming Sunday" this year with a visit by Los Angeles Diocesan Bishop the Rt. Rev. Jon J. Bruno.

Bishop Bruno will be with us

at the 10 a.m. service to preach, confirm & receive members and to celebrate the Holy Eucharist.

Following the service, a barbecue luncheon will be served in the parish hall downstairs. All are welcome!

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You Might Notice. . . .

The Quill has a new look! Over the next few issues, we might be experimenting with several different formats, and welcome your comments and suggestions.

And of course, we welcome your hands-on participation! We especially call for volunteers with

graphic design, desktop publishing, and text editing interests and/or experience.

If you would like to help with the newsletter or any other parish communication (web design, e-mails, flyers), please contact Senior Warden Reed Wilson at rdwilson@ucla.edu, or leave a note in the office.

Canon Jim's Jottings

This is the second issue of *The Quill* covering "Ordinary Time" -- that time of the year which is in a "Season after ...", in this case it is Pentecost. This Ordinary time covers the time between Pentecost and the 1st Sunday of Advent (June 1-November 28).

Probably the biggest news of the fall is that HOMECOMING SUNDAY is September 27. Our diocesan Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Jon Bruno will be with us at the 10 a.m. service to preach, confirm & receive members and to celebrate the Holy Eucharist. This will be his first official visitation with us since September of 2002. I am hopeful that ALL members of the parish will be here that day.

Fr. John-Francis Friendship, the Vicar of St. Andrew's w/St. Agnes in Romford, England, will be our guest in the parish October 8-15. He will be with us at the Party of Parties on October 10th and will then be the guest preacher on Sunday, October 11. Again, I hope that as many of you as possible will be here to meet Fr. John-Francis on that Sunday.

As I have written about elsewhere, Pastor Josh Elliott-McGuffie and I will again trade pulpits -- this time on Sunday, October 18. This time, he will have to learn the Episcopal service and I will have to learn the Lutheran service.

Our program of Christian formation for all members, but especially for the children, begins after Labor Day. The young people will be meeting in September to look at the expressions of faith in the Moslem, Buddhist and Jewish communities. They are also working on a special presentation at Homecoming.

One big reminder for Sunday scheduling: We

are asking ALL young people to be AT CHURCH by 9.45 a.m. We are hoping that they are able to have a full class experience and then come into the sanctuary so that all may join in receiving the eucharist and then give thanks.

Adult Christian formation options include:

The Bookworms of Bede meet on the 3rd Monday and are reading "A Morbid Taste for Bones (A Brother Cadfael Mystery)" by Ellis Peters (Sept. 21), "The Poisonwood Bible", Barbara Kingsolver (Oct. 19) and "Nickel and Dimed" by Barbara Ehrenreich (11/16).

*Tuesday morning Breakfast and Bible classes each Tuesday at 9 a.m.

*Wednesday evening classes following the 7 pm eucharist; this fall studying "Horizons of Mission" by Titus Presler (Book #11 in the Church's New Teaching Series),. On Oct. 7, we will take a break and hear from Vicki about her trip to the Holy Land.

In a social setting, the various groups are meeting to plan and sponsor fall activities:

The Sisters of Bede will reconvene on September 14th to plan for the Party of Parties on Saturday, Oct. 10 and the many venues offered that evening.

The St. John's Guild will reconvene with a September 9th luncheon & meeting to plan their schedule of activities and especially the Bazaar & Sale to be held in conjunction with Homecoming Sunday.

The Friends of Music 2009-10 schedule will kick off with an amazing concert at 6 pm on Sunday, October, 18 (see the information elsewhere or in

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their fall mailing). I want to repeat something that I said last year about the Friends of Music: without the Friends of Music, we would not have a choir and we would not have the musical support for the congregation -- both in the wonderful special services on Christmas Eve and Easter Day, but throughout the year. I would strongly encourage you both to support the FoM with your memberships and also with your attendance at their scheduled events, starting with the October concert. Also, bring friends, invite your neighbors, rearrange your schedules! Without the Friends of Music, we would not have our wonderful section leaders and without the section leaders we would not have a choir -- it is as simple as that. Without the Friends of Music, we would not have the money it takes to have the special music at the holidays. Please seriously review the materials when they come out this fall.

We will hold several meetings this fall to talk about the plans for future growth here at St. Bede's. We will review plans for a proposed building that will house four classrooms and new offices. We are not ready to begin those projects. However, we need the input of all parishioners to comment on the plans so that we can move ahead at the opportune time. A special mailing will be sent out with details. However, the dates/times of the meetings are:

Wednesday, Sept. 16 at 7.40 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 20 at 9 a.m. & at 11.15 a.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 22 at 10.30 a.m.

Saturday, October 3 at 10 a.m.

We are also working with the neighbors to get out information about the placing of the sign and the construction of a columbarium in the patio area. The plans for the columbarium are part of the presentation that will be made at the meetings listed above.

We will again be looking at parish stewardship in October as we look forward to the annual

stewardship ingathering that will occur on All Saints Day, November 1, and the annual Stewardship luncheon that follows the 10 a.m. service. Please prayerfully reflect on the materials that you receive.

As we face the beginning of the new Church Year on Advent 1 (November 29), all can review if and how they would like to be involved in the public worship of the Church. One may serve as a lector (reading lessons or leading intercessions), a Eucharistic Minister (serving the chalice or bread at one of the services, as needed), a greeter/usher, or a member of the choir (which rehearses before and after the 10 a.m. service on Sunday).

I will be away on vacation (and some work) September 8-16 and again for work on October 28-31. The work in both of those times away will be for the teaching of marital counseling materials developed by Life Innovations in Minneapolis, MN.

My best wishes and prayers for a very active and fulfilling fall. The next Quill will come out for All Saints and will focus on November & December.

In Christ,

Jim Newman+



Kids of Bede!

Vacation Bible School

Kids of Bede will be meet **Sunday, September 13**, at St. Bede's for song rehearsal, pizza lunch, and a trip to the **Zen Center of Los Angeles**. Kids will gather in Luther Hall at 9:45 a.m. for rehearsal, lunch will be at 12:00 p.m., and we will depart for the Center at 12:30. The Zen Center is expecting us at 1:30 p.m. Thank you, Lana Spraker, for arranging our visit to the Center! The Zen Center is located at: 923 S. Normandie Ave., Los Angeles 90006.

Kids of Bede will celebrate a **Shabbat Dinner** at the Mohler's home on **Friday, September 18**, at 6:00 p.m. The KOB will learn about Jewish family worship centered around this special meal on a Friday evening. Lana Spraker will instruct the KOB about this tradition and Mother Vicki will coordinate the dinner. Thank you to the Mohler's for opening their home to us for the occasion!

Kids of Bede will meet **Sunday, September 20**, at 9:45 a.m. for song rehearsal in the Atrium classroom. During our **Homecoming Service on Sunday, September 27**, the

children will perform for the congregation during our 10:00 a.m. worship service.

Our trip to the **Islamic Center of Southern California** has been postponed until a later date this fall. Our visit was previously scheduled for Friday, August 28, but due to illness and conflicting vacation schedules our trip needed to be canceled. Stay tuned for further information. We also hope to visit a **Greek Orthodox** worship service as well. Thank you, Samira Tamer, for helping to coordinate this.

Blue sign up sheets have been mailed to KOB families but more have been posted on the board in Luther Hall under VBS information. Please leave forms and checks in my box in the office. If you wish to come at the last minute, please call Mother Vicki at (310) 625-7364. We would love to have you so please don't hesitate to call. **Friends are welcome!**

Sunday School

Sunday School classes will begin **Sunday, October 4 at 9:45 a.m.** in our regular class rooms off Luther Hall. We look forward to another

exciting year! Please plan to register after our Homecoming Service on Sunday, September 27.

Kids of Bede Movie Night

Thank you, **Dugre Family**, for once again welcoming us to your home for KOB Movie Night! We will gather at **4:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 17**, for movie viewing, pizza, and discussion. The movie will be announced by the end of September. **Friends are welcome!** Questions? Call Mother Vicki at (310) 625-7364.



Interfaith Conference to Address 'Intersection of Islamophobia and Torture'

"The Intersection of Islamophobia and Torture" will be the title of "an interfaith gathering of education, community building, prayer and action" on Sunday, October 25, 3 to 5 p.m. at the ProCathedral of St. John in Los Angeles.

Keynote speakers will be Dr. Malek Moazzam-Doulat of the department of religious studies at Occidental College, and Dr. Maher Hathout, senior advisor, Muslim Public Affairs Council.

The program will include discussion sessions, an introduction to resources for interfaith dialogue, and prayer. Sponsors include Los Angeles Region Religious Campaign Against Torture (LARRCAT) (affiliated with the National Religious Campaign Against Torture), the Islamic Shur'ia Council of Southern California, and the Christian-Muslim Consultative Group of Southern California.

For further information, contact Virginia Classick, vlclassick@aol.com or 818.225.0410. St. John's ProCathedral is located at 514 W. Adams

Bldv., Los Angeles.

Lutheran-Episcopal Plans for 2009-10

St. Bede's and St. Andrew's Lutheran Church have announced plans for their joint activities in 2009-10. Pastor Josh & Fr. Jim have reaffirmed the success of last year's schedule.

The Lutheran & Episcopal Churches have been in full communion since 2000, but our two congregations have worked together for most of the decade before that. We shared Thanksgiving Eve for many years and we more recently begun to celebrate Shrove Tuesday at St. Andrew's.

The events planned in 2009-10 are as follows:

October 20: Pulpit exchange at the main eucharistic worship

November 25: Thanksgiving Eve at St. Bede's (soup sampler at 6.30 pm & Eucharist following).

December 2 & 9: Advent Study at St. Bede's

(Salad supper at 6.30, Eucharist at 7; study at 7.40: Raymond Brown's book, *A Coming Christ* at Advent)

Feb. 16: Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner at St. Andrew's, 6.30 p.m.

Feb. 17: Ash Wednesday (Noon at St. Andrew's; 7p.m. at St. Bede's)

Joint Lenten study of *A Crucified Christ at Holy Week*, Raymond Brown (introduction after the evening service on Ash Wednesday)

Feb. 24, March 3, 10, 17 & 24 - shared evenings of light supper at 6.30 p.m., worship at 7 p.m. & study at 7.30 p.m.

- at St. Andrew's: Feb. 24, March 10 (Vespers) & March 24 (Eucharist)
- at St. Bede's: March 3, & 17 (Evensong) & March 31 (Tenebrae)

April 2: Good Friday (Noon at St. Bede's; 7.30 p.m at St. Andrew's)

May 12: Ascension Day (eve) - 7 pm Service and supper at St. Bede's.



Out and About (or Home on the Range)

by Mother Vicki

As was announced, my **Holy Land presentation** was rescheduled due to technical difficulty (at least we enjoyed appetizers and wine). My presentation is now scheduled for **Wednesday night, October 7**, at 7:45 p.m. in Luther Hall following the Wednesday night Eucharist. I will also give my presentation to the St. John's Guild on **Wednesday, October 14, at 12:00 p.m.** following lunch. My apologies to all those who made the effort to come for my first presentation in August! Nothing like watching blank slides!

Movie Night for our adult members of the parish is scheduled for **Saturday, October 24, at 5:00 p.m.** in Luther Hall. We will again enjoy fellowship and movie viewing! Please plan to bring a dish to share. A sign up sheet will be posted in October in Luther Hall. If you have movie suggestions, please tell me or leave a note in my box in the office. A good time will be had by all!





We need you for the 2009-2010 Sisters of Bede venue series!

Save The DATE! The annual Party of Parties, sponsored by the Sisters of Bede, will be held on Saturday, October 10 2009, at 6:00 p.m., in Luther Hall. It will be a South Pacific theme! This is the kick-off dinner for the 2009-2010 venue series hosted by parishioners throughout the year. At this party, you will have the opportunity to sign up for the venues you wish to attend.

*The Sisters of Bede need to know by **Sunday, September 20, 2009**, if you would like to host a venue. You can sponsor an event with a couple of friends or another family. You can host at your home or in Luther Hall. An event can be a dinner, a cooking class, dancing lessons, an excursion to your favorite place in Los Angeles—be creative!*

Pick a theme, create a menu, choose a date, time, and place; decide how many guests you can host, and an appropriate charge. Events last year were priced from \$15.00 - \$50.00. Proceeds from these events will be given both to the church and to the Neighborhood Youth Association. If you have any questions, or need ideas, please see one of the Sisters.

*Please fill out the form below and return it to **Daphne Mootte** or **Annette Graw** by **Sunday, September 20, 2009**.*

Host(s): _____

Date: _____ *Time:* _____ *Phone #* _____

Address: _____

Theme: _____

Max # Guests: _____ *Price:* _____

SERVICES & CLASSES

SUNDAYS: 8 am, Holy Eucharist (no music)
10 am, Church School and Nursery
10 am, Holy Eucharist (w/choir)
6 pm, Evensong or Evening Prayer

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

TUESDAY BREAKFAST & BIBLE:

9 a.m.: Breakfast and study of the upcoming Sunday's lessons
Sept. 8 Vicki Mouradian Sept. 22 Ina Klem
Sept. 15 Bob Casillas Sept. 29 Roger Jayne

WEDNESDAY EVENING FORUM:

Sept. 2, 9, 23 & 30: "Horizons of Mission" - book study
Sept. 16: Open discussion on the Proposed classroom/office building (see article elsewhere)

BOOKWORMS OF BEDE:

September 21: Ellis Peters, *A Morbid Case of Bones (Brother Cadfael)*
October 19: Barbara Kingsolver, *The Poisonwood Bible*
November 16: Barbara Ehrenreich, *Nickle and Dimed*

ST. BEDE'S VESTRY & STAFF

RECTOR: The Very Rev. Canon James Newman
CURATE: The Rev. Victoria Mouradian, Curate
MUSIC DIRECTOR: Frank Basile
VERGER: Michael Gallagher
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FACILITIES MANAGER: Tom Ledsam
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DELEGATES/ALTERNATES TO CONVENTION

Michael Mullins (A)/ Jerry Hornof (A) - ('10)
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