



ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Weekly
News

This Week's Service Schedule

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

*The altar flowers are sponsored by Emily Gomes
in thanksgiving for her son Harrison*

Saturday, April 20

5 p.m. Holy Eucharist in the Celtic Tradition in the Chapel

Sunday, April 21

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I in the Sanctuary
9 a.m. Sunday School, Youth Forum, Adult Forum
10 a.m. Choral Eucharist in the Sanctuary
livestreamed

Morning Prayer Services

8:40-9:05 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday in the Chapel

Thursday, April 25

Bulletins

Join the Sunday 10 a.m. Livestream

Prayer Cycle

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: For Earth Day and the care of all creation.

In our Military Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: Military Sealift Command, Naval Base Point Loma.

In the Cycle of Prayer for the worldwide Anglican Communion, we pray for: The Anglican Church of Australia; The Diocese of Dunedin – The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia; The Diocese of Dunkwa-on-Offin – The Church of the Province of West Africa; The Diocese of Durgapur – The Church of North India (United); The Diocese of Durham – The Church of England; The Diocese of Dutse – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion); The Diocese of East Kerala – The Church of South India (United).

Submit your Prayer Request

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Rector’s Weekly Note



Making Space for New Life ***The Rev. Mother Nina Bacas***

Last Wednesday morning, a number of us sat together in the Chapel for Morning Prayer. As we read the Gospel of Mark, tree-trimmers worked around the building. The outer world appeared to be reflecting the inner world! “Every branch that does not bear fruit he prunes...” *Buzz. Crack. Boom.* “If a man does not abide in me, he is cast forth as a branch and withers...” *Whine. Screech.*

Crash. We said, “OK God, we got the message!”

We prune trees to encourage growth and to maintain a strong structure. I don’t believe that God would ever prune you out of the Kingdom of Heaven. But, I do think that God wants us to prune some things out of our lives so that we can grow closer to God in a resilient way. There are multiple ways to see this pruning.

One is the *practical*: Clean out your closets and drawers so that people can use what you no longer need. How can you be the answer to someone’s prayers?

One is *habitual*: Discern the worth of how you are spending your limited time on this earth. Do some things need to be trimmed back so that other things can be added in?

One is *internal*: Assess your beliefs about yourself and your life. Are they really true? If you saw the world through God’s eyes, what would you believe about yourself?

Good steps, but what I find amazing is that they are connected. If we engage in physical actions such a clearing out our closets and drawers, the steps of the movements reflect into our inner lives. In other words, the practical pruning can inspire habitual and internal pruning. So, it seems that to prune more room for God, all we have to do is start with our hands and one cupboard at a time. Seems doable.

Having said all this, how convenient that the St. Bart’s Rummage Sale is kicking off its donation drop-offs! Starting this weekend, you can donate all your extra items that you have chosen to prune from your outer life. The purchasers will benefit. Our outreach partners will benefit. You will benefit by making more space in your outer and inner life, so that you can grow like the pruned trees – strong and bearing fruit for God’s Kingdom. It’s a win-win-win.

Mother Nina+

Saturday, April 20: 3-4:30 p.m., upper parking lot

Sunday, April 21: 9 a.m.-noon, lower parking lot

[See the Rummage Sale Donation List](#)

Announcements



Adult Forum This Sunday
Scott Sabin of Plant With Purpose
April 21, 9-9:45 a.m., MPR

Don't miss this opportunity to hear from Scott Sabin, CEO of [Plant With Purpose](#), about this Christian organization's mission to restore hope by reversing the two interconnected challenges of global poverty and environmental damage. Working in nine countries around the world, Plant With Purpose partners with extremely poor smallholder farmers to restore the land on which their livelihood depends through regenerative agriculture and agroforestry. Its programs, all locally led and staffed, have brought economic empowerment, environmental restoration, and spiritual renewal to over 1,500 communities. Together with its partnering farmers, the organization has planted 67 million trees during the 40 years of its existence. Poverty levels in the communities it serves have dropped significantly, while faith and a sense of agency have grown. Scott will also serve as our guest preacher.



Together for Good: Outreach Committee & Gala Committee

St. Bart's Gala to benefit Outreach partners and programs is almost here! For many months, the Outreach and Gala teams worked together to ensure 2024 is an event to remember. In addition to securing wonderful auction items, the outreach team focused on building deeper relationships with each of our partners.

Last year the Outreach Committee launched a new grant application process for all funding that includes the proposed use of funds and a progress check-in. We connected with each partner by phone and in person to learn more about their hopes, dreams, and specific areas of need. We also got feedback about how St. Bart's financial and hands-on volunteer support makes a difference and more ways to work together. Doing this work deepens our relationships with key partners, our understanding of the critical needs for food, shelter, and education, and how we can be the change for a better future.

St. Bart's Gala
Saturday, April 27, 5:30-9 p.m.
The Country Club of Rancho Bernardo

If you have questions, please contact [Anne Hand](#), (760) 520-5738, or [Judy Macemon](#), (858) 472-1474.

Live Auction Item Details

For new or new-ish
or newly returning
people!

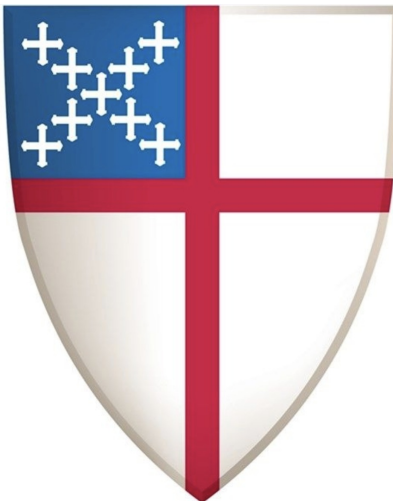
Newcomer Brunch

Sunday, April 21st
11:30 a.m.
Church Offices

RSVP to
welcome@stbartschurch.org



RSVP Here



Adult Confirmation Classes
Thursdays, 6-7 p.m., with Dinner
April 25, May 2, May 9, May 16

Join Mother Nina on four Thursdays to prepare for the Sacramental Rite of Confirmation at the Bishop's visit on Pentecost, May 19. Note that confirmation is required of all adults seeking leadership positions in the church. RSVP to [Mother Nina](#). **Already confirmed in another denomination and want to be received into The Episcopal Church?** Let [Mother Nina](#) know!



Trivia Night!

Friday, May 3, 4 p.m.

\$15 per player, includes refreshments

Join us for St. Bart's music department's annual TRIVIA NIGHT fundraiser, a fun event with special music provided by our music ministry members. Tickets and tables of 8 can be reserved in advance by clicking the button below! \$15 per person, which includes trivia, snacks, and drinks.

Buy Trivia Night Tickets



Rummage Sale: Collections begin this Weekend! May 17-18

We need help not only on the day of the event but also with prep on May 16-17 and for Preview Night on Friday, May 17. We hope you will join us! You can help now by saving:

- Plastic hangers
- Plastic and paper bags with handles
- Small plant pots
- Newspaper and bubble wrap

We will collect these items along with donations for the sale. Collections begin April 20 and will take place as follows:

Saturday, April 20: 3-4:30 p.m., upper parking lot
Sunday, April 21: 9 a.m.-noon, lower parking lot
Saturday, April 27: 9 a.m.-noon, lower parking lot
Sunday, April 28: 9 a.m.-noon, lower parking lot
Saturday, May 4: 3-4:30 p.m., upper parking lot
Sunday, May 5: 9 a.m.-noon, lower parking lot

Click the button below to see the list of acceptable donations and items that will not be accepted. Contact [Cheryl Roop](#) with questions or if you have a hanging rack we can borrow!

[See the Donation List](#)

Music & Worship

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
PRESENTS

PAUL WINTER

MISSA GAIA

(EARTH MASS)

An ecological, ecumenical presentation of music,
storytelling, and education as we celebrate
Earth Day and focus on environmental stewardship
through the arts.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024 • 4:00 PM

SUGGESTED DONATION \$20
(\$10 FOR STUDENTS)

Proceeds will benefit local environmental advocacy groups



St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church
16275 Pomerado Road
Poway, CA 92064
www.stbartsmusic.org



Missa Gaia (Earth Mass)
Sunday, April 21, 4 p.m., Sanctuary
Suggested donation \$20 (\$10 for students)

Come for an ecological ecumenical presentation of music, storytelling, and education as we celebrate Earth Day and focus on environmental stewardship through the arts. Led by the St. Bartholomew's Parish Choir, soloists Hannah Arevalo and Danielle Evans, and chamber orchestra. Tickets available at the door or by clicking the button below.

Buy Missa Gaia Tickets



ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



HANDEL

Messiah

PART 3: FINALE

SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2024
4:00 P.M.

SUGGESTED DONATION \$25
(\$10 FOR STUDENTS)

stbartsmusic.org



ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
16275 POMERADO ROAD, POWAY CA 92064

Handel's *Messiah* (Part 3: Finale)
Sunday, May 19, 4 p.m., Sanctuary
Suggested donation \$25 (\$10 for students)

The finale of our year-long performance of Handel's *Messiah* will feature beloved movements such as the "Hallelujah" chorus, "Worthy Is the Lamb," "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth," and the "Amen" chorus. Featuring St. Bart's soloists Hannah Arevalo, Danielle Evans, Sean McCormac, and Tim McLellan. The concert will also include an introductory programme by the Greater San Diego Chamber Orchestra. Tickets available at the door or by clicking the button below.

[Buy Messiah Tickets](#)

Earth Month

EARTH MONTH

AT ST. BART'S



Earth Month at St. Bart's

Earth Month is here!

Earth Day was established in 1970 to raise awareness of the need to protect our planet's natural resources. This year, Earth Day falls on Monday, April 22, but we'll be celebrating throughout the month with special liturgies and music focused on creation care. We've also planned an array of offerings designed to help parishioners reflect on the wonders of God's creation and our role in its stewardship, as well as take practical steps to care for our fragile island home. We're especially delighted to welcome Scott Sabin of [Plant With Purpose](#) to St. Bart's this weekend; Scott will be delivering the sermons at all three services, as well as leading the adult forum on Sunday.

A few of our Earth Month activities are highlighted here; to see the full schedule of events, click the button below.

[See All Earth Month Events](#)



Rainwater Harvesting

Brook Sarson, Catching H2O

ST. BART'S SUNDAY FORUM
APRIL 21, 2024

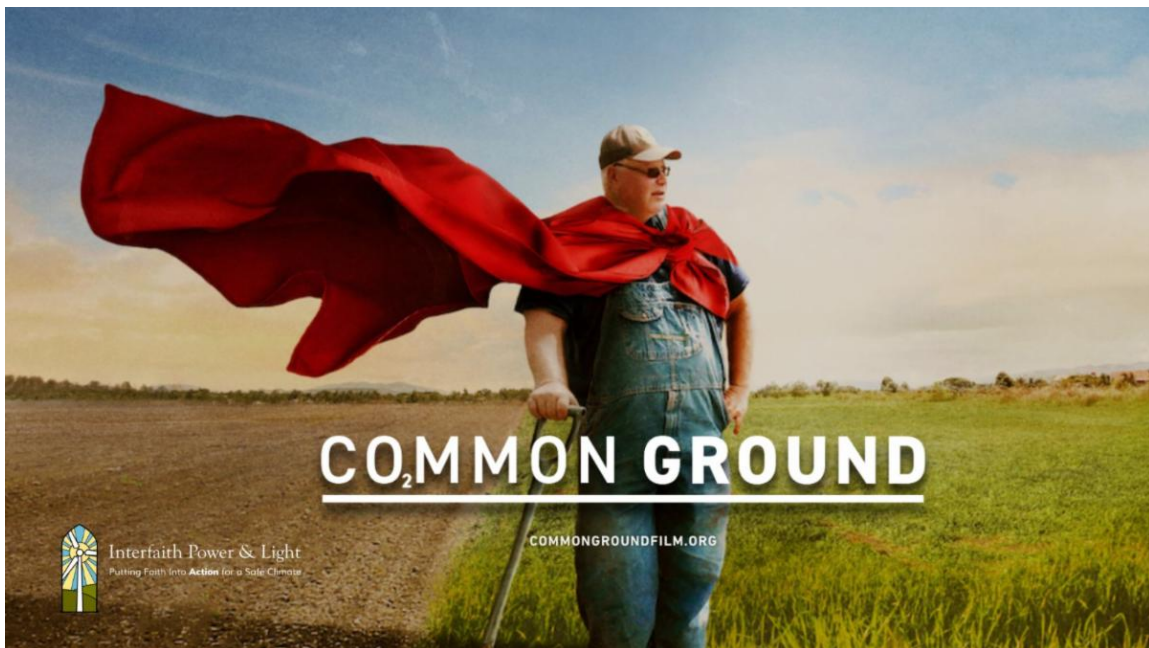


Adult Forum: Rainwater Harvesting with Brook Sarson of Catching H2O Sunday, April 28, 9 a.m., MPR

Learn how to build resilience against water shortages and create a beautiful, abundant landscape with rainwater! Brook Sarson, owner of Catching H2O, will help you understand how to capture this often-underutilized resource for use passively or actively. She will dispel myths and get you excited about this precious resource!

Brook works with local policy makers, municipalities, and educational institutions to find local, community-based solutions to water resilience in our region. She has supported the development of several rebate programs, including the City of San Diego Rainwater Rebates and San Diego's Waterscape Rebate program, and has developed multiple Rainwater and Greywater Harvesting Workshops, hosted through Catching H2O.

For more information, contact [Parth Domke](#).



Film Screening: *Common Ground*
Wednesday, April 24, 6 p.m., MPR

What if a simple solution could help balance our climate, replenish our freshwater supplies, and feed the world? Join the Environmental Stewardship Team and the Youth Crew for an exclusive screening of *Common Ground*, an exciting new documentary about the power of regenerative agriculture to heal the soil, our health, and the planet. It's not yet widely available, so see it with us and stay for a discussion afterward to learn how to take faithful action. The public is welcome—invite your friends! For more information, contact [Parth Domke](#).

Watch the Trailer

Service & Outreach



Supplies Needed for Project Mercy Tijuana House Build
Drop off by Thursday, May 2

Whether you can come to the build or not, please consider helping the Tijuana family of five by purchasing food and house supplies. To sign-up, click on the button below and deliver the goods to the church by Thursday, May 2. Want to come? Join your friends at St. Bart's and Incarnation Lutheran as we raise a house for a needy family in one day! If you have a valid passport and can use a paintbrush or hammer, you're fully qualified to join us for this all-day event on Saturday, May 4. If there is time afterward, we go to Tecate for tacos! Questions? Contact [JD Cowart](#).

Sign Up for Food & Supplies

Parishioner News



Joyful News for the Davis Family

Ally became an official Davis on Friday, April 12th, when her adoption became final. Her mom and dad are thrilled and her grandparents, Mark and Bobbie, are so excited and blessed she is part of our family forever. You may have seen Ally on Palm Sunday. She was the pony rider with the broadest smile!

Preschool News



NOW ENROLLING
18 months - 5 years
858-487-2140
Extended Day Options
ST. BART'S PRESCHOOL stbartspreschool.org

Preschool Currently Enrolling for Fall 2024

Children ages 18 months–5 years
Extended day options now available

Classes are filling quickly. To schedule a tour, please contact our Preschool Director, [Tracey Buzo](mailto:Tracey.Buzo@stbarts.org), (858) 487-2140, at your earliest convenience. We look forward to your preschooler joining our St. Bart's Preschool community!

[See Fall Class Options](#)



A safe place for your child to Play with a Purpose

Currently Enrolling
SUMMER CAMP
ages 3 - 5 years

8:30-2:30 Monday - Friday
Camps Begin in June



For more information: www.stbartspreschool.org

Schedule a Tour:

858-487-2140 preschool@stbartschurch.org

16275 Pomerado Road, Poway

Sign Up for Summer Camp

A Night Under the Stars with Our Budding Artists

Friday, May 10th, 6:00 - 7:30pm

Join us for our first annual Preschool Art Show Fundraiser featuring never before seen art from all of our preschool artists. Everyone is invited to enjoy yummy desserts, beverages, art activities, games, and you'll even have the opportunity to bid on exclusive items in our silent auction. 100% of money raised, will help us launch a NEW Scholarship Program for current and incoming preschoolers in the community as well as curriculum for our new S.T.E.A.M. program.

To make a donation or
to RSVP by May 1st,
please scan the QR code



A Night Under the Stars with our Budding Artists Friday, May 10, 6 p.m., Church Patio

Join us for dessert at St. Bart's Preschool's biggest fundraiser of the year: A Night Under the Stars with Our Budding Artists! One hundred percent of the money raised will go toward launching a new scholarship program for current families and new families in our community, as well as purchasing STEAM curriculum for our summer and fall programs. Want to help? Contact [Tracey Buzo](#).

Diocesan News



**OPEN INVITATION TO ALL WOMEN
SPONSORED BY
SAN DIEGO DIOCESE
DAUGHTERS OF THE KING**

**PRESENTS THE STORY OF THE FIRST
EPISCOPAL WOMEN PRIESTS**



**MAKING ROOM AT THE TABLE: THE
STORY OF THE PHILADELPHIA ELEVEN**

The film shows how a brave group of women shattered the stained-glass ceiling on July 29, 1974, by challenging the very core of patriarchal culture to seek ordination as priests in the Episcopal Church. It is a powerful story of faith and conviction. It is a story for all of us, regardless of faith tradition. The film introduces us to the women involved, the paths that brought them together on that momentous day - what has changed (or not changed) in the life of the church over the intervening years.

**EUCHARIST & LUNCH ARE INCLUDED
SATURDAY APRIL 27 9:30am to 2pm**

**ST. ANDREWS LA MESA
4816 GLEN STREET
Questions or RSVP
slanzdok@gmail.com**



Sacred Trails **Saturday, April 27**

Sacred Trails, in partnership with the EDSD [Creation Care Community](#), provides the opportunity to hike and pray in God's creation. Four hikes will be offered around our diocese—participants are invited to pick the time and difficulty level that works best for them!

- 8:30 a.m.—**Iron Mountain, Poway:** Difficulty—moderate-hard; distance—6 miles; hike leader—the Rev. Hannah Wilder
- 9:00 a.m.—**Mission Trails Regional Park, Oak Canyon to Grasslands Trail:** Difficulty—moderate; distance—4 miles; hike leader—Charlette Preslar
- 11:00 a.m.—**Guagome Regional Park, Oceanside:** Difficulty—easy; distance—under 3 miles; hike leader—the Rev. Brian Peterson
- 2:30 p.m.—**San Dieguito County Park, Solana Beach/Del Mar:** Difficulty—easy; distance—under 3 miles; walk leader—the Rev. Brynn Craffey

Register for a Hike

Community News



Rainwater Tank Installation Workshop **Saturday, April 20, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Poway**

Join [Catching H2O](#) for a day and learn how to design and install active rainwater harvesting systems, including sizing your system, filtration techniques, parts, tools, and other considerations. Participants will install a 5050 gallon tank from start to finish! The process is scaleable for any size tank.

A detailed installation booklet with parts lists and instructions will be provided so you can install your own rainwater tank. Specialty parts will also be available to purchase.



St. Bart's Softball Team

Are you in? We have 5 but we need 10!

The RB Church Softball League has been in existence for more than 30 years! It was initially started to promote the ecumenical movement and extend church communities beyond the steeple. The vision has been a success, and churches around the community gather each summer to play in a coed league centered on fun and camaraderie.

St. Bart's had a team in the league years ago. Should we play again? Games take place on Sunday afternoons at the RB Community Park. The season generally runs from June to August. Minimum age is 14 years old.

If you are interested, contact [Mother Nina!](#)

[Learn More & Register](#)

Weekly Ministries

Mondays

- 6 p.m. Scouts - Sanctuary - Contact [Mike Jewett](#)
- 7 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal - Contact [Anna Lettang](#)

Tuesdays

- 7:30 a.m. Tuesday Morning Book Review - Starbucks (12469 Rancho Bernardo Rd., San Diego, CA 92128) - Contact [Jerry Blanton](#)
- 10:30-11:30 a.m. Chair Yoga & Meditation - MPR - First class free - Contact [Lisa Oakes](#) for pricing
- Noon. Wisdom Circle on 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month - MPR - Contact [Shirley Bunch](#)

- Wisdom Circle Makes Lunches for Interfaith - 3rd Tuesday of the month - MPR from approximately 12:15-1 p.m. - Contact [Marsha Bryan](#)
- 1-3 p.m. Quilting Ministry on 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month - Ed Building, Quilt Rm - Contact [Holly Gray](#)
- 5 p.m. Centering Prayer - Zoom - Contact [Parth Domke](#)
- 6 p.m. EfM Class - MPR - Contact [Bill Doehr](#)

Wednesdays

- 10 a.m.-noon. Bible Study: “The Era of the Crusades” - Zoom - Contact [Bob Capettini](#)
- 5 p.m. Schola Cantorum Rehearsal - Contact [John-Luke Addison](#)
- 6-8 p.m. Youth Crew, 6th-12th grade - Youth Room or MPR - Contact [Mother Nina Bacas](#)
- 6-7:30 p.m. Women’s Bible Study (on hold through April 17) - Church Office - Contact [Anne Snyder](#)

Thursdays

- 8-10 a.m. Food Bank Delivery to St. Luke’s - Contact [Jerry Blanton](#)
- 5:30-6:30 p.m. Choir School - Ed Building, Choir Room - Contact [John-Luke Addison](#)
- 7-9 p.m. Parish Choir for Adults and Teens - Ed Building, Choir Room - Contact [John-Luke Addison](#)

Fridays

- 7:45-9 a.m. Men’s Ministry - Location TBA each week - Contact [Andrew Horne](#) or [Mike Jewett](#)
- 1-3 p.m. Daughters of the King on 2nd and 4th Fridays - MPR - Contact [Sandy Morrison](#)

Sundays

- 9-9:50 a.m. Sunday School for ages 3-12 - Ed Building, Godly Play Room - Contact [Mother Nina Bacas](#)
- 9-9:50 a.m. Youth Forum for grades 6-12 - Ed Building, Rm 3D - Contact [Mother Nina Bacas](#)
- 9-9:45 a.m. Adult Forum - MPR - Led by various ministries and guests
- 1 p.m. Eucharist Service on the 1st Sunday of the month - Casa de las Campanas, Assisted Living Activities Room - Contact [Nancy Peterson](#)

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