



ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## This Week's Service Schedule

### Holy Week

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#### Maundy Thursday, April 2

12 p.m. Midday Healing Eucharist in the Chapel

6 p.m. Agape Meal & Service in the Sanctuary

#### Good Friday, April 3

12 p.m. Good Friday Service & Stations of the Cross in the Sanctuary

7 p.m. Good Friday Service in the Sanctuary

*livestreamed*

#### Holy Saturday, April 4

7 p.m. The Great Vigil of Easter in the Sanctuary

Bring your bells!

*livestreamed*

**BULLETINS**

### Easter

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#### Easter Sunday, April 5

6 a.m. Sunrise Service at the Cross

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist in the Sanctuary

10 a.m. Choral Eucharist in the Sanctuary

*livestreamed*

1 p.m. Holy Eucharist at Casa de las Campanas

### **Morning & Evening Prayer Services**

8:40-9:10 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday  
in the Chapel or [via Zoom](#)

5-5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday  
in the Chapel or [via Zoom](#)

### **Thursday, April 9**

12 p.m. Midday Healing Eucharist in the Chapel

[BULLETINS](#)

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## **Bearing Palms for the Holy**

***The Rev. Mother Nina Bacas***

*Just as people in Jesus' time showed reverence for him with palms as he entered Jerusalem, the place of his judgment, so also we will bless and bear palms for migrants as they enter the courthouse, the place of their judgment.*

—From Faithful Accompaniment in Trust and Hope (FAITH)

Yesterday morning, I chose to join a prayer service outside the Edward Schwartz Federal Courthouse. The purpose was purely pastoral—not political or disruptive or an attempt to change the judgments made that day. Led by Roman Catholic clergy, about 70 people were there to simply pray for those entering the courthouse that day.

I arrived at 7:15 a.m. and approached the group that had gathered on the concourse. I blended in with clergy who were clearly identifiable with their red stoles. One of these clergy turned to me and, while handing me a large palm frond, said, “I’m Pham.” As in Bishop Michael Pham, prelate of the Roman Catholic Diocese of San Diego appointed by Pope Leo last May.

As he and his clergy began a liturgy of Scripture, prayers, and testimonials, Bishop Pham invited all clergy to join him on the platform. It was an honor to be included in this ecumenical group. A nun described her experiences accompanying people to their courtrooms, and Bishop Pham recounted how he and two siblings once resided in a Malaysian refugee camp. We laid our palms on the sidewalk to show compassion for those who entered the building to face judicial action that day.

For 30 minutes, followers of Christ simply came together to show court-goers that they are remembered and included in prayer. Truly, it was a Holy Wednesday.

Mother Nina+



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# Holy Week and Easter

at St. Bart's, Poway

## SUN

Mar. 29

## MON

Mar. 30

## TUES

Mar. 31

## WED

Apr. 1

## THURS

Apr. 2

## FRI

Apr. 3

## SAT

Apr. 4

## SUN

Apr. 5

## PALM SUNDAY

**8:00 & 10:00 a.m.** Services

*Donkey rides for kids!*

**4:00 p.m.** Passion Concert

**7:00 p.m.** Compline Service, by candlelight

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**7:00 p.m.** Tenebrae Service, led by the choir

## THE HOLY TRIDUUM

**6:00 p.m.** Maundy Thursday Agape Meal and Service

**12:00 noon** Good Friday Service and Stations of the Cross

**7:00 p.m.** Good Friday Service with choir

**7:00 p.m.** Easter Vigil, with great Fire of Easter

## EASTER SUNDAY

**6:00 a.m.** Sunrise Service

**8:00 & 10:00 a.m.** Holy Eucharist Services, with egg hunt for kids!

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16275 Pomerado Rd., Poway, CA  
[stbartschurch.org](http://stbartschurch.org)



**Do you have an announcement**

to add to this eNewsletter?

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## Join the Watch on Maundy Thursday!

Thursday, April 2, 8 p.m.–Midnight, Sanctuary

Based on Jesus' statement to his disciples in the garden of Gethsemane, "Could you not watch with me one hour?" many churches host a "watch" on the night of Maundy Thursday, when parishioners dedicate one hour to keep watch and pray with Jesus at the "Altar of Repose." This year, St. Bart's will have a watch in the sanctuary on Maundy Thursday, April 2, from 8 p.m. to midnight. If you would like to sign up for an hour, please use the link below.

JOIN THE WATCH



## No Adult Forum This Sunday

The Adult Forums will be on hiatus for the next few weeks. Please join us when the forums resume on Sunday, April 26.

## You're Invited to Easter Brunch! Sunday, April 5, After Services

St. Bart's is preparing for joyous worship and fellowship on Easter Sunday! Our sunrise service will be followed by warm croissants,



coffee, juice, and coffee in the multipurpose room (MPR). After our 8 a.m. service, croissants, juice, and coffee will be served on the patio. And after our 10 a.m. service, we'll enjoy three breakfast casserole options with fruit, salad, and muffins, served on the patio. Thank you to everyone who took Easter casserole pans and recipes!



**CASA DE LAS CAMPANAS:**

**Holy Eucharist**

**Sunday, April 5, 1 p.m., Assisted Living Activities Room**

St. Bart's will hold a worship service at Casa de las Campanas on Easter Sunday at 1 p.m. If you are a Casa resident, please join us!



**St. Bart's Outreach Gala**

**Saturday, April 11, 5-9 p.m., Country Club of Rancho Bernardo**

Hot off the press! The catalog of 70 silent auction packages that will be available for bidding at the "Tropical Nights" Gala is ready for you to browse—time to start shopping!! The six live auction packages can be found at the end of the silent auction list.

We are looking forward to record attendance, fellowship, and FUN! See you there!

**SILENT/LIVE AUCTION CATALOG**

**Good Friday Offering in Support of Holy Land Ministries**



For more than a century, Episcopalians have supported the Good Friday Offering, sustaining ministries in Jerusalem and the Middle East. This year especially, Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe calls us to respond with generosity. Amid ongoing conflict, the need is urgent. Your gift supports hospitals, clinics, and churches serving all people. Join us in offering hope and healing.

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## April Outreach Challenge Drive for St. Mark's Food Pantry

Next month's drive is for St. Mark's City Height's food pantry, which is open to anyone in need. The pantry is requesting donations of canned and pouched proteins. Thank you for your generosity!

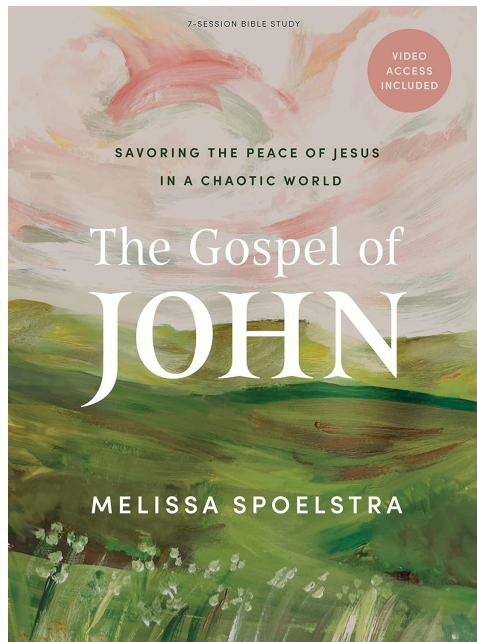


## Easter Flower Offerings

Thank you to everyone who gave Easter flower offerings this year in memory of or in thanksgiving for loved ones or special events. Your generosity enabled the Flower Guild to not only beautify the church for Easter services with lilies and arrangements of white flowers, but also provided funds for flowers for several more weeks. To see the complete list of flower sponsors, click the button below.

If you would like to sponsor altar flowers during the year, please sign up on the flower calendar on the bulletin board on the patio. For more information, contact [Bobbie Davis](#).

[VIEW THE SPONSOR LIST](#)



### BOOK STUDY:

## ***The Gospel of John: Savoring the Peace of Jesus in a Chaotic World***

**Wednesdays, April 14–June 10, 6 p.m.,  
Church Office or Zoom**

The **Wednesday Women's Bible Study's** spring session will start on April 14! We will be reading [\*The Gospel of John: Savoring the Peace of Jesus in a Chaotic World\*](#), by Melissa Spoelstra. If you have any questions, please contact [Anne Snyder](#), (858) 485-0562.

[PURCHASE BOOK](#)



## **Monthly Fellowship Dinner**

**Saturday, April 18, 6:15 p.m.**

**Filippi's Pizza Grotto, Poway (13000 Oak Knoll Dr.)**

The monthly dinner/fellowship event hosted by the Fellowship Committee, normally scheduled for the second Saturday, will be held this month on the third Saturday, April 18, after the 5 p.m. service. You're welcome to come, even if you don't attend the service—it's a great way to get to know other parishioners and build community! This month we'll meet at Filippi's Pizza Grotto. To RSVP, text or call Mike Jewett at (619) 666-9663 by 5 p.m. on Friday, April 17. (After the RSVP deadline, please check with Mike to see if there is still room.)

## **Bishop's Visitation**

**Sunday, April 19, 10 a.m., Sanctuary**



It's almost time for our annual visitation from our bishop, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Susan Brown Snook. The bishop will celebrate and preach at the 10 a.m. service, as well as baptize, confirm, and receive several of our parishioners.

**Note: There will be no other services on visitation weekend.**

**Scholarship Program**

**For high school seniors:**

- ✓ St. Bartholomew's Scholarship
- ✓ Brittany K. Stark Memorial Scholarship
- ✓ Lucille C. Heide Memorial Scholarship

**For women 25 years & older:**

- ✓ Evelyn Wyatt Memorial Scholarship

**APPLICATIONS DUE BY APRIL 23**

## St. Bart's Scholarships Available

### Applications due Thursday, April 23

It's scholarship season at St. Bart's! Every year, the church awards scholarships to members who are pursuing a college education or accredited vocational or technical training. Three scholarships are available for graduating high school seniors, as well as one for women 25 years and older. For more details and application forms, visit the [St. Bart's Scholarships page](#) on our website. Contact [Anne Snyder](#) with questions.

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**RUMMAGE SALE**

**SPRING DONATION DRIVE**

Sat, April 18 & 25, May 2	3-4:30 p.m.	Upper parking lot
Sun, April 26, May 3	9 a.m.-noon	Lower parking lot

## Support the 2026 Rummage Sale

**Spring Donation Collection Dates:**

**Saturdays, April 18 & 25, May 2, 3-4:30 p.m.**

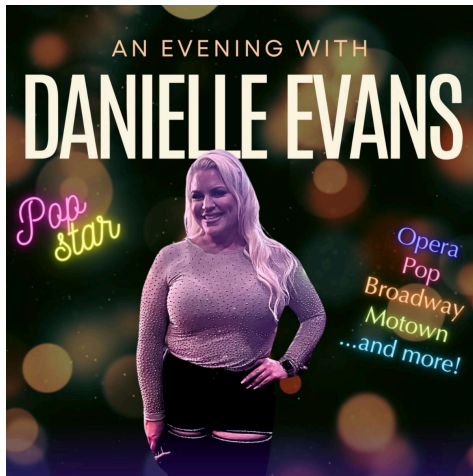
**Sundays, April 26, May 3, 9 a.m.-Noon**

Planning is underway for the 2026 Rummage Sale scheduled for September 24-26. Proceeds from the annual sale, now in its fourth year, support outreach work in the community and abroad. This year there will be two donation collections: the "Spring Fling and Clean" drive in April and May, and a summer drive. Donations must be in **excellent condition**, new or gently used; to see the list of accepted donation items,

click the button below. Thank you for ensuring your donations meet these criteria.

**Please note:** We will not be accepting larger items during the spring drive; these will be accepted during the summer collection.

ACCEPTED DONATIONS LIST



## Danielle Evans Concert Postponed

The "An Evening with Danielle Evans" concert originally scheduled for May 1 has been rescheduled for the 2026-27 music season. Stay tuned for more details!



## Memorial Service for Ron Pitcher Saturday, May 23, 1 p.m., Sanctuary

A memorial service for longtime St. Bart's member Ron Pitcher will be held in the sanctuary on May 23 at 1 p.m.



## Angel Tree Coordinator Needed

St. Bart's has long been involved with the Angel Tree program, an integral part of Prison Fellowship. Rosalind Duddy, who has coordinated this ministry for many years, would like to turn over the reins to a new chair. Please pray about this opportunity to serve, and if interested, [contact Rosalind](#), (858) 485-1770,

ASAP—it's already time to register for Angel Tree Christmas 2026! Rosalind will guide our new coordinator through the registration process.



## Prayers & Squares Quilt Ministry

The Prayers & Squares ministry offers prayer quilts to all people who are in crisis and need prayer. Before requesting a quilt, **please check with the recipient to see if they will accept a prayer quilt, and ask them for the specific words of prayer they would like prayed over the quilt.**

To request a prayer quilt, call the church office, (858) 487-2159, or email [Holly Gray](mailto:Holly.Gray).



## The Learning Treehouse Preschool

The [Learning Treehouse Preschool](http://learningtreehousepreschool.com), located on the St. Bart's campus, offers play-based education for children 18 months to 6 years old, with a maximum of 12 children per classroom. It's a loving, nurturing environment where children can grow socially, emotionally, and academically, all while having a blast! Call the school at (858) 282-7670 to find out more about its programs or to schedule a tour.

## Prayer Cycle

**In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray:** "Christ is risen, the Lord is risen indeed!"

**In our Military Cycle of Prayer, we pray for:** USS Mustin (DDG 89).

**In the Cycle of Prayer for the worldwide Anglican Communion, we pray for:** La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico; the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia – The Episcopal Church; the Diocese of West Virginia – The Episcopal Church; the

Diocese of Wad Medani – Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan; the Diocese of Waiapu – the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand, and Polynesia; the Diocese of Waikato and Taranaki – the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand, and Polynesia; Te Pihopatanga o Te Waipounamu – the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand, and Polynesia.

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## Weekly Ministries

### Mondays

- 6 p.m. Scouts - Sanctuary - Contact [Mike Jewett](#)
- 6-8 p.m. CAT (Cats, Art & Tea): Multigenerational art event to benefit rescue kitties! - All individuals 10+ years welcome; if younger than 16, must be accompanied by an adult - MPR - Contact [Gaby Waldorf](#)
- 7-8 p.m. Handbell Ensemble - Ed Building, Music Room - 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 - 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month - MPR - Contact [Shirley Bunch](#)
- 12:15-1 p.m. (approx.) Wisdom Circle Makes Lunches for Interfaith - 3rd Tuesday of the month - MPR - Contact [Shirley Bunch](#)
- 1-3 p.m. Quilting Ministry - 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month - Ed Building, Quilt Room - Contact [Holly Gray](#)
- 5 p.m. Centering Prayer - Zoom - Contact [Parth Domke](#)
- 6-7:30 p.m. Fiber Arts Group - 1st Tuesday of the month - Sanctuary - Contact [fiberarts@stbartschurch.org](mailto:fiberarts@stbartschurch.org)

### Wednesdays

- 10 a.m.-noon Bible Study (on break) - Zoom - Contact [Bob Capettini](#)
- 5-6 p.m. Schola Cantorum - Ed Building, Music Room - Contact [John-Luke Addison](#)
- 6-8 p.m. Youth Crew, 6th-12th grade - Youth Room or MPR - Contact [Jacob Robling](#)

- 6-7:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study - Church Office & Zoom - Contact [Anne Snyder](#)

### Thursdays

- 8-10 a.m. Food Bank Delivery to St. Luke's - Contact [Jerry Blanton](#)
- 5:30-6:30 p.m. Children's Choir School - Ed Building, Music Room - Contact [Tim McLellan](#)
- 6:30-8:30 p.m. Parish Choir - Ed Building, Music Room - Contact [John-Luke Addison](#)

### Fridays

- 7:45-9 a.m. Men's Ministry - Location TBA each week - Contact [Andrew Horne](#) or [Mike Jewett](#)
- 12:30-2:30 p.m. Daughters of the King - 2nd & 4th Fridays of the month - Ed Building, DOK Room (basement) - Contact [Sandy Morrison](#)

### Sundays

- 9-9:45 a.m. Adult Forum - MPR - Led by various ministries and guests
- 1 p.m. Eucharist Service - 1st Sunday of the month - Casa de las Campanas, Assisted Living Activities Room - Contact [Nancy Peterson](#)

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