



ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

This Week's Service Schedule

Second Sunday of Easter

Saturday, April 11

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

Sunday, April 12

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist in the Sanctuary

10 a.m. Choral Eucharist in the Sanctuary
livestreamed

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 16

12 p.m. Midday Healing Eucharist in the Chapel
Peter Williams Cassey & Anna Besant Cassey
Mary (Molly) Brant

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And Then They Rested

The Rev. Mother Nina Bacas

On social media this week, I saw a humorous post from one of the *other* St. Bartholomew's—the historic 1835 parish in Midtown Manhattan. It had a photo of the church's many clergy leaning against each other at the altar, with the caption "And then they slept."

Your clergy can relate to this, too! But we know it's not just us. After our Lent, Holy Week, and Easter, all our ministries needed a rest. For fear of leaving someone out, I don't dare try to name them all—but you know who you are!

The maxim I have been repeating lately is "You are only as good as your team." At St. Bartholomew's, Poway, this is always on display. Together, we experienced a reflective Lent, a challenging Holy Week, and a jubilant Easter. We welcomed many newcomers while nurturing ourselves, each other, and the community. As the Easter Church, which always lives in paradox, we found it exhausting and energizing at the same time!

I personally thank all of you who do so much to make our church so welcoming, sacred, and life giving. So, please, rest up, and know there is much more goodness to come!

Blessings,
Mother Nina+

**Do you have an announcement
to add to this eNewsletter?**

SUBMIT YOUR NEWS ITEM



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.



ST. BART'S PODCAST:

The Fig Tree

Episode 24: Lamentations: Grief & God

The latest episode of The Fig Tree Podcast has dropped! Listen in as Mother Nina, Father Jacob, and Mike Jewett explore the book of Lamentations and its profound portrayal of the people of Israel's grief and confusion in the wake of their exile, and how it informs our own feelings of grief and struggles with God today.

LISTEN

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.

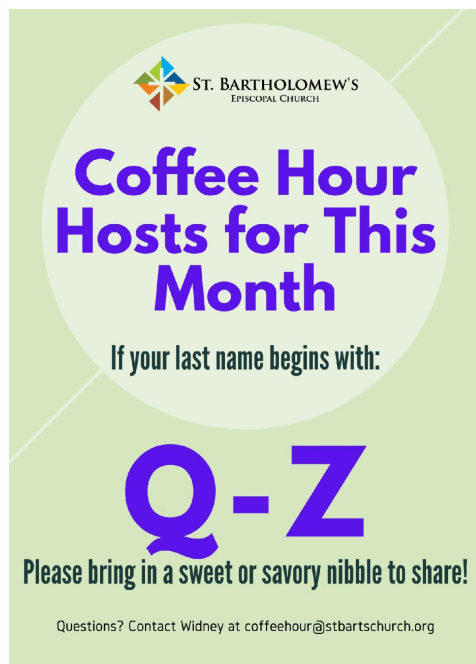
We are looking forward to record attendance, fellowship, and FUN! See you there!

[SILENT/LIVE AUCTION CATALOG](#)



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

This 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!



April Coffee Hour Hosts Last Names Q-Z

Coffee hour at St. Bart's is about more than just a kind treat—it's a way for us to embody our hospitality. This month, if your last name starts with Q-Z, it's your turn to host! Bring whatever sweet or savory nibble the Spirit moves you to share (cut into serving-sized pieces, please).

Note: You can borrow a plate or platter from the MPR kitchen so you don't have to worry about retrieving your own plate later.

Questions? Contact [Widney Hawthorne](#).



Education for Ministry (EfM)

Community Gathering Session

Tuesday, April 14, 6 p.m., MPR

Ever feel like your knowledge of the fundamentals of our faith needs strengthening? Do you wonder where or how God is working in our world today? Every baptized Christian is called to ministry ... so what is yours? EfM provides an environment in which you can learn about our faith and discern where God is calling us in carrying out our ministry.

Join the St. Bart's EfM group for an open community gathering session discussing Sue Monk Kidd's memoir, *God's Joyful Surprise: Finding Yourself Loved*. In it, she "offers a conversational and engaging account of her transition from the hectic daily life of a Christian mother, wife, nurse, and volunteer to discovering what it truly means to abide in God."

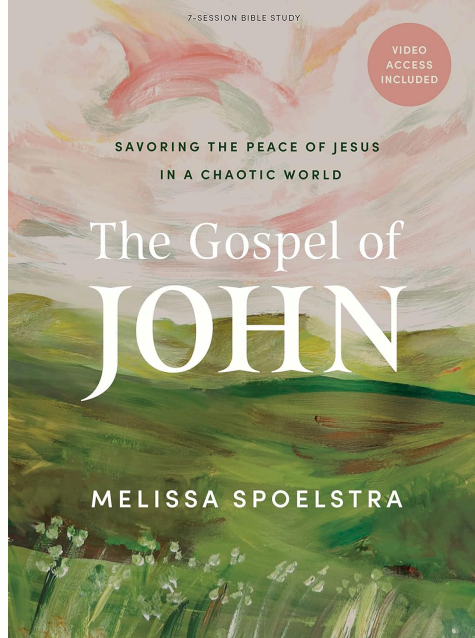
For more info, contact one of eFM's group mentors, [Cynthia McCormick](#) or [Mark Patzman](#), or reach out to a St. Bart's group member (Sandy Morrison, Tim Storey, JD Cowart, Eric Van Oeveren, or Tom Rodriguez). Please RSVP so we can ensure adequate food for supper.

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](#)



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

The “Spring Fling and Clean” drive for the September Rummage Sale is just around the corner! 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](#)

EARTH MONTH:

Pill Bottle Recycling Drive

Saturday, April 18–Sunday, May 3

In observance of Earth Month, the Environmental Stewardship Community is collecting prescription and over-the-counter pill bottles between April 18



and May 3. The bottles will be sent to [Matthew 25: Ministries](#) for inclusion in its shipments of medical supplies to developing countries—by participating in this drive, you’ll be supporting humanitarian aid *and* caring for our environment! **Bottles must have labels removed and be clean and free of residue**, so please make sure you follow the [instructions for preparing bottles for donation](#) before dropping them off at the church. Questions? Email sustainability@stbartschurch.org.

HOW TO PREP BOTTLES

Did You Know?

Your pill bottles may be labeled as recyclable, but small items (about the size of a credit card or smaller) placed in city recycling bins often slip through the sorting screens used by recycling centers and end up being discarded. Let’s keep those bottles out of the landfill!



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. We'll enjoy brunch together after the service—please join us!

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

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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.

LEARN MORE



EARTH MONTH:

Visit with Exotic Birds!

Sunday, April 26, After 10 a.m. Service, Patio

As part of our Earth Month celebration, bird ambassadors from [Free Flight](#), an exotic bird sanctuary located in Del Mar, will be on-site on Sunday, April 26, after the 10 a.m. service. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to visit with and learn more about these birds!



SAN DIEGO HUMANE SOCIETY
WALK FOR ANIMALS
JOIN US! Liberty Station • May 2, 2026

EARTH MONTH:

Walk for Animals Fundraiser

Saturday, May 2, 9 a.m.

NTC Park at Liberty Station, Point Loma

In honor of Earth Month, St. Bart's is forming a team for the San Diego Humane Society's [Walk for Animals](#) event on May 2! Funds raised through Walk for Animals will go toward sheltering homeless pets, investigating animal cruelty, rehabilitating native wildlife, and much more. Come mingle with other animal lovers and enjoy a pancake breakfast and dog activities—all while making a life-saving difference for animals in need!

To sign up as a team member, go to the [registration page](#) and click the “Register—Team Member” button; under Team Name, enter “St. Bart's Episcopal” and click the “Search for a Team” button; then click “Join.” Registration fee is \$40.

Questions? Contact our team captain, [Mariette Rattner](#).

SIGN UP



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.

Into the Woods

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S
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INTO THE WOODS

in concert

Music and Lyrics by STEPHEN SONDHEIM
Book by JAMES LAPINE
Originally Directed on Broadway by James Lapine
Orchestrations by Jonathan Tunick

*INTO THE WOODS is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI).
All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. www.mtishows.com*

June 5-7, 2026
Tickets: stbartsmusic.org

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church
18275 Pomerado Road, Poway CA 92064

SCAN ME

Friday, June 5, 7 p.m.; Saturday, June 6,
noon; Sunday, June 7, 4 p.m.
All Performances in Sanctuary

James Lapine and Stephen Sondheim take everyone's favorite storybook characters and bring them together for a timeless, yet relevant, piece; the Tony Award–winning book and score are both enchanting and touching. A rare modern classic, in concert with full orchestra! Three performances, June 5, 6, and 7. Tickets \$20 (\$10 for students) on the [St. Bart's Music website](http://stbartsmusic.org).

GET TICKETS

Prayers & Squares
QUILT MINISTRY

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

Inspiring creativity
and curiosity in
young learners
through play-based
education

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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 for: The women, children, and leadership of Comunidad de Luz.

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: Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola; the Diocese of Wandí – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan; the Diocese of Wangaratta – the Anglican Church of Australia; the Diocese of Wanglei – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan; the Diocese of Wanyjok – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan; the Diocese of Warri – the Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion); the Diocese of Washington – The Episcopal Church.

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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

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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