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Our Mission as Reconcilers

Dear Friends,

I hope this newsletter finds you and yours in good health and spirits. Please know that while I took my summer respite with my family this July, you remained in my daily prayers.

If you are reading this, then allow me to suggest: proclaim that you belong to a great community of reconcilers. You belong to a family that is global and local. You are an agent of love, realized through your baptism. You belong to the Christian family of Christ crucified. You are a missionary for reconciliation. It's a huge family which unites all creation, all children of God together.

When Jesus said, "Love your neighbor," he knew your neighbor is different than you, writes Dr. Robert L. Short. To further clarify, (your neighbor) "will act, look, believe, and love differently than you do." (thingsofmysoul.blogspot.com, 6/23/2016).

Is this truth not realized in the world around us? It can be hard to see at times.

And like many of you, my prayers deepen daily for our world, our nation, the city of San Diego and for our shared courage to be missionaries of

reconciliation. The "regular" terrorist attacks, "regular" violence towards humanity, the "revealing" of the depth of bigotry and racism, the "continued" violence against the men and woman

in our police and sheriff departments and the "terrifying" acts of evil with the burning of fellow citizens on the streets of San Diego. Sadly, these are only a few examples of so many each week. It can be overwhelming.

Shall we assume there is no end to the increase of rhetoric that drives deeper divisions between

parties, genders, ethnic populations, skin color, religions, Christians, generations, families, etc. It seems that the press, like children left alone in a candy factory, can't stop feasting. And we keep buying, buying more every minute the TV is turned on, every website we monitor, every tweet we follow.

Generations of Americans are growing up in an era where, once again, division and scapegoating is expected and accepted. If no one stands up to this pervasive and perpetual evil, the lines will be drawn wider, shaming, blaming, bullying (and violence) will be further justified. The dignity and freedom of



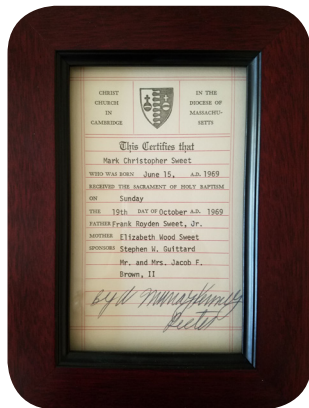
Our Mission as Reconcilers

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humanity will be further sacrificed, unless, my brothers and sisters, in the name of Jesus Christ our mediator and savior, each of us and our families, accept God's call to stand tall and strong. We are ordained to be the hands, heart and lips of Jesus Christ to the world. In the First Letter of John chapter 4 chapter he writes, "If God thus loved us, dear friends, we in turn are bound to love one another."

In his book, *The Mathney Manifesto*, Mike Mathney (head coach today of the St. Louis Cardinals), refers to one his great mentors, Coach John Wooden (former UCLA head basketball coach). Coach Wooden said, "Basketball is not the ultimate. It is small importance in comparison to the total life we live. There is only one kind of life that truly wins, and that is the one that places faith in the hand of the Savior (Jesus Christ)." Coach Mike further recalls that one of Coach John's maxims includes "Putting others first."

On the eve of my ordination, Bishop Cederholm reminded me that my baptism trumps all other covenants I make. I am reminded of this every time I exit my office and my eye falls on the framed certificate. It is through our baptisms that we are soldiers of Jesus Christ. As a soldier of Jesus Christ, notwithstanding my own and our many failings, we are obedient to the Great Commandment. Matthew 22:36-40 says, "love your neighbor as



yourself." Leviticus 19:18 also says, "You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord."

Unless, we put others first.

Unless, we are agents of reconciliation, that is to move beyond our prayers, worship, CE classes and go forth into the world and get to know our neighbors.

Unless we choose to seek out neighbors who act, look, believe, and love differently than we do.

Unless we practice and prepare ourselves to advance the power of God's love further within our families, community, in our country and in the world.

It is the choices you make everyday that matter. "Unless" is an invitation from God to choose Jesus and stand up to evil. A neverending invitation to be formed further in Christ and to deepen your relationship with Christ through knowing and loving God in others.

Indeed, reconciliation unites the people of God. The work of reconciliation is not limited to one soup kitchen or one collection at the church. In August we will highlight many examples we can build upon within our parish, locally with ICS, in the city of San Diego with ERN and globally over the border, in Haiti and in the Holy Land.

Join me this August for our preaching series "Our Mission as Reconcilers".

Prayerfully yours,
Mark+

Education for Ministry Coming to St. Bart's

Education for Ministry (EfM) might be for you, if:

- you long to take a deeper look at what Scriptures really say
- you want to find a better way of integrating faith with your daily life
- you would enjoy creative theological reflection based on scripture, tradition, reason and personal experience
- you think walking together might be better than walking alone

Don't let the program's title throw you. As baptized Christians we are all called

to some form of ministry in Christ's name. EfM is a program of lay theological education which has been offered through



the Episcopal seminary at Sewanee since 1975. Over four years, participants read and reflect on the Hebrew



Bible, the New Testament, Church and world history and the challenges and promises of contemporary Christianity. Our group will meet weekly on Tuesday evenings and will be led by Sewanee-certified mentor Bill Doehr. Find out more about EfM at efm.sewanee.edu.

Contact Bill Doehr at bill.doehr.efm@gmail.com with your questions. Mark your calendar for the EfM interest dinner on Tuesday, August 23 at 6 p.m.

A Case for International Outreach

Many people question the necessity of international outreach. After all, isn't it enough that we take care of each other within the church and local communities? Isn't it enough to serve our immediate neighbors? These are all good questions for discussion and I am sure there will be different perspectives offered in such a discussion. I, myself, believe it is important for every church to reach beyond its local neighborhood to love, care and support others. International outreach is also part of St. Bart's strategic plan.

“It’s not enough to give a sandwich if it isn’t accompanied by the possibility of learning to stand on one’s own feet. Charity that does not change the situation of the poor isn’t enough.” Pope Francis, speaking at the Rome headquarters of the Jesuit Refugee Service, September 2013.

I believe that there are several considerations when forming a successful international partnership. First, international outreach must be part of the church's strategic plan and be supported by the vestry and the outreach committee with appropriate measures of accountability. Global outreach is clearly stated in our strategic plan and St. Bart's leadership supports our engagement in Haiti.

Second, International outreach should be a partnership between our community and another. We have received an invitation from a Haitian partner, an Episcopal Priest named Fr. Noe Bernier. Fr. Noe has a long history of partnering with US churches and wants to develop a true partnership between St. Bart's and Epiphanie School in Loranette. Partnerships marked by

collaboration and respect build relationships where both the U.S. and international partners benefit and take away relevant lessons.

Third, we should neither conduct activities that a local community can do for itself nor participate in one-way financial giving. Our support and interactions should help build the capabilities of the community. An education is a great place to start! If we want to see the world as a just and fair place where everyone is given equal opportunities, education is what we require. Education is a must if we want to do away with the existing differences between different social classes and genders. It opens a whole world of opportunities for the poor and provides hope for the future.

I believe outreach is the life-blood of the church and that each person is called to outreach in different ways. While not everyone is called to international mission, there are many who are. A partnership in Haiti with Fr. Noe and the Epiphanie School in Loranette, Haiti is a way for St. Bartholomew's to share our love and resources and to learn from the love, hope and spirit of our global neighbors.

~Kate McKone-Sweet



Learn more about the Epiphanie School in Loranette, Haiti on page 7.

Feeling Pride

For me, the most poignant part of marching in the San Diego Pride Parade with St. Bart's was being able to witness the pure joy of all the people there. After the attacks in Orlando, it's a scary time to be part of the LGBTQ+ community. I, as a lesbian, am more than a little scared, not simply of acts of violent hatred, but of the judgement of my friends and classmates. Pride offered up a chance not only to ignore that fear, but for everyone there to laugh, dance, and love in the face of it, with a community of accepting and loving people surrounding us. The faces of the spectators as we walked by were full of such joy, and I'd like to think that our contingent played a part in that joy. To replace fear with joy and love is a fundamentally Christian action. By spreading Christ's unconditional love for all to those afraid of hatred, terror, and prejudice, our church has taken yet another step in our journey to follow Christ.

~Megan Oakes



This year approximately 50 St. Bart's parishioners walked in the Pride Parade. We appreciate Megan sharing her experience at this year's Pride Parade. St. Bart's welcomes all parishioners to share their reflections and experiences of St. Bart's programs. Send your reflections and photos to news@stbartschurch.org.

How to Listen to a Sermon

During the summer months, a lot of us preachers head out on vacation. That means for many of us have an opportunity to sit in someone else's church to hear them preach during our time away.

It's not always an easy thing to do for those of us who write and present sermons. We preachers tend to be a critical lot. To be politically correct, I guess I should say I can be critical.

We are prone to evaluate the setting, the exegesis of the text and the preacher's mannerisms with the critical eye of a homiletics professor when we're supposed to be simply receiving the word of God being offered to us.

With that in mind, it's a good idea to review some principles for how to hear a sermon effectively.

When I was in seminary, I had one of the finest preachers in the Church. Her name was The Rev Dr. Mary June Nestler and she was the dean at the Episcopal Theological School at Claremont.

I remember a Homiletic class where she gave us these instructions first cited by the famous 18th-century evangelist and spectacular revival preacher George Whitefield (1714-1770) that were designed to help us hear sermons better. Largely forgotten today, George Whitefield was probably the most famous religious figure of the eighteenth century. Newspapers called him the "marvel of the age." Whitefield was a preacher capable of commanding thousands on two continents through the sheer power of his oratory. In his lifetime, he preached at least 18,000 times to perhaps 10 million hearers.

I hope these guidelines will be helpful as we listen to God's word from many different sources.

1. Come ready to hear.

Says Whitefield, "Come to hear [the sermon] not out of curiosity, but from a sincere desire to know and do your duty. To enter his house merely to have our ears entertained, and not our hearts reformed, must certainly be highly displeasing to the most High God, as well as unprofitable to ourselves."

Preaching, at its best, is about call and response. We come not to evaluate the sermon or the preacher, or out of a sense of wanting to be religiously entertained for a while, but rather to hear the word of God and obey it. It doesn't matter if the oration is exciting or flat. God's word is in here somewhere, and you'll hear it if you come prepared to receive it. Even the most poorly prepared and discombobulated sermon can be powerful if our hearts are opened by the Spirit to hear it.

2. Listen for the word of God.

This leads to Whitefield's second piece of advice: "Give diligent heed to the things that are spoken from the word of God." If a king or president were to issue a life-or-death proclamation, and your survival depended on whether you listened to it and did what was necessary, you'd put aside everything else to listen to it. So, says Whitefield, "Shall we not pay the same respect to the King of kings and Lord of lords, and lend an attentive ear to his ministers when they are declaring, in his name, how our pardon, peace and happiness may be secured?"

3. Focus on the word more than the preacher.

"Do not entertain the least prejudice against the preacher," says Whitefield, but also "be careful not to depend too much on the preacher or think too highly of him [or her] than you ought to think." Preachers do not speak on their own, but in Christ's name, and a lot of people have been converted to Christ under bad preaching. And just because a preacher has a multi-million-dollar

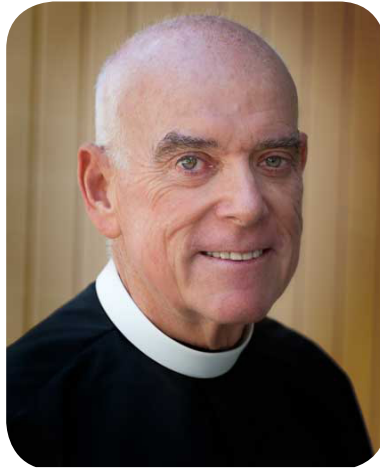
building in which to preach and has better hair than you doesn't mean that we should be envious. In the end, we're all broken vessels containing the treasure of the gospel.

Every preacher is merely an ambassador, a messenger for Christ. As Whitefield put it, "Other men may preach the gospel better than I, but no man can preach a better gospel." If you listen for Christ in the sermon, it won't matter who's preaching. And if you don't hear Christ, then it's not preaching at all no matter how good it sounds.

4. Apply what you are hearing to your life.

Good preaching is not just about Christ, however; it's about what we will do with what Christ has told us. "Make particular application in your hearts of everything that is delivered," says Whitefield. It's so easy to think that the sermon we're hearing is for someone else instead of for us. When the disciples were confronted with the reality that one of them was going to betray Jesus, their first response was, "Is it I?" That's a great question to have in your mind as you hear a sermon. Good preaching will not just stir our hearts; it will also move us, under the Spirit's direction, toward a new trajectory of life.

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Invitation to Youth Confirmation

Confirmation is one of the sacraments of the Church, special gifts that Jesus has given us to receive God's love and be empowered to share God's love with others in a special way! In the earliest days of the Church, the first Christians were baptized and confirmed at the same time. Today, Confirmation is typically takes place at a time when the baptized are mature enough to offer a wholehearted "YES!" to the grace they received at baptism, to personally 'confirm' their baptism.

Together, we will explore what it means to accept Jesus Christ as Our Lord and Savior, how to make a personal commitment to Christ and how to grow in our relationship with God, and to explore what God is asking us to do with our lives. Remember, the decision to be baptized (and to 'confirm' our baptism!) and share our lives with Christ is one of the most important decisions of our lives. But it has to be each person's individual decision. Only you can make the decision to receive God's grace in baptism and belong to God's community of disciples.

God calls each person to receive the gifts of baptism and confirmation. Our youth confirmation program is for any and all youth of high school age.

St. Bart's Confirmation program officially begins on September 18, but you can start anytime by making a commitment to attending worship service every weekend and attending youth gatherings on Sundays at 9 a.m. or Wednesday evenings at 6 p.m. during the school-year.

While the headline of this article says this is an invitation to confirmation, ultimately, just like Fr. Mark says before Communion, "It is not the Church that invites you, but the Lord." God invites all of us to a life of faith and deeper intimacy with God! And so we "open wide the doors!"

Confirmation Schedule

Confirmation preparation is a total of 25 gatherings throughout the school year, approximately three per month. Participants are expected to attend the following:

- 17 Sunday evening gatherings at 6 p.m. in the Youth Room September 18-May 28 (every other Sunday except December 25, January 8 and April 16),
- Any six Youth Group gatherings on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. in the Youth Room,
- Maundy Thursday Overnight on April 13-14,
- And at least one of the following: Youth Retreat at Camp Stevens (January 6-8), 30-Hour Famine (March 3-4) or EYE Conference in Oklahoma City (July 10-14).

We understand that sometimes life happens, unexpected

situations arise and Confirmation sessions are missed. However, we ask that all missed sessions be "made up" by attending alternate Youth Group dates, so that each Confirmation candidate attends a total of 25 gatherings throughout the year.

First and foremost, please make a commitment to attending weekly worship service - every Saturday at 5 p.m., Sunday morning at 8 a.m., or Sunday morning at 10:15 a.m. Your choice!

Each youth candidate will be assigned a mentor to help guide and support them throughout the process. Mentors are baptized Christians, actively involved in their communities of faith, who will make a commitment to supporting you in your journey of walking with Christ.

If you are interested in the Confirmation program, but have questions, please contact John Prust, Director of Religious Education at jprust@stbartschurch.org or 858-432-7111.

Of course, St. Bart's Parish invites all people to participate in the journey of preparing for Confirmation. If you are an adult and haven't been confirmed, contact Chris Harris at charris@stbartschurch.org to learn more about what your journey might look like!

~ John Prust

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5. Devote time to prayer before and after the sermon.

Last, and perhaps most important, Whitefield says that we should "Pray to the Lord, before, during and after every sermon, to endow the minister with power to speak, and to grant you a will and ability to put into practice what [the Lord] shall show from the Book of God to be your duty." Prayer is the best preparation for worship and for hearing a sermon.

Pray that God will reveal his word and will to you that day. Pray for the preacher who delivers the sermon. We all know that we need the help! And then after worship, pray that God would strengthen and encourage us toward transformation.

~The Rev Bill Zettinger

International Outreach in Haiti

St. Bartholomew's is committed to a discipleship that models love for all of God's children near and far, in our local community, around our nation and throughout the world. In January, we began the process of discerning a call to hands-on international ministry by sending a team of four adults to Haiti's rugged Central Plateau, where the small rural village of Loranette is in desperate need of a permanent structure to serve as its community church building and schoolhouse for 300-400 kids. In answer to the invitation to partner with the Loranette community, we hope to build a permanent school building and support ongoing operations as we go deeper in partnership with the community. We will be sharing stories and perspectives on International mission and the partnership with Fr. Noe, a Haitian Episcopal priest, and the Loranette community.

Fr. Noe, an episcopal priest, operates several schools in the region around Hinche, Haiti. Fr. Mark's former parish, St. Dunstan's, helped build permanent facilities for and currently supports one of these schools in Labeque. In the nearby area of Loranette, the Epiphane School both educates and feeds roughly 200 kids every day all under a large canopy tent. A small group from St. Bartholomew's visited the Epiphane school site with Fr. Noe with an eye toward evaluating whether and how our parish here in San Diego might be of service to the children under his care. We also shared a church service with the community. Not only did we see a

great need for a school building but we also were in awe of the amazing voices, the welcoming community and parishioners' hope and trust in God.

What we learned from our trip is that the rural community of Loranette is desperately in need of a community/school building. The cost of building a school of K-6 will be about \$65,000. Once the facility is built, the school will likely serve 300-400 students, many of whom will walk for an hour to reach the school. In addition, the school needs roughly \$1,250 per

month (in salaries for teachers and food for the children) to keep the Epiphane School operating. On our January trip, our group presented a gift in the amount of \$7,500 to the school to fund it for six full months. Now we would like to fundraise for building the school and offering longer term support for operations.

With all this in mind, I ask you for two things. First and foremost, we ask for your faithful and constant prayers for the people and Diocese of Haiti (particularly around Hinche) and for Fr. Noe and his

ministry. Second, we ask you learn more about this international partnership through our upcoming enews articles, forums and an October visit from Fr. Noe, Stay posted for more information.

We ask you to join us in prayer and spirit as we begin our partnership with Fr. Noe and the Epiphane School.

~ JD Cowart, Jim Grandinetti, & Mike Fuqua
Haiti Leadership Team



What's Your Calling?

At St. Bart's there are many ways to use your gifts serving the church and the world. Join us the weekends of August 27/28 and September 3/4 to explore where you might find your place to love and serve the Lord. All welcome!

Ministry leaders: Mark your calendars and plan to join us. Contact Rev. Chris Harris at charris@stbartschurch.org or 858-487-2159 for information and help getting your table or activities organized.



St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church
Treasurer's Report – First Six Months of 2016

This report is intended to accompany the financial statements of St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, Poway, CA, for June, 2016.

For the first six months of 2016, operating income was \$502,305, (\$29,424) less than forecast. The shortfall is primarily attributable to lower than expected pledge receipts for the period, (\$29,448) less than forecast, a 5.5% shortfall. Operating expenses for the period were \$537,843 and essentially on budget in total. For the six-month period, the operating loss was (\$35,538).

Included in the June results are one-time costs of \$8,950 associated with Bill Eichorn's retirement. For the period April thru June, recurring expenses averaged \$86,172 and income averaged \$75,348, therefore a monthly shortfall on average of \$10,824 was realized.

Advanced onetime gifts received in support of hiring the new assistant rector totaling \$37,500 will be taken to income starting in July at the rate of \$6,250 thru December. However, with Mary Lynn's arrival and the ordination of Chis Harris, expenses on a monthly basis will rise by an additional \$8,680.

The General Operating Fund balance sheet reflects liquid assets totaling \$121,215, a reserve for major repairs and replacements of \$16,823 and advanced 2016 pledge and non-pledge gifts of \$55,500. Therefore, our actual available free cash totals \$44,281 including trusts and bequests in the operating fund.

The Preschool shows a year to date operating surplus of \$1,795 and total net assets of \$224,046.

The Outreach Fund at the end of the first six months reflects Vestry Designated Reserves of \$99,334 including \$17,000 of thrift shop operating surplus, Thrift shop truck sinking fund of \$30,357 and Scholarship funds of \$51,978. Temporarily restricted assets total \$19,181 comprised primarily of a domestic outreach fund of \$14,382.

The Endowment Fund shows total net assets of \$686,868 including \$78,300 of permanently restricted endowment and \$519,235 in unrestricted and Vestry designated endowments. Additionally, there is \$539 in Heide fund earnings available to fund scholarship grants and \$39,925 in accumulated permanent endowment earnings available to support ministry.

The columbarium shows total net assets of \$109,097.

The Rector's Funds (Parish Development, Clergy Special Expense, and Pastoral Needs) and associated funds total \$21,147.

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Angus, Treasurer

Regular Meetings

SUNDAY

Interfaith Community Services (ICS) - Merle's Place
4-6 p.m. on the first and third Sunday of the month.
Contact Jill Henderson at 760-807-8445.

Daughters of the King

Third Sunday at 9:15 a.m., Room 3E

MONDAY

Boy Scouts:

7 p.m., Parish Hall

Health and Wellness Ministry:

First Monday at 6:30 p.m., Education Building, Room 3AB

TUESDAY

Centering Prayer:

5 p.m., Education Building, Room 3AB

The Prayers and Squares Quilt Ministry:

Tuesdays (except fifth Tuesday) at 6:30 p.m., Quilt Room

WEDNESDAY

Interfaith Community Services (ICS):

Serve breakfast, fourth Wednesday at 6:00 a.m.

Contact Denny Walters at 760-432-8518.

Thrift Shop Work Night:

Last Wednesday at 4:00 p.m., Thrift Shop

THURSDAY

Book Guild:

Fourth Thursday, 1:00 p.m., Conference Room

B.P.U.S.A. - Bereaved Parents:

Fourth Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Conference Room

P.A.S.S. - Parent Advocates Seeking Solutions:

Third Thursday, 7 p.m., South Parish Hall

SATURDAY

Psalm Singers:

Third Saturday 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary

AA MEETINGS:

Sundays at 6 p.m. - Conference Room

Mondays at 9:30 a.m. - Parish Hall (Women only)

Tuesdays at 12 p.m. - South Parish Hall

Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. - South Parish Hall (Women only)

Wednesdays at 6:45 p.m. - Parish Hall

Fridays at 12 p.m. - South Parish Hall

AL-ANON:

Mondays at 12 p.m. - South Parish Hall

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Deadline for submission of articles and announcements is the 10th of the month for the next month's newsletter. We welcome your submissions of information for publication. Please contact news@stbartschurch.org.

Serving Hearts, Serving Others

Last month Serving Hearts gathered at Cathie Roy's house. Cathie is a beautiful soul who shares her time and talent with St. Bart's as the Pastoral Care Coordinator. On this Saturday in July, she received assistance at her home from Serving Hearts.

As you read in the July issue of *News from the Hill*, *Who is Our Neighbor*, Serving Hearts is a small group of parishioners at St. Bart's who go out into the neighborhood to meet new friends and do good deeds. They help with repair jobs, landscaping, painting and garage clean-outs. After the work is complete, they sit down together and share a meal. If this ministry is calling you, contact Janice Miller to volunteer for the next project.



If you know of someone in the community who needs help at their home, please contact Janice Miller at janicermiller@hotmail.com or 858-254-9586. Remember, no job is too small - from changing light bulbs for an elderly neighbor or any other fix-it or clean-up jobs - we are here. Serving Hearts is truly a body of Christ, poised and ready to help.

~Janice and Kara Miller



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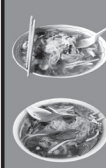
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Donations & Volunteers Needed - St. Bart's Fall Auction

Fall auction? Yes, you read that right. This year our auction will be held Sunday, September 18, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. As always, proceeds benefit programs at St. Bart's. We plan to make this year's auction a community event. Please invite friends and neighbors to join in the auction bidding, great entertainment, Youth Ministry barbecue and fellowship.

Auction Chairs Nancy Walters and Christine Spencer are looking for volunteers to help collect auction donations from parishioners and businesses, staff the Fall Auction table at church, prepare bid sheets and volunteer as an Auction Host.

We invite parishioners to donate items, services and gift cards. You can even re-gift a card you don't plan to use. Consider donating gift cards for shopping, dining and services. Here are a few suggestions: facial, massage, haircut, manicure and pedicure, wine tasting or dessert winery tour, timeshare or resort vacation, martial arts, yoga or Pilates classes, ballroom dance lessons, estate planning, lawn or pool service, carpet cleaning, pet care, IT support, interior design, tax preparation, math tutoring or tickets to the Padres, the Chargers, a movie theater, theme park or symphony.

Everyone has something to offer. Many of last year's most popular items were experiences. Use your imagination to create

a one-of-a-kind experience like a sunset cruise on your boat, theme dinner or wine tasting for 6 at your home, or home-baked cookies delivered monthly to top bidder. Are you a talented musician or singer? How about serenading the auction winner's loved-one his/her birthday or Valentine's Day. Are you a wine aficionado? You can escort top bidder and guest to your favorite area wineries.

Auction donations will be accepted on the patio on the following days/times:

Sundays, August 7-September 11, 9-11:30 a.m.

Saturdays, September 3 & 10 at 4:30 p.m. prior to service only

Consider asking businesses you patronize to donate auction items.

Donations are tax deductible. A donation form is available on our website under News & Info/Calendar & Events.

Contact Nancy Walters at nancy@veryspecialevents.com or Christine Spencer at christinespencer29@yahoo to donate items or help with the auction.

