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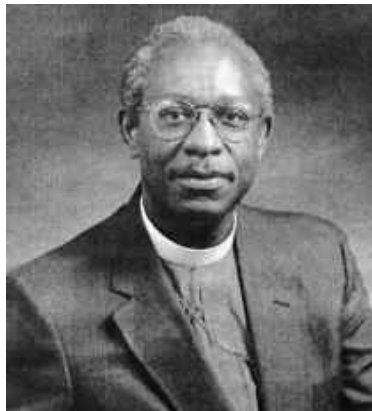
November, 2005

BISHOP TO VISIT ON NOVEMBER 6

The Rt. Rev. Chester Talton, Bishop Suffragan of Los Angeles, will make an official Episcopal Visitation to St. Bede's on Sunday, November 6 at the 10 a.m. service.

At that service, Bp. Talton will dedicate the windows, the primary gift coming in memory of the Rector-Emeritus, Fr. Joe Reeves. He will also bless the new Chapel Altar given in memory of Michael Gallagher's parents. The Bishop will also dedicate two new speaker cabinets and the Choir's "Privacy Screen". He will preside at the baptism of Karen Koons and will confirm or receive Gretchen Hight, Eric Dalquist & Stephen Hunter into the Episcopal Church (those were definite at press-time).

He will also attend the annual Stewardship luncheon and talk about the State of the Diocese of Los Angeles. He will also meet with the Vestry in a brief meeting at the end of his visit.



CHURCH TO BEGIN DISCERNMENT PROCESS IN '06

St. Bede's will engage in a year-long process of discernment called "Natural Church Development" beginning in the new year. A committee composed of Susan Funk, Stephen Hunter, Liz Mohler and the Rector will be working with Bp. Anderson and another member of the clergy. Watch for a letter early in January.

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THIS MONTH

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- Nominations Needed
- Diamond Jubilee Plans
- November Birthdays & Anniversaries

PLEDGE CARDS ARE DUE ON NOVEMBER 6 — PLEASE!!!

CANON JIM'S JOTTINGS

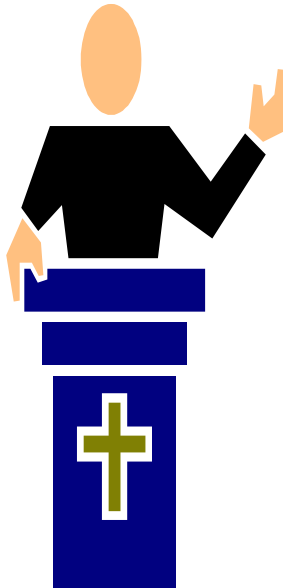
Dear Friends in Christ:

“The Bishop will visit.”

“An Episcopal Visitation.”

We are part of the Episcopal Church, or as it officially named: “The Domestic & Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America”. The first part of the names derives from the fact that at the beginning of the 19th century the land mass we now call the United States was a great mission field (as was the rest of the world). Two hundred years later, I think the same statement can be made!

We were named the Protestant (meaning “not-Roman Catholic”) Episcopal (but having Bishops) Church. And we have always been in more than the United States. Today, our General Convention includes delegates from Micronesia, Colombia, Haiti, Taiwan, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Honduras, Venezuela, Belgium, France, Germany, Switzerland and Italy as well as the United States. On a given Sunday, the Episcopal Church celebrates the Holy Eucharist in English, French, Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese (several), Japanese, Korean, Tagalog, Ilocano, Italian, German, Native American (several), Hawai-



ian and I am sure several more languages.

As I said, we are a Church with Bishops (in Greek, episcopo). They represent the visible unity of the Church. When a new Bishop is ordained, three current Bishops are required to make the ordination “regular”. That line of Bishops can be traced back to the time of Jesus and the Apostles. We call that “Apostolic Succession” and we say that our Bishops are the successors to the Apostles.

The Bishop who will be here on November 6 is the Bishop Suffragan. That means he is the elected assistant to Bishop Jon Bruno. Bp. Talton was elected in 1991 after having served churches in Chicago, St. Paul & New York City. He is the 861st bishop elected in PECUSA since 1784 (there are now over 1,000).

While he is here, Bp. Talton will Confirm & Bless an Altar (two tasks reserved to bishops). He will also bless our new windows, several other pieces of liturgical furniture as well as blessing the baptismal water before I baptize Karen Koons.

However, more than being a “blessing machine”, the presence of the Bishop reminds us of our ties to the Diocese of Los Angeles, to the Episcopal Church in the United States, to the Anglican Communion, and most of all to Jesus our Savior and Lord.

I hope that you will do several things on the 6th: firstly, I hope that ALL people associated with the parish — active members, lapsed members, sometime attendees, former members will come to the 10 a.m. service. Secondly, I hope that they will introduce themselves to the Bishop. Thirdly, I hope that they will ask the Bishop questions about the Diocese and the larger Church. I guess that I also wish they would all come back every Sunday beginning on the 13th.

However, the 6th is a very important day for us. It is the day we celebrate the completion of the work begun with the ground-breaking in the fall of 1966. The windows mark that completion. While we are still contemplating further work on Luther Hall, that is “icing on the cake”.

Please join us to celebrate this great day and welcome Bishop Talton on November 6!

In Christ, **Jim Newman+**

VITAL STATISTICS

Visitors:

Joe & Kat Fern, Nancy Lewis, the Schaffner Family,
Issam Sweis, Johny Sweis, Rodney & Priscilla Heaton,
Julie Butler

Baptism:

Kadin James Kloss, October 9

November Anniversaries:

11/11 Thomas & Jo Ledsam
11/29 Tori & Helmi Hisserich-Patterson

November Birthdays:

11/15 James Newman
11/20 Ned Vaughn
11/25 Jean Boone

NOMINATING COMMITTEE LOOKS FOR NEW LEADERSHIP

At the 2005 special parish meeting, the parish revised its by laws to create two-year terms for the Vestry (eligible for reelection to a second term). At the same time, the Vestry created three “super committees” (Finance, Mission and Program) to oversee parish activities.

St. Bede’s needs your leadership! The Nominating Committee is looking to fill the seats of retiring Vestry members Mike Olsen, Joelle Underwood and Ina Klem. There are 2 two-year terms and 1 one-year term to fill. [This year, Mike or Joelle could run for the one-year term and Ina could run for a second two-year term, although she has announced that she will not.]

The Vestry usually meets on the fourth Monday each month, commits itself to a one-day Vestry retreat (in 2006, Jan. 21), and has some subcommittee work.

The Nominating Committee is also seeking delegate and alternate for two-year terms to represent the parish at the Convention of the Diocese. Traditionally, the alternate moves up to delegate and a new alternate is elected. The current Delegate/Alternate team is Angus Mackay (D) & Frank Basile (A). The Diocesan Convention is held the first Friday & Saturday in December in Riverside (in 2006, Dec. 2-3).

If YOU are interested and wish to offer your name OR if you wish to nominate someone else (after having obtained THEIR permission, please see Mike, Ina or Joelle by Dec. 1.

The election will take place at the 2006 Annual Meeting of the Parish on Sunday, January 15.

NOV. 19 DIAMOND JUBILEE TO HONOR PARISHIONERS AMIDST BEAUTIFUL MUSIC

Five of our “diamond members” will be shining on the night of Saturday, November 19 at St. Bede’s Second Annual Diamond Jubilee celebration. Don & Charlotte Thomas, Jeannette Young and David & Pat Toy (we still claim them even though they now live in Eureka!) will be honored on that evening.

The evening will begin with refreshments and a silent auction in Luther Hall from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. At 7:30, the program in the church will begin. This year, the Los Angeles Choral Artists will present a sampler of their musical talents. Led by renowned young conductor Tony Thornton, they have performed all over the area. [In fact, their Dec. 3 Holiday concert will be at St. Bede’s.]

Following the concert, all will adjourn to Luther Hall for dessert and the culmination of the Silent Auction.

Tickets: Individual—\$ 30; Family— \$ 70. Please **RSVP by November 11, 2005**. All proceeds go to the Renovation of Luther Hall and St. Bede’s Outreach Fund.

NOVEMBER LESSONS

SUNDAYS

November 6, All Saints’ Sunday (Bishop Talton)
Rev. 7.9-17; Ps. 34.1-10,22; 1 John 3.1-3; Matt. 5.1-12

November 13, Pentecost 26 (Mthr. Haynes)
Zephaniah 1.7,12-18; Ps. 123; 1 Thess. 5.1-11; Matt. 25.14-30

November 20, Last Sun. after Pentecost (Canon Newman)
Ezekiel 34.11-16,20-24; Ps. 100; Eph. 1.15-20; Matt. 25.31-46

November 27, Advent 1 (Canon Newman)
Isaiah 64.1-9; Ps. 80.1-7,16-18; 1 Cor. 1.3-9; Mark 13.24-37

WEDNESDAYS

11/2, All Faithful Departed (Canon Newman)
Ps. 130; Wisdom 3.1-9; John 5.24-27

11/9, feria (Canon Newman)
Ps. 2; Wisdom 6.1-11; Luke 17.11-19

11/16, Margaret of Scotland (Canon Newman)
Ps. 146.4-9; Proverbs 31.10-11,20,26,28; Matthew 13.44-52

11/23, Thanksgiving (eve.) (to be announced)
Ps. 65.9-14; Deut. 8.1-3,6-10; James 1.17-18,21-27; Matt. 6.25-33

11/30, St. Andrew (Canon Newman)
Ps. 19.1-6; Deut. 30.11-14; Romans 10.8b-18; Matt. 4.18-22

ST. BEDE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Hear Sunday's Sermon!

SERVICES & CLASSES

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

TUESDAYS 10 am, Morning Prayer & Bible Study

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

BREAKFAST & BIBLE

01 J. Dahler, A. Haynes
08 ***NO CLASS***
15 J. Fox, H. Haddad, M. Kosinski
22 J. Newman, R. Jayne
29 N. Holly, M. Leng

WEDNESDAY EVENING FORUM

NEW TESTAMENT CLASS

11/2: Noncanonical Gospels
11/9: The Historical Jesus—Sources & Problems
11/16: The Historical Jesus—Solutions & Methods
11/23: no class—Thanksgiving eve—special schedule
11/30: Jesus, the Apocalyptic Prophet

VIA MEDIA

An introduction to the Episcopal Church

11/13: The Bible: The Word of God for the People of God
11/20: Sin: Roadblocks to an Abundant Life

ST. BEDE'S VESTRY & STAFF

RECTOR: The Very Rev. Canon James Newman

ASSOCIATE: The Rev. Argola Haynes

ASSISTING:

the Rev. Giles Asbury, the Rev John Hancock

MUSIC DIRECTOR: Frank Basile

FACILITIES MANAGER: Tom Ledsam

VESTRY

Mike Olsen [06] - Senior Warden
Annette Graw [07] - Junior Warden
Joelle Underwood (06)—Clerk
Paul Thompson—Treasurer
Susan Funk (08) Michael Gallagher [07]
Edmonde Haddad [07] Jerry Hornof [08]
Ina Klem [06] Liz Mohler (08)

DELEGATES/ALTERNATES TO CONVENTION

Angus Mackay (D)/Frank Basile (A) - (06)

Kyle Ferstead (D)/Annette Graw (A) - (07)