



# The Epistle

Newsletter of St. Paul's Church  
A Parish in the Diocese of San Joaquin  
Anglican Church of the Southern Cone of America

May, 2009

## St. Paul's Church

120 North Hall Street  
Visalia, California 93291  
Church Office: (559) 732-4821  
Rivera Hall: (559) 732-4822  
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### Office Hours

Monday-Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

### Communion Services

Sundays at 8:00 and 10:30 AM  
Wednesdays at 9:30 AM

### Clergy and Staff

The Very Rev. Richard I. James, Rector  
The Rev. Tancredo R. Pastores, Assistant  
Elaine McKinney, Parish Secretary  
Antoinette Horsting, Financial Secretary  
Melvin Morris, Sexton

### Members of the Vestry

#### 2009

Kathy Bernardi, Kris Bratton,  
Randy Hammond, Kim Robinson,  
Chet Smeds

#### 2010

Amy Gunn, Mary Murray  
Jack Ramirez, Kashy Rowland-Smith,  
William Winn

#### 2011

David Francis, Monica Norton  
John Peters, Harry Tow, Larry Wilds



## Celebrate America

at St. Paul's Church's Annual

## Summer Celebration

Sunday, May 17, 2009

Rivera Hall, 11:45 a.m.

All-American Foods  
including hamburgers, hot dogs,  
corn on the cob, salads, desserts and beverages

Raffles will be held  
Door Prizes will be awarded  
Entertainment will be provided

Adult admission includes 2 Tricky Tray Raffle tickets  
Adults: \$10, Children 5-12: \$6; Under 5: free

Tricky Tray Raffle Tickets: \$1 each  
featuring gift baskets and specialty items and services

American Dream Raffle Tickets: \$10

1<sup>st</sup> prize - \$200 in gift certificates

2<sup>nd</sup> prize - \$100 in gift certificates

3<sup>rd</sup> prize - \$100 in gift certificates

Winners select their gift certificates from a  
large list of stores, shops and services.

Sponsored by St. Paul's Community Service Committee.  
All proceeds will be used to help community  
outreach programs and ministries.

*Your generosity can make the difference!*

## Coffee Hour Teams

Thanks are due to the following persons who have volunteered to be on a coffee hour team this month:

### 8:00 AM

3 Franco & Kathy Bernardi  
Diane Hyde

10 Darryl Smithey  
Janet Smithey

Richard Shaw  
Wendy Johns

17 Bob & Loretta Murray  
Barbara Melton  
Cathy Guadagni

24 Jerry & Darlene Hallberg

31 Michael & Kathy Shannon

### 10:30 AM

Dennis & Brooke Mack  
Millie Moody  
Dorothy Neeley

Marylyn McInnes  
Bernardo & Patty  
Lawrence

Tom & Monica Norton  
Ross & Sarah Bailey

Jim & Betsy Gates  
John & Karon Higgins

Brett & Laurie Hodgins  
Bill & Kathy Nebe



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## Wednesday Nights Out

The Wednesday Nights Out program will conclude on May 13. St. Paul's Church thanks all those who have helped in every way, and especially those who have worked in the kitchen preparing so many delicious meals.

This year's kitchen workers were Kathy Bernardi, Mark and Amy Cave, Linda Fountaine, Beth Kuhn, Paula Lucero, Ann MacDonald, Marilyn McInnes, Judy Ramirez, Darryl Smithey, Cyril and Sue Thompson and Carol Whiteside.

## Thank You!

To our St. Paul's family,

Thank you so much for your prayers and get well cards sent to Greg during his illness. His surgery went well and he is on the road to recovery. Every day he gets a little stronger. Thank you Fr. James for visiting Greg at St. Agnes Hospital.

Our family is blessed to have such a loving church family.

Thank you!  
Greg, Amy, Travis and Katy Gunn

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## From the Parish Records

### Deaths

Pat Akin  
Muriel McDonnell  
Dick Parker – John Parker's and  
Darlene Hallberg's father  
Alice Peterson

### Additions and Changes to the Directory

Clara Williams  
865 North N Place  
Tulare, CA 93274

Chuck and Leeni Mitchell  
4217 W. Elowin  
Visalia, CA 93291

Ralph and Diane Friend  
188 E. Woodward Drive  
Tulare, CA 93274

## Women's Ministries

### *ACW Picnic*

The annual ACW picnic will be held at 11:45 on Monday, May 11, at the home of John and Suzette Peters, 318 N. Fairway in Visalia.

A box lunch will be served. Music will be provided by Richard Garoogian, who plays at the Coffee Company.

Tickets are \$8, and are available from Dorothy Neeley, Carol Whiteside, Dee Manley or Betty Peters.

### *Spring Card Party Thank You!*

Thank you to all the women who brought the delicious salads that helped make the ACW Spring Charity Card Party so well received.

Doris Newman and her team did a great job making the festive May baskets for each table. We also want to thank Peggy Johnson who does such a wonderful job selling our raffle tickets each year, and to Darryl Smithey's niece, Jennifer, who took care of our coffee and cold drink cart all afternoon.

We made \$847, to be used towards community outreach, and we had many compliments on the card party and they want to come again next year!

Thank you all – Esther Scovel and Carol Whiteside

### Daughters of the King



The Daughters of the King will have their next meeting at 10:00, Thursday, May 14. Women interested in learning about the order and its work are welcome.

## Grief Recovery Group

The Grief Recovery Group will meet at 11:00 on Tuesday morning, May 19, at the home of Kashy Rowland-Smith, 2743 W. Harvard Avenue in Visalia. Lunch will be provided.

The group is studying *Understanding Your Grief* by Alan D. Wolfelt, Ph.D. Dr. Wolfelt, author, educator and grief counselor, is known across North America. He serves as Director of the Center for Loss and Life Transition in Fort Collins, Colorado. His books are available in the office for those wishing to participate in the group.

For more information, interested persons should call Kashy Rowland-Smith or Betty Peters.

## Fine Arts Festival

St. Paul's Church will be hosting a fine arts festival on the Feast of Pentecost, Sunday, May 31.

Items created by parishioners will be displayed during both coffee hours, so the parish is looking for members willing to display their artistic endeavors including oils, pastels, ink, sketches, photography, sculptures, woodwork, et cetera.

The festival is intended to provide both encouragement to those involved in the arts and an opportunity for them to show their work. It is hoped that a wide variety of arts and artists will be represented.

Sign-up sheets are in Rivera Hall. Please include your name and category for your art.

For more information please call Kris Bratton or Lawrence Chan.

## CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

### Youth Sunday

Sunday, May 10 will be Youth Sunday, with the youth of the parish serving as greeters, ushers, readers and musicians.

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### Spring and Summer Sunday School

Sunday School classes will continue to be held each week from 9:30 to 10:45 throughout May. In June, classes will meet from 9:15 to 9:45.

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### Children's Chapel

Each Sunday morning, beginning at 10:30, a children's chapel service is offered for the younger children of the parish. Held in the west end of the Henry White Building, the service is designed for young children, with Bible stories, singing and prayer. After chapel, the children are led into the church to join their families during the passing of the Peace.

Beginning Sunday, June 7, Children's Chapel will begin at 10:00.

Anyone with questions about the service, or wishing to assist with it, is invited to talk with Kathie Shannon.

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### Youth Group Bible Study

All high school students are invited to be a part of the parish's youth group. The next meeting will be at 3:30 PM, Sunday, May 24. The group meets in the youth room in the basement.

### Camp H2O Scheduled

Camp H2O is scheduled for July 20-25 at ECCO. This is a summer camp for high school students interested in becoming leaders among their friends, their church, or their schools.

For more information, please speak with Fr. Pastores at 732-4821, or Daniel Marker at 244-4828.

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### Camp San Joaquin

Brochures for Camp San Joaquin are now available in the church office. This year there will be a multi-layered camp that will have age-specific activities for both younger and older campers. The schedule is as follows:

Art, Science and Ecology Camp July 27 - August 1  
Grades 7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>  
Enrichment Camp July 29 - August 1  
Grades 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>

### Spring and Summer Graduations



St. Paul's Church would like to publish the names of those students who are graduating this year.

So that no one is overlooked, those who are graduating, or who have a family member graduating from middle school, high school, junior college, college or graduate school are asked to notify the church office at 732-4821.